

# Vote on pathway millage fails; what's ahead

■ Organizers plan to regroup and decide their next steps

By Vera Hogan

Now that the voters have spoken, defeating the pathway millage in each community,

organizers will be meeting and brainstorming on what steps they'll take next.

According to Fenton Mayor Pro Tem Pat Lockwood, a liaison member of the Southern Lakes Pathway Initiative committee, "We need to step back and assess

where we are, and determine what our next steps are.

"Clearly the voters have spoken," she said. "There are probably many reasons for the majority of 'no' votes."

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Pat Lockwood  
Fenton mayor pro tem



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## Fenton arts and cultural groups receive \$80,900

■ Grants funded by Genesee County Arts Education and Cultural Enrichment millage

By Sharon Stone

Eric Szczepanski, who serves on both the Fenton Community Orchestra (FCO) and Fenton Arts & Cultural Commission (FACC) boards, announced that both organizations were recently awarded grants from the Greater Flint Arts Council (GFAC).

The FACC received two grants from the GFAC through the Share Art Genesee Program. The Commission received a matching grant of \$14,400 for programming and a \$4,500 grant for cultural planning. These funds will support community-wide art and cultural planning and programs.

The Commission will use cultural planning grant to sponsor

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## Happy Mother's Day



Jo Ann Gagnier of Fenton stocks geraniums at Bordine's of Grand Blanc on Thursday, May 9. Photo: Tim Jagielo

## Former Holly police chief sentenced

■ Community service ordered after pleading guilty to willful failure to uphold the law

By Sharon Stone

Elena Danishevskaya of Davisburg, a former Holly police chief, pleaded guilty April 25 to two misdemeanor counts of willful failure to uphold the law in Van Buren County Circuit Court. As part of her plea agreement, 15 related felonies were dismissed by the court.

She was later sentenced to community service on the

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Elena Danishevskaya

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“The Times couldn't have chosen a better writer than Mark Rummel to do an occasional opinion piece. He has a vast background in editorial writing and has a great sense of humor. We look forward to his columns. (Be prepared for Steven Wright humor.)”



“Another school shooting, an unintended consequence of political correctness. Our culture is broken. We need to unite and fix it.”



“So the baby boomer 'ME' crowd has spoken and unless it is something they can use, they will not pay more taxes to benefit those that could use a non-motorized pathway. Glad I don't think that way about Loose Senior Center.”



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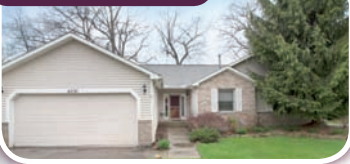


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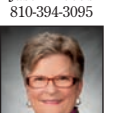
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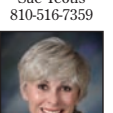
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# ‘Sugar and spice’ TIMES FIVE

■ Local first grade teacher Carrie Keech is mom to five daughters ages 6 to 14

By Sally Rummel

Carrie Keech of Deerfield Township still can’t believe how many times people come up to her and her husband, Tom, and say, “Are these *all* your girls?”

Keech, 42, is the proud mother of five daughters, Cecelia, 14, Grace, 12, Vivian, 9, Phoebe, 8 and Josephine, 6.

“Raising five daughters is the absolute best experience on the planet,” Carrie said, reflecting her joy on Mother’s Day. “It’s extremely entertaining, highly rewarding and only mildly challenging.”

Keech plans to spend Mother’s Day at home with her own family, her parents and in-laws, enjoying a barbecue and relaxation.

See ‘SUGAR AND SPICE’ on 22A

“The biggest challenge is making each one feel equally valued, cherished as much as the next and beautiful in her own way.”

Carrie Keech  
Mother of five daughters



Carrie Keech and her family enjoy a trip to Montreal, Canada. Photographed are Tom Keech, Cecelia, 14, Grace, 12, Vivian, 9, Phoebe, 8, Josephine, 6, and Carrie. (Below) Carrie Keech and her daughters light candles for her Godmother. Submitted photos

## Local WWII and Korean War vet continues to serve

■ Was almost deported in 1968 despite military service

By Vera Hogan

Even at the age of 90, Adrian Cervini of Fenton Township remains a U.S. Marine through and through. Not only does he honor those who served by participating in several weekly military funerals at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly Township, he has been an active volunteer for the annual U.S. Marines’ Toys for Tots campaign since about 1952.

Cervini was born in Ceccano, Italy in July of 1928. Ceccano is a little town southeast of Rome. His family moved to America in subsequent years and on Jan. 2, 1946, at the age of 18, he joined the U.S. Marines and served with

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# Words with Hannah

## What's it like doing Street Talk?

"Hi, my name is Hannah. I'm from the Tri-County Times. I'm asking questions for the paper today. Could I ask you the question and take a photo?"

"I probably shouldn't. I'm in the witness protection program."

Of the hundreds of times I've done Street Talk (ST), this was the most memorable response. Going up to strangers can be nerve-racking, but rarely am I surprised by an answer. Was this man in a mob? Did he testify to put someone dangerous behind bars and had to be relocated?

I don't know, but it made that ST intriguing.

Our intern, Gracie Warda, does the weekend ST. Media Editor Tim Jagielo and I take turns doing the Wednesday ST. VG's is our favored spot to find answers, but we've asked people at municipal offices, libraries, schools and more.

It's a lot of fun to meet people. When you're a journalist, people tend to tell you opinions on anything, which makes for interesting conversations.

One woman told me about an un-

marked cemetery on Odell Road. I've talked with people about millages, dogs, weather, religion, and devices the U.S. military uses to drop emergency aid to struggling cities. When I asked about car accidents, an incredibly nice man told me about how a horrible crash put him in a wheelchair for a while. He still has the scars, but he can walk.

We occasionally do ST at schools. Those are my favorite. I've asked young kids how they think Santa flies to every house on Christmas Eve (magic reindeer, duh Hannah). I've asked AP

Government students what they think about potential presidents during the throws of 2016 election.

ST is about getting a quick snapshot of humanity. It's about listening to the people we write about and for, being in tune with our community and understanding what affects people. A certain amount of rejection is expected with ST, and while that can be mentally draining, talking with people only procures good things.

Because of the rejection, ST has destroyed my social anxiety. Can I talk to a 6-year-old about dinosaurs? Absolutely. Can I introduce myself to the owner of a successful business and ask controversial questions? Certainly.

See HANNAH on 21A



Hannah Ball

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Compiled by Gracie Warda, intern

## What do you most appreciate about your mom?



"She always supports me, no matter what path I take. I'm a graphic designer, and my mom has always supported my work, throughout college and everything."

**Shannon O'Connell**  
Fenton



"She died a long time ago, but I just appreciated her being my ma."

**Ray Dodge**  
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"She was a hard worker. She was a single mom of three kids when I was growing up."

**Jean Dodge**  
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"Her caringness. She always protects me and makes sure I'm safe, like when I'm going places she always wants to know I got there safe."

**Robert Ragnone**  
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"She's always there to listen to me in a time of need. I can always talk to her, and she'll tell me when I'm right or wrong."

**Montana Rice**  
Fenton

## street talk



Residents of the Horizon Lakes Airpark park their cars and airplanes in these small attached hangars, allowing them to taxi out to the runway. **Times file photo**

## Price's Airport could add 15 new hangars

■ Potential construction signifies post-recession rebound

By Hannah Ball

**Fenton Twp.** — Horizon Lakes Airpark at Price's Airport could see 15 new individual hangars for aircraft if approved by Fenton Township.

At the May 6 meeting, Fenton Township officials held the first reading for the request. To owner Cody Welch, this signifies recovery after the recession.

"When there's finally some economic activity, people are buying more cars and more houses. We're kind of the last beneficiary to get an uptick," he said.

Currently, the airport has two large hangars more than 50 years old that accommodate seven aircraft. These new individual hangars will be bought and used by the public who don't live at the park.

"It's all new construction. They will be modern buildings," Welch said. "The aesthetics of the building will be in line with the homeowner's association guidelines. They'll be beautiful buildings."

