

Questions answered about potential pathway

■SLPR applies for \$300,000 grant, voters asked to approve 10-year, 1.2-mill millage May 7

By Hannah Ball

Fenton — On Thursday, March 28, Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation voted unanimously to apply for a

\$300,000 Michigan Natural Resources TrustFund (MNRTF) grant to help build a pathway along Silver Lake Road.

This grant, from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), is one of a few grants the organization is hoping to receive. The Silver Lake Road Connector Trail was

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David Panzlau of Fenton Township speaks in support of developing the Silver Lake Road non-motorized pathway at a Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation public hearing Thursday, March 28. **Photo: Hannah Ball**



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Adult foster care case proceeds to sentencing

■Both suspects face prison time on drug charges, one suspect faces felony firearms charges and more

By Hannah Ball

Two Highland Township residents, who are facing felonies related to running an adult

foster care home for disabled adults just south of the Rose Township border, had court hearings Monday, April 1 in Oakland County Circuit Court.

Angela Cockerham, 46, pleaded no contest and will be sentenced May 7 at 8:30 a.m. Her husband, Russell Cockerham, 48, pleaded guilty as charged and also will be sentenced May 7.

Angela is the owner of the facility at 1288 Essay Ln., operating under the name

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Russell Cockerham



Angela Cockerham

The Holly Depot could be relocated

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The Holly Depot stakeholders group includes several local community members bringing different talents to bear. (From left) Randy Redmond, owner of RHL Group, Jerry Walker, village manager, Joe Mishler, George Kutlenios, Realtor Lori Goldsmith, Holly Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Richard Kinnamon, DDA Director Katy Hughes and Ron Campbell, Main Street Oakland County, principal planner/preservation architect. **Photo: Tim Jagielo**

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“In America, the latest statistics show life expectancy in this country will drop for the third straight year. The last time that happened was reportedly 100 years ago, when we were in the middle of World War I and the worst flu pandemic in recorded history.”



“The basic story is that we spend roughly twice as much per person as people in other wealthy countries and we have pretty much nothing to show for it in terms of better health.”



COMMENT
OF THE WEEK

“Let the full exposure of the investigation be revealed so it can be judged by the public on its own merit.”

Gaines creates 10-year assessment for police

■ New assessment will be on summer tax bill

By Hannah Ball

On Wednesday, April 3, Gaines Township will hold a public hearing to discuss a \$115 assessment on all Gaines Township properties for 10 years to pay for police.

Supervisor Paul Fortino said this would cost each assessed property approximately 32 cents a day. The township held the first hearing Wednesday, March 13, when

the board voted to direct the supervisor to create a tax roll and calculate the assessment for each improved parcel.

Fortino said they hope to start collecting money on the summer tax bill.

"The township's winter taxes is the large tax bill and we don't want to make it any more difficult in the wintertime," he said.

Currently, the Gaines Township Police Department has one full-time officer and four part-time officers, who average about 12 to 15 hours a week. One of the officers

conducts code enforcement. Including money for large equipment, it costs about \$190,000 to \$200,000 a year to run the police department.

Five years ago, Gaines Township passed a 0.5-mill tax to pay for police, which recently ended. This brought in approximately \$85,000 to \$90,000 a year and wasn't high enough to pay for police, Fortino said. The township would dip into the general fund to make up the difference.

The department has grown.

"It's a necessity because the township general fund cannot support 100 percent of the cost of the police department, the fire department and the road improvements," he said.

This new assessment is for 10 years. "We're doing it for a number of years because we need stability," he said. "There's been a number of people who have expressed their displeasure with the special assessment process. I don't believe it's a majority but there's a vocal minority who have expressed their unhappiness."

Fortino said he's heard talk about the assessment not being tax deductible, but it is. Assessments for police, fire and emergency services are tax deductible.

The next step is the board accepting the tax roll and finalizing it. The public hearing will be held at the Gaines Township Hall, 9255 Grand Blanc Rd. at 6 p.m.

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Paul Fortino
Gaines Township supervisor

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LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

— Compiled by Sharon Stone —

MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, non-partisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. This report was released Friday, March 29.

Senate Bill 167: Establish official state butterfly

Introduced by Sen. Curtis Hertel, Jr. (D), to establish that henceforth the black swallowtail butterfly (*Papilio polyxenes*) and no other butterfly or moth shall be the state of Michigan's official butterfly. This is also the official butterfly of Oklahoma and New Jersey. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

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■ Handbag designer and artist teams with Gerych’s Distinctive Flowers & Gifts to feature high-end products

By Vera Hogan

Julie Lindsay of Fenton Township has partnered with Gerych’s Distinctive Flowers & Gifts in Fenton to sell the designer handbags she makes exclusively through their store.

“When I was approached with the idea it just made so much sense,” Lindsay said. “To have such a great opportunity right here in Fenton is just great. They have an awesome boutique in their store and it seemed like such a good fit.”

Lindsay said she was told that Gerych’s has a great room where her handbags can be showcased.

“I am very particular how the bags are merchandised and they told me I could have their head display designer



Julie Lindsay of Fenton Township has long sold her designer handbags nationally. Now she’ll have her hand-made creations at Gerych’s in Fenton. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Christopher Leadbitter do his thing,” she said. “I know him personally and know that he would do a great job as we share the same design aesthetic.”

Lindsay’s bags are not your typical

run-of-the-mill bag. “These bags are handmade,” she said. “I have personally put in every stud, grommet and stitch.”

She has traveled the country, displaying her handbags in showrooms from

the East and West Coast, wholesaling to boutiques around the United States. “It was great at the time but also a ton of work,” she said.

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From the editor

Editor's note: I'm sure you all read Foster Childs' column last week announcing that he is ending his column. I, along with Emily Caswell, our brand manager, will now be alternating columns. For those who don't know me, let me introduce myself. I grew up in Royal Oak and graduated from Michigan State University in 1983. I met my husband, Jeff, there and we will soon be celebrating our 35th anniversary. We built our home in Fenton Township in 1990 and absolutely love living in this area. We have three children, one son-in-law and one grandbaby. Our oldest son, Brad, died at the age of 12 in 2000 from complications of an asthma attack. He was an organ donor. We have attempted to heal from his death by giving college scholarships in his memory. We used to hold a hockey tournament at Flint Iceland Arenas where he played hockey. Since he loved to golf, we continue to host the annual Brad Stone Summer Classic at Fenton Farms. Because of the love and support of our family, friends and the community, we are pleased to announce that after we hand out scholarships this spring we will have surpassed the \$200,000 mark of college scholarships in Brad's memory. This warms our hearts. Our daughter, Laura, graduated from Lake Fenton, graduated from MSU and married Ed Constable. They have a 4-month-old baby named Leo. Our son, Jake, graduated from Powers, attended MSU and recently graduated from the Golf Academy of America in South Carolina. He's now an assistant golf pro in Miami. Jeff and I co-own the Sears Hometown store in Fenton with his brother Tim. With my bachelor's degree in graphic design, I worked in the Times' art department in the early '90s. I left for a while to pursue other opportunities and came back to the Times editorial department in 2004 and have been editor since 2012. This is an exciting time to be part of the greater Fenton area and I am proud to be part of this community news organization that showcases our local residents, schools, elected leaders and all of our hometown heroes.

