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What's on your May 7 ballot?

■Clerks expecting lower turnout this spring

By Hannah Ball

Most voters in the tri-county area will have just one ballot issue to vote on Tuesday, May 7. Here's what you can expect to see come election day, which is less than a month away.

FENTON CITY AND FENTON TOWNSHIP

Fenton City and Fenton Township residents will only See MAY 7 BALLOT on 16A

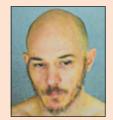
44 Since the SLPR proposal is a tax increase, I'm expecting the May 7 voter turnout to be somewhere between 20-30 percent ... 77

> **Thomas Broecker** Fenton Township operations manager/deputy clerk

Holly's high-tech classes for jobs of the future



Holly Elementary School students tear apart an old computer as part of their fifth-grade STEM class Wednesday, April 10. See story on Page 6A. Photo: Tim Jagielo



Police: Holly woman bitten, punched, kicked

37-year-old boyfriend charged in connection to alleged incident

Eric Siedzik

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Former Tim Hortons employee to undergo competency evaluation

Fenton man faces 16 felonies for allegedly videotaping coworkers in employee bathroom

Eric Andrews Jr.



Grand Rapids man sentenced to six months in jail

Jury found driver quilty in crash that killed Fenton Township teen last August

Ryan Zandstra

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LE Thank veterans for their sacrifice as well as their service. Military personnel sacrifice



their youth, freedom, comfort, earning potential, and time spent with their loved ones in order to protect our country. They put themselves in harm's way so the rest of us are not compelled to do so."

LE Measles are highly contagious, but the vaccination is considered 97



percent effective, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. There's no question that vaccines are safe. effective and life saving."

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LE Putting more electric vehicles on the road will support investment in American-



made manufacturing and it will help Michigan stay at the forefront of global auto innovation, spur job growth and move us toward a more sustainable and competitive transportation future."



The Linden City Hall building is undergoing inspections after a vehicle struck the east side of the building Thursday, April 11. The building was closed Friday.

Photo: Hannah Ball

Motorist drives into Linden City Hall

■Building inspector evaluating the damage

By Hannah Ball

Linden — A vehicle struck the Linden City Hall building Thursday, April 11 at approximately 12:30 p.m., causing damage to the structure and vehicle.

Scott Sutter, Linden police chief and interim city manager, said a driver in his 80s was at the Subway restaurant

across the street and accidently pressed the gas pedal instead of the brake. The car crossed S. Main Street heading west and struck the east side of Linden City Hall.

"I was at a meeting but the other employees could," feel the vehicle hit the building, Sutter said. "Things fell off the wall and what not."

The building houses municipal services as well as the police and fire departments. No one was injured in the incident. The driver was checked for injuries.

Sutter, who was on scene with the building inspector, said they're in the process of evaluating the damage to the building. Debris could be seen on the ground where the vehicle struck the building. A crack was visible in the exterior paint, but the extent of the damage is unknown.

Both the driver of the vehicle and the City of Linden have insurance. The vehicle was towed from the scene with damage to its front end.



REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

BANCROFT MAN ARRESTED FOR DRUNK DRIVING

At 10:35 p.m. on March 27, an offduty Fenton police officer noticed an erratic driver behind her on Grange Hall Road. The off-duty officer called dispatch and reported the vehicle behind her had hit the curb several times and nearly rear-ended her vehicle. The suspicious vehicle turned south onto LeRoy Street. An on-duty Fenton police officer observed the vehicle, initiated a traffic stop and made contact with the driver, a 30-year-old Bancroft resident, who told the officer he was driving home from Grand Blanc. The man was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated (OWI), for having open intoxicants in the vehicle, violating probation and driving with a suspended license. He was processed and then lodged at the county jail until sober, at which time he was issued a court appearance ticket for OWI. His vehicle was impounded.



Friendship starts at the top

■ Fenton Police Chief Jason Slater and Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff best friends since middle school

By Sally Rummel

Jason Slater and Bob Cairnduff were both in junior high when they found themselves at the same place at the same time — a crowded lunch table at

Fenton Middle School.

Something clicked in these two young teens back in the mid-1980s that forged a lifelong friendship. Through school and sports, hangouts with friends and

SUMMARY

■ It has been a long road of memories and milestones for Fenton's top chiefs – Fenton Police Chief Jason Slater and Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff — who have been friends since they were students at Fenton Middle School.

playing cards with friends and family, their bond was strengthened by small town living that continues to this day.

See BEST FRIENDS on 19A



Fenton Police Chief Jason Slater (left) and Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff have been friends since middle school. They also worked in Fenton starting their careers as first responders. "It's easier to work with someone you've known for a long time," Slater said. Together they have nearly 50 years of experience.

PART ONE of at TWO-PART SERIES

82-year-old triple murder remains unsolved

■Person of interest eludes authorities to this day

By Vera Hogan

The year was 1937. Franklin D. Roosevelt was the President of the United States. Americans who wished to avoid another world war would not find any encouragement if they looked east to Japan and Europe.

The year 1937 saw the opening of an engineering marvel, the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco. Another marvel will be tragically remembered when it burst into flames over New Jersey. The infamous Hindenburg disaster killed more than 30 people.

See UNSOLVED MURDERS on 18A



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Andrew Heller

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Come *Heller* high water...

- Best moment of the week: Seeing the first-ever image of an actual black hole 55 million light years away. How amazing was that? That's the kind of thing that restores my faith in humanity. We can be really, really smart and cool when we want to be.
- One news report described black holes as "the universe's most powerful vacuum." I'll bet it still doesn't work very well on pet hair.
- Forget politics. I want to know what we as a nation are doing about Russian interference in our elections? Have you noticed the silence on this? I don't get it. If there's one thing we can come together on, shouldn't it be this?
- So glad to see Julian Assange kicked out of the Ecuadoran embassy and arrested. If there's a guy who deserves to spend eternity in prison, it's that guy. (And can you imagine living inside an embassy for seven years and never going out. I'd have permanent spring fever within a month.)
- I got an email from a dealership: "Your recent service experience." Experience? I didn't have an experience. I had an oil change. Everything isn't an "experience." In fact, few things are.
- Dealerships could teach colleges a lot about customer service. If I bought a \$25,000 car every year for four years in a row, they would roll out

the red carpet any time I arrived. Colleges? Not so much. They act like you should be grateful they let your kid in. Speaking of which, don't you think colleges should give a legacy discount to your kids if you went there?

• "Journey" is suddenly an annoyingly popular buzzword. People don't have careers, lives, relationships, projects or medical problems anymore, they have "journeys." As in: "Boy, getting the dog in for his deworming was quite a journey!" Really? I'm going on a vacation soon, which involves travel,

I'll stick to calling it a vacation, though.

• Last week, I griped about companies that don't put prices on their



• Thank you for reading this far, by the way. It's been a

• "Lonely people tend to be lonely because they decline to bear the psychic costs of being around other humans. They are allergic to people. People affect them too strongly."— David Foster Wallace



real journey.



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TEN YEARS NOW and still waiting for that great Democrat health plan to be revealed.

FEEL FREE TO chew on what you've been fed by corrupt media. Rather than be spoon fed, I favor the prudent Americans who are waiting on Attorney General William Barr to release Mueller's 400-page report, delivering an a promise of transparency.

I LIKE THE new magazine-style paper layout.