Hangars will range in size from 50- by 50-feet, 60- by 60-feet, and 70- by 70-feet, the traditional box shape. He's hoping to start construction this summer.

"We have more demand for space

than we have space," he said.

The two larger hangars were approved in 2002.

Fenton Township Treasurer and Planning Commissioner John Tucker said the market wasn't there for this type of storage.

"So they've asked to build smaller hangars up to 15," he said.

The Planning Commission requested certain conditions. The total square footage of the smaller hangars cannot exceed the total square footage allowed for the larger hangars. No additional space has been allowed for the hangars, Tucker said, it's "just divided into smaller pieces."

Second, under the permitted uses, people can use the hangars for ancillary equipment related to the aircraft. Items like vehicles, boats and snowmobiles can be stored there if they do not impede the storage of an aircraft.

"As long as you have a plane in there you can store your other toys," Tucker said.

There will be paved access to each hangar, which will be shared with vehicles coming and going, Welch said.

The proposed amendment is consistent with the existing PUD ordinance, and the Planning Commission recommended approval.

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## Linden mosquito millage passes

■Residents overwhelmingly vote 'yes'

By Hannah Ball

Linden City residents said "yes" to mosquito control at the polls Tuesday, May 7.

In a 632 to 128 vote, the mosquito millage renewal overwhelmingly passed. The millage will levy .3859 mills for four years on all taxable property in the city of Linden. It will raise approximately \$41,431 when first levied this year.

This millage decreased in cost. The previous levy was for .4 mills.

With five undervotes, a total of 765 total ballots were cast.

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# Fireworks could be limited

■Fenton fire chief will introduce ordinance to restrict fireworks to minimum use

By Hannah Ball

New State laws permit local municipalities to limit the days fireworks can be used.

Before the package of bills was signed into law by former Gov. Rick Snyder in 2018, fireworks could be set off about 30 days of the year, on and surrounding holidays.

Under the new law, communities can choose to allow fireworks those 30 days or they can limit them to only holidays, mainly around the Fourth of July. Communities could also pass ordinances that limit the time that fireworks can set off.

This could be good news for pets that don't like the loud noise, and veterans and others with post-traumatic stress disorder.

The bills were sponsored by Rep. Jim Lilly (R-Dist. 89) in 2018.



"Our families and neighbors are demanding that their local communities be given more control over when fireworks can be used, and these new laws are a huge move in the right direction," Lilly said in a statement. "We're making this change because local governments know what's in the best interests of their residents when it comes to fireworks rules. What works in one community may not work in another, and there must be more flexibility."

Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn said the city hasn't discussed the new law yet, but she expects to soon. Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff is working on drafting an ordinance with the city attorney that would restrict firework usage to the minimum number of days guaranteed by the state.

Linden Mayor Danielle Cusson said the council hasn't discussed it yet.

Argentine Township Clerk Denise Graves said the board may decide to limit days fireworks are allowed, but they also haven't discussed it yet.

Fireworks are allowed these days by state law:

- From midnight to 1 a.m. on Jan. 1
- Saturday and Sunday of Memorial Day weekend until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days
- June 29 to July 4, and July 5 if the date falls on a Friday or Saturday, until 11:45 p.m.
- The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Labor Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days

These dates must be posted at stores that sell consumer fireworks. The bills also allow the governor, fire marshals and chiefs, and the Department of Natural Resources to prohibit using

fireworks if weather conditions could make the activity dangerous.

**Fireworks reminders:**

According to the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, a person cannot ignite or discharge fireworks on public property, school property, church property, or the property of another person without that organization's or person's expressed permission to use those fireworks on those

**“Our families and neighbors are demanding that their local communities be given more control over when fireworks can be used...”**

Jim Lilly

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The east side of the Linden City Hall building has boards on the window, surrounded by caution tape, after a vehicle struck the building in early April. The building is safe to work in, but officials are still concerned.

Photo: Hannah Ball



## Officials receive quote to fix damaged Linden City Hall

By Hannah Ball

**Linden** — More than a month after a vehicle struck the Linden City Hall building, officials are waiting to hear from an insurance adjuster about a quote for an undisclosed amount to fix the damage.

The incident happened Thursday, April 11 at approximately 12:30 p.m. A driver in his 80s was at the Subway

restaurant across the street and accidentally pressed the accelerator instead of the brake. The car crossed S. Main Street heading west and struck the east side of Linden City Hall.

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— Compiled by Sharon Stone —

#### House Bill 4206: Accept Senate's limit on "polar vortex" school employee compensation

To concur with the Senate version of the bill allowing schools to not have to make up school days missed due to the 2019 "polar vortex" cold snap, but without the House-passed provision requiring school districts to also pay hourly employees for missed school days.

#### Passed 56 to 53 in the House

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) ✗ YES  
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) ✗ YES

#### House Bill 4206: Approve immediate effect for "polar vortex" missed school days bill

To concur with a House-passed amendment to the Senate-passed version of the bill (reported below), and in a separate voice vote, give the bill immediate effect, meaning the bill will apply to the 2018-19 "polar vortex"

missed school days it was introduced to address, but without the House-passed provision requiring school districts to pay hourly workers for hours they did not work on those days. The roll call vote reported here was to approve the House amendment; press reports indicate that just three Democrats voted "no" on the separate voice vote to give the bill immediate effect.

Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) ✗ YES  
Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15) ✗ YES  
Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22) ✗ YES  
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) ✗ YES  
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) ✗ YES

#### House Bill 4031: Lower probation charges levied on prisoners

To reduce the maximum "supervision fee" charged to probationers from \$135 per month to \$30 per month, and \$60 if an electronic monitoring device is involved. This would also replace a schedule of means-tested discounts for low-income convicts. A judge could still waive the fees for a person who is indigent. Reportedly, the state collects only 6 to 10 percent of the fees that are levied, with the balance turned over to collections agencies.

#### Passed 109 to 0 in the House

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) ✗ YES  
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) ✗ YES

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## GUEST VIEWPOINT

**Scott Roper**  
Holly Area Schools  
superintendent



### Professional Trades and Apprenticeship open house

At Holly Area Schools, we are committed to ensuring all Bronchos leave our hallways ready for the next phases of their lives, whether that means college, technical training, apprenticeships or jobs right after graduation.

With that in mind, we organized and hosted the Professional Trades and Apprenticeship Open House at Holly High School in late April.

Our skilled trades fair was a first-of-its-kind event for an Oakland County school district and gave our students a glimpse into an industry that only continues to grow across Michigan, with about 15,000 new job openings expected annually through 2024.

Our event drew a wide range of professionals who discussed the thou-

sands of skilled trades job opportunities across Michigan, including representatives of Operating Engineers 324, Sheet Metal Workers Local 80, MUST Construction Careers, Brose Manufacturing and Construction Craft Laborers. Representatives of the Marketti Academy of Cosmetology, Genesys Ascension EMS Training Program and Michigan Department of Talent and Economic Development were also on hand to discuss this growing field.

Our high school students met one-on-one with industry leaders and learned about the skills needed to compete for in-demand skilled trades jobs. Students also learned about the more than 1,000 registered apprenticeship programs in our state, which combine on-the-job training with classroom instruction, creating additional career avenues for our Bronchos.

As superintendent, I was particularly proud to see our event introduce Holly High School students to high-demand, high-wage careers in the skilled trades. It is our goal to continue growing our relationships with these and other skilled trades groups in the years ahead.

The Professional Trades and Apprenticeship Open House is part of our continued commitment at Holly Area Schools to providing diverse learning opportunities and real-world experiences that help prepare all students for the jobs of the future. It is yet another example of how providing educational opportunities outside the classroom helps prepare our students for bright futures.

I would like to personally thank Samantha Burns, our career counselor at Holly High School, who helped organize this event over the past several months. Samantha worked tirelessly to draw the best industry professionals to meet with our students.

Given the success of April's event, we hope to make the Professional Trades and Apprenticeship Open House an annual opportunity to help prepare our students for prosperous, 21<sup>st</sup> century careers.

## WHAT YOU MISSED IN THE MIDWEEK TIMES

Compiled by Vera Hogan

The following are stories you may have missed in the **Wednesday, May 8, Midweek Times**. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282.

