

'111 Leroy Place' ground-breaking set for spring

■ Second building by Corlin Builders, Inc. now has a few lease commitments

By Vera Hogan

It's really going to happen. The long-anticipated construction of what was once referred to as the Cornerstone II building,

now called "111 Leroy Place" is set to begin in the spring of 2019.

According to Ghassan Saab of Corlin Builders, Inc. of See **BUILDING on 19A**

This four-story, mixed-use building will be built at 111 S. LeRoy St. in downtown Fenton. Corlin Builders, Inc. obtained final site plan approval from the Fenton Planning Commission on Thursday, Sept. 27. Construction is set to begin in the spring of 2019. Rendering submitted to the Times



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Argentine man charged with second-degree murder

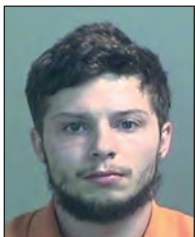
■ Chief: Thought gun was not loaded when he fired at friend

By Hannah Ball

A 22-year-old man from Argentine Township was arraigned Wednesday, Sept. 26 for the Saturday, Sept. 22 shooting death of Christopher Baldwin, 28.

Floyd Bryon Blalock Jr. was charged with second-degree murder along with a felony firearms charge.

See **MURDER on 8A**



Floyd Bryon Blalock Jr., 22, has been charged with second-degree murder and felony firearms after a Saturday, Sept. 22 shooting in Argentine Township off Seymour Road.

Sun-soaked summer comes to an end



Gerry Willey of Fenton Township wipes down his 1951 Chris-Craft Gentleman's Racer on Wednesday, Sept. 26 at the Lake Fenton public launch, assisted by his son, Nick Willey. This time of year, many boat owners are winterizing their watercraft at local marinas as the temperature begins to drop outside. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Fenton schools close to finalizing sale of Owen Road property

■ Board will decide on winning bid by November; selling price not disclosed

By Vera Hogan

"We are coming close to finalizing the sale of the district-owned property on Owen Road, west of the

football field," said Adam Hartley, superintendent for Fenton Area Public Schools.

"The revenue generated from the sale will be restricted to building a new entrance at AGS and enhancing security at the Ellen Street/ See **PROPERTY on 18A**



Linden residents question city's road millage proposal

By Hannah Ball

Linden — On Tuesday, Sept. 25, Linden City Manager Paul Zelenak gave a presentation to a packed room in the Shiawassee Shores clubhouse about the road millage residents will vote for, or against, on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

The ballot language will ask residents to approve 5 mills for 10 years to improve, See **ROAD MILLAGE on 20A**

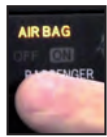
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“Thirty-six years later, Professor Ford demands a slow, deliberate thorough investigation. This is exactly why most Americans don't take sex-abuse allegations seriously.”



“Here's an example of the 'Law of Unintended Consequences.' In order to fit side airbags in our cars, the pillars at each side of the windshield were widened. Now the pillars can block our view of things like pedestrians. Be careful out there.”



“When asked if he prayed for politicians, Billy Graham replied, “No. I look at the politicians then I pray for the American people.”



COMMENT
OF THE WEEK

“I'm a woman. I'm a wife and a mother. I don't need the 'Me Too' movement to protect me. Being female is not a disability. We think for ourselves, we can defend ourselves from harassment, we make decisions and we vote. The last people I need are angry females with pink uterus hats treating me as their cause.”

Expansion at Abe's Storage brings many options

■ Take advantage of the busy fall self storage season by checking out new facilities

By Sally Rummel

Fall is a busy time of year at Abe's Storage, with two facilities in Grand Blanc — Abe's Storage North at 5172 S. Saginaw Rd. and the original location at 10433 N. Holly Rd.

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Ever wonder where those ticket fines go?

■ Millions of dollars go to county libraries and court systems

By Hannah Ball

It's a common assumption that police give out tickets because they want money for their own department.

However, police departments only receive a fraction of that money. Here is where that money goes.

Traffic-related civil infraction

"We have adopted the Motor Vehicle Code (MVC) by reference, so anything that is written for traffic offenses, we would get a portion of the fines assessed," said Fenton Police Chief Jason Slater. This includes speeding, operating while intoxicated, reckless driving and more.

Per the MVC, where the money goes depends on if the ticket, also called a citation, is written under a state or local ordinance. For fines under state statute, the money goes to the county or city/township treasurer and then goes to the public or county law libraries. For fiscal year 2016-2017, a total of \$24.1 million was distributed to Michigan libraries.

If the fine is written under a local ordinance, it's distributed identical to costs. For fines and costs written under local ordinances, one-third goes to the political subdivision



When police write a speeding ticket under a local ordinance, their department only receives one-third of the money from the ticket.

where the ordinance was violated and two-thirds go to the court funding unit.

This means if someone receives a parking ticket in Fenton written under a Fenton ordinance, one-third of the costs and fees goes to the Fenton Police Department and two-thirds goes to the court that handled the violation, which is the 67th District Court.

If the offense is punishable by more than 93 days in jail, it must be written under state statute.

"We have similar ordinances for most of the statutes that we deal with regularly, and when they are updated, as was the case with the Under 21 Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcohol, we must amend

our ordinance to reflect the state statute," Slater said. "One offense that we do not

“One offense that we do not currently have a similar local ordinance for is possession of tobacco by minors.”

Jason Slater
Fenton police chief

See TICKET FINES on 7A



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The modern restaurant experience

■ Local eateries offering kiosks, smartphone ordering and home and office delivery

By Tim Jagielo

Fenton — On Thursday, Sept. 27, the McDonald's restaurant on Owen Road is humming along through the busy lunch hour.

Patrons now choose from an overhead digital menu that features the options and prices for that time of the day, and also video footage of the food in action, like chicken McNuggets tumbling through the air, or being dipped in an array of colorful sauces.

Patrons also have the option of ordering via a touch-screen kiosk.

In the tri-county area, hungry customers have not only a variety of restaurants, but also a variety of ways to order their food, and then acquire it, for a truly modern restaurant experience.

Mike Perkins, director of operations for 13 McDonald's restaurants, said between 15 and 20 percent of guests use the new kiosks.

He said the nationwide movement to go high-tech involved hiring two additional employees at the restaurant. One person invites guests to use the kiosk, and help them through the process. The other new employee brings food to those dining in.

Many restaurants in Fenton also offer delivery, or delivery via a third party. This service includes more than just pizza.

Fenton Food Express will deliver from 25 restaurants, serving Fenton, Linden



McDonald's restaurants across the county, including the one on Owen Road in Fenton, now offer in-person, kiosk, or ordering through an app on your phone. Photo: Tim Jagielo

and Holly. Options include The Laundry, The Barn, and Bittersweet Café and more.

Online, there is a "menu" of restaurants currently open, and ready for ordering.

Ones that are not open are available for pre-order.

Depending on your address, certain restaurants may take longer to deliver.

The base fee is \$5, but could be more, depending on the distance. For example, it would cost \$9.50 to have a pizza delivered from a spot in

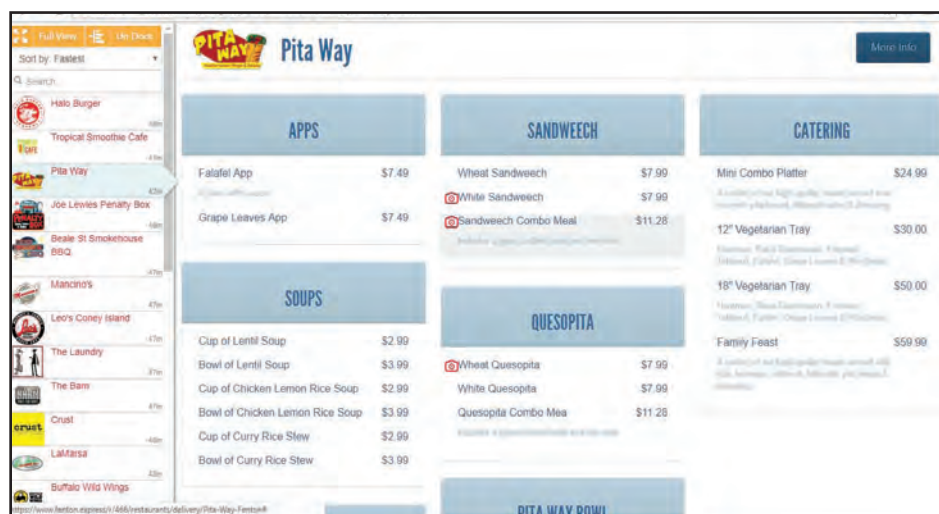
Hartland Township to the Times office in Fenton, but \$5 from CRUST, because of the shorter delivery time.

See **RESTAURANT** on 19A

“Delivery is like the number-one restaurant trend for the past two years now.”

Mark Hamel

The Laundry co-owner



The Fenton Food Express website displays the available restaurants and then the menu each offers. Photo: Tim Jagielo

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Come *Heller* high water...

• **During a CNN interview**, former Florida Republican congressional candidate Gina Sosa suggested all high school boys have done what Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh is accused of doing. "We're talking about a 17-year-old boy in high school with testosterone running high," she said. "Tell me what boy hasn't done this in high school, please."



Andrew Heller
FEATURED COLUMNIST

I would like to know." Whoa, whoa, whoa, hold on there a second, Gina. I didn't. And I've raised two sons who didn't. The vast, vast majority of young men don't. Maybe

we need a #HeyWaitaSecondIdidn't movement to combat "boys will be boys" nonsense like yours. Boys will be boys is a horrible way to explain away sexual assault.

• **Prediction:** There's too much smoke for Brett Kavanaugh's nomination to succeed at this point. He'll withdraw by Monday. And is there really anything wrong with that? When it comes to Supreme Court justices, shouldn't we insist the Senate and the president err on the side of caution? It's not as if Kavanaugh is the only qualified person out there.

• **Did you hear this?** Marathon gas stations this week began selling pumpkin spice-scented unleaded gas in stations nationwide. Can you believe it? You shouldn't. Because I just made it up. But the fact that you almost, sort of believed me for a millisecond tells you that this is pumpkin spice's world and we just live in it.

• **Wednesday was National Pancake Day.** Pancakes are useless things, aren't they? They're just dry, dull delivery vehicles for the stuff you put on them — syrup, butter, blueberries. No one eats just pancakes. Because pancakes don't taste like anything. You could skip the pancakes altogether and just eat the stuff you put on it and be just as happy. And skinnier.

