Proposal 18-1 would legalize recreational marijuana use, along with its cultivation and transportation, within limits. Photo: www.procon.org

Michigan voters to decide on recreational marijuana
Legalizing it could generate $700 million in first four years
By Tim Jagielo
Michigan might be making huge changes to recreational marijuana law in November. On Nov. 6, Michigan residents will vote on proposal 18-1, Marijuana Legalization Initiative. See MARIJUANA on 9A

Proposal 18-2 seeks to establish a “commission of citizens” with exclusive authority to adopt state and U.S. congressional districts via constitutional amendment.
What you should know about proposal to stop gerrymandering
Would create independent panel to establish new non-partisan district
By Tim Jagielo
It’s been a long journey for the non-partisan group Voters Not Politicians (VNP), which essentially brought the proposal to the people for a Nov. 6 vote. See GERRYMANDERING on 12A

Proposal 18-3 would authorize automatic and Election Day voter registration, no-reason absentee voting, and straight ticket voting and more.

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No straight ticket voting on this Election Day
But voters will decide ‘yes’ or ‘no’ for upcoming elections
By Hannah Ball
Straight ticket voting will not be an option in this November election. This phrase describes when voters can fill in a single option on a ballot to vote for every candidate in one political party.

John Gleason, Genesee County clerk, said, “It’s a horrible decision” not to have straight ticket voting and more. See STRAIGHT TICKET on 6A

Proposal 18-3 is a renewal of the Genesee County Health Care Services Millage. The estimated revenue that will be collected during the first year is $9,151,925.

Voters to decide Genesee Health Plan renewal
If passed, would cost average homeowner $50 per year for seven more years
By Sharon Stone
The Genesee Health Plan (GHP) millage renewal will appear on the Tuesday, Nov. 6 ballot as the “Genesee County Health Care Services Millage Renewal.” See HEALTH PLAN on 11A

Owners see increase in Sears Hometown Store of Fenton — is here to stay
Brothers Jeff and Tim Stone, both of Fenton Township, wish they had a dollar for every time they are asked at their store — Sears Hometown Store in Fenton — if they are closing or going bankrupt, because of the recent bankruptcy filing of Sears Holdings Corporation.

See SEARS HOMETOWN on 13A

Yes, we are afraid of Democrat mobs. Just look at them beating up older people, breaking windows and destroying property. Just for laughs go to one of those ‘demonstrations’ carrying an American flag and wearing an NRA hat and see what happens.

If you want more marijuana, more illegal immigrants, more innocent babies killed, less religion and more taxation, more liberal indoctrination in the schools and universities and continued escalation of welfare paid for by you, then you should definitely vote Democrat in this election.

Each time you see or hear the term ‘millage,’ replace it with the term ‘higher taxes.’ We are already burdened with outrageous taxation and they always want more. It is time to fight back. Vote no to any and all higher taxation, or as they call it, a millage.

If you vote on the millage, it’s an investment in your city.

By Sally Rummel

Kmart ...and the walls come tumbling down

The back 50-foot section of the former Kmart building has been removed to make room for the delivery trucks, which will deliver for multiple retailers once the building is reconfigured. Retail leases have been signed for three of the five spaces. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Sears Hometown Store of Fenton is here to stay
By Sally Rummel

Brothers Jeff and Tim Stone, both of Fenton Township, wish they had a dollar for every time they are asked at their store — Sears Hometown Store in Fenton — if they are closing or going bankrupt, because of the recent bankruptcy filing of Sears Holdings Corporation.

Progress comes with a price. If you want your community to continue to become a ‘destination city’ then we need to continue to improve our downtown and our streets to attract visitors. Increased taxes also mean higher home values. Vote yes on the millage, it’s an investment in your city.

By Sally Rummel

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Potholes — every driver’s nightmare

■ Average cost to repair damaged vehicle is $306

By Hannah Ball

Bent or cracked rims. Flat or blown tires. Steering issues. Vehicles can sustain hundreds, or even thousands, of dollars worth of damage after hitting potholes on the roads.

In 2016, AAA found that U.S. drivers paid approximately $15 billion over the previous five years for damage caused by potholes.

See POTHOLES on 7A

Even worse, hitting a pothole — or taking the wrong measures to avoid one — could cause a crash and personal injuries.

AAA

The average cost of fixing damage on a car caused by a pothole is $306, according to AAA, although sometimes the bill exceeds $1,000.

Photo: Hannah Ball

Times media editor creates documentary about Indian community in U.P.

■ Tribes bringing back native ceremonies, arts, language and culture

By Tim Jagielo

Bay Mills — Rev. John Hascall stood before his congregation for the Sunday, Oct. 14 afternoon Catholic Mass. To his left is a statue of Jesus, and Kateri Tekakwitha, the first Native American saint.

He read from the New Testament, Mark 10, specifically, in English, and also Anishinaabemowin, the language of the Ojibwe people.

The Bay Mills Indian Community (native name Gnoozhekaaning) is a

See TRIBE on 8A

Come **Heller** high water...

- **My problem** is my view of life is too simple. For instance, I think “Why would we want to be friends with or sell weapons to a country that murders and dismembers journalists?” No matter how hard I try, I can’t come up with a good answer. Must be something wrong with me.

- **As Mueller, some** news reports say, will present the bulk of his findings just after the election. I think everyone needs it — Republicans and Democrats. It’s like we’ve been holding our collective breath for two years. I, for one, want to exhale. Whatever the findings are, at least we’ll know.

- **I just looked** at the Farmer’s Almanac forecast in the check-out line at Meijer and it said Michigan would have a slightly warmer, slightly drier winter. When I left the store, it was “slowing,” which is my term for sleet and snow. I am not hopeful.

- **If you can probably tell,** I’m suffering from the early onset winter blues. In the old cartoon, Fred Flintstone tried to talk himself into loving Wilma’s mom by muttering, “I love my mother-in-law. I love my mother-in-law...” That’s how I feel about my home state when we get a month like this one. “I love Michigan, I love Michigan...” If I say it enough, maybe I’ll convince myself.

