Judge to decide on accused shooter's insanity plea

■Three years after killing, trial comes to an end; baby who survived turns 3

By Hannah Ball

Closing arguments are finished in the case of a Grand Blanc woman who is accused of shooting and killing two women at the Grand Oaks Apartment complex in Grand Blanc. Judge Joseph Farah in the Genesee County Circuit Court will make a decision on Jacquelyne Faye Tyson's, 57, insanity plea on July 9, nearly three years after the fatal incident.

In July 2016, Tyson entered the Grand Oaks Apartments offices and allegedly shot Lyric Work, 20, formerly of Linden, and Tamara Johnson, 45, from Mt. Morris. See INSANITY PLEA on 23A







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Congratulations 2019 graduates



Holly Academy Director of Special Education Jen Burns (right) leads 40 returning alumni seniors, including Chloe Wagner (center), through the halls of the school for a clap-out Wednesday, June 12. As a former math teacher, this was Burns' last group of students she taught before eventually moving on to her current position. See story on Page 6A. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Family patriarch is prime example of great father, grandfather

■Roger Sharp Sr.'s sons celebrate him this Father's Day

By Vera Hogan

The tri-county area is rich with men who are wonderful fathers and grandfathers, those who are outstanding examples of how to live life to the fullest with respect and compassion for others, and show their own children **See PATRIARCH** on 10A



Roger Sharp Sr. is shown here in 2007 with baby granddaughter, Remy, who is now 12. Submitted photo

'Historic' no-fault reform has passed

■What will this mean for Michigan motorists beginning July 2020?

By Tim Jagielo

On Wednesday, June 12, Michigan's new, no-fault

bill became a law. It went into immediate effect, but policies won't change until July of 2020.

Named "PA0021," this bill is the result of both

See NO-FAULT on 19A





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Father's Day is 'Super Bowl Sunday' for area golf courses

■Seasoned and novice golfers turn out in full force for golf's biggest holiday of the year

By Sally Rummel

Rain may have dampened the early golf season so far in the tri-county area, but there's plenty of enthusiasm for the sport this Father's Day Weekend — considered by many to be the Super Bowl of Golf.

"It's typically a sell-out," said Chris White, owner of Fenton Farms Golf Club in Fenton Township. "Even people who don't regularly play come out on Father's Day."

With Father's Day on Sunday, this weekend promises to be a big weekend for local golf, in the middle of Michigan Golf Month in June. On the national scene, the U.S. Open June 13-16 in Pebble Beach, California, will also heat up the links.

White suggests that golfers show up at least 20 minutes before their tee-time and keep the pace moving to accommodate all the holiday golfers.

"We've got 120 golfers on the books already," said John Utter, director of



A golfer plays at Fenton Farms Golf Club in Fenton Township on a past early spring day. Father's Day is expected to be one of the busiest days of the year. **Times file photo**

golf at Ironwood Golf Club & Indoor Golf Center in Howell. "It's one of our biggest days."

Nick Thompson, PGA golf pro at Hartland Glen Golf Course, said Father's Day is like Christmas. "We'll be busy across the board with regulars and those who only play once a year."

Tiger Woods' win at the Masters in **See GOLF** on 15A

Jake Stone, 23, makes career out of golf in Florida

By Sally Rummel

For one young native Fenton Township man, the game of golf has become his professional dream career. Jake Stone, son of Jeff and Sharon Stone, is an assistant golf professional at Trump Na-

tional Doral in Miami, Florida. The 2013 Powers High School grad attended MSU and then graduated from the Golf Academy of America in



Jake Stone

Myrtle Beach, North Carolina in December 2018, and landed this position soon after.

He's back home for a week to attend the 19th annual Brad Stone

See JAKE STONE on 15A



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Mark my words

By Mark Rummel

Two great but scary websites

ou will either love or hate knowing about these two websites. Actually, I predict you'll quickly decide to use them, but I expect you'll be frightened by them at the same time. And you probably should be.

I was seeking a fast way to find mailing addresses for some acquaintances, so I could send them "cheer up" cards (yes, I still send "snail mail" cards. That's a topic for another day.)

That's when I came upon the TruePeopleSearch.com website. Simply type in the person's name and city, and you'll find exact addresses, including their nine-digit Zip Code. You'll even find their exact age (that's kind of scary to be sure.)

But there's so much more information offered when you click on the "View All Details" button former mailing addresses, landline and cell phone numbers and even email addresses (I have found that many of these addresses are outdated.)

Even more scary are the other details offered — possible relatives, people you may associate with and even hints at your court, marriage and arrest records. Most of this data is available for

free and with no further effort on your part, but remember they DO want you to continue clicking on their paid links, where you can purchase even more information.

You can also use True People Search if you have an unknown phone number (Reverse Phone) or have a street address you'd like to know more about (Reverse Address) with limited success.

Most of the information found here seems to be compiled from public documents such as leases, mortgages, loans and land transfers. I find this site fascinating yet very frightening, because of how much they know about you.

Now, I expect the first thing you'll try is to enter your own name, which is a normal and human thing to do. Then, you'll probably enter a family member, neighbor, friend and then enemy. It all comes up quickly, anonymously and at no



cost. They seem to know more about us than we do.

Since you're already searching, here's the second similar and scary website to explore: FamilyTreeNow.com in any browser. This one gives you census history plus more details when you click on "Living People Records." It also encour-

ages you to buy more access — but don't do that. Just keep searching the free areas, to shudder a little, while you learn a lot.

While we're sharing internet websites, here's one for you that's just for fun ... but, I'll bet you'll spend too much time on it, as I do. Go to CelebrityNetWorth.com to learn how much famous people make. For instance, Michigan's own Bob Seger is worth \$45 million, the site says. These are educated guesses, but they are oh such fun time-wasters, with a good helping of gossip thrown in for free.

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ITHINK WE dodged a bullet by not approving the new bike path between Fenton and Linden. With the warm weather, I've seen more joggers. They apparently prefer the road to a sidewalk 6 feet away. No sense creating paths that won't be used.

THE U.S. IS on track to catch and release 1 million illegal aliens. If half are adult and half are children (\$139.40/day per adult, \$775/day per child; 44-day average stay) that'll be a \$20 billion savings.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP IS mostly a farming community and the feral cats served a purpose. There have been financial losses due to an overpopulation of rodents. Whoever is responsible for the cat killing needs to make monetary compensation for damages caused to the farmers.

I AM HAPPY about the fireworks restrictions. If you love shooting them off nonstop, you need to grow up. If it upsets you, go drive your huge pickup truck around and drink an energy drink to calm down.

What is the best advice your dad ever gave you?

Compiled by Logan Shanafelt, intern | Streettalk



"Always do your own work. You don't get anything for free."



"Responsibility. You have to be responsible for what you do and accept the events."



"To be honest and to do what is right, even when nobody is looking. He followed that his whole life."

Carole Griswold



"He taught me how to drive. He said to always have a 'swivel head.' He taught me how to drive a stick shift."

Barb Book-Anthony



"He wanted us to be serious about school. All three of us went to college. He said to stay in school and do the work."

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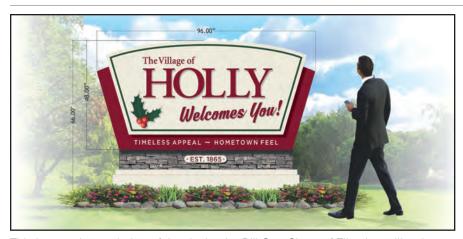
"A good work ethic. He taught me at a young age to work hard and do the right thina."