• **Where do fruit flies materialize** from in the fall? The kitchen is full of them —circling the bananas, the sink trap, the cabinet where the garbage can resides, the dog dish. Why now? It's not cold enough yet outside to kill them. I think. And what do they suddenly want inside that isn't available to them outside? There's so many of them, I expect the dog to be carried off at some point.

• **Someone reminded me** that just last week I predicted the Detroit Lions wouldn't win a game this year, and yet a few days later they did. I have no idea what this person is talking about. As with all of my bold and inevitably inaccurate sports predictions, I make it a practice to have no functioning memory of ever writing such words when they prove to be wrong.

• **Why would anyone** feel sorry for Bill Cosby? He's a convicted rapist who got what he deserved. The only problem is he deserved it a long, long time ago. I wonder if they serve Pudding Pops in there?

• **Uber is paying** \$148 million to settle lawsuits in 50 states stemming from a 2016 data breach that affected 50 million people. I didn't even hear about the breach or the lawsuits. But maybe it's because I don't pay attention anymore. My personal info has been hacked from so many companies that I wouldn't be surprised to see my Social Security number written in the sky in smoke.

• **"If you cannot** do great things, do small things in a great way." — Napoleon Hill

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IT'S NICE TO see someone else agrees with changing the Times' decision to truncate sports articles Dave Troppens spends so much time on. It would be so nice to have a full sports section again.

NOT ONE DAY do I drive in Holly and not become upset with the lack of traffic flow. Whoever turned it into two lanes should be fired. Grange Hall Road intersection is horrendous and putting shovels full of asphalt just makes it worse. Looking to move soon, and for sure not to Fenton, even worse traffic.

EVERY AMERICAN, REGARDLESS of party, knows in their heart that the the inane scheme the left created to destroy Judge Kavanaugh is hateful and un-American. Consequences of their actions will be on November 6th.

SUPREME COURT CANDIDATE Brett Kavanaugh has become the immediate target of the liberal left. Find it hard to believe that 36 years after an alleged incident the supposed 'victim' suddenly brings it forward with unverified accusations. Wreaks of character assassination by a political party with a purpose. In other words, the Dems are out to destroy the man and nullify the candidate in the process.

THE DEMOCRATIC LEFT has become unhinged in this country. Anyone with common sense can see how hateful and vindictive they are.

GOOD LORD, A six year old could see that the judge is being railroaded. More idiocy from our elected and dysfunctional leadership on both sides.

LET US NOT forget the hundreds of kids who we were forced to adopt at the border. They will never see their parents again.

LOOKING AT A group of people and deciding, 'there are not enough minorities here' is the exact same act as deciding there are too many minorities present. Two sides to the same racist coin. Diversity is racism.

SUPPOSEDLY 'SEXUALLY' AT-TACKED 36 years ago and not saying anything until now? Can't remember dates, location, but those you did say were there deny it ever occurred. Think he was near a party but not actually there. I don't think so. Democrats lying as they always do.

THAT SOUND YOU hear is the collective sigh of a sad and disillusioned citizenry.

OBAMA DID CAUSE the kneeling by his lying about police 'routinely' mistreating and shooting blacks for no reason. Cops who did commit excessive force were charged. Those who had not were exonerated. There are statistics from FBI that show whites are more likely to be shot than blacks so enough already.

DEMOCRATS, IF YOU believe that Obama started the upturn in the economy, ask yourself why the Federal Reserve Board had to reduce interest rates to near zero to save the Obama economy. The feds have been increasing interest rates, since Trump was elected, in order to slow the economy.

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What fall TV shows are you looking forward to?

Compiled by Gracie Warda, intern

streettalk



"Modern Family.' I think that that show is hilarious."

Lauren Slotton
Linden



"I'd like to watch 'This is Us.' I've got to watch it. Everyone always talks about how good it is."

Donna Tripp
Holly



"NCIS.' I've been watching it for a long time."

David Smith
Holly



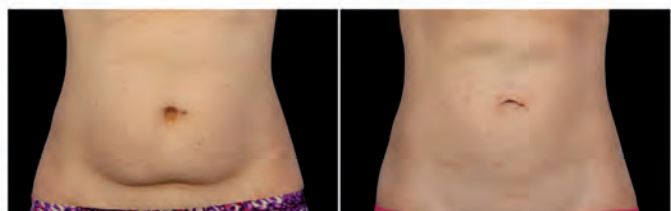
"I'm looking forward to watching football on TV. I like watching sports. I always root for the Lions."

Terry Brancheau
Fenton Township



"So many. 'Blue Bloods' is probably one of my favorites. I'm also excited for 'Chicago Fire' and 'Survivor.' I've missed them."

Shirley Heffner
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NEWS BRIEFS

CROP Hunger Walk

The 38th annual Fenton, Linden, Lake Fenton and Holly CROP Hunger Walk is being held on Sunday, Oct. 7, at Bush Park in Fenton at 2 p.m. Registration is at 1:30 p.m. for anyone who is interested in walking. Lots of fun will be had for all at the walk, such as activities for all walkers, a praise band, prizes and rocking chairs for those unable to walk. Come and join in the fun.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

I DID NOT write the original Obama's fault Hot line, but, yes, I do lay a lot of the responsibility for the current anti-cop rhetoric and hatred at his feet. Don't forget, according to Obama, 'Cops are stupid.'

I HAVE A question for associate editor Vera Hogan. Is an 'undocumented resident' in the United States here legally or illegally? Whether their Visa or green card lapsed or they snuck over our border, they are in our nation illegally. The only relevant issue is whether they are in our country legally or illegally — not how they got here. Quit legitimizing illegal status.

IN REGARDS TO voting for Debbie Stabenow. I'm a Marine veteran and won't vote for 'Do Nothing Debbie,' but will vote for John James. I'm sure veterans will finally get support from a fellow veteran.

Ms. Stabenow votes the party line instead of what's best for her constituents. She needs a job change.

HEY EDITOR, PLEASE kill off The Generation Gap. Way too much hot air in Times.

I'M A PROUD lifelong leftie but the insanity of what is being done to Judge Kavanaugh is wrong and un-American. You fools are destroying the Democratic party.

YOU SAY THAT border wall supporters are necessarily second amendment advocates is false. That connection only exists in your head. Stop talking on behalf of groups you don't represent.

THE SUPREME COURT has ruled that they cannot have a nativity scene in Washington, D.C. because they couldn't find three wise men and a virgin.

New Treatment for Back & Sciatic Nerve Pain

■ By Erica Rainer



Sciatica is leg pain caused by a pinched nerve in the lower back. Pains begin in the nerve roots, located on either side of the lower spine and move through the sciatic

nerve, which runs the length of each leg from the buttocks, down to the foot. The leg agony, called radiculopathy, "is often worse than the back pain," says Dr. James Ide, DC, clinic director at Painless Chiropractic of Fenton MI. "It's very common for patients to come in describing an agonizing, shooting, burning pain that starts in the buttocks and flows down to the leg and at times into the foot with numbness, tingling and cramps in the leg." The sensation "can be intolerable," says Dr. Krista Ribando, head adjusting chiropractor at the Fenton Clinic. "Some people describe it to be similar to the nerve pain you experience if you have a toothache."

For home care options visit PainlessDC.com/sciatica

After reviewing many different treatment options we have found that typically the average person who suffers from Sciatic pain usually experiences the same frustration when seeking help. They tend to start off going to their doctor who prescribes them one or more of the following; Muscle Relaxers, Pain Pills or Steroid Based Anti-Inflammatory Drugs.

The Muscle Relaxers tend to make patients tired but do relax the muscles. The Pain Pills mask the pain while on them but tend to make many people tense, nauseous, constipated and unable to focus. The Steroid Based Anti-Inflammatory Drugs give some people weakness, moon face, weight gain, insomnia and mood swings. All in all the pain usually comes back once the drugs are gone because nothing was ever corrected just masked. These drugs all focus on the symptoms and not the problem.

This is often the case with most pain related to the spine and nerves, regardless if your issue is in your neck, resulting in headaches or pain, numbness, tingling and/or muscle weakness in the arms and hands or down in the low back and buttocks, resulting in Sciatic Pain.

Once the patient goes to their MD, takes their prescriptions and then goes back, still in pain, they are usually

referred to physical therapy, pain management or a surgeon. Most patients respond to physical therapy however, once the program has finished many report the pain returns.

When they visit pain management, they may be prescribed the same types of drugs their MD gave them or they may jump right to the steroid epidural shots into your spinal column which may not be FDA approved so please be advised to do plenty of research if you ever find yourself in this situation.

As for having surgery... well we all know that surgery should always be a last resort because once you make the decision to have surgery, there is no going back and undoing it and many other options are off the table after surgery.

Regardless of how the symptoms are treated, the number one problem with finding relief through these treatments is that they only focus on treating the symptoms not the underlying issue. **In severe cases, this condition can lead to muscle wasting, numbness, and constant tingling down to the toes and eventually sexual dysfunction and even loss of bladder/ bowel control. Left untreated, the intense pain can rapidly wear you down and drain the joy out of life.** People lose hope and have no idea where to turn. That is until now.

Chiropractic Corrective Care for Sciatic Pain Relief

"I was beginning to think surgery was my only option and then my neighbor told me about Painless Chiropractic and how much they had helped his brother. I made an appointment the next day. I was skeptical but I was out of options. It was the best decision I ever made I only wish I would have tried it sooner. My pain is gone and I feel better than I have in years!"

- Louis K., Grand Blanc

Recent advances in the treatment of sciatica and lower back pain have led to the development and huge success of Non-Surgical Re-Constructive Spinal Care. The excellent results of this treatment have been published in major medical journals. With success rates as high as 90% many back surgeons are recommending their patients try this treatment first before having surgery. Right here in Fenton MI, at Painless Chiropractic you can try Non-Surgical Reconstructive Spinal care under the direct supervision of low back and sciatica specialist Dr. James Ide D.C. and Dr. Krista Ribando D.C.

The fully trained spinal care team have helped countless patients find relief from their agonizing back



Sciatica Relief Expert James Ide

and sciatica problems. "We use a combination of ultra-advanced technology not utilized elsewhere in the area for precisely diagnosing the cause of your pain; and a unique program for reconstructing the damaged area causing the pain; this means superior long-term results for most people" said Dr. Ide.