- **If you haven’t,** try sprinkling your pizza with red wine vinegar. I learned that trick at Luigi’s in Flint. It’s good stuff.

- **According to the critics,** “Roseanne” (now “The Connors”) is better without Roseanne. I’m not surprised. Once an actor becomes known more for controversies or political views, it becomes harder to see them in character.

- **If and when** I cut the cable cord, it’ll be for these reasons: 1) It annoys me that I pay for 300 channels but only 10 or 12 are watchable. The rest are selling bad jewelry and crock pots. 2) The networks have all adopted the same primetime formula: one show featuring God, angels or miracles (“God Friend Me”), one cop show, one special forces drama, one hospital show, one lawyer show, and one singing or dancing competition, plus 10 awful sitcoms.

- **You know what** I want — an old school variety comedy show like “Laugh-In” or Carol Burnett. I kinda miss those.

- **During an interview** on Tinder (wait, Lopez has interviews?) Jennifer Lopez caused a minor stir by saying she keeps her ketchup in the refrigerator. So? That’s where everybody keeps it, right? If you keep it in the cupboard, it’ll go bad, right? Not so, said the article. Restaurants keep bottles out on the table, after all. Apparently the vinegar and sugar in the ketchup preserve it pretty well. Learn something every day, I guess. But I’m still keeping mine in the fridge.

- **Since I’m on a food kick,** another story I saw said an increasing number of restaurants are replacing American cheese with fancier varieties because millennials don’t like it. Communists. You can keep your stinky blue cheese and feta cheese. I’ll take “Amur-kin” on my burger any day.

- **The red seats** at Little Caesar’s arena in Detroit are being replaced with black ones so they don’t show up as well on TV when no one’s in them. Seems to me they should leave the seats and sign better players so people fill them.

- **“Get busy living** or get busy dying.” — Stephen King

- **Opinions offered to Space Heater High Wheeler are the author’s views and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Tri-County Times. We reserve the right to edit for clarity and liability. Letters must be written exclusively for the Times.

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**Fenton Forward**

Dear Editor,

Mayor Osborn, please explain to me why you get a pulpit like the Fenton Forward propaganda brochure that all residents received in the mail paid for by Fenton taxpayers to tell Fenton taxpayers that they need to pay more taxes for roads. I think the money is there, but it is being wasted on things like butterfly parks, slogans for the city that no one hears, and signs that look like highway barricades. Where is my pulpito? How do I as an owner of two Fenton homes get to speak to the residents and say “vote no” on this onerous tax bill? Where is my glossey slick-looking pamphlet that I can send postage paid to all the residents of Fenton? How do I as a tax-paying resident of Fenton get to equally express my first amendment rights to speak freely and openly using resident taxes?

**Mark Forest**

Fenton
Local family’s need for a new furnace turns up the heat for area HVAC businesses

By Sally Rummel

Times’ readers are a compassionate group of people.

Immediately after the online story ran Oct. 13 about Jeremy Alber, 41, who is battling stage 4 colon cancer — calls, emails and texts brought in an outpouring of help.

The furnace recently stopped working at the Albers’ Swartz Creek home in the Linden school district, following a series of other expensive home repairs.

A number of local heating and cooling professionals offered to install a new furnace for the family. Blessing Plumbing & Heating in Fenton will be installing a furnace for them early this coming week.

Alber’s sister, Jodi Heethuis, R.N., of Fenton Township, admits she shed a few tears at work this week, being so grateful for the community’s desire to help her brother’s family.

Alber was diagnosed with cancer exactly a year ago and it has metastasized to his bladder, liver and lungs. A lot of people offered their help at the time, but a year later, the family’s situation has worsened, along with Alber’s health and ability to work.

Heethuis has also set up a GoFundMe page for her brother at www.gofundme.com/help-fight-stage-iv-colon-cancer. The $25,000 goal is currently at $2,040.

“He’s very tired and is definitely not comfortable,” Heethuis said. “It’s an on-going situation. The first donations last year went right to medical bills. Then he had to start all over with all new deductibles in January. I just hope he can get enough in the GoFundMe account to have two months of wages, so he doesn’t have to stress about working.”

With a new, donated furnace, the Alber family will be comfortable in their home this coming winter. “It’s a relief to know the kids will be warm,” Heethuis said.

Honoring our first responders

The Flint Firebirds and Dort Federal Credit Union honored emergency medical personnel, firefighters, police officers and sheriff’s deputies Saturday, Oct. 13, at the Dort Federal Credit Union Event Center in Flint. Before the drop of the puck, the Firebirds hosted the Save A Life Expo, which gave the public the opportunity to meet first responders while checking out local law-enforcement vehicles, fire trucks, and EMT vehicles. Dort Federal Credit Union provided the tickets to the game for the first responders. Photo submitted to the Times

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Fire stations getting security upgrades
Includes indoor and outdoor video monitoring
By Hannah Ball
Fenton Twp. — The Fenton Township Board of Trustees unanimously approved security upgrades for the two fire stations in the township. Fenton Township Fire Chief Ryan Volz said the safety of their buildings and knowing who’s going in and out is important.

“Over the years, we’ve been really lax. People can go in and out of the fire hall and I don’t think it’s a wise idea,” said Supervisor Bonnie Mathis, adding that people could come in and tamper with the firefighting equipment.

STRAIGHT TICKET
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The option to vote straight ticket. This past September, the U.S. Supreme Court denied a last-minute request to hear a case that could have kept straight ticket voting on the ballot Nov. 6. The court denied the request without citing a reason, according to The Detroit News. This occurred after the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals issued an order that straight party voting will not be on the November ballot.

“They did it too late in the process and he didn’t have time to educate voters going to the polls,” Gleason said. “We have many senior citizens that would go in and vote straight Democrat or straight Republican. Not everyone wants to go in and vote straight party. They should be allowed to do that,” he said.