'Sharon Stone, the writer?'

You never know who you will run into, especially when you live in a small and connected community, such as Fenton. It's no secret to our friends that my husband, Jeff, and I dine out often. Now that we are empty nesters with our own busy work schedules, prepping, eating and cleaning the kitchen after dinner just isn't as much fun as checking out the many fine dining establishments throughout the tri-county area. In addition to trying out new low-cal entrees and cauliflower pizza crusts, we consider people watching to be fun entertainment. We seem to always run into one of our neighbors or people we have met since moving here in '90.

Recently, we were waiting for a table at Andiamo when two young men came in. They stopped in to check out the new restaurant before heading to the Fenton Hotel Tavern & Grille to meet their wives for dinner. Needless to say, the four of us struck up a friendly conversation and we introduced ourselves. When Jeff told one of the men that my name was Sharon Stone, his head snapped around and he said, "Sharon Stone, the writer?" That was a refreshing response for me since I usually respond to an actress comment with an

eye roll. I explained that I was indeed "the writer," and editor of the Times. It turned out that we already knew each other through emails and articles regarding the Fenton Rotary.

I appreciate the fact that I met Noah

Morgan, the president of the Fenton Rotary, in person. I learned that he is also treasurer of the Southern Lakes Pathway Initiative, which is very involved with the proposed non-motorized pathway through the area. If this project goes through, I will most likely buy a new bicycle to try out the new path. I haven't owned a bike since my old 10-speed in college.

His day job is being a wealth advisor with Acorn Wealth Advisors. Noah and his wife moved to the Fenton area about eight years ago. They have two children. He credits much of who he is to the Rotary. He said, "I've grown with the Rotary. It's been an adventure. It's a wonderful organization."

Around the world, Rotary International has helped impoverished areas with water filtration, missionary trips, building ramps for local senior citizens, providing Christmas gifts for children, weekly breakfasts for veterans, the local middle school debate league and more. He said, "We are truly a service organization."

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Sharon Stone

Hotlines

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AS A SENIOR at Fenton High School, I would like to say how appreciative we are of the many local scholarships that we are being offered this year. It truly goes a long way.

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SO, OUR NEW state attorney general will lead a new hate crimes unit. Sounds like the UK where you can be arrested for religious speech. First amendment for pro-Americans is dying. If you voted Democrat, is this what you want?

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I GUESS THE solution for building a bike path is the mandatory licensing of bicycles to pay for it.

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SOMETHING IS ROTTEN in the state of Michigan. I searched for the average gas price for Michigan and it was \$2.66. Then I looked at Ohio — \$2.02.

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WOULD THE GREY vehicle that destroyed my mailbox five weeks ago on North Fenton Road please come back and pay for a new one? I am still picking up pieces of your car and headlight in my lawn.

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IF ANYTHING AT all positive came out of the Mueller investigation, it could be that more people's eyes (and ears) have been opened to the real identity of Democrats and the mainstream media — liars.

Who do you want to win March Madness?

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter

street talk



"The competition is going to be rough and I hope Michigan State University prevails."

Michael Hart
Fenton



"Michigan State. My wife is a graduate of State and so is my daughter. We really like Cassius Winston, the guard. He's a breath of fresh air"

Gary Somers
Fenton



"State. My husband likes Duke. He was upset. We have the great divide in our home."

Judy Wilson
Fenton



"My bracket is Michigan State all the way. I want them to win. Everybody in my family went there."

Barbara Holcomb
Fenton



"State. I have friends who graduated from State. They tell me about the games all time. They're huge football, basketball and sports fans."

Sheila Stamper
Fenton



Michigan cannot convert current highways to toll roads due to federal laws making creation of new toll roads more difficult and the large upfront expense for the infrastructure it would require. *Times file photo*

Why can't Michigan have toll roads?

■ States like Ohio have toll roads and gas taxes to maintain their highway systems

By Tim Jagielo

In March, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer proposed a 45-cent per gallon gas tax hike to raise funds to fix Michigan's roads. According to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the state needs an increase of about \$1.2 billion annually.

Anecdotally, motorists can see that roads in other Midwest states are in better condition than those in Michigan. One thing surrounding states have that Michigan does not are toll roads.

Ohio has one toll road, the 241-mile Ohio Turnpike that bisects the state east to west. The Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission runs the turnpike.

Public Information Officer Brian Newbacher said the turnpike was created from the Ohio Turnpike Act of 1949, and was completed in 1955. He said there was discussion on creating more toll roads, but President Dwight D. Eisenhower decided to create the interstate highway system instead, "which did not include tolling roads,"

Newbacher said.

This is the same story for Michigan, according to an MDOT brochure on toll roads.

The Ohio Turnpike raises between \$270 million and \$300 million each year. Recently, the state took \$1.5 billion in bonds from future earnings for other statewide, non-toll road highway projects. He said in his experience, "our roads are in pretty good condition compared to many states."

Some states maintain their roads with a combination of tolls and gas taxes. He added that gasoline taxes are less useful for raising funds as vehicles become more fuel-efficient. He said that the federal portion of the gas tax hasn't increased

since 1993 as road construction costs have climbed steadily.

Newbacher said states, such as Texas, have found a way to build new toll roads, while still maintaining their interstate highways, something that is difficult because of federal law.

Jocelyn Hall, MDOT media representative, said that Michigan didn't need toll roads because the interstate highway system was paid for by the

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“For some states, the combination of tolling and a gas tax makes it more plausible to have a well-funded transportation system.”

