

Coyote sightings up in tri-county area

■ Mating season in full swing, be careful when letting your dog out

By Hannah Ball

Tri-county residents have reported coyote sightings in the Fenton, Linden and Argentine Township areas.

Julie Hussar said she's seen several coyotes in her neighborhood, Eagle at Waters Edge, near East El len Street and North Howard Street in Fenton. Her neighbor took a photo of a coyote Friday, Feb. 1.

"I have personally heard and seen about five at a time in the nighttime behind my house," she said.

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Coyotes are native to North America. They are smaller than wolves and often have gray, brown and white coats.

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2018 crime statistics for Fenton Township

■ Non-aggravated assault and larceny are top two offenses

By Hannah Ball

In 2018, the two most common non-traffic related crimes in Fenton Township were non-aggravated assault and larceny. The Genesee County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) provides coverage to the municipality. These numbers are supplied by the GCSO.

Violent crimes

The township had 15 cases of criminal sexual conduct in 2018, 32 non-aggravated assaults, and five aggravated assaults.

Property crimes

Larceny was the most common property crime at 31 complaints. Officers responded to 14 reports of larceny from a building,

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Area anglers embrace the cold



Joe Hillaker of Gaines Township is vying for pan fish Saturday, Feb. 9, during the Lake Fenton Ice Fishing Tournament. He came up empty, but the tournament raised \$1,000 for the Michigan Safe Sleep Initiative. See story on page 5. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Lake Fenton grad joins Fenton force

■ Tyler Donnelly is city's newest police officer

By Vera Hogan

Fenton's finest has a new officer onboard. Tyler Donnelly, 23, is a new officer in the Fenton Police Department. He was sworn into office by Mayor Sue Osborn on Monday, Feb. 11.

According to Police Chief Jason Slater, Donnelly is a 2013

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“I expect Tyler to excel in his role as a police officer...”

Jason Slater
Police chief

New Fenton Township trustee brings 'small town values'

■ Linden High School graduate fills vacant board position

By Hannah Ball

Fenton Township has a new trustee.

Christine Reid has taken over the vacated seat of Trustee Shaun Shumaker who was elected to the Genesee County Board of Commissioners last November.

Reid's first meeting was Jan. 21. She was appointed to the position by a 6-0 vote

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Christine Reid

“A lot of people are moving here. We need to be mindful of how we grow it.”

Christine Reid
Fenton Township trustee

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our community a safer place and support the LAFF project.”



“I’m jealous. When I was a kid, I spent every winter hoping for snow days. I always enjoyed the day off. In the past month, my kids got more snow days than I did my entire life. Oh, to be a kid again.”



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Substations like this one on Fenway Drive in Fenton are for stepping the voltage down for businesses and homes.

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The system that keeps the lights and heat on

■ Substations, compressors, thousands of miles of wire and pipelines bring power to homes and businesses

By Tim Jagielo

Lately, Michiganders have been acutely aware of the possible fragility of their power grid.

Both major utility companies, Consumers Energy and DTE Energy, recently requested users reduce both electricity and gas usage due to threats to the stability of their infrastructure. Consumers Energy experienced a fire at a gas compression site and DTE had concerns for its electrical grid overall.

Both issues were handled by Thursday night, Jan. 31, but not before making everyone very aware of how much power they were using, and how it might be interrupted by something aside from a downed utility line.

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, residents woke to their homes and vehicles coated with ice, though there were no widespread power outages as feared.

On Sunday, Feb. 10, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer

declared a state of emergency for the city of Grand Rapids, which at its peak, had 231,000 utility customers without power following winter storms, according to the Detroit News.

Power for use by homes and businesses follows a complicated path.

There are 16 utility companies operating in Michigan, according to a fact sheet by the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

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There are 16 utility companies operating in Michigan. Consumers Energy is by far the largest, serving 6.7 million residents in the Lower Peninsula.

AN ONGOING SERIES
DESCRIBING MUNICIPAL BOARDS
AND COMMISSIONS AND THE
IMPORTANT WORK THEIR
MEMBERS ACCOMPLISH



Thanks to the hard work by the DDA, downtown Fenton has become a destination for dining, arts, entertainment and recreation. **Times file photo**

Boards and commissions are critical to success of communities


This is the third in a series of articles aimed at defining boards and commissions, learning the names of their hard-working volunteers, their major past accomplishments and what they have planned for the near future.

By Vera Hogan

It can be said that for the most part, the city of Fenton's Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is responsible for what has become one of the most attractive destinations in the state of Michigan.

Due to the success of the award-winning Streetscape Project, the downtown has become a mecca for the arts, entertainment, recreation, shopping and diverse dining experiences, all within walking distance.

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How electricity gets to your home

Generation: Electricity starts at generator, whether it is powered

by nuclear reactions, burning fossil fuels or using renewable sources like wind, water or solar energy.

Transmission: This is the process of sending the electricity from the power plant to the homes and businesses that will end up using the power. This includes several steps.

Substation: The newly generated power is sent to a substation, which uses transformers to convert the power to extremely high voltages, so that it

can make the trip across power lines.

Wires: The high voltage electricity is transmitted across wires on utility poles. Along the way, there are sensors to alert the utility company if there could be an outage.

Step down: The high voltage is converted to lower voltage for homes and businesses at the utility pole before entering the home.

Source: US Department of Energy
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If I Were King...

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The Origin of Species

A royal reader sent me an email regarding the origin of species. I have adapted it slightly to better reflect present-day society. To wit:

Many believe that the two most important events in all of history were:

- 1. The invention of beer, and
- 2. The invention of the wheel.

The first wheel was actually invented in order to gather the ingredients to make beer at the brewery, and to deliver the brewed beer to the man.

These facts support the well-known theory of why mankind split into two distinct subgroups: Liberals and Conservatives.

Once beer was discovered, it required grain, which was the beginning of planned agriculture. Neither the bottle nor the can were invented yet, so early humans just stayed close to the brewery, which is how the first villages were formed.

Some men spent their days tracking, killing and butchering animals to cook in the evening so they'd have a reason to sit around the fire and drink beer. This was the beginning of what is known as the Conservative movement.

Other men who disliked hunting learned to live off the Conservatives by showing up for the nightly BBQs and doing the sewing, serving, dishwashing and hair dressing. This was the beginning of the Liberal movement.

Some noteworthy Liberal achievements include the domestication of cats, the invention of group therapy, the creation of Hollywood, the fashion industry, sewing, the arts and quilting.

Over the years, Conservatives came to be symbolized by the largest,

most powerful land animal on earth, the elephant. Liberals, by their own choice, are symbolized by the jack-ass.

Modern Liberals have evolved and no longer like beer, preferring French wine or imported bottled water. Sushi, tofu, and French food are standard Liberal fare. Many are social workers, personal injury attorneys, television newscasters, actors, college professors and group therapists.

Conservatives drink domestic beer. They eat red meat and provide for their women. Conservatives are big-game hunters, rodeo cowboys, columnists, lumberjacks, construction workers, firefighters, medical doctors, police officers, corporate executives, athletes, Marines, and generally anyone who actually works for a living.

Conservatives love ice hockey. Liberals love ice dancing.

Liberals produce little or nothing. They prefer to govern. Liberals believe Europeans are more enlightened than Americans are. That is why most of the Liberals remained in Europe when Conservatives were coming to America. They tiptoed in after the Wild West was tamed and rode in Pullman trains to Hollywood and San Francisco.