He said this will cause longer lines at the polls this November, especially with multiple proposals on the ballot. He also expects election workers to be “chastised” by those used to voting straight ticket.

“As many people as possible should vote absentee” to remedy this, Gleason said. Straight ticket voting has helped both parties in the past. Gleason said many voters in the 2016 elections voted straight-ticket Republican for President Donald Trump.

PROPOSAL 1B-3
Voters will be able to vote yes or no on straight ticket voting this November. Proposal 3 asks people if they want to authorize automatic and Election Day voter registration; no-reason absentee voting and straight ticket voting; and to add current legal requirements for military and overseas voting and post-election audits to the Michigan Constitution.

NEWS
BRIEFS
PARENTING PROGRAM, ‘LOVE AND LOGIC,’ IS NOW BEING HELD AT HOLLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Families in the Holly Area Schools district can take advantage of a unique nationwide parenting program, “Love and Logic.” The program is designed to teach parents how to handle arguments and disagreements with their children of all ages. “It’s informative and entertaining at the same time,” said Tena Alvarado, president of Holly Youth Area Assistance (HAYA). HAYA is sponsoring this six-week session, thanks to a $500 grant from Walmart in Fenton. “We’ve been pursuing grants for quite awhile,” Alvarado said. “The store manager in Fenton was instrumental in providing us with this grant.” Classes are held Tuesdays, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Holly Elementary Media Room. About 25 parents attended the first session last week, and there is room for a few more, said Alvarado. Interested parents may contact HAYA at (248) 328-3181 to register for the remaining five classes.
POTHOLES
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Fall is a popular time for pothole damage, said Ken McConnell, owner of Austin’s Body Shop in Holly. He sees bent wheels, blown-out tires, suspension problems and more.

“Depends on how hard you hit the pothole,” he said.

He recently had a car in that sustained approximately $2,600 worth of damage from hitting a pothole. Another car that hit a pothole in Flint cost thousands to fix.

“They can get real expensive. Just depends on how much damage you do to the cars,” he said. “What damages the wheel is when you get down to the bottom of the pothole. You don’t want to hit the pothole at all if you can help it.”

Expensive wheels, like those made from aluminum, can run the price up. McConnell said the suspension on many cars is made out of aluminum now, and aluminum doesn’t bend — it breaks and cracks. When a car needs realignment, it can cost $85 to $100, depending on the damage.

“If they hit potholes, they might want to have their stuff checked,” he said. “Make sure the alignment is all right, make sure the tires are all right.”

McConnell said they are trying to fix the roads, adding that Grange Hall Road and Milford Road were just redone.

The average cost of fixing damage on a car caused by a pothole is $306, according to AAA, although sometimes the bill exceeds $1,000.

“Even worse, hitting a pothole — or taking the wrong measures to avoid one — could cause a crash and personal injuries,” according to AAA.

To avoid sustaining damage to your vehicle because of pothole-infested dirt and asphalt roads, AAA recommends the following:

• Keep your tires properly inflated.
• Eliminate driving distractions.
• Constantly look for road hazards.
• Be wary of any puddles that could be hiding a pothole.
• Keep a safe distance from other vehicles.
• Check your surroundings for collision threats before slamming on your brakes to avoid a pothole.
• If you can’t avoid a pothole, slow down but release the brakes and straighten the steering wheel just before impact. This will help to minimize any damage.

Filing a claim if a pothole damages your vehicle

In certain situations, the state will reimburse motorists whose vehicles were damaged by potholes if they can prove that the government in charge of that road had prior knowledge of the potholes, according to the Detroit Free Press. State roads that are included begin with the letters I, M, or U.S.

However, it’s unlikely the claim will be successful. Michigan only reimbursed nine of the 267 pothole claims for $1,000 or less during the 2017 fiscal year.

To file a claim, go to michigan.gov/mdot.
In October 42 B.C., Cassius killed himself. On October 23, Brutus’ army was crushed by Octavian and Antony at a second encounter at Philippi, and Brutus took his own life.

**OCT. 21**

**2014** South Africa’s Oscar Pistorius, the first double amputee runner to compete at the Olympics, is sentenced to five years behind bars after being found guilty of culpable homicide, the equivalent of manslaughter, in the February 2013 death of his girlfriend, 29-year-old Reeve Steenkamp. The world-famous track star admitted to fatally shooting Steenkamp, a model and law graduate, at his home in Pretoria, South Africa, but claimed he mistook her for an intruder.

**OCT. 22**

**1975** Air Force Sgt. Leonard Matlovich, a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, is given a “general” discharge by the air force after publicly declaring his homosexuality. Matlovich, who appeared in his air force uniform on the cover of Time magazine above the headline “I AM A HOMOSEXUAL,” was challenging the ban against homosexuals in the U.S. military. In 1979, after winning a much-publicized case against the air force, his discharge was upgraded to “honorable.”

OCT. 23

**42 B.C.:** Marcus Junius Brutus, a leading conspirator in the assassination of Julius Caesar, commits suicide after his defeat at the second battle of Philippi. Two years before, Brutus had joined Gaius Cassius Longinus in the plot against the Roman dictator Julius Caesar, believing he was striking a blow for the restoration of the Roman Republic. However, the result of Caesar’s assassination was to plunge the Roman world into a new round of civil wars, with the Republican forces of Brutus and Cassius waging for supremacy against Octavian and Mark Antony. After being defeated by Antony at a battle in Philippi, Greece, in October 42 B.C., Cassius killed himself. On October 23, Brutus’ army was crushed by Octavian and Antony at a second encounter at Philippi, and Brutus took his own life.

**OCT. 24**

**1901:** A 63-year-old schoolteacher named Annie Edison Taylor becomes the first person to take the plunge over Niagara Falls in a barrel. After her husband died in the Civil War, the New York-born Taylor moved all over the U.S. before settling in Bay City, Michigan, around 1898. In July 1901, while reading an article about the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, she learned of the growing popularity of two enormous waterfalls located on the border of upstate New York and Canada. Strapped for cash and seeking fame, Taylor came up with the perfect attention-getting stunt. She would go over Niagara Falls in a barrel.