### Rezoning for Lahring Meadows approved

Twenty-two one-story homes; 40 percent of 32.2 acre parcel will be open land.

### Hogan Road bridge could be replaced

Total cost is \$1,462,500; Fenton Township would pay \$168,750 in matching funds.



### Fenton's sculpture show doubles in seventh year

DDA rents nine new pieces for \$15,621, adds new art to collection for \$10,150.

### Nursing, teaching — two noble professions

It's Nurse Appreciation Week and Teacher Appreciation Week.

### Fenton celebrates Drinking Water Week

Groundwater flow model is on display at Fenton City Hall.

### Holly schools names new athletic director

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## LOOKING BACK at this week in HISTORY

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

### MAY 12

**1957:** Race car driver A.J. Foyt scores his first professional victory, in a U.S. Automobile Club (USAC) midget car race in Kansas City, Missouri. A tough-as-nails Texan, Anthony Joseph Foyt, Jr. raced midget cars — smaller vehicles designed to be driven in races of shorter distances, and stock cars before moving up to bigger things in 1958, when he entered his first Indianapolis 500 race. Foyt won his first Indy 500 crown in 1961.

### MAY 13

**1981:** Near the start of his weekly general audience in Rome's St. Peter's Square, Pope John Paul II is shot and seriously wounded while passing through the square in an open car. The assailant, 23-year-old escaped Turkish murderer Mehmet Ali Agca, fired four shots, narrowly missing vital organs, and another that hit the pope's left hand. The pope was rushed by ambulance to Rome's Gemelli Hospital, where he underwent more than five hours of surgery and was listed in critical but stable condition.

### MAY 14

**1972:** Washington Senators pitcher Walter Johnson throws his 54th consecutive scoreless inning in Sportsman Park, Illinois, leading his Washington Senators to victory over the St. Louis Browns, 10-5.

### MAY 15

**1976:** Patricia Columbo and Frank DeLuca are arrested for the brutal slaying of Columbo's parents and brother in Elk Grove, Illinois. Twenty-year-old Columbo had left her family home two years earlier to live with DeLuca, a 36-year-old married man. The pair later killed Frank, Mary, and Michael Columbo in order to receive the family inheritance, unaware that the Columbos had written Patricia out of their will years earlier.

### MAY 16

**2014:** Broadcast journalist and TV personality Barbara Walters retires from ABC News and as co-host of the daytime program "The View." In a landmark career that spanned some 50 years on air, the 84-year-old Walters blazed a trail for women in TV news.

### MAY 17

**1965:** Based on outcry from parents who bought into what may have started as an idle rumor, the FBI launched a formal investigation in 1964 into the supposedly pornographic lyrics of the song "Louie, Louie." That investigation finally neared its conclusion on this day in 1965, when the FBI Laboratory declared the lyrics of "Louie Louie" to be officially unintelligible.

### MAY 18

**2004:** Forty-year-old Arizona Diamondbacks left-hander Randy Johnson becomes the oldest pitcher in major league history to throw a perfect game, leading his team to a 2-0 victory over the Atlanta Braves.

Source: *history.com*
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## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**LAKE LEVELS GO** up and down all the time. I have spent my summers on Lake Erie (17) and the levels and temperatures have changed on and off over those years. I fished Lake Fenton for 40 years. Lake levels have

varied but not so you would notice as it is spring fed. Climate change is not the problem with not catching fish, you are.

**MAYBE I SHOULD** vote for the bike path, since my roads and sidewalks are too bad to even drive my car down or take a walk anywhere — except downtown.

**FLINT'S VOTERS HELD** 100-percent control over their elected city officials; you know, the officials who ran one of the most prosperous cities in the nation into the ground. The same officials whose chronic corruption led to state oversight. Democrats own Flint's poison water.

**I HAVE TO** just shake my head when I go to a Chinese buffet on North LeRoy Street and I see one or two cars parked facing the building instead of parking in a parking spot. I've even seen them pull up right in front of the entrance.



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## Andiamo chef wins Chef Showdown



**Fenton** — Fenton might have a new top chef. Head Chef Matt Scitney (left) and Sous Chef John Grden from Andiamo Fenton beat Jody Brunori, head chef at The Laundry, El Topo, Crust and Relief & Resource Co., at the 2019 Chef Showdown at The Freedom Center Thursday, May 9. For this fundraiser, the battling chefs raced the clock to finish multiple meals for five judges. They were required to use mushrooms in every dish. The event raised an estimated \$50,000 for the Fenton Center of Hope, which helps people in need get food, clothing, and life skill classes. *See the full story online at [myfenton.com](http://myfenton.com) and in the Wednesday, May 15 Midweek edition of the Times.* **Photo: Hannah Ball**

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**WHY NOT JUST** permit farmers to eat the sandhill cranes that they remove as part of the permit process to address crop damage, and skip having to add a hunting season. I like seeing them even though they like digging in my lawn.

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**YOUR STATEMENT THAT** Roundup is used around the world is incorrect. Roundup is not allowed in Europe. Coincidentally, there is little gluten intolerance among its people. I personally know gluten (Roundup) intolerant people who travel to Europe and have no issue eating their harvest. We have been bought by the chemical companies.

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**WORD TO THE WISE.** Do not buy GOOGLE PLAY CARDS, that unknowingly support scam gangs. I got scammed to a tune of \$5,500 using their product. Once someone uses the cards you cannot get your money back. Be careful using website under Google as the browser.

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**I GUESS** I get to continue to risk my life in order to ride my bike around Fenton and Fenton Township because there will be no bike path. I can only hope that the guy that finally hits me feels bad because of their 'no' vote.

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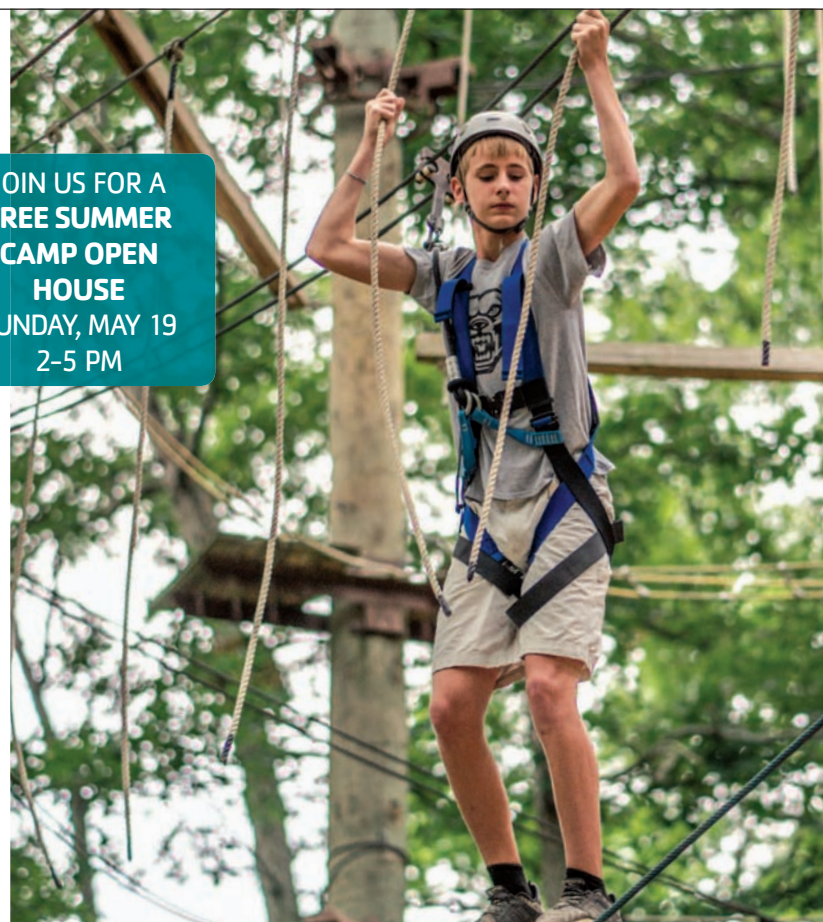


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## POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

### CARRYING LOADED PISTOL ON EXPIRED LICENSE

Robert Gamble, 56, of Holly was arraigned May 8 for carrying a concealed weapon on an expired carry concealed weapon (CCW) license. Holly police were alerted to Gamble, who was pumping gas on N. Holly Road. An individual told police that they suspected Gamble of being intoxicated. When talking with Gamble at the gas station, Gamble told the officer he was concealing a weapon in his pants waistband. The officer recovered a loaded MP9 semiautomatic pistol. Gamble admitted he knew his CCW license had expired. A breath test indicated he had a blood alcohol content of .04 percent. A probable cause conference has been scheduled for May 21 in Oakland County 52-2 District Court.