Brian Newbacher

Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission public information officer

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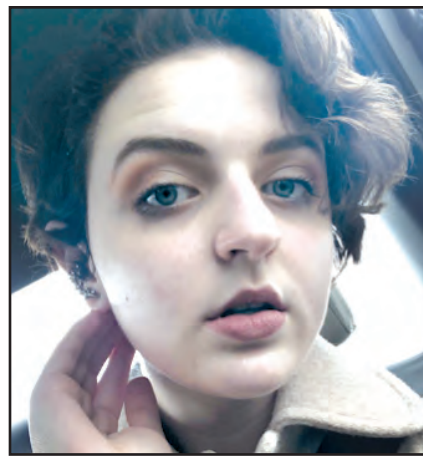
Meet

Abigail Fletcher

- Lake Fenton High School senior
- Recruited for college volleyball
- Future career in medical or forensics field

By Sally Rummel

Abigail "Abby" Fletcher, 18, is a senior at Lake Fenton High School. The daughter of Chris and Sarah Fletcher, she has three brothers, Caleb, 23, Jacob, 20 and Matt, 14. She has participated in many diverse extracurricular activities, including varsity volleyball, club volleyball, track and field, National Honor Society, marching/concert band and theatre.

**What are your plans for the future?**

My future goals are to help others in any way possible. Specifically, I would like to go into a medical or forensic field — possibly medical examination or pharmaceutical research. Wherever I end up, I will follow my passion for biology.

What college will you attend next fall?

I am going to Eastern Connecticut State University. Last club volleyball season, I was recruited by their head coach, Meg Droesch. After looking

into the college and visiting, I loved the campus, principles, facilities and all-around atmosphere of the school. I am grateful to have been accepted to their honors college, which will cover my tuition. I won't receive a scholarship for playing volleyball due to the league being NCAA Division III, but I'm happy to continue my volleyball career regardless, due to my love for the sport.

What will you miss about Michigan?

I'll miss the people I am leaving behind. That being said, I am looking forward to forming new relationships and meeting all different kinds of people. Post-college, I'll likely go wherever my career path takes me.

Do you think it's more difficult to be a teen today than in your parents' generation?

I absolutely think so. In fact, I often tell my parents how I envy the decade they grew up in. While I will never know the unique struggles that come with being a teenager in other generations, I'm very familiar with the struggles of ours — social media that can seem suffocating, ridiculous body standards for both boys and girls and the ever-increasing pressure to know earlier and earlier what your plan for your life is.

What are two things you couldn't live without?

I couldn't live without Jesus and my family — these are the two rocks in my life that will never fail to be there when things go awry.

What's the farthest you've ever traveled?

The farthest I have ever traveled was to Denmark with some of my classmates in 2016. If money weren't an issue, I would backpack around Europe. It has always been my dream to visit every country in Europe.

What's the best advice you've ever gotten and given?

The best advice I ever got was to just do what you love and not be afraid to do it. The best advice I ever gave was not to give up no matter what everyone else may think of you or what befalls you.

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NEWS

BRIEFS

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

GENESEE DISTRICT LIBRARY CELEBRATES AREA WRITERS AT LOCAL AUTHORS' SHOWCASE

To celebrate National Library Week the Genesee District Library (GDL) will hold a Local Authors' Showcase at the Grand Blanc-McFarlen Library on Saturday, April 6, from 1 to 4 p.m. Over 20 local authors will be on hand to mingle with guests and showcase their work. Books will be available for sale and signing. "Our community is rich with authors in all genres," said Kelly Flynn, community relations manager at GDL. "We are proud to bring them together for this fabulous event." These genres include fiction, mystery, fantasy and self-help. "Everyone should stop by," said GDL community relations assistant Jackie Hatcher. "There are so many wonderful authors to meet and talk with. There's really something for everyone." For more information, visit thegdl.org.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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GOOGLE 'PICTURES OF plastics in oceans' and ask yourself if we could all do better?


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THE LEFT'S KNOWLEDGE on guns is almost non-existent. They have labeled some as 'fully semi-automatic.' The thing is that they are ignoring that almost all guns are semi-automatic, especially handguns.

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I DON'T CARE about potholes. I have a 4x4. I never saw a pothole I can't get through.

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ANOTHER NARCISSIST LEFTIE that actually thinks he or she speaks for the masses. Farewell Foster Childs, you will be missed.

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The collection of money judgments in Michigan

Michigan Courts have jurisdiction over many types of criminal and civil matters.

One area of the civil law involves judgments awarded to a plaintiff for money damages owed by a defendant for a debt, harm, or loss.

When a money judgment isn't paid voluntarily, Michigan law gives a plaintiff a number of ways to collect it. For today's column, I will briefly describe some of the most common.

Garnishment — A "writ" of garnishment is a court order, which is issued at the request of the plaintiff to attach the defendant's money or property in the possession of a third party.

There are two types of garnishments — periodic and non-periodic.

A periodic garnishment refers to attachments of periodic payments of wages or other income paid to the defendant.

A non-periodic garnishment involves the attachment of the defendant's property and/or accounts and receivables such as a bank account.

Execution — This is another type of writ, which allows an authorized court officer or sheriff to seize the defendant's property and sell it at a public sale with the proceeds to be applied to the judgment.

If the execution is against an individual, there is a statutory list of property, which is exempt from seizure.

Judgment Lien on real property — After a judgment is entered, the plaintiff may file what is called a "Judgment Lien" on the defendant's real property with the Register of Deeds. This is enforced when there is a sale.

The lien is good for five years and can be renewed.

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PATHWAY

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designated a Tier 1: Short Term Priority trail in the Genesee County Regional Non-Motorized Long-Range Transportation Plan.

According to Southern Lakes Pathway Initiative, this 2.1-mile pathway will run from Triangle Park located at the east side of Linden through Fenton Township, to existing sidewalks at a point east of Jennings Road in Fenton. This section of pathway is about 2.1 miles in length.

At the Thursday public hearing, the SLPR Board of Commissioners answered questions about the grant and the potential millage to help fund a longer pathway system throughout Linden, Fenton Township and Fenton.

How big will the pathway be?

Jeffrey Huhta, managing partner at Nowak & Fraus Engineers, said the pathway would be 10 feet wide with a 2-foot gravel shoulder on either side. Plans also include sections of boardwalks, such as locations along Silver Lake, which will be 14 feet wide.

These standards are set by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO).

How does voting for the millage work?

Fenton, Fenton Township and Linden are the three municipalities which make up SLPR. Residents in these municipalities will see the millage on their ballot May 7, which will ask voters to amend the SLPR charter to include a levy and collection 1.2 mills for 10 years, from 2019 to 2028, to provide funds for non-motorized recreational paths and facilities.

If it receives more than 50 percent "yes" votes, the millage passes. Maintenance for the pathway is included in the millage, along with construction.