**OCT. 25**

**1980:** AC/DC earn its first pop Top 40 hit with “You Shook Me All Night Long.” Back when they were releasing albums like Dirty Deeds Done Dirt Cheap (1977), AC/DC would have seemed an unlikely candidate to become one of the top-selling pop-music acts of all time. But over the course of the coming decades, that’s exactly what these Australian rock gods became, and not by keeping pace with changes in musical fashion, but by sticking steadfastly to a music and business strategy that has helped the group stand the test of time.

**OCT. 26**

**1984:** Nineteen-year-old John McCollum is found shot to death on his bed in Indio, California. Although it was quickly determined that the fatal wound was self-inflicted, McCollum’s parents believed that singer Ozzy Osbourne was actually responsible because their son had been listening to Osbourne’s album, Blizzard of Ozz, which contains the song, “Suicide Solution,” when he killed himself. In their lawsuit, McCollum’s parents claimed that there were hidden lyrics in the song that incited the teenager to kill himself. A California court dismissed the McCollums’ lawsuit in 1986, ruling that John’s suicide was not a foreseeable result of Osbourne’s song.

**TRIBE**

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**Reservation of about 2,000 people, near Brimley and 20 minutes west of Sault Ste. Marie.** In Bay Mills, and throughout the region, there is an atmosphere of reclaiming native practices such as language, ceremony and arts that were nearly lost due to colonization, Indigenous schools and the assimilation that followed. This blending of native and mainstream America, as practiced at the church, is the subject of my next documentary, tentatively titled “The Seventh Fire.” UP Michigan natives reclaim the past to save their future. “The Seventh Fire” refers to the native prophecy, which includes the themes of resurgence and a new generation growing up with these practices.

The documentary focuses on Bay Mills, but is a small bite of a much larger movement. I went to powwows, traditional gill net fishing trips, industrial trap net fishing, watched artisans make ash baskets in the traditional style and a sweat lodge being built.

I took six trips to the community since November 2015 and gathered more than 2,000 video and audio files covering dozens of topics. This past week, I took my final trip to tie up some loose ends.

An important part of the movie is how the schools, both Ojibwe Charter School and Brimley Area Schools, teach native culture and history as a matter of course. I covered young boys in the school learning how to drum and sing in the native style. Another class learned about making hominy in the native tradition, which included several steps such as boiling the colorful, hard kernels of corn in wood ash. Others made ornaments out of sweet grass, a sacred native herb.

Throughout the classes, the native language is a component, and is all over classroom walls, like English, French or Spanish might be around here.

The movie will be about 80 minutes long, and is still rather rough. Alexa Deya, a musician from New York, is working on a score and soundscapes from her own field recordings.

I’m planning on a spring 2019 release. I’ll pursue regional media coverage as well as placement in film festivals.

This is my third full-length documentary — the first was on the Libyan Revolution, and the second, life in rural Appalachia. This will be my first full-documentary shot as a professional videographer, with better equipment and an independently produced underscore.

The serial documentary about Times reporter Hannah Ball’s cosplay projects is ongoing.

For more information and photos, go to theseventhfire.tumblr.com.
MARIJUANA
Continued from Front Page
If passed, Proposal 18-1 would legalize the possession and use of marijuana and products by people who are 21 years of age or older, said Genesee County District Court Judge Mark McCabe.
It would also allow personal use cultivation of up to 12 plants, commercial sales of marijuana, taxation of those sales, changes certain criminal laws to civil infractions and provides for other licensing and marijuana possession quantity limits. (See sidebar for actual ballot language.)

It would also create six licensing types, like marijuana retailers, marijuana secure transporter and growers.

It does not allow it to be used or grown in the public eye. Like with the Medical Marihuana Act, municipalities can vote to disallow this activity in their city, town or village.

According to the Senate Fiscal Agency, the initiative could generate more than $700 million in revenue in the first four years between sales tax revenue and the Marrihuana Regulation Fund. A percentage of tax revenue is set to go to K-12 education.

Background
In late April, the Michigan Board of Canvassers certified a successful ballot initiative by The Coalition to Regulate Marijuana like Alcohol. This group gathered 365,384 signatures — 112,861 more than necessary. Attorney Denise Pollicella has practiced law for nearly 10 years, and watched marijuana, and medical marijuana grow in visibility and acceptance. Now, Michigan will vote on whether recreational marijuana can be grown, sold and used in the state.

“It’s crazy to me,” she said in a previous article. “When you step back and look at this historically, it’s a huge deal.”

Marijuana will still be illegal at the federal level. This becomes an issue should the federal government decide to come in and enforce it.

She said removing the criminal element around marijuana should make getting marijuana safer. If marijuana is legal, then Pollicella also suspects the prison system could be unclogged of minor drug cases.

Local municipalities still have the power to disallow grow facilities in their communities, as the cities of Fenton and Linden and village of Holly have done.

Still, as far back 2014, several Michigan cities have made small amounts of marijuana legal locally, such as Saginaw and Oak Park.

According to the Senate Fiscal Agency, the initiative could generate more than $700 million in revenue in the first four years.

Not everyone wants to see marijuana become legal. Healthy and Productive Michigan is a committee against Proposal 18-1. They share media and support for their anti-marijuana message. Recently they shared a story on their Facebook page about overwhelmed Colorado drug enforcement officers dealing with an influx of illegal growers setting up in rented residential homes, to send marijuana to the east coast, as broadcasted on USA Today. Colorado has become an experiment in legal recreational marijuana.

According to The American Journal of Psychiatry, Canadian researchers found that cannabis can have long-lasting negative effects on the brains of teenagers.

While Fenton Police Chief Jason Slater cannot comment personally on how he feels about the proposal passing, he said that both the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police and the Michigan Sheriff’s Association oppose the proposal.