A Joyful Noise student rock band, led by music teacher Aaron Reinhard of Flint, performs during the Band Together fundraiser for Blessings in a Backpack on Friday, May 3. **Photo: Tim Jagielo**

## Giving 110,000 meals to Holly children

■ Blessings in a Backpack provides food for Holly students every week

By Tim Jagielo

**Holly** — On a rainy Tuesday, May 7, non-profit group Blessings in a Backpack Holly received its monthly delivery of 8,000 pounds of food at its Karl Richter Community Center storage room.

Several volunteers unloaded the pallets of non-perishable food. On Wednesday, this food will be sorted into bins, before being taken to the various Holly Area Schools (HAS) buildings, from the elementary level to middle school.

Blessings in a Backpack Holly was founded by Karen Gietzen-Stewart in the 2015 school year to serve Holly students who are at risk for hunger on weekends. They are part of a statewide organization Blessings in a Backpack Michigan, which has approximately 14 chapters in the state.

Of the 1,400 students who are eligible for free and reduced meals, approximately 410 are participating. Gietzen-Stewart said they pack the meals every Wednesday, with food purchased at cost.

“We have to raise every penny,” she said.

Like many non-profit organizations, this group survives with the help of volunteers. Even the delivery service,



Volunteer Denny Torpey loads boxes of cereal into the the Blessings in a Backpack storeroom in the Karl Richter Campus on Tuesday, May 7.

**Photo: Tim Jagielo**

EPJ Logistics, delivers the food from the White Lake grocery store for free, saving them \$300 per month.

The group raises approximately \$45,000 annually, which translates into 110,000 meals for children over the course of the school year. This is made possible by several fundraising mechanisms such as a golf outing, murder mystery show, bowling event and trivia night.

On Friday, May 3, they hosted a new fundraiser. “Band Together Against Hunger” at Crapo Park in Holly. It featured several live musical

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# Pablo Picasso's 'Femme Assise' on display at FIA

■Dort Federal Credit Union partners with Flint Institute of Arts to feature artwork

**Compiled by Sharon Stone**

Dort Federal Credit Union is proud to present famed artist Pablo Picasso's "Femme Assise," on display at the Flint Institute of Arts. Picasso's painting takes the spotlight in the exhibit Picasso & Cubism, along with other featured art.

Femme Assise (Seated Woman) depicts Picasso's wife, Olga Koklova, a Russian dancer with whom he fell in love with in 1917. In addition to Femme Assise, three works by Picasso owned by the FIA as well as two works on loan from private collectors are on display. The exhibition is rounded out by Cubist paintings from the museum's permanent collection from other artists.

Femme Assise will be on display at the FIA until early 2020, thanks to an agreement with the Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, Canada, which is borrowing a piece from the FIA in a mutual loan.



Famed artist Pablo Picasso's "Femme Assise" is on display at the Flint Institute of Arts until early 2020 through a partnership with Dort Federal Credit Union.

Submitted photo

The FIA is at 1120 E. Kearsley St. in the Flint Cultural Center. The museum is open Monday-Friday 12-5 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday 1-5 p.m. FIA admission is free to all Genesee County residents, FIA members, and children under 12.

Adults are \$10; Seniors and students with current ID from an educational institution are \$8.

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## MICHIGAN VOTES

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, April 26.*

### House Bill 4133: Juvenile justice "raise the age" reforms

To raise the age of defendants from age 17 to age 18 in the factors considered when determining juvenile vs. adult court jurisdiction over a minor accused of certain crimes. This is part of a broader "raise the age" juvenile justice reform effort.

#### Passed 101 to 9 in the House

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)

Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)

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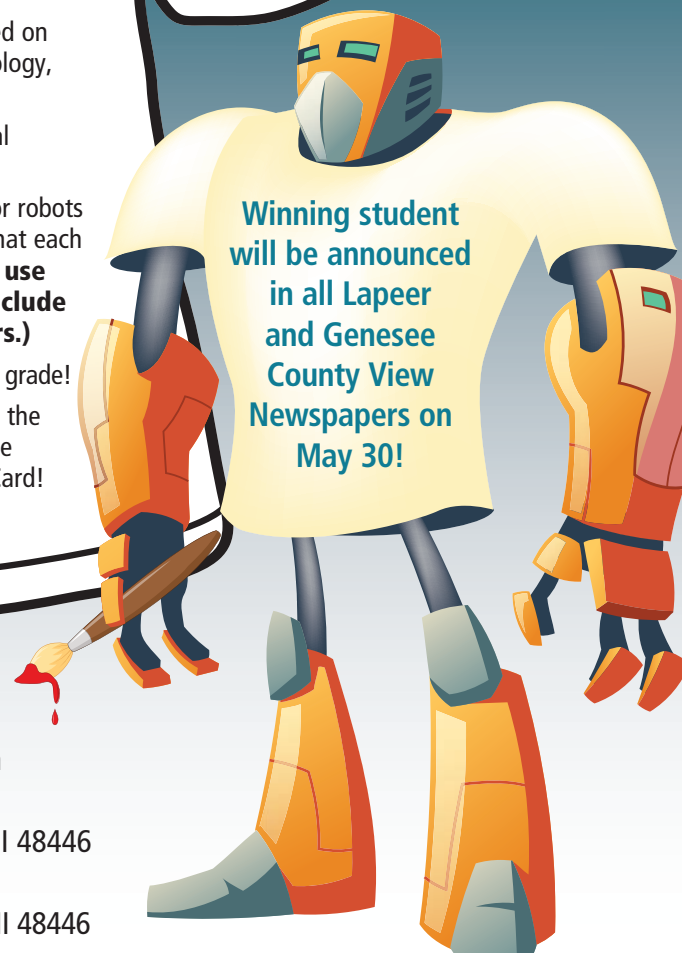
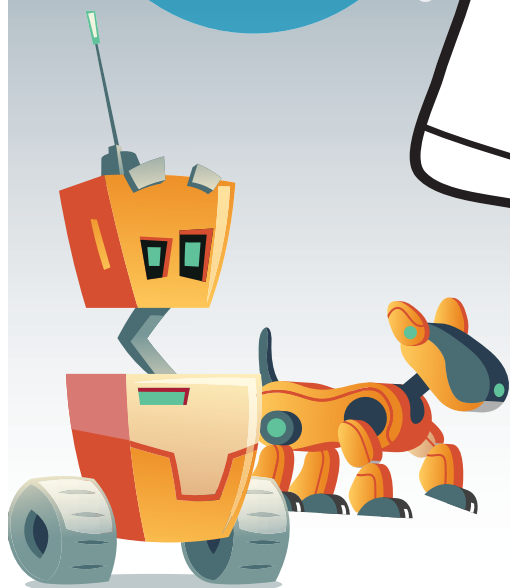
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## SERVE

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the 6th Marine Division. He was immediately shipped to China where “We fought the Chinese to keep the Japanese alive,” he said of his World War II service. “In the end we had to gather all of the Japanese and send them home. That was our mission. We then tried to go to all of the POW (prisoner of war) camps to free prisoners before the war ended in December of 1946.

After that war, Cervini went into the Marine Corps Reserves. In 1950, the war in Korea started.

“My unit was re-activated and we went to South Korea at Busan. Cervini said, “The Chinese came in and we were surrounded at Chosen Reservoir. We fought our way out, 72 miles at 42 degrees below zero.”

By the time he fought in the Korean War, Cervini had earned the rank of corporal. His final rank in military service was sergeant.