When Liberals come across something they don't agree with, they angrily demand that it be removed from the airwaves or pages. Or, they pass legislation to outlaw it. Or, they tax it to death.

When Conservatives come across something they don't agree with, they laugh, turn the channel or the page and just get along with their life.

Most Democrats are Liberals.

Most Republicans are Conservatives.

Please remember that come the next election.

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YOU HAVE STILL missed the point. Nice stat about 30 drunk-driving deaths per day. Now break that number down to percentages of American drunk drivers and illegals as drunk drivers. BTW, your casual acceptance of immigrants murdering 12 per day is revealing.

OK FINE, THEN you and the people who want to bike, walk and walk your dogs from Fenton to Fenton Township and vice versa can pay for it.

HEY RUBY, PAY attention to a politician's actions, not words. Pelosi's public announcements are irrelevant when Democrat behavior demonstrates they favor lawless, open borders.

THERE IS PLENTY of outrage from the left against the Governor and Lt. Governor of Virginia. You'd realize this if you were capable of getting your news from anyone other than the talking heads on your TV.

WORKED MY TAXES last weekend. We're paying more, despite our income staying roughly the same from 2017 to 2018. Same thing from several folks at work.

SNOWMOBILERS FIND WIND chill statistics amusing. If the temperature is zero, it stays at zero even if the wind starts blowing 30 mph.

DOES ANYBODY REMEMBER the winter of 2014/15? Now that was a winter to remember. The ice was 4 feet thick on Saginaw Bay.

PROMISES, PROMISES. IT'S been over two years now. Have more money to spend or save? Healthier or not so much? Is your water and air cleaner? How's your retirement planning going? Your kids' after high school planning going okay? Wake Up.

I LOOKED UP Roy Spencer Ph.D to see what he had to say about climate change. You should, too. Thanks for the tip.

DON'T CHANGE YOUR verbiage. Take a biology class so you know what you are talking about and show some respect for other people's religious beliefs and feelings. You don't have to live with someone else's decision so don't expect them to live with yours.

THOUGH PRESIDENT DONALD Trump boasted that the new code would be so simplified that people could file their taxes on a postcard, that's not the case.

IN THE YEAR since the deadly mass shooting at a Florida high school, more states have passed laws that make it easier to take guns from people who may be suicidal or bent on violence, and courts are issuing an unprecedented number of seizure orders across the country.

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What comes to mind when you think about love?

Question asked to State Road Elementary students

street talk



"When I think about love, it's usually when people care about each other. When someone says the word 'love' to me, it makes me feel good. I love my parents and my pets."

Claire Sturgis
8 years old, third grade



"My dog. He's a German shorthair. He snuggles me and I love that. My parents and siblings."

Logan Christopher
9 years old, third grade



"Love means a lot to me. The main thing is family and friends. They just really make me happy. I like to play with my friends. My family means a lot to me."

Parker Smelis
9 years old, third grade



"My dog. I love my cat and my family because when I'm scared I always want to curl up with my mom and dad and brother, like when there's a tornado warning. Love means not being alone."

Lillie Laskowski
9 years old, third grade



"Caring, happiness and loving. I think about my family a lot. I love dogs and cats."

Awsan Hussein
10 years old, fourth grade



"A nice and caring word. It makes people feel good."

Austin Sturgis
10 years old, fourth grade



National Love Your Pet Day is next week

■ Show off your pet on Times Facebook page

By Hannah Ball

National Love Your Pet is Wednesday, Feb. 20, a week from today. In celebration, we're encouraging our readers to show us their pets. Starting today, Wednesday, Feb. 13, there will be a status on our Facebook about this holiday. In the comments on that status, post a photo of your pet or pets with their name, age and a fun fact about them. We will pick our favorite entries to be in the paper Wednesday, Feb. 20. Animals of all species are welcome. There's no cost to enter. According to holidayscalendar.com, National Love Your Pet Day was created to encourage pet owners to spend more time with their pets, and to show them love and affection. "It doesn't matter if you own a cat, dog, bird, fish or reptile, today is the day to pamper them and show them how much they mean to you," according to the website. Approximately 60 million American households have at least one dog, and 47 million have at least one cat. The most popular pet are freshwater fish with 140 million as pets in the U.S. Next are cats at 94 million as pets, and dogs at 90 million.

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Two successful ice fishing tournaments held this weekend raise spirits and funds for important causes

By Tim Jagielo

Fenton — The sun was blazing over the 13th annual Lake Fenton Ice Fishing Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 9. Angler Dennis Weston of Fenton Township thinks this might be why there are fewer fish biting their lures. On top of that, his daughter, Michele Weston, lost a pan fish pole down a hole when it was snagged by a fish while she checked other spots. The pole was owned by her grandfather. Still, the event drew 60 anglers who paid \$20 to register. The event raised \$1,000 for Michigan Safe Sleep Initiative. While held on Lake Fenton, the registration tent was off the public launch area with snacks available and booming party music. Nearby, some people skated instead of fished. First prize was Bruce Fielder of Fenton Township, with a 35-inch pike. He also took second place with two fish with a combined length of 61.75 inches. Fielder was happy because he'd fished on the lake his entire life without winning in a tournament. He took home \$400 and enjoyed being able to get outside in the middle of the winter. "You're fishing — you're outside when most people are inside and don't do a lot of things," he said. Third place was Scott Care, also of Fenton Township, who won with a 10.5-inch crappie. He is retiring from the Department of Health and Human Services and cares deeply about the Michigan Safe Sleep Initiative. "It's a great cause," Care said. The initiative works to educate parents on properly setting up their infants for safe sleep — placing them in cribs or portable cribs instead of co-sleeping with them, and keeping anything out of the crib and avoiding smoking in the room, among other suggestions. The \$1,000 will be used to buy Pack N' Play cribs for Genesee County residents. "It was a beautiful day," said organizer Denelle Henry of Fenton Township. "(I'm) very excited how the benefit turned out and all the anglers that came out to participate."



Bluegill fish at the Linden Community Ice Fishing Tournament. Photo: Facebook.com



Ethan Hodge, 7, of Fenton Township and other kids snag candies from the last door prize of the tournament — a large basket of candy, shared by winner Chuck McCulley (left) of Burton. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Linden Community Ice Fishing Tournament This is the third year of the fishing tournament held on Lobdell and Byram lakes. This tournament accepted pike, crappie and bluegill. The weigh-in and chili cook-off filled the event space inside Loose Center. Steve James said they had 200 participants registered. "This was by far

the biggest and most attended tournament we have had," he said. There were 350 people at the weigh-in. There were 12 chili entrants in the cook-off, which were local businesses. The Old Hickory Restaurant won and The Deck came in second place.

- Adult Winners:**
Longest bluegill — John Zeeman, 10.13"
Longest crappie — Dana Biery, 12"
Longest pike — Bill Dulek, 37"
- Kid winner:**
Longest crappie — Camden VanNorman, 11"

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POLICE & FIRE REPORT

EARLY MORNING OWI ARREST

At 1:51 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 5, a Fenton police officer, conducting routine radar patrol, observed a vehicle traveling above posted speeds on U.S. 23. The officer followed as the car exited and turned onto Silver Parkway. A traffic stop was initiated and the officer made contact with the driver, a 25-year-old Fenton man. The driver had slurred speech and his eyes were glassy. The driver admitted to consuming alcohol prior to driving. The man was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated (OWI). He was lodged at the police station until he was sober and released with a court appearance ticket for OWI.