TO THE PERSON in regard to Barr manipulation. Doing things according to the actual laws is not a form of manipulation. That would

be when Loretta Lynch met Bill Clinton surprisingly on the tarmac, where they just happened to be talking about grandchildren and golf. Then all of a sudden, Hillary's problems are no more. Give me a break here, that is collusion and corruption all tied up with a bow.

TO THE PERSON claiming millages have been passed to fix roads but have been spent on Democratic social programs for decades. 1. No millages for roads. 2. Republicans have controlled the state for last eight years. Have you been in a closet?

Do you have any side jobs to make extra money? Gracie Warda, intern



"I work at Linden Middle School and my family farms on the side."

Elizabeth Bontekoe Deerfield Township



"I'm retired. I like doing 3-D photography on the side, but it's more of a hobby."

Leo Amendola Argentine



"I'm actually retired. I'm pretty much done working and I'm not looking for a iob."

Bill Walker Linden



"I'm a full-time homemaker, so I've got my hands full with that, but I'm starting to help my husband manage our rental property."

Donna McCarthy, Fenton



"I just got a job at the DTE Energy Music Theatre, so I'm not looking for another job right now."

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High-tech classes for jobs of the future

■Youngest Bronchos learning key STEM principles

By Tim Jagielo

Holly — To prepare for the jobs of the future, Holly Area Schools (HAS) has created classrooms of the future.

On Wednesday, April 10, fifth-graders in Holly Elementary School took apart old Apple computers, learned to write code and programmed robots to complete challenges.

These are all part of the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) program at HAS. At the middle school, STEM is not a standalone class. Rather, STEM activities are incorporated within the middle school's science, computer and technology classes.

HAS Superintendent Scott Roper said the growing list of STEM career fields includes biomedical engineering, environmental engineering, forensic science and computer systems analysis. "All signs point to STEM fields



One STEM activity is creating a stop-motion animation with a tablet. Photo: Tim Jagielo

continuing to be in high demand, with a growth rate of 17 percent each year," he said.

"As careers change and include more technology and engineering, we

want the students to have those 21st century skills," said Nathan Mosseri,

one of the two STEM teachers at Holly Elementary. Manufacturing jobs tend to be high-tech, and require applicable knowledge and collaboration and communication skills.

"They say there are jobs these kids will have that have not even been created yet," STEM teacher Tracey Smith said.

Both teachers were brought in specifically to teach these classes. "I think it's important to expose kids to things they wouldn't normally be exposed to," Smith said. "At 10 to 11 years old, you're not going to tear apart a computer normally."

The point of these activities is to spark interest now. She mentioned a student in fourth grade who became intrigued by electronics and wants to eventually be an electrician.

The variety of challenges also boosts perseverance and problem-solving skills.

The two Holly Elementary STEM classes mirror each other.

"It's pretty fun," said 10-year-old Natalie Hubert. "Sometimes you can get pretty frustrated when the Dash robot doesn't do something you want it to."

She's learned about problem solving with a team, and said she wants to learn more about taking apart old computers.

MORE ON THE FIFTH-GRADE STEM **STATIONS**

There are several group activities during fifth-grade class. Students learn to program a robot to fulfill a challenge, and devise a LEGO arm to assist it.

Instead of simply playing a video game on a tablet, they learn to code a set of orders to move their player through the digital obstacles. Another group is making a stop-motion movie with an iPad. They'll edit the video, add sound effects and titles.

In another group, students make paper circuits, akin to the type that makes a greeting card light up or make sounds.

Students in the "how to" video station picked the topic of how to safely and correctly handle the Dash programmable robots. They write a script,

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Nathan Mosseri

Holly Area Schools STEM teacher

shoot it and edit with effects, titles and voiceovers. The younger students will watch it before they're allowed to handle the expensive machines themselves.

According to Smith, they also have build challenges, where students are handed a problem and have to use engineering and teamwork to solve it. A recent example is the

"windmill challenge," which tasked students with converting wind energy to mechanical energy.



STEM students program these "Dash" robots to complete simple tasks.

Photo: Tim Jagielo



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NEWS FLASH: VACCINES prevent outbreaks. Maybe this is what it's going to take to wake up parents who've decided they know better than their doctors.

HELLER, THE ONLY politics discussed

in my home are about the wonderful job Trump is doing on the GOP. If you like SNL, you'll love our discussions. Welcome.

OUR FORMER REPUBLICAN

governor and legislature had years to fix our roads, but instead passed laws preventing us from seeing what they were doing with our money. Thanks to efforts by Representative Mueller, we can FOIA top Michigan legislators again.

A LUNATIC WROTE: 'The readers forget that Democrats have controlled this state for decades, and they are the ones who have wasted your tax money, mostly on social programs.' False.

For the last eight years, Republicans have controlled the state. That is an undisputed fact. Only now, post the 2018 elections, do we have Democrats in control of the governor's office, the state attorney general's office and the secretary of the state. You are entitled to your delirious opinion but you are not entitled to the facts.

THE LINDEN BASEBALL coach should've done a fundraiser, fixed up the field and bought a section of the school gym — like the softball coaches — then he wouldn't have gotten fired. Everyone knows if you put up enough money, they won't get rid of you, regardless of your coaching abilities.

WHAT YOU MISSED IN THE

MIDWEEK

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

The following are stories you may have missed in the Wednesday, April 10, Midweek Times. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions. please call (810) 629-8282.

County attacked by ransomware

Genesee County municipal offices are dealing with a ransomware attack on its computer systems that caused technological issues and setbacks.

Hartland woman gets probation

Pleaded guilty to her involvement in scheme to kill two men for jailed boyfriend.

Flint women charged with retail fraud

Fenton police officer spots them pushing loaded shopping cart across street.

Spencer enjoys a warm welcome

Pro boxer and Linden graduate Joey Spencer greets



Fire truck purchase approved

Fenton City Council authorizes \$648,499 to buy new truck and additional equipment.

Building Brands

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BRIEFS

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

Fenton Community Orchestra presents 'Springtime Harmonies' April 26 and 27

The Fenton Community Orchestra (FCO), including four ensembles, will present its ninth annual spring concert April 26 and 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fenton High School Ruby F. Zima Auditorium. The FCO and Fenton Jazz Orchestra will perform both nights, with FCO Simply Strings playing Friday and Wind Ensemble playing Saturday. Some of the musical selections will include Brahms Academic Festival Overture and the Saint-Saens Marche Militaire, plus selections from West Side Story to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Leonard Bernstein's birth. The FCO is directed by Andrew Perkins. For more information, visit fentonorchestra.org.

LOOKING BACK

at this week in

HISTORY

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

APRIL 14

1865: John Wilkes Booth, an actor and Confederate sympathizer, fatally shoots President Abraham Lincoln at a play at Ford's Theatre in Washington, D.C. The attack came only five days after Confederate General Robert E. Lee surrendered his massive army at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, effectively ending the American Civil

APRIL 15

1912: At 2:20 a.m. on April 15, 1912, the British ocean liner Titanic sinks into the North Atlantic Ocean about 400 miles south of Newfoundland, Canada. The massive ship, which carried 2,200 passengers and crew, had struck an iceberg two and half hours before.

APRIL 16

1972: From Cape Canaveral, Florida, Apollo 16, the fifth of six U.S. lunar

landing missions, is successfully launched on its 238,000-mile journey to the moon. On April 20, astronauts John W. Young and Charles M. Duke descended to the lunar surface from Apollo 16, which remained in orbit around the moon with a third astronaut, Thomas K. Mattingly, in command.