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This is an artist rendering of the design by Bill Carr Signs of Flint that will welcome visitors and residents as they enter the village of Holly. Submitted illustration

New 'Holly welcomes you!' signs coming

■Will greet guests and promise 'you're going to like it here!'

By Vera Hogan

Visitors and residents will soon see fresh, new signs when they enter the village of Holly.

This week, the Holly DDA (Downtown Development Authority) and Village Council came together to approve the replacement of the community's entrance signs.

"This initiative of replacing the current weathered wooden signs was an effort put forth by Village President Tom McKenney," said DDA Director Katy Golden. "President McKenney feels that our signs at the entrance points to the village are our community's 'front door' and reflect the image of the village.

"We have agreed to purchase five signs over the next two years with possibly a sixth being purchased in the near future," she said.

The signs will replace the existing wooden signs that are already in place. Jim Niestroy of Bill Carr Signs of Flint created the approved design. There will be three new entrance signs to replace the old ones. They will be built and installed this year with additional signs being replaced next year.

"The new signs will take up to 15 weeks to build all of them, we will be installing them as the signs are done," Niestroy said.

Golden said locations of the new signs are: Grange Hall Road east, near the entrance to the Villas of Riverside condo complex; Grange Hall Road west, near Hawaiian Gardens; North Holly Road, near the Middle School; Maple Road, near the Karl Richter Center and Broad Street, near Water Works Park. The sixth sign that may be purchased in the future would be placed on Academy Road

The signs will cost \$14,500 each, which includes installation and removal of the old sign, according to Golden. Five signs will cost \$72,500.

"This is a joint project between the Holly DDA and the Village Council, who will each be paying half of the cost," Golden said. "Three signs will be replaced this calendar year, and two will be replaced next year.

"We would like to warmly greet our residents and visitors and believe that these replacement signs evoke a sense of place and exude a 'welcome home' feeling," she said. "Our image is important to us and these signs reflect the timeless appeal and hometown feel of Holly."

Dick Rossell, DDA board chairman, said, "We're very excited about these new signs which reflect the spirit and enthusiasm which is alive and well here in Holly. I am particularly excited about the positive response from the public."

"This project has been in the pipeline for about a year with some groundwork by village staff members, Katy Golden and Jeremy Watson," said Holly Village President Tom McKenney. "The DDA and, in particular, the Design Committee under the leadership of its chairperson, Dr. Steve Sulfaro seized

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LASTS AND LASTS AND LASTS:

Charter school celebrates graduating seniors who attended Holly Academy

By Tim Jagielo

Holly Twp. — High school graduates wearing a variety of colored robes and mortarboards walked waving past the current body of Holly Academy students. All 640 students offered their applause and outstretched hands for high-fives.

Forty seniors representing 13 school districts returned to their elementary school for an alumni clap-out Wednesday, June 12, with parents and staff taking photos with students they taught many years ago.

"For most of them, this is where it started," said Principal Jennifer Pottieger.

Fourth grade math teacher Tracy Vana said she had all these students when she used to teach fifth grade. She embraced them as they made their way through the gymnasium. "I was just about crying; I still might," she said. "It's so very exciting."

Lake Fenton senior Dylan Hillger, 18, went to Holly Academy from kindergarten through eighth grade. "It feels good, very nostalgic," he said.

Fenton graduate Chloe Wagner, 17, was there for grades three through eight.



Recently graduated seniors walk through the halls of their former elementary school, Holly Academy, on Wednesday, June 12. More than 40 graduates of various districts were recognized by 640 academy students along with parents and staff. Photo: Tim Jagielo

She has since returned after moving on to Fenton, but not with all these classmates she left at eighth grade. "Just having everyone back in one place is really cool and it just brings back so many memories," she said. "It's just great to be here."

Chloe's brother, Dalton Wagner, 17, echoed their responses. The trio was chatting after a large group photo.

Aside from Holly High School graduates, there were Fenton, Lake Fenton, Linden, Hartland, Lakeland, Walled Lake North, Notre Dame Prep, International Academy West and a student from Dorman, South Carolina.

This is the second year they have "clapped out" alumni seniors. Potteiger said they had 25 in their inaugural year.

"We believe this is important for both our graduating seniors as it provides them the opportunity to return to their elementary and middle school and share their accomplishments with us," Potteiger said. "An added bonus is our younger students have the opportunity to celebrate our alumni."

All local school districts have graduated their seniors for the 2019 school year.



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Seniors graduating from multiple school districts take a photo in front of the Holly Academy sign Wednesday, June 12. This is the second year alumni are invited back for recognition at their former elementary school. **Photo: Tim Jagielo**

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Dan Kildee

U.S. congressman (MI-05)

■Consumers would be able to revoke consent to being called

By Hannah Ball

The Stopping Bad Robocalls Act could help reduce those annoying telemarketer calls to your phone.

Cosponsored by local Democrat Congressman Dan Kildee (MI-05), deputy whip of the House Democratic Caucus, this bill would create more consumer protections for authorized calls and give the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) more tools to stop robocalls. This includes requiring incoming calls to have authentic caller identification before coming to the customers, as well as requiring telephone carriers to confirm that calls are from a verified caller.

"Michiganders are sick and tired of robocalls and attempts to scam people from their hard earned money," Kildee said in a public statement. "We know the number of robocalls has significantly increased and it is important to stop bad actors. This bill would use new technolo-

gies to help curb unwanted robocalls that millions of Michiganders are facing."

According to a press release from the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, an estimated 26.3 billion unwanted calls were sent in 2018 in the U.S. This is a 46-percent increase from 2017.

"The staggering number of unwanted calls are returning huge profit margins for robocallers, with every dollar spent by robocallers returning as much as \$20 profit -a 2,000-percent profit margin.

Thoughsomerobocalls are initiated by legitimate companies, robocalls are

also used by scammers to steal from consumers, with more than 22 million Americans losing a total of \$9.5 billion in robocall scams in 2016 alone," the release states.

The bill defines "robocalls" as "a call or text message made using equipment that makes a series of calls to stored telephone numbers, included telephone numbers

stored on a list, or to telephone numbers produced using a random or sequential number generator; or a call made using an artificial or prerecorded voice."

It does make an exception for calls made on equipment that requires substantial human intervention.

> The Act would amend the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, and calls for more consumer protections for specified exemptions, such as student debt collectors. The FCC would have to specifically state which parties can make the calls, who can be called. the purposes for which

calls can be made, the number of calls allowed for exemptions and an option for consumers to opt out of receiving the calls.

A year after the Act would go into effect, the FCC would require telephone service providers to authenticate the source of calls. The service would be free for consumers.

The FCC would be required to create a nationwide database of numbers from persons that may not have consented to being called. Robocallers would be required to use it. People can revoke their previous consent to being called at any time.

One section requires the FCC to submit annual reports to Congress detailing the progression in stopping robocalls. Information provided must include the following: complaints alleging violations of this act; complaints alleging that a call transmitted misleading or inaccurate caller identification information; numbers of citations issued; amount of criminal fines collected and more.

It must include recommendations for how to reduce nuisance calls by at least 50 percent each year. The bill also establishes a four-year limit statute of limitations on crimes mentioned in the act, extended from the current one-year limit.

It was introduced to Congress by Energy and Commerce Chairman Frank Pallone Jr. (D-NJ) in February and is being considered by the Communications and Technology Committee.



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PATRIARCH

Continued from Front Page how to do the same.