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Our Future



Meet

Morgan Losey

- Future nurse
- Athlete
- Adventurer

By Hannah Ball

Morgan Losey, 17, is a senior at Linden High School who plans to go to Saginaw Valley State University in the fall of 2019 to become a nurse.

Any career in the medical field is exciting to Morgan.

What is the best thing about your mom/dad?

The best thing about my parents is how supportive and loving they are. They are always there to help me and provide me with a shoulder to lean on. They support me through everything and are always cheering me on.

Would you rather live a week in the past or future? Why?

I would rather spend a week in the past. I would love to experience a time before I was alive. I will have the chance to experience much more of the future, but I will never be able to experience the past. The past has always interested me and it would be amazing to go see what kind of things happened from day to day and how things were before there was a lot of technology in the world.

What living person, other than a family member, do you most admire?

I most admire my friend Nolan. Nolan is a great leader, exceptional friend, and an overall wonderful human. Nolan inspires me to better myself and be the absolute best I can be every day.

What type of career possibility excites you?

All careers within the medical field excite me. These careers excite me because I love to help others. I believe providing help and care for others is the main focus of these careers. In addition, medicine is always advancing and changing, which creates improvements and I think that is amazing.

What do you like to do for fun?

For fun, I like to play sports and spend time with my friends and family. I like to play volleyball as well as run. While hanging out with my friends and family I like to experience different things. I enjoy visiting the mall, the zoo, the movies, and many other fun places.

What superpower would you like to have?

If I could have a super power, I would like to have the ability to fly. With the ability to fly, I would be able to get from place to place easier. Also, I would be able to see the world's beauty from a different point of view.

COYOTE

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She said people need to be “extra cautious” with letting pets outside this time of year because it’s mating season for coyotes.

On the popular neighborhood app and website, nextdoor.com, one resident on Lobdell Road posted Tuesday, Feb. 5, “I live on Lobdell Road. ... We spotted numerous coyotes this morning! Please watch your small animals!”

It is nearing prime coyote breeding season, which typically peaks in late February and early March, according to midwestoutdoors.com.

“Male coyotes can become more aggressive during this time of year , the long and short of it all is that coyotes always

“You should also be mindful that clever coyotes learn the daily schedules of people and their pets.”

Midwestoutdoors.com

are attracted to and mate with unspayed and unneutered domestic dogs, which means it’s safer if your dog is spayed or neutered. Unspayed female dogs in season can attract male coyotes, and unneutered male dogs can be lured away by the scent of a female coyote while she’s ovulating, according to midwestoutdoors.com.

“You should also be mindful that clever coyotes learn the daily schedules of people and their pets. If you let your dog out every evening at 9 p.m., chances are that a coyote is well aware of your routine,” according to the website.

To minimize the threat of a coyote attack, always walk your dog on a short leash and don’t let them out of the house unsupervised.

If you see a coyote

Do not feed it. This encourages the coyotes to keep coming back to your house, which increases the risk to other wildlife and pets.

Make loud noises, clap your hands and whistle if you see a coyote to scare it away. Make yourself look larger.

Source: midwestoutdoors.com

2018 CRIME

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13 reports of larceny from autos, and 10 reports of motor vehicle theft. There were 13 reports of burglary with forced entry and 10 without force. The sheriff’s office responded to 22 cases of malicious destruction of property in Fenton Township.

Traffic crimes

In 2018, Fenton Township had 287 total traffic accidents. According to the data, there were zero fatal injuries from traffic crimes, two suspected serious injuries, 18 suspected minor injuries and 52 possible injuries.

The data show 237 reports of property damage due to traffic accidents last year.

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The rules of evidence

In all federal and state courts, there are rules of evidence, which apply to most legal actions and proceedings.

They are intended to ensure that there is an orderly presentation of relevant and admissible evidence to the finder of fact (judge or jury) so that the truth may be ascertained and the proceedings justly determined.

The Federal Rules of Evidence (FRE) became federal law on Jan. 1, 1975 by statute.

Michigan's Rules of Evidence (MRE) became effective March 1, 1978 by Order of the Michigan Supreme Court and were patterned after the FRE.

Before the MRE went into effect, Michigan's evidence law was a mixture of Michigan Supreme Court and Court of Appeals decisions, statutes and court rules.

Sometimes there wasn't a clear answer to evidentiary issues and this created a problem for both the courts and litigants.

Time has shown that the MRE have significantly helped with this issue.

The sources of the rules of evidence in most states were similar to Michigan's before the MRE were adopted. However, a clear trend has now developed with the vast majority of states modeling their rules on the FRE.

The MRE apply to almost all evidentiary issues including such matters as the mode and order of the interrogation of witnesses, how evidence is to be presented, and the admissibility of evidence.

At a trial or a hearing the judge is responsible for making sure that the testimony and other evidence is properly admitted and proper procedures are followed.

If an objection is made as to admissibility or for another reason, the judge makes a ruling either sustaining the objection or overruling it.

The MRE don't apply in all situations and there is a specific rule, which contains an extensive list of when they don't. These include small claims cases, probation revocation hearings, setting bonds in criminal cases, and the issuance of search warrants. There are a number of others.

Another way to explain the reason for the rules of evidence is to simply say they are meant to instill a sense that everything under the law and in the courtroom is being handled in the fairest way possible.

We should all expect no more and no less.

Editors note: if you have a legal question for Judge McCabe email it to news@tctimes.com

BOARDS

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According to the city's website (cityof-fenton.org), it is the purpose of the DDA to improve the downtown district through effective planning and implementation of public improvement projects. It promotes and coordinates activities aimed at improving the business climate within the district.

It aides in retaining existing businesses and attracts new operations that complement the existing commercial offerings. The DDA fosters development, redevelopment and expansion and it supports high standards for the future site improvements and new developments as a method to upgrade the quality of life within the city in innovative ways that are beneficial to all facets of the community.

Craig Schmidt is the chairman of Fenton's DDA. "I feel my duty as chairman of the DDA is to help develop and maintain a vibrant downtown district for not only residents of the city

but also for visitors, who want to come to our downtown and shop, dine and take part in our many activities, and just enjoy a quality experience in a unique small town downtown district with their friends and family.

"My personal rewards are seen in the fact that we have so many wonderful people that want to take time out of their busy lives to serve so proudly on the DDA board and that this ever changing board has one common goal and that is to improve the city of Fenton's downtown district for generations to come," he said.

"We also get rewarded as a board seeing the effect we have had on the total community since real downtown revitalization has occurred with the rebuilding and rebirth of the existing downtown district."

Schmidt said the challenges faced by the DDA are limited. "Most relate to the usual government red tape, regulations and convincing some very limited skeptics that a stronger downtown district is good for all of Fenton's citizens," he

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Craig Schmidt
Fenton Downtown
Development Authority
chairman

said. "Since I have been on the board, we have not had a challenge come up that as a whole we could not solve or overcome. Most challenges lead to positive results."

Schmidt said the single project of which he is most proud came in the form of his first vote on the DDA board, which was the question of reopening LeRoy Street, which involved buying and razing an existing building and then the re-connection of North LeRoy Street to South LeRoy Street.

"This in my opinion was the catalyst to the entire downtown revitalization effort," he said. "However, I must say I am also proud of the cooperation the DDA board is afforded by the City Council, administration and staff and our outside contractors."

"All of our respected developers, who have so kindly invested millions of dollars in our community have said they are impressed from start to finish on their individual projects with how smooth and orderly the process is in this community," Schmidt

said. "Some have commented that this is by far the best experience they have had with a municipality as it relates to their individual development project."

