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## Area man to serve years on drug, weapons charges

Russell Cockerham pleaded guilty in April: sentenced June 11

## By Vera Hogan

Russell Cockerham, 49, of Highland Township, was sentenced last week on drug and weapons charges. He was arrested Aug. 2, 2018 during a raid at a senior care facility run by his wife, Angela Cockerham.

In April, Cockerham pleaded guilty to several char ges before Judge Rae Lee Chabot of Oakland County Circuit Court. According to court records, Cockerham was sentenced T uesday,



June 11. In a plea agree ment, one count of delivery and manufacture of methamphetamine and ecsta sy was dismissed, and one count of weapons-felony

Russell Cockerham

firearm was dismissed. On the charge of delivery and manufacture of a controlled substance less than 50 grams, he was sentenced to one to 40 years. On the char ge of felony possession of a firearm, he was sentenced to one to 15 years. On a charge of possession of a controlled

See COCKERHAM on 7



## Golfers help raise \$13,000 toward scholarships

Fenton Twp. — Golfers take off in their carts for the 2019 Brad Stone Summer Classic golf scramble at Fenton Farms Golf Club on Saturday, June 15. This is one of the longest running memorial tournaments in the area. Through the golf scramble and past hockey tournaments, \$213,800 in college scholarships have been awarded to area students. See story on page 9 Photo: Tim Jagielo

## Four Lakes assessment approved

■56 percent of owners voted 'yes' to pay \$4,600 for new roads

## **By Hannah Ball**

Fenton Twp. — At its Monday, June 17 meeting, the Fenton T ownship Board of T rustees voted 6-0 to approve the Four Lakes Street Improvement Special Assessment

District, which will cost \$4,614.84 per parcel.

Homeowners have the option of paying their share all at once, or in an nual payments for a period of 10 years.

The vote came after a few resi dents spoke in favor of the project,

which includes redoing the roads. According to board minutes, the

total amount is \$618,387.80. See ASSESSMENT on 5





#### **Cyclists** also own cars and pay taxes. If they unnerve you, you are a

your car and surrender your license before you hurt someone."

Section of road still closed due to massive hole

Rav Road culvert funding approved

## **By Hannah Ball**

Fenton Twp. — Funds to fix the large hole in Ray Road have been approved.

The Genesee County Road Commission will pay \$112,500 of the pro posed \$150,000 project cost. Because the road divides Fenton and Mundy townships, both will pay matching funds of \$18,750 each.

The Fenton T ownship Board of T rustees approved paying this amount at the Monday, June 3 meeting. The meeting minutes state,

"The board was reminded that this See CULVERT on 5



The Genesee County Road Commission will be repairing a section of Ray Road after a large hole formed, most likely from an abundance of rain. Times file photo

## **66** I hate



traffic circle/ roundabouts and speed bumps. But I feel sorry for

the guys that invented them as they will surely spend eternity in hell.'



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a conversation with them

about kindness and loving

well. Look for ways to bless others, friends. It's easier than you might think. Have a

great day."

bad driver. Sell

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## **Neuropathy Treatment Breakthrough**

## By Erica Rainer

Reprint due to successful response.



If YOU suffer from Neuropathy, Pain and Numbness in your Hands and or Feet, we have some news, though Drugs, Surger-

ies and Injections are Failing, there is now new hope for you, and anyone suffering with this life altering condition.

Neuropathy is a term used to describe the breakdown and damage to the nerves in the hands arms, legs and feet due to a lack of blood supply and nutrients getting to the nerve. It can be caused from Diabetes, Peripheral Vascular Disease, Poor Metabolic Health, Chemo Therapy, Agent Orange Exposure, Misaligned Spinal Bones and so on. "Patients experience extreme sensations, loss of feeling or even no feeling in their hands and/or feet along with muscles spasms, pain, weakness, numbness, tingling and burning sensations and have a very hard time with balance" says Dr. James Ide, clinic director at Painless Chiropractic of Fenton. Other symptoms associated with the condition are problems with urination, bladder and bowel control, sexual dysfunction, vomiting, nausea and dizziness among others. This condition can eventually lead to further nerve damage causing complete loss of leg and/or arm leading to amputation, along with organ failure in some cases.

Are you or someone you love suffering with weakness, numbness and pain from Nerve Damage in your hands and/ or feet? You are not alone. More than 20 Million people across the United States are dealing with some form of Neuropathy. Most commonly noticed first in the hands and feet, causing weakness, numbness and tingling pain and most debilitating... balance problems. "Most people find themselves feeling frustrated with no place to turn and no hope of recovery. By the time they come see us, they feel like they have tried everything. Their primary care doctor put them on Anti-Seizure or Epilepsy medications like Gabapentin, Neurotin, Cymbalta or Lyrica and told them they will just have to live with the pain." said Dr. Ide.