Roger Sharp Sr., 75 is such a man and the patriarch of one of the most well-known and respected families in the tri-county area. He is the owner of Sharp Funeral Homes, with chapels in Fenton, Linden and Grand Blanc Township and Swartz Creek. It is a family business.

His son, Roger (RJ) Sharp II, 44, has been married to Jennifer Sharp for 13 years. They have three daughters — Remy, 12, Mason, 10 and Parker, who is 6 years old.

"My father has been a great influence in my life, both professionally and personally,"

RJ said. "We have always worked very closely together being in a family business. He has taught me the importance of community, client service, giving back, and always caring for the less fortunate.

"Always putting family first is something I learned from my dad," RJ said. "We are always so busy and things that are urgent but less important can take



The Roger Sharp Sr. family. Sharp Sr. is shown in the back row with his son-in-law Mike Scully (left) and Roger (RJ) Sharp II (right). Seated are (left) Jennifer Sharp Scully and Stephanie Sharp Foster, Sharp Sr.'s daughters. Submitted photo

precedence over things that are less urgent but much more important — like attending your children's sporting events or school events, taking family vacations or just spending quality time with your children."

RJ said that being a protector of your children, always looking out for their best interest, letting them fail if necessary but being present and helpful to assist them in recovering from a failed situation, are all lessons he's learned from his dad. Also, family comes first. "No matter what happens, we are family and we always protect and care for one another. If we disagree we solve it immediately and continue loving one another.

"And to always give back," RJ said. "Everyone, no matter what, has blessings in their lives to be grateful for and the best way to show that gratitude to others is giving back. Paying it forward applies to family relationships, community relationships, and business and client relationships.

"One funny story that comes to mind about the type of father he is happened when I was little kid," RJ said. "He had just purchased a new hearse or ambulance and he told me that when he kicked the bumper the car would start. He kicked the bumper and it started. I was amazed. He did it one or two more times. Later, I found out that he had an employee in the car who was turning on the ignition when he kicked the bumper.

"My father has always been a selfless and giving businessman. He has sacrificed so much of his life for family, friends and community," RJ said. "I want my children to learn that from him and from me.

"Being in business with your father is very rewarding, but I won't lie, it can also be very challenging, One lesson he has always taught me is we 'never go home angry.' If we disagree on a situation, we always solve our disagreement before the end of that business day. This has been invaluable to our business and family relationship."

RJ said Roger Sr., is a wonderful grandpa. "It has been so wonderful to see my children embrace him as their grandfather. It has also been great to see how he embraces them as grandchildren."

Sharp Sr.'s son-in-law, **Mike Scully**, 55, has been married to Jennifer Sharp Scully for 19 years. Jennifer is Sharp Sr.'s daughter. The Scullys are parents to twins, Paige and Sam. They are 11 years old and sixth-graders this fall.

"Thave been blessed to have more than one father figure in my life," Scully said. "Roger, my dad, Terry, and my step-dad, Ron, have shown me how to be respect-



Mike Scully and his wife, Jennifer Sharp Scully, pose with their twins Paige and Sam, who are now 11 years old and about to be sixth-graders at St. John School in Fenton. Submitted photo



Roger (RJ) Sharp Jr. and his wife, Jennifer, pose with their three daughters — Remy, Mason and Parker. **Submitted photo**

ful, caring and interested in others and their lives.

"Life is precious and as we all know not to be taken for granted," he said. "Roger loves life and lives each day to its fullest. I try to do the same. Giving back to the community has always been one of Roger's greatest attributes. I respect him for that and try to emulate him.

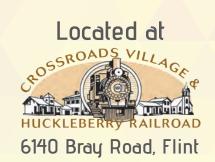
"Working for Roger has not always been easy but I have learned so much about business, people and life," Scully said. "Family is very important to Roger and to me."

Both RJ and Scully say they enjoy family time, especially at the lake, cookouts and family gatherings.



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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

The 47th annual Sloan Museum Auto Fair is again taking place at the historic Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad, on June 22 & 23, 2019. As everyone who attended last year discovered, the setting is beautiful, comfortable, relaxing, and family friendly. Just as important, the roads are perfectly maintained and the grounds groomed to provide a clean, dustless environment in which to showcase your wonderful variety of vehicles.

As it has been for the past 46 years, all of the proceeds from this annual event support the acquisition, restoration, maintenance, and promotion of the Sloan Museum's unique collection of vehicles and archives. This collection is a significant record of the important historical position

ADMISSION PRICES

Adults & Teens \$7

Children under 12 & Active Military Personnel FREE Included: Admission to the show grounds

Proceeds support the restoration & preservation of Sloan Museum's automotive collection and archives for future generations

and Village Only entrance.

Flint and Genesee County hold in the development of the American automobile industry.

There are many ways that you can become involved in this important preservation effort. Register and bring your vehicle, bring your family and friends to the show, volunteer to help organize the event, or take advantage of the variety of promotional opportunities we offer to local businesses.

New for 2019 will be our Bounce House village for kids, live music, and special features, with Antique Tractors, Police Cars, Classic Motorcycles, General Motors Trucks, and A History of Stock Cars. Also, to enhance the awards ceremony on Sunday, vehicles that are to be judged, must register by 11am on Sunday.

A variety of fun family activities will be available at Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad during this year's Sloan Museum Auto Fair. Enjoy trades demonstrations and displays inside the 20 plus buildings, such as the blacksmith, the print shop, the cider mill, toy barn, and historic homes. General admission to the Show will has continued to be \$7 for adults age 12 and up, children 11 and under free are for Village

Only entrance. These prices DO NOT include admission onto the Huckleberry Railroad, Genesee Belle or vintage amusement rides. Train tickets are \$5 and boat tickets will be \$7 per person, ages 24 months and under are free. Vintage amusement ride tickets are \$1.50 or 4 for \$5 and it is one ticket per ride.

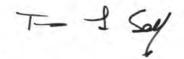
Until June 16, vehicle registration was \$15 for display-only and \$20 for judged vehicles. Registration fees after June 16, including the day of the show,

are \$20 for display-only and \$25 for judged vehicles. Only vehicles that are registered to be judged are eligible to win awards. About 50 awards are presented each year.

When parking your vehicle, please do not drive over the wooden sidewalk. Crossroads Village & Huckleberry

Railroad has made it very clear that no vehicles are to be driven over the wooden sidewalk.

The staff of Sloan Museum, Sloan Museum Auto Fair committee, and Friends of Sloan*Longway are excited to present a very special Sloan Museum Auto Fair this year. See you at the Sloan Museum Auto Fair at Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad on June 22 & 23, 2019.



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JUNE 22 & 23, 2019 SLOAN MUSEUM AUTO FAIR

SHOW SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

Vehicle registration opens 7am

8am-4pm Show car judging 9am Visitor gates open

10am-3pm Kids' make & take model cars

10am-4pm Door prize drawings

12:30pm Tractor Parade through Village

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

7am Vehicle registration opens

Show car judging 8am-noon 9am Visitor gates open

Kids' make & take model cars 10am-2pm

Door prize drawings 10am-1pm

11am-1pm Live Music with Third Degree Burns 12:00pm Non-denominational Church Service

12:30pm Tractor Parade through Village

1 pm Soaring Eagle ticket drawing (must be present) 2pm Feature and special display car awards

3pm Awards ceremony

47th annual Sloan Museum Auto Fair closes 4pm

Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad. A huge thank you to the Genesee County Parks, Garry Pringle, Denise Bowles, Hollie Marlett, Matt Armentrout, and all the staff who have made the transition to a new location as easily as possible.

