

Police identify man fatally shot in Argentine

■Victim's friend arrested, pending arraignment on manslaughter charge

By Sharon Stone
Christopher Baldwin, 28, of Argentine Township, was fatally shot the evening of Saturday, Sept. 22 inside his apartment. His friend, a 22-year-old Argentine Township man, was taken into custody and is expected to be charged with manslaughter.

Argentine Township Police Chief Daniel Allen said the 911 call came in at 7:12 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 22. An unknown caller reported that his friend had been shot in the shoulder at an apartment in the area of S. Seymour and Lovejoy roads.

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“He assumed it was not loaded.”

Daniel Allen
Argentine Township police chief



Christopher Baldwin

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First-degree murder suspects facing trial

■Three charged with stabbing death of 20-year-old

By Vera Hogan
The three individuals charged with premeditated, first-degree homicide and conspiracy to commit murder in the death of Austin Culkins, 20, had their Sept. 24 Circuit Court pretrial hearings rescheduled to Oct. 29. Jury trials are scheduled to begin Nov. 14.



Austin Culkins

Frederick Daniel Clark, 29, Christian Lee Lover, 24, and Mataya Delores Shaw, 23, are charged with murdering Culkins, originally from California, by stabbing him to death in April.

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Renaissance Festival wrapping up



On Sunday, Sept. 23, Jade Ashekerra sells flowers to a Renaissance Festival visitor. As many as 26,000 guests will attend this Groveland Township festival each day, oftentimes in costume, to watch the dozens of performances happening at any given time. The regular festival season ends this coming weekend, with “Festival Friday,” and “Sweet Endings” on Saturday and Sunday.

See more photos and a video at tctimes.com. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Possible rattlesnake in grass behind community center?

By Vera Hogan

Slithery ... slimy ... sly ... serpent seen by the Shiawassee?

That's what one local woman reported on her Facebook page to warn others. She said, “Massasauga rattlesnakes found at the Fenton Millpond/Community Center. This is not a joke and the police department was notified. Please be careful walking downtown, specifically in the grass and with kids or dogs. This one in particular is aggressive.”

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An area resident recently found what she believes to be a rattlesnake lurking in the tall grass behind the community center. Photo submitted to the Times

Police chief gets raise as interim city manager

■Police Chief Scott Sutter will assume city manager role until council finds replacement

By Hannah Ball

Linden — The Linden City Council voted unanimously to approve compensating Police Chief Scott Sutter \$600 a week for his additional work as interim city manager starting Friday, Sept. 28.

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“Since when has it been a law that you have to stand for the national anthem? I've seen people looking around, joking, laughing, and playing with their friends during the national anthem. What about them? What kind of statement are they making?”



“Fenton danger zone. South LeRoy Street, between Owen and South Holly roads. Parking is allowed on both sides of the street. In order to get by the parked cars, one must cross into the oncoming lane. Now when both lanes cross the centerline, bad things could happen, right?”



COMMENT OF THE WEEK
“Running red lights in Fenton is happening all over town at alarming rates. The traffic study never should have been on speed. You are not supposed to try to beat a yellow light. Use common sense and decency or someone is going to get hurt.”

AC units, scrap metal, trailer reported stolen

■ Fenton police believe thefts may be related

By Sharon Stone

Fenton police believe there might be a connection between a stolen enclosed trailer containing scrap metal and several stolen air conditioning units.

Lt. Jeff Cross said a business owner on Torrey Road called Fenton police to report that between 11 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 14 and 7 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15 someone stole their enclosed trailer containing recyclable metal.

A detective reviewed the business surveillance video, which revealed at 11:45 p.m., on Sept. 14, a vehicle backing up to the trailer. Once hooked up, the vehicle pulled out of the parking lot hauling the trailer.

Detectives narrowed down a possible suspect after the suspect turned in the scrap metal at a business in Flint.

Fenton police have a warrant for the arrest of the Burton area suspect and are attempting to locate that person.

Cross said on Sept. 24, at 7 a.m., Fenton police were dispatched to the new Lexington subdivision of Ninth Street on a report of a stolen air conditioning unit. The theft of the new \$2,500 AC unit was discovered when the builder was taking part in an inspection of the home. Police believe the theft occurred between Sept. 21 and 24.

Soon after this complaint, Fenton police responded to another business on Torrey Road to investigate the attempted theft of an industrial sized air conditioning unit. Police believe the attempted theft occurred between Sept. 21 and 24. Cross said the suspect cut all the lines to the AC unit, however it was likely too heavy to lift.

Cross also said Fenton police were notified by the Livingston County Sheriff's Department that their detectives were investigating multiple reports of stolen AC units.

Police suspect that the AC units are being scrapped for their copper components.



Massasauga rattlesnake



Eastern Hognose snake

RATTLESNAKE

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The woman said this particular snake (see front photo) had the rattlers at the end.

According to Fenton Public Works Director Dan Czarnecki, the massasauga rattlesnake is typically elusive and not all that common around here.

"Actually, seeing a massasauga rattlesnake, from a distance, would be quite an experience," he said.

Czarnecki said the city did receive a call about the snake behind the community center.

"We had two DPW guys check it out and they did see it," he said. "From the markings they observed, and the lack of seeing any type of rattle, they thought the snake was an Eastern Hognose Snake." The DPW workers said the snake moved pretty quickly and it escaped their grasp and disappeared, Czarnecki said.

"We in DPW do not profess to be any type of snake experts at all. Since DPW are first responders we get the call and do what we can to help out," he said. "Public safety is our first importance. In this case we tried to catch and remove the snake but it slithered away quicker than we could catch it and did not see it again."

Although it's venomous, the massasauga is a timid snake. It prefers to avoid detection by hiding under vegetation, woody debris or other cover or remaining motionless and relying on its cryptic coloration. When it is disturbed or encountered in open habitat, the massasauga prefers to move to a more hidden location.

Most people in Michigan may never even see a massasauga in the wild because of its secretive behavior. The massasauga also appears to have strong site fidelity, often returning to the same hibernation site or area each year. Studies to date also have found that massasaugas were not able to survive the winter when moved to a new area outside their home range presumably because they were not able to find suitable hibernation sites.

The status assessment reported that the massasauga population in Michigan had declined with about 20-25 percent of the known occurrences in the state considered to be completely destroyed and another 38 percent of the known occurrences considered to be vulnerable or declining. The massasauga status is currently as "Special Concern."

Eastern Hognose snake

The Eastern Hognose Snake is normally between 20 and 33 inches long, however, 45.5 inches is the record. Most have dark spots/blotches on yellowish, reddish or brown background, but some are solid black, brown or olive.

When threatened, this snake spreads its neck to display two prominent black eyespots on its neck and hisses. It may turn over and play dead.

The Eastern Hognose Snake is heavy-bodied and has a flat head with upturned snout. Its belly is yellow-gray with greenish gray pattern.

Massasauga rattlesnake

According to Michigan State University Extension, the eastern massasauga rattlesnake is a unique and fascinating part of Michigan's natural heritage. It is Michigan's only venomous snake, and one of only two rattlesnake species that occur in the Great Lakes region.

It is a small- to medium-sized snake, with adult lengths averaging 2 to 3 feet. The eastern massasauga is primarily associated with wetland habitats but some populations also utilize adjacent upland habitats for parts of its life history.