The millage is expected to raise just over \$1.4 million in the first year. The estimated cost of the pathways is almost \$14 million. If it passes, SLPR will use millage funds to seek more grants to pay for the pathway system.

All three police departments will be patrolling the pathway.

Jeffrey Huhta
Nowak & Fraus Engineers
managing partner

If the millage passes and is approved for 10 years, what happens after those 10 years?

Ray Culbert, SLPR chairperson and Linden city councilor, said he's not sure if he can answer that question at this time.

SLPR Commissioner Scott Grossmeyer said, "There may be a request for extension for maintenance but it doesn't necessarily have to be the same amount. It could lesson significantly."

What's the timeframe?

Huhta said fall 2021 is the timeframe when the pathway would be constructed along Silver Lake Road. For the larger pathway system, Culbert said it could be constructed by 2022 or 2023.

What's the liability if someone were injured on the pathway on someone's personal property?

Huhta said SLPR would carry insurance. If the millage passes, they will

invite all impacted property owners to this meeting where they will show prepared "trail scoping plans." Engineers will also meet individually with these residents to identify any specific concerns.

What about safety?

"We've got quite a few police agencies that are going to be involved in this development," Huhta said, naming the Genesee County Sheriff's Office and the Linden and Fenton police departments. "All three police departments will be patrolling the pathway."

Would horses be allowed on the pathway?

Silver Lake Road Equestrian Center is located off Silver Lake Road, and is one of the impacted properties. Huhta said the communities would have to address this through ordinances.

Pat Lockwood, SLPR commissioner and Fenton mayor pro-tem, said in doing research for how other communities have developed pathways, they were asked if they would allow dogs. She said yes because they're members of the family. She doesn't think they will allow horses and cows.

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YOUR CARBON EMISSION claims are unfounded. The historical record comes from core samples at very remote, uninhabited, isolated ice fields and compared to contemporary data collected in urban environments. Apples and oranges. Just one technique climate scientists use to rig their results.

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FACT: NORTH KOREA is a socialist country. 'North Korea is one of the world's most centrally directed economies,' (source:

CIA World Factbook). 'Centrally directed economy' is the definition of socialism.

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NO, BETSY, I think what you are trying to do to education and Special Olympics is pretty disgusting.

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WE SPEND MORE than \$250 billion a year paying insurance companies to administer our chaotic system.

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THE CITY OF Fenton needs to do something with Worchester Drive. The road is an extreme hazard to the people including children. The sidewalks are impossible to walk on. It's pretty sad that I can't even push my stroller down it for walk without it becoming an obstacle course.

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I AGREE. WHATEVER business over on Fenway is making that awful noise every single day, all day, needs to stop. The city should issue a cease and desist.

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IT WILL BE amusing to see the Democrats move the goalposts after their disappointing Mueller report.

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GOLDFISH? REALLY? JUST change the water occasionally and they won't suffocate.

MADE IN MICHIGAN

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Lindsay is known globally as the designer and manufacturer of high-end ladies handbags, each of which bears her name. In 2010, while selling at an Artisans Market in Ann Arbor, her fabric and suede Kat Tote caught the attention of a national fashion editor. Her handbag was featured in InStyle Magazine under the title "What's Hot Now." Later that year, another handbag was featured in the magazine under the title, "Trend Alrt."

Lindsay said her personal brand is the metal buckle that adorns the front of each of her signature handbags.

A couple of years ago, actress Kristin Chenoweth bought one of the bags for the movie "Family Weekend."

The movie personnel called and said they were filming and needed the bag in 24 hours. "I had to make the bag and drive it to the movie set in Shelby Township during a snowstorm," Lindsay said.

Celebrities like singer Cheryl Crowe have purchased her handbags. Actor Mark Harmon of NCIS fame bought one for his wife, actress Pam Dawber, a Michigan native.

Lindsay said she never took a class on how to make handbags, but is instead self taught. "I started out in a cold garage in Montrose, with only a little space heater," she said.

Look for Lindsay's handbags at Gerych's. She may also have some of her paintings on display.

SHARON STONE

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If anyone is looking to meet new people, network with local business people and help on important projects, Noah suggests they attend the Fenton Rotary's Tuesday morning breakfast meetings at Spring Meadows Country Club at 7:15 a.m. The members are busy planning their fundraising golf outing in October and other projects in town. He said, "It's a great place to network on a weekly basis. It's made me a better person and it has introduced me to a lot of people."

Best wishes to our new friend, Noah, and the Fenton Rotary.

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POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

LARCENY ON MARL DRIVE

On Tuesday, March 19, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the 15000 block of Marl Drive in Fenton Township for a larceny complaint. Items reported stolen include a wheelbarrow and 14 golf clubs. The incident remains under investigation. If anyone has information, call D/Sgt. Curt Harrington at (810) 257-3422.

LARCENY FROM AUTO ON RAY ROAD

On Saturday, March 23, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the 4000 block of Ray Road in Fenton Township for a larceny from auto complaint. Items stolen included cash and welding tools. The incident remains under investigation. If anyone has information, call D/ Sgt. Curt Harrington at (810) 257-3422.

JUDGE

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Debtor's Examination — This is a proceeding in which a subpoena is issued by the court ordering the defendant to appear for a hearing and give testimony as to their assets and to bring documents such as car titles, deeds, and bank account information for the plaintiff's review.

A defendant can prevent some or even all involuntary collections by entering into a stipulated payment arrangement with the plaintiff or requesting the court to order an installment payment plan. Depending on the circumstances, this could result in stopping wage garnishments or even preventing all other collection attempts.

The above is but a short summary. For more information, I recommend going to the Michigan Supreme Court website, "Collecting Money From a Judgment."

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SENTENCING

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Carter Country Homes. She was charged with possession of a controlled substance under 25 grams. She was released on a \$25,000 surety bond.

The couple’s charges included delivery and manufacture of the controlled substance methamphetamine and ecstasy, delivery and manufacture of the controlled a narcotic or cocaine, less than 50 grams, the delivery and manufacture of marijuana, and six weapons-felony firearm charges.

Both were out on bond.

Background

According to a summary suspension report by the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA), on Aug. 2 Oakland County Sheriff’s Office (OCSO) deputies executed a search warrant, located and secured five adult foster care residents.

They located and secured Russell Cockerham and Angela Cockerham in the second-floor unlocked bedroom. A loaded unsecured firearm was recovered from the nightstand closest to Russell Cockerham.

