City of Fenton voters to decide two ballot proposals on Nov. 6

Estimated to raise $5 million over 10 years

By Vera Hogan

Now that Fenton voters have been provided extensive information and details on the need for road repairs citywide, officials are hoping the second time is a charm at the polls. On Nov. 6, voters will decide two proposals. The first asks voters to amend the city charter to allow for the levy of taxes for 10 years instead of three, for the exclusive purpose of repairing roads and streets. The second proposal would print dog memorials.

Linden residents will decide Tuesday, Nov. 6 if they want a millage to repair city roads. Times file photo

Linden seeks millage to fix the roads

By Hannah Ball

On absentee voter ballots and on Nov. 6 ballot Linden residents will see a question asking if they want to create a millage for the purpose of fixing city roads. The ballot language will ask residents for 5 mills for 10 years to improve, replace, resurface or reconstruct roads in the city. Funds will not be used for routine maintenance.

According to Linden Interim City Manager Scott Sutter, who is also the police chief, this is the first time Linden has gone out for a road millage. If it passes, it would affect all Linden property owners. The millage would raise more than $5 million over the course of 10 years. Times file photo

Robbery suspects headed to trial

Trio charged in smash and grab at Fenton jewelry shop

By Sharon Stone

Two defendants charged with robbing a Fenton jewelry store this past May have been bound over to Genesee County Circuit Court. A third defendant has been arraigned.

Gene Skalskyj and his assistant perform Thursday night, Oct. 25, for The Striped Circus at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center. The event was hosted by Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation. See story on Page 21A. Photo: Tim Jagielo

 touchdowns are high now, just wait.”

OFFICIALS

Area pets are ready for tricks and treats

-text

2018 GENERAL ELECTION COVERAGE

2018 ELECTION COVERAGE IS PROVIDED IN THIS EDITION AS WELL AS ONLINE AT MYFENTON.COM

The ‘Greatest Show on Earth’ comes to town

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Looking for extra cash?

Retailers looking to hire largest pool of seasonal workers in several years

By Sally Rummel

Are you in the market for a job right now? If so, this holiday season might bring you the best Christmas present ever.

Many retailers will be hiring for the holiday, thanks to a healthy economy and strong consumer confidence. The National Retail Federation (NRF) is expecting a 4.3- to 4.8 percent increase over last year’s strong holiday season, which was up 5.3 percent from the previous year.

The NRF predicts that retailers will be hiring between 585,000 and 650,000 seasonal workers, compared to 582,500 in 2017.

With so much competition among retailers, the intense demand for “holiday help” is driving up wages and perks to match full-time employee compensation levels. For example, Target is offering seasonal workers a starting pay of $12 per hour and random drawings for a $500 gift card and $500 donation to a local nonprofit organization of their choice, from each store and warehouse. Macy’s seasonal workers are eligible to receive quarterly bonuses if they reach certain goals.

Many of these retailers have been hiring aggressively since July because of the tight job market.

Here are a few national businesses that are hiring seasonal help:

- **Target** — 120,000 workers
- **UPS** — 100,000 workers
- **Kohl’s** — 90,000 workers
- **Macy’s** — 80,000 workers
- **FedEx** — 55,000 workers
- **JCPenney** — 18,000 workers
- **Michaels** — 15,000 workers

Locally, businesses are looking forward to a busy holiday season, but many will rely on their current staff to get the job done.

See CASH on 19A

By Sharon Stone

Be sure to check out the Times’ “Winner Winner Turkey Dinner” contest in this edition. Participants will have the chance to win up to $1,400 in gift cards redeemable at one of the area’s grocery stores — Alpine MarketPlace, Holly Foods or VG’s Grocery.

How it works

To enter, go to pages 12A and 13A of this issue to find 48 entry forms. Each form is sponsored by an area business. Fill out as many entry forms as you wish, and take each form to that sponsoring business.

On Wednesday, Nov. 7, at the end of the business day, each business will draw a $30 gift card winner. Each winner will be contacted by the sponsoring business and will receive a $30 grocery gift card. The winner’s name will also be published in the Nov. 11, 2018 edition of the Times. There is no limit to how many contests one person can win. If your name is drawn at all of the participating businesses, you (could) win $1,400.

Good luck, everyone and remember...Shop Local this holiday season.
Come Heller high water...

- Perhaps this belongs in an edition of my occasional column called “Crabby Andy,” but is over-politeness, just like rudeness, on the rise? I’ve had these two interactions more times than I can count recently:

1) I’m slumping slowly down the stairs of a parking garage when someone who passed me two flights back—the annoying type who runs marathons on the weekend for fun—waits to hold the door for me, forcing me to speed up, which I didn’t want to do because this particular stairway leads to work, and frankly I’m in no hurry.

2) I pull up to a four-way stop five to 10 full seconds after another car. Instead of taking his turn to proceed through the intersection so we can both be on our way—waits for me to go, which I understand about Trump. After the bomb scares, he called for civility, which is what a president is supposed to do. Good for him. Then the very next morning he was blaming the media for making people angry in the first place. What the?

- I see “Modern Family” has killed off Shelley Long’s character. Too bad. I liked it when she dropped in. Ah, well. The show jumped the shark three years ago, anyway.

- Yahoo was ordered this week to pay $50 million to 200 million people whose information was stolen in one of the biggest breaches in history, which works out to 25 cents apiece. And we wonder why companies don’t bother much with security.

- The good news: There have been so many breaches that pretty much everyone’s data is out there, meaning the odds are longer that it will be used for nefarious purposes. Me? I haven’t been that lucky. I’ve had stolen information about me used twice. It’s a creepy feeling, and takes a long time and a lot of effort to fix.

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Fenton’s roads millage

Dear Editor,

I attended a presentation made by our city manager and the director of public works. Here are facts I learned. The recent (2015) state gas tax increase is being used to pay state debt and not available to cities until 2021. Two miles of Fenton’s roads are rated good, 30 miles are rated fair to poor. Many of those roads are near school neighborhoods. The DDA will receive monies from the taxes collected in their district only. They pay for the roads in their district, so we receive the same benefit. Those facts are important. I live in Whipsnade. Our roads are private, but we benefit from living in Fenton. Support the amendment and millage increase— for Fenton’s future. Unless we take care of our infrastructure, property values will go down. Attend the meeting Nov. 1. Be informed, bring a friend. Some things are worth paying for.

Bobbie Sweetman
Fenton

Fenton Township

Should there be an age restriction on trick-or-treating?

Kathy Fox
Fenton Township

Kevin Fox
Fenton Township

Mary Ellen Ferguson
Fenton Township

Mary Rowan
Linden

Judy Weissler
Argentine Township

"Yes. It’s for the little kids, I don’t really think that older teenagers should be out trick-or-treating."

"I would think that once you get to high school you’d have something better to do."

"Age is challenged by the neighborhood. Each neighborhood should have their own age restrictions. You need to maintain a neighborhood feeling."

"Not if they dress up and they’re in the Halloween spirit."