APRIL 17

1960: Eddie Cochran, the man behind "Summertime Blues" and "C'mon Everybody," was killed when the taxi carrying him from a show in Bristol, England, crashed en route to the airport in London, where he was to catch a flight back home to the United States. While he may have faded from popular memory in the years since his tragic and early death, his biggest hits have not.

APRIL 18

1906: At 5:13 a.m., an earthquake estimated at close to 8.0 on the Richter scale strikes San Francisco, California, killing hundreds of people as it topples numerous buildings. The quake was caused by a slip of the San Andreas Fault over a segment about 275 miles long. Shock waves could be felt from southern Oregon down to Los Angeles.

APRIL 19

1995: Just after 9 a.m., a massive truck bomb explodes outside the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. When the rescue effort finally ended two weeks later the death toll stood at 168 people killed, including 19 young children who were in the building's day-care center at the time of the blast.

APRIL 20

1871: With passage of the Third Force Act, popularly known as the Ku Klux Act, Congress authorizes President Ulysses S. Grant to declare martial law, impose heavy penalties against terrorist organizations, and use military force to suppress the Ku Klux Klan (KKK).

Source: history.com

Police: Holly woman bitten, punched, kicked

■37-year-old boyfriend charged in connection to alleged incident

By Sharon Stone

Eric Joseph Siedzik, 37, of Holly was arraigned Wednesday, April 10 on one felony count of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, and one felony count of domestic violence, following an incident at his home Saturday, April 6 at 11 p.m.

Holly Police Chief Michael Story said officers responded to a 911 call reporting domestic violence made from inside Siedzik's home, which is in the 4000 block of Grange Hall Road.

Upon arrival, responding officers found Siedzik's 32-year-old girl-friend, who was severely beaten, their two children ages 2 and 4, and Siedzik's father, who owns the home. The only injured person in the home was the woman.

The police chief said while officers were placing Siedzik under arrest he was very uncooperative and threatened the officers with harm to their families.

The woman was transported to Ascension Genesys Hospital in Grand Blanc Township where she was treated and later released. HAVEN of Oakland County was

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Fenton adopts small wireless communication ordinance

■New law. 'Small Wireless **Communications Facilities** Deployment Act 365 of 2018' became effective March 12

By Vera Hogan

As of March 12, wireless providers such as Verizon, AT&T, Sprint and others will be able to apply to the city of Fenton for locating small wireless antennas within the city rights-of-way.

This is a result of Senate Bill 637, which passed in March 2018, creating the Small Wireless Communications Facilities Deployment Act 365 of 2018. This legislation allows companies to install new wireless technology infrastructure to utility poles and towers across the state.

"To satisfy the requirements of the Act, the city will need an ordinance addressing the application process for a small-cell provider and design guidelines for the communications equipment," said Chris Patterson, Fenton's

800.790.1818

city attorney.

During its March 5 work session, there was discussion among Fenton council members regarding the 5G technology (see sidebar) and health concerns. Patterson said the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) and government state there are no health concerns per the research.

A second reading of that ordinance was held at the Fenton City Council meeting on April 8, after which it was unanimously adopted.

According to City Manager Lynn Markland, the city has been approached for applications by a couple of providers but they had to wait until the ordinance was approved. "Now that the ordinance has been adopted, it won't be long before they're back," he said.

Markland said one of his main concerns is how these towers are going to look. "We've spent a lot of money making our downtown aesthetically pleasing and want to keep it that way."



This is a sample of a small cell tower located in a town's right of way. Photo: www.InsiderLouiseville.com

WHAT IT IS

"Small cells" is an umbrella term for low-powered radio access nodes typically with a range of 30 feet to hundreds of feet. Like full-sized cellular towers, they provide access points by which groups of individuals can browse the internet, send and receive text messages, and make phone calls; however, unlike cellular towers, small cells take up significantly less space, according to mitechnews.com.

A single cell tower uses a lot of power to cover a large geographic area, while small service networks (SCS) networks use several lowpowered nodes, placed closer together to cover the same area.

HOW 5G WORKS

The 5G we've all been hearing about is the fifth generation (thus, the "G") of mobile wireless systems, a way for devices, both mobile and stationary, to send and receive data without being plugged into a wall in your home or at the office.

- Very soon, 5G will be crucial for autonomous (driverless) vehicles to communicate with each other and read live map and traffic data.
- In the not-too-distant future, drones will co-operate to carry out search and rescue missions, fire assessments and traffic monitoring, all communicating wirelessly with each other and ground base stations over 5G networks.
- Remote surgery will be possible through 5G (have already been performed in Japan and China).

Source: digitaltrends.com

HOT LINE CONTINUED

YO SPARTY, TWO hands clasped about the neck is the international sign for choking.

GET OUT AND vote 'no' on the May 7 election. If you don't, your taxes will go up \$120 and more a year for 10 years. The pathway is not that safe, plus maintenance cost and it will have bicycle riders on the path. This vote is to raise your taxes, not to get funding.

THE FACT THAT the U.S. is one of the least densely populated countries is not something that needs to be resolved with a new immigration policy. Lots of elbowroom is a good thing.

FOR THE BELIEVERS who want government control of healthcare, please look at the VA and tell me that's what you like.

I FOR ONE don't need to see the full Mueller report because unlike the Democrats, the Republicans don't play loose with the truth. The old saying is that liars always expect others to lie - like they do.

TO THE MILLAGE person in Sunday's paper. The Republicans have been in control of the state for the last 12 years. Your Republican governor was responsible for diverting gas tax money to corporations' tax cuts rather than fix roads, which is where that money was supposed to go. Don't blame the Democrats.

DID YOU KNOW James Comey's daughter, Maurene Comey, is the assistant United Sates attorney for the Southern District of NY, who is investigating President Trump? Try some research. No conflict there, MSM (Main stream media)?

TRUMP DOESN'T PICK the

attorney general, the Senate does. Everything Trump's been accused of is exactly what the Dems are guilty of. People need to wake up. The media has lied to the American people; it's called a narrative. It's what you've been told to believe.

GROWING UP IN Pontiac in the 1960s, we had to buy a plate for our bikes from AAA at school. We did not ride down the middle of the road, run red lights or not stop at crosswalks like they do now. Bike riders are just rude road hogs. If you use the road follow the same laws as a car would.



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Former Tim Hortons employee to undergo competency evaluation

■ Fenton man faces 16 felonies for allegedly videotaping coworkers in employee bathroom

By Hannah Ball

The 20-year-old Fenton man charged with videotaping employees in the Silver Lake Road Tim Hortons Cafe and Bake Shop in Fenton will undergo a competency evaluation.

Eric Andrews Jr. is charged with 16 felony counts including four counts of possessing child sexually abusive activity, eight counts of using a computer to commit a crime, four counts of capturing/distributing images of an unclothed person and two counts of possession of child sexually abusive material.

Andrews worked at Tim Hortons from 2016 to 2018, during which time he allegedly recorded coworkers in the employee bathroom without their

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notified. HAVEN provides programs to promote violence-free homes and communities and helps victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

The woman was later released from the hospital following treatment for being bitten numerous time and being punched and kicked to the head.

Det. Heather Wolkow of the Holly Police Department obtained a warrant for assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, as well as domestic violence from the Oakland County Prosecutors Office.