According to a previous Times story, during this search warrant, facility residents approached OCSO deputies on the scene and informed them that Russell Cockerham frequently smokes marijuana in the facility and residents reported having trouble sleeping because of all the alleged drug sales that occur at the facility throughout the night.

Deputies seized cocaine, scales, packaging materials consistent with drug trafficking, approximately five pounds of marijuana packaged for sale and multiple firearms accessible to any occupants of the facility.

According to LARA documents, the residents of the home included those who were physically disabled, mentally disabled, developmentally disabled, and/or those with Alzheimer’s. At least one was bed-ridden. After the raid, the residents were transferred to other facilities.

The case began January 2018 when deputies assigned to the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office Narcotics Enforcement Team received complaints of the sale of cocaine by Russell Cockerham from the home. OCSO deputies made

controlled purchases of cocaine from Russell Cockerham from inside the facility, according to LARA.

LARA’s summary suspension became effective at 6 p.m. on Aug. 17 and prohibits Carter Country Homes, Inc. from operating an adult foster care small group home at the Essay Lane address or any other address or location. It is the intent of LARA to revoke its license.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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OBSOULETLY, YOU CLIMATE change deniers can’t read either. I repeat myself. Enroll in and attend some legitimate science classes and then talk ‘intelligently’ about manmade pollution and its impact on our environment. You probably think the trash along the highways are natural formations that got there because of the tilt on the Earth’s axis as well.

■■■■
I, TOO, DISLIKE people who don’t use their turn signals. As a routine, I use turn signals. Polite courtesy does more to encourage turn signal use.

NEWS BRIEFS

COMPILED BY HANNAH BALL

DESERT ANGELS SEEKING ADDRESSES FOR DEPLOYED TROOPS

The Desert Angels, a volunteer organization that sends care packages to troops overseas, is seeking addresses of deployed overseas soldiers. The boxes include toiletries, wet wipes, candy, socks, beef jerky, chocolates, nuts, phone cards with money to call home, and a letter with words of encouragement. The organization is led by Linden resident Louise Downs Blain, who organizes packing events throughout the community. The next packing event is at the University of Michigan School of Nursing on Thursday, April 11, from 1 to 3 p.m. If you know a soldier deployed overseas, you can send the address to office@thedesertangel.org or text it to (248) 736-6403.

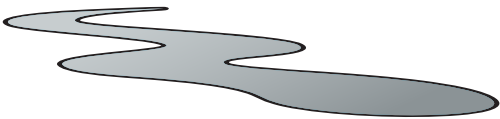
There is a Cure!

Jeremiah 8:22

*Is there no balm in Gilead; is there no physician there?
Why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?*

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The Holly Depot, idle since the '70s, could be relocated

■ Building is landlocked between train tracks, with property owned by railway

By Tim Jagielo

Holly — At approximately 1:30 p.m., Monday, April 1, a freight train lumbers past the old Holly Train Depot, dragging several black tanker cars at the end.

The building was built in 1886. It's landlocked between the east and westbound tracks and is visible at the end of Washington Street.

Holly Village owns the depot building itself, but not the property. The property is owned by Canadian National (CN) Railway and technically, anyone near the depot is trespassing. They must cross train tracks to see it. "Right now it's kind of languishing right where it's at," said resident Joe Mishler.

Mishler is part of a 20-person committee working to develop a plan to move the train depot to a more suitable location. Moving it opens the possibility of the building being used again for other purposes.

"This is a very important piece of our history," Mishler said. "A lot of things came through here, a lot of people, a lot of merchandise."

“It’s going to be quite a monumental effort; it’s going to take years to do this.”

Katy Hughes
Holly DDA director

The building is approximately 1,968 square feet, and appears to be in fair condition. The project is officially headed by the Holly Downtown Development Authority (DDA), namely Katy Hughes. "We can only look at our building from afar, so that's

why we're going to pick it up and move it," she said.

The general goal is to acquire the needed properties, move the building and utilize it as a destination or focal



The westbound train travels slowly up the track past the Holly Train Depot on Monday, April 1. The depot was once used by thousands of passengers, but has been sitting unused since the 1980s. Photo: Tim Jagielo

point. It's easier said than done, and the group is in the planning and fundraising stages. "It's going to be quite a monumental effort; it's going to take years to do this," she said.

Monday afternoon, the Railroad Depot Restoration Committee held a meeting at the Holly Hotel. The group was assembled by Mishler and Holly Hotel owner George Kutlenios.

Hughes said they discussed costs, grants and fundraising, making a plan and promoting the depot.

Up until the 1970s, this depot was a busy place. Hughes said one can see where the thousands of passengers wore indents in the limestone floor to buy their tickets inside.

She said Holly was the first "junc-

tion" or "diamond" in the state. The building is also listed on the historic registry.

Mishler said the passenger service stopped around the early 1970s. It was left completely unused starting in the early 1980s.

Holly is not part of the Amtrak route, which is where the passenger trend headed.

The depot would be moved onto the grass near downtown. CSX Transportation owns the property that would be the future home of the train depot. Hughes said they discussed acquiring it at the meeting. They would prefer for the both railways to gift the parcels to the community.

The next meeting is May 6.



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HOT LINE CONTINUED

I WANT TO thank the beautiful woman who bought my latte at the Tim's drive-thru Saturday. You made me feel like I won the lottery again. This is the second time someone did this for me. I wish I could meet these women and buy them dinner to thank them. You've made my day.

TO THE HOT-LINER disparaging Foster Childs and reveling in the fact that he is no longer in the paper. No, the masses are not cheering. The man was spot-on with his common sense. Your comments speak volumes about you my friend, they really do.

ON MARCH 25, 3,700 people were captured as they illegally entered the USA.

At that rate, by the end of 2019, the number of captured illegal immigrants will be one million people in 2019 alone.

WITH SO MANY Americans who depend on financial assistance for food, medical care, housing and education, the American taxpayers cannot afford to support an additional million immigrants a year who are currently being given priority for assistance over citizens in some American cities.

I WISH 'PLANNED Parenthood' was defunded. We are \$22 trillion in debt. How much money can we afford to give away to charities that should self-fund if they are so important? We did not spend \$18 million on school choice. The monies involved go with the student, whatever school they attend.

Michigan author releases sports adventure series

■ Portion of proceeds to be donated to national hunger non-profit

Compiled by Sharon Stone

The first edition of a new series of books for middle school students is available for purchase.

"Freaked Out at Wrigley Field, Stadium Adventure Series Book #1," is written by Michigan author Roger D. Hess. The story is about three brothers who have never been to a major league stadium. When their mom arranges for her boys to travel to see the Chicago Cubs play at Wrigley Field, it's a dream come true.