On Wednesday, Oct. 17, Canada legalized recreational marijuana. Individual Canadian provinces can make their own rules regulating the sale of marijuana, according to CBS News.

Ballot language
This proposal would — allow individuals 21 and older to purchase, possess and use marijuana and marijuana-infused edibles, and grow up to 12 marijuana plants for personal consumption.

Impose a 10-ounce limit for marijuana kept at residence and require amounts over 2.5 ounces be secured in locked containers.

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Permit retail sales of marijuana and edibles subject to a 10-percent tax, dedicated to implementation costs, clinical trials, schools, roads, and municipalities where marijuana businesses are located.

Change several current violations from crimes to civil infractions.

Should this proposal be adopted?

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Lake Fenton’s new student resource officer educates, counsels and provides safety by Tim Jagielo

If you’re a Lake Fenton student or parent, you’ve seen him visiting schools, covering football games and helping coordinate active shooter training this summer.

Dep. Jason Thomas, 35, is the Lake Fenton Community Schools (LFCS) Student Resource Officer (SRO). This will be his first full year at Lake Fenton. He was hired in the spring of 2017.

Thomas has been a full-time deputy for the Genesee County Sheriff’s Office (GCSO) for six years, and was a special deputy on the dive team since 2005.

“Being a Sheriff’s deputy is an exciting job,” Thomas said. “It’s not the traditional police role you may imagine. It’s a unique position that allows us to be more than a law enforcement official.”

His goal is to work with school staff to build relationships with students, staff and community members.

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Meet a resident of Our Town

Pat Jensen

• Nurse
• Traveler
• Adventurer

By Sally Rummel

Pat Jensen of Fenton has fit more living into her 83 years than most people will ever know. She has been a Fenton resident since 1980, and now lives with her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Bill Kelly. Her first husband, Harold, died in 2000 and she was married to her second husband, Ed Giannone, in 2002 until his passing in 2010.

What was your childhood like?

My mom was Wanda, a single, 18-year-old woman in Flint who worked as a waitress. My grandparents took care of me in Evart while my mom was working. My mom met and married Albert when I was 5 and he adopted me when I was 7. I have two half-sisters, Penny, now deceased, and Paula. I moved around a lot as a child. It was a difficult childhood at times, but I never let those events define me. I’m always up for an adventure, whatever that might be.

I heard you spent some of your childhood at Whaley Children’s Home. Yes, about six months. We were living in Flint at the time and I climbed a tree in the yard and broke a branch. The landlord told my mom I couldn’t live there any more, so they took me to Whaley. One of the caretakers stole my candy all the time and I got head lice, and they had to tar my head to treat it. Linda and I knocked on the door at Whaley last summer and they let us in when we told them I used to live there 75 years ago. I knew just where all the rooms were, even though it has been remodeled. They’ve offered to give me a full tour, but I haven’t done that yet.

What was your most exciting life experience?

When I was 33 years old with three small children, I found out I was accepted into the Mott nursing program. I went full time and got my R.N. degree. I worked at Flint Osteopathic Hospital. I loved being a nurse and I still keep in touch with many of my nursing friends.

Tell me about your travels.

I traveled a lot with my husband, Ed. I’ve been to all seven continents: Africa three times, the pyramids in Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Russia, Germany, Antarctica, Australia, Italy, Paris, China (I walked the Great Wall), Thailand, Saudi Arabia, Machu Picchu (Inca site in Peru). I’ve been in every country in South America except Paraguay and all 50 states except Arkansas. I fished for piranhas in the Amazon, went to an ice bar in Helsinki, sitting on ice stools at the bar made of ice. I can’t pick a favorite, but really enjoyed Africa.

How did you celebrate your 80th birthday?

I went skydiving. It wasn’t scary to me at all, not even jumping out. Actually, I’m not afraid of anything. I wanted to get back on the plane and do it again. Also, 40 friends and family celebrated with me in my favorite place, Las Vegas. I did the superman zip line down Fremont Street, took everyone on the High Roller and went on a helicopter ride down The Strip at night. Linda rented a private class where all of us women could take a pole dancing class and she took me on a mystery trip.

What is something about you that most people probably don’t know?

I began playing guitar at 14 and started teaching at Lowe Studio in Flint at age 15. I played bass and Hawaiian guitar in a band when I was 16, at the Hungarian Club in Flint. I love playing, but haven’t played for a few years.

I’ve been to all seven continents... every country in South America except Paraguay and all 50 states except Arkansas.

Pat Jensen
Fenton resident

Faith Family Community

Remember to vote Ken Horn November 6th.
The Holly Holiday Art & Craft Show is growing. This year the 41st annual event is adding 20 more booths to an already packed Holly High School, 6161 East Holly Rd., Holly. It will be held Saturday, Nov. 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission is $2. Children 12 and under will be admitted free. The venue is handicap accessible. There will be a wide selection of handmade gifts from Michigan artists and craftspeople; items include wood, fiber, glass, outdoor décor to gourmet food made locally. Great lunches will be available along with plenty of free parking. Strollers are welcome.

This is the major fundraiser for two area nonprofit organizations and run by volunteers from the Holly Historical Society’s Hadley House Museum and Holly High School’s Senior Project Graduation all night party committee. Every volunteer will be wearing their red T-shirts. For more information, call Susanne at (248) 634-5338 or Linda at (248) 634-7946. This is a great way to support the community and get into the holiday spirit.

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Proposal 18-2, seeks to establish a “commission of citizens” with exclusive authority to adopt state and U.S. congressional districts via constitutional amendment. The committee would redraw lines every 10 years along with the newest census data.

It would also prohibit partisan redrawing of maps.

Currently, Michigan district lines are drawn by the political party in power. They can draw lines in their favor, creating irregularly shaped districts, such as the 14th congressional district in Michigan.

The 13-member committee would include members who identify with both major political parties, and party-unaffiliated members.

Members would be appointed randomly by the state, and certain people, like lobbyists or partisan officeholders, would not be allowed on the commission.