Because the treatment is non-surgical, safe and easy, most patients report an almost immediate relief from their pain. However, as Dr. Ide says "we are happy patients experience less pain but the pain is just a symptom, our goal is to correct the underlying problem which is structural. The pain is usually the last thing to show itself and the first thing to disappear and if not properly treated and maintained, will show up again in the future.

If you are ready to get to the bottom of your debilitating shooting, stabbing and burning pain stemming from your low back, buttocks and sciatic nerve, Painless Chiropractic is ready to deliver the same positive results to you as they have to so many others. That is why the Times has teamed up with the clinic to spread the news and showcase the offer they put together for our readers. Call them now and get a full and thorough consultation and examination to pinpoint the cause of your problem for just \$27!

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WHAT YOU MISSED IN THE MIDWEEK TIMES

Compiled by Vera Hogan

The following are stories you may have missed in the **Wednesday, Sept. 26, Midweek Times**. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282.

Police identify man fatally shot in Argentine

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

First-degree murder suspects facing trial

Three charged with stabbing death of 20-year-old could, if convicted, spend the rest of their lives in jail.

Our Future

This week featured Hayden Mahakian, a senior at Linden High School.



Possible rattlesnake in grass behind community centers

An area resident recent found what she believes to be a massasauga rattlesnake lurking in the tall grass behind the Fenton Community and Cultural Center.

Police chief gets raise as interim city manager

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

With Nest the future is now

Thermostats, home security, doorbells, smoke alarms go high tech for 2018.

A look back at 1968

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

The Generation Gap

Vera Hogan and Hannah Ball answer the question: What makes you the most proud, and least proud, of your generation?

Farmstead project hits snag

Miscommunication delays Holly Township project and could cost township \$12,000.

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Correction: Hartland Emagine will charge a \$2 up-charge for its premium large format with Dolby Atmos immersive sound known as 'Emax,' according to Emagine Entertainment owner/founder Paul Glantz. The price was incorrectly stated in the Sunday, Sept. 23 article, "Movie theaters step up to luxury, convenience."

Fenton ballot proposals to be explained at upcoming meetings

The city of Fenton will host three public meetings for the purpose of providing information to city voters on two proposals that will appear on the November ballot.

Members of the Fenton City Council and city administrators will make the presentations Thursday, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 18 at 6 p.m., and Thursday, Nov. 1 at 11 a.m., at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center, 150 S. LeRoy St., Fenton.

"We're excited for the opportunity to talk with Fenton residents about how we can improve the condition of our city's infrastructure," said Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn. "Residents will be asked to vote on two separate items, both of which need to pass if we want to fix our roads. It's important we do our best to inform the community and provide detailed explanations on what to expect if the proposals pass."

Proposal No. 1 asks to amend the city

charter and change the current levy from three to 10 years, with the millage during the 10-year period being used exclusively for road and street improvements. The second proposal asks voters to approve a 5-mill road improvement millage, at a cost to the average homeowner of \$4.78 a week, with the exclusive purpose of using the money to improve roads and streets within the city of Fenton.

"It's critical that Fenton citizens, who have a stake in our community, fully understand the two ballot proposals they will be asked to vote on in November," said City Manager Lynn Markland. "Our roads are in rough shape and getting worse, and we expect the proposals will raise an estimated \$2 million for neighborhood roads in the first year alone."

"Passing both proposals means making a smart, efficient investment today to avoid extra costs to residents in the future."

TICKET FINES

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currently have a similar local ordinance for is possession of tobacco by minors. If a violation is noted, then officers are limited to writing the offense under state law."

The village of Holly collected approximately \$10,450 last fiscal year from ticket fines, according to Police Chief Michael Story. He does not keep track of data on which offenses are ticketable under village law versus state law.

"We write all we can under village ordinance as we have a village attorney. State law tickets are written for any offense that exceeds ordinance (second offenses or higher normally)," he said.

In the city of Linden, Police Chief Scott Sutter said the police department typically issues citations for 90-day misdemeanors, such as driving with a suspended license, OWI, domestic assault, and larceny. The city receives one-third of the fines if the citation is written under local ordinance.

"As far as adopting newer ordinances for the city, we work very closely with our city attorney and city council to research and address new legislation to see if it can best be addressed with a local ordinance," he said.

Source: House Fiscal Agency

Fines for criminal cases

"The Justice System Fund (JSF) was created... to simplify the assessment, collection and distribution of monetary obligations imposed in criminal cases," according to the House Fiscal Agency. When a person is found guilty of a civil infraction, misdemeanor or felony, they have to pay fines.

These fines range from \$10 non-traffic civil infraction to \$68 for felonies. Approximately 41 percent of this money goes to the state police for road patrol and training, the Highway Safety Fund, the Michigan Justice Training Fund, and the State Forensic Laboratory Fund.

About 12 percent of criminal case fees goes to the Jail Reimbursement Program Fund. The Department of Health and Human Services receives approximately 4 percent for sexual assault victims and intervention funds and the Children's Advocacy Center Fund. The money also goes to the Legislative Retirement System, Drug Treatment Court Fund, State Court Fund, Court Equity Fund and the State Court Administrative Office.

For fiscal year 2016-2017, the JSF distributed \$51 million.

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MURDER**Continued from Front Page**

He was arraigned in Genesee County 67th District Court by Judge Jennifer Manley.

Blalock was involved in the shooting death of Baldwin in an apartment in the 16000 block of S. Seymour Road in Argentine Township. He is lodged at the Genesee County Jail.



Christopher Baldwin

Argentine Township police responded to the incident a little after 7:12 p.m., when they received the 911 call. Police Chief Daniel Allen said Baldwin was shot and was pronounced dead at the scene.

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 bullet remained in the chamber.

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

Editor Sharon Stone contributed to this story.

NEWS BRIEFS

Sign up now for Color Run on Oct. 7 to benefit PALS groups at Linden schools

A Color Run will be held Saturday, Oct. 7 at 2 p.m., at Linden Middle School to benefit the PALS (Parents Active in Linden Schools) groups at Linden, Hyatt and Central elementary schools. The event will include a 1½-mile Color Run with color-splashed zones throughout the run, a Color Party, DJ, snacks and a raffle giveaway that will include Detroit Red Wings tickets. "This is the first time all three elementary schools have combined their efforts to do an event like this," said Becky Howard, president of Linden Elementary School PALS. Monies raised will go toward all three PALS groups to benefit enrichment assemblies, teacher grants, field day and technology. To pre-register, visit secure.getactivefundraising.com. Registration is also available at 1 p.m. the day of the Color Run. Prices are \$30 for adults and \$25 for kids.

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The 2018 Lake Fenton High School senior homecoming court includes (back row, from left) Christian Parker, Monrae Prentice, Grace Rhoades and Hunter Schramm. In the middle row (from left) are Ethan Dunkel, Justine Bicego, Liliana Benjamin and Jacob Brophy. In the front row (from left) are Maxwell Kato and Meredith Good.

Photo submitted to the Times

Blue Devils homecoming this week

By Hannah Ball

Lake Fenton High School will celebrate homecoming week Oct. 1-6.

The theme for this year's homecoming is "iconic movies." The seniors chose Harry Potter, the juniors chose Jaws, the sophomores chose The Wizard of Oz and the freshmen chose Star Wars.

SPIRIT WEEK

Holiday Monday
Tie Dye Tuesday
Western Wednesday
Tourist Thursday
Blue and White Friday

Senior and junior girls will face each other in the **powder puff game**, motivated by male cheerleaders, on Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 6:30 p.m.

The **parade** on Friday, Oct. 5 starts at 5 p.m. Floats will start at Lake Fenton Middle School on North Long Lake Road and will travel south on Torrey Road. It will conclude on Lahring Road.

The **football game** is Friday, Oct. 5 starting at 7 p.m. The Blue Devils will face off against Atherton.

Homecoming dance will take place Saturday, Oct. 6, from 7-10 p.m. in the high school commons.

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Fenton High School students use a ViewSonic board to explain scientific concepts to each other. Photo submitted to the Times

Grant covers cost of upgrades

■ Fenton High School gets new technology in all classrooms

By Gracie Warda

Technology has become integrated into nearly every aspect of society, public education being no exception. With the new school year, Fenton High School has brought new technology into all of its classrooms.

“We have been trying to update teachers’ classroom devices,” Principal Mark Suchowski said. “Last year we spent a portion of our grant money (approximately \$200,000) on testing some new technology to see what would work best to replace our projectors.”

After testing ViewSonic interactive display boards, Smart Boards and new projectors, the administration decided that ViewSonic display boards, at about \$6,000 each, were the best option.

“Every classroom teacher got a ViewSonic,” Suchowski said. “Now we’re adjusting to using those as our presentation tool. It’s more cost effective than projectors because the lifespan is longer and we don’t have to change the bulbs or

anything like that.”

ViewSonic boards operate similarly to a tablet, and are roughly the size of a standard projector image. The interactive screen allows multiple people to use it at once, making class work and presentations collaborative.

“They’re good learning tools,” senior Madi Wheeler, 18, said, “Especially because students can use them to share answers with the class or teach each other.”

In addition to ViewSonics, most classrooms received updated sound systems. Approximately 100 laptops were added to the school’s arsenal for student and teacher use, as well.

SUMMARY

■ Fenton High School used grant funds to acquire new technology, such as ViewSonic interactive display boards and new sound systems for all of its classrooms in order to enhance students’ learning experience.

“Every student has access to a computer at school,” Wheeler said. “It makes it easy to get work done.”

These updates are expected to continue over the years due to a technological grant.

purposes. Disrespecting the flag on behalf of a lie is offensive.

TO THE HOT-LINERS who support kneeling during our national anthem. No one disputes our right as American citizens to assemble or protest. But, a stadium filled with fans who paid good money to watch a game is the wrong venue, the wrong format for any protest. Me and every other fan paid to see sports entertainment, not the players personal political opinions being exercised. Do it on their own time and own dime — not mine.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

MY FAMILY AND I went to the homecoming parade in Holly last week. My 9-year-old has a cast on each arm (broken wrists). Many kids not only gave him extra candy, but walked it over to him and put it in his bag. One sweet boy helped pick up candy for him. Job well done with the kiddos, Holly.

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Deer hunting means big bucks for Michigan

By Vera Hogan

Whether they do it for the food, or just a chance to spend a few quiet days in the woods, Michigan hunters are gearing up for another great season.

Regardless of their reasons, hunting brings billions of dollars to Michigan's economy every year.