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- Roll Call: Supervisor Kullis, Clerk Winchester, Treasurer Freeman and Trustee Feeney and Trustee Ruth.
- Approved: Consent Agenda as Amended.
- Presentation: Farmstead Survey Presentation – Ron Campbell and Joe Frost, Oakland County Planning.
- No Action: Purchase Offer – Set Workshop for October 4, 2018 at 6:30.
- Approved: Park Budget Process.
- Approved: 2018 Tax Rate Requests.
- Approved: ZBA Resignation.
- Approved: Sign Ordinance Amendments.
- Approved: Move forward with a Request for an Industrial Development District.
- Approved: 2019 SMART Contract.
- Approved: Tree Maintenance Contract Farm/Cemetery.
- Approved: Public Education Grant (PEG) Project Proposal.
- Approved: Fall Cleanup – October 13, 2018 from 8 am-2 pm at Fire Station 5051 Grange Hall Rd.
- Approved: 2018 Phragmites Treatment.
- No Action: Letter received September 5, 2018 from Holly Heritage Farmstead Foundation re: Control of Foundation.

Karin S. Winchester, MMC
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With nest the future is now

By Tim Jagielo

Programmable, learning thermostats with full digital displays, and security cameras synched to your smartphone might make you think, “the future is now.”

For homeowners, gadgets have kept up with the digital and connectivity revolution.

The company name is as simple as it sounds. The “nest” is your home, and these devices are designed to enhance it.

Nest products include thermostats, cameras, video doorbells, alarm systems, door locks, smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. It also includes Nest “Aware,” the cloud service that records your home video 24/7, allowing you to watch all the footage from your Nest cameras.

Nest products are known for being both state-of-the-art modern, and nicely designed.

Nest Products:



Thermostat

Nest claims that their thermostat can improve efficiency, and pay for itself in two years or less. There are two models, the Nest Learning Thermostat, and the Nest Thermostat E. They cost \$249 and \$169 respectively.

Both allow you to monitor and change the temperature of your home from their smartphone app. Both can adjust the temperature when you’re not at home.

The app can also tell you if there’s a problem with your furnace and furnace filter, and show you your energy history.

The more expensive option includes a full digital display and will remember your temperature preferences, and change it automatically throughout the day. When you’re gone, it turns the furnace down.

Cameras

Nest offers two indoor cameras,

and two outdoor. The two more expensive “Nest Cam IQ” models can tell the difference between a person and a thing, and alert you via smartphone or tablet.

These same cameras can tell when it’s a friend or family member and alert you. Cameras range from \$199 to \$349.

All models let you talk to family through the cameras — or scare off intruders.

Nest Aware allows you to record everything, at all hours of the day for 30 days.



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1968 Miss America pageant sparked first Miss Black America competition, and fired up the women’s liberation movement

Compiled By Vera Hogan

Changes made to the Miss America pageant in 2018 may seem kind of “ho hum” compared to what happened in 1968.

The most well-known demonstration against the pageant was the 1968 liberation picket, in which hundreds of women protested the pageant’s oppressive ideal of femininity. But few people know that yet another protest took place that day just a few blocks away — the first-ever Miss Black America contest. The rival contest

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If I Were King...

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Weird world of words

Like most people, I see and read lots of words every day on computer screens, in newspapers, on TV, signs, menus, billboards, bumper stickers, bills, commercial vehicles — pretty much everywhere you look you will see words.

Most of the words I see affect me in differing ways. Some, like 'willow,' are pleasant and conjure up a vision of a graceful, long-legged colt. Some, like 'bloated,' are disgusting and remind me of painful episodes of ... um, intestinal distress.

Some, like 'burp,' 'cuckoo,' 'croak,' 'hiccup,' 'meow,' 'ping-pong,' 'zip' and 'sizzle' sound exactly like the event or activity they describe. Some, like 'bimonthly,' are ambiguous as to their meaning (twice a month or every other month — hmmm).

Some words are virtually unknown, like 'sororal,' which is the opposite of fraternal, or 'cloward,' the term for a group of cats.

Other words are notable for odd reasons — such as words that exist only in plural form, like 'binoculars,' 'forceps,' 'gallows,' 'glasses,' 'pliers,' 'scissors,' 'shears,' 'tongs,' etc.

There are a few words that I simply cannot tolerate, and so, avoid them whenever possible. A perfect example of a word that should be replaced because nearly everyone is disgusted by it, is 'crotch.' I am proud to say that I have never uttered the word 'crotch' in public — not even in reference to a tree.

Another disgusting word is 'bulbous.' Many people (me not among them) think that bulbous is a noun. Truth be told, bulbous is an adjective. Example: 'The enormous pores in Grampa's bulbous

nose could hold enough mustard to supply a New York City deli for a month.' I don't mind 'bulb.' I can tolerate the versatile and handy 'ous.' It's only when you couple them that the result resembles the genetically unfortunate child of two beautiful parents who each inexplicably (one of my favorite words) provided their worst physical features and traits to their butt-ugly spawn.

But, I digress.

Another awful word is 'jowls.' Webster's repugnantly defines 'jowls' as 1) a fold of flesh hanging from the jaw, as of a very fat person, or 2) the meat of the cheek of a hog, or 3) the dewlap of cattle. 'Jowls' is also unique in the sense that the facial contortions required to pronounce it actually produce jowls on the unfortunate speaker — a phenomenon known as 'Nixonitis.'

Even 'word' is weird. Shouldn't it rhyme with 'lord,' 'cord' or 'ford,' not 'turd,' 'curd' or 'bird'?

And who came up with philtrum (space between nose and upper lip), glabella (flat space above the nose, between the eyebrows) and tragus (the little bump in your ear, above the lobe).

If I were King, all body part names would be royally restricted to one syllable. If 'brain' and 'heart' can be one syllable, so can any other part.

And what the hell is a dewlap?

Never mind. I don't want to know.

And that's my final word.

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FOSTER CHILDS

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HERE'S A QUIZ for our informed citizenry. Who said this? 'Puerto Rico is an island surrounded by the Gulf of Mexico.' A — a fifth-grade student, B — President Trump, C — a drunken bum, D — none of the above.

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HOW TOUGH IS a man who dodges military service because of bone spurs? Trump has much to hide. Where are his tax returns?

DEADLINE IS OCT. 9 to register to vote in the mid-term elections. If you are over 60 years of age or will be out of town Tuesday, Nov. 6, stop by your city, town or village office today to apply for an absentee ballot. We need you.

NOBODY KNOWS WHAT real trouble is until you find out you can't walk anymore and probably never will again.

YOU ARE BLAMING Obama for a cop being shot, NFL kneeling for this cop being shot and lack of respect for the police?

TRUMP'S PRESIDENCY HAS given us the best economy in 70 years and he's

not done yet. He is getting ready for tax cuts part two later this year. All of this is designed to improve the jobs and business environment for all Americans.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY will lean more toward socialism should the Democrats get back into power. The Democratic Party is apathetic to this. We will also see increased taxes and increased regulations, more anti-police, anti-military and anti-U.S. rhetoric. I cannot believe that this is what people want for our country.

SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS do not get 'mixed' up, are not mistaken. Unfortunately, their memories never fade, even after decades.

NO MORE TAXES. Government should operate like we citizens do and budget money for necessary items. Don't buy a butterfly when you need to fix roads. No more taxation.

FOSTER CHILDS' COLUMN on the decline of America and values nailed it. We must take our country back. Go Trump. Drain the swamp.

FOR THE ONE who says taxes are a part of all governments. If you have a Democrat president — more taxes, more welfare, more food stamps, lower GDP. If you have a Republican president — less taxes, fewer on welfare, fewer on food stamps, higher GDP. Not even saying anything about unemployment.

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Have you ever wanted to start a business?

street talk



"I would go into clothing. I would sew. It's hard to find sewing patterns and sewing supplies now because the industry isn't here anymore. I used to sew my children's clothes."