When his military career ended, Cervini said, “Dad already had a job for me at Ford Motor Company.” Cervini said he didn’t like that job though and left, working next at the Frank’s Nursery



Adrian Cervini, 90, served in both WWII and the Korean War. He retired from the service as a sergeant in the U.S. Marines but continued serving in the Marine Corps League of Michigan. Photo: Tim Jagielo

and Crafts in Livonia. He later transferred to the Franks on Dort Highway.

After Franks, Cervini went on to work at Hall’s Heating & Air Conditioning on Dort Highway in Flint, followed by EDS/General Motors, from where he finally retired. He also worked as a part-time police officer.



Cervini’s wife, Carla, died 10 years ago. He was accompanied at his interview in his Fenton Township home by his neighbor, Marilyn Hansen.

He smiled and said, “I’m not going to lie, we’re going together.” Hansen is 83.

Despite having served honorably in the U.S. Marines, and fighting in both

World War II and the Korean War, he said, “I was almost deported once.”

In or around 1968, he said two men from the then-U.S. Immigration Service came to his house. “They were going to deport me because I hadn’t registered for the draft,” he said. “They gave me 48 hours and said I could either go to Canada, Mexico or back to Italy.”

Hansen said, “His parents were American citizens when they moved here from Italy.” No one knew, however, that he had to register for the draft.

“I called my colonel in the Marine Corps and told him what happened,” Cervini said. “My colonel said that as of now I was back on temporary duty. That Monday I was sent to the federal building and came out a U.S. citizen.”

In addition to his continued military volunteer work, Cervini enjoys the company of his children and grandchildren. He and Carla had a blended a family, adding sons and daughters to the fold.

Asked what he thought of young people and the military today, Cervini said, “I think everyone should have two years in the military. It builds character, teaches responsibility and love of country.”

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## Our Town

# Capt. Joseph Paul Winglemire

- Captain in the U.S. Army
- Linden High School graduate
- Grandson of local icons Paul Bottecelli and Donald Winglemire

By Vera Hogan

*Capt. Joseph Paul Winglemire, 32, is a 2005 graduate of Linden High School. He earned his bachelor's degree from Michigan Technical University and was commissioned from the Army ROTC program in December 2009. He has served in the U.S. Army since May 12, 2010.*

## Tell us about your family.

I am single. My mother is Tracy Bottecelli of Fenton and my father is John Winglemire of Holly. My stepfather is Ron Justice and my stepmother is Audrey Winglemire. My siblings are Anna Winglemire and Luke Justice.

## Why did you choose a military career?

Both my maternal grandfather Paul Bottecelli and my paternal grandfather Donald Winglemire were veterans of WWII and they each had a great influence on my decision to join the military. I became very interested in military history at the age of 13 and that interest stemmed from the many conversations I had with my grandfathers.

## Tell us about the places you have traveled or been stationed.

I completed Infantry Basic Officer Leader's Course and Ranger school at Ft. Benning Georgia in 2010. I then served at Ft. Drum with the 10th Mountain Division in New York from 2010 to 2014 serving in the 1-87 Infantry 10th Mountain Infantry



Capt. Joseph Paul Winglemire is a 2005 graduate of Linden High School. He has been in the U.S. Army nine years ago today (May 12, 2010) and is an infantry officer. **Submitted photo**

Brigade Combat Team as a rifle platoon leader for 12 months.

I first deployed mid tour to Afghanistan until March 2011. I returned to Ft. Drum and was mortar platoon leader for six months. My second deployment was again to Afghanistan with the 10th Mountain

Division 1-87 Infantry for nine months as Company Advisor in a SFAT team. After returning in September 2013, I attended Mountain Warfare School in January 2104. I completed Maneuver Captain's Career Course at Ft. Benning Georgia from May 2014 to January 2015. I then moved to Shaw Air Force base to serve as Ground Liaison Officer for

the 55th Fighter Squadron. While attached, I deployed to Jordan in support of Operation Inherent Resolve from October 2015 to May 2016. I was then attached to the French aircraft carrier Charles de Gaulle as liaison from September to December 2016. I moved to Joint Base Lewis McChord April 2017 and took my first Company Command

of Blackhorse Company, 2-3 Infantry Battalion January 2018. On April 9, 2019 I took my second Company Command of Highlander Company, 2-3 Infantry Battalion.

## What is your occupation in the army?

I'm an infantry officer.

## What are the positive aspects of a military career?

I'm not sure there is an easy answer, in working with so many different people and watching new soldiers grow and develop into future leaders is very rewarding.

## What are some of the challenges?

It's a lot of work even when you aren't deployed. We ask soldiers to do so much. Not only training, which is a bulk of the work; but the leaders are having to take care of young soldiers' personal issues. There is always an uncertainty of schedules, and in addition many local community engagements and all that is managed in a very tight calendar.

My personal challenges for the last 10 years are that I have had small moments where I've been more tired, hungry, or hurt than I ever

believed possible. But learning that you can still function as a person, or as a leader in those moments, is exceptionally empowering. It definitely gives you a new perspective on your limits.

## Why should young people consider a military career?

Most people that I see join because they want the help to move on with their life goals. They are all patriotic and either want to challenge themselves, earn benefits to pay for college or trade school, or don't really know what they want to do with their life. They want to serve until they figure it out. It isn't personally for everyone, but if you want to serve there is a spot for every type of person or job.

## Do you plan to retire from military? What happens after that?

I have tried to take it one year at a time. Each assignment is different and if I keep going until retirement it's just a bonus.

## What is one thing people don't know about you?

I love to cook, especially French food since my time spent with the French Air Force.

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## Two students cook their way to success

■ Culinary art students show off skills in recent NAACP's competition

**Compiled by Sharon Stone**

Ethan Martinbianco, a senior at Lake Fenton High School, earned a Bronze Medal, and Abigail Rankin, a junior at Linden High School, received an Honorable Mention when they competed in a local competition of the NAACP's Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO) program April 4 at the college.

The two area high school students are mentored by Mott Community College (MCC) Chef Matthew Cooper.

MCC's Culinary Arts program is the Official Culinary Instruction Provider for all 11<sup>th</sup>- and 12<sup>th</sup>-grade students in Genesee County, in partnership with the 2019 Flint Branch NAACP ACT-SO and the Genesee Career Institute Culinary Program. The Flint group is one of 11 official Culinary ACT-SO units in the country.

"The judges and national facilitators were very impressed with the level of skills that each student brought to, and exhibited, during the competition and commended them on being part of our Inaugural event," said Ella Greene-Moton, Flint ACT-SO Chair.

Each student had to develop and prepare a menu for judging. Martinbianco said he "wanted to do something I have never done before, so out of my two options I chose duck because I wanted to step out of my comfort zone a little bit." His menu included duck liver and leg pate, with homemade thyme crackers, honey mustard, green capers and diced red onion, and seared duck breast with an orange hoisin glaze, potato fondant, and sauteed asparagus.



Ethan Martinbianco, a senior at Lake Fenton High School, prepares a menu item for THE NAACP's Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics. He won a bronze medal for his efforts. **Submitted photo**

Rankin's menu honored her grandmother. "My favorite thing she would make was her chicken and dumplings and fried chicken," said Rankin of her menu that included southern fried chicken salad and chicken quenelles with parsnip and carrot noodles.

ACT-SO includes 32 competitions in STEM, humanities, business, and performing, visual and culinary arts. Almost 300,000 young people have participated from the program since its inception.

## BLESSINGS

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acts, starting with brand new musicians from A Joyful Noise Music Studio in Fenton and ending with professional band Modern Blue. "It was a wonderful new, great fundraiser for us," Gietzen-Stewart said. This fundraiser generated \$501 for Blessings in a Backpack.

For more information, go to [blessingsinabackpack.org](http://blessingsinabackpack.org) and find Holly under "participating communities."