We have added four great bounce houses for kids to enjoy. Another change is to enhance the Awards Ceremony on Sunday, vehicles that are to be judged must be registered by 11am on Sunday.

Normal Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad activities and amenities will continue during our Auto Fair. The vintage amusement rides, Genesee Belle paddle wheel riverboat, and Huckleberry Railroad will all be in operation. Enjoy trades demonstrations and displays inside the 20 plus buildings, such as the blacksmith, the print shop, the cider mill, the Colewell Opera House and even singing minstrels. General admission to the Show will continue to be \$7 for adults age 12 and up, children

We have returned to the wonderful 11 and under free are for Village Only entrance. These prices DO NOT include admission onto the Huckleberry Railroad, Genesee Belle or vintage amusement rides.

> Saturday and Sunday general admission hours are 9 am till 5 pm.

> Huckleberry Railroad - \$7 per person. 24 months and under are free. Departures on Saturday will be 12 pm, 2pm, 4pm. Departures on Sunday will be 12pm and

> Genesee Belle - \$7 per person. 24 months and under are free. Departures on Saturday and Sunday are 1pm, 2pm, 3pm and 4pm.

> The Charles W. Parker Carousel, Superior Wheel, miniature mechanical pony cart, miniature Flyer Train, Venetian swing, and wheelchair accessible swing: \$1.50 each

> There will be no deluxe ticket reductions. Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad Annual passes can still be used on these

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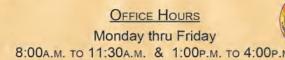
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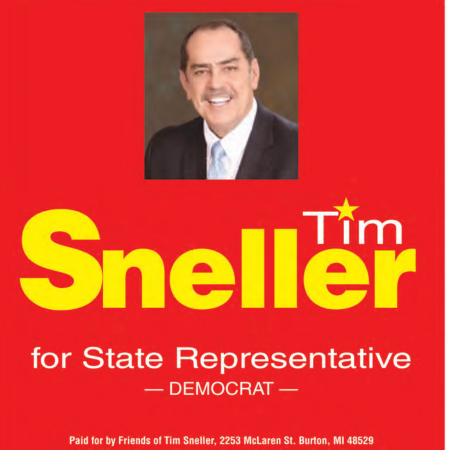


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GOLF

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Augusta, Georgia, gave a strong push to the spring golf season and his high profile presence at the U.S. Open this weekend may also contribute to a strong summer of golf.

"If Tiger can continue to perform at the high level and win major tournaments, it will be good for the industry," said Jason Raney, PGA golf pro at Coyote Preserve Golf Club in Tyrone Township.

Women, minorities and young people are several demographics who have breathed new life into golf, following the recession of the mid-2000s.

Golf is no longer an elite sport — it's a lifetime hobby that can be enjoyed by anyone, even on a budget. "Most Michigan golf courses have greens fees



A group of golf carts are parked ready for golfers at an area course. Several courses already have more than 100 players scheduled to tee off on Father's Day. Times file photos



of \$42 or less," White said.

Several courses offer parent-child rates as low as \$25 to \$30 for both golfers and a cart. "We've got a lot of families taking advantage of our \$30 rate," White said.

Lower greens fees, the loosening of traditional golf rules, including dress codes, music and entertainment, etc.

Junior golf clubs and leagues are some of the factors attracting young golfers.

"We've got a great junior golf program with over 100 kids," said Rick Slaght, head golf pro at Spring Meadows Country Club in Linden.

There's also a new entertainment value to golf that is driving the game. "People

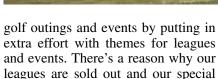
are looking more for 'an experience," White said. "Golf courses that can create an entertainment experience will be more successful. We specialize in

SUMMARY ■ This Sunday,

June 16 is Father's Day and the biggest local golfing event of the season. Plan to be 20 minutes early for your teetime, advises one local golf course owner.

career, I'd have a much better opportunity to do so."

Stone has loved seeing golf embraced by different demographics, including young people and women. "Making the game fun is most important," he said. "TopGolf is a great initiative for youngsters because it introduces them to the game and also implements games to make it more enjoyable. The most influential trend has been the introduction of female golfers all over the world. Many new programs have been introduced by the PGA to grow the game for females. Recently, Augusta National hosted the Women's Amateur, a huge step for golf and ladies all around the world."



events are so well attended. That's how you get people involved."

Women, 24 percent of American golfers, are also being courted to

the greens. At Spring Meadows, four women called Tuesday morning about taking golf lessons. Thompson said that Hartland Glen Golf Course has so many women golfers because of few penalty areas that make the course more user-friendly.

Regardless of gender, golf courses

today are trying to treat all golfers with respect. "We get and understand that this isn't the experience at all courses. But we do try to bend over

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backwards," White said.

Now local golf courses are hoping that Mother Nature will return the favor.



We'll be busy across the

board (on Father's Day) with

regulars and those who play

only once a year. 77

Nick Thompson

PGA golf pro at Hartland Glen Golf Course



SUMMER HOURS BEGIN SOON



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Summer Classic, in memory of his older brother, Brad, and to celebrate Father's Day with his dad and grandpa.

"I interact with guests to ensure a great experience at the resort," Stone said. "I check people in for their tee times, making sure the (pro) shop is neatly presented and I do reports on products coming in and out of the shops." Stone first got interested in golf when his parents signed him up for Flint Junior Golf. "My love for the game has grown over the years, and I've always wanted to make the game more enjoyable for everyone around me. I knew by making it my





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POLICE & FIRE

REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

WINDOW BROKEN IN HOLLY

Sometime overnight between June 8 and 9, someone broke the front window left of the front door at a home on Thomas Street in Holly Village. The owners said the home is vacant awaiting new occupants. There are no suspects.

LIVONIA MAN ARRESTED FOR STEALING WINE IN HOLLY

A 25-year-old Livonia man is lodged at the Oakland County Jail after Holly police arrested him for allegedly stealing two bottles of wine from a Holly Village liquor store Sunday, June 9 at 9:41 p.m. Holly police were dispatched to the store on N. Saginaw Street for a retail fraud complaint. The owner said a white male wearing dark clothing concealed the wine in a backpack and left without paying. Video surveillance captured the suspect on film. Responding officers located the man who eventually admitted to taking the wine. Both bottles, one of which was half-empty, were recovered. A computer check revealed the suspect had eight valid arrest warrants on a variety of offenses in Oakland County. He was turned over to Waterford Police Department on the most recent warrant. Holly police issued him a citation for retail fraud, third degree.

LOADED FIREARM FOUND IN BOX OF DONATED ITEMS

On June 7, a Holly police officer was sent to the Goodwill store on N. Holly Road to investigate a report of a found firearm. The caller told police that while she was going through donation boxes she found a loaded firearm. The worker was not sure who made the donation. Police recovered the firearm and have it stored as evidence.

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WHAT YOU MISSED IN THE

MIDWEEK TIMES

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

The following are stories you may have missed in the **Wednesday**, **June 12**, **Midweek Times**. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282.



Our Future Meet Sophia Clements, a

Clements, a 2019 graduate of Lake Fenton High Scchool.

Local men busted in highprofile sex crimes sting

Genesee County Sheriff's office uses new task force to crack down on underage sex crimes.

'The cat killer of Tyrone'

Accusers say feral feline fatalities are causing rodent infestation.