Sandra Hayden
Fenton Township



"I already did. Lawn fertilizing. I've worked at golf courses my whole life and I wanted to do my own thing."

Karl Lesch
Rose Township



"Environmental cleaning. Just because there are so many chemicals in products and it affects the rates of cancer. Finding a way to safely clean your home."

Jeanette Crowe
Grand Blanc



"We manufacture bags for pick up trucks, side by sides. Our new bag got picked up by FEMA. For the hurricanes, FEMA uses the bags to drop off food for families. It protects your belongings."

Julie Dooling
Fenton



"I'd probably go into daycare. Some kind of children and animal related business. That's something I would love."

Darlene Lozuaway
Fenton Township



1968
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was or ganized to challenge the racial exclusion of the Miss America pageant, which had never had a black contestant. By 1968, the Atlantic City chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was determined to break the beauty queen color line. In a meeting with pageant officials, chapter leaders pushed for integration. The pageant responded with nominal changes. Organizers added black judges and set up a scholarship fund to encourage black contestants. But without any black state finalists in the ranks, it was too late for any to participate in the 1968 national event.

Dismayed that black women would be sidelined for yet another year, an activist named Phillip Savage and an entrepreneur from Philadelphia named J. Morris Anderson teamed up to create their own all-black pageant to take place in Atlantic City during the Miss America pageant.

The aim of Miss Black America was to celebrate black women as beautiful, in defiance of American cultural norms that upheld whiteness as the standard of beauty

The pageant protest drew national media attention.

On the day of the event, black beauty queens rode in a motorcade down the Atlantic City boardwalk before taking the stage of the Ritz-Carlton hotel for swimsuit, talent and evening gown competitions.

The winner — a college student named Sandra Williams — was dressed in a white gown and tiara, much like any Miss America hopeful. But she also wore her hair in a short natural style, performed an African dance as her talent and defended black women as beautiful to reporters.

Meanwhile, the women’s liberation

movement, which was just coming into existence, was making rumblings of its own.

In the previous year , women around the country had begun discussing and raising awareness of the sexism ingrained in everyday American life. A loose network of women’s liberation groups soon formed across many cities, and they started planning their first major coordinated protest. Their target was the Miss America pageant.

Upon descending on Atlantic City , women’s liberation protestors distributed a leaflet that proclaimed “No More Miss America!” In it, they denounced the pageant as “Racism with Roses.”

An African-American lawyer and activist named Florynce Kennedy had played a prominent role in the protest. She was known for her theatrical style of demonstrating and intersectional politics — and was always eager to draw connections between racist and sexist oppression.

Kennedy’s participation on the boardwalk was no exception. To emphasize how women were enslaved to beauty standards, she chained herself to a giant puppet of Miss America. Another demonstrator conducted the proceedings as a cattle auction, announcing, “Yessiree boys, step right up! How much am I offered for this number one piece of prime American property? She sings in the kitchen, hums at the typewriter , purrs in bed!”

Thanks to civil rights and feminist activists, 1968 was perhaps the most exciting year in the Miss America pageant’s history. The Miss Black America contest, despite starting with only 12 contestants, went on to become an annual event in its own right. The women’s liberation protest instantly became a symbol of the movement.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

FOR THOSE OF you with short memories. Just go back a few years when McCain was running against the anointed one for president. Can you remember all the things the mainstream media said about him?

PEOPLE, THE ECONOMY is good. But it seems like we have organized crime running the country.

I CAN’T BELIEVE how ignorant people are saying Obama started the anti-police rhetoric and he and Nike are celebrating ‘...one less police officer who’s in their way.’ Where do you come up with this stuff?

COME ON ALL you veterans and voters. Let’s support a great person who’s for the Michigan Senate, Debbie Stabenow. Time to keep experience and the fresh air she represents.

SHOWS HOW SOME things just don’t matter to Republicans, like if a person attempts to rape and suffocate a woman. Or if you pay off someone to keep silent your infidelities. Time matters or is it excusable?

IT’S TIME TO change the appointment for life on the Supreme Court. We no longer live in George Washington’s time.

I’LL BET YOU believe that misbehaving harassment is a ‘sham.’ I feel sorry for you and all the females you come in contact with. Men have no defense? How about not doing anything that you have to defend? The majority of men are decent and respectful.

THAT NEW STARBUCKS plaza needs a consignment shop, Italian restaurant, an expensive restaurant, an overpriced restaurant, and pizza place. That would be the perfect plaza.

I AM AMAZED that Democrats who profess to be the party of dignity and civility can get away with calling those who don’t agree with their ideas the dregs of society and deplorable. Goes to show how civil they really are.

WELL, I GUESS Mexico is not paying for the wall after all.

THE U.S. REGAINED the oil producing title and gas still hasn’t gone back down under \$2 yet, like someone previously bragged. Shocker.

ISN’T IT ILLEGAL to consume alcohol on school property?

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Two escape injury in plane incident

■ Gust of wind flips small plane after pilot lands successfully on Lake Shannon

Compiled By Sharon Stone

On Friday , Sept. 21, at approxi - mately 6:47 p.m. deputies from the Livingston County Sherif Department were dispatched to Lake Shannon in Deerfield Township for an air plane crash.

Upon arrival, it was determined that a single engine float plane being piloted by the 57-year -old owner , Harmon Pierce of Deerfield Township had successfully landed and was taxi- ing to the his dock when a strong wind gust flipped the plane upside down in the water.

Pierce and an 18-year-old male pas- senger were able to escape the plane



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unharmed and we re re scued by a boater on the lake.

Deputies on scene were assisted by members of the Hartland Area Fire Authority and Livingston County EMS. A report was made with the Federal Aviation A dministration, which will look into the incident fur- ther, and the Michigan Department of Environmental Equality.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

■■■
MY FAVORITE PART of the Kavanaugh controversy is how people who are absolutely convinced they know exactly what happened at an event in 1983.

■■■
TO THE PERSON who said the developer of the new plaza on Owen Road lied about Pizza Hut and Big Boy being in there. That was false. Pizza Hut actually backed out from the development and no word was spoken about Big Boy.

■■■
WHILE THE WEALTHY 1 percent are burning \$1,000 bills to heat their drug spoons, only the gullible celebrate Trump's piddly tax cut.

■■■
IF YOU BELIEVE in diversity and equality, you're a racist? Do you even know what these words mean? I'm pretty sure they don't make you a racist but if you're a true American, you believe in them.

■■■
THIS FOOLISH ONE will give it a try. 'The anointed one, Obama' came into office with negative economic growth in the country. He left with companies recording record profits. That shows an economy that was growing, notwithstanding all the new 'regulations' and higher taxes. So who is the foolish one?

■■■
THE BLUE WAVE is coming and anyone who says otherwise is in denial.



Vera Hogan

The Generation GAP



Hannah Ball

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 makes you the most proud, and the least proud, of your generation?

Vera Hogan

I am most proud that we are still among the people who trusted each other . A handshake sealed a deal and gave your word. Our generation is more hard-working. We're nicer to each other. We're definitely more religious.

I'm g rateful that we were able to have such an idyllic child - hood, growing up in the '50s and '60s. I remember growing up in the country; I had to be within earshot of Mom, but I was never afraid of anything. When we moved to the Chicago area, I could take two city buses to get to the den- tist, and never had to worry about safety.

I'm personally proud of members of my generation who got past the drug cul- ture. It was either drugs or Vietnam that took peoples' lives too early. If you're alive today, bless your heart.

I'm least proud that we're not very open-minded about some things. I think the younger generation is more open to sexual orientation, gender issues, things like that. Some people in my generation still can't accept other races — it was just the times we grew up in.

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“It was either drugs or Vietnam that took peoples’ lives too early. If you’re alive today, bless your heart.”