"No. I don’t think it’s fair to the children to restrict it."
There are 167 Fenton, Holly and Linden names on sex offender registry

By Vera Hogan

While more and more parents are moving away from door-to-door trick or treat in favor of church, school and other organized events, there still are hundreds of little ghosts, goblins and witches running around local streets on Halloween, in search of those sugary treats.

If parents aren’t planning on personally accompanying their children, or sending along older siblings on the trick-or-treat trail, they should make sure they know where any registered sex offenders may reside.

In Fenton (48430 zip code), there are currently 73 registered sex offenders. Eleven of those 73 do not currently live in Fenton, but Fenton is listed as another known address.

In Holly (48442 zip code), there are currently 74 sex offenders, 26 of whom do not reside in Holly but Holly is listed as another known address.

In Linden (48451 zip code), there are 20 registered sex offenders with four of them listing Linden as another known address.

These lists can be found at michigan.gov/msp and click on sex offender registry. Or, simply google Michigan sex offender registry. Information can be gathered about specific individuals by name, or all offenders by city.

Members of the registry are not allowed anywhere within 1,000 feet of a school or playground and in some cases, are barred from certain jobs. While the list does keep neighborhoods informed of who is moving in next door, there are some who view the list as unfair to those who commit lesser crimes.

As long as convicted sex offenders let law enforcement agencies know where they are living and working, it is their right to relocate to a new home. Since offenders frequently change their address, it is very important to always be informed.

Michigan began including offenders in three different tiers in July 2011.

TIER 1 offenders include those convicted of possession of child pornography, aggravated indecent exposure if it is witnessed by someone under 12, misdemeanor sexual touching if the victim is under 18, and taking photos of an unclothed person if that person is under 18.

All Tier 1 offenders must register with police once a year for 15 years.

TIER 2 offenses include soliciting minors for sex, distributing child pornography, and using the internet to seek out children for sexual touching if the victim is between 13 and 17 years of age, and soliciting a prostitute under the age of 18.

These offenders must register twice a year with police for 25 years.

TIER 3 offenders include those convicted of rape, attempted rape, molesting a child under the age of 13, and kidnapping a minor, even if there is no sexual component to the crime.

Tier 3 offenders must report four times a year for life.

People concerned about sex offenders in their neighborhood and the type of offense that put them on the list should be aware that laws are strict in order to protect the public.

However, it is possible for someone to get on the registry as a Tier 1 offender for urinating in public, for example. It is also possible for someone to be on the registry as a Tier 2 offender if one person was 18 and the other 15 when they engaged in sexual touching. That couple could be married and have children of their own.

If a person feels comfortable doing so, it is socially acceptable to ask why the neighbor is on the registry and get the reason straight from the source. It may give a clearer understanding of the offense and judge of character.

Those on the list face strict reporting requirements or face going back to jail if they must report within three business days any changes in addresses and employment, new school enrollment, and the purchase or sale of a car. They also must report email addresses and screen names.

Looking Back

Halloween Candy

Looking Back at this week in HISTORY

COMPILRED BY VERA HOGAN

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MICHIGAN'S REGISTRY IS EXCEPTIONALLY LARGE

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• As of May 2017, there were almost 43,000 people on Michigan’s registry.

• Michigan has the third highest per capita registration rate of any state.
• Approximately 2,000 more people are added to the registry each year, or about five a day.

• Because the registry is so large, it is hard for police to know which registers need careful monitoring.

Sources: michigan.gov/msp, aclumich.org

OCT. 31
1517: The priest and scholar Martin Luther approaches the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany, and nails a piece of paper to it containing 95 revolutionary opinions that would begin the Protestant Reformation. In his theses, Luther condemned the vices and corruptions of the Roman Catholic Church.

NOV. 1
1958: A fire at a grade school in Chicago kills 90. The Our Lady of Angels School was operated by the Sisters of Charity in Chicago. In 1958, there were well over 1,200 students enrolled at the school, which occupied a large, old building. Unfortunately, little in the way of fire prevention was done before December 1958. The building did not have any sprinklers and no regular preparatory drills were conducted. When a small fire broke out in a pile of trash in the basement, it led to disaster. When the fire was finally extinguished several hours later, the authorities found that 90 students and three nuns had been killed in the fire.

NOV. 2
1947: The Hughes Flying Boat — the largest aircraft ever built — is piloted by designer Howard Hughes on its first and only flight. Built with laminated birch and spruce, the massive wooden aircraft had a wingspan longer than a football field and was designed to carry more than 700 men to battle. It had a wingspan of 320 feet and was powered by eight giant propeller engines. Development of the Spruce Goose cost a phenomenal $23 million and took so long that the war had ended by the time of its completion in 1946.

NOV. 3
1964: Residents of the District of Columbia cast their ballots in a presidential election for the first time. The passage of the 23rd Amendment in 1961 gave citizens of the nation’s capital the right to vote for a commander in chief and vice president. They went on to help Democrat Lyndon Johnson defeat Republican Barry Goldwater in 1964, the next presidential election.

Source: history.com

OCT. 28
1965: Construction is completed on the Gateway Arch, a spectacular 630-foot-high parabola of stainless steel marking the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial on the waterfront of St. Louis, Missouri. The Gateway Arch, designed by Finnish-born, American-educated architect Eero Saarinen, was erected to commemorate President Thomas Jefferson’s Louisiana Purchase of 1803 and to celebrate St. Louis’ central role in the rapid westward expansion that followed. Of local interest, Saarinen also designed the Fenton Community and Cultural Center building.

OCT. 29
1929: Black Tuesday hits Wall Street as investors trade 16,410,030 shares on the New York Stock Exchange in a single day. Billions of dollars were lost, wiping out thousands of investors, and stock tickers ran hours behind because the machinery could not handle the tremendous volume of trading. In the aftermath, America and the rest of the industrialized world spiraled downward into the Great Depression.

OCT. 30
1991: The so-called “perfect storm” hits the North Atlantic producing remarkably large waves along the New England and Canadian coasts. The fishing boat Andrea Gail and its six-member crew were lost in the storm. The disaster spawned the best-selling book The Perfect Storm by Sebastian Junger and a blockbuster Hollywood movie of the same name.
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Lake Fenton Community Schools requests Bid Proposals for Bid Package 003 School Turf and Renovations, Middle School Renovations, Torrey Hill Mechanical & Electrical Upgrades and Renovations, and West Shore Mechanical & Electrical Upgrades and Renovations. Bid Proposals will be received through Building Connected by 1:00 p.m. local time on November 12, 2018. All Proposals shall be submitted through Building Connected. For instructions on how to submit a bid please follow this link: https://buildingconnected-community-force.com/s/article/How-to-submit-your-bid-directly-through-BuildingConnected


2. Link to the Barton Malow Public Plan Room https://app.buildingconnected.com/public/55a1292f1a9f706004a198dc

3. Accepted Bidders will be required, as a condition precedent to award of Contract, to furnish in the amount of 100% of the contract price, satisfactory Performance Bond and Payment Bond and Certificates of Insurance as required in the Project Manual.