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## NEWS BRIEFS

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### Linden Memorial Day Parade and Community Picnic

The 71st annual Linden VFW Price Crane Robinson Post 4642 Memorial Day services and parade will be held Monday, May 27 at 10 a.m. The parade steps off at 10 a.m., from the front of the VFW Post on Mill Street. It will proceed to the bridge over the Shiawassee River on Bridge Street, where services will be held to honor those who served at sea. The parade will then proceed to the Veterans Memorial section at Fairview Cemetery where the VFW Memorial Day ritual service will be held. After the ceremony at the cemetery, the parade will return to the post where the city of Linden will provide hot dogs, chips, pop or water, and ice cream. Spectators are encouraged to line the parade route with flags, decorated bikes, strollers and wagons to join in the march to the cemetery for services. All current or former military members are encouraged to join the march as well. For those unable to march, transportation will be provided; please call (586) 662-5381 to confirm a spot. Other participant groups are welcome to participate in the parade by marching, a float, historical vehicle or any other appropriate form of participation. If you or your group would like any other information or to participate call (586) 662-5381. Please remember that the parade is a solemn Memorial Day function dedicated to veterans. Signage identifying a float or participant group is encouraged. No political, personal or commercial entries will be allowed. This year marks the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day.

## AIRPORT

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This was the first reading for the request. The second reading will be held May 20.

"It's really good to be back. We waited through a recession that was brutal. We have three houses under construction this year, another lot that's in the process of selling ... we're blessed that we don't have any debt. We have a wonderful homeowners association and we're doing some pretty cool things out there," Welch said.

On Saturday, May 18, Price's Airport will host the Wings & Wheels event, featuring airplane rides and a pancake breakfast benefitting the Horizon Lakes Airpark Homeowner's Association Aviation Youth Scholarship Program. This year, a new Flint youth aviation program will be the beneficiary of the fundraiser.

See myfenton.com for more details on Wings & Wheels.

The airport is also doing work with organizations that ship supplies to third world countries. They're active in Linden events, including hosting the Wings of Mercy 5K on June 22 and allowing the Linden Christmas parade to use the airport as a staging area.

Trustee Ted Goupil said if the flight school was coming back, and Welch said he hopes so.

"We're getting a lot of transient use now compared to what we used to," he said. "I'm very happy for where it's at compared to when we first came here 15, 18 years ago."

## HANNAH

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Not many people like their headshots. Some people say, "my skin looks terrible, I look horrible, I hate my smile" as if they feel like they have to apologize for the way they look. No one is as critical about someone's appearance as that person.

Here's a secret — you look better than you think. (I promise I'm not just saying that because I want you to answer the question.)

If you're one of the hundreds of people who agreed to be in ST, thank you very much.

Opinions offered in this column are the author's alone and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Tri-County Times or its staff. Email Hannah at hball@tctimes.com.

## MICHIGAN VOTES

### 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, May 3.*

### House Bill 4206: Allow schools to not make up lost "polar vortex" school days

To establish that public schools do not have to make up the four class days that were canceled during the extreme cold weather of Jan. 29 to Feb. 2, 2019 (some schools missed fewer days). Under current law, schools are allowed to miss six "snow days" without a financial penalty or having to make-up the lost days. The Senate did not include a House-passed provision requiring school districts to pay hourly workers for hours they did not work on snow days. Note: Due to

a dispute over the hourly workers pay, the Senate did not obtain the super-majority vote required to give the bill immediate effect, meaning it would not go into effect until the following school year; see subsequent votes on this below.

### Passed 38 to 0 in the Senate

Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14)	✗ YES
Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15)	✗ YES
Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22)	✗ YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	✗ YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	✗ YES

### House Bill 4129: Authorize release for medically frail prisoner

To establish a process that allows a prisoner to be transferred to a facility that can provide acute long term medical or mental health treatment or services, if the prisoner's physical or mental health has deteriorated to a point that renders the individual a minimal threat to society. This would not apply to prisoners sentenced to life without parole or first-degree murder.

### Passed 35 to 3 in the Senate

Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14)	✗ YES
Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15)	✗ YES
Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22)	✗ NO
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	✗ YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	✗ NO

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## POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

### DRIVER ARRESTED FOR OPEN WHISKEY BOTTLE

A 47-year-old Davisburg man was arrested for having open liquor in his vehicle when he was pulled over for running a red light in Holly Village on Saturday, May 4. According to police, the man, south-bound on Saginaw Street near Airport Road, was traveling faster than the posted limit. The officer initiated a traffic stop when the man drove through the red light. The driver attempted to conceal a small and open bottle of Jim Beam laying in a puddle of whiskey on the floor mat with his foot. The driver said he was sorry and admitted to drinking some of it on his way home from work.

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## 'SUGAR AND SPICE'

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In addition to her own brood of five, Keech also has an entire classroom of kids as a first grade teacher at Patterson Elementary School in Holly. "Being a teacher fits my personality," she said. "I never sit still. I'm definitely hardwired to be on the go."

Her kids keep their family busy with an assortment of sports activities, including lacrosse, track, soccer and oldest daughter Cecelia is a junior handler with the American Kennel Club. Adding to the busy mix are two huge Newfoundland dogs Bowie, 3, and Boomer, 12 weeks, plus Buddy, a 1-year-old Swiss guinea pig.

"The biggest challenge is making each daughter feel equally valued, cherished as much as the next and beautiful in her own way," Keech said. "However, I don't treat my children all the same. Being a teacher, I know how

unique each individual child is."

She can already see that the teen years will bring new challenges, compared to when she was growing up. "We're both going through it blindly," she said, of her oldest daughter. "When I was a kid, we didn't have all the phone stuff, like Snapchat. It's a more ruthless

time. We have to teach them to be confident in who they are and to have a 'tough skin,' too."

The biggest challenge the Keech family has faced is Phoebe's diagnosis of leukemia when she was just 21 months old.

"She had chemo for two-and-a-half years," Keech said. "In just over a year, she can be considered cured."

Keech admitted that this cancer diagnosis totally changed their world and still affects their family dynamics. "For the first four to six weeks after her diagnosis, we were in a dark place," Keech said. "But we quickly decided we

weren't going to let this define who we are as a family. It wasn't going to tear us apart; it was going to make us stronger. Focusing on the positivity pulled us out of that dark place."

This experience did change Keech's parenting approach. "I used to be a little more carefree and laidback," she said. "But watching your child fight for her life and advocating for her care and needs created a fierceness in me. That, and humor, has helped us weather the toughest of storms."



## SUMMARY

■ Carrie Keech, 42, is the mother of five daughters and will be celebrating Mother's Day with her husband, Tom, their family and her parents and in-laws.

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### LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

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### House Bill 4440: Revise marijuana licensure deadlines and sanctions

To make operating a marijuana facility without a license grounds for a one-year disqualification for a marijuana business getting a permanent license. This refers to the transition from a system of medical marijuana facility licenses to the voter-approved recreational marijuana legalization and licensure regime, which has been delayed several times due to officials' inability to process applications in a timely manner, and other factors.

**Passed 102 to 4 in the House**

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) ☒ YES  
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) ☒ YES

### House Bill 4206: Allow schools to not make up lost "polar vortex" school days

To establish that public schools do not have to make up the three class days that were canceled during the extreme cold weather of Jan. 29 to Feb. 2, 2019. Under current law, schools are allowed to miss six "snow days" without a financial penalty and without having to make up the lost days at the end of the school year. The bill lets schools that used up their six snow days avoid penalties for missing an additional three-day period "for which the governor has issued an executive order declaring a state of emergency." Districts that missed up to 14 days but made up the lost hours on other school days would also avoid penalties. Also, to require school districts to compensate hourly workers for the pay they lost due to no school on those three days.

**Passed 101 to 7 in the House**

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) ☒ YES  
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) ☒ YES

## GRANTS

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an Art & Cultural Charrette. The public Charrette session will seek input from the community regarding specific art and cultural programs and opportunities that would enhance the quality of life in the community. The Programs and Services Matching Grant will be used to fund art and cultural programming in the community.

“We intend to expand our inaugural summer arts camps program for children throughout June, July and August,” said Chairman Patricia Lockwood, mayor pro tem for the city of Fenton. “The youth program for ages 7-16 will encompass Undercover Artists Kids Camp, Art and Design Camp, and Plein Air Watercolor Workshop that is conducted by renowned artist Denise Willing-Booher. In addition, we are planning a book author series with local, regional and nationally recognized

writers to encourage, engage and support community readership and writing.”