The plan is simple: Meet with their eccentric, old Uncle Dave at the bus station in Chicago. Go to the game. But, somehow, the simple plan suddenly blows up, and the brothers' dream transforms into their worst nightmare.

"The book is fun," Hess said. "It's educational. It's scary. And it's a little bit magical. It's worth noting, kids who have read Freaked Out at Wrigley Field have

all given it 4- and 5-star reviews. And a few of them who have been to Chicago said it was fun to read about some of the places in the city they had visited."

With the sale of each Stadium Adventure book, a donation will be made to the leading, national hunger non-profit. "Statistics show that more than 16 million kids in the United States struggle with hunger each year," Hess said. "Sixty-two percent of teachers report that children in their classrooms are coming to school hungry. Here, in the greatest country in the world, that is a problem we can do something about."

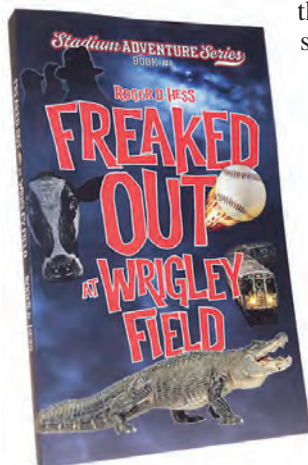
For more information about Freaked Out at Wrigley Field, and the fall release of Stadium Adventure Series Book #2, Lambeau Leap, visit stadiumadventureseries.com.

Hess is an award-winning copywriter in advertising and marketing. Every year, he squeezes in as many visits as possible to ballparks, football stadiums, hockey arenas large and small. For him,

happiness is a ticket in one hand and a hot dog in the other. And it's at that point, the adventure begins.



Roger D. Hess,
author



TOLL ROADS

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Highway Trust Fund Act of 1956.

"To date it has not been thought to be economically feasible to transition Michigan to toll roads," she said via email.

Funding is the current issue with Michigan roads, and converting to a toll system would require a large amount of capital, Hall said, along with changing state and federal laws.

Hall said an annual infusion of \$1.5 billion is needed to restore 90 percent of Michigan roads to "fair" or "good" condition. "In short, to keep things from getting worse, we need \$1.2 billion more a year than we are currently receiving and \$1.5 billion more a year if we are going to move toward positive improvements," Hall said.

In Michigan, The Mackinac Bridge,

Blue Water Bridge, and International Bridge are all toll bridges.

Watch for an upcoming story about possible new road materials, and what makes Michigan so hard on roads.

Drawbacks of toll roads:

Toll roads have fewer interchanges and possibly discourage tourism.

POSSIBLE TOLLING

AVENUES IN THE FUTURE

Mileage-based user fees: There are ongoing studies in states including Oregon, Washington and Minnesota to charge drivers based on routes or distance driven.

Cordon calls: Some cities in other countries have begun charging motorists as they enter specific areas as a way of managing congestion.

Source: MDOT

HOT LINE CONTINUED

■■■■ **PLEASE SCRATCH. REAGAN** never sent Nixon to China. He went there on his own in 1972.

■■■■ **THE KANGAROO COURT** of Linden (formerly known as the City Council) has voted to spend \$90,000 on a road grader, exclusively for one road. You think it can't get worse with their decisions but it certainly does.

■■■■ **STOPPING ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION** is not immoral or racially motivated and shouldn't be a political issue. Illegal immigration is a crisis. It must be stopped to protect our people and our nation. Any elected official who says 'there's no crisis' and 'walls don't work' knows that's not true and are putting their political ambitions before their duties.

■■■■ **TO THE TRI-COUNTY** Times warehouse staff, it is with much gratitude that we say for the last time, 'color is off the floor.' Job well done.

■■■■ **TO THOSE FIGHTING** additional boat slips on Silver Lake. I understand the concerns, but I have had a slip for three years and have never observed any disrespectful boat owners at Silver Spray. Saying

that those with rented slips are destructive and don't care about the lake is a total lie. I've observed more homeowners acting recklessly than the quiet boaters from Silver Spray.

■■■■ **TRUMP RUSSIA COLLUSION** — winner of the best-written fiction disguised as journalism ever written. Congratulations, mainstream media.

■■■■ **IF YOU BELIEVE** carbon dioxide emissions must be reduced, reduce your own fossil fuel use. Lead by example. If you are right, others will follow. Lecturing others (I know, I know) about anything, just leads to anger, resentment, and even spite.

■■■■ **I USED TO** like dogs, but not anymore. It isn't the dogs' fault. Owners who fail to train and control their animals are to blame. Your unleashed dog running up and barking at me from a few feet away is bothering me. Jumping up on me for attention is almost as bad.

■■■■ **WHY ARE CHILDREN** who are not vaccinated for philosophical reasons permitted to attend public schools? Vaccines are most effective when everyone is vaccinated and they protect people who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons.



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For second time, Lund leads our boys' team

By David Troppens

It's rare seeing Blake Lund during his free time without a basketball.

"If it's summer time, I go outside and shoot for three to four hours," Lund said. "And when my dad gets home, we go to the gym for two to three hours and shoot."

"He literally is in the gym all the

time," Linden varsity boys basketball coach Chris Root said. "After practice, he stays and shoots for an hour or so. During vacations and holidays he's in the gym, getting shots up. He's very motivated and a very passionate basketball kid. It's fun to see."

It's that type of hard work that has quickly made Lund, only a sopho-

more, the face of tri-county area boys basketball during his first two seasons at the varsity level. He's already been a First-Team All-Metro player during his first two seasons, and recently was named on the Associated Press's Division I All-State Honorable Mention list. And with two years remaining at Linden, his

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Blake Lund (left) is the Tri-County Boys Basketball Player of the Year for the second straight season.

Photo: Mark Bolen

Sports Times

Idoni's team vision takes her to head of the class

■ One of Fenton's greatest ever is our 2019 Tri-County Girls Basketball Player of the Year

By David Troppens

In the history of the Fenton varsity girls basketball program, Chloe Idoni would be on the list discussing who is the greatest of all time.

During her career, she became only the third-ever player in girls basketball history to earn first-team All-Metro League honors all four seasons. The other two to do it were Fenton athletes and sisters Christina Rivette and Gabrielle Rivette.

She also earned a spot in the Fenton record book, collecting a school-best 735 rebounds, breaking Christina Rivette's old record by a whopping 70 boards. She compiled 1,370 career points and could've easily had more if she desired. Plus, she also finished her career with 156 assists, 136 blocks and 145 steals.