Hannah Ball

I grew up in the crosshairs of learning about cell phones and technology . We were the first generation of smartphones and social media. I'm proud of how we've dealt with that.

I'm proud that my generation re - searches facts before shooting out an opinion. I'm proud that we think more about inclusivity than past generations. I like that my generation likes to call out politicians on their BS.

I'm least proud of how much we're online. I have a bad addiction to social media and technology. As much as I like reading and writing, when I'm going on a hike, I still feel the need to check my phone. I hate that. I hate that I need to feel connected all the time.

A lot of people my age aren't willing to consider that the older generation grew up in much more racist times than we did, so it might take them longer to recognize homophobia and their own racist beliefs.

I think it's funny how much we loved “Jersey Shore” (TV air date: 2009-2012), back when we were in high school. It was our guilty pleasure. I like seeing what the cast is up to now Most of them seem like good people.

“We were the first generation of smartphones and social media. I’m proud of how we’ve dealt with that.”



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Police responded to an apartment in the 16000 block of S. Seymour Road and secured the area. The victim, Baldwin, was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Allen said inside the apartment at the time of the shooting were the victim, the suspect, the victim's girlfriend who lives at the apartment, and another male. The police chief said the suspect was visibly upset.

Allen said from their investigation, the suspect, who was expected to be ar- raigned Tuesday, Sept. 25, and Baldwin "horsed around" a lot with the handgun, to the protest of Baldwin's girlfriend.

The suspected weapon is a 9mm semi-automatic handgun, which police recovered. Allen said police were told that the suspect removed the magazine from the weapon and believed the gun was unloaded when he aimed it at his

friend. The police chief said despite pulling out the magazine, a cartridge remained in the chamber.

"He assumed it was not loaded," Allen said.

"It's sad to me," Allen said. "It's just sad."

The handgun was registered to Bald- win and that was the only weapon recovered from the apartment Saturday night. The police chief said alcohol was not suspected, however, toxicology tests are pending, which is standard procedure.

After the Genesee County Prosecuto's Office reviews the evidence, they are expected to charge the suspect Tuesday. Allen said a manslaughter charge is a felony and can result in any length of time in prison, up to 15 years if convicted.

Assisting Argentine Township police were Linden police, the Genesee County Sheriff's Office and Michigan State Police.

Staff reporter Hannah Ball contrib- uted to this article.

Our Future



Meet

Hayden Mahakian

- Linden High School senior
- AP student
- Future law student

By Hannah Ball

Hayden Mahakian, 17, is a senior at Linden High School who's been applying to colleges. He plans to study actuarial science, and then attend law school after undergraduate school. He played "Eric" in the movie, "Warrior Pride," which is expected to come out in spring 2019.

Do you know what a rotary phone is?

It's super old timey but they're hooked into the wall and they've got the dial. I'm not totally off base.

What living person do you admire besides your family?

I like Neil DeGrasse Tyson. With those people, with astrophysicists, you get these amazing mindsets and you think of things in ways that no one could ever fathom or imagine.

How do you think school is different now than it was for your parents?

I think there were a lot more personal connections back in the day because they didn't have a phone. You had to physically talk to the person. On the surface, I act like texting is easier, but deep down my generation is kind of losing that personal connection with others.

If you got \$1,000, where would you donate it?

Probably the Feeding America food banks, especially the one in Flint. It's just giving back to people in the community. It would be very beneficial.

What decade would you want to time travel to?

I hear anyone over 30 go on and on about how great the '80s were. I kind of want to see if it's all up to the hype.

What problem do you think your generation will face in 10 years?

We're definitely going to have to deal with climate change, which is real. There are so many issues now. With technology, we're going to have to use that to preserve what we have left. With NASA and Space X, I feel like we're going to have to talk about colonizing Mars, which I think is going to be a big thing soon.

Farmstead project hits snag

■ Miscommunication delays project and could cost township \$12,000

By Tim Jagielo

Holly Twp. — From the outside, the Holly Heritage Farmstead is idyllic with its white farmhouse and red barn sitting on a brand new concrete foundation.

But underneath, a big problem is slowing the project down and could cost the township money.

At several critical locations, the floor beams aren't lining up with the attachment points of the foundation itself, called pilasters. Nor are the concrete bases for the vertical floor supports.

Without the proper support, the floor of the barn won't be able to support visitors, as it has been redesigned to do.

See **FARMSTEAD** on 10



Last week, the Holly Heritage Farmstead at 13409 N. Holly Rd. encountered problems with the new poured foundation. (See detail photo) Some of the concrete support structures don't match the future steel beam locations, and they must be expanded to match. Photo: Tim Jagielo

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NEWS BRIEFS

Engineers hired to write trail system grant

Earlier this month, the Fenton City Council unanimously agreed to give City Manager Lynn Markland permission to apply for a Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grant for \$432,000. The funds, if the grant is approved, will go toward the LAFF (Linden, Argentine, Fenton and Fenton Township) Pathway project, a non-motorized community pathway aimed at connecting Linden, Argentine, Fenton and Lake Fenton. On Monday, Sept. 24, council members agreed to allow Markland to hire NF Engineers, the firm that has been working with the LAFF Pathway Group, to write the TAP application at a cost not to exceed \$4,800. The grant would be for \$432,000 and the matching funds would be \$108,000, which would come from several participants. The city of Fenton's share of those matching funds would be \$15,000. Markland said he doesn't expect construction on the LAFF Pathway project to begin any time before the year 2020.

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Are you afraid of heights?

■ One option for overcoming possible debilitating condition is trying virtual reality

Compiled by Hannah Ball

It can happen when you ride a Ferris wheel or when you're on a tall roller coaster. You can feel the panic when you're in a tall building on one of the highest levels, or even when you're on a ladder.

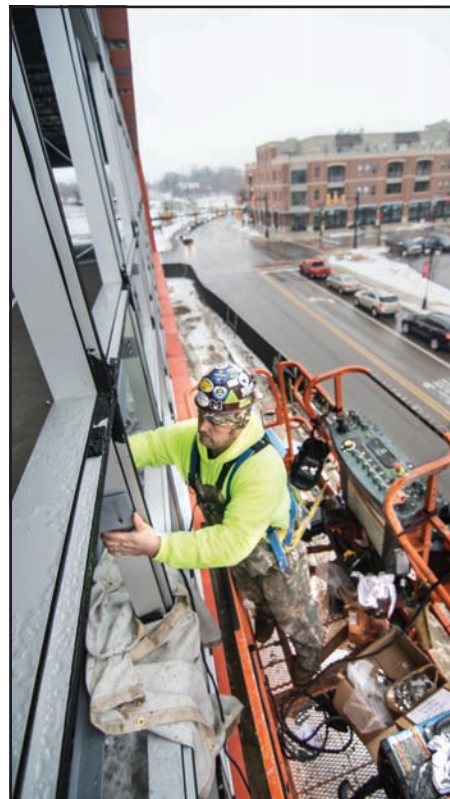
Acrophobia, also known as the fear of heights, affects about 5 percent of the population, which is approximately 16 million people. This condition is twice as common for women compared to men. The word "acrophobia" is derived from the Greek word for heights, which is "acron," and the Greek word for fear, which is "phobos."

While this fear is often used as a punchline to a joke, this phobia can be debilitating to someone's everyday life. People living with acrophobia can often feel uncomfortable on a tall hill, in a glass elevator or on an escalator, watching as the ground gets farther away.

Symptoms

"Vertigo" is a word commonly associated with the fear people feel related to heights. It feels like an unpleasant sensation of spinning. Other indicators of fear of heights include shaking, sweating, feeling terrified or paralyzed and wanting to crawl on your hands and knees.