### Share Art Genesee Program

The Share Art Genesee Program was established to provide grants to build the capacity of local arts organizations in reaching their potential in transforming communities into vibrant, inclusive destinations with a unique sense of place.

The program is funded in whole by Genesee County Arts Education and Cultural Enrichment Millage, approved by the Genesee County voters in August 2018.

Greg Fiedler, president and CEO of

GFAC said, “We thank the voters of Genesee County for recognizing the important role the arts play in the lives of all those who reside here and approving this grant program to support arts education, and cultural enrichment programs at nonprofit and governmental arts and cultural institutions in Genesee County.”

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**Greg Fiedler**  
GFAC president and CEO

## Grants

**Fenton Community Orchestra**  
**\$30,000**

*Programs & Services Grant*

**Fenton Village Players**  
**\$27,000**

*Programs & Services Grant*

**Fenton Arts Council**  
**\$5,000**

*Programs & Services Grant*

**Fenton Arts & Culture Commission**  
**\$14,400**

*Programs & Services Grant*

**Fenton Arts & Culture Commission**  
**\$4,500**

*Cultural Planning Grant*

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

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**A QUESTION FOR** those who believe that a 10-week-old fetus is not a human being. If a pregnant woman is murdered, should the suspect be charged with killing just her or her and her baby?

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**LET'S FIGURE THIS** out — 1,585 voters voted 'yes' for the pathway. \$14 million divided by 1,585 voters equals \$8,833 each. \$8,833 divided

by 10 years equals \$884 per year each. \$884 divided by 365 days equals only \$2.42 per day. Pathways on the way. Git 'Er Done.

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**GEORGIA GOV. BRIAN** Kemp signed into law one of the nation's most restrictive abortion laws, a measure that bans the procedure once a fetal heartbeat can be detected.

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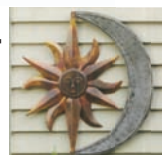
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misdemeanors. She also must permanently relinquish her license to be a police officer in Michigan, according to the Michigan Attorney General’s office, which prosecuted the case in Van Buren County.

Danishevskaya was chief of police in Bangor for just seven months, but initially

faced 25 felony counts from her time there. According to court records, Danishevskaya was charged with 25 counts of uttering and publishing for alleged fraudulent auto inspections. Each is punishable for up to 14 years in prison.

Danishevskaya and six other current and former police officers were charged in 2018 following a statewide FBI investigation centered on improper

salvage vehicle inspections, which the officers were accused of falsifying Secretary of State documents for inspections intended to detect stolen vehicles and parts, the AG office says.

Danishevskaya was hired as the Bangor Police Chief in December of 2014, and abruptly resigned in July 2015.

Prior to this, she was the village of Holly police chief from April 2011 to

September 2012. She resigned after being placed on administrative leave. She cited sexual harassment, and accusations of discrimination at the time, according to a September 2012 Times story.

According to her LinkedIn page, she currently manages a marketing and membership department in one location of an international company with almost \$156 billion in sales per year.

PUBLIC NOTICE  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON  
BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS  
MAY 6, 2019

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday May 6, 2019 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
2. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$478,658.26.
4. Conducted a public hearing on, and first reading of, a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the PUD conditions in the Horizon Lakes Airpark development.
5. Adopted Ordinance No. 806, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone parcel 06-10-300-014 (Lahring Road) from R-3 to PUD.
6. Conducted the first reading of a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to allow less intensive uses by special use permit within certain zoning districts.
7. Accepted an offer for the purchase of tax-reverted parcel 06-05-400-015 (vacant property on Linden Road).
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-09 to allow elected or appointed officials to participate in public meetings when absent due to military duty.
9. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-10, approving Fenton Township’s Support Emergency Operations Plan.
10. Approved a revised Genesee County Road Commission cost proposal for a paved apron at the intersection of Odell Road and Linden Road.
11. Approved a letter of support committing \$168,750.00 in the year 2022 toward the replacement of the Hogan Road Bridge over the Shiawassee River.
12. Adopted amendments to the 2019 Fenton Township Budget.
13. Adopted a proclamation designating May 16, 2019 as National Public Transportation Day.
14. Accepted the resignation of Tyler Smith from the Fenton Township Fire Department.
15. Approved the hiring of David Strominger as a member of the Fenton Township Fire Department.
16. Recessed the open meeting at 8:37 p.m. for the purpose of convening a closed session to discuss pending litigation in the matter of Bjorklund vs. Fenton Township.
17. Reconvened the open meeting at 8:49 p.m.
18. Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at [www.fentontownship.org](http://www.fentontownship.org).

ROBERT E. KRUG  
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

HOT LINE CONTINUED

**SOUTHERN LAKES PARKS & Recreation Proposal** — 100 percent of precincts reporting — ‘No,’ 2,875, 64 percent. ‘Yes,’ 1,585, 36 percent. Good news voters. I hope those in charge hear loud and clear going forward that we are tired of being bled dry with nothing to show for it here in Michigan.

**TRAIL VOTERS NEW** song is ‘Hit the Road Jack.’

**I KNOW THAT** people feel very strongly about abortion, but let me just say this: Women and their doctors are in the best position to make informed decisions about what is best for them.

**TO ANSWER A** question regarding the bike path. No, homeowners were not contacted regarding a 14-foot wide pathway going through their front yards. This will severely affect properties and their values. Funny how negative comments disappear from pages supporting the path.

**IF SOMEONE CALLS** you asking for anything and you don’t know the caller personally, hang up. Don’t answer any questions. Don’t even say one word. Just hang up.

**WISE DECISION BY** voters on the pathways. Next up, save us from the huge school increase. Vote ‘no’ on school mills increase.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTED AND PROPOSED  
ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

At their meeting of May 6, 2019, the Fenton Township Board took the following actions regarding Zoning Ordinance amendments:

1. Adopted Ordinance No. 806, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone parcel 06-10-300-014, (located on the north side of Lahring Road, east of Jennings Road), from R-3 (Single Family Residential) to PUD (Planned Unit Development).
2. Conducted a public hearing and first reading for a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the PUD conditions for the Horizon Lakes Airpark development to allow the construction of 15 airplane hangars.
3. Conducted the first reading of a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to permit less intensive uses by special use permit in non-residential and non-agricultural zoning districts.

The second reading of the two proposed ordinances will be conducted at the May 20, 2019 Fenton Township Board meeting.

Complete copies of the adopted and proposed ordinances may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The ordinances are also available on Fenton Township’s website at [www.fentontownship.org](http://www.fentontownship.org).

ROBERT E. KRUG  
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

# Linden Eagles defeat Holly, move to second in Metro

By David Troppens

After a slow start in the Flint Metro League, the Linden varsity girls soccer team has slowly made it back up to near the top of the standings. With just one league game remaining, the Eagles

moved up into a tie for second place with Flushing by beating the Holly Bronchos 5-0 on Wednesday.

The Eagles (5-0-2 in the Metro League and 11-4-1 overall) only led 1-0 at

halftime, but scored four second-half goals to take control of the game. The Bronchos (3-1-2 in the Metro) made an early push to contend for the league crown.

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## Sports

Linden's  
Melanea Strauss

Photo by  
Chris Summers

# Tigers' bats lead sweep against Holly Bronchos

By David Troppens

**Fenton** — It was a battle between a team expected to contend for the Flint Metro League title with great experience versus another team that is young and rebuilding at Fenton High School, Thursday.

The Tigers were the experienced varsity softball team, and showed it, earning a 13-3 and 17-6 doubleheader sweep against the Holly Bronchos.

The victories continued the Tigers' hot hitting stretch, making it the sixth and seventh games out of the last eight contests that Fenton scored double-digit runs.