"I was in this community as a teenager when Urban Renewal took our downtown away from us," Schmidt said. "I know firsthand how that single act not only destroyed 40 great downtown family businesses but also harmed the overall reputation of the city as a

whole for decades. So I take my role as chairman of the DDA very seriously and I would like to convey to the residents of the city of Fenton that with the strong leadership from the mayor, the City Council, city administration, Planning and Beautification commissions and DDA board — your downtown is in very good hands."

The volunteers who serve on the Fenton DDA are: Schmidt, Tom Bertschy, Terry Green, Doug James, Gary Henderson, David Owocki, Patric Parker, Scott Pushman, John Strayer and Terry Steffey. Mayor Sue Osborn serves as the City Council's liaison. They meet on the third Tuesday of each month, starting at 6 p.m. in Fenton City Hall.

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The public is invited to attend a live pro wrestling event Friday, Feb. 15 at the Karl Richter Community Center in Holly. This event, put on by Pure Pro Wrestling (PPW), is called the Heroes and Villains of PPW. According to pureprowrestling.net, it will be "a night of family friendly pro wrestling action." Proceeds benefit the Holly Area Veterans Resource Center. General admission is \$10 and VIP tickets are \$15. VIP doors open at 6 p.m., with VIP matches beginning at 6:30 p.m. General admission doors open at 7 p.m. and bell time is at 7:30 p.m.

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Guardrail impales car in crash



A 23-year-old Midland man escaped injury in this early Monday morning crash. North Oakland County Fire Authority Chief Jeremy Lintz said his department responded to this crash at 3:45 a.m., Monday, Feb. 11. He said the driver lost control of his car on southbound I-75, near Belford Road in Holly Township. The car slid sideways and struck the end of a guardrail on the driver's side of the car. The guardrail penetrated 5 feet through the rear door and across the entire back seat. Lintz said no one was in the backseat. The driver was not injured. Firefighters cut the guardrail off with a saw in order to free the vehicle. Lintz said speed played a factor in the crash. Photo Courtesy of NOCFA

LIGHTS

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Consumers Energy is by far the largest, serving 6.7 million residents in the Lower Peninsula. DTE Energy serves 2.2 million residents, according to the company website. Michigan is also home to several energy cooperatives, which are not investor-owned.

Terry DeDoes, senior public information director with Consumers Energy, said the utility has about 15,000 employees, half of which are contractors. On average, he said the Michigan consumer will spend about \$3.40 a day for electricity and about \$2.30 a day for natural gas this year.

According to Consumers, they have 71,039 miles of electrical distribution lines, and 27,000 miles of natural gas pipelines.

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ELECTRICITY

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Delivering gas to clients

According to the American Gas Association, gas flowing from high pressure to lower pressure is the "fundamental principal" of the natural gas home delivery system.

Most homes use natural gas to power their water heaters and furnace or boiler. Many use it for their gas range.

Both major utilities are gas and electric companies, delivering both to clients. DTE delivers natural gas to 1.2 million clients in Michigan.

Gas well: The natural gas starts here. It exits the well along "gathering lines" that get larger in diameter the closer they get to the collection plant.

Field compressor: These use internal combustion engines to move natural gas from the well to the plant for processing.

Processing plant: Some gathering systems include a processing facility to remove impurities like water, carbon dioxide or sulfur.

Transmission system: Once processed, natural gas moves to the larger complex transmission system. They run at approximately 200 to 1,500 pounds per square inch.

Compressor stations: These push the gas through the long stretches of pipe across the country. A Consumers Energy compressor failed last week, causing the emergency.

Linepack: These are larger areas of pipe, where stores of gas are kept at high pressure.

Gate station: This is where transmission lines arrive to step the pressure of gas down, and the signature natural gas smell is added for safety.

Distribution system: This system moves the gas from the gate station to the interconnected grid that eventually takes it to your home. Every step of the process is computer controlled and monitored. Pressure is adjusted as needed.

The service line: This takes the gas from the distribution system to the home or business.

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Source: American Gas Association

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

THANKS TRI-COUNTY Times for the article on 'Let's be frank, never put ketchup on a hot dog.' This story backs up what I have been saying for many years. It's immature to use ketchup on your hot dog. I'm going to frame this page. I hope you read this article, Father Gregg.

TO EVERYONE LOOKING to score points against Trump voters for the dishonest tax reform currently frustrating most of us. Don't vilify the victim — we were all lied to. This is wrong for all of us equally.

AT LAST, WE have a governor who is taking steps to protect our Great Lakes, our drinking water, and combat climate change.

The Generation GAP

Editor's Note: The Generation Gap, a series that is exclusive to the Midweek, features opinions from people in our community who are of different generations.

By Sally Rummel and Hannah Ball

What was dating like for your generation?

Carol Wegher

Carol Wegher, 67, lives in Fenton with her husband, Bill. Retired in 2015 from a career in public transportation in Howell and Lapeer she now works as a WW (formerly called Weight Watchers) guide and coach.

I was married for the first time at age 18, after dating my high school sweet-heart in the 1960s.

Dating in the mid '60s was a fun and sometimes very cumbersome experience for me because my family lived in the country. As a 15- or 16-year-old, not a lot of my friends or potential boy-friends had cars or the ability to borrow our parents' cars. But we made it work by staying with friends in town.

Meeting friends or boyfriends was typically done at school or by hanging out with friends of my brother's. When I started dating, we would hang out at a friend's house or sometimes we would go to the drive-in or movie theater. It was a given that the boy would always pay for everything while on a date.

I married my high school boyfriend and his parents were the only ones I was formally introduced to as a serious love interest. I think I met them at a basketball game after dating my boyfriend for about three months. I really don't remember any of my friends moving in with a boyfriend until they got married. That starting happening long after I got married.

Our proposal wasn't very romantic, just a traditional "Will you marry me?" He picked out my engagement ring. Unfortunately, that marriage did not work out but I had two great sons from it: Fred, 47 and Steve, 48. I also have a daughter Tracy, 43, and nine grandchildren altogether.

I met my husband, Bill in Houghton Lake during Tip Up Town in 1981. We got married in 1989.



Carol Wegher

“It was a given that the boy would always pay for everything while on a date.”

Katerina Conaway

Katerina Conaway, 25, and Trevor Conaway II both attended Linden Community Schools and started dating in grade school. They've been married since March 2015, live in Linden and have two daughters.

“When we started dating we were 13 and 14 years old so going out on 'dates' didn't happen too much. But we would hang out at each other's houses if we could get a ride from our parents. When we did start going on dates we would alternate who paid. And we knew each other's families before we started dating from sports, but I met his parents on our first 'date' since it was at his house,” Katerina said.

Once they had their own transportation, they wouldn't do anything “fancy” she said. They went bowling a few times.

When it comes to social media, Conaway said, “I think it has changed dating not only through dating sites, but also people on dates. It's hard to see a couple on a date and all they are doing is staring at their phones ignoring each other.”

With marriage proposals, Katerina said, “I don't think they have changed much. People are just able to record them now instead of telling people about it.

“He proposed in our apartment after I got out of nursing clinicals, and he had flowers and a whole display of pictures of us.”



Katerina Conaway

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

HEY, WHY DON'T you tell the truth about the pathway and who is really paying for it and who is filling its coffers? Voters, if you live in Fenton Township, you should be asking how much Fenton and Linden's DDA's are stealing from this millage.