Some people may have a panic attack,



Glazier Don Calvin installs window frames on the south façade of The Horizon Building in Fenton on Wednesday, Jan. 10. Many construction professions require working at heights. *Times file photo*

or experience headaches and dizziness or heart palpitations.

Causes

Being afraid of heights can stem from humans' innate need to avoid a fall and injuries. It's not unusual for people to feel hesitant or not completely safe in high areas, but that fear becomes terrifying for those with acrophobia.

Psycom.net describes phobias as a "hyper-reaction" of a normal fear response. Some people develop this phobia after a fall from a high place.

Overcoming the phobia

One way to overcome a phobia is to face it head-on. With cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT), the individual is exposed to the fearful experience and they learn how to stop the fear and regain control of their emotions.

More and more research is being conducted using virtual reality (VR) to overcome these fears. Instead of actually climbing a ladder or going on a Ferris wheel, someone can put on a VR headset and feel like they're in those situations without the actual height.

A few medications, such as beta blockers or sedatives can be used as a short-term solution on a plane. Using the drug D-cycloserine with CBT has been shown to be effective in clinical trials, but more research is needed, according to psycom.net.

Source: psycom.net



Mark McCabe

67th District Court

Ask the

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The 2018 Michigan ballot proposals — Part II

All of the "proposals" were initiatives. The three enacted into law retained this designation as they won't appear on the ballot.

The first of these initiatives repeals a 1965 Michigan statute, which required contractors bidding on state projects to agree to pay wages and fringe benefits to their employees, which are typical or "prevailing" in the area where the work is to be done.

The second increases the minimum wage for hourly wage employees, tipped employees, and for employees under 18 years of age. It also provides for various types of overtime compensation.

The third requires employers to provide employees with paid sick leave. Small employers must allow employees to accrue 40 hours per year and large employers must allow 72 accrued hours.

Turning now to the three initiatives, which have become ballot proposals, under the law each will have an impartial caption and a 100-word or less impartial description of the purpose of the amendment or question before the voter is asked — "Should This Proposal Be Adopted?"

Both the caption and description are important as the actual texts of the proposals do not appear on the ballot.

Proposal 18-1 is a new statute, which would legalize the possession and use of marijuana and products by people who are 21 years of age or older. It would also allow personal use cultivation of up to 12 plants, commercial sales of marijuana, taxation of those sales, changes certain criminal laws to civil infractions and provides for other licensing and marijuana possession quantity limits.

Proposal 18-2 is a Constitutional Amendment, which would change the way Michigan's federal and state voting districts are drawn.

Currently the state legislature determines the boundaries every 10 years. If approved, this determination would be made by a 13-member independent redistricting commission.

Proposal 18-3 is a Constitutional Amendment, which provides for eight separate voting policies to become Constitutional rights.

I won't list them all here. Highlights include easier voter registration, "no excuse" absentee ballots and the reintroduction of the straight ticket voting option, which was just eliminated a few weeks ago.

The above are very brief summaries. Hopefully, every voter will learn more about these proposals in the weeks to come. A wonderful starting point is the website "Ballotpedia."

Part I was published in the Wednesday, Sept. 19 Midweek edition.

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Nest Secure

This alarm system includes three pieces of hardware. The Nest Guard is the brains of the system, and includes the alarm, keypad and motion sensor. To monitor doors and windows, the Nest Detect is installed. The Nest Tag is keychain sized, and arms and disarms the system.
With all of the systems, an app for your smartphone or tablet is included to send you alerts.
The base system costs \$399, and it can work with Nest cameras and doorbell.



Door Lock

This system allows for keypad, and remote smartphone entry to your home. The unit has a digital keypad and a dead-bolt for \$249. The software is created by Nest, while lock maker Yale builds the locking mechanism.

Nest Protect

Smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms are also high tech, and connected to your smartphone. It also can tell you verbally in which room there is smoke, such as burning toast in the kitchen. It also doesn't chirp at you, and tests itself regularly.
A three-pack costs \$329.



The products are available at nest.com, or at local retailers like The Home Depot, Target and Walmart.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

QUESTION FOR 'YESTERDAY in Kansas, a police officer was shot to death.' Was the shooter placed on paid leave with no charges? Taking a knee to protest the shooting of unarmed Americans by police offends you why?

LOVED THIS YEAR'S concerts in the park. It was the best year ever. Bring back Magic Bus and all the same bands next year. Thank you.

PRESIDENT OBAMA NOMINATED Merrick Garland to the Supreme Court. Republicans refused to hold a vote citing the upcoming election. Never before in our country's history had this been done. Now, Republicans are rushing through a nominee in an election year.

PLEASE STOP BLOCKING Silver Lake Road at the U.S. 23 ramp. If people let you in when the light at Fenway is red that is fine, but when the light at Fenway turns green the traffic on Silver Lake Road needs to proceed so as not to block the traffic going back to Silver Parkway or the entry ramp for turning right on Fenway.

TO THE PERSON asking when the last time a professional sports team from Detroit has won a national championship. I will help you out. The Detroit Red Wings won in 2008 and as of 2018, the Red Wings have won the most Stanley Cup championships of any NHL franchise based in the United States.

WE JUST DINED at a restaurant. We paid with a credit card and they added a 3-percent credit card processing fee and told us that as of Sept. 15, this fee will be added to all credit card payments. They did not have this change posted anywhere to alert customers. We will not be dining there again.

IN ORDER TO destroy Republicans, the Democrats are willing to destroy America. The 'Me Too' movement is being used to destroy the constitutional rights of every American. We no longer are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

DOES IT SEEM ironic to anyone that the same people who are furious that people don't want to invest billions in a border wall because an illegal immigrant in New Jersey killed a woman, are perfectly fine opposing gun control even though almost 1,300 children under the age of 17 were killed in gun deaths last year?

POLICE & FIRE
REPORT

FENTON TOWNSHIP WOMAN
ARRESTED

Lisa Ann Miller, 50, of Fenton Township, was arraigned Friday, Sept. 21 on one count of resisting and obstructing police, one count of disturbing the peace and one count of stalking. The charges stem from when Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the 13000 block of Lia Court in Fenton Township Tuesday, Sept. 18, on a report of a disorderly person. During her arraignment, a personal bond of \$5,000 was ordered. A probable cause conference is scheduled for Oct. 4 at 8:30 a.m.

LARCENY ON WINDSOR BEACH

On Thursday, Sept. 20, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the 12000 block of Windsor Beach in Fenton Township for a larceny complaint. The incident remains under investigation.

ATTEMPTED AUTO THEFT

On Friday, Sept. 22, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the 14000 block of Swanee Beach in Fenton Township for an attempted vehicle theft complaint. The incident remains under investigation.

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CITY MANAGER

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This vote comes after current City Manager Paul Zelenak accepted a job with South Lyon. This is Zelenak's last week with Linden.

Sutter has been interim city manager twice before for Linden.
“It's going to be a challenge because we've got a lot going on in the city. At the same time, we've got a good staff, we've got a good council, and we've got a great community and we're going to move forward,” Sutter said.