4. Unless otherwise specifically set forth in Section 00880 of the Project Manual, this Project is subject to state sales and/or use taxes and Bidder is required to include such taxes in its Bid Proposal.

5. Barton Malow Company has been contracted by the Owner in the capacity of Construction Manager for the Project, and as such has the rights and obligations set forth in its contract with the Owner for those services, and shall act as representative of the Owner to the extent required/allowed under its Owner contract.

6. Bid Proposals will be publicly opened November 12, 2018 at 1:00 p.m., evaluated by Barton Malow Company, Owner and the Architect, with recommended awards subsequently made by Barton Malow Company and Integrated Designs Inc. The Owner shall not open, consider, or accept a Bid Proposal that is received after the date and time specified for bid submission in this Advertisement for Bids.

7. A pre-bid conference and site visit/tour will be held in the Lake Fenton Schools Administration Building, at 11425 Torrey Road, Fenton, MI 48430 on October 30, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. Pre-bid conference minutes will be distributed to all who are known by Barton Malow Company to have received contract documents, but Barton Malow Company, Architect and Owner will not be considered part of the Bidding and Contract Documents.

8. Bid Proposals shall be submitted through Building Connected. Bidders will be required to submit with their Bid Proposals a Bid Security by a qualified surety authorized to do business in the state where the Project is located, as required in the Project Manual.

9. The successful Bidder(s) will be required to enter into an agreement with Owner on the Agreement Form identified in Section 00500 of the Project Manual.

10. The right to reject any or all Bid Proposals, either in whole or in part, or to waive any informalities or irregularities therein is reserved by the Owner.

11. All Bid Proposals shall be accompanied by a sworn statement included in Section 00410 of the Project Manual, in accordance with MCL 380.1267, disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner(s) or any employee of the Bidder and any member of the school board or the superintendent of the school district. Bid Proposals that do not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement shall not be accepted.
WHAT YOU MISSED IN THE MIDWEEK TIMES

Compiled by Vera Hogan

The following is what you missed in the Wednesday, Oct. 24, Midweek Edition of the Tri-County Times. To subscribe and receive both the Sunday Weekend and Wednesday Midweek editions, please call (810) 629-8282

‘You, Matthew, are a murderer’

Fenton man listens to family of victims before being sentenced up to 60 years for fatal drunk driving crash.

Read the full story at myfenton.com or in the Oct. 24 Midweek Times.

Fed rates are up, but still historically low

Consumers can get better rates by improving their credit score and getting shorter term loans.

A look back at 1968

Arkansas high school teacher’s case strikes down anti-evolution laws.

Our Future

Meet Garrett Durkac, 18, of Linden High School. He is a student athlete interested in a future in law enforcement.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

BREAKING AND ENTERING ON JENNINGS

On Monday, Oct. 15, Genesee County Sheriff’s deputies were dispatched to the 13000 block of Jennings Road in Fenton Township for a breaking and entering complaint. The incident is currently under investigation.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

Democrats Diane Feinstein and Chuck Schumer hired lawyers to set up three GoFundMe pages for Dr. Ford the week before she testified about Brett Kavanaugh. They are currently over a million dollars, which she will keep as payment for her testimony. More Democrat lies and deception.

Who is feeding this invading force of 7,000? Where do they sleep, wash, pee?

Candidates who did not respond to the Times:

Republican Travis Wines

Pro life ✗

Pro choice ✓

Pro second amendment ✓

Anti second amendment ✗

Pro ICE ✓

Anti ICE ✗

Pro no-reason absentee voting ✗

Anti no-reason absentee voting ✓

Should independent commission draw political districts? ✓

Should the legislature draw political districts? ✗

Pro recreational marijuana ✓

Anti recreational marijuana ✗

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David E. Lossing
Office sought: House of Representatives, 51st District
Party affiliation: Democratic
Residency: Fenton Township
Experience: Mayor, City of Linden, 2004-2016; Linden City Councilor, 1998-2004; Director of Government Relations, UM-Flint, 2006-2016; Associate Director, Office of State Outreach, UM-Ann Arbor, 2000-2006; Adjunct Lecturer, School of Education, UM-Ann Arbor, 2006-2014; Regional Director, U.S. Sen. Carl Levin, 1991-2000
Education level: Ph.D. Candidate, Indiana State University, 2014-present; Education Specialist, UM, 2012; Masters of Public Administration, UM, 2010; Bachelor of Arts, UM-Flint, 1987; Associate of Arts, C.S. Mott Community College, 1984
Pro life
Pro-choice
Pro second amendment
Anti second amendment
Pro ICE
Anti ICE
Pro no reason absentee voting
Anti no-reason absentee voting
Should independent commission draw political districts?
Should the legislature draw political districts?
Pro recreational marijuana
Anti recreational marijuana
Government health care for all
Private health care options

Mike Mueller
Office sought: House of Representatives, 51st District
Party affiliation: Republican
Residency: Fenton Township
Experience: Over 22 years of service to country and community; U.S. Navy Veteran, deputy sheriff
Education level: Bachelors of Science, cum laude, Eastern Michigan University
Pro-Life
Pro choice
Pro-Second Amendment
Anti second amendment
Pro ICE
Anti ICE
Pro no reason absentee voting
Anti no-reason absentee voting
Should independent commission draw political districts?
Should the legislature draw political districts?
Pro recreational marijuana
Anti recreational marijuana
Government health care for all
Private health care options

Comments:
I believe in the preservation of life, strong boards, election integrity and Constitutional right to bear arms. Health care needs reform with more choices, not less, more competition, not less. Possession of marijuana should be a civil infraction, not a misdemeanor offense.

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Chris Rankin (incumbent)
Office sought: Holly Village Council
Occupation: Councilmember
Experience: 20 years at Erhard BMW, 14 years as the warranty administrator. Municipal: Six years on council, nine years on Parks Commission; volunteer: Years of park clean-ups, car shows, and Dickens Festivals.
Education level: high school
Comments:
Pro life ✅
Pro choice ✅
Pro second amendment ✅
Pro ICE ✅
Pro recreational marijuana ✅
Anti no-reason absentee voting ✅
Should independent commission draw political districts? ✅
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Anti recreational marijuana ✅
Government health care for all ✅
Private health care options ✅

Richard Kinnamon
Office sought: Holly Village Council
Occupation: Director Holly Area Chamber of Commerce, Pastor, Business Owner, Substitute Teacher
Experience: Holly Zoning Board of Appeals, Karl Richter Community Center (KRCC) Advisory Board, Holly Dickens Festival treasurer, Holly Area Arts Council chair
Education level: BA
Comments:
Pro life ✅
Pro choice ✅
Pro second amendment ✅
Pro ICE ✅
Pro recreational marijuana ✅
Anti recreational marijuana ✅
Government health care for all ✅
Private health care options ✅

Richard Powers
Office sought: Holly Village Council
Occupation: Retired, pharmaceutical sales, 30 years
Experience: Numerous positions in foundations, including president.
Education level: Bachelor of Science and some graduate work
Comments:
Pro life ✅
Pro choice ✅
Pro second amendment ✅
Pro ICE ✅
Pro recreational marijuana ✅
Government health care for all ✅
Private health care options ✅

Tim Terpening
Office sought: Holly Village Council
Occupation: did not respond
Experience: did not respond
Education level: did not respond
Comments: As a candidate for Holly Village Council, I believe that our village deserves a vision, a vision of moving forward into the future, and a vision of meeting the future needs of the citizens of this generation and future generations. I support a vision of not just residential growth, but also growth in commerce, service needs and maintaining our village.