Siedzik was arraigned at the Oakland County 52-2 District Court in front of Judge Fabrizzio. His bond was set at \$50,000 cash or surety, no 10 percent, and he is to have no contact with victim or witnesses. If Siedzik posts bond, he is not to return to the Holly home he shared with his girlfriend, their children and his father.

A probate cause conference has been scheduled for April 23 at 1:30 p.m.

knowledge or consent. He is being held in the Genesee County jail on a \$150,000 cash or surety bond.

A competency evaluation is done to determine if someone understands court proceedings, criminal responsibility and if they're able to stand trial.

The court scheduled a review for May 16 in Judge William Crawford's courtroom.

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Grand Rapids man sentenced to six months in jail

■ Jury found driver guilty in crash that killed Fenton Township teen last August

By Sharon Stone

The driver found guilty by a jury for the automobile crash that killed Tyler Jelinek, 19, of Fenton Township on Aug. 20, 2018 was sentenced Wednesday, April 10.

Charles Sherman, prosecuting attorney for Clinton County, said Ryan Zandstra, 33, of Grand Rapids was sentenced to 365 days in jail with the last three months suspended upon successful completion of probation. "He went to jail yesterday (Wednesday) and will do six months; with good time it will be five," he said.

Lt. Jeff Clarke said the Clinton County Sheriff's Office was dispatched at 10:35 a.m., to a multi-vehicle injury crash on eastbound I-96, east of Wright Road in Eagle Township.

The initial investigation revealed that the driver of an eastbound truck, driven by Zandstra, was unable to stop for traffic that was stopped and slowed for an upcoming construction zone. His truck rear-ended the vehicle driven by Jelinek, whose vehicle was then pushed into a third vehicle, driven by a 46-year-old Byron Center man.

Jelinek was pronounced dead at the scene. Both drivers and a passenger from the other vehicles were transported to Sparrow Hospital in Lansing with non-life threatening injuries and have since been released.

Zandstra was arraigned Oct. 17, 2018 on a moving violation causing death. He pleaded not guilty as his arraignment. On Feb. 19, a jury trial was held and Zandstra was found guilty as charged.

Sherman said the maximum penalty was up to a year in jail.

The toxicology report indicated Zandstar had metabolites of cocaine but no actual cocaine in his system at the time of the crash. "The lab told me that meant he had used cocaine within a couple days, but they couldn't say at the time of the driving it would have had any effect on him," Sherman said.

Jelinek's family has filed a civil complaint against Zandstra in Clinton County Circuit Court.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

GIVEN THAT IN America 'money is king,' why is there such vitriolic speech against Trump?

TO THE TRUMPATEER-seeking person. Where did you get \$60 million figure from the 'fake news?' Do you also know the figure for what the Democrats have pocketed from the lobbyists and special interest groups to kill bills that would have helped the American people? Of course not. We just excuse the corrupt deals they do and fill their pockets with cash. How do you think they became millionaires? Your comment was a huge laugh. If you believe this crap, I feel very sorry for you.

THIRTY-SEVEN OF 45 presidents have not released tax returns. Trump is in the majority on this issue. Please stop letting your hatred cloud your judgment.

THE HOUSE PASSED a bill

Wednesday to restore Obama-era 'net neutrality' rules, but the legislation faces slim odds of making it through the Republican-controlled Senate. The 2015 net neutrality regulations barred internet service providers like Comcast, Verizon and AT&T from blocking or slowing online traffic or from charging companies for faster lanes for consumers.

UNDER THE CURRENT regulations, consumers purchasing eligible electric-powered vehicles can receive a tax credit of up to \$7,500.

TRUMP'S TAX RETURNS are important because it would show how his tax legislation personally affected him.

I AM SMART enough to realize that scientists who claim man-made pollution is causing climate change are benefiting financially and are the very people who are responsible for fudging the facts to fit the narrative. Give it a rest already.

FHS team captures 2019 Michigan state LifeSmarts title

FHS's winning team is

coached by Bruce Burwitz

and Craig Golembiewski.

Students include: Captain

Andrew Fox, Evelyn Eck,

Theodore Graves. Amelia

West and Joel Diccion.

■Travel to Orlando to compete at 25th anniversary National LifeSmarts Championship

The student team from Fenton High School captured the Michigan state

LifeSmarts title at a competition in January and traveled to Orlando, Floridathis week to compete for a chance at the 2019 national title.

LifeSmarts, a consumer education competition that challenges teens in grades 9-12 about per-

sonal finance, health and safety, the environment, technology, and consumer rights and responsibilities, is a program of the National Consumers League (NCL). This year it is celebrating its 25th anniversary season.

With the Jan. 31 Michigan state competition win, the teens from Fenton have qualified for the national LifeSmarts event to be held April 13-16 in Orlando, where 40 teams will gather to compete.

"LifeSmarts participants in Michigan have gained many of the consumer 'smarts' they'll need to make it in the real world," said LifeSmarts Program

> Director Lisa Hertzberg. "We're proud to have the team from Fenton High represent Michigan at the National LifeSmarts Championship."

> The winning team is coached by Bruce Burwitz and Craig Golembiewski. Students in-

clude: Captain Andrew Fox, Evelyn Eck, Theodore Graves, Amelia West, and Joel Diccion.

In 25 years, LifeSmarts has educated more than one million students about core consumer topics, helped student develop critical thinking skills, and provided leadership opportunities.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

RESTRICT BENEFITS LIKE

food stamps, rent, money, etc., to U.S. citizens by birth or at least five years of citizenship; border problem solved.

HAS THE ROCK Church given any thought to how much their outdoor services will disturb neighbors? Noise and traffic three days in a row is not considerate.

ARE WE TO ignore Trump's trailer testimonial detailing his abuse of women and focus on Biden's shoulder touching? Are you female Democrats nuts or just fearing he may run?

ALL AMERICANS SHOULD

be very concerned about what is taking place in Washington, DC. This so-called leader of the greatest country in the world is doing so much damage with flyby-the-seat governing.

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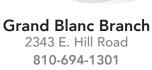
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MAY 7 BALLOT Continued from Front Page

vote on one topic this May — the Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation proposal to amend its charter to provide funding for a non-motorized pathway. This 10-year millage includes levying 1.2 mills on properties in Fenton City, Fenton Township and Linden City.

Sue Walsh, clerk of Fenton, said voter turnout has been increasing.

"I am hopeful that will continue. However, voter turnout in elections other than primary or general elections do not draw out a high number of voters. With Proposal 3 now in effect, I am hoping this will increase voter turnout in all elections," she said.

Proposal 3 refers to the ballot that passed in the November 2018 elections that amended state voting laws. New policies that were added to the state constitution include straight-ticket voting, automatic voter registration, same-day voter registration, and no-excuse absentee voting during the 40 days before an election.

Thomas Broecker, operations manager/deputy clerk of Fenton Township, said elections that include school board elections or millage renewals typically see a 10-15 percent voter turnout in the township. However, the last special election that included a tax increase, which was the 2015 proposal to increase the Michigan sales tax from 6 percent to 7 percent, had a turnout of 27 percent.

"Since the SLPR proposal is a tax increase, I'm expecting the May 7 voter turnout to be somewhere between 20-30 percent, but that's just a 'guestimate,'" he said.

Broecker estimates the May election will cost the township \$5,500 to \$6,000.