Billy Hoffman is a local hunter. He said, "I hunt because of the three Fs. Food — providing food for my family that is 100 percent organic and hormone free. It helps that it is delicious as well.

"Family — hunting and the outdoors has brought me and my family closer together. Be it preseason shooting or planning all the way to deer camp and processing our kill. These have been some of the best times of my life.

"Fun — there is nothing like watching the woods wake up. Being there as a silent predator the way nature made and intended us to be is simply amazing. You've never seen nature truly undisturbed until you seen it in person."

According to freep.com, Hunting Works for Michigan, which promotes strong economic partnerships between hunting and shooting communities and the state, figures hunters spend \$2.3 billion and provide an economic ripple effect of \$3.9 billion to the state of Michigan each year.

There are close to 30,000 hunters



The regulations include new restrictions on baiting and feeding and will go into effect with the upcoming deer hunting season. Photo: www.deeranddeerhunting.com

who come from out of state to experience a Michigan hunt. About half a million of hunters are Michigan residents.

Michigan hunters individually spend an average of \$4,400 per year, according to Hunting Works. In addition to buying hunting licenses, they spend gas each time they head to the field. They buy targets and bullets, guns and clothing, and trucks, boats and four-wheelers. They spend money that contributes to manufacturing jobs, trucking jobs and retail jobs. Small cabins in the woods are rented, hotel rooms filled. Restaurants get business from those in pursuit of organic, free-range meat.

A healthy environment and abundant natural resources bring hunters, who in turn, bring jobs.

DNR announces new deer-hunting regulations

New deer-hunting rules to limit the spread of chronic wasting disease (CWD) have been approved by the DNR. The regulations include new restrictions on baiting and feeding and will go into effect with the upcoming deer hunting season.

CWD is a fatal neurological disease found in deer, elk and moose. There is no cure. It is unclear whether the disease can be transmitted to humans, and as a precaution, hunters are advised against meat from animals with CWD lesions. The biggest worry now with CWD is the long-term health of the state's deer population.

The disease first was discovered in Michigan in a free-ranging deer in May 2015. More than 31,000 deer in Michigan have been tested since for CWD, and 60 cases have been confirmed in six Michigan counties: Clinton, Ingham, Ionia, Jackson, Kent and Montcalm.

The new regulations:

- **Reduced the 4-point** on-a-side antler requirement on the restricted tag of the combination license in the 16-county CWD Management Zone. Under the new regulation, a hunter in the CWD Management Zone can use the restricted tag of the combination license to harvest a buck with antlers as long as it has at least one 3-inch antler.
- **Created a discounted** antlerless license opportunity in the CWD Management Zone on private land; if purchased, the license will expire Nov. 4.
- **A statewide ban** on the use of all natural cervid urine-based lures and attractants except for lures approved by the Archery Trade Association is not in effect.
- **An immediate ban** was placed on baiting and feeding in the 16-county area identified as the CWD Management Zone. This area includes Calhoun, Clinton, Eaton, Gratiot, Hillsdale, Ingham, Ionia, Isabella, Jackson, Kent, Mecosta, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Ottawa and Shiawassee counties.
- **A ban on baiting and feeding** in the Lower Peninsula, effective Jan. 31, 2019, with an exception to this ban for hunters with disabilities who meet specific requirements. The start date on this regulation is intended to allow bait producers and retailers time to adjust to the new rule.

See **DEER HUNTING** on 11A

TOP 8 NEW HIGH-TECH HUNTING GADGETS

Compiled By Vera Hogan

1. The Firefly wind detector

The Firefly wind detector is a small handheld device that detects the direction of wind using advanced technology. The Firefly detector can detect the slightest wind movements that remain undetectable by humans. It is simple to use. You press a button, and the device takes 512 readings per second

and gives you a report on the LCD screen in three seconds. The device will then do more samples before shutting down automatically after 8 seconds.



2. Caldwell Wind Wizard 2

The Wind Wizard is a small handheld device that will help you know the exact speed of the winds and aim your bullet or arrow in a way that it hits the target. The Caldwell will allow you to hit your target in the right spot. It can be used with other wind detector devices to increase the accuracy of your aim.



3. The Burris Eliminator

The Burris Eliminator is a must have for all hunters taking out the guesswork when aiming at the target. It is like a ballistic calculator or rangefinder that has been built into a rifle scope. When you press the button, the Burris Eliminator lights a red dot appearing on the crosshairs. Aim the dot on the target and then squeeze the trigger; pretty simple.



4. Thermacell

The Thermacell will keep distraction from mosquitos and other insects away by producing an odorless repellent.



5. Smartphone hunting apps

The fun in hunting has taken a level higher by the introduction of hunting apps that provide hunters with crucial data when in



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REMAINING 2018 DEER HUNTING SEASON DATES

Independence Hunt: Oct. 18-21
(Hunters with disabilities hunt)

Archery: Oct. 1 — Nov. 14
and Dec. 1, 2018 - Jan. 1, 2019

Regular Firearm: Nov. 15-30

Muzzleloading:
Zone 1: Dec. 7-16
Zone 2: Dec. 7-16
Zone 3: Dec. 7-23

Late Antlerless Firearm:
Dec. 17, 2018 - Jan. 1, 2019

*(The early antlerless firearm and
Liberty Hunt dates have passed.)*

Sources: www.huntingworksformi.com;
www.michigan.gov/dnr; freep.com

GADGETS

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the field. Some apps even attach to your crossbow or rifle and enable you to see the deer on the phone. Some of the common apps you can use include Cass Creek Game Call App and the Xplat Reloading App.

6. GPS unit

The GPS unit is a very common piece of technology with a wide variety of uses.



When hunting, it helps to understand the terrain and navigate through the woods much easier. The GPS unit shows a 3-D detailed map of the area you're hunting making it easier for

you to locate your animal and be positioned at the right spots where you're not easily detected.



7. Ozonics

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The staff is seeking interesting upcoming events, big and small, to take photos and write stories. Please email tips to news@tctimes.com.

DEER HUNTING

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• **Effective immediately** in the CWD Management Zone and four-county bovine tuberculosis area (in Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Oscoda counties), hunters with disabilities who meet specific requirements can now use 2 gallons of single-bite bait, such as shelled corn, during the Liberty and Independence hunts.

• **Allowance of all** legal firearms to be used in muzzleloader season in the CWD Management Zone.

• **A purchase limit** of 10 private-land antlerless licenses per hunter in the CWD Management Zone.

• **Restrictions have been** placed on deer carcass movement in the five-county CWD Core Area (Ionia, Kent, Mecosta, Montcalm and Newaygo counties) and the CWD Management Zone.

• **Antlerless options** on deer licenses/combo licenses during firearms seasons in the five-county CWD Core Area.

• **Expansion of early** and late

antlerless seasons in select counties.

• **Changes to regulations** regarding wildlife rehabilitators.

In addition, the DNR has been asked to move forward with:

An experimental mandatory antler point restriction regulation in a five-county CWD Core Area, including Ionia, Kent, Mecosta, Montcalm and Newaygo counties. The restriction would begin in 2019, provided a survey of hunters shows support for the requirement and specific department guidelines are met. This is intended as a tool to evaluate the effects of antler point restrictions on the spread and prevalence of CWD, along with deer population reduction.

Details on all regulations can be found at the online hunting digests on the DNR website, and DNR staff will be available at deer-check stations during the hunting seasons, according to the DNR.

More information about these regulations will be posted on the michigan.gov/cwd website. For additional questions, contact the DNR Wildlife Division at (517) 284-9453.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IF YOU ARE so offended by the shootings of unarmed black men, then go protest in Chicago's south-west neighborhoods.

■■■■ **CAN YOU GUESS** the following? Who said there were 57 states? Who gave billions of dollars to our enemies, NoKo and Iran? Who claimed a disastrous health plan would cost less and not eliminate your physician? And who bowed, capitulated, and caved-in to other world leaders? Yes, Obama.

■■■■ **HAVING BEEN IN** a military academy, Trump has respect and gives support to our military. He has steered \$700 billion to get new planes, ships, and guns and now good wage increases. This is refreshing after Obama nearly decimated and demoralized our men and women in uniform.

■■■■ **I THINK THAT** the silent majority supports Trump's presidential actions and will vote for him again. They just don't talk about it because they don't want to be labeled.

Epic Machine's training academy hosts Open House

■ **Epic CNC Training Academy** offers tours and program information on Friday, Oct. 5

By Sally Rummel

Every time you eat a bowl of Kellogg's Frosted Mini Wheats for breakfast, you're getting a taste of what Epic Machine in Fenton is all about.

This local manufacturer makes the rollers that roll out this popular cereal brand, as well as a number of other products in your life every day — from vacuum molds for McDonald's drink lids to tooling components for fire hydrants and manhole covers.

Epic Machine has been manufacturing high precision-machined components for industries worldwide since 1979, utilizing CNC (Computer-Numerical-Controlled) turning, CNC milling and precision grinding equipment. Their customers include foundries, military contracts, the food industry, medical supplies and more.

The company was founded by Nick Popa of Fenton who learned the manufacturing trade at Henry Ford Trade School from 1943 to 1947. He was directly taught machining by Henry Ford instructors.

Epic Machine CEO Mike Parker founded Epic CNC Training Academy in 2013, working with the state of Michigan to develop a re-education and training program. He was taught as an OJT (on the job training) employee when he was 18 and now he is the CEO. "Our goal is to bring skilled, trained tradespeople back into Michigan's manufacturing industry after the state's Great Recession," Parker said.

Epic CNC Training Academy is hosting an Open House and tours Friday, Oct. 5,



Here, students are verifying a program on an Okuma Lathe. Photo submitted to the Times

in recognition of National Manufacturing Day. Their goal is to show the public how students can learn a trade that will result in a good-paying career, after just one eight-week session.

Open house hours will be 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Epic Machine, at 201 Industrial Way, Fenton.

"The median wage for a machinist is about \$20 per hour," Parker said. "However, it's all based on a person's skill level. The more skill you bring to the table, the more money you'll make."

Epic CNC Training Academy runs four sessions per year and up to four students per session.

"We focus on quality over quantity in our focused, hands-on training," said Melinda Keway, academy director.

"It's a 40-hour week for our students. They are totally immersed in learning computer operated equipment. When a student is done with the session, he or she will be proficient and confident in their skills, and will be ready

to meet the needs of an employer as an entry level skilled tradesperson."