James Perkins
Office sought: Holly Village Council
Occupation: contractor
Residency: Holly
Experience: former village president, business owner 32 years
Education level: U.S. Army military police
Comments: As a candidate for Holly Village Council, I believe that our village deserves a vision, a vision of moving forward into the future, and a vision of meeting the future needs of the citizens of this generation and future generations. I support a vision of not just residential growth, but also growth in commerce, service needs and maintaining our village.

James Perkins is a write-in candidate.
6TH DISTRICT
GENESEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Greg Curtiss
Office sought: Genesee County Commissioner, District 6
Party affiliation: Democrat
Occupation: Bartender
Residency: Fenton Township
Experience: Student Rep on Carman-Ainsworth Board of Ed, Committee Member on multiple collegiate groups, former educator
Education level: Bachelor’s of Music Education from the University of Oklahoma

Comments: I believe tomorrow can be better than today, and we have the power to make it so. Disagreements should be embraced. Debates allow us to see differing perspectives and find the best solutions. We, ultimately, agree make it so. Disagreements should be

Shaun Shumaker
Office sought: Genesee County Commissioner 6th District
Party affiliation: Republican
Occupation: Entrepreneur
Residency: Fenton Township
Experience: Currently serving a second term as Fenton Township Trustee
Education level: Bachelor in Business Administration from Northwood University

Comments: I am the candidate who brings the experience to fight for our area resources as county commissioner. Given the complexity of the issues at hand, simple yes/no answers cannot give a voter adequate insight on my positions. I urge you to visit my website or Facebook page for more information.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

SO, TRUMP IS outright desperate pandering for votes now, teasing another tax break that he can’t even actually give, especially since his last tax break is crippling the budget. I sincerely hope that the thinking portion of the population won’t fall for this nonsense in a few weeks. ■ ■ ■

I HAVE NEWS for you. The recession has already begun. Interest rates are up, inflation is rising, stock market is going down and large corporations are warning of impending layoffs. Every Republican president since 1920 has destroyed the economy. Don’t believe me? Take time to look it up. Educate yourself. ■ ■ ■

KAVANAUGH SUPPORTERS, if your daughter was attacked would you be satisfied with a ‘short, limited’ investigation? Nothing was proven one way or another. The investigation was a farce, designed to prove nothing so Kavanaugh could be approved. What was the big rush? ■ ■ ■

IF ANY OF us mismanage our budgets like Fenton government does, we can’t demand a raise from our boss to make up for it. Why does the city get to automatically tap the residents for more tax money? ■ ■ ■

A $120,000 HOME in Fenton would pay in the ballpark of $270 a year in road millage. If that fails and the city uses special assessments to fix the roads like they have in other communities you could be paying $100 a foot over the same 10 years, plus interest.

NO ONE COMES to the informational meetings because everyone thinks they understand, and then I read this in the Hot lines, ‘THE CITY OF Fenton is trying again to get us to vote yes on Proposal 1. Vote no or they will be able to raise our property taxes every year for 10 years.’ Not a single part of that is true. Ugh.

SO YOU THINK conservatives are cowards? Leftist protestor idiots sucker punched a GOP candidate, punched a woman candidate, and screamed at a 9-11 widow telling her she was good her husband died. They’re either in a group or confront someone that can’t defend themselves. So, who are the real cowards? ■ ■ ■
**WINNER TURKEY DINNER**

Each merchant on this page will give away one $30 gift certificate toward the purchase of your Thanksgiving dinner (redeemable at VG’s, Holly Foods or Alpine)

**ENTER TO WIN...**

Simply complete, clip and drop off the entry forms at the participating business listed on each form. Must be at least 18 years of age to enter. No purchase necessary to win. Win one prize per person.

**Weekly Times**

- **Monday, October 29, 2018**
- **Friday, November 2, 2018**
- **Tuesday, November 6, 2018**

**Entry forms must be dropped off by Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at end of business day. Winners will be contacted by phone on Thursday, November 8, 2018.**
**47TH DISTRICT STATE REPRESENTATIVE**

**2-YEAR TERM, (1) POSITION**

Dr. Hank Vaupel  
(incumbent)

- **Office sought:** State Representative 47th District
- **Party affiliation:** Republican
- **Occupation:** Retired Veterinarian/Legislator
- **Residency:** Fowlerville
- **Experience:** State Rep. 4 years; township supervisor 6 years
- **Education level:** BS, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
- **Pro life ✓**
- **Pro choice ✓**
- **Pro second amendment ✓**
- **Anti second amendment ✓**
- **Pro ICE ✓**
- **Anti ICE ✓**
- **Pro no-reason absentee voting ✓**
- **Anti no-reason absentee voting ✓**
- **Should independent commission draw political districts? ✓**
- **Should the legislature draw political districts? ✓**
- **Pro recreational marijuana ✓**
- **Anti recreational marijuana ✓**
- **Government health care for all ✓**
- **Private health care options ✓**

Colleen Turk

- **Office sought:** State Representative 47th District
- **Party affiliation:** Democrat
- **Occupation:** Healthcare Systems Analyst
- **Residency:** Raised in Howell - Moved back to Howell 3 years ago
- **Experience:** Education level: Master in Nonprofit Administration at the Univ. of Notre Dame
- **Pro life ✓**
- **Pro choice ✓**
- **Pro second amendment ✓**
- **Anti second amendment ✓**
- **Pro ICE ✓**
- **Anti ICE (No response given)**
- **Pro no-reason absentee voting ✓**
- **Anti no-reason absentee voting ✓**
- **Should independent commission draw political districts? ✓**
- **Should the legislature draw political districts? ✓**
- **Pro recreational marijuana ✓**
- **Anti recreational marijuana (No response given)**
- **Government health care for all ✓**
- **Private health care options (No response given)**

**HOT LINE CONTINUED**

**PRESIDENT TRUMP, TOP administration officials and Republican congressional leaders claim that the rising deficit is due to spending on entitlements totally ignoring the effect of the tax cuts. Bloomberg reporter Steven Dennis noted that “The deficit would be shockingly close to zero today with Clinton-era tax levels.”**

**TO THE READER against Medicare for all. Why? Every industrialized country has universal health care but the U.S. And the majority have better health care than the U.S. What is the problem?**

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**GROVELAND TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS – 2019**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township of Groveland will hold a public hearing on the use of Community Development Block Grant Funds. The Hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the township office located at 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly, MI 48442 for the purpose of hearing public comments on the CDBG Program Year 2019 application in the approximate amount of $14,216 to fund eligible projects. All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearing. Comments will also be received in writing or in person at Groveland Township Office, 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly, MI 48442 until the day of the public hearing, November 13, 2018 by 4:00 pm. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs, including handicap accessibility or interpreter, will be made upon receiving 72-hour notice. Township office is closed on Friday and request to reasonably accommodate special needs should be received by the close of business Thursday at 4:00 pm. Contact Patricia Back at 248-634-4152 or clerk@grovelandtownship.net for special needs or further information.