In the opening game, some of those runs were Fenton's offense doing. Some of the runs were Holly's inexperience on defense as well. Holly started just fine, taking a 3-0 lead early on, however, the Tigers scored eight runs on five hits, a hit batter, three errors and many questionable defensive decisions by the Bronchos. The Tigers



Fenton's Madison Dunkel slides safely into home plate in the Tigers' doubleheader sweep against the Holly Bronchos. Photo: David Troppens

(10-2 in the Metro and 16-4 overall) had their first seven batters reach base. Hailee Prater singled to start the inning and Jessica Dunkel and Cadyn

Reger reached base on fielder's choice plays that got no runners out. In fact, a run scored, making it 3-1.

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Holly's Taylor Barrett won her match against Flushing. Photo: David Troppens

## Bronchos remain perfect in Metro

By David Troppens

If you look at a Holly varsity girls tennis schedule and it says there's a home meet, don't believe it.

Due to bad court conditions, the Bronchos haven't played a home meet in two seasons. However, it hasn't kept the girls from being their ol' dominant selves.

In what was a dual between undefeated league foes, the Holly Bronchos (6-0) crushed Flushing (6-1) by an 8-0 score.

The victory was even more convincing than the score may indicate because of the eight flights, only one of the eight victories went into a third set. Two of the matches actually finished 6-0, 6-0.

"It is amazing, for all the difficulties of playing every match and every tournament on the road, combined with the chaos that Michigan spring weather already creates, our players continue to not make excuses and give 100 percent of their effort each and every day," Holly varsity girls tennis coach Will Sophia said.

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# Fenton takes advantage of Holly walks : Lake Fenton soccer defeats Genesee Christian, 4-1

By David Troppens

**Fenton** — Walks will drive baseball coaches crazy.

They certainly tested the Holly varsity baseball team's patience Thursday against area rival Fenton.

The Tigers (9-2 in the Metro) had just five hits but were walked 15 times, leading to a 10-4 victory in the first game of the doubleheader. The second contest was tied at 2-2 when the game was suspended entering the bottom of the fifth due to darkness.

Holly (5-3 in the Metro) edged out to an early 2-0 lead in the opening game. With two out in the first inning, Garrett VanGilder and Jack DeVries hit back-to-back singles. Jacob Hild then hit a ground ball that was booted, allowing Holly to take a 1-0 lead.

In the second inning, Ben Gramer, Nolan Jenkinson and Trey Ridgway had consecu-



Fenton's Andrew Fox runs to second base as Holly's Breden Kreft tries to make the tag. Photo: David Troppens

tive singles, loading the bases. VanGilder eventually walked with the bases loaded, making it a 2-0 Holly lead.

Fenton tied the game with two runs in the second. Logan Welch walked and an

out later Brendan Alvord singled. Another out later, a crazy running play resulted in a defensive error, allowing two runs to score.

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By David Troppens

**Lake Fenton** —

In short, the first half didn't go as planned for the Lake Fenton varsity girls soccer team.

The Blue Devils controlled the ball most of the half, but occasionally Genesee Christian would sneak out a break and get a shot.

One of those shots resulted in a 1-0 Soldiers' halftime lead. The Blue Devils knew they had to do something about it in the second half, and they did. The Blue Devils scored four second-half goals, earning a 4-1 league victory.

"We dominated possession (in the first half) but they did



Lake Fenton's Grace Rhoades battles with a Genesee Christian player in the Blue Devils' 4-1 victory. Photo: David Troppens

a good job and scored on a counter," Lake Fenton varsity girls soccer coach Spencer Quick said.

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## Fenton golfers undefeated in Metro

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity boys golf team continues to mow down the Metro League opposition.

The season began with the Tigers defeating the field at the first Metro meet by 21 strokes. Since then, the Tigers have gone 5-0 in duals, with no one coming any closer than 12 strokes to the Tigers.

Fenton earned its fifth dual victory by a pretty impressive standard on Tuesday, defeating Flushing 165-188. The Tigers earned their sixth dual victory on Thursday, beating Swartz Creek 169-181.

Against Flushing, JP McArdle led the Tigers with a 40 while Dylan Conte and Braden Lapa shot 41s. Grant Carr capped the Tigers' varsity score with a 43.

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## Fenton softball's offense stays hot vs. Powers

Scoring runs comes pretty easy for the Fenton varsity softball team.

The Tigers have scored plenty in recent weeks, collecting double-digit run scores in four of five games in

recent times.

That trend continued during a doubleheader sweep against Powers when the Tigers won the opening game 12-10 and the second contest 13-3.

## LF track squads take on Goodrich, Bendle

The Lake Fenton varsity track teams found themselves in an interesting situation Tuesday.

In what was a dual meet against

Goodrich and Bendle, the Blue Devils experienced an event that included squads from Hamady and Corunna. In fact, the meet was at Corunna.

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# FLaX Heat defeat Red Hawks, 16-3

By David Troppens

The Fenton/Linden varsity girls co-op lacrosse squad continues to dominate the Metro League.

The FLA X Heat (the co-op's name) defeated the Holly/Brandon co-op 16-3, Tuesday.

The Heat scored the game's first seven goals and led 9-1 at halftime. The Heat also won the second half, 7-2, earning the easy win.

"Kyle Bliss was outstanding in goal," Heat coach Roger Ellis said. "The mid-field and attack added to the team defense and forced several turnovers with their timely defensive double teams.

"The draw circle had its problems early on, but they picked it up just before halftime."

"The Red Hawks improved from the previous match against Fenton/Linden and will continue to look at ways to improve," Holly/Brandon coach Jason



Holly/Brandon co-op girls lacrosse player Erica Froman (left) drives down field during a recent game against the Fenton/Linden co-op team.

Photo: David Troppens

Freeman said. "The Red Hawks' enthusiasm continues to be their strength and the young players are improving with each game."

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## Holly/Brandon lacrosse earns first win of season

By David Troppens

It's been two years since the Holly/Brandon varsity girls lacrosse team has won a contest.

That streak ended on Monday. The Red Hawks defeated Avondale 10-4.

It was more than a win, it was a game of some other firsts as well. For example, McKenzie Valerio and Jaylin Dzendzel each scored their first goals of their career. Maycee Curtis sparked the offense with a strong four-goal attack, while Kayce Caldwell, Abby Rakowski, Sam Lilly and McKenna Da-

vis each scored goals.

"Ella Bilbia and Anna Graebner were excellent with passing and generating offense," Red Hawks' coach Jason Freeman said. "Chloe Soles, Isabel Varela, Abby Campbell, Kristen Starks, Jaylin Dzendzel and Emily McHalpine were playing lock down defense the whole game. Maycee Curtis and Sam Lilly dominated the draws allowing the offense to attack."

In net, McHalpine started and gave up three goals in the first half.

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## PREP REPORT

### BOYS GOLF

► **Holly 176, Brandon 177:** The Bronchos remained undefeated in Metro action, beating Brandon. Matt Moller shot a season best 40.

► **Holly 186, Clio 189:** The Bronchos edged the Mustangs at Clio Country Club with Danny Mathews leading the squad with a 44.

► **Linden 179, Brandon 187:** The Eagles were led by freshman Andrew

Skellenger who posted his best nine-hole score of the season, a three-over-par 38. Drew Krueger carded a 43 while Kyle Cygnar shot a 48. Devin Hubbard shot a 50. The Eagles (3-3) have already matched their dual win total from last season.

### GIRLS SOCCER

► **Freeland 4, Linden 2:** Alicia Otman and Emma Draper had a goal each while Molly James had an assist.

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## Fenton soccer closing in on Metro League title

The Fenton varsity girls soccer team is a victory away from defending its Metro League championship.

As they continue their push for a league title, the Tigers took a game off to play a non-league game against Lapeer.

## Fenton tennis defeats Brandon Blackhawks, 7-1

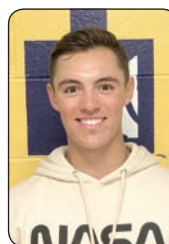
The Fenton varsity tennis team struggled earlier this spring, but it seems like the team is entering bright-

er days lately.

The Tigers crushed Brandon in a recent meet 7-1.

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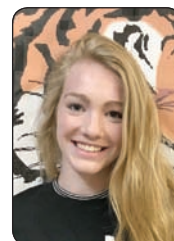
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