Bids open for North Road roundabout project

Lowest bid comes in nearly \$92,000 higher than engineer's estimate.

1,300 people take advantage of recycle day

This year's numbers are not yet available but past events have processed 160,000 pounds of hazardous materials from county residents.

A girl and her horse

Lizzi Edgar, with a passion for horses since childhood, is now 26 and a successful equestrian.

Sharin' the spotlight

Editor Sharon Stone shares inspirational story of "fun aunts" of Whaley Children's Center.

Gaines dog sets Guinness World Record

Whippet jumps 35 feet, 3 inches in dock jumping event.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

FYI — ATMOSPHERIC CARBON

dioxide increases every year in late fall as the green foliage that consumes it to make oxygen dies off. When warm weather arrives in spring the CO2 peaks because the dead foliage is decaying and the new foliage hasn't yet grown.

THERE'S A VERY sick person(s) in Tyrone Township. It's a well-known fact that people who kill animals for fun move on to humans next. For the community's safety, please find those responsible for the cat killings and prosecute. My working barn cat was a victim.

THE CAT KILLER of Tyrone needs to be found and held accountable. I have a farm and all my cats are gone. This has caused financial hardship due to rodent infestation and crop loss. These actions are illegal. There needs to be an investigation, prosecution and jail time. The farmers should be compensated.

TO THE PERSON who inferred that nurseries are growing pot. Why would you think the worst of these hard working people? Did you ever consider that they went in debt to build a covered space so they don't have to carry their plants in every night when it's going to frost or even snow?

CYCLING IS FANTASTIC, however, when you cyclists are riding several feet inside of the white line, with traffic flow both ways, it gets a bit unnerving. Idea: cyclists should have to buy and hang a tab to say they pay to ride their bikes on the roads. Those tab funds could increase our road funding, too.

CANADA PLANS TO ban single-use plastics.

THE WORLD ECONOMIC Forum estimates that 90 percent of the plastic ending up in the oceans comes from 10 major rivers, and that currently there are 50 million tons of plastic in the world's oceans. Environmental experts say plastic bags can take centuries to degrade.

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machines. Remember that those machines don't pay any taxes, the saved money goes straight into the company's pocket at our expense. Leave your stuff and walk away. If we all do it, they will quit doing it. It's time to fight back.

I QUESTION WHICH is worse, Mother Nature's hurricanes, tornadoes, floods and fires that do deadly damage to structures and humans, or deaths due to murder, vehicle accidents or other human crimes.



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Grand Blan teen competes for \$100K

■Don't miss Jeopardy! 2019 Teen Tournament

Compiled by Sharon Stone

Shriya Yarlagadda, a sophomore at Grand Blanc High School, is one of 15 teens competing in the Jeopardy! 2019 Teen Tournament. She has a chance at winning \$100,000.

According to jeopardy.com, Yarlagadda will compete in the

quarterfinals against Avi Gupta, a senior from Portland, Oregon and Hannah Nekritz, a senior from Stamford, Connecticut. Their match-up will air Friday, June 21.

Three teens from Charlotte, North Carolina; Macon, Georgia and Sioux Falls, South Dakota will compete June 17. Three teens



Shriya Yarlagadda

from Miami, Florida; Bellaire, Texas and Bakersfield, California compete June 18. Three teens from Canton, Georgia; Wheelersburg, Ohio and Chevy Chase, Maryland compete June 19 and three teens from Louisville, Kentucky; Basking Ridge, New Jersey and Redmond, Washington compete June 20.

Winners will move on to semi-

finals and then finals. Those dates have not been announced.

Residents in this area can watch Jeopardy! weekdays on WDIV NBC Detroit, Monday-Friday at 7:30 p.m.; weekdays on WNEM-DT CBS Flint-Saginaw-Bay City, Monday-Friday at 7 p.m., and daytime Jeopardy! on WNEM-D2 MNT Flint-Saginaw-Bay City, Monday-Friday at 2:30 p.m.









Responders process the scene of a December 2018 crash on Petts Road in Fenton Township. Times file photo

L's important they're

informed so that they

know how this is going

to affect them ... it's

going to affect all drivers

in some fashion. 77

Barbara Walker Hartland Insurance vice president

NO-FAULT

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Michigan houses of congress passing no-fault insurance reform bills, and Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signing the amended bill May 30.

This bill was declared "historic" by several news outlets. The House fiscal agency reports that the bill would amend the Insurance Code to make "substantial changes" to Michigan's no-fault automobile insurance system. This law does not

affect comprehensive coverage.

Barbara Walker, Hartland Insurance vice president, said this is the most significant change to no-fault auto insurance in her 40 years in the business.

"There are lots of people figuring out

exactly what this new law is going to do," she said, adding that right now, it's likely that no one knows exactly what the final bill will look like because tweaks and clarifications are still happening.

Overall, the goal was to reduce the Michigan no-fault auto insurance rates that are often cited as being among the highest in the nation. The main target of the bill was to eliminate the requirement to purchase unlimited personal injury protection (PIP) medical coverage.

Beginning July 1, 2020, this unlimited PIP coverage will no longer be required in Michigan. After July 2020, a person obtaining or renewing their auto insurance would have to choose from several PIP options, running from \$50,000 to unlimited coverage.

Only motorists enrolled in Medic-

aid, or in "qualified health coverage" can choose "Level A" which is only \$50,000 in PIP. Walker said this will translate to a 45-percent reduction in that line of their insurance bill.

Level B is \$250,000 in protection, and a 35-percent reduction. Level C is \$500,000 in coverage with 20-percent reduction.

Keeping unlimited PIP, which is what everyone has now, will be 10-percent lower than previous coverage on

> that specific item. For Walker personally, this is \$12 in saving over an entire year for two vehicles.

Walker guesses that insurance companies will start having rates

60 days out from July 1, 2020. In the meantime, she said she'll be keeping her clients abreast of all the changes as they are made.

and education.

non-resident crash victims the chance to pursue tort liability in the case of a crash. According to the House Fiscal Agency, the non-resident would now need to have suffered death, serious impairment of body function, or permanent serious disfigurement to recover damages for economic loss.

As the law is tweaked and clarified, the Times will provide more information.

FENTON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2019-2020 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Monday, June 24, 2019, at 5:50 o'clock p.m., at the Administration Building located at 3100 Owen Road, Fenton, Michigan, the Board of Education of Fenton Area Public Schools will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2019-2020 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2019-2020 budget until after a public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2019-2020 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Administration Building, 3100 Owen Road, Fenton, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of the hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

Dana L. Jones, Board Secretary Fenton Area Public Schools Board of Education

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Other parts of the legislation are not related to PIP. Non-driving factors can no longer be considered when establishing rates, like home ownership

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North Road lighting with 'more character' authorized

■ Six new poles are part of rehabilitation project that includes new roundabout

By Vera Hogan

While the city waits for the go ahead to start the North Road Rehabilitation project, which will include a roundabout at North and Torrey roads, the Fenton City Council has authorized the purchase of six new light poles for the area.

Because the three lowest bids for the city of Fenton's North Road "round-about" construction project came in nearly \$92,000 higher than estimated, OHM Advisors engineers are currently in the process of going through each of 150 line items to see where cuts can be made to reduce the overall cost.

The city will receive Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) funds to improve North Road, from Oak Park to U.S. 23, which includes the North/Torrey intersection.

Officials voted favorably to purchase the new light poles at their Monday, June 10 meeting.