Patricia Back, Clerk
HOLLY VILLAGE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

2-YEAR TERM, (1) POSITION

Thomas McKenney  
(incumbent)  
Office sought: Holly Village Council President  
Occupation: attorney  
Residency: Holly  
Experience: Past village council member, past member and chairperson, village of Holly Planning Commission. Member, village of Holly Zoning Board of Appeals. Member, village of Holly Planning Commission. Member, community volunteer.  
Education level: University of Notre Dame, BA, Michigan State College of Business Administration; Michigan State University College of Law in East Lansing, Michigan- Juris Doctor, JD.  

Nicole Edwards  
Office sought: Holly Village Council President  
Occupation: office manager to run Holly  
Residency: Holly  
Experience: President of Holly Area Chamber of Commerce, Historic District Commissioner, community volunteer.  
Education level:  
Pro life  
Pro choice ✘  
Pro second amendment ✘  
Anti second amendment  
Pro ICE ✘  
Anti ICE  
Pro no-reason absentee voting  
Anti no-reason absentee voting ✘  
Should independent commission draw political districts? ✘  
Should the legislature draw political districts?  
Pro recreational marijuana ✘  
Anti recreational marijuana  
Government health care for all  
Private health care options ✘  

John Lauve  
Office sought: Holly Village Council President  
Occupation: Restore historic Holly properties  
Residency: Holly  
Experience: did not respond  
Education level: U of M BS, aerospace engineering  
Declined to answer the Times’ questions  
Comments: Water rate fairness: The fixed charges should be eliminated. The Bond payments should be spread over the usage. People who use a lot of water should pay more for the debt. Another priority is cleaning up village-owned properties and parks.  

Declined to answer the Times’ questions  
Comments: I support Holly’s 24/7 public safety and public works departments. I support sustainable public and private development that is consistent with our historic character and respectful of our natural resources. I have less interest in fixing blame for past decisions and more interest in fixing problems for our future.  

7TH CIRCUIT JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT INCUMBENT POSITION

6-YEAR TERM, (1) POSITION

Tabitha M. Marsh  
Office sought: Genesee County Circuit Court- Incumbent Race  
Occupation: Attorney/ Judicial Candidate  
Residency: Grand Blanc/Mundy Township/Genesee County/Michigan  
Experience: I have extensive courtroom experience and experience preparing legal documents such as complaints, motions, answers, orders, judgments, discovery requests and responses, freedom of information act requests, wills, powers of attorney, and any other document needed in civil, probate, criminal court proceedings, etc.  
Education level: Kellogg Community College in Battle Creek, Michigan- Associates in Arts Degree; University of Michigan (Business School) in Ann Arbor, Michigan- Bachelor of Business Administration; Michigan State University College of Law in East Lansing, Michigan- Juris Doctor Degree  
Comments: I chose to run against Celeste Bell, who is Governor Snyder’s recent choice, because I believe the Genesee County residents have a right to choose their judge. Despite the threats and intimidation tactics launched against my campaign by my opposition, I ensured that the residents could make this important decision.  

CANDIDATES WHO DID NOT RESPOND TO THE TIMES:  
Celeste Bell

TEXT YOUR HOT LINE  
810-771-TEXT (8398)  
Times

HOT LINE CONTINUED  
SO-CALLED ‘STRAIGHT-ticket’ voting is a misnomer. Currently, voters can, and always could, vote a straight party ticket. The proper term for the option of a single check vote is ‘obedient, party loyalist voting option.’ In no way does straight ticket voting benefit voters, it exists for the sole benefit of political parties.  
YOU FORGOT to mention the trappings and fallings of recreational marijuana in your article. There are issues with the disparity of laws between the states and the feds. There is an issue with the commercialization of recreational use of marijuana as seen in states that have already legalized. It is ridiculous.  
SOMETHING TELLS ME you don’t even know what the true definition of a liberal is. You do realize that all the rights you have as an American (I’m assuming you are an American, apologies if you are not) were thought of and guaranteed by liberals.  
THE DEMOCRATS ARE anti-anything Trump. What are they for? Raising taxes on workers to give stuff to non-workers, including people here illegally. Increase regulations on businesses that would decrease jobs and wages and stopping efforts to prevent illegal immigration. How would those actions help you?  
YOU HAVE FREEDOM of religion, not freedom to push your religion on others.  
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Practitioner of Christian Science healing  

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Lari will talk about how everyone can discover a stillness that brings rest and healing to our everyday lives. Christian Science healing teaches how to find a deep-settled calm within ourselves that cannot be disrupted by fear or any outward disturbance. The talk will include examples of how the Bible and the writings of Mary Baker Eddy have brought lasting peace and complete healing to individual lives.

Sunday, November 4, 2018  
3:00pm  
Fenton Community Center  
150 S Leroy St, Fenton

Sponsored by First Church of Christ, Scientist, Fenton
**7TH CIRCUIT JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT NON-INCUMBENT**

**6-YEAR TERMS, (2) POSITIONS**

**Elizabeth A. Kelly**
- **Office sought:** Genesee County Circuit Court Judge
- **Occupation:** Attorney at Law
- **Residency:** Genesee County, Michigan
- **Experience:** Attorney at Law
- **Education level:** Juris Doctor
- **Comments:** Lifelong resident of Genesee County; raised my family here; law office in Flint; extensive Trial experience representing thousands of clients; Graduated from: Mott, UofM Flint, MSU Law School. Endorsed by: Judges Beagle, Latchana, Newblatt, Theile, UAW, AFSCME, AFLCIO, Teamsters, Flint Police Officers, Michigan Firefighters, Carpenters & Millwrights, Ironworkers, and others

**Richard F. McNally**
- **Office sought:** Genesee County Circuit Court Judge
- **Occupation:** Trial and appellate attorney
- **Residency:** Flushing
- **Experience:** Over 39 years’ experience as an assistant prosecuting attorney and trial lawyer in Flint
- **Education level:** Law Degree cum laude, 1979
- **Comments:** In these polarized times, many voters want to know to which tribe candidates belong, but as judicial candidates, we are constrained by Canon 7 of the Code of Judicial Conduct, which prohibits us from making campaign promises regarding how we would rule on issues that come before us, other than to commit to the faithful and impartial discharge of judicial duties.

**CANDIDATES WHO DID NOT RESPOND TO THE TIMES:**
- Chris Christenson and Brian Pickell

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**FALL CRAFT SHOW**

Lake Fenton High School

Sunday November 4, 2018
10 am - 4 pm

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4070 Lahring Road
Linden, Mi 48451
INFO: 810-591-0446

Located at the corner of Lahring & Jennings Rds. Jennings Rd. is just west of the Thompson Rd. exit from US-23.