I'M NOW TOLD that LBGTQ gets an 'I' and an 'A' added to it. Then they tell me they've identified 58 genders. Why not throw in the whole alphabet and we'll have this whole thing done.



Officer Tyler Donnelly is the newest member of the Fenton Police Department. He was sworn in by Mayor Sue Osborn on Monday, Feb. 11. Photo submitted to the Times

OFFICER

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graduate of Lake Fenton High School. He graduated from Ferris State University in May 2017 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice.

“He graduated cum laude with a grade point average of 3.74,” Slater said.

Donnelly graduated from the Law Enforcement Regional Training Academy in December 2018.

“While at the police academy he received a scholastic achievement

award for a non-sponsored student,” Slater said.

A non-sponsored student is one that pays his own way through the academy. He was awarded a sum of cash to help offset his educational expenses.

Donnelly is a resident of the city of Fenton. This is his first position as a police officer. Slater said all of his other jobs while in school have been in the city.

“I expect Tyler to excel in his role as a police officer through service to the city of Fenton and its residents,” Slater said.

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at a special meeting on Jan. 14. The Linden High School graduate, who moved to Fenton Township in 2006, is no stranger to the community or municipal business. She spent 10 years on the Zoning Board of Appeals starting in 2008.

"I love the community. I was born and raised here, it's my home," she said. "I have some level of comfort and have some experience with the ZBA. It gives me familiarity with ordinances and how things work."

Reid's background includes a degree in paralegal studies. She's worked locally as well as in Texas, where she spent 12 years at a law firm working in bankruptcy law.

One of her responsibilities as a trustee will be serving as a member on the Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation Board. That board consists of two members from Linden, Fenton and Fenton Township. Trustee Robert Kesler is the other Fenton Township representative.

For a profession, Reid works as a corporate governance officer assisting executives in meeting their fiduciary responsibilities.

"While I am not opposed to progress, I am passionate about maintaining the small town values with which I was raised, nurturing our children, protecting our natural resources, encouraging prosperity and growing the township thoughtfully and responsibly," she wrote in her application letter.

Reid was one of 12 applicants, said Operations Manager/Deputy Clerk Thomas Broecker. This past fall, she knew there

would be a vacant seat if Shumaker won the election, and she was encouraged to apply by Clerk Robert Krug.

"I thought 'why not throw my hat in the ring?' It's a job you have to take seriously. We're not in the office every day, but we make some pretty weighted decisions for the township," she said.

The township recently revamped its master plan. Reid was involved "a little" with the focus groups.

When asked about issues with the township, she said, "I think the big thing is obviously things are growing. Fenton is very popular area, and not just the city, but the surrounding area. A lot of people are moving here. We need to be mindful of how we grow it. We need to grow it responsibly. We need to think about education and our children."

Most people in the township want "that simple, laid back life," she said, not a metropolitan area. However, many want the conveniences of a city.

"We need to find that balance," she said. "We need to focus on getting the Thompson Road Corridor cleaned up and having more of a uniform look. We need to make the area more appealing."

"I love the community. I was born and raised here, it's my home."

Christine Reid
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ABOUT THE WALL, the fact is there were not enough votes in the House and Senate. They waited when the Democrats won the house then the Republicans voted for the wall. They knew it was not going to pass, because they didn't want it. Now they can blame the Democrats.

IN REGARDS TO Fenton politicians wanting to spend \$14 million on a trailway and yet you people still vote for the same politicians year after year. Wake up, people. Stop voting them in.

THE 'PRECESSION of the equinoxes' is probably the most logical explanation of global warming I've heard.

TO THE COMMENTER about vaccines. If your children are vaccinated then why are you afraid of the children who are not? Your child should be protected if they have been vaccinated. Right?

SOON ENOUGH WE'LL have law enforcement riding on school buses like air marshals on a plane.

I'D LIKE TO thank the person in the gray Jeep at McDonald's on Thursday, Feb. 7 for buying my breakfast. You made my day with your kindness. I will absolutely return the favor to someone in the future. Thank you.

TO THE MILLENNIAL who said you're stressed out because your parents come home and argue about household chores and dinner. If you're home why don't you do the chores and make dinner so your parents don't have to argue since they continue to work and put a roof over your head? And get a job while you're at it.

**POLICE & FIRE
REPORT****MERCHANDISE STOLEN FROM FRONT PORCH IN HOLLY**

On Feb. 2, at 1:23 p.m., a Holly police officer was dispatched to a home on Clarence Street to investigate a theft complaint. The homeowner said she noticed a white van parked in front of her house. She then heard someone on her porch. She called her husband to see if he was expecting anyone and he said he was not. She opened the front door and saw a white male walking to the white van from her yard. She only saw the person from the back and could not provide any description other than he was dressed in all black clothing. She said she then noticed a package she had been waiting for on the porch. It had been slit open and the phone case she had been waiting for was missing.

WALLET STOLEN FROM HOLLY WORKPLACE

On Feb. 1 at 2:43 p.m., a Holly police officer met with a woman at the police station regarding a larceny complaint. The woman said she went to work at her place of employment in the 300 block of Sherwood Street at 7 a.m. on Jan. 31. She placed her purse behind the nurse's station. At 10 a.m., she returned to get her purse, but could not locate her wallet, which had been inside the purse. She searched her home, however, could not locate the wallet. She suspects someone stole her wallet while she was at work. The item was described as a Wonder Woman wallet, containing an undisclosed amount of cash, her driver's license and Social Security card. She is working with Social Security Administration to replace her stolen card.

HOLLY MAN CHARGED WITH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Craig McGorman, 37, of Holly was arraigned Feb. 1 on one count of domestic violence. He was released on \$1,000 bond. The charge stems from an incident at his home in the 4200 block of Grange Hall Road on Jan. 29. Holly police initially sought two charges, domestic assault against a juvenile and interfering with a telecommunications device. McGorman is expected at Oakland County 52-2 District Court on Feb. 21 for a pre-trial hearing.

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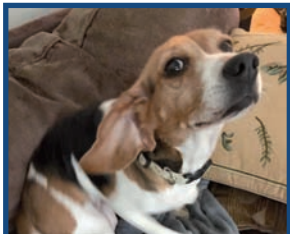
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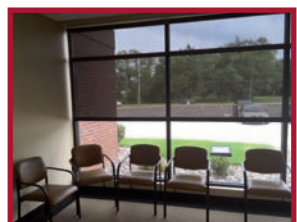
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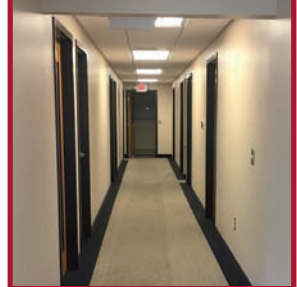
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Fenton's varsity girls basketball team huddles during Friday's contest at Holly High School. The Tigers won the game, getting one step closer to at least a share of the Metro League crown.

Photo: Mark Bolen

Tigers march one step closer to potential Metro crown, beat Holly

By David Troppens

Holly — In sports, opportunity means everything.

Sometimes the opportunity is beating a rival on their home floor. Sometimes it may be getting a step closer to a Metro League title. On Friday night, it was both for the Fenton varsity girls basketball team.

The Fenton varsity girls basketball team's run to a potential Flint Metro League crown took a solid step forward when the Tigers completed a season sweep of the Holly Bronchos, beating Holly 49-42 at Holly High School. The win sets up another great opportunity very soon. The Tigers play the defending Metro League champion Flushing Raiders, a team Fenton leads by one game in the loss column in the standings. A win today at home would go a long way toward earning the Tigers at least a share of the Metro League title for the first time since the 2009-10 season.