According to Public Works Director Dan Czarnecki, the new street light design requires additional lighting to light up the entire intersection. Czarnecki said he met with Consumers Energy and it has the ability to place highway poles at the intersection in a manner that would provide the necessary lighting.

"However, the light poles Consumers Energy uses are the standard highway poles," he said. "We wished to have poles that provide a small bit of character to the intersection and to that commercial area."

More research was conducted and a pole was found with "a little character" to light up the intersection, Czarnecki said.

An acceptable pole was found through Millerbend Manufacturing in Winsted Minnesota. From this company's catalog, a black pole will be ordered and will be mounted with a black Lumecon type 3 LED street light.

The project's lighting analysis calls for six streetlights to be placed at the intersection to provide full lighting for safety. The total cost for six poles from Millerbend is \$13,158, which includes shipping.

Once the financial end of the rehabilitation project is straightened out, construction is set to start on the northeast side of Torrey Road to Oak Park after the July 4 holiday and be completed before the start of the school year. The roundabout portion of the project is expected to start after Labor Day and be completed by mid-November.

"The entire project also includes the paying of North Road from Oak Park to Torrey," Czarnecki said. "I would guess those who live on the street and those of us who drive that street many times a week will appreciate it being resurfaced. We will still need to find funds to pave the last portion of North Road, from Adelaide to LeRoy," he said. "By Thanksgiving the current project should be completed and we can be rolling through the areas without a concern for hitting potholes."

BROADWAY-THEMED CONCERT IN OCTOBER

A community concert of Broadway favorites will be performed in October in Holly. Concert organizers have scheduled an informative meeting for Sunday, June 23, from 6 to 7 p.m. at Holly Calvary United Methodist Church, 15010 N. Holly Rd. All are welcome to attend the meeting. Practices start in September. For more information, call the church's music director at (810) 513-5544 and leave message.

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POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

POLICE CHASE THROUGH FENTON RESULTS IN ARREST OF FLINT MAN

A 34-year-old Flint man was arrested following a police chase through Fenton. Lt. Jeff Cross of the Fenton Police Department said officers were dispatched to a retail fraud in progress at Walmart on Owen Road at 8:53 p.m. on Monday, June 10.



While en route, police learned the suspect's vehicle fled eastbound on Owen Road. An officer spotted the vehicle and attempted to pull the vehicle over as it entered northbound U.S. 23. It appeared that the fleeing vehicle was going to stop when it exited at Silver Lake Road, but it didn't stop. An officer pursued the vehicle on eastbound Silver Lake Road, through the parking lot by the Fenton Community & Cultural Center, east on Caroline Street and eventually east on Main Street (Grange Hall Road). It eventually pulled over and stopped near the edge of the city. There were two men and one woman in the vehicle. They were taken into custody and later released. One man, the Flint resident, was arrested for seconddegree retail fraud, possession of cocaine and fleeing and eluding police. He is a parole absconder and police contacted his parole officer. The man is lodged at the Genesee County Jail pending charges. Police recovered the \$400 worth of stolen merchandise and returned it to the

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LaFontaine family celebrates new building



On Thursday, June 13, with friends, family, employees and community members behind him, Ryan LaFontaine, chief operating officer of LaFontaine Automotive Group, cut the ribbon for their new Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram dealership on Silver Parkway in Fenton. The 38,000-square-foot building incorporates many "green" aspects, including a white solar reflective roof, LED lighting, recycled content in 90 percent of building materials, waste stream management, high-efficiency HVAC system and more. Ryan was joined by his sister Kelly LaFontaine, vice president of LaFontaine Automotive Group, along with their parents and other community members, such as State Rep. Mike Mueller and Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn. "I couldn't be happier to have our flagship CDJR dealership located in my hometown of Fenton where my wife and I are raising our five young children," Ryan said in a statement. Photo: Hannah Ball

INSANITY PLEA

Continued from Front Page

Doctors were able to save Work's baby girl, who will be 3 next month.

Tyson is charged with two counts of first-degree premeditated murder and two counts of felony firearm. She is being held without bond. Since the killings, Tyson has been declared incompetent twice, but was found to be competent this past January. She rejected a plea deal late last year.

Tyson underwent months of psychiatric treatment in Ypsilanti. She pleaded guilty but mentally ill or insane in February.

Closing arguments finished Tuesday, June 11. Defense attorney Michael Ewing argued that Tyson was not mentally sound.

According to an article by The Grand Blanc View, Ewing said Tyson's apartment was covered in hundreds of sticky notes and she was known to wear a medical or respiratory mask.

BRIEFS

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE



MCLAREN WELCOMES INTERNIST TO MEDICAL STAFF Shabier Raffee, MD, a board certified internist, has joined the

medical staff at McLaren Flint.
Raffee is seeing patients at
Abdullah Raffee, MD, PC, 5051 Villa
Linde Pkwy., Suite 23, Flint. Raffee
completed his residency at St.
Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti.
He earned his medical degree
from University of Toledo School of
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LOOKING BACK

at this week in HISTORY

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JUNE 16

1963: Aboard Vostok 6, Soviet Cosmonaut Valentina Tereshkova becomes the first woman to travel into space. After 48 orbits and 71 hours, she returned to earth, having spent more time in space than all U.S. astronauts combined to that date.

JUNE 17

1885: The dismantled Statue of Liberty, a gift of friendship from the people of France to the people of America, arrives in New York Harbor after being shipped across the Atlantic Ocean in 350 individual pieces packed in more than 200 cases. The copper and iron statue became known around the world as an enduring symbol of freedom and democracy.

JUNE 18

1967: Jimi Hendrix, Janis Joplin, the Who and the Grateful Dead, four iconic figures on the 1960s music scene entered the American popular consciousness at the Monterey Pop Festival. Held over three days during the height of the Summer of Love,

SIGNS

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on the opportunity earlier this year. A request for proposals was issued and bids and designs were submitted to, and reviewed by the committee, then brought to the full DDA board."

This signage is a good investment, McKenney said. "With few words the signage tells visitors more than where they are. It welcomes guests to Holly at the front door with a tip of the hat and a promise, 'You're going to like it here."

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Niestroy said, "These new signs will have a huge impact on the village of Holly. The design and colors of the signs totally fit the style and what village of Holly is about — Timeless Appeal-Hometown Feel."

the Monterey Pop Festival came to a close on this day in 1967, with a lineup of performers that included all of the aforementioned acts as well as Ravi Shankar, Buffalo Springfield and the Mamas and the Papas.

JUNE 19

2013: James Gandolfini, best known for his role as New Jersey crime boss Tony Soprano on the TV series "The Sopranos," dies of a heart attack while vacationing in Rome, Italy. He was 51.

JUNE 20

1975: Jaws, a film directed by Steven Spielberg that made countless viewers afraid to go into the water, opens in

theaters. The story of a great white shark that terrorizes a New England resort town became an instant blockbuster and the highest-grossing film in movie history until it was surpassed by 1977's Star Wars.

JUNE 21

1965: Released on this day, the Byrds' debut album, Mr. Tambourine Man, marked the beginning of the folk-rock revolution. In just a few months, the Byrds had become a household name, with a No. 1 single and a smash-hit album that married the ringing guitars and backbeat of the British Invasion with the harmonies and lyrical depth of folk to create an entirely new sound.