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PROPOSALS
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asks voters to approve a 5-mill ($5 per 1,000 of taxable value; see sidebar) tax increase for the exclusive purpose of fixing city roadways. If the first proposal fails, the second becomes null and void (see sidebar for actual ballot language).

In November 2017, city of Fenton voters rejected a proposal that would have amended the city charter to allow for the levy of taxes for 10 years instead of three. This charter amendment proposal was not dedicated to roads. The proposal was soundly defeated in a vote of 1,140 (no) to 385 (yes), or just over 73 percent.

Since then, the city hired a Lansing public relations firm, Vanguard Public Affairs, to provide “factual” information to the voting public. Vanguard receives $4,500 per month on a six-month contract, which started on July 1 and ends Dec. 31.

Vanguard has provided one press release regarding the proposals and helped with the start-up of a city newsletter called “Fenton Forward,” which is intended to be a monthly publication. It is believed the company also designed a flyer that was distributed to some city residents.

In addition, city administrators scheduled three meetings at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center, where attendees were provided with a PowerPoint presentation by city administrators on the 10-year plan for road repairs. That 10-year plan includes information on all city roads and how they are rated on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the best condition, and the year of expected repairs if the proposals pass.

For example, two subdivisions off North Road (Elmwood, Southwood, and Westwood on north side of North Road, and Newport, Worcester and Briarwood on south side of North Road) are among the worst in the city and could begin to see repairs in the years 2019 and 2020 if the millage passes.

The last public meeting regarding the proposals will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 1. City leaders encourage voters to attend. It, too, will be at the community center, 150 S. LeRoy St., Fenton.

According to the city’s literature, 10 years is necessary because, “Our roads are in rough shape and three years simply isn’t enough time to get the job done.” City officials say there are more than 30 miles of neighborhood roads in fair to poor condition and getting worse with each passing day.

DDA (Downtown Development Authority) dollars cannot be used for street or road improvements other than in the DDA district.

LEAF BLOWER STOLEN FROM WORK TRAILER
At 11 a.m., on Wednesday, Oct. 24, Fenton police responded to a restaurant in the 3500 block of Owen Road to investigate a complaint. A lawn service company was mowing the lawn and while out working, the door of their work trailer was left open. A worker returned to the trailer and noticed that a $350 leaf blower was missing. Police have no suspects at this time.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IF YOU THINK health insurance companies should cover pre-existing conditions please vote for Democrats.

FOR THOSE OF you who deem it necessary to inform the reader of an obituary that the deceased served during the time of a conflict and not in the theater of a conflict, seems to imply what is not. It is demeaning to those of us who did.

MAKE NO MISTAKE; ‘Black Lives Matter’ is modern day racism.

EXAMPLES OF LEGALIZING marijuana include targeting marketing toward youth, lower income classes and other specific segments of our population in the very same way that big tobacco had advertised. In an age where we see success against tobacco use, it is insane to see this type of pandering for recreational marijuana.

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In Genesee County District Court, with a review hearing set for Thursday, Nov. 1.
Channell Flemming, 30, of Detroit, was bound over to circuit court Oct. 19 and was released on $20,000 cash surety bond.

KK Lavon McGilary, 28, of Detroit, was also bound over to circuit court. The judge ordered a cash surety bond of $40,000. He remains lodged at the Genesee County Jail.

Marquis Raekwon Boykins, 18, of Detroit, was arraigned Aug. 29 in district court. The judge ordered a cash surety bond of $40,000. He is lodged in the Wayne County Jail on unrelated charges.
The three defendants face charges of unarmed robbery and larceny of more than $20,000. They face up to 10 years, or three times the value of stolen property for the larceny charge and up to 15 years for unarmed robbery.
The woman and two men are believed to be responsible for the smash-and-grab robbery that occurred Friday, May 18, at Kay Jewelers in Fenton. McGilary and Flemming were arrested by Utica police May 23, following a similar robbery in Shelby Township. The two also have similar cases pending in Macomb County.
Fenton police said 42 pieces of jewelry worth more than $50,000 were stolen from the store. Lt. Jeff Cross of the Fenton Police Department said detectives believe the stolen merchandise ended up in the Detroit area. None of it has been recovered.

ROADS
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“We have over 3,000 registered voters,” said the city.
The city has held multiple public forums for residents to learn about the millage and what it would entail.
“The community was very appreciative of the presentations and presented many important questions during each one,” Sutter said.

Common questions asked during those forums include the following:

Where is the tax money going that residents pay to the city to maintain roads?
The city receives funds for road maintenance from the state through Act 51. Linden receives approximately $19,500 per mile of major road and $8,000 per mile of local road funding per year.

“These funds are barely enough to cover general maintenance, such as snow plowing, salting, pothole patching, crack sealing, wages, insurance, equipment maintenance, fuel, etc.,” according to the city’s FAQ sheet on the millage.

Are there any grant funds available to improve our roads?

According to the city, “There are no grant funds available for local roads. There are some grants available for major roads, but not enough to satisfy all of the needed improvements. The grants that are received typically require a 20-percent match from the city.”

How will the city decide which roads will be improved?

The city used a PASER study, which stands for Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating to help determine which roads should be improved and when. The study, conducted in 2014, rated each road on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the best. Linden roads received an average of 4.9 at the time.
In 2018, the roads averaged a 3.3 rating.

There are numerous roads between a 4-6 rating, according to a past Times article.

To read the rest of the frequently asked questions, go to lindenmi.us.

Actual ballot language for millage
“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 street improvements and curbs and gutters, together with necessary right-of-ways, 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.”

Road improvement plan timeline
Year one: W. Rolston Road
Year two: Main Street, Maple Drive, Lindenwood Street, East Street, and South Street.
Year three: E. Rolston Road
Year four: Meadowgreen Lane, Par Court, Laing Court, Birdie Court, Fairway Drive, Andrea Avenue, Kathy Circle, Pauline Pass, and Nicole Lane
Year five: Pine Valley Court, Byram Lake Drive, Hyatt Lane (north), and Valley View Drive.
Year six: Sweet Briar Ridge, Clear View Court, Rustic Trail, Tania Trail, and Lydia Lane
Year seven: Hickory Street
Year eight: Tickner Street, Blythe Avenue, Willow Lane, Park Street, Grant Circle
Year nine: Hyatt Lane (south), Stan Eaton, Creekwood Circle.
Year 10: Bridge Street

HOT LINE CONTINUED
EVERYWHERE YOU LOOK, you see people young and old on their phones. So sad considering the recent revelations how Facebook and Google are programmed to be addicting. So many minds being brainwashed and conditioned for the sake of ad revenues. Disconnect America.

VOTE REPUBLICAN. VOTE No on Proposals 1, 2 and 3. As a House


IT WOULD BE great to see a cigar lounge, with full bar, go into one of the many not yet leased retail spaces. It could be an opportunity to gather with friends, family, watch sports and enjoy life. So many other cities have successful cigar lounges, let’s add Fenton to the list.

ARE TIGHT BLUE suits with brown Oxford shoes some kind of millennial uniform?