Linden has two issues on the May 7 ballot. The first is the SLPR non-motorized pathway proposal. The second is a millage renewal for mosquito control that would levy .3859 mills for four years. It would raise approximately \$41,431 when first levied in 2019.

Holly Township

Karin Winchester, Holly Township clerk, said only the 17 voters in the Grand Blanc School District will vote on the district's sinking fund millage renewal proposal.

Argentine, Rose and Tyrone townships have nothing on the May 7 ballot. View stories at myfenton.com



Proposals

Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation proposal

Shall Section 4, Article 10 of the Charter of the Southern Lakes Regional Metropolitan Parks & Recreation District be amended to allow for the levy and collection of an ad valorem tax in an amount of .120 of 1 percent of the assessed value (1.20 mills) for a period of 10 years, from 2019 through 2028, on all real and personal property subject to taxation in the District as new additional millage for the purpose of providing funds for non-motorized recreational paths and facilities?

It is estimated that 1.20 mills would raise approximately \$1,474,800 when first levied in 2019.

City of Linden Proposal Mosquito Control Millage Renewal

Shall the previously voted millage of .40 mills (0.40 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the provision of mosquito control services be renewed and imposed upon all taxable property in the city of Linden in the amount of 0.3859 mills (0.4 mills as reduced by the required millage rollbacks) for 4 years, 2019 through 2022, inclusive? If the renewal millage is levied in its entirety, it is estimated that the 0.3859 mills would raise approximately \$41,431 when first levied in 2019.

Genesee County Grand Blanc Community Schools Sinking Fund Millage Renewal Proposal

Shall the currently authorized millage rate of .9915 mill (\$.9915 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) which may be assessed against all property in Grand Blanc Community Schools, Genesee and Oakland Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 6 years, 2020 to 2025, inclusive, to continue to provide for a sinking fund for the purchase of real estate for sites for, and the construction or repair of school buildings and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2020 is approximately \$1,641,900 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2019 tax levy)?

Our**(Town**

Emily Caswell

- Brand manager at View Group
- Loves downtown living
- Dog 'mom'

By Sally Rummel

Emily "Em" Caswell, 37, is the brand manager for View Group, the branding division of View Newspaper Group and is pleased to call the city of Fenton her home. She lives near downtown with her husband, Matt, a mechanical engineer and their shih tzu mix rescue dog, Yeti. She is a 2000 graduate of Lapeer East High School and a graduate of Michigan State University's School of Journalism.

What exactly is a brand manager?

My job is to strengthen the brand of the View Newspaper Group, owner of the Tri-County Times and 16 other newspapers throughout mid-Michigan. That means I'm responsible important details as si

means I'm responsible for important details as small as having advertising specialty items, like pens with our names on them, to planning huge community events where we partner with local nonprofit groups. At the end of the day, I want everyone to know who we are and what we do to serve our communities.

How did you end up living in Fenton?

After earning my degree, I started my career as a staff writer for a specialty magazine published by the Lansing State Journal, then worked in several different branding/public relations positions. That's where I learned about the power of event planning. When my dad, View Newspaper Group Publisher



Emily "Em" Caswell is very comfortable living in the city of Fenton with her husband, Matt, and their shih tzu mix, Yeti. Submitted photo

Wes Smith and View Newspaper Group owner Rick Burrough started bringing new newspapers into the

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do to serve our

communities. 77

Emily Caswell

Fenton resident

family of newspapers, I knew it was time to come home and use these marketing principles at View Newspaper Group. I work most closely with our Genesee and Lapeer counties publications, including the Times.

When you're not working, how do you like to spend your time?

We're in downtown Fenton all the time. I love the walkability of the shopping and dining experiences here. We also walk our dog a lot. He's 6 and we've had him since he was 3 months old. He was rescued from a serious hoarding situation, and I think we may have "overcompensated" a bit by spoiling him. I also have a passion for shopping, dining out and socializing.

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Do you like to travel?

We travel a lot, mostly to places in the U.S. that mean something special to us, like Daytona Beach, Florida, where we got engaged, Mackinac Island, where we got married, Chicago to visit good friends and Nashville, most recently. My other favorite spot in Michigan is Grand Haven, and we also go to Atlanta, Georgia, to visit my sister. What accomplishment are you

most proud of? Personally, it's definitely my marriage. We got married relatively young (mid-20s) and it was a big adjustment. I'm just so proud of "us." We've been friends since junior high,

We've been friends since junior high but weren't boyfriend and girlfriend until we were 24. I think being married is the best.

Work-related, it's the thousands of dollars we raise through partnerships with nonprofits. It's a pretty cool feeling to hand out a big check to a deserving group. It's not a personal accomplishment, because there are dozens of people involved in making these events happen. But it never gets old for me. Watch for an event coming this fall to Fenton.

As a journalist, who would you like most to write a story about?

My grandfather, Jim Fitzgerald, who was a newspaper columnist and editor at the Lapeer County Press for 25 years and then in the Detroit Free Press, writing "If it Fitz," for more than two decades. If he was still alive, I would love to interview him. He's the reason our entire family is in the newspaper business. Of course, he'd read what I wrote with a red pen in his hand — no pass for me as his granddaughter.

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

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WHY ARE SOME politicians choosing to support illegal immigrants over the sovereignty of our country and the well-being of American citizens? How can American workers support every needy person who makes it across our borders? Do you really support opening our borders to anyone and everyone in the whole world? Give our president the support needed to protect our people, country, freedom and posterity.

A MAN WITH far greater access to the facts and much smarter than you, Robert Mueller, has definitively determined 'no collusion.' And the Democrats go waah, waah, waah.

UNSOLVED MURDERS

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In 1937, music lovers were swingin' to the tunes of Benny Goodman. Count Basie, Bing Crosby, Duke Ellington, Tommy Dorsey and Ella Fitzgerald also topped the charts.

In Tyrone Township, Michigan, 1937 was the year three people were brutally murdered at a dairy farm on Hartland Road. The April 13, 1937 crime, remains unsolved today, 82 years later.

Jehiel H. Davis, 76, his wife, Eleanor, 74, and his sister, Lydia Hildebrand, 75, who was visiting from Utica, were the victims.

Davis, a Detroit Police Department retiree, had been a successful crop and dairy farmer (Evergreen Dairy Farm) for the last 27 years of his life. He had been in bed with laryngitis and was being treated by Dr. Carl H. White of Fenton. When White arrived at the farm to make a call on Davis at about 11 a.m. on April 14, he was surprised to see no footprints or tire tracks. A spring electrical storm raged the evening of

April 13, and by morning a blanket of snow covered the ground.

After unsuccessfully pounding on the door that was usually open, the doctor went out to the barns and shouted with no response. Alarmed, he drove to Davis' son's home on State Road. The son, Jay Davis, was at work but his wife, Jessie, upon hearing what the doctor had to say, immediately left for the farm. There, she opened a window and crawled in. She found her fatherin-law in bed among bloodied sheets, a pillow over his head, his skull crushed and shattered. Davis' wife and her sister were missing, as was the hired hand, Ray Larson and Davis' truck. Larson had only worked for the farm for about a month.

After police were called in and a twohour search, the women were found in the barn. The bodies of the women were

iammed inside a feed bin, the top of which had been nailed shut. Their clothing was drenched in blood. Their heads had been battered mercilessly. Hildebrand was already dead. Mrs. Davis, whose faint moans led authorities to the feed bin, survived another two days before dying at Hurley Hospital.

being hunted on a murder charge. Photo: The Michigan Daily

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Police believed the murder weapon was a heavy wooden mallet with blood stains and gray hair. It was found in a water trough near the barn.