JUNE 22

1962: An Air France Boeing 707 crashes on the island of Guadeloupe, killing all 113 passengers and crew members aboard. This crash was only one of five major accidents involving Boeing 707s during the year. Altogether, the five crashes killed 457 people. Part of the French West Indies, Guadeloupe is a small island in the Caribbean. Its airport is located in a valley ringed by mountains. On June 22, the Air France flight failed to descend correctly and crashed directly into a peak call Dos D'Ane, or the Donkey's Back. The plane exploded in a fireball; there were no survivors.

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Bob Seger to perform last time at DTE Music Energy Theatre

■Tickets still available for June 19 and 21 performances

By Vera Hogan

After this year, Rock & Roll Hall of Famer and Michigan's favorite son, Bob Seger, will no longer be a "Travelin' Man."

After 56 years, Seger announced last September that he will be retiring from the road. His final Michigan performances will be at the DTE Energy Music Theatre on June 19 and 21.

Fans may still purchase tickets at ticketmaster.com.

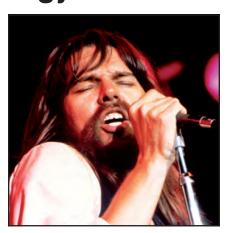
Seger's concert career has taken him from high-school gyms and remote Midwest bars to the country's biggest arenas. Locally, he played at the Mt. Holly Ski Lodge multiple times in 1966.

Seger's last tour — a six-month run with the Silver Bullet Band launched Nov. 21, 2018 in Grand Rapids. At 74, he's turning the final page on a concert legacy. While he may continue recording, Seger says this is the end of his touring career.

Holli Poyner of Tyrone Township is one of Seger's biggest fans. "My first Seger concert was 1976 at Flint IMA, I have been a fan ever since. I have lost count of how many times I have seen him but it's probably about 15 times. Once I stood in line at Hudson's box office for over 12 hours to get great tickets to a Pine Knob (now DTE Energy Music Theatre) show.

"I was at last Saturday's (June 8) concert," she said. "I can't pinpoint what I like about his music. In the early days the songs rocked, he has some great ballads, I love the lyrics and the beats. He has a tone that you know it's him when a song starts."

Seger has always stayed true to his legendary sound, effortlessly marrying blues, country, and heartland soul into his trademark brand of Motor City rock 'n' roll, according to bobseger.com. He is a multi-talented artist, songwriter, producer, and bandleader whose work has affirmed his place in the fabric of American song. Inducted to both the



By 1978, Bob Seger was a full-fledged rock superstar. Live Bullet and Night Moves established him as a commercial force, and by the time Stranger in Town came out in May 1978, he had fans lining up in the stores. Photo: www.amazon.com

Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and the Songwriters Hall of Fame, Seger's work represents the best of what rock and roll can be—passionate, unpretentious, uplifting and true to itself and its audience.

Seger has sold over 53 million albums and has earned 13 platinum and seven multi-platinum RIAA Certified sales awards, including such landmark albums as "Beautiful Loser," "Live Bullet," "Night Moves," "Stranger in Town," "Against the Wind" and "Nine Tonight."

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Despite his age, 74, Bob Seger is still performing to sell-out crowds. This will, however, be his final year of touring. **Photo:** www.sonokick.com

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OVER A THOUSAND migrants are heading to the U.S. border and, yet again, the 'do nothing' Dems are more concerned about their health care, voting rights, and unimpeded pathway (although Illegal) than the issues facing legal Americans such as the elderly, babies, VA vets, and the growing population of homeless. Disgusting.

THERE'S A RUMOR going around that Trader Joe's is going in at the old Michaels site. Any truth to this?

2018: DEMOCRAT CANDIDATE

campaign slogan is 'Be Better.' 2019: Having lost, same former candidate constantly comments on Times' Facebook how people here are backwoods hicks. Well played. Go back to Flint, carpetbagger.

THE ANNUAL LAKE Fenton/Cases

Island fireworks are Saturday, July 6. Please donate to Lake Fenton fireworks at gofundme.com. Thanks.

THIS IS IN response to the writer who compared abortions to vasectomy — you had better do some reading.

TO THE PERSON who can't seem to get over the fact they can't buy pot in Fenton. The vote was to legalize marijuana, not have a dispensary next door.

for me so much!"

- WB Grand Blanc



Bob Seger played at the Mt. Holly Ski Lodge multiple times in 1966. Seger created his first band, The Decibels, when he was 15 years old.

BOB SEGER

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"Seger's songs tell stories about characters with whom listeners can readily identify. They are often about people who are trying to find their way through a world that has proven more complex, challenging than they could have imagined. That road is one that Seger has traveled himself, though he has fortunately always proven able to find his way back home," according to his website.

Seger's live shows include riveting performances of "Travelin' Man/Beautiful Loser," "Heavy Music," "Katmandu," "Ramblin' Gamblin' Man, "and "Turn the Page." The album broke and set the stage for Seger's meteoric rise with "Night Moves."

The eight studio albums he recorded since that time have generated a catalogue of songs that include "Hollywood Nights," "Still the Same," "Old Time Rock and Roll," "We've Got Tonight," "You'll Accomp'ny Me," "Against the Wind," "Her Strut," "Roll Me Away," "Like a Rock," "The Fire Inside," and more.

Sources: bobseger.com, freep.com

BOB SEGER & THE SILVER BULLET BAND: ROLL ME AWAY — FINAL TOUR

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Largest Linden Gus Macker begins June 23 at Linden High School

By David Troppens

The fifth annual Linden Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament is going to be the biggest ever when it begins action at Linden High School on June 22 and June

For the second straight season

Linden's version of the world's most famous 3-on-3 halfcourt basketball tournament will have more than 200 teams playing.

This year's tournament, will host 223 teams in 19 different divisions, meaning there will be more than 850 athletes competing on those

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squads.

The event, organized and hosted by the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce and Linden Community Schools, anticipated the growth and moved its event from Linden Elementary School to the Linden High School to accommodate the

growth.

Every year has seen growth.

The first year the nation's most well-known 3-on-3 halfcourt basketball tournament hosted

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Linden's fifthannual Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament begins

June 23.

Sports Times



The Linden varsity softball team earned a co-Metro League championship and a district championship in 2019, earning the squad the No. 5 spot in our 2019 Tri-County Elite Eight Teams of the Spring. Photo: David Troppens

Linden softball leads first half of 2019 Tri-County Elite Eight poll

Fenton teams take three of the spots from No. 8 to No. 5 on list

By David Troppens

With Fenton baseball's loss in the super regional and Linden softball's loss in the regional semifinal on Saturday, the 2018-19 athletic school year has finally concluded.

Whew, I wasn't sure if the staff was going to make it this season. Even with all the rain, somehow it seemed pretty much every night this spring was packed with crazy prep sports action. I guess part of the reason it "felt" that way has to

do with the fact is that we do have more events during the spring than let's say 10 years ago. With lacrosse hitting the area there are a few more teams than there was just less than a decade ago. The sports staff counts 30 varsity spring sports teams. So trying to whittle that number down to a list of the best eight (actually nine since there is a tie in the eight spot) isn't easy, but we'll try. Without further delay, here's the bottom four teams in our 2019 Tri-County Elite Eight Teams of the Spring.

Tie No. 8 - Fenton/Linden girls lacrosse & Lake Fenton boys golf: The Fenton/Linden co-op girls varsity lacrosse team (Heat FLaX) has never lost a Metro League game in the four seasons the conference has recognized a FML champion. That streak continued this season with six more Metro League victories and another outright league title. The Heat finished the season with a 13-5 record and also won their first-ever playoff game, defeating the Holly/Brandon co-op team 17-1. However, Clarkston showed the Heat while they are a strong squad ion this area, they still have a ways to go to contend for a regional title, losing a 20-2 verdict.