TRUMP LIED and fooled you once, shame on you. He fools you again and again, shame on you. Pence has morals and values.

VOTER FRAUD EXISTS. During the Michigan recount after the 2016 election, so many Detroit area districts had more ballots than eligible voters that it was determined that someone had stuffed the ballot boxes and the recount had to be discontinued. By the way, Hillary won those districts, not Trump. Report voter fraud.

AS A HOUSE divided, I have to agree with my husband that Devin Bush was way out of line on his pre-game behavior.

THE SLANTED NEWS media even permeates your local papers. The Times featured the alleged revenue potential for marijuana use. There was also a list of excuses as to why marijuana should be legalized but only small mentions of those who oppose the legalization.

LET’S TAKE RESPONSIBILITY for our city. Vote yes to fix the local streets. Go to the streets informational meeting and understand why it matters sense.

I KNOW I’m voting no on the Linden millage for roads, I have a house in front of my heavily traveled road in town. I called, it took 10 days to finally fix it. This road is crap but they’re trying to fix it in seven years?

I WOULD LIKE to see the Times publish a weekly chart posting the current price of propane for each propane company in our area.
CASH
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“We’re already staffed for the holidays, because of all the special events that come up early in the season,” said Avery Potts, a sales associate at Susan’s Hallmark on Silver Parkway. “We were staffed by late summer, early fall, to get everyone trained.”

Glik’s of Fenton, a specialty department store, typically hires for holiday help, but management said they are fully staffed at this point.

Alpine Marketplace in Linden has about 65 employees, and owner Marvin Yono expects his staff will be very busy during the holidays. “November and December are huge months with holiday orders, dinners, catering,” he said. “We’re already geared up for it because our summers are so busy, too. Business takes a little dip in the fall, but then we’re ready for the holidays.”

Yono said he doesn’t expect to hire extra workers, but that college kids who worked in the summer often come home on their holiday breaks and work at Alpine.

We’ll probably try to add on to our staff, but we want to be sure it’s the right fit, the right person.”

Co-owner Mike Clabuesch said his business will do triple the business they normally do the rest of the year, at Christmas. “The holiday season actually extends about three weeks beyond the holiday with returns, gifts that are still being sent out, etc., then moves right into Valentine’s Day,” he said.

“We’ll probably try to add on to our staff, but we want to be sure it’s the right fit, the right person,” said Clabuesch. “We’re not just out to hire somebody. We used to hire part-timers but last year, we decided to hire full time only. There’s more of a commitment there, more desire to stay and work.”

Clabuesch recognizes that there are hiring signs in just about every business window. “But the pool of people is really thin. So few are actually looking for work,” he said.

CITY OF LINDEN
ORDINANCE NO. 387
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 7.8 OF THE CITY OF LINDEN ZONING ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 285) TO ADDRESS EXTERIOR LIGHTING STANDARDS; EFFECTIVE DATE; PUBLICATION

THE CITY OF LINDEN ORDINANS:

Section 1. Amendment of Section 7.8 (Site and Exterior Lighting Standards).

Section 7.8 of Article 7 of the City of Linden Zoning Ordinance No. 285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 7.8 Site and Exterior Lighting Standards.

7.8.1. Light and Glare from Indirect Sources.

1. The design and/or screening of the development shall ensure that glare from automobile and commercial or industrial vehicle headlights shall not be directed into any adjacent property, particularly residential property. Exterior doors shall be located, operated, and maintained so as to prevent any glare and light from creating a nuisance or safety hazard to operators of motor vehicles, pedestrians, and neighboring land uses.

7.8.2. Exterior Lighting from Direct Sources.

1. Ground illumination shall not exceed 1.5 foot-candles average maintained. The light intensity at ground level shall not exceed 0.1 foot-candles at the property line adjacent to residentially zoned or used property and 1.0 foot-candle measured at the property line adjacent to all other uses.

2. Free standing light standards including base shall not exceed twenty feet (20’-0”) in total height and if located in the Linden Historic District, standards and light fixtures shall be of a period design approved by the Historic District Commission prior to final site plan approval by the Planning Commission.

3. All light fixtures shall be of a sharp cut-off design. Fixtures that allow light to shine on adjoining property or create horizontal glare shall not be approved. Lighting designs that allow light to shine into a public street or right-of-way shall not be approved.

4. Free standing light fixtures shall be of a design to direct light into the development and away from adjacent property. House side shields shall be required in residential areas adjacent to any illuminated sites.

7.8.3. Architectural Lighting.

1. Illumination of buildings, monuments or flags shall not exceed fifteen (15) foot-candles average maintained. All fixtures shall be shielded or designed to prohibit glare from shining into any residential area, street or public right-of-way.

2. Unshielded luminous tube (neon), LED, incandescent and fluorescent light fixtures shall be prohibited where the light source would be visible through the window from a public right-of-way or adjacent property shall be shielded to prevent glare at the property line or within a public right-of-way. Unshielded luminous tube (neon), LED, incandescent and fluorescent light fixtures shall be prohibited where the light source would be visible through the window from a public right-of-way or adjacent property.

7.8.4. Window Lighting.

1. All interior light fixtures visible through a window from a public right-
More than 70 entries for pets in costumes

**Happy Howl-o-ween to all our readers and their pets**
Fall circus fun in Fenton

Mini circus group entertains at community center

By Tim Jagielo

Fenton — In a building that usually hosts events like chamber of commerce luncheons and candidate forums, it might be the first time a circus has appeared inside the Fenton Community and Cultural Center.

On Thursday, Oct. 25, guests were treated to a mini circus group that performed indoors at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center.

This is a collaboration of performance artists, mostly from Michigan. They include aerial artists, stilts walkers, acrobats, object manipulators, fire performers, jugglers, sideshow artists, clowns, globe walkers, human statues, unicyclers, mime and character players, according to their Facebook page.

Bringing them to Fenton is Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation (SLPR). Last year SLPR hosted a "Spooky Monster Magic Show" and they decided to offer something different this year.

The program included lots of juggling, family friendly jokes, stunts and crowd participation.

Performing the silly and skillful feats on Thursday night were Gene Skalskyj and his assistant. Skalskyj juggled several objects before his assistant added a bowling ball into the mix. "I thought we already did the juggling part of the show," he said. "This is the 'heavy' part of the show," she said, often putting him in harm’s way, for a laugh.

After the performances, there was a cookie and punch reception. Muffley said approximately 125 tickets were sold. Last year SLPR hosted a "Spooky Monster Magic Show" and they decided to offer something different this year.
Blue Devils’ season ends in regional semifinal, 5-1

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton’s varsity boys soccer team couldn’t complain with how its Division 3 regional semifinal contest began at Chesaning High School, Tuesday.

The Blue Devils scored the first goal of the game.

However, Freeland (21-5) rebounded by scoring a goal quickly after that and eventually took control in the second half, resulting in a 5-1 loss for the Blue Devils.

Lake Fenton (9-8) probably played a better game than the 5-1 result indicated. The game was tied 1-1 at halftime and it took awhile for Freeland to blow the game open during the second half.