How do you know if a skilled trade in the manufacturing industry is the career for you? "If you're good at math and mechanically inclined," this might be a good fit for you," Keway said. "You also must be 18 years old or older. The majority of our students are in their mid-20s and have come to us after trying a different career path and realizing they want to do something different with their lives."

Epic Machine has been approved to use the new "Forever" GI Bill, which lets military veterans use federal benefits for technology courses through non-college providers.

Academy students will learn:

- CNC milling
- CNC turning
- MasterCam
- G and M code programming
- How to read blueprints and manufacture the product
- Career skills, like time management, that are necessary to be successful

"You grow your skill by doing it," Keway said. "Come in and see what the world of manufacturing is like today. It's totally different than what you might expect."

“Our goal is to bring skilled, trained tradespeople back into Michigan’s manufacturing industry after the state’s Great Recession.”

Mike Parker
Epic Machine CEO

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Invasive breast cancer occurs when cancer cells spread to nearby tissue or other parts of the body.

Invasive breast cancer that spreads to other parts of the body is called metastatic breast cancer.

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Who are the richest self-made women in the U.S.?

■ The youngest millionaire on Forbes' list is just 21

Compiled By Hannah Ball

The buzz surrounding wealth is typically about the richest men in the U.S. What about the women?

Here are the richest self-made women in America. These women founded IT companies, packaging giants, fashion retailers, skin care lines, social networks and cosmetics brands. Many of these women dropped out of college, or only have a high school diploma.

1. Diane Hendricks, \$6.9 billion

The richest self-made woman in the U.S. is Diane Hendricks Wisconsin who owns ABC Supply. It's one of the largest wholesale distributors of roofing, siding, and windows in the U.S. She founded the business with her late husband, Ken, 36 years ago and she has run it since his death in 2007.



The company, with more than 700 locations, has more than \$9 billion in sales. Hendricks' net worth is \$6.9 billion. Her education extends to a high school diploma.

2. Marian Ilitch, \$4.3 billion

Ilitch founded Little Caesars Pizza with her late husband, Mike, in 1959. The pizza chain makes more than \$4 billion in annual sales, and she owns the Detroit Red Wings and Motor-City Casino Hotel. She's currently helping to build a \$1.2-billion sports and entertainment district in Detroit after the opening of the Little Caesars arena.



Her education includes a high school diploma.

3. Judy Faulkner, \$3.6 billion

Faulkner founded America's most-used medical recording software provider, Epic Systems, in Wisconsin in a basement in 1979. The CEO is a computer programmer whose system is used by top hospitals like John Hopkins and Mayo Clinic.



She signed the Giving Pledge in 2015, which is a promise to donate 99 percent of her fortune to philanthropic causes. Faulkner has a Bachelor of Arts and Science, and a Master's of Science degrees.

4. Meg Whitman, \$3.3 billion

She ran eBay from 1998 to 2008, taking the sales from \$5.7 million to \$8 billion. Whitman was CEO of Hewlett-Packard from 2011 to 2015, and became CEO of Jeffrey Katzenberg's mobile media startup, NewTV in March 2018. The 62-year-old is also a former Hasbro and Walt Disney executive. She has a Bachelor of Arts and Sciences degree from Princeton University and a Masters of Business Administration from Harvard Business School.



5. Johnelle Hunt, \$3.1 billion

Hunt and her late husband started a rice hull packaging operation in 1961. They started J.B. Hunt Transport Services eight years later and is now one of the biggest transportation companies in the nation with approximately \$7.2 billion in sales. Hunt is still the largest shareholder with a 17-percent stake.



She dropped out of the University of Central Arkansas when she left to marry her husband.

6. Oprah Winfrey, \$2.9 billion

The famous talk show host was on TV for 25 years, and then turned the show into a media and business empire. The profits from her show add up to nearly \$2 billion. She created her cable channel OWN in 2011, and her 25.5 percent of the network is worth \$75 million.



Winfrey also owns an 8-percent stake in Weight Watchers and has a multi-year deal with Apple to create original programming. She has a Bachelor of Arts and Sciences degree.

Other notables

Sara Blakely, \$1.1 billion

Blakely invented Spanx, the popular shapewear clothing line. It sells undergarments, leggings and maternity wear in 65 countries. She's a mother of four, runs the day-to-day operations and is a guest judge on Shark Tank. She holds a Bachelor of Arts and Sciences degree.

She is America's youngest self-made female billionaire at age 47.

Anastasia Soare, \$1 billion

Soare, a makeup mogul, is the richest woman to help get her business going and become successful using Instagram. Her daughter promoted the brand on the site, and products are now sold in more than 3,000 stores. Revenues are more than \$200 million.

Kylie Jenner, \$900 million

The youngest member on "Keeping up with the Kardashians" is the richest. She started Kylie Cosmetics and heavily promoted her brand on Instagram. Her lip kits fly off shelves, and her holiday collection in 2016 generated \$419 million in 24 hours. She's sold more than \$630 million worth of makeup since its founding in 2016, and Jenner owns 100 percent of the company.

At 21, she's on track to dethrone Blakely as the youngest self made female billionaire.

Judy Scheindlin, \$400 million

Judge Judy's TV show has been on for 22 seasons and watched by more than 10 million viewers a day. Since 2012, she's earned \$47 million a year pretax from the show.

Nora Roberts, \$390 million

The famous author has published more than 225 novels, averaging four or more a year. She also writes under the pseudonym J.D. Robb.

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Getting started with video

■ Here's what you need to know before you push 'record' on your cell phone or camera

By Tim Jagielo

Getting started making videos isn't as hard as you might think. As Times Media Editor, I'm also responsible for making videos of the events that we cover.

This means recording video and audio files and eventually pulling them together for a quick video, usually less than two-minutes long.

I've also made two full-length documentaries, and am working on a third. I've also made a couple music videos.

In seven years, I've probably made hundreds of videos. My point is that making videos can be a lot of fun, and it's not as inaccessible as you might think.

Today, practically every camera can also record video, and this of course includes your cell phone. Smartphone video has made the internet a funny, scary place, and you can document your life with video if you want.

Camera

Any camera that shoots video will work. When you get into work for clients, and feature films, that obviously changes.

But your phone can shoot perfectly good video to get started, and if you have a digital camera, it probably will also work just fine.

Editing

This is the process of taking your video files and "cutting" them and moving them to create the video. My general advice for editing is this: jump in and mess it up. It's

digital, and nothing you do while editing footage changes the original movie files.

Editing does require software, and a computer to handle it.

Fortunately, for most, that "computer" can also be your smartphone. Both Apple and Android have video editing apps built in or that can be bought.

Editing on your phone

For Apple, there's iMovie. It's already installed on many new iPhones, or costs \$4.99. Videoshop is \$1.99 and also can edit video.

For Android, there are several apps to try. FilmoraGo is free, and for about \$50, you can buy the desktop editor.

Other options include Adobe Premiere Clip, which is free, but requires you to set up an Adobe account. Adobe is the company responsible for

Photoshop, Illustrator and the desktop video editing suite, Adobe Premiere Pro.

Editing on your computer

DaVinci Resolve 15 is a free professional editing suite, created by Blackmagic Design. The company sells cameras, equipment and hardware like control surfaces for editing video, and in a unique decision, provides the free software.

Go to blackmagicdesign.com and click "products" at the top. Several options for product families will come up. Click the second box from the left, "DaVinci Resolve, Fusion and Blackmagic eGPU."

Click "DaVinci Resolve 15 Studio," and scroll all the way down to the version that is free.

I personally use Adobe Premier Pro, which is about \$25 per month on a sub-

scription service.

Filmora is a more affordable editing suite, and costs \$50.

Another professional desktop video editing app, Final Cut pro, is for Apple computers only and costs \$300. Avid Media Composer is another more expensive option.

Your computer

While you can shoot video with any camera, not every computer can edit videos.

If the computer is too underpowered, it won't be able to run the editing software. A simple way to check is to search "can my computer run DaVinci Resolve" and do some research.

As a rule, you need enough hard drive space to hold the program, and the video files. You'll need 8 to 16 gigs of RAM, and a separate graphics card also helps.

My computer at home is a 2012 Thinkpad W530. It cost less than \$500 when I bought it used.



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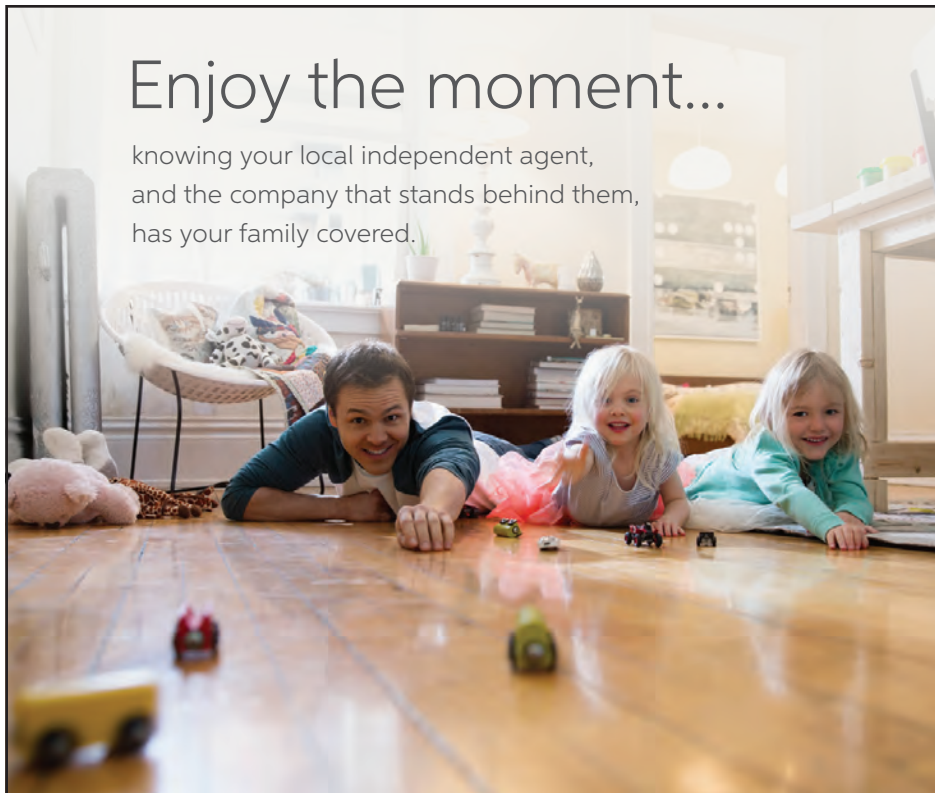
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Meet a resident of
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Caitlin Vowell

- Varsity cheerleading coach
- Dental hygienist
- Nursing student

By Hannah Ball

Caitlin Vowell, 28, went to Lake Fenton schools from preschool to graduation. She attended Mott Community College and now goes to the University of Michigan-Flint. She started cheering from a young age and is now the varsity cheerleading coach at Lake Fenton High School. Vowell has worked at Dr. Patricia McGarry's dental office in Linden as a dental hygienist for eight and a half years.