Nellie Davis Gould of Fenton was 16 years old at the time of her grand-parents' murder. "It was devastating, the hardest was on my mother who found Grandpa," Gould said in an April 1995 interview with the Times. "She had problems with breaking down for months, we tried not to talk about the murders in front of her."

TO BE CONTINUED

Part II of this story will be published in the April 17 Midweek edition of the Times.



(Above) Nellie Gould of Fenton, shown here in 2010, was 16 when her grandparents were murdered, and recalled having to miss school that day. "You try to forget it, but you can't," she said. Gould died in January of 2011 at the age of 90. Times file photo

(Below) The Michigan Daily newspaper

published on April 20, 1937

claims that Ray Larson was



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BEST FRIENDS

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Jason Slater

Fenton police chief

lice Chief since 2017 and Cairnduff has been Fenton City Fire Chief since 2006. Both felt the call to serve the town they grew up in and are now raising their own families here.

Slater and his wife,

Lorrie, have one son, Eric, almost 15 and Bob is married to Jamie, raising four kids, ages 18, 15, 12 and 10.

"Cruising around town was the big thing," said Cairnduff, 46, recalling their high school years. "It was all about weekend nights and cars."

Slater, 47, didn't play sports; he worked because he wanted to buy a car. "My bus took me right to Denton Hill Video after school," he said. "Then Bob would ride his bike over while I was at work."

A third friend in this group, Brian Schupbach, with whom both chiefs are still in contact, now lives in Paw Paw.

Slater and Cairnduff were both in the Fire Explorers program at Fenton High School, an offshoot of the Boy Scouts. It sparked an interest for Cairnduff, who began his firefighting career as an on-call firefighter in Linden in 1996.

Slater always knew he wanted to be a police officer, "since I was a little kid," he said.

Both went off to Ferris State University, with Cairnduff coming home to begin his firefighting career and Slater earning his bachelor of science degree in criminal justice and simultaneously attending its Law Enforcement Academy. Slater began his career in the Fenton City Police Department in 1995, first as patrol officer, then appointed as a detective, followed by promotions to sergeant and then lieutenant. He was appointed police chief July 10, 2017, after being interim chief since January of that year.

Cairnduff said he used to see Slater more when he was doing police road work, compared to now as the chief.

"We both have our own separate roles, but we're both complementary to each other," Cairnduff said. "We deal with a lot of non-emergency stuff, like planning for festivals. But when things happen out there, work's work."

'We understand what our roles

are," Slater added. "Our two agencies complement each other really well, but we both have separate jobs."

On the home front. the Slater and Cairnduff families vacation together, help each other move and take care of each other's dogs. "We're someone we can count on for each other," Jason said.

"You know if we need anything, we would call."

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Carolyn Harris,

Fenton WW wellness coach

■ Take bread-free diets with a grain of salt, and go for portion control

By Sally Rummel

Oprah Winfrey made headlines around the world when she said three little words, "I love bread," which aired in TV commercials in 2016.

This WW (formerly Weight Watchers) spokesperson and majority shareholder has been vocal about how she manages to fit bread into her daily diet and still lose weight.

With all the low-carb, keto and paleo diets out there, eating bread has become almost controversial.

However, bread is not the enemy of a healthy diet, unless you have a gluten allergy or intolerance, or you eat the

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wrong kinds of carbohydrates — like refined white bread with little fiber and a high glycemic response.

In that case, the starch is digested

very fast and glucose is released into the body quickly, stored as fat unless the sugar is immediately used for energy.

Many healthier breads, made with 100-percent whole grain — whether it's wheat, oats, rye, etc. — take longer to digest and are a better nutritional choice. In fact, they are healthy for a person's body

and brain, providing important nutrients, such as fiber, whole grains, B vitamins, thiamin, riboflavin, niacin and folic acid.

"We all need to have some whole grains in our diet," said Carolyn Harris, wellness coach for Fenton and Flint

SUMMARY

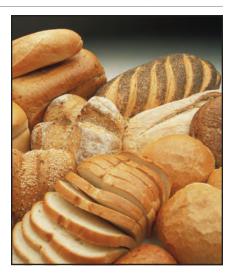
■ Bread isn't the enemy of a healthy diet, according to many dieticians and healthy weight-loss groups like WW, formerly called Weight Watchers. Choosing the right, nutrient-dense, unprocessed carbohydrates is good for your body and brain.

WW locations for 25 years, after losing 60 pounds. "The first ingredient should be 100-percent whole grain—it doesn't have to be whole wheat. The whole grain will be a healthier choice be-

cause it keeps the fiber intact."

Harris said that the biggest reason to include bread and other whole grains in your diet is to keep you from feeling deprived, so you can stick with your healthy eating plan for a lifetime.

"How can you live your entire life without bread or other carbs?" Harris said. "The beauty to me with WW is that no food is off-limits. It's always about portion control and moderation."



How to pick a healthy bread

"It's going to come down to reading labels," said Bella Diaz, M.S.R.D., staff dietitian at McLaren-Flint. "First, make sure the first ingredient is 100-percent whole grain, wheat or whichever grain you choose. Ingredients are listed in the order of volume they are in the bread."

Next, Diaz said you should make sure there are at least 5 grams of fiber per serving. "Then, check labels for sodium, which ideally should be 130 mg or less, and watch for added sugars."

Some of the favorite nutrientdense breads mentioned by McLaren dietitians include Dave's Killer Bread, an organic, non-GMO bread high in protein and fiber, and Ezekiel Sprouted Bread, a complete protein, found in the freezer section of your grocery store.

Another healthy choice, according to Nutritiouslife.com, is sourdough bread. The live yeast cultures that provide the tangy flavor negate the need for preservatives and result in the creation of lactic acid, which makes other important nutrients more digestible.





HOT LINE CONTINUED

FOR THOSE WHO still smoke cigarettes. Throwing your butts out the window as you drive is polluting. Throwing your drink cups and cans out the window while driving down the road, this is polluting, also. There are laws against polluting. If I ever witness a polluter, I will write down your license plate number and contact the police. Let's be kind to our planet.

TO HOT-LINER COMPLAINING Trump has 'flipped party affiliation five times.' You still don't get it. Trump's lack of party loyalty is a positive qualification. Trump puts nation before party. Try it sometime.

CORRECT, GUN VIOLENCE is not an 'act of God,' it is an act of man. Too bad for you the only way to eliminate gun violence is to eliminate man. Good luck with that.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

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David Scott ranked as a Top Mortgage Originator in the nation

The State Bank congratulates Fenton resident David Scott for ranking as a Scotsman Guide 2018 Top Originator. Scott was ranked 64th in Top Dollar Volume for closed mortgages in 2018 with more than \$125 million in closings, as well as 47th in units closed at 439 units. For the first time, Scott was also ranked 1st in Michigan based on his outstanding performance. Scotsman Guide, the leading resource for mortgage originators, released its 10th annual Top Originators rankings on April 1. Scott was ranked among entries from more than 3,000 mortgage professionals across the country. Craig Johnson, senior vice president of lending, said, "This represents the second year David has been recognized as one of the Nation's Top Mortgage Originators. We would also like to recognize our outstanding Mortgage Support Team. Both David and the bank understand that none of these results would be possible without their equal commitment to serving our customers." Scott has been with The State Bank for six years, with his office based out of the company's headquarters in Fenton. He resides in Fenton with his wife and two daughters.