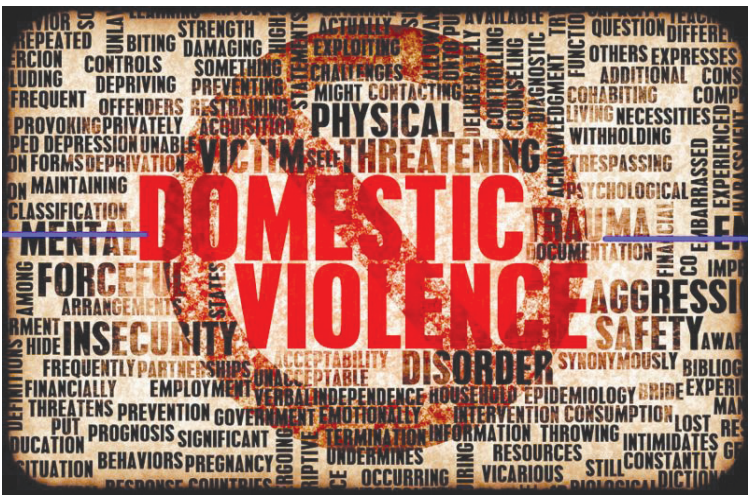


Scott Sutter

Mayor Danielle Cusson thanked Zelenak for his five years of work with the city.
“We are going to miss you. We wish you all the best with your new assignment,” said Councilor Ray Culbert.

Search for a new city manager

The council discussed going for multiple bids before hiring the Michigan Municipal League to search for a new city manager.
Councilor Brad Dick expressed concerns over the high price. He said the MML hasn't hired the past five major city managers in the area.
Culbert spoke in favor of making sure the process is fast. Zelenak said the process of going for bids takes a few weeks and they'd have to set criteria for what exact work they want done.
Cusson made a motion to postpone this decision to allow for time to get information from other human resource companies.



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FARMSTEAD

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The township took the project on four years ago to save the approximately 120-year-old, 80-ton barn. Today, there's a vision of turning the site into a venue that could support agricultural education, and even offer a music and wedding venue.

Phase I cost \$151,000, which included moving the barn of the cobblestone foundation, and pouring a brand new one. The foundation is set, and the barn is moved back on top.

Holly Township Supervisor George Kullis is spearheading the project, and was recently alerted to the problem. He had a meeting with the project architect, engineer, and contractor, which yielded a path to fixing the issue, but it will cost \$12,000.

Instead of pointing fingers or entering litigation, all parties will likely have to pay a little in time and money to fix the pilasters and concrete bases, by adding more concrete where needed.

Each of the parties is also insured through a bond to protect client and contractor alike.

Kullis thinks there was a disconnect between the architect's measurements, and the engineer and contractor who did the work on-site.

The architectural plans specify that the engineer should check the drawings at the site, while the engineer's policy is to

go by the specific numbers on the plan, possibly leading to the error in this case.

"Let's find a way to fix this without going to court," Kullis said, adding that it appears to be happening. "I think we've made some good headway ... I think we're on target. It's not the end of the world; we just have to get it fixed."

The other side of the project is the master plan, which includes survey results from 220 community members on what they'd like to see at the site.

The township will take these results and develop a master plan, which will be approved by the Board of Trustees. Kullis estimates that overall, the project could cost up to \$500,000 to completely redevelop the site into a venue, with restrooms, and an ADA compliant facility. It could also include a gazebo.

"We're going to develop it as a destination, a place to come and enjoy," he said. "We want it to reflect the farming heritage of the community."

The first \$90,000 or so was for everything up to pouring the new floors upstairs and down. The remaining \$50,000 is for replacing box stalls, putting walls back in and hanging the doors. Kullis hopes it will be done next month, though it was originally planned for mid-summer.

Along with pouring floors, a tree service will be hired to start clearing dead wood, and provide better care for the trees on the property.

"I think we're on target. It's not the end of the world; we just have to get it fixed."

George Kullis
Holly Township supervisor

TRIAL

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The three suspects, all from Owosso, face life in prison without possibility of parole if convicted of the charges.

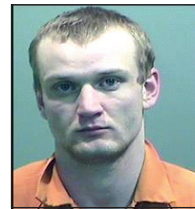
Culkins was found in a Mundy Township field, near Baldwin and Jennings roads, on Saturday, April 21.

Residents in the 9300 block of S. Jennings Road called 911 just before 11 a.m. that morning. They said they saw a truck, which turned out to be an older model GMC pickup with California license plates, by some trees in the middle of their farm field at the northwest corner of S. Jennings and Baldwin roads. They found Culkins lying next to it.

Witnesses testifying earlier this summer included Anne Davies, a Metro Police Authority of Genesee County officer. Davies was the first to respond to the 911 call on a body being found in a Mundy Township field.



Mataya Delores Shaw



Christian Lee Lover



Frederick Clark

After allegedly stabbing Culkins to death, it is believed the trio went to a nearby gas station. After they left, the gas station clerk noticed the wrapper from a stolen store item in the restroom and called 911.

Officer Gunner Wright of the Grand Blanc Township police stopped the three on foot. He said he found a pair of blue latex gloves with a red substance on them. Clark admitted to Wright that it was blood. He said he was drunk at a bonfire the night before and had hit his head on a tree.

All three were arraigned April 27. Currently, Clark is being represented by Major White, an attorney he retained. Lover is being represented by Glenn Cotton, who was appointed, and Shaw is being represented by Archie Haymen, a retired Genesee County court judge, who she retained.

Cotton filed a motion on Sept. 24 for separate juries.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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Tigers' running game, defense dominates vs. Clio Mustangs

By Michael Pearce

Fenton — In front of a packed homecoming crowd, the Fenton varsity football team shut out Clio. The visiting Mustangs stood no chance against the run-heavy Tiger offense, as Fenton won 42-0.

"It was really cool to win in front of this crowd," senior Logan Welch said. "The hype for this week is unlike any other week, except for maybe Linden week. To come out here and perform the way we did, it was really special."

Welch scored two passing touchdowns and one rushing touchdown, totaling 158 passing yards and 41 rushing yards. The

team's game plan was run-heavy, as Fenton varsity football coach Jeff Setzke relied heavily on Welch, Spencer Rivera and Lance Mercord to establish a ground game.

"Running is kind of going to be our MO," Setzke said. "We have a big offensive line with a lot of experienced guys, our running backs are seniors who have played a lot of football. It's what we want to do."

Both Rivera and Mercord were utilized consistently throughout the first half, wearing down the Clio defense. Rivera and Mercord each scored within the first four minutes of the game, as Fenton got out to a 14-0 lead with 7:39 to go in the first quarter.

"Coming out of the locker room we knew we had to start strong," Welch said. "We had to come out hard for the crowd. It's homecoming, you can't lose this game. It really did set the tone for the whole team."

Fenton moves to 5-1 on the season with the win against Clio. This game marked only the second home game for the Tigers on the season.

After losing the first game of the season, Setzke said he is pleased with the team's improvement on the year.

"We've come a long way since that first game," Setzke said. "It's tough when you lose your quarterback in the first quarter and you have to regroup like we did in the first game. I'm very pleased with what we've done so far. It's a very good football team, we just have to keep grinding and work on getting better each week."

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Sports Time



Fenton's Mike Miller prepares to snap the ball to quarterback Logan Welch during a recent contest.

Eagles' defense makes a stand vs. Kearsley

By David Troppens

Linden — Win or lose, the Kearsley varsity football team hasn't had too many problems scoring points this season, averaging over 30 points a game.

That wasn't the case Friday night during Linden's homecoming football game.

The Eagles played their best defensive contest of the season, shutting out the Hornets in a 28-0 Metro League victory.

Kearsley did manage 229 yards total offense, but turned the ball over twice and converted just 2-of-10 third downs and just 1-of-4 fourth downs. Conversely, Linden's offense mustered a more respectable 364 yards total offense while converting 5-of-10 third downs and converting the only fourth down the Eagles attempted.

"It was nice to see the team compete for a full four quarters and hold a very good and high potent offense out of the end zone," Linden's co-head varsity football coach Nick Douglass said. "We still have some things to clean up in order to get ready for Swartz Creek this week."