Without a doubt, Idoni is the one of the greatest to ever play in a Fenton basketball uniform regardless of gender. Yet, if you ask her coach, Becki Moore, those aren't the reasons she'll miss Idoni the most. The big reasons come in the classroom.

"I watched her grow up," Fenton's varsity girls basketball coach Moore said. "I get to see her every day with her smile, and she's always messing with me somehow. I have her in class and I

can't leave my phone anywhere. If I do I'll have a selfie on the phone or a photo of her and her teammates on it. She says it's so I don't forget her, and to make sure I know she is still there. I'll remember silly stuff like that. She'll tap me in the hallways while I look the other way and she'll giggle. I'll remember all of those things."

And with her hard work, so many other honors have come her way. She was named homecoming queen this fall, and was a Kiwanis Athlete of the Month recipient. She recently was recognized by Fox Sports Detroit in their "Earning the Letter" video features and was honored as a recipient of the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Scholar Athlete Award.

She's also going to continue her basketball career at Ferris State University, another lifetime goal. Another honor is coming her way right now. She's the 2018-19 Tri-County Girls Basketball Player of the Year.

Anyone who just knew her as a player on the Tigers' squad will never forget her as well. Her competitive personality always shines through, as did her love of team. And when one looks at the 2018-19 version of the Fenton Tigers, they looked a lot like that. They

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Chloe Idoni finished her Fenton girls basketball career with 1,370 points and a school-record 735 career rebounds.

Photo: Mark Bolen



ALL TRI-COUNTY GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM

Player of the Year

Chloe Idoni

Class Senior - Team Fenton

Comment:

Idoni completed her career scoring 1,370 career points while collecting a school-record 735 rebounds. She finished her senior year with a league title and 305 points.

Note:

The players on the team and the Player of the Year were selected by the sports staff.

Rest of first team

Rebecca Fugate

Erin Conroy

Lauren Murphy

Maddie Carr

Katelyn Siebert

Erin Carter

Korryn Smith

Morgan Furey

Grade School

Sr Holly

Sr Fenton

Sr Fenton

Sr Fenton

Jr Lk. Fenton

Sr Fenton

Soph Fenton

Jr Lk. Fenton

Holly's Fugate headed to Wayne State

By David Troppens

Rebecca Fugate had a record-breaking career during her four seasons with the Holly varsity girls basketball team.

First, she became the school's all-time leading female scorer during her senior season, and eventually became the all-time leading scorer in school history regardless of gender.

Looking at her statistical credentials, it's not shocking that she'd be going to the next level now that her prep career is over. And that's exactly what Fugate will be doing when she goes to Wayne State University to continue her academic and athletic career at the Division 2 level. Fugate committed to Wayne State last spring.

"It's awesome being able to go to the next level," Fugate said. "Ever since I was little, that's what I wanted. My brothers went to college and I wanted to be like them. Playing at the next level is

amazing."

Wayne State is getting themselves a pretty amazing player. Not only is Fugate Holly's all-time career leading scorer for either varsity basketball program with 1,433 points, but she also came mighty close to being the Flint Metro League's all-time leading scorer, missing that honor by six points.

She's a guard that will attack the basket and also is adept to shooting perimeter shots.

"Over the summer I worked on the Vertimax trying to get quicker and stronger and I've definitely noticed I'm quicker and stronger to the basket," Fugate said. "I'm more relaxed. In past years I went a little too fast, but this year I feel more under control."

Wayne State finished the 2018-19 season with a 13-16 record overall and an 8-12 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Association (GLIAC) record. The Warriors graduated five seniors this

season, but only two of them averaged more than 10 minutes playing time a game during the winter. Guard Ja'Nae Williams graduates, and she was the team's leading scorer. Fugate will likely play shooting guard.

"We are excited to add a shooting guard of Becca's caliber," Wayne State University women's basketball coach Carrie Lohr said about Fugate. "In addition, her ball-handling skills will be valuable in our league. She is very competitive and loves the game."

Fugate knows it won't be easy to earn playing time.

"I'll definitely have to go in there and earn it," Fugate said. "I'll have to go in every day in practice and work my butt off."

"I know what it takes and I am going in there knowing it won't be easy. I know all of the girls ahead of me know the speed of the game, and I'll have to work hard. I think I have the right mindset."



Holly's Rebecca Fugate will continue her basketball career as a member of the Wayne State University women's basketball team.

Times file photos

IDONI

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were a team filled with competitive athletes who loved getting along with their coaches and teammates. Seemingly everyone played and while on the bench they felt as part of the team as those on the court. Idoni helped spearhead this mindset with her play, leading the Tigers to their first Flint Metro League title since the 2009-10 season. In many games this season she could've played more than she did, but didn't and never complained. Still, she found time to score 305 points, grab 144 rebounds, dish 37 assists, collect 33 steals and block 27 shots.

"She changed things for us in terms of basketball," Moore said. "Her personality and demeanor changed the team. When your best player is so unselfish and engaging it changes the entire dynamic of the team. People gravitate to her. She makes people want to be at practice, and on the long bus rides. In high school sports it's so much more than the game itself and when you have people like Chloe leading your team, her personality becomes contagious. She loves life, loves people and

loves her teammates. ... She has a positive influence on anyone she has contact with."

Idoni is grateful she was part of the Fenton program for four years.

"I just couldn't ask for a better program. All of the coaches taught me so much and made it fun to be in the program," Idoni said. "They make it fun, and give worthwhile lessons beyond high school. Not many programs do that. They just teach you how to play basketball, so what they teach us here means a lot to me."

Idoni has become the ideal role model on the Tigers' squad, but she had her mentors as well. She said when she was a freshman and a sophomore, she had great teachers from the older players on the squad.

"I looked up to Emma Evo," Idoni said. "We played on the same travel team and she was a person I looked up to because she portrayed all the values I expected. She was super kind to everyone and was a hard worker. She was pretty much everything I wanted to be as a player. She's one of my best friends, too."

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LUND

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notoriety should only blossom exponentially.

Lund can add another credential to his resume. Lund is the 2018-19 Tri-County Boys Basketball Player of the Year, making it the second time he's earned the honor.

Lund's work ethic can't be denied, but some may look at his competitive spirit as his biggest strength as well. That was put on display recently when he was given a chance to compete in a state-wide free-throw shooting competition at the Breslin Center during the state finals. There was only one problem. Lund suffered an injury late this basketball season and still had his left foot in a cast, resting on a cart. Still, Lund took the invitation, figured a way he could shoot free throws and competed. He ended up making it by the first round and came very close to making it to the finals, making 23-of-25 shots during the second round. Another strong attribute Lund holds is understanding how he's gotten to where he is, frequently crediting his performances to his support staff.