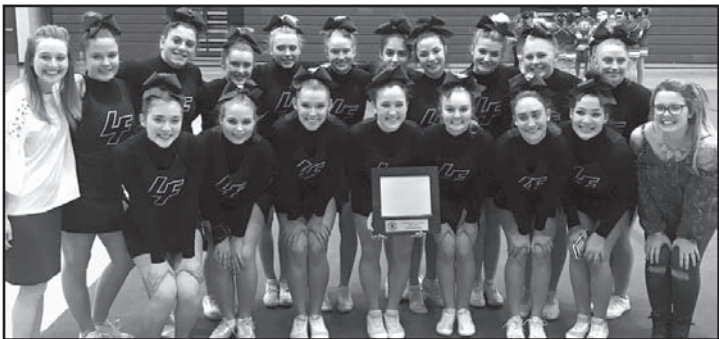
"We just worked so hard and practiced really hard for this," Fenton senior Chloe Idoni said. "We prepared and we executed so I couldn't have asked for a better turnout.

"I liked the teamwork out there. Even the bench, you could hear them out there. They were talking non-stop and that really helps us know where the shooters are. It really is a team effort. I liked how we worked together. That's what got us the win."

Fenton varsity girls basketball coach Rebecca Moore is all about embracing the next contest.

"We talk about the opportunity to play every night regardless who we are playing because not everybody gets to," Moore said. "We got the opportunity to play Holly tonight and that's a rivalry game."

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The Lake Fenton varsity competitive cheer team won the Genesee Area Conference championship recently. The squad also earned a first in D3 competition at the Tiger Invitational.

Photo provided

LFLF gymnastics team continues winning ways in tri-meet

By David Troppens

The LFLF competitive cheer team keeps on winning.

This time the co-op squad, which includes athletes from Linden, Fenton and Lake

Fenton, defeated two other teams in a tri-meet. Fenton posted a team score of 136.95 to defeat Waterford Kettering (128) and West Bloomfield (119).

The squad had two performers earn at least a nine on the floor. Apryl Smith led the team with a 9.075, while Lau

ren Hayden scored a 9.05. Hayden also had a 9.0 on the beam, making her the only performer to earn two nines at the event. She also tied teammate Emily Alor for the squad's highest score on the vault. Both of the performers recorded an 8.85.

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LFLF gymnast Apryl Smith

Sports Times

Eagles earn at least a share of Metro title, beat Flushing

By Dale M. Smith

Flushing — The Linden varsity boys basketball team may have been 12-0 in the league heading into Friday night's contest against Flushing, but getting a win was not going to be easy.

First off, the Eagles were playing a good team before a large crowd where the former Flushing athletes were honored during Hall of Fame Night. The Eagles also overcame a tenacious Raiders' defense and a sluggish first half to claim a share of the title, besting Flushing 48-35.

Both Linden and Flushing are known for their defenses. Both were on display early.

Two early Blake Lund three-pointers put the Eagles up 6-5 early in the game. A Brenden Miller steal and a bucket had Linden up by three with only 10 seconds left in the quarter before a Chase Lueker three at the buzzer tied it at 10.

The offensive drought for both teams

carried into the second quarter with Linden down 13-10 with a minute left before the half. But, a Miller three and a timely steal and basket on the other end by the Eagles' Travis Klocek made it 16-13. But, again, a late three from the Raiders by Logan Murphy tied it at 16 at the half.

Despite his fast start, Lund struggled a bit in the first half. The second half was another story.

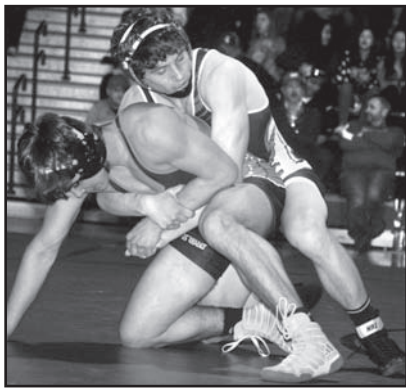
"My teammates helped me stick with it throughout the halftime," said Lund. "Keep my head, keep my composure. My coaches were motivating me to keep playing."

Lund led all scorers with 25 points. The talented sophomore is far from just a scorer. He is a menace on the defensive end. He had five steals, three rebounds and a block from his guard position. Twelve of his points came from outside the arc.

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Eli Beil (left) drives to the bucket in a recent contest. The Linden Eagles defeated Flushing, Friday, already earning at least a share of the Metro League title. Photo: Mark Bolen



Linden's Jimmy Roti (top) won the 152-pound weight class district championship at Goodrich, Saturday. Photo: David Troppens

Area teams advance 21 to D2 Gaylord regional

By David Troppens

Tri-County area wrestling teams provided seven of the Division 2 district champions and 21 regional qualifiers overall at the individual district meet held at Goodrich High School, Saturday.

Figuring out who had the best day among Holly, Fenton and Linden is the difficult part. Based on champions, the Holly Bronchos had the most success out of the area teams, earning five district champions and six wrestlers in the finals overall.

However, both Linden and Fenton had more regional qualifiers come out of the

district. No one did better than Linden's eight qualifiers while Fenton enjoyed seven, one more than Holly's six. Also very notable, Fenton's Kendra Ryan became the area's only female wrestler to qualify for the regional round.

The tri-county area had two local district championship matches, with both being won by Holly wrestlers. Holly's Nate Young (130) defeated Linden's Caleb White by a 13-0 major decision to win his district crown. Young won his only other match by pinfall. White had two decision wins prior to the final.

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Blue Devils capture GAC title at competitive cheer meet

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity competitive cheer team seems to be peaking at the right time of the season.

The Blue Devils not only won the fourth Genesee Area Conference meet held at Lake Fenton High School, they also won the GAC crown while posting their best team score of the season.

Lake Fenton crushed the competition on home turf, posting a

total team score of 694.16, beating second place Webberville (664.46) by nearly 30 points.

The Blue Devils followed up that event by taking first in the three-team Division 3 portion of the Tiger Invitational held at Fenton High School. Their total team score at that event was 658.60.

The Blue Devils had good competition with Webberville early on at the GAC event. Webberville posted a round one score

of 211.20, beating out Lake Fenton's 207.50. However, the Blue Devils responded with the best scores by any school in round two and round three. In round two, the Blue Devils were the only team in the field to score better than a 200, recording a 204.66. That performance put the Blue Devils in first place by about 21 points entering the final round.

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Bronchos avenge previous loss, pound Tigers

By David Troppens

Holly — The Holly varsity boys basketball team picked the right night to play its most complete game of the season.

Facing off against their rivals in the Bronchos' own home gym during their annual Blue Game (a game in honor of Autism Awareness) the Bronchos avenged an overtime loss to Fenton earlier this season by playing a pretty complete game on both sides of the court in a 57-42 victory against the Tigers.

"It feels nice," Holly senior Gavin Ambrose said. "Last time we lost a close game but we had to come back by about 18 or something like that. It feels good beating them by a lot."

"We were patient (on offense).

fense). The last time we rushed everything. We didn't let things get set up. This time we let things come to us, and we scored."

"We wanted this a lot," Holly varsity boys basketball coach Joe Merlo said. "What a great atmosphere it was tonight. It was an awesome night."

"We played good basketball. That's how we want to always play. It was a great team effort, but many people had great individual efforts. Everyone got involved defensively and offensively. It was awesome."