Some who oppose the proposal, such as Jamie Roe, a political consultant with Grand River Strategies, are urging residents to vote “no” on the proposal. Roe was interviewed this summer by WDET of Detroit.

He suggested that the current system is not broken, and that a new system would break up communities, and offers no oversight for these new committees.

He believes that the current standards are working, and new committees would unfairly favor Democrats.

In the interview, Roe said the current standards require us to maintain the integrity of communities across the state. We break as few city, township, and county lines as possible so that we maintain communities, and so they can best represent the people who live in those communities.”

**TEXT YOUR HOT LINE**

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**Times**
Holly schools seeks $38.1 million bond in November

Four-year tax extension would fund building improvements and upgrades but not personnel

By Tim Jagielo

Holly Area Schools (HAS) wants to go modern with security and a bevy of other structural improvements. It is asking voters for a four-year bond to do it.

According to the district, the bond isn’t expected to raise taxes for HAS taxpayers, but continue the taxes at the same rate of 5 mils.

After the four years is up, Superintendent Scott Roper said the bond would pay off over the next 24 years.

“If approved by voters, the bond proposal would fund safety improvements, building upgrades that keep students safe, warm and dry, and classroom technology that prepares students for jobs, with no tax rate increase,” Roper said.

When asked why the district cannot fund these projects out of its operating budget, Roper said school districts do not receive funding from the state to finance capital projects like these, which requires districts to use bonds to pay for projects.

“The district does not have the operating funds available to support these necessary capital expenditures,” he said.

This bond will impact anyone residing within the HAS district, which aside from Holly, Rose and Holly townships, will also include parts of White Lake Township, Davison and residents right on the Fenton City border.

Overall, the bond is supposed to raise $38,150,000 for HAS over four years, and $21 million in the first phase, starting March 2019. Projects would end December 2021.

The district is focusing on safety and security, building and site improvements and learning environments. Per state law, HAS would be audited to ensure that funds are being used as voters intended.

Through the life of the bond, the district would maintain the current foundation allowance of $7,871 per student.

Bond monies cannot be used for personnel expenses, or other operating expenses — only for facilities upgrades, technology and additions.

“Buildings and facilities were assessed to determine and prioritize needs throughout the district,” Roper said. He said they spent a year studying the needs of the district.

They conducted community surveys to seek input, among other outreach efforts. “We’ve made a point to include input from the entire community every step of the way,” he said.

Structural improvements would include addressing failing heating and cooling systems, inefficient lighting and electrical systems, old roofs, all elementary school playgrounds and parking lots and sidewalks.

Technology would also be improved for students and teachers.

Bond project priorities

• Secure school building entrances
• New classroom door hardware
• Additional video surveillance
• Improved exterior lighting
• Upgrades to fire alarm systems, and
• Safer student drop-off sites

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE MOBS WHO are chasing down and intimidating contrary opinions are cowards. Anyone can call names, shout, threaten, and even get physical in an out-of-control mob. Takes a real man or woman to have a dissenting discussion and respect the opposing view. What’s taking place in our nation is disgraceful. It literally promotes anarchy. Anility is nothing more than a bunch of hired, face-masked, socialist thugs.

HOW QUICKLY WE forget history. Over one million Chinese Muslims rounded up and sent to re-education camps and the world doesn’t care. We are witnessing the rise of a modern day Hitler in China.

I DON’T KNOW where your readers come up with Trump having a 51-percent approval rating because as of Monday it was only 43 percent.

TIME FOR A change. After an abnormal season, kids continually transferring out, and the termination of a long-time coach, it’s finally time for Linden football to move. Losing our best athletes every year to better programs should be enough of a warning to the administration.

THE CITY OF Fenton is trying again to get us to vote yes on Proposal 1. Vote no or you will be able to raise our property taxes every year for 10 years. Right now, they can only raise it every three years.

PLEASE VOTE for all Republicans Nov. 6. I’m tired of paying for everyone’s freebies, which the donkeys want.

PLEASE, PLEASE recognize Debbie ‘Do Nothing’ Stabenow as the professional politician she is. She has passed only five low-value bills in over 28 years representing this area. Get out and vote for the best candidate, not the candidate you know the name of. Time for change.

SEARS HOMETOWN

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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 409: Allow private Great Lakes harbor leases**

To authorize 50-year “bottomland” leases to owners of single-family homes on Great Lakes shorelines who want to create a private recreational harbor formed by a breakwater. Owners would have to pay 1 percent of the state equalized property value in an up-front lump sum payment every 25 years.

Passed 26 to 12 in the Senate on Sept. 6, 2017

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14) **YES**

Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15) **YES**

Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22) **NO**

Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) **YES**

Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) **YES**

Passed 59 to 48 in the House on Jan. 18, 2018

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Dist. 51) **YES**

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) **YES**

**House Bill 4184: Restrict local governmental body “phone-in” voting**

To restrict members of an elected public body casting a vote without being physically present. This would be allowed in one meeting per year per member, if the individual is absent for what other members deem to be good cause. It would also be allowed if a delay on a personnel or infrastructure issue 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**

**House Bill 4215: Repeal rule banning car running in driveway**

To repeal a rule that prohibits leaving an unattended vehicle running, except for on a public street or highway. This is intended to allow things like warming up the car in the driveway in winter.

Passed 77 to 30 in the House

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Dist. 51) **YES**

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) **YES**

Passed 30 to 6 in the Senate on June 13, 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 4608: Exempt residential painters and decorators from licensure mandate**

To exempt painters and decorators from the licensure mandate imposed on residential maintenance and alteration contractors. The Senate has not taken up this bill.