That is until now. With recent advancements in nerve regeneration technology and treatment options, clinics all over the world are seeing larger success rates and faster results for their neuropathy patients. "This new technology paired with a multifaceted approach has been life altering for our clinic and our patients. The development and success of the Painless Neuropathy Protocol by Dr. James Ide and his care team at Painless Chiropractic in Fenton has been the talk of the town in recent months. "We have seen an increase in Neuropathy patients and the results that they are getting in such a short amount of time is truly amazing" said Kaitlin Johnson, the Patient Advocate & Coordinator at the Fenton clinic.

"I suffered with neuropathy in my feet along with back and shoulder pain. Walking was very difficult and I had to use a cane. After starting on the Painless Neuropathy Program, I feel 100% better. Each day I can tell a difference in my foot and am just so thankful that I will be able to fully walk again."

> - Becky H. Grand Blanc MI

There are some things people can do at home to aide in the healing process of their neuropathy however healing neuropathy is an all encompassing process that will require lifestyle changes along with guidance from a medical professional that is experienced and skilled at doing so.

Your Invitation for a comprehensive Neuropathy consultation and examination to determine the level of progression your Neuropathy has reached and if you are a candidate for treatment...

The Times has teamed up with Dr. Ide once again to help our readers learn about new options for getting the healthcare and relief they deserve! All you have to do to receive a comprehensive Neuropathy Consultation and Examination with the most advanced Electrodiagnostic Testing and along with easy to understand report of findings who Dr. Ide is call 810-214-2532.

Mention this article (Code: NEUR0428) and the team will happily reduce the usual consultation and exam fee of \$210 to just \$47. But hurry, due to the number of patients the office is able to see, this is a limited time offer with **only 30 appointments available** and they will be on a first come first serve basis at this exclusively discounted rate.

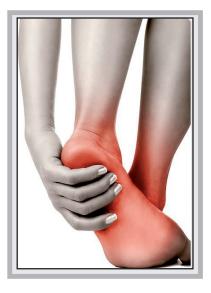
My advice, don't wait around suffering a moment longer...

If you or your loved one is experiencing pain, numbness, tingling, pins and needle sensations, cramps and spasms of your legs, hands or feet, along with the many other bodily symptoms this horrible condition pelages people with, take action.

Find out if the Painless Neuropathy Protocol can help you regain the feeling in your hands and/or feet and start living your life again!

The program is effective and lasting because it actually treats the nerves at the root cause of the problem.

"The Painless Neuropathy Protocol is a multi-faceted approach to decrease neuropathy symptoms by nurturing the nervous system from the inside out, increasing circulation, blood & oxygen flow, working to rebuild, strengthen and better balance the body as a whole



while stimulating the damaged nerves. Engage and revitalize the damaged nerve areas of the body, enabling them to reactivate and function at an increasingly higher rate over time while also increasing the patient's quality of life."

Over the years, they have treated thousands of patients with chronic conditions like Neuropathy, Sciatica, Back and Neck problems, Whiplash Injures along with Vertigo and childhood illnesses and sports injuries. The office is well known and has a good reputation. The vast majority of their patients enjoy superior, lasting relief. In fact, many who have suffered have tried other treatment options with no luck and have been told that they are just stuck with their pain and discomfort, yet have credited the care team at Painless Chiropractic for giving them their lives back!

Call them now and get a full and thorough consultation with the doctor and extensive Neuropathy examination at \$47 (saving you \$163) to determine the severity of your neuropathy and learn if and how, Dr. Ide and his team can help you recover, just as they have helped so many others.

CALL NOW 810-214-2532 and be sure to mention the Code: NEURO20619, don't delay as spaces are limited.

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## Fenton Farmers Market opens Thursday

Rain or shine, local farmers markets offer their bounty of the season and a little more

## By Sally Rummel

Michigan spring produce will be the star of the Fenton Farmers Market, which debuts this Thursday, June 20, from 5 to 8 p.m. on the front lawn of the Fenton Com munity & Cultural Center.

The market will be open rain or shine, unless weather conditions are dangerous, said Pat Allen of Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation. SLPR sponsors the event with the city of Fenton and the Fenton Down-

## SUMMARY

town Develop ment Authority (DDA).

It's the season now for local farmers markets, including the Fenton Farmers Market, which opens this Thursday, June 20, from 5 to 8 p.m., in front of the Fenton Community & Cultural Center. (DDA). Bring your umbrella ju st in case, and en joy shopping from about four dozen vendors selling fresh fruits and veg etables, crafts,

jewelry, honey

and meats from

Roeske Farms of Hartland, including free-range chicken and turkey, pork sausage, bacon and more.



Pao Xiong of Xiong's Mini Market hands shoppers a bag for selecting sunflowers in July 2018. The Fenton Farmers Market will be held Thursday evenings on the lawn of the Fenton Community and Cultural Center this summer. Times file photo

"All the produce has to be Michigan grown," Allen said. Food vendors will be plentiful, too, including sales of barbecue and smoked meats, tacos, hot dogs and pizza.

Visitors with a Michigan EBT card for food assistance can earn "Double Up Food Bucks," Allen said. "You'll get \$20

HOURS:

Monday-Thursday:

8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday

Closed

in tokens to be used for any food items, including cookies and breads, and an additional \$20 in tokens to be used only for fruits and vegetables."

The city of Linden will open its Farm