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Tri-county's running season begins Saturday

FirstTry Triathlon, Wednesday night races hosted at Linden County Park

By David Troppens

The tri-county area is filled with great runners.

The high school season proves it annually with our area cross country squads routinely having quality teams qualify for the state meet. And during the spring, Fenton's track and field teams captured Metro League titles once again.

season doesn't end. There are plenty of racing events for running enthusiasts for anyone at any age during the summer in the tricounty area.

The first one starts on Saturday with the FirstTry Triathlon at Linden's Byram Lake Clover Beach and Linden County Park.

The event includes more than running, however. It starts with a 300-yard swim in Byram Lake, continues with a 9.1-mile bike ride and then ends with a two-

When summer hits, the running mile run through Linden County Park. The event is created for athletes who want to try a triathlon at shorter distances than a traditional one. There are also plenty of competitors who attend the event an-

> Registration for this season's race is already closed, but for those who want to witness the race, there will be plenty of action at Linden County Park starting at

One of the areas most success-

See **RUNNING** on 31A



The Wednesday Night Races at the Park is one of many events tri-county area athletes can use to get their running fix in during the summer. The event hosted at Linden County Park has races ranging from a half-mile to three miles for runners in every age group. It starts at 6:30 p.m. Tri-County Times file photo

Sunday, June 16, 2019

Mason Obert drives to the bucket during one of his team's Gus Macker basketball games during the 2018 tournament. This year's tourney will have 223 teams competing in 19 divisions at Linden High School. File photo

MACKER

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128 teams at Hyatt Elementary School in 2015.

The second season grew to 146 and the third increased its numbers to 165. Last year, there was need to change venues due to the increasing size, so it was moved to Linden Elementary School, and the tournament attracted 208 teams. This year's move to the Linden High School campus will see 15 more teams — approximately 60 more athletes — than last season.

"We always talked about moving it to the high school and it became a logistical thing," Russ Ciesielski, Linden Community Schools superintendent, said. "It increases the amount of teams and the amount of spectators we can hold. We thought it was time to move because of the size and parking. Parking is a big aspect of it."

"Our committee is really excited about the new location," Shelly Day, Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce executive director, said. "It is a good reason to move because of the growth of the tournament. We didn't want to move, but with the growth we've had, we didn't have a choice. This will be our final move because we have plenty of room for growth now, among the three campuses."

About Gus Macker

Gus Macker is the brainchild of Gus Macker owner Scott MacNeal. MacNeal started the tournament in his own parent's driveway among friends to create his own version of March Madness. That event of 17 friends quickly grew and Mc-Neal, who earned the nickname Gus Macker in junior high, quickly grew into the largest 3-on-3 tournaments in the country. Gus Macker's logo of a smiling basketball holding or dribbling a red, white and blue basketball while wearing a black top-hot is readily recognized by most playground basketball enthusiasts.

Tournaments are played with competitors placed in as equally as possible divisions based on gender, experience and age. The halfcourt games are played up to 15 points with regular baskets scoring one point and three-pointers scoring two points. A

team must win by two points. There is a time limit to games as well.

Squads can have three players on the court at one time, but most teams have four players with the fourth subbing in and out during the contests. Trophies are given out to winning teams and a Toilet Bowl trophy is distributed to the winning team of the game featuring the two most losing squads in a division. It's another Gus Macker tradition. Linden's tournament consists of 19 divisions this season.

About Linden's Gus Macker

Team registration begins June 21 at Linden Middle School from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m., and registrations continue from 7 a.m until noon on Saturday as well. The opening ceremonies begin at 8 a.m. with games beginning at 8:30 a.m. on June 22 and 8 a.m. on June 23. There are other activities as well, including a slam dunk contest at 5 p.m. on June 22.

Many of the teams competing in the Linden Gus Macker are from Linden or neighboring areas. There are many children divisions as well.

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Amaya Smith drives to the bucket during the 2018 Linden Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament. File photo

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The Lake Fenton boys golf team won the last-ever Genesee Area Conference championship, putting the Blue Devils in the record book.

The postseason had some good and bad news. The bad news was Lake Fenton wasn't able to advance to the D2 state tournament as a team, posting a sixthplace team score of 351. However, the good news was Avery Schaal qualified for the state meet as an individual with a score of 86.

No. 7 - Fenton baseball: The toughest teams to rate are the ones that are reasonably average during the regular season, but respond with an outstanding postseason. Fenton were defending cochampions along with Linden, and hoped to contend for a league title this spring as well. That didn't happen as Fenton posted a third-place 11-5 record, and a 17-17 overall record.

Playing tough competition during the regular season started to pay off during the postseason as Fenton captured its first-ever Division 1 district title with a 6-5 district final win against Hartland. The Tigers then went on to win their firstever D1 regional title with wins against

.

ful running events also returns this summer when the Wednesday Night Races in the Park begin

Wednesday (June 19) at Linden

County Park at 6:30 p.m. Races are

also scheduled for June 26, July

RUNNING

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Walled Lake Northern and Detroit Catholic Central. The run ended in the super regional contest (the quarterfinals) with a 0-1 loss to Brother Rice.

No. 6 - Fenton boys golf: Fenton truly dominated the Metro League season. The Tigers won the first Metro League tournament by 21 strokes, posting a team score of 336. Fenton followed that by cruising by all the teams in dual action, with Swartz Creek coming the closest to the Tigers in a 12-stroke loss. It seemed a third straight outright Metro crown was inevitable. However, the Dragons won the final league meet by just two strokes against the Tigers, meaning the two teams earned a co-title. Wow, that league scoring system needs to change. That seems a tad unfair.

In D2 regional action, the Tigers were unable to advance to the state tournament, placing sixth out of 19 teams with a score of 336, 17 strokes behind a thirdplace state tourney invitation.

No. 5 - Linden softball: The squad was made out of sophomores and juniors and thrived. The Eagles started 5-4-1, but after that semi-slow start, the squad went 21-5 the rest of the season, captured a share of the Metro League title with a 14-2 record and also won a district title.

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The Wings of Mercy Runway 5K Race is becoming a tri-county tradition. The race is June 22. Photo: Mark Bolen

10 and July 17. This event hosted by Linden Community Education has a half-mile race for kids, a onemile race, a two-mile race and a three-mile race for people of all ages. The children's 1/2-mile race begins at

6:30 p.m. with the one-mile event beginning at 6:45 p.m. The two-mile and three-mile races are run at the same time, starting at about 7 p.m.

The cost of the event is only \$2 a person and \$5 for an entire family, paid the day of the race. All races are timed and ribbons are distributed to all competitors. Many of the area's top prep runners began their careers as youngsters running in the shorter races. It's a perfect event for those who want to find a race for everyone in the family

to race at a non-pressured pace in front of a supporting crowd.

Another event that's quickly becoming a tri-county tradition is the Wings of Mercy Runway 5K Race held at Linden's Price Airport on June 22. A large portion of the 5K race is ran on the smooth runway strips at Price Airport, with the 5K event beginning at 9 p.m. It is ran at that time so those finishing in the dark can enjoy the lighting around the runway. The cost of the event is \$35 for both the 5K run and walk. There is a one-mile fun run/walk for free at 8 p.m. as well.

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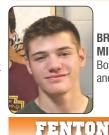


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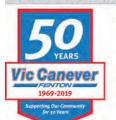
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