The first half was a defensive struggle



Linden's Ryan Wilbrink (76), Noah Quesnelle (9) and Wyatt Gocha (33) team up to tackle a Kearsley ball carrier. The Eagles' defense shut out Kearsley 28-0 Friday. Photo: Mark Bolen

with Linden scoring the only touchdown of the half with 4:28 left until intermission. It was scored on an eight-yard run by Samiere Johnson. Carson Kelley con-

verted his first of four extra-point kicks and the Eagles (3-2) led 7-0, taking that lead into the half.

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Linden's Joey Spencer (right) has a fight on national cable television Sunday. It will be his fifth fight of his professional boxing career. Photo: Trappfotos

Spencer ready for fifth fight on Sunday

By David Troppens

Joey Spencer's busy first year as a professional boxer is going to get a little busier on Sunday.

Spencer will compete in his fifth professional bout in a little more than seven months when he faces Cory Macon at the Citizens Bank Arena in Ontario, California as a part of FS1's Premier Boxing Champions program Sunday at 9 p.m.

This will represent the fourth straight time Spencer will be one of the televised bouts during a Premier Boxing Champions program. His bout is scheduled for four rounds.

Spencer has quickly made a name for himself in the super welterweight division. The Linden native has earned knock out or technical knock out (TKO) victories in no more than two rounds in each of his matches. His last fight knocked out Bruce Lutchmedial at the end of the second round with a constant barrage of body shots on Aug. 4.

Spencer will be the overwhelming favorite in this bout as well considering Macon is just 0-2-1 in his three professional fights. His last fight was in 2016 when Macon lost to Francisco Bustos by technical knock out. His most successful bout was his debut in 2015 when he earned a split decision draw against James Edwards.

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Tigers capture county title for first time since 2006



Fenton's varsity girls swimming and diving team captured its first Genesee County championship since 2006 at the county meet Saturday. Photo: Mark Bolen

By David Troppens

The last time the Fenton varsity girls swim team won the Genesee County Invitational, most of the team members weren't even attending kindergarten.

On Saturday that streak ended. The Tigers captured the Genesee County Invitational title for the first time since 2006, edging traditional champion Grand Blanc by 9.5 points at Fenton High School.

The meet wasn't decided until the final event. Leading by just a few points entering the 400 free-style relay, the Fenton team of Lillie Kromer, Caitlyn Dailey, Megan Mallard and Gracie Olsen won

with a meet record time of 3:42.05.

"Our goal was as long as it came down to the last relay, we were confident it would end up finishing our way," Fenton varsity swim and dive coach Brad Jones said. "This is a goal for us every year. We want to win the league title and compete for the county title. And against a team like Grand Blanc, to walk away with a win against a program like that is a big deal. It's been a long time coming. Our senior class has never beat them, so this is incredibly special for them to accomplish this feat."

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Tigers remain atop Metro, beat Holly

By David Troppens
Fenton — Wins are nice. The possibility of winning a Metro League title is nice, and so is being ranked fifth in Division 2.

All of those things are happening for the Fenton varsity boys soccer team. They are ranked No. 5 and are leading in the Metro League race. Of course, the Tigers are doing their share of winning in the process as well. But those things aren't the team's primary goal.

"We really don't look at that as a factor," Fenton senior Brock Henson said about the team's ranking. "It's all about us and playing our game. If we keep playing our game, those rankings will come."

"Right now we are taking it one step at a time and just trying to overcome the goal of the day — just be a better team, honestly. We aren't thinking



Fenton's Brady Young (left) tries to work around Holly's Kyle Thompson in the Tigers' 3-0 victory on Monday. **Photo: David Troppens**

about how far we can go, but how close we can get as a team and what we can do as a team together."

On Monday, that daily goal resulted in a 3-0 victory against area rival Holly.

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Holly boys XC team goes 'Old Skool' places third

By David Troppens
The Holly varsity boys cross country team went old school on Saturday and thrived.

The Bronchos finished third in the 21-team Division 1 event at the Old Skool Classic.

Stoney Creek won the event

with 27 points while Lake Orion was second with 64. Holly had 122 points, 19 ahead of fourth-place Davison.

Jose Vivanco led the Bronchos, taking sixth in 18:02.

Gabe Sanchez also posted a

top-10 effort, finishing in 18:28. The rest of Holly's top five runners were Cooper Frederick in 12th (18:32), Tyler Thomason in 14th (18:37) and Victor Ruiz in 15th (18:38).

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LF, Holly football teams lose, fall to 2-3

By David Troppens
It was a tough Friday for two area football teams desperately needing wins.

The Holly varsity football team lost its homecoming game 46-6 against Flush while the Lake Fenton varsity football team lost a road game to Pontiac Notre Dame Prep 41-0.

"You name it, it went wrong," Lake Fenton varsity football coach Marty Borski said. "They are good. They are probably the best team we've faced so far. We just didn't get off the bus tonight. We were out of sorts and didn't have our usual energy. Mentally we were not where we needed to be tonight which is crazy because we had an excellent week of practice."

The Blue Devils' defense stopped Notre Dame Prep on its first possession after three plays, but then came the punt. Lake Fenton muffed it and the Irish recovered the ball on the Blue Devils' 7. Soon after that, Notre Dame Prep scored its first touchdown. And the touchdowns didn't stop as Lake Fenton trailed 21-0 after the first quarter and 34-0 at halftime.

"Every possession they started with a short field," Borski said. "They were on our side of the 50 all night. In the second quarter we were against the wind and we couldn't get out of the shadow of the end zone."

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Lake Fenton's Eric Niestroy (middle left) and Thomas Hufton (far right) helped Lake Fenton win the Linden Classic on Saturday. **Photo: Jim Niestroy**

LF boys XC team captures Linden Invitational title

By David Troppens
The Lake Fenton varsity boys cross country team has had some solid results this season, but the one thing the Blue Devils haven't done is win an invitational title.

That changed on Saturday. The Blue Devils edged Goodrich by one point, earning the large school championship at the 36th annual Linden Invitational.

Lake Fenton had its top five runners all finish within the top 24 while Goodrich had its top four finish within the top 14. However, Goodrich's fifth runner placed 30th, enabling the Blue Devils to win the title. Linden was sixth

(156 points). The Eagles' biggest highlight was the fact Tyler Buchanan won the 3.1-mile race in 16:28.40, finishing nearly 20 seconds ahead of second-place Jordan Sowash (16:48.33).

In the girls large school division, the Linden girls placed seventh while Lake Fenton placed in 13th.

The Lake Fenton boys had two in the top 10. Eric Niestroy was fourth (16:55.10) while Tommy Hufton was ninth (17:09.73). Sam Selley (17:27.06) and Brenden Schroeder (17:28.60) finished 16th and 17th, respectively.

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PREP REPORT

GIRLS GOLF

► **Holly at Jim Sander Memorial Tournament:** The Bronchos finished eighth at the tournament hosted at Prestwick Village Country Club. Holly shot a team score of 409 with Kate Brown leading the way with an 89. Ella Lonsbury carded a 102 while Megan McReynolds shot a 103. Kelsey Malone shot a 115.

► **Linden 231, Owosso 242:** The Eagles won their second consecutive Metro League match, earning a win at Spring Meadows Country Club. Kaitlyn Straub led the Eagles with a 51, earning co-medalist honors in the process.

"I'm glad that I was able to play a decent round and help our team win another match," Straub said. "We have been working on our games."

Hanna Baldwin shot a 57 while Brooke Goll carded a 60. Ella LaMothe shot a 63.