Passed 62 to 45 in the House on June 20, 2017

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Dist. 51) **YES**

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) **YES**

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

ROSE TOWNSHIP

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Rose, County of Oakland:

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the Township of Rose, County of Oakland on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. for the purpose of electing candidates for the following offices:

The election will be conducted in all voting precincts (#1, #2, and #3) of Rose Township for the purpose of electing candidates for the following offices:

Governor and Lieutenant Governor
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Representative in State Legislature 51st District
County Commissioner 2nd District
Member of the State Board of Education
Regent of the University of Michigan
Trustee of Michigan State University
Governo of Wayne State University
Justice of Supreme Court
Judge of Court of Appeals District 2 Incumbent Position
Judge of Court of Appeals Court of Appeals District 2 Incumbent Position Partial Term
Ending 01/01/2021
Judge of Court Circuit Court 8th District Court Incumbent Position
Judge of Court of Circuit Court 6th District Court Non-Incumbent Position
Judge of Court Circuit Court 6th Circuit Court New Judgeship
Judge of Probate Court Oakland County Probate Court Incumbent Position

Precinct #1

Community College - Board of Trustees Member Mott Community College
Local School District - Board Member Fenton Area Public Schools

Precinct #2 and 3

Community College - Board of Trustees Member Oakland Community College
Local School District - Board Member Holly Area School District

And to vote on the following proposals:

Proposals – (Precincts 1, 2, 3)

State Proposal 18-1

A proposed initiated law to authorize and legalize possession, use and cultivation of marijuana products by individuals who are at least 21 years of age or older, and commercial sales of marijuana through state-licensed retailers.

State Proposal 18-2

A proposed constitutional amendment to establish a commission with exclusive authority to adopt district boundaries for the Michigan Senate, Michigan House of Representatives and U.S. Congress, every 10 years.

State Proposal 18-3

A proposal to authorize automatic and Election Day voter registration, no-reason absentee voting, and straight ticket voting; and add current legal requirements for military and overseas voting and post-election audits to the Michigan Constitution.

Precincts #2 and #3

Holly Area School District

Bonding Proposal

Shall Holly Area School District, Oakland County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Thirty-Eight Million One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($38,150,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

remodeling, equipment and re-equipping, and furnishing and refurbishing school facilities; erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to the school district’s elementary school buildings; acquiring, installing and equipping school facilities with instructional technology; erecting a new storage facility; and preparing, developing, equipping and improving playgrounds, play fields, and sites.

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

CONGRATULATIONS TO the city of Fenton administrators for a job well done. Running the affairs of a growing city calls for some daily tough decisions and a genuine vision for the future. Never going to make everyone happy, but keep up the good work taking our beloved community forward.

If your kid is working hard at practice and not trying to find ways to get out of practice, they are seeing playing time — blow outs or not. You earn your playing time, as you would know if you were at the parent meeting. This is not youth football. Not everyone’s getting a participation ribbon. Have some respect for our coaches.

Just remember when you vote the midterms, if the Democrats take back power, they will push for Medicare for everyone and it will end up Medicaid for everyone. We will lose doctors and hospitals and be worse off than we already are. So if you really want nothing in the medical field, keep letting them control the government.

Y ou should budget like we have to. You are already actually saying ‘higher taxes.’ Y ou are already complaining about field trip chaperone restrictions. Grow up and stop acting like snowflakes. It isn’t about you. It is about the children, all of them, not just yours.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Board of the Township of Argentine, Genesee County, Michigan, has resolved its intention to make certain public improvements (the “Public Improvements”) consisting of the following:

The repaving and improving Pineview Lake Estates #1, 2, 3, Pineview Lake Drive, Pineview Lake Court and Pineview on the River subdivisions in the Township.

The Public Improvements shall be located in the Township, as follows:

Pineview Lake Estates #1, 2, 3 and Pineview on the River subdivisions within or adjacent to the Special Assessment District.

The Township has made its final determination of the Pineview Lake Estates #1, 2, 3 and Pineview on the River Special Assessment District (the “Special Assessment District”) to consist of lots and parcels of land against which a portion of the cost of the improvements shall be specially assessed.

Property located in the Township of Argentine, Genesee County, Michigan, and described by attached Exhibit A

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Supervisor of the Township of Argentine has made and certified a special assessment roll for the Special Assessment District, which roll sets forth the relative portion of the cost of the Public Improvements that is to be levied in the form of special assessments against each beneficial lot and parcel of land in the Special Assessment District. The latest cost estimate for construction and administrative costs is $7,838,000.00, not including interest, and the estimated per lot assessment is approximately $5,820.00 per residence (Multi-Family Residential buildings are assessed 50% per residential unit, or $23,280.00 per building.) The proposed term of the assessment is ten years, and the total per lot assessment may be paid in full by a date determined by the township board, or in ten annual installments with applicable interest.

HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Township of Argentine will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 29, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall located at 9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden, Michigan, to review the special assessment roll and to hear and consider any objections thereto.

TAKE NOTICE that an appearance and protest at the public hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the state tax tribunal.

TAKE NOTICE that an owner or party in interest, or his or her agent, may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or may file his or her appearance or protest by letter, on or before the close of the hearing.

TAKE NOTICE that any person objecting to the assessment roll is requested to file written objections thereto with the Township Clerk before the close of the hearing.

TAKE NOTICE that an owner or any person having an interest in the real property may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the State tax tribunal within thirty (30) days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll, if the owner or person having an interest in the real property protested the special assessment roll at the hearing, or in writing prior to the close of the hearing. Appeals must be filed with:

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TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the special assessment roll as prepared has been reported to the Township Board and is on file with the Township Clerk for public examination.

Argentine Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed material being considered at the hearing, to individuals with disabilities at the hearing upon seven (7) days’ notice to the Argentine Township Clerk. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Argentine Township Clerk.

This notice was authorized by the Township Board of the Township of Argentine.

For further information, please contact: Supervisor, Township of Argentine; 9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden, Michigan 48451; Telephone: (810) 735-5050.

Denise Graves, Clerk
Township of Argentine
By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity boys cross country team's goal this season was to catch Corunna and possibly defeat the school’s strong cross country program to earn a Genesee Area Conference title.

That didn’t happen.