Holly's defense is what set the tone, limiting the Tigers to just 13 first-half points. It took Holly's offense a quarter to get

cooking as well, but once it did, the Bronchos finished the second quarter with 17 points, giving Holly a 26-13 halftime lead.

Daniel Mathews was the big offensive star in the second quarter, scoring eight points with six coming on two three-pointers. Hunter Jackson also had five points while Ambrose also hit a trey during the second period.

"We let everything come to us in the first half," Ambrose said. "When they tried to force us we just slowed it down."

Fenton's offense never really got going the entire game as no Tiger scored double-digits.

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Eli Beil (left) drives to the bucket in a recent contest. The Linden Eagles defeated Flushing, Friday, already earning at least a share of the Metro League title.

Photo: Mark Bolen

LF boys, Linden girls lose Friday hoops contests

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team ran into a strong Beecher squad at home on Friday and lost a 68-36 verdict.

Beecher took a 22-9 lead in the opening quarter and led 34-16 at halftime. The lead was 55-30 after three quarters.

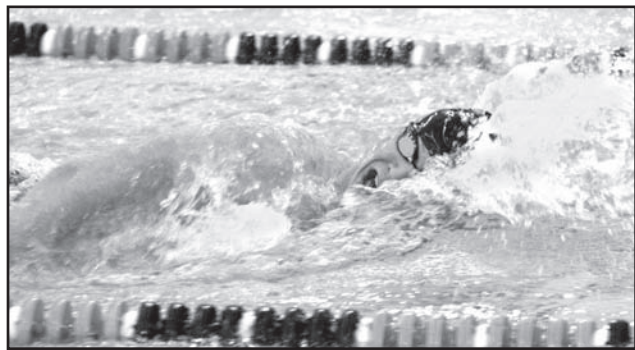
Cade McMillan led the Blue Devils' offense with 12 points. Hunter Schramm netted nine points while Ethan Dunkel had seven points.

GIRLS BASKETBALL Flushing 58, Linden 10

The Flushing Raiders are in the middle of the Metro League championship race and they made sure they stayed in it by beating the Eagles at Flushing High School.

Linden tried to stick with Flushing and were within 12-4 after one quarter. Taylor Acox converted a three-point play to keep the Eagles within striking distance during the first quarter. However, Flushing outscored the Eagles 26-3 in the second quarter and took a 38-7 lead into halftime.

Jordan Dingo led the Eagles with six points while Taylor Acox netted three points. Jordan Peterson had one point.



Fenton's Zac Jump is getting close to the state-qualifying time in the 500 freestyle. The Tigers earned a lot of state times at the MISCA Meet, Saturday. Photo: David Troppens

State times recorded at MISCA meet

By David Troppens

The MISCA meet is a key event the Fenton varsity boys swim team always aims to accomplish a few goals.

The Tigers expect to get good competition, and maybe through that competition are able to push themselves to get some state-qualifying times

reasonably early into the season.

The Tigers accomplished their task.

Fenton made six state cuts and just missed a couple of other ones at the MISCA meet on Saturday.

"These are great times for us going into hell week," Fenton varsity boys swimming and diving coach Brad Jones said.

"We have a handful of guys that will not rest for the league meet and only taper for the state meet in March. We are very close with about a half-dozen more guys and we would love to take a big group to the state meet this year."

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Devils advance four wrestlers to regionals

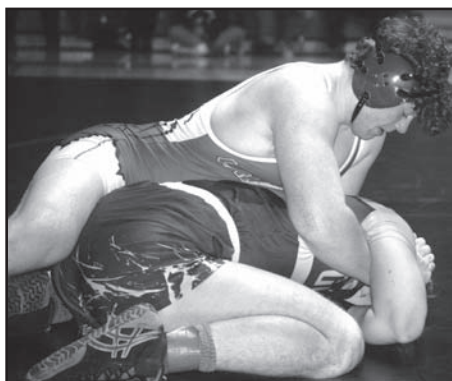
By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity wrestling team has four competitors headed to regional action after they placed at the Division 3 district at Montrose High School, Saturday.

The Blue Devils had three wrestlers make it into the district title match and another earn a fourth, earning each a spot in the Richmond regional, Saturday.

The runner-up finishers were Sean Trombley (152), Logan Julian (189) and Zolen Marron (215). Trombley suffered his first loss of the season in the title match when Byron's Jerry Hall earned a 3-1 decision win.

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Lake Fenton's Zolen Marron (top) was one of four Blue Devils to advance to the regional round at districts. Photo: David Troppens

Area cheer teams perform well at Fenton

By David Troppens

A busy week for the Fenton and Linden High School competitive cheer teams began on Saturday at the Tiger Invitational.

The Fenton varsity squad posted its best round three score of the season, helping them to a third-place team finish in division 2 action. Meanwhile, Linden had its best overall performance of the season, earning fifth.

The Tigers started the event with a 217.89 score in the opening round, putting them in fourth at that time. However, a 199.04 in round two moved the Tigers up in the standings.

In an event with 11 varsity squads, the Tigers were just one of three to break the 300 plateau in round three, posting a score of 308.40.

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Griffins' comeback attempt falls short, 7-4

By David Troppens

The Fenton/Linden varsity hockey team's four-game road trip ended with a loss Saturday night.

The Griffins scored the game's first goal, but Freeland scored the next four goals, eventually winning a 7-4 contest.

Adrien Gandlandt started the game on a positive note, scoring on a Griffins' power

play with 9:22 left in the first period. Andrew Donar assisted the goal and Fenton/Linden led 1-0.

However, Brendan Maly became too much for the Griffins to contain. He assisted Freeland's next two goals and then scored the following two goals, putting the Griffins down 4-1 with 8:19 left in the second period.

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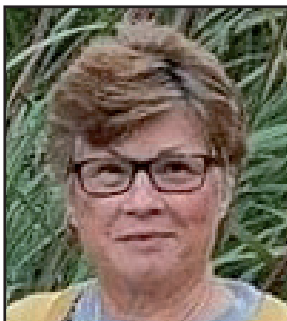
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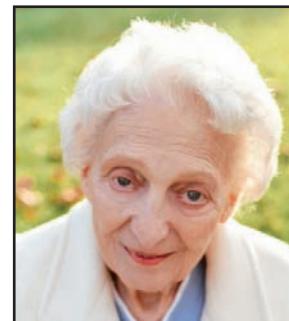
Vicki Gail Gyorkos 1953-2019

Vicki Gail Gyorkos - age 65, of Fenton, died Friday, February 8, 2019. Funeral services will be held 11 AM Friday, February 15, 2019 at Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church, 10235 White Lake Road, Fenton. Pastor Lawrence Bowlin officiating. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Thursday, February 14, 2019 from 1-4 and 6-8 PM and at church Friday from 10 AM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to Adopt-A-Pet, 13575 Fenton Road, Fenton, MI 48430. Vicki was born March 28, 1953 in Flint, the daughter of Rex and Jane (Rumsey) Voelker. She was a 1971 graduate of Fenton High School. She married Frank J. Gyorkos April 27, 1973 in Flint. She retired in 2008 from the Hartland Community Schools as a bus driver, where she also was the president of the teamsters local 214. Vicki enjoyed riding and showing horses and was a member of the American Quarter Horse Association. She also enjoyed gardening and bird watching. Surviving are: her husband, Frank; children, Frank (Laurie) Gyorkos II of Holt, Kari (Jason) Roat of Durand, and Shelli Gyorkos of Fenton; grandchildren, Joshua, Hannah, Peyton, Noah, Preston, and Alayna; brother, Von (Patti) Voelker; sisters, Yvonne Voelker of Fenton and Lori (Woody) Stidham of South Lyon; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Isobel Rita Zelenak 1926-2019