BOYS SOCCER

► **Linden 3, Swartz Creek 1:** Jacob Welch scored two goals while Ryan Gillespie provided one goal in the Eagles' pivotal Metro League victory against the Dragons. Koby Hall had two assists while Gillespie had an assist as well. The win keeps Linden (5-1-0 in the Metro and 11-4-2 overall) within one point of first-place Fenton in the standings.

BOYS TENNIS

► **Holly at invitational at Grand Blanc High School:** The Bronchos took third place. Winning all three of their matches were Christian Sells, Garrett Reid, Trey Ridgeway and Brenden Kreft.

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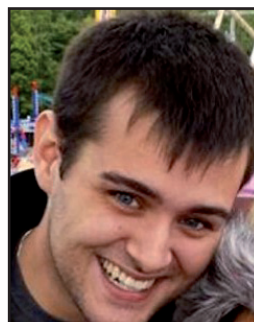
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Christopher Michael Scott Baldwin

1990-2018
Christopher Michael Scott Baldwin - age 28, of Linden, died September 22, 2018. Funeral services will be held 3 PM Thursday, September 27, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Visitation will be held 4-8 PM Wednesday, September 26, 2018. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to the family for a fund to be set up for his daughter. Christopher is survived by his daughter, Rayne; mother, Michelle and husband, Raymond Hammer; sisters, Amber and Autumn; grandmother, Carol; many aunts and uncles, including Melinda and Blake Wilson; cousin, Dylan; longtime girlfriend, Katie Dotson and his dog, Copper.



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Victoria V. Maker

1922-2018
Victoria V. Maker - age 96, of Holly, formerly of Flint, died September 23, 2018. Services will be held 7:30 PM Saturday, September 29, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Deacon Ron Kenney will officiate. The family will receive friends from 6 PM until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to the Alzheimer's Association or Disabled American Veterans. Victoria was born August 23, 1922 in Kearney, PA, the daughter of Michael and Mary (Scensny) Kubis. She worked as a registered nurse for 38 years, retiring from GM in 1986 as an industrial nurse. She was very active with the VFW and St. Francis Catholic Church in Lewiston. She is survived by her children, Victoria Wilson, Francis (Betty) Maker, Rosemary (Richard) Dicie due, Andrew (Trisha) Maker, Carol (Mark) Coffin, Scott (Jennifer) Maker; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Maker was preceded in death by her husband, George L. Maker; daughter, Patricia (Robert) McClellan; son-in-law, Lawrence Wilson; brothers, John, Michael, Francis, Joseph and Andrew. The family extends a special thank you to the staff of Heartland Hospice and His Caring Arms. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Virginia (Bottecelli) McKenney

1923-2018
Virginia (Bottecelli) McKenney - age 95, of Linden formerly of Holly died Saturday, September 22, 2018 surrounded by family. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 AM Thursday, September 27, 2018 at St. Rita Parish, Holly, MI. Father Peter Etzel, S.J. and Father David Blazek will be officiating. Visitation will be held 2-9 PM Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at Dryer Funeral Home, 101 First Street, Holly, MI with Rosary prayers at 5 PM. Virginia was born in Fenton, to Joseph and Agnes Bottecelli, April 17, 1923. After graduating from Fenton High School in 1940, Virginia attended and graduated from St. Lawrence School of Nursing in Lansing. Virginia married Robert A. McKenney on September 22, 1945. The couple moved to Holly in 1951 where Robert and Virginia raised their six children, and worked together in their home and at Robert's law office for decades. Virginia cherished each of the more than one hundred extended Bottecelli family members. Virginia is survived by her husband, Robert; children, Michael (Kathy) McKenney of Durand, Patrick (Susan) McKenney of Holly, Maureen (David) White of Webster NY, Thomas (Jane) McKenney of Holly, Timothy (Marianne) of Carrollton, TX, eleven grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Virginia was preceded in death by her son, Father William Gerard McKenney, S.J. Memorial donations may be made to Red Cloud Indian School. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

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Guess Who?

I am a singer born in Ireland on September 13, 1993. While growing up, I listened to Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin. I've since gone on to be a member of a world-famous British pop boy band.

I am an actress born in California on September 27, 1972. I studied anthropology at UCSB before pursuing acting. I gained fame for many different roles and won an Academy Award for a film about William Shakespeare. I once dated my costar Brad Pitt.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing on the Special Assessment Roll for Little Long Lake Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2 Charter Township of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF FENTON TOWNSHIP, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE OWNERS OF LAND WITHIN LITTLE LONG LAKE IMPROVEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that supervisor and assessing officer of the township has reported to the township board and filed in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination a special assessment roll prepared by her covering all properties within Little Long Lake Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2 benefited by the proposed continuation of the Little Long Lake Improvement Project. Said assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of the eradication and control of aquatic weeds in Little Long Lake and services related thereto within the aforesaid special assessment district as more particularly shown on the plans on file with the Township Clerk at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan within the township, which assessment is in the total amount of \$20,725.60 spread over five years.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the assessing officer has further reported that the assessment against each parcel of land within said district is such relative portion of the whole sum levied against all parcels of land in said district as the benefit to such parcels bears to the total benefit to all parcels of land in said district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan on Monday October 1, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto. Said roll may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours of regular business days until the time of said hearing and may further be examined at said hearing. Appearance and protest at the hearing held to confirm the special assessment roll is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

An owner, or party in interest, or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. (The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at the hearing may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 35 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.)

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Horoscopes

For the week of
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ARIES

Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, you may want to pull the covers over your head and stay in bed all week long, but that's just not possible. If you dust yourself off and get out there, you'll get back on track.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21
Don't lose your patience if you need to repeat yourself a few times before your point comes across to others, Taurus. Eventually, others will start to come around.

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, do not worry even if your workload seems overwhelming. Relief is on the way. A hero will swoop in and take some of the responsibility off your shoulders.

CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22
Happy times in your life have you exhibiting good will toward others, Cancer. Maybe you'll give a coworker a break or cast some good vibes on a friend.

LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23
It is important to have goals, but not at the expense of friendships, Leo. If you have to put success over the needs of others, it may not be worth it. Wait until everything jibes.

VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22
Having a plan in place at all times is your saving grace, Virgo. When something unexpected happens this week, you will be able to handle it without breaking a sweat.

LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23
Two friends or family members may try to put you in the middle of their quarrel, Libra. This is an unenviable situation. Try to remain as neutral as possible.

SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22
Though it may be challenging, spend more time engaging in frivolous activities this week rather than more serious pursuits. Show others you can let loose, Scorpio.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, you may get an inkling that change is ahead, but you can't pinpoint which direction it's coming from. Just be at the ready for anything that seems unusual.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, when someone challenges you, it's best to not get defensive. This may seem like you are admitting guilt. Instead, do not engage this person much.

AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, when work pressures get to you, it's best to take a little time off on the weekend to think about anything but work. Immerse yourself in a hobby.

PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20
Travel plans may be slightly delayed, but they're not completely off the table, Pisces. Don't worry about having to unpack those bags just yet.

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8 "Pygmalion" writer
12 Spine component
14 Unadulterated
15 Language of Zagreb
16 Rod's partner
17 Cudgel
18 Wedding-related
20 Pirate flag symbol
23 Tempo
24 Grow weary
25 AT&T competitor
28 Coatrack piece
29 Oyster's gift
30 Mediterranean, for one
32 Porch
34 Blueprint
35 "Sad to say ..." (Lat.)
36 Combination of tones

DOWN

1 Piping material, for short
2 Always, to a poet
3 Paid athlete
4 Horse's hangout
5 Somewhat
6 Lingerie item
7 Capital of Australia
8 Perfume application
9 Colored
10 Neighborhood
11 Healthy
13 And others (Lat.)
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