But even if the Blue Devils didn’t win the title, they knew competing against Corunna and Goodrich for three meets would make the team better.

That apparently has happened, and it happened for both teams. Both varsity squads had runners record personal best times in route to solid efforts at the final GAC meet held at Goodrich High School.

Lake Fenton’s boys placed second with 41 points, 15 behind Corunna, but 23 points ahead of Goodrich. Meanwhile, the Lake Fenton girls placed third with 55 points. The boys also finished second in the final standings while the girls finished third.

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Sports Times

Tigers’ XC program wins two more league titles

By David Troppens

Fenton — A tradition has started at Fenton High School.

For the third straight season, the Fenton varsity cross country teams have capped the league season with Metro League titles.

The Fenton girls made it a sweep of the Metro field by posting its entire starting seven within the top 11 places.

In the girls’ race, Alexa Keiser made it nine straight Metro competitions where she’s won the event. She won the individual league title by posting a time of 18:22.57 in cold and windy conditions. She finished about 42 seconds ahead of Holly’s Andrea Ruiz, who finished second.

“I feel really good. I’m glad I got all three wins. That was one of my goals,” Keiser said. “That’s something I’ve been working for. It’s also awesome for the team so we can be Metro champs.”

Brushing runners finished third and fourth, but after the two Raiders, the Tigers took five of the next eight places, including the next three. Kaillen Bayer was fifth (19:38.51) Abigail Lee was sixth (19:42.30) Cambria Tiemann was seventh (19:56.79).

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Buchanan repeats as Metro champ; Holly boys place second

By David Troppens

Davisburg — Tyler Buchanan won his first Metro League individual title a year ago on his home course at Linden Middle School.

Now the junior can say he’s a defending individual league champion.

Buchanan won the Flint Metro League’s boys race at the Metro League Meet held at Springfield Oaks Park Wednesday, dominating the field.

Buchanan won the 3.1-mile race in 16:17.08, about 11 seconds ahead of Fenton’s Adam Jesse (16:28.50). This was Buchanan’s sixth consecutive Metro win.

While Buchanan won the boys race, his team finished fourth. Meanwhile, the Holly varsity boys cross country team captured second with 82 points, 52 points behind first-place Fenton. In the girls race, Fenton won with Linden taking third. Holly’s girls did not field a complete team at the meet.

Buchanan was pleased with his performance.

“It means a lot. A lot of hard work has been put into it,” Buchanan said. “It’s a lot of dedication. I think I went out a little too fast and it really kicked my butt. I felt a lot, but I had to keep my place and tell myself I can do it.”

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Lake Fenton volleyball stings the Hornets in four sets

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity volleyball team not only defeated future Metro League foes Kearsley Tuesday, the squad made a nice comeback in the process.

Trailing two sets to one, the Blue Devils bounced back to beat the Hornets 25-19, 22-25, 14-25, 25-23, 15-7.

“It was a great fight and finish,” Lake Fenton varsity volleyball coach Allison VonDaggenhausen said. “It was a great fight by both teams. I’m proud of my team for playing with so much intensity and always been fun because we always have a great time with the other girls. We really are a close family. But I feel liking having won meets gives us confidence and makes the season more fun. We get less discouraged because now we have something to look forward to, like maybe we’ll win another meet. We have goals now. We know we can do it.”

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“The practice after wins have been way more intense. Everyone is super excited and stuff, so it makes us better because we are swimming faster at practice because we are still excited.”

The Bronchos excitement extending into firsts in 10 of the 12 events against Brandon. Two swimmers — Ella Althaver and Costigan — won two individual events and were part of two winning relays.

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Holly swimming is collecting some victories

By David Troppens

Holly — Life on the Holly varsity girls swim team has always been fun for the athletes on the squad, but recently it’s been a bit more rewarding than in the past.


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Fenton knocks Grand Blanc down one more time

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity girls swim team had a couple of Grand Blanc goals this season.

They were to beat Grand Blanc at the county meet and then beat them in a dual meet.

The Tigers have accomplished both. Fenton used its quality depth to defeat Grand Blanc 112-74 in a Tuesday dual. The Tigers also defeated Saginaw Heritage at the meet 135-50.

“It’s always a goal to be competitive with Grand Blanc because they’ve been the Genesee County champions over the last decade. They are the standard of Genesee County,” Fenton varsity girls swim coach Brad Jones said.

“For us, they are the best competition in our area, so to finish in front of them both times is a huge accomplishment.”

The Tigers posted just five firsts in the 12 events, but in three of the events Grand Blanc did take first, the Tigers finished second, third and fourth. In another the Tigers placed second and third.

Two of Fenton’s firsts included two relays. The 200 medley relay team of Gracie Olsen, Abigail Dolliver, Caitlyn Dailley and Sabrina Hall.

Fenton’s new 200 medley relay record holders are Gracie Olsen, Abigail Dolliver, Caitlyn Dailley and Sabrina Hall.

Tigers, Eagles set up district title matchup with semifinal victories

By David Troppens

Fenton — The Fenton and Linden varsity boys soccer teams earned a spot in their final Metro match against Kearsley, Tuesday. A win will earn the Bronchos no worse than a third-place finish in the Metro League.

“It’s just been a crazy season because you just never know how we are going to do and how we are going to play.” Linden varsity boys soccer coach Kevin Fiebernitz said. “The last couple of games we’ve been pretty solid and I’m pretty happy about that. We just have to keep working and now we get an opportunity to play Fenton.”

Hunter Hall scored with about 14 minutes left in the first half, giving the Eagles their game-winning goal.

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VOLLEYBALL

✓ Fenton def. Swartz Creek: The Tigers maintained their slim chances of earning a co-Metro League title with Flushing by defeating Swartz Creek 25-8, 25-12, 25-9. The Tigers finished their Metro League season with a strong 7-1 record. The Tigers need Flushing to lose their final Metro match against Kearsley, Tuesday to earn a co-title. However, Flushing is a big favorite in that match.