Isobel Rita Zelenak - age 92, of Holly, died Monday, February 11, 2019. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11:15 AM Saturday, February 16, 2019 at St. Mary Catholic Church of Milford with Msgr. John Budde, Celebrant. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, Waterford. Visitation will be from 2-9 PM Friday, February 15, 2019 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. Mrs. Zelenak was born in Detroit on May 28, 1926 to Arthur and Elizabeth (McEveney) Sommers. She married James Zelenak in Detroit in 1952 and they were married for 49 years. She worked as a seamstress for J.L. Hudson and worked at Columbiere College in dining service. She was a member of St. Rita Catholic Church and was active in St. Vincent DePaul and the Women's Prayer Group. She was a den mother with the Boy Scouts, an avid sewer and quilter, and she enjoyed crafting and traveling. She was happiest in her kitchen cooking and baking for her family and friends. Surviving are her children, Mark (Nancy) Zelenak of MO, Paul (Lynn) Zelenak of Powers, Joyce Zelenak of Berkley, James (Sharon) Zelenak of SC, Jean (Dave) Davis of Roscommon, and Dennis (Kelly) Zelenak of Plymouth; sister Eileen Ash; grandchildren, Andrew, Hattie, Courtney, Jake, James, Alex, Marshall, Gregory, Mitchell, and Abby; and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, James Zelenak; sisters, Bette Dailey and Marilyn Krolczyk; and brother, Arthur Sommers. Memorial donations may be made to Holly St. Vincent DePaul. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.



Dolores Cherup Barnstead 1930-2019

Dolores Cherup Barnstead - age 89, of Oakland City, IN, formerly of Detroit, passed away on Sunday, February 3, 2019, in Indianapolis. Services will be 5 PM Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Interment will be 10 AM Thursday, February 14, 2019 at Grand Lawn Cemetery. Visitation will be 2-5 PM Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to the American Heart Association. Dolores was born in Detroit, to Joseph C. Cherup and Rose L. Cherup (Smarsh) on January 10, 1930. She studied nursing at Henry Ford Hospital School of Nursing, graduating in January, 1951, and became a registered nurse. She married John Winfred Barnstead on February 2, 1951 in Detroit. Dolores is preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her grandson, Jason; and her son-in-law, Bill, husband of her daughter Rose. She is survived by her brother, Joe, of Fenton; her children John, of Bedford, Nova Scotia, Joe and his wife, Mary, of Indianapolis, IN, Rose, of Sugar Land, TX, and Patty, of Indianapolis; her grandchildren, Alex and his wife, Rachel, of Indianapolis, Meg, of Indianapolis, Ian and his wife, Elizabeth, of Owensboro, KY, Robert of San Francisco, CA, Ben of Saint Louis, MO and her great-grandson Kieran, of Indianapolis. Dolores loved animals and wildlife. She was a superb baker, a master gardener, a faithful, generous and thoughtful friend and neighbor, and a loving sister, wife, mother, and grandmother. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Sharon Lee Miller 1957-2019

Sharon Lee Miller - age 61, of Howell, formerly of Fenton, passed away Saturday, February 9, 2019. Funeral services will be held 11 AM Friday, February 15, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Pastor Nic Mihailoff officiating. Interment will be in Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation will be held 6-8 PM Wednesday, February 13, 2019 and 2-4 and 6-8 PM Thursday, February 14, 2019 at the funeral home. Those desiring to do so may make contributions to Melanoma Clinic at U-M Rogel Cancer Center (<https://www.rogelcancercenter.org/skin-cancer/melanoma/clinic>). Sharon was born July 13, 1957 in Flint, the daughter of James Ballard and Garnett Pauline (Dotson) Hurley. She was a 1975 graduate of Fenton High School. She married Richard "Rick" Raymond Miller on January 20, 1995 in Clarkston. She was a devoted wife, mother, and friend to many. She was active throughout her lifetime in various endeavors involving adoption, ministering to seniors, Church hospitality, financial support to children in need, and veteran support causes. She had a quality that would draw others to her with her grace, empathy, and words of comfort. She is survived by her husband of 24 years, Richard "Rick" Raymond Miller of Howell; three children, Ryan (Arati) Fessler of Hartland, Elia Miller and Ava Miller both of Howell; grandson, Riyan; sisters, Judith (Dr. Joseph) Trollman, Chris (Don) Burdick, and Wanda (Robert) Shumate all of Fenton; two brothers, Larry (Sharon) Hurley of Fenton and Clyde Hurley of GA; several nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents; and brother, Gary Hurley. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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Horoscopes

For the week of
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ARIES

Mar 21/Apr 20
Spend more time daydreaming, Aries. Even though it may seem to run counter to being productive, you may actually find some inspiration to get things done.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21
You may not take the same path or go in the same direction as the masses, Taurus. But you find the finish line nevertheless. Keep on tracking your own trail.

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21
A few blips on the radar may give you pause, Gemini. But no obstacle is going to keep you from your final goal this week. You are ready to forge ahead.

CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22
No matter how much time you set aside, Cancer, you seem to keep playing catch up. You may need to realize that a few extra helping hands will make a lighter load of your tasks.

LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23
You can't contain your excitement or keep a secret this week, Leo. Avoid seeking secrets because you might let the cat out of the bag and don't want to disappoint.

VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22
Do not try to take control of a situation on which you have a tenuous grasp, Virgo. Other things of greater importance require your attention.

LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23
Domestic bliss describes your life at this point, Libra. You may have welcomed a new baby or pet into the family, and you are enjoying this new dynamic.

SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, even though you may have had to jump over many hurdles of late, you will come through stronger for having done so.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21
A demand for your attention reaches a fever pitch, Sagittarius. You may not know what is spurring on this sort of popularity, but you are anxious to enjoy every minute of it.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20
Big changes are on the horizon, Capricorn. It could be a new job opportunity or maybe a relocation if you have been thinking of making a fresh start.


AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, even though you may have to go out on a limb and out of your comfort zone, you may find that doing so gives you the fresh perspective you've been seeking.

PISCES


Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, ask someone to remind you of an important deadline, as you have been a little scatterbrained as of late. Don't let this pass you by.

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5 Young fellow
8 In the thick of
12 Pastoral poem
13 Hockey surface
14 Start over
15 Tear
16 Some inoculations
18 Left the premises
20 Grown-up nit
21 Petrol
22 Jan. and Feb.
23 Building wing
26 Battery brand
30 Golf prop
31 Whammy
32 Equal (Pref.
33 Combat-zone helicopter
36 Connection
38 Express
39 Peruke
40 Accumulate
43 Empty spaces
47 Time away from work
49 Largest of the seven
50 TV trophy
51 Conk out
52 Trawler equipment
53 Actor Roger
54 Peculiar

DOWN

1 Nuclear missile acronym
2 Concept
3 Harmonization
4 Senescence
5 A cat has nine —
6 Mil. sch.
7 Nov. follower
8 Melodious
9 List of options
10 Mid-March date
11 Medicinal amount

17 Sate
19 Levy
22 Baer or
23 \$ dispenser
24 Born
25 Homer's neighbor
26 Fun 'n' games
27 Compete
28 "— was saying, ..."
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