“We came out and scored a goal on them,” Lake Fenton varsity boys soccer coach Sam Jawhari said. “It was a nice header by Ben Polehna in the box, but then a half-minute later we gave them one right back.”

“We played them pretty well. We have a young club and probably the difference was depth. We are just getting our young guys to the point (we needed them to be at the start of the season).”

Lake Fenton didn’t have a JV squad meaning the Blue Devils have to find ways to get the younger players experience against older and more experienced varsity players while still trying to get results. The Blue Devils got to the point where their depth was pretty solid against most competition, but Freeland isn’t “most competition.”

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Lake Fenton’s Caleb Hardy

Tigers’ tourney run ends vs. Cranbrook, 3-0

By David Troppens

Ortonville — It was a season that saw the Fenton Tigers win an outright Metro League title for the first time since 2009. The Tigers also defeated their biggest rivals, the Linden Eagles three times during the season, with the third win earning the Tigers a Division 2 district title. Finally, the squad posted a strong 13-4-4 mark and were ranked in the top 10 in the state for a large chunk of the season.

So, while the Tigers’ season came to an end in a 3-0 loss against Cranbrook-Kingswood in a regional semifinal contest at Ortonville-Brandon High School, Tuesday, the loss didn’t change what the season meant to the Tigers, especially Fenton’s 13 seniors.

“I couldn’t be prouder of this team,” senior Chase Pulson said. “We all bonded together. We knew it was our chemistry and what we have here together as a whole. We did a lot of things to get us to this level — everyone joins a team hoping to get playing time.

Most understand that at the varsity level, most playing time is going to be earned through talent, effort and other tangible qualities that help a squad win. But what about at the middle school level, the freshman or even JV levels? How should playing time be dealt with at those levels? Complaints about playing time are reasonably common in the Hot lines, and have been more numerous in recent times, most concentrating on middle school athletics and specifically middle school football. It seems each area school embraces the concept that at the sub-varsity and middle school levels, most playing time is going to be earned through talent, effort and other tangible qualities that help a squad win.

Playing time has different meaning at MS level

Area schools believe playing time is important, approach issue using different methods

By David Troppens

Why do athletes play sports?

Some enjoy the dynamics of being part of a team. If a program has a winning tradition, that also will lure students to want to join an athletic team. But there is one constant when it comes to being on a team ranging from the middle school level to the varsity level — everyone joins a team hoping to get playing time.

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By David Troppens

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Controlling what we can’t control

“I always thought I had to be retired to be nominated,” Hopkins said. “They came to me and told me and that was kind of neat. What it means is I’ve had a lot of good kids. They have worked pretty hard and I reaped the benefits. I put a lot of time into it and for that I thank my wife (Cathy). I missed a lot of time around the family to do what I wanted to do and she supported me. I also have to thank my kids (Kyle and Cori). They gave up a lot of time with dad coaching all the time, but I don’t think they would’ve wanted it any other way.”

The induction dinner will be at Spring Meadows Country Club November 17 at 6 p.m. Tickets cost $40 a person and all tickets must be purchased by November 12.

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Longtime Linden varsity football coach Denny Hopkins is being inducted into the Linden Athletic Hall of Fame. He also spent long tenures as Linden’s varsity baseball coach and varsity boys basketball coach.

Photo: Mark Bolen

Hopkins joining Linden’s Athletic HOF Nov. 17

By David Troppens

Ask Denny Hopkins how many students he’s coached over his career at Linden High School, and it’s hard for him to figure out an answer.

Who can blame him? He has coached thousands of athletes. Since hiring in at Linden schools in 1973, Hopkins spent 20 years as varsity baseball coach, 23 years as a varsity boys basketball coach and became the varsity football coach in 1998. Prior to that, he was an assistant coach.

Hopkins has earned his share of honors. He’s in the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame and the MHSAA High School Football Coaches Hall of Fame. He will be joining another hall on November 17 when he is inducted into the Linden Athletic Hall of Fame.

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**Volleyball districts start Monday**

**By David Troppens**

When district volleyball begins Monday, two area rivals could eventually collide in a title match at Fenton High School.

Fenton begins district action Monday against Flint Southwestern at 6:30 p.m. or after the first game of the day — Davison vs. Grand Blanc at 5 p.m. — is done.

Action continues Tuesday when Linden faces the Davison-Grand Blanc winner at 5 p.m. in the first of two semifinal matches. The other will be the winner of the Fenton-Flint Southwestern match against Lapeer at about 6:30 p.m. The district championship match will be Thursday at 6 p.m.

Holly also is involved in a Division 1 district, but the Bronchos will be heading to Waterford Kettering for tournament action.

Holly has a bye to the semifinal round, facing either Lake Orion or Oxford at 7 p.m. on Tuesday. The winner of that match will play in the district title match against either Waterford Kettering or Clarkston Friday at 6 p.m.

Lake Fenton is the only area team competing in Division 2 action. The Blue Devils will compete in the Durand district, beginning play against Williamston on Tuesday at 5 p.m. If the Blue Devils win, Lake Fenton plays Perry, Durand or Fowlerville in the district championship match Thursday at 5 p.m.

**TIGERS!**

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Fenton soccer (that makes us strong). We knew we were going to do great things and I couldn’t be prouder of this team. I couldn’t be happier playing with all of these guys.”

“This year we were able to get a district title again, and it was especially nice getting it against our rivals Linden,” senior keeper Noah Martin said. “It was great, I’m happy. We may not have made it as far as we liked, so it was a very bittersweet ending to it. But we went out and had all of the seniors playing together the last few minutes, and that was the best ending I’ve ever had to a season. I wouldn’t have wanted to end it any other way.

“We did a lot of good things. It’s a great group of boys. It’s sad to be leaving, but I’m sure they’ll do great things next year, too.”

It would be fair to say Cranbrook was the stronger team Tuesday, particularly in the second half. That said, the Tigers had outstanding chances to score early. First, there was a shot off the cross bar by Ashton McKellar about five minutes into the game. Second, there was a shot by Brady Young that was slightly deflected by the Cranbrook keeper, making the ball deflect off one of the posts. Either shot would’ve given the Tigers the early 1-0 lead, but instead they were kept off the scoreboard.

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“We have very good discussions at Linden about what is the purpose and why the kids are out there.”

Holly athletic director Deb VanKuiken seems to want her sub-varsity teams to take a liberal approach when it comes to spreading out playing time.

“Middle school athletes should play in every contest. However, that doesn’t mean each middle school athlete will have equal playing time,” VanKuiken said. “If you don’t play middle school athletes, I would bet they won’t return in the future, and then you’ve lost them. Kids who work hard, follow the rules and are at practice every day deserve some playing time.”

Fenton athletic director Mike Bakker agrees that playing time should be distributed differently at the middle school and sub-varsity levels.

“I certainly think there is a different approach to all the different levels because you have all different levels of talent at the younger levels,” Bakker said. “We certainly work hard to try to get our younger levels — which would be middle school and sub-varsity — to participate in contests. But at the same time kids in the program are getting a lot of time learning their sport in practice every single day.”

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