IF YOU ARE an auto manufacturing investor that lost their investment during the recession, thank the Democrats. If you recently earned a profit from auto manufacturing investments, thank the Republicans. Trump is leading this country on a path to greater prosperity and manufacturing companies know this and are preparing.

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reflect negatively on the company?

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TO THE READER who stated that 'autoworkers who kept their job after the recession, you can thank the Democrats. 'Not completely true. My husband kept his job but lost 40 percent of his pension to the PBGC thanks to Obama and his buddies needing the union vote to win the election. They took pensions from many autoworkers in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio and funded the union pension

fund in order to win the election. Many lost more than 40 percent. Check out DSRA online.

THE BRITS (AKA the UK) have screwed up the world for years, witness Iraq, India, the United States and other colonies, dominions, protectorates, mandates and other territories ruled or administered by the United Kingdom. The 'empire on which the sun never sets' was real; it only cost mass murders and conquest. BREXIT is yet another.

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The 'million-word' advantage of reading to your children

■Books with repeating patterns and rhymes help children learn

By Hannah Ball

Young children of parents who read one short book to them a day know nearly 300,000 more words than other kids by the time they enter kindergarten.

A study published in the "Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics" discovered this information, and also found that if parents read five short books to their kids a day, that number increases to 1.4 million.

Lead author Jessica Logan calls it the "million word gap."

Katie Badgley, Genesee District Library children's librarian, said reading to children from birth teaches them to associate feelings of "comfort and love" with books.

"It is the single most important thing parents can do to help children get ready to read. Parents are their child's first teacher. Children learn best by doing and they love to do things with their mom or dad," she said.

Children who are read to regularly from birth to age 5 have a larger vocabulary and better language skills when they start school.

"Reading helps children learn new words because there are three times as many rare words in picture books as there are in speech," Badgley said. "A wonderful example is the preschool story 'The Napping House' by Audrey Wood. This story includes the words 'slumbering,' 'snoozing,' 'dozing,' and 'wakeful,' which preschoolers probably do not hear in everyday conversations with their caregivers."

Badgley said babies and toddlers enjoy books with bold pictures and illustrations about everyday objects and experiences in their lives. This includes food, animals, cars, bedtime,

bath time, mom and dad, toys and more.

Children who are learning to read prefer books with repeating patterns and rhymes, like "Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See?" These books are easy for children to memorize, which gives them confidence to narrate on their own.

"Actually, they are telling the story through the pictures, learning how to hold the book, turn the pages from right to left and learning that letters make up words and that symbols have meanings. These are all important pre-reading skills," Badgley said.

Caitlin Casarez, an eighth-grade teacher at Lake Fenton Middle School, reads to her son, Soren, 2, every day. His favorites are "Brown Bear," "The Little Blue Truck" and "You Be You."

"I do make a point to read to him daily because of its benefits and I firmly believe it has enabled his vocabulary and language skills to advance. Soren knew over 100 words before he was 1-1/2 and has been forming complete sentences for a long time — all things I truly believe can be attributed to reading daily," Casarez said.



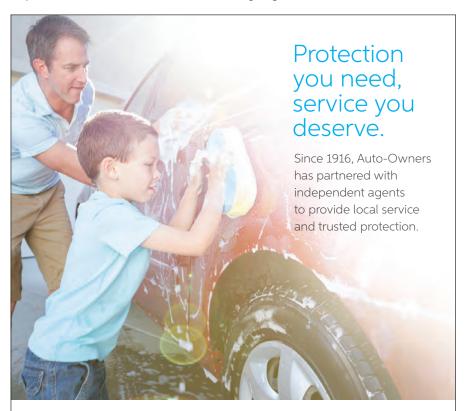
Soren Casarez, 2, is pictured here with a book during the string of snow days local schools had this past winter. His mother, Caitlin, a Lake Fenton Middle School teacher, reads to him every day. Submitted photo

GENESEE DISTRICT LIBRARY LITERACY PROGRAMS

The GDL hosts a family literacy program called Prime Time Family Reading Time. It's funded through a grant from the Michigan Humanities Council and the National Endowment for the Humanities. The program requires preregistration and is currently full.

They also have a Paws to Read program where Badgley brings their library therapy dog, Dasher, to libraries and schools.

"Dasher listens patiently while kids read to him and cuddle with him. Younger children can pet Dasher and listen while I read. He will be visiting our Burton Memorial, Flint Township, Flushing, Genesee-Johnson, Goodrich and Swartz Creek Branches this spring," she said.



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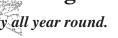
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Fenton/Linden co-op lacrosse teams capture recent victories

By David Troppens

Tuesday was a good night for the Fenton and Linden co-op varsity lacrosse teams, as both varsity squads earned victories.

The Fenton/Linden varsity girls lacrosse team (FLaX Heat) jumped

to a 12-3 first half lead, eventually defeating Waterford United 19-3. Meanwhile, the Linden/Fenton varsity boys lacrosse squad jumped out to an early lead against East Lansing and then held on to post an 11-7 win.

The boys had a tight game, but did look on the verge of blowing the game out in the first quarter when they took a 3-0 lead in the first quarter.

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Fenton/Linden's Lara Kemp Photo by



Holly/Brandon girls lacrosse player McKenna Davis (right) battles for a loose ball in a game against Ovid-Elsie. Photo: David Troppens

Holly Redhawks learning to compete with new players

By David Troppens

Holly — The Holly/Brandon varsity girls co-op lacrosse team isn't a new squad.

The program is entering its third season, but this may feel like the program's first year. Why? It has to do with the team's experierience.

"We have a very young team," Holly/ Brandon varsity girls lacrosse coach Jason Freeman said. "We have 26 girls total and 21 girls have never played before. This is my first year I've coached girls lacrosse. ... It was an opportunity and I'm excited to coach the girls."

But with the team's inexperience and youth (20 players are freshmen or sophomores), there is going to be some serious rebuilding going on this season, and that was apparent during the Redhawks' first game of the season Tuesday.

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Fenton softball displays its dominance vs. Grand Blanc

By David Troppens

Fenton — Anyone who watched the Fenton varsity softball team play last season may think they are seeing a replay of the 2018 season.

That's because the squad has 10 returning players. And so far the veteran squad has had a pretty decent start to the season.

The Tigers captured their first doubleheader sweep of the year Tuesday, defeating Grand Blanc with their potent offense, 6-3 in the opening game

and 12-4 in the nightcap.

"We played pretty solid and that's what we are looking for with this group," Fenton varsity softball coach Ken Brant said. "We have a talented team learning to play together. ... We have 10 returning players and we knew that was going to be the dynamics of this group this year. We hit well and fielded well. We played an overall good game."

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Fenton catcher Coral Lefever tags out a runner at the plate. Photo: David Troppens

LF earns easy sweep vs. Lakeville

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton — Haley Whittecar knows what it's like to be on the Lake Fenton varsity softball team.

She's been on the squad her entire Lake Fenton High School career and is now entering her senior season. And she's not the only one with ample experience. Returning along with her are fellow seniors and longtime starters Allie LaVallier, Oliva Tanner and Taylor Godlewski. She loves that she's going to be able to spend one more season with the girls she's played softball with all her life.

"Right now we have five seniors that have grown up playing together," Whittecar said.