"I was pretty happy," Lund said. "Of

course I wish I would've won it. Everyone helped me get me to where I got. My mom rebounded for me a couple of times which was fun because she's usually not at the gym with us. It was a fun experience."

Lund's numbers are pretty impressive. Despite missing the team's last three games due to the injury. He still easily led the team in scoring with 284 points (15.8 a game average), nailing 43 percent of his shots, including 39 percent from behind the three-point arc. He had eight games where he made at least three treys and finished the season with 44 three-pointers. He also shot 85 percent from the free-throw line, making the 21 of the last 22 charity stripe shots he attempted this winter.

Yet, despite his numbers, Lund is not a selfish player. He's a team player who led his team with 3.4 assists a contest. In fact, he'll go through periods in contests when he isn't looking for his shot when he realizes other options are working just fine. He played more point guard this season and improved upon those skills this season as well.

"He didn't force a lot of shots this year. He just didn't," Root said. "He took what

the defense gave him. He gets his teammates involved. He's definitely aware of where his teammates are and he's not afraid to move the ball and find the open man.

"I remember the second time we played Kearsley. Sometimes they were triple-teaming him. He took like five shots that game. But he finished with four assists, three steals and no turnovers, so he did a nice job finding the open guy. That definitely made us hard to guard. You couldn't key on just him and forget about the rest of the players."

"I think I had to be more of a guard this year due to the loss of Garrett Strang (who graduated)," Lund said.

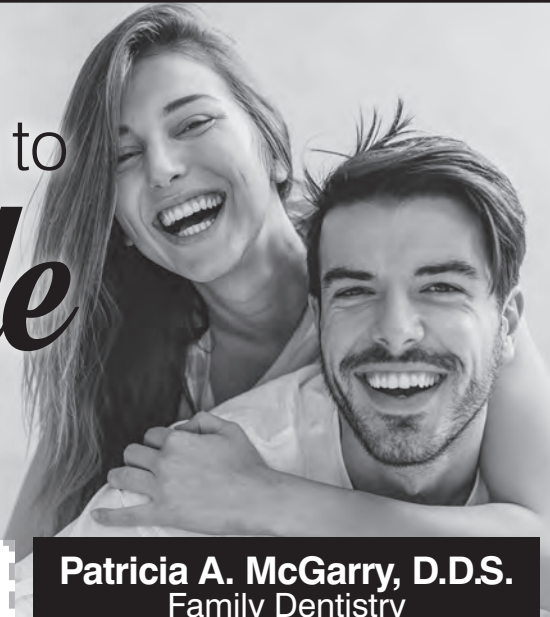
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He's only a sophomore, but Linden's Blake Lund has been our Tri-County Boys basketball Player of the Year for both of his varsity seasons. There has never been a player to earn the honor four straight seasons.



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2018-19 Boys Basketball Player of the Year
Blake Lund

Class: Sophomore Team: Linden Pos: Guard

Comment:

He's only a sophomore but this is the second time Lund has won this honor. He averaged 15.8 points a game while dishing 3.4 assist and 4.2 steals a game during the winter.

Rest of first team	Grade	School
Brenden Miller	Junior	Linden
Eli Beil	Sophomore	Linden
Addison McIntosh	Junior	Fenton
Gavin Ambrose	Senior	Holly
Seeger DeGayner	Junior	Linden
Parker Brady	Senior	Fenton
Travis Klocek	Senior	Linden

Note: The players on the team and the Player of the Year were selected by the sports staff.

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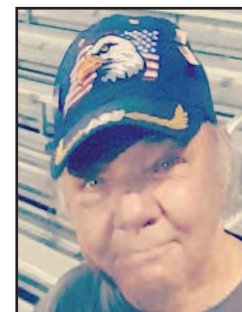
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Jerry Edward Austin

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Jerry Edward Austin

- age 70, of Swartz Creek, passed away Friday, March 29, 2019. Funeral



services will be held 1 PM Thursday, April 4, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Interment will follow in Lakeside Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be held 2-8 PM Wednesday, April 3, 2019 and 12-1 PM Thursday. Those desiring may make contributions to the Jerry Austin Memorial Fund c/o Sharp Funeral Homes. Jerry was born October 7, 1948 in Holly, the son of Warren and Beotta (Alexander) Austin. He was a veteran of the US Army. Jerry was married to Carol Hoffman on January 26, 1985. He was a truck driver for Allied Van Lines Allen Storage and Moving. He also retired from Lake Fenton Community Schools. Jerry enjoyed hunting, fishing, watching football and the Detroit Tigers, but he especially enjoyed spending time with his kids and grandkids. Surviving are: his beloved wife of 34 years, Carol; five children, Jeri (Dave) Middleton of Fenton, Jerico (Laurie) Austin of Fenton, Sharon (Mike) Briggs of Linden, Mark Austin of Swartz Creek, Kristen Austin (Taylor Barrett) of Swartz Creek; grandchildren, Ashley, Kaitlyn, Kali, Courtney, Joshua, Carson, Meadow, Lori, Scott, Chelsi, Michael, Warren; great-grandchildren, Brooklyn, Charles, Jonathan, Karlee, Weston, Ledger; brother, Steve; three sisters, Caroline (Virgol) Estep, Donna Buning, Vera (Darrell) Matney; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by: his parents; four brothers, Ed, Dennis, Doug, and Al. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Midweek Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Long sand-wich
4 Loathe
8 Den
12 Web address
13 Pianist Gilels
14 Competent
15 Swelled head
16 India's movie industry
18 Happen again
20 Thanksgiving veggie
21 "Show Boat" composer
24 Club used in sand traps
28 Robin Hood's forest
32 Night light
33 Tin container
34 Japanese wrestlers
36 Movie trick-ery, for short
37 Declare
39 Actor Clint
41 Archaeolo-gist's find
43 Approach
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61 Foundation
10 Dockworkers' org.
11 Roulette bet
17 Deviate off course
19 Kiev's country (Abbr.)
22 Libertine
23 "— is an island"
25 Erte's style
26 Full of energy
27 Oklahoma city
28 "The Lion King" villain
29 Own
30 Organic com-pound
31 Amount of medicine
35 Fame
38 Hot dog
40 Like some humor
42 Feline
45 "— the night before ..."
47 Smear
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