Tell me about your family.

My mom and dad raised me in Fenton along with my older brother. I'm married to a handsome man named Travis and we have a 1-year-old puppy named Oliver. How long have you been cheering?

I started cheering when I was 3 years old with my brother's grade. It was a team for older girls but they let me join them at practices and games. I continued to cheer all throughout school until graduation. It was football and basketball cheer until I added competitive cheer to the list from fifth grade up.

"A lot of people do not view cheerleading as a sport but the amount of dedication and hours spent with their team and working on individual skills deserves more recognition."

What's the hardest part about cheering?

Not having the respect that other sports have. A lot of people do not view cheerleading as a sport but the amount of dedication and hours spent with their team and working on individual skills deserves more recognition.

Do you like working with kids as a cheer coach?

I love working with teenage girls, being someone they can confide in with personal issues and life lessons along with teaching them teamwork and respect. My high school coach became one of my best friends and I love the relationship we

built on a mutual love of glitter and bows. I have 21 girls on my team this year and leaving practice and hearing 'Bye coach,



Caitlin Vowell is the varsity cheerleading coach at Lake Fenton High School. She loves to relax at home with her husband and dog. Photo submitted to the Times

love you' makes all the stress of coaching worth it. I have the best group of young ladies right now.

Do you think teenagers have it harder today compared to when you were in high school?

I do. We didn't have smartphones and social media where things are permanently documented. There's also unrealistic goals of beauty, to the point of having perfect eyebrows where I was just glad I had two separate brows at that age.

What do you do in your free time?

My husband and I are doing a house

flip on our own, which has become a larger project than we thought it would be, but we have fun working together. I also really enjoy family time, that's when my heart is the happiest. I see you're a dental hygienist. What about dental hygiene interests you? Where do you work now?

I love the idea of helping people like their smile. Some people are embarrassed about their teeth and to see patients smile and be more confident because of something that I can easily do, makes me feel like I'm making a difference.

Do you like scary movies?

Absolutely not. I am the biggest weenie when it comes to people popping out of nowhere or when the scary part seems like it could actually happen. I don't sleep for weeks after I watch one so I just avoid them.

Watch the movie or read the book?

I love to read. Books always paint a better picture than the movies can create, although I usually watch the movie once I finish the paper copy.

If you could be any fictional character, who would you be?

As much as I love Grey's Anatomy and would love to be a character on it, I would choose Bella Swan because she looks like glitter in sunlight and I've already got the pale vampire skin. Also because she is basically invincible and sometimes I'm fragile.

Would you rather go out or stay in on a Saturday night?

I'm somewhat of a boring person, even if I do go out I'm home by 9 and relaxing with the hubby and pup watching a movie.

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Should you take aspirin daily?

■ New study finds daily aspirin can have negative effects on older folks

By Hannah Ball

For years, daily aspirin has been marketed as a way to prevent healthy people from cardiovascular disease and cancer.

Current guidelines set by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommend a daily aspirin for those 50 and over who have high blood pressure, high cholesterol or a history of smoking as a way to prevent heart attacks and strokes. However, an international study is saying the opposite.

The report, published in the New England Journal of Medicine on Sept. 16, found that even at low doses, daily aspirin taken long term can be harmful for people who haven't experienced a heart attack or a stroke.

The study can be read at nejm.org.

The study found a "significant risk of internal gastric bleeding caused by the medication, which thins the blood,"

according to NBC.com. The study also found that older patients did not experience any benefits from the aspirin.

From 2010 through 2014, researchers enrolled community-dwelling persons in Australia and the United States who were 70 years of age or older (or 65 years of age among blacks and Hispanics in the United States) and did not have cardiovascular disease, dementia, or disability.

The study involved 19,114 seniors with a median age of 74. About 9,525 participants were randomly assigned to take aspirin and 9,589 received a placebo. People sent in data for approximately four and a half years.

One of the study's coauthor, Dr. Anne Murray, a geriatrician and epidemiologist at the Hennepin Healthcare Research Institute and the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, told NBC that they knew there would be an increased risk of bleeding with taking aspirin.

"But not only did it not decrease risk of disability or death, it did not decrease the risk of heart attack and stroke, and there was an increase in the rate of death,"

Talk to your doctor about the study and if you should be taking aspirin daily.

she said.

By the end of the trial, the rates of coronary heart disease, heart attacks and strokes were similar for both groups.

Taking aspirin daily actually caused some issues. The study found that hemorrhagic stroke, bleeding in the brain, gastrointestinal bleeding and bleeding in other places that required transfusion or hospitalization occurred in 3.8 percent of

the aspirin group, compared to 2.7 percent of the placebo group.

"For healthy people 70 and older who don't have a reason to be on aspirin, such as a previous heart attack or stroke, there was no discernible benefit," Murray said.

The study also found an increase in cancer deaths in the aspirin group.

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WOW campus and costs associated with these two safety projects. We expect to take the winning bid to the Board of Education in October or November," he said.

Hartley said the sale of this property will not change the boundaries of the district's existing athletic area.

"The terms of the sale include the school district's ability to determine what restrictions are placed on businesses that will occupy the property (i.e. no liquor and tobacco sales)," Hartley said.

Last December, officials in the city of Fenton voted unanimously to rezone some of the property owned by Fenton Area Public Schools and a section of

land across the street on Owen Road.

The school district's Owen Road property, located between the Speedway gas station and the high school football field, all the way back to the bus garage,

“We expect some sort of retail/grocery to occupy that space.”

Adam Hartley
Fenton Area Public Schools superintendent

including the land where the bus garage is located, was rezoned from Low Density Residential (LDR) to General Business District (GBD) with a Planned Unit Development (PUD) overlay.

The PUD overlay will also now include property across the street on the north side of Owen Road, which starts on the west

side at U.S. 23 and ends at Alloy Drive.

The Master Plan, through the U.S. 23 Owen Road Study, designates the Owen Road frontage portion of the school property for two restaurant commercial out lots.

The district has investigated the use of 3.5 acres of land adjacent to the football stadium and bus facility for three years, since 2015. Selling the land was the ultimate decision.

The bids released were due back on June 28. The finance committee reviewed the bids and will make the recommendation to the school board.

Construction is expected to begin in the transition of AGS classroom and office area to take place during the summer of 2020 and completion of the project in the fall of 2020.

Hartley said this week that the property was listed at bid4michigan.com, no listing agent was used.

"We are still in the process of reviewing offers and will disclose (financial information) in those offers once we have a final negotiated offer," he said.

On potential buyers, Hartley said, "We expect some sort of retail/grocery to occupy that space."

"We are fortunate to have a school board that recognizes this opportunity to utilize the sale of this unused property to help us enhance the safety of both our AGS and Ellen Street buildings," he said.

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BUILDING

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Grand Blanc, it will take about a year to build. "I expect it will be move-in ready by spring of 2020," he said Thursday.

Corlin Builders, Inc. obtained final site plan approval on the approximate \$7-million project from the Fenton Planning Commission on Thursday, Sept. 27. In June, Saab said they would like to have a few residential and business tenants lined up before they break ground.

"We've begun leasing the first floor retail spaces," said Saab on Thursday. He did not reveal the names of those retailers but said, "I'll let them make the announcement when they're ready. We do still have some spaces available though for those

that are interested."

Once they do break ground, 111 Leroy Place (111 S. LeRoy St.) will be located between the existing Cornerstone building in downtown Fenton and the Fenton United Methodist Church.

The four-story building will feature a total of about 41,000 square feet.

Like the first Cornerstone building, at Silver Lake Road and South LeRoy Street, the first floor of the second building will feature five retail spaces. The second floor will be offices, and the third and fourth floors will feature condominiums.

Saab has assured city administrators that they will do everything to limit the impact construction has on nearby buildings and traffic.

RESTAURANT

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The menu can be sorted by fastest delivery time as well. Clicking on the restaurant will reveal a clear menu with names and prices.

Ordering can be done online, through the smartphone or tablet app, or calling it in.

The Laundry, CRUST and El Topo are all available for delivery through the service. Co-owner Mark Hamel said that of the three, El Topo has the most orders, because the meals are already designed for takeout.

Hamel said that delivery service is the number one restaurant trend for the past two years. It's popular enough that they may create a to-go menu for The Laundry and CRUST, because their plates are designed for kitchen-to-table, and some food doesn't fair well for 30 minutes in a box.

"Despite the fact that cooking shows are popular, they're cooking less in their homes," Hamel said. "People still want to eat at home. I think people still like the

notion of eating as a family."

Other restaurants include Mancino's, John's Pizzeria and Beale St. Smokehouse BBQ.

"More often if they order out, they want something good," Hamel said. "Or they want some variety. They want health and they want quality."

The Bittersweet Café in Holly uses the delivery service, but doesn't see a large volume of orders. However, Manager Heather Huhan suggested that it is probably helpful for customers who cannot, or don't want to leave their home.

Fenton Food Express handles the whole process for the person who ordered through the app, or online.

McDonald's also offers a modern system of ordering — through the mobile app. The app saves recent orders, and gives you the option to

re-order when you get to the parking lot. If you saved a credit card, with the app, billing is also quick and easy.

At that point, you can use the drive-through, or wait for curbside pick up. Perkins said it is also used to redeem coupons.

“More often if they order out, they want something good. Or they want some variety. They want health and they want quality.”

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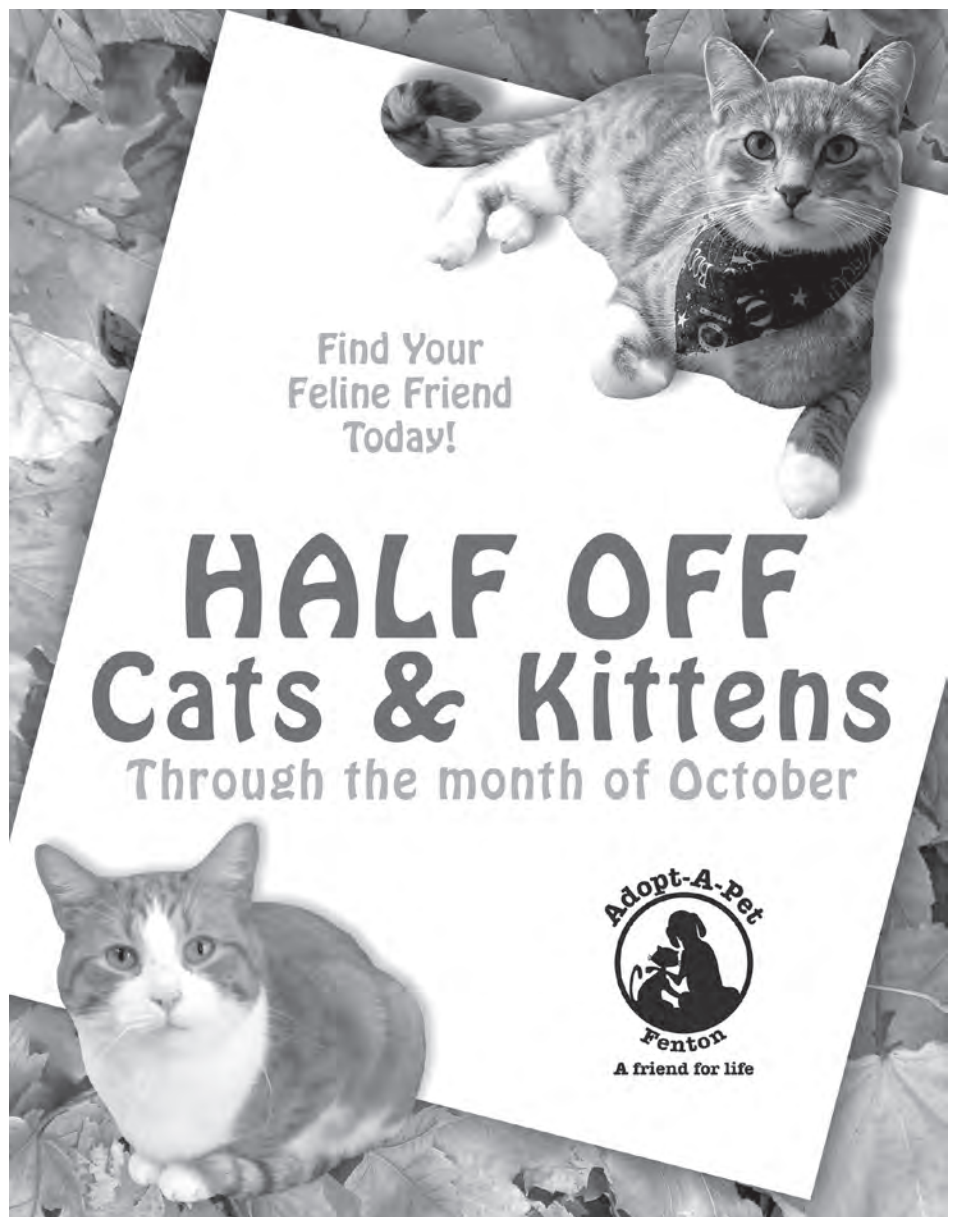
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With the Legislature holding intermittent sessions during the general election campaign season, the Roll Call Report continues its review of key votes from the 2017-2018 session.

Senate Bill 249: Ban government, school district discrimination against charter schools

To prohibit school districts or local governments from refusing to sell property to a charter school or taking other actions that block charters from using property for educational purposes, such as imposing deed or zoning restrictions.

Passed 25 to 13 in the Senate on May 23, 2017.

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	✗ YES
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	✗ YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	✗ YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	✗ NO
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	✗ NO

Passed 60 to 47 in the House on June 20, 2017

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Dist. 51)	✗ YES
Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)	✗ YES

Senate Bill 122: Allow dogs in outdoor cafés

To permit a restaurant to allow customers' dogs in outside dining areas. Under current law only seeing-eye and other service dogs are allowed in restaurants. Local governments could still choose to ban dogs. The House has not voted on this bill.

Passed 32 to 6 in the Senate on May 24, 2017

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	✗ NO
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	✗ YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	✗ YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	✗ YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	✗ YES

House Bill 4557: Authorize prison for bringing 26 or more cases of beer or wine into state

To authorize up to four years in prison and a \$5,000 fine for bringing more than around 26 cases of wine or beer into the state without all the required licenses mandated by the state.

Passed 36 to 1 in the Senate on June 22, 2017

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	✗ YES
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	✗ YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	✗ YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	✗ YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	✗ YES

Passed 99 to 8 in the House on May 25, 2017

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Dist. 51)	✗ YES
Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)	✗ YES

Senate Bill 363: Buy road salt from Detroit Salt Company, not lowest bidder

To allow the state to pay 8 percent more than the lowest bidder's price for road salt sold by the Detroit Salt Company. This is a Canadian holding company with a Michigan salt mine. The House has not voted on this bill.

Passed 36 to 2 in the Senate on May 24, 2017

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	✗ YES
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	✗ YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	✗ YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	✗ YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	✗ YES

House Bill 4184: Restrict local governmental body "phone-in" voting

To restrict members of an elected public body from casting a vote without being physically present. This would be allowed in one meeting per year per member, if other members deem the absence to be for good cause, or the vote is on personnel or infrastructure issues where delay could raise costs or liability. The Senate has not voted on this bill.

Passed 96 to 12 in the House on May 31, 2017

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Dist. 51)	✗ YES
Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)	✗ YES

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Linden City Manager Paul Zelenak speaks to more than 100 people at Shiawassee Shores Tuesday, Sept. 25 about the road millage residents will vote on in November.

Photo: Hannah Ball

ROAD MILLAGE

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replace, resurface or reconstruct roads in the city. Funds will not be used for routine maintenance.

"All of you realize something has to be done," Zelenak said, mentioning the large potholes on Main Street in front of the post office.

Collecting the taxes would start in the summer of 2019 and last for 10 years. Zelenak spoke of the urgency for fixing the roads now and not waiting another five years.

"If you have a roof leak on your house, it's a lot cheaper to replace a couple sections of shingles than to wait five years," he said. "We're trying to get this as quickly as possible."

One resident said no one can say that road repair isn't necessary. He asked if Zelenak and the city council will go "door to door" to the business owners on Rolston Road and ask them to pay because it is their semis that "tear up the road."

Zelenak said because those properties have frontages on the road, they could be part of a special assessment district in the future. With the millage, those companies will be assessed based on the values of their building at the same rate as a residential property—\$5 for each \$1,000 of a property's taxable value.

Another resident asked about how the politicians running in the 2016 campaign said that all the roads would be "beautiful."

"That tells me you're getting enough federal money to make these roads beautiful," the resident said.

Zelenak said he can "categorically say no. If those funds were available, we would get them and all those roads would be beautiful."

The city has received approximately \$20,000 last year and more than \$20,000 this year from the increase in gas taxes and registration fees, which began Jan. 1, 2017. The increase is earmarked to pay for Michigan roads.

"But the majority of what they used originally is going to the state

of Michigan to repair certain roads and to pay off bond debt that's at the state," he said. "Thus far, that's all we've received. Our roads are still not beautiful."

Zelenak spoke of the difference of doing a special assessment district compared to a millage.

"When something is forced on you, you have a lot more resistance to it. That's why council decided to put this on the ballot," Zelenak said.

With special assessment districts, the people fronting the road can initiate a district, or the council can initiate it.

One resident asked if there would be a cost share agreement with the city and people on Rolston Road if the millage passes. Zelenak said no and that would only happen with a special assessment district.

If the millage passes and the city receives grants for roads during the 10 years, the money could go to additional projects or maintenance.

Another resident asked, "Why do we have a problem today when we could have been putting the money away 10 years ago?" Zelenak said he couldn't answer that because he's only been with the city for five-and-a-half years.

He said there will be delays with construction if the millage passes.

"I will not try to sugarcoat this for any of you," he said. "There will be delays when road projects are going on. You just have to be patient. The biggest thing I'm always concerned about when a road project goes in is 'is it safe?'"

The next informational meeting is at the Linden City Council chambers, in the lower level of the Linden Mill Building, on Oct. 17 at 7 p.m.

BALLOT LANGUAGE

"Shall the City of Linden levy a new millage of 5.0 mills (\$5.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a 10-year term (2019 through 2028 inclusive), for purposes of improving, replacing, resurfacing and reconstructing streets in the City, including drainage improvements and curbs and gutters, together with necessary rights-of-way, appurtenances and attachments, pursuant to the Road Improvement Plan that is available for inspection at Linden City Hall? It is estimated that the levy will generate \$520,000 in the first year."

The city of Linden has 17.42 miles of road.

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Paul Zelenak
Linden city manager

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Tigers' defense, passing keeps squad undefeated

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity volleyball team continues to win and lead in the Metro League standings.

The Tigers improved to 5-0 in Metro League play by defeating Clio in three straight sets 25-15, 25-21, 25-23 during Tuesday action.

The win means Fenton (20-6-1 overall) is a half-game ahead of Flushing (4-0) in the Metro standings and a game ahead of Holly (4-1). The Tigers will face both of those squads in their next two matches — a pair of matches that

should go a long way toward deciding this season's Metro champions.

Against Clio, Fenton varsity volleyball coach Jerry Eisinger praised the team's passing, specifically through its serve receive.

"I really think our serve receive and defense won that game," Eisinger said. "We only had two serve receive errors and we

passed that ball very accurately which let the offense run. Chloe Idoni, Lauren Lamb and Meg Wolosonowich all did a great job there.

"Defensively, we had a good night led by libero Lauren Lamb but more importantly were the many diving, scrappy plays she made to keep the ball alive. It was an outstanding job by her."

Lamb's 15 digs led the team while Wolosonowich and Idoni had 10 digs each.

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Sports



Fenton's
Lauren Lamb (left) and
Meg Wolosonowich

Tigers dominating Metro XC competition



Area runners (from left) Victor Ruiz, Nolan Day and Gage Bond run during the first jamboree. The trio finished in the top 15 of the second jamboree Photo: David Troppens

Both Fenton teams repeat, win second league jamboree

By David Troppens

The second Flint Metro League cross country jamboree told everyone what was already established three weeks ago in the first one — that the Fenton programs are truly the dominant squad in the league.

The Fenton boys won its jamboree with 38 points while the Fenton girls did even better by scoring just 30 points en route to first-place finishes at Owosso High School at the second jamboree Wednesday.

Coupled with their first-place performances at the first jamborees, the Fenton teams are now halfway to repeating as Metro champions.

Holly's boys finished second place once again during the second jamboree while the Linden boys fell from third to fifth in Wednesday's event. The Linden girls remained in third place while the Holly girls moved up from fifth to fourth.

Both races had local winners. In the girls race, Alexa Keiser maintained her perfect Metro winning streak, capturing her eighth Metro

jamboree or league meet victory. She won the 5K race with a time of 18:31.77 well ahead of Holly's second-place performer Andrea Ruiz (19:19.69), who finished second. Ruiz beat the rest of the field by more than 13 seconds as well as Flushing's Thailiya Christensen took third (19:33.43).

In the boys' race, Linden's Tyler Buchanan (16:11.81) continued his Metro dominance as well, beating Owosso's Jorden Sowash (16:19.26) by nearly nine seconds to earn first place. Fenton's Adam Jesse was third (16:31.46) and the rest of the field was nearly 30 seconds behind Jesse.

The Fenton girls won their jamboree by posting five runners within the top 11 and four within the top seven. All seven runners finished within the top 20. After Keiser, Cambria Tiemann placed fifth (19:55.24) while Kaitlyn Bayer was sixth (20:10.10) and Abbey Lee was seventh (20:20.31). Freshman Emily Grob was 11th (20:53), while Hanna Chapin was 16th (21:13) and Coral Lefever was 20th (21:30.08).

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Linden Eagles sting Hornets

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity volleyball team has spent the first half of the Metro League season battling with the stronger half of the league's teams.

And considering the league's recent talent improvement (particularly with the middle-of-the-pack teams), that has created its share of five-set thrillers with a mixture of wins and losses.

However, considering the Eagles have played the majority of the stronger teams, they will be facing some of the weaker squads maybe

giving the squad a little bit of a break during the final portion of the league season.

The Eagles took advantage of one of those teams on Tuesday, crushing the Kearsley Hornets in three sets 25-14, 25-18, 25-15. The sweep marked the first three-game result the Eagles have had in Metro play since the opening week of the league season. Linden recorded a five-set win against Clio but also had a five-set loss against Holly since then.

Lauren O'Brien and Avery Koan had strong defensive

games, recording 13 and 10 digs, respectively. Koan was strong on the service line, recording five aces on 23-of-24 serving.

The offense was paced by Ellie Klocek's eight kills and by Makenna O'Keefe's six kills. Setter Jordan Moros had 23 assists.

The Eagles (2-3 in Metro play) return to action against another solid Metro squad on Tuesday when they travel to Brandon (2-2). Linden ends the Metro season on Oct. 23 with a road trip to Owosso (0-4).



Linden's Lauren O'Brien attempts a kill in a recent match. The Eagles defeated Kearsley. Photo: David Troppens

David's Dabblings



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

WE ALL MAKE A DIFFERENCE

My first professional job after college was in Albion, at a small daily paper named 'The Albion Recorder.'

Being a one-person sports staff could be challenging, but eventually, I became a part of the community and loved Albion.

Albion had its share of problems. A large segment of the population lived below the poverty level, and it seemed every few months another story would come across delivering another 'fatal' blow. But through it all, there were plenty of people trying to make a difference with many different programs.

Our office was asked to join a few of those programs. Our office worked for a program called HOSTS. We'd each volunteer an hour a week helping tutor a grade school student that supposedly having issues in class. HOSTS was a blast. A couple of us in our office quickly not only worked with our student but many others. We'd spend hours a day with different students four days a week. Our primary student was Michael. He had a relative on the Albion varsity basketball team, so instead of doing the regular reading required, we'd read the sports stories in our publication. He ate it up and improved significantly. Soon the HOSTS organizers realized what we were doing and they told us to just keep doing what we were doing. The same kid that would struggle with "See Spot run up the hill" was now reading more demanding stories with great fluency. After moving, I lost contact with Michael.

My Albion days are 30 years ago and frequently I wonder what happened to some of those students, especially Michael.

Last weekend, I was asked to come back to Albion during their annual Festival of the Forks, and did. I spent early Saturday afternoon walking around the city. At one moment, I stopped to read a sign and quickly heard, 'Hey, aren't you David Troppens?' It was Michael. He was running his own outdoor BBQ pit and we immediately hugged and talked for about five minutes. He told me he loved my stories and still had many of them at home. I told him the impact he had on my life and probably teared more than a little. The meeting was awesome.

Frequently we all wonder what happen to those we worked with earlier in your life, wondering what direction their lives took. During

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Tigers crush Metro, defend league title

Holly finishes tied for second

By David Troppens

Anyone wanting to see an example of dominant consistency should check out this season's Fenton varsity girls golf team.

The Fenton golfers proved they are the team to beat earlier this season at Fenton Farms Golf Course by shooting a first-place score of 335 at the first Metro meet. History repeated itself on Wednesday when the Tigers recorded another 335 to win the final Metro League meet and capture the league title for the third year in a row. Fenton varsity golf coach Kurt Herbstreit also was named coach of the year.

Fenton had all four of its scoring golfers shoot 92 or better, earning its 335. Holly fell from second to third place in this meet, posting a team score of 397. The Bronchos finished the league season tied for second with Swartz Creek. Linden jumped from seventh to fifth by improving its team score 52 strokes, scoring a 442. The Eagles capped the season in

sole possession of fifth place.

Fenton's top star was its transfer student Charlotte Cunaud. She carded a 39-38-77, earning match medalist honors by one stroke. Swartz Creek's Neeley Peterson shot a 78.

Fenton was followed by Brook Herbstreit with a 41-43-84, Lily Horning with a 41-41-82 and Angela Hanners with a 44-48-92.

Fenton was perfect in everything the Tigers did in Metro play, also going 8-0 during the dual portion of the season.

Holly made a lot of history this season, and some of that history was made at the Metro meet. By taking third at the meet, the Bronchos finished tied for second, the highest Holly has ever finished a Metro League season.



Fenton's varsity girls golf team captured the Metro League title after winning the conference's postseason tournament on Wednesday. Photo submitted

"For us it was a season of breaking records," Holly varsity girls golf coach Casey Lombard said. "We have a record board and we broke six of our records. We never finished as well in the Metro League as we did this year. ... I was thrilled. I would've liked to have won (second place) outright, but you have to give Swartz Creek credit."

Kate Brown led Holly with a 47-41-88, while Megan McReynolds shot a 46-49-95. Kelsey Malone carded a 55-48-103 and Ella Lonsberry shot a 57-54-111.

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LF volleyball shows progress, defeats Bendle

By David Troppens

First-year Lake Fenton varsity volleyball coach Allison von Daggenhausen is trying to set the building blocks to improve the Blue Devils' program during the near future.

Sometimes to do so, victories can't be your primary goal — establishing the team's new direction comes first and then hopefully the wins come.

Well, the Blue Devils did both on Tuesday. Lake Fenton continued to display improved play while also earning an impressive three-set sweep against Bendle.

"I was proud of them," von Daggenhausen said. "They played their level of volleyball. They stayed positive and had good energy the entire match."

The Blue Devils' defense was strong, resulting in some solid passing and a strong and diverse attack. The Blue Devils had 37 kills in the three-set match, with the squad's usual top hitter, Sophia Clements, leading the way with 13 kills.



Lake Fenton's Courtney McMillan blocks a ball. Photo: Mark Bolen

Six others had at least three kills each. Chloe Weiss had seven kills while Mogan DeRidder provided five kills. Kara Foust, Courtney McMillan, Kiah King and Veronica Cechanowicz had three kills each. Setter Abby Fletcher finished the match with 27 assists to go with her two aces.

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Blue Devils' XC teams finish third at second GAC jamboree

By David Troppens

One team moved down a spot while the other held firm.

The final analysis is both Lake Fenton varsity cross country teams finished in third place at the second GAC jamboree held at Corunna High School.

Both teams had their top five scoring runners finish within the top 20. The boys had their top five finish within the top 15 places, but it only earned them third place with 46 points, two less than second-place Goodrich. The Blue Devils' boys fell from second at the first meet to third this time.

The Lake Fenton girls held firm in third place. The girls only issue was the lack of a true lead runner, as all of their five runners finished in between eighth and 20th place. Junior Salina Mueller led the girls by taking eighth (21:33.88) while sophomore teammate Aubrey Fray placed ninth (21:39.42). Two freshmen were the next two runners. Claire Hunt placed 12th (22:13.09) while Madeline Gibb was 17th (23:19.19). Finally, senior Melaina Wurts was 20th in 23:34.77.

The Lake Fenton boys were led by seniors Eric Niestroy and Tommy Hufton. Niestroy was fourth in 16:51.99 while Hufton was fifth in 16:58.27.

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Lake Fenton's Melaina Wurts finished 20th at the second GAC jamboree on Wednesday. Photo: David Troppens

DABBLINGS

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the process we all probably realize we learn more from the children we are 'helping' than the other way around. They are truly become our mentors. But that said we all wonder if we had a positive impact.

We have our answer to that question. We were just a blip in Michael's life. Certainly his family, other mentors and Michael himself were the greatest reasons for his success. But after Saturday, I do realize yes, we did make at least a small difference, and that feels awesome.

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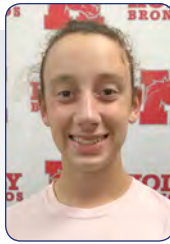
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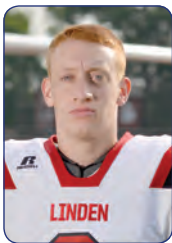
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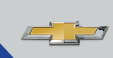
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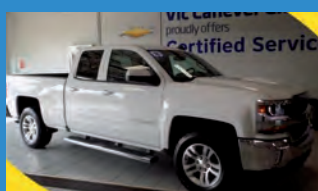
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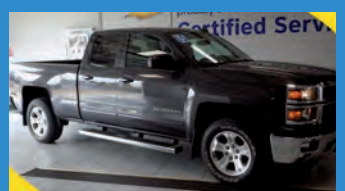
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