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Lake Fenton's Allie LaVallier slides safely into second base. Photo: David Troppens

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Fenton baseball earns victory vs. Grand Blanc Bobcats

By David Troppens

Fenton — The Fenton varsity baseball team has a non-league schedule filled with state-ranked teams.

It is filled with plenty of teams with preseason state rankings and others who have strong baseball traditions.

A few days after facing one of those foes — Saline — the Tigers continued their season against the Grand Blanc Bobcats, capturing an 8-5 victory. The Tigers trailed 3-0 in the second game when it was suspended in the fourth inning.

The contest went back-andforth with the Tigers taking the advantage for good with three runs in the fifth and two runs in the sixth. The key shots during the game were two-run doubles by Logan Angel and Brendan Alvord.

On the mound, Alvord started and tossed the first four innings. Ryan Adams relieved



Fenton's Ryan Adams attempts to tag a Grand Blanc runner at first during a play in the Tigers' victory against the Bobcats. **Photo: David Troppens**

and pitched the final three innings, getting the victory.

Despite the win, Fenton varsity baseball coach Shawn Lawrence thinks the team can play better.

"We didn't play well," Lawrence said. "We are super young. Our whole infield is brand new and it's going to take some time. We have seven or eight guys back. Our pitching is definitely going to be our strength. What is really a crazy stat is we walked a batter in the fifth or sixth inning and that was the first walk we've given up this season. That's an impressive stat."

Weather pending, the Tigers will have a challenge Saturday when they host the Hartland Eagles for a doubleheader. Fenton also has games scheduled against teams like Bay City Western, Howell, Gabriel Richard and Powers Catholic, among other solid teams.

Lake Fentonbaseball sweepsKearsley Hornets

The Lake Fenton varsity baseball team has started the season about as positive as a team can start one.

The Blue Devils swept Kearsely in a doubleheader. Lake Fenton won the first game 7-4, and then won the second 4-1.

Lake Fenton trailed 4-2 but scored three runs during that fifth, taking the lead for good. The inning started with a Cody Schramm double. Landon Verhelle walked and an out later, Ben Schulze tripled in the runners, tying the game at 4-4. Hunter Schramm followed with a sacrifice fly, giving the Blue Devils a 5-4 lead.

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Linden soccer edges Goodrich, 1-0

By David Troppens

Next school year, the Flint Metro League will be changing as three new teams will be joining the conference.

The Linden varsity girls soccer team apparently wants to welcome some of the squads a little earlier than some of the other schools.

The Eagles have played Lake Fenton and Goodrich in back-to-back games, two of the squads joining the Metro League during the 2019-20 school year.

The Eagles opened the series with a convincing 7-0 victory against Lake Fenton April 5 at home. The Eagles completed it by defeating Goodrich 1-0 at home Wednesday.

In a game played in cold weather, the two teams battled to a scoreless tie in the first half. In fact, it looked like the game would remain a scoreless draw until Linden broke the deadlock with about five minutes left. Taylor Acox scored on an assist by Melanea Strauss, earning the Eagles a 1-0 lead.

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Linden's Aubre Moffatt dribbles with the ball in a recent game.

Photo: David Troppens



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Holly baseball defeats Notre Dame Prep

Jewell's jewell of a pitching performance was going to go for naught.

The Holly varsity baseball team their hurler.

For a long time it looked like Masen trailed 1-0 entering the top of the seventh and the Bronchos' bats couldn't figure a way to score a run to help out

Linden, Lake Fenton begin track seasons

It may have been cold Wednesday, but the Linden varsity girls track and field team probably didn't mind.

After all, the Eagles won their first meet of the season during those weath-

Fenton soccer battles Heritage, Powers Catholic

Including preseason scrimmages, the Fenton varsity girls soccer team has been busy.

The squad has already played six contests, with the most recent two

Linden scored 86 points, while Powers was second (66) and Lake Fenton (17) was third.

er conditions, earning 10 firsts in a vic-

tory against Powers and Lake Fenton.

games being played within 24 hours of each other.

The Tigers tied Saginaw Heritage 1-1 on Wednesday and lost to Powers 3-1 on Thursday.

Linden softball sweeps past Corunna

The Linden varsity softball team's offense heated up during Thursday's cold weather against Corunna.

The Eagles swept Corunna by 16-0

and 8-1 scores.

In the opener, the Eagles scored seven runs in the second inning and then scored nine in the sixth inning.

_ake Fenton soccer falls to Goodrich, 3-2

If there has been a busier team than the Lake Fenton varsity girls soccer team so far this spring, that squad isn't located in the tri-county area.

The Blue Devils played their fourth game of the season, and played a big rival at that, losing a tough 3-2 verdict against the Goodrich Martians.

PREP REPORT

GIRLS LACROSSE

▶ Powers 16, FLaX Heat 5: The FLaX Heat trailed 11-1 after one half, falling to 1-1 overall on the season.

Powers won six straight draws resulted in six goals to start the game, putting the Fenton/Linden co-op squad behind quickly.

Lilly McKee, Emilee Guertin, Olivia Szpak, Kyla Lynch and Lara Kemp each scored goals while Hannah Ludwig had an assist. Kyle Bliss stopped The 13 of 28 shots in net.

BOYS LACROSSE

► Linden/Fenton 8, Goodrich/Lake Fenton 3: The Wolves defeated another area co-op squad in what was a tight defensive game. The Wolves led 5-3 at halftime, but then held the Goodrich/ Lake Fenton co-op scoreless in the second half, locking up the win.

GIRLS SOCCER

▶ **DeWitt 4, Fenton 1:** The only Fenton goal was scored by Lauren Murphy on an assist by Hannah Polzin with eight

minutes left in the game. Lauren Koscielniak had 16 saves in goal. All five goals were scored in the second half.

SOFTBALL

► Holly vs. Milford: The Bronchos lost both games of a twinbill against Milford. They lost the opener 7-2 and lost the second game 5-1.

In the opener, Jillian Cohoon led the offense with three hits, including a triple. She scored two runs. Isabella Lockitski

In the nightcap, Miah Beck and Joelle Widdis had two hits each.

GIRLS TENNIS

► South Lyon East 5, Fenton 3: The Tigers earned victories at three of the doubles flights. The flight winners were the No. 1 doubles team of Abbey Lamb and Abby Sizemore, the No. 2 doubles team of Kaitlin Gruber and Elizabeth Maxwell and the No. 4 doubles team of Peyton Graham and Elizabeth Borg.

Price leads Holly to 2-0 win vs. Lakeland

By David Troppens

Holly — Payton Price is one happy senior.

And a lot of it has to do with her teammates on the Holly varsity girls soccer squad

"I love my team," Price said when asked about the season.

She probably also loves the results the team earned Thursday night against Lakeland. Price, who is playing more on the wing this season, assisted two goals with crosses leading the Bronchos to a 2-0 victory against the visiting Eagles.

"I feel real comfortable crossing," Price said. "I like crossing the ball in. So when I'm on the left side, I'm already on the outside, so I

don't have to work my way to the outside to cross it in. I think that helps a lot. It helps because I can also check in the middle, too. I can do both. I think it opens up the field."

Price's potent play is a known entity



Holly's Payton Price assisted both of the Bronchos' goals in a 2-0 victory aginst Lakeland. Photo: David Troppens

on the Holly Bronchos' squad, and has been ever since she became a varsity player. However, what may be different this season is that the squad may have more quality scoring options making the position change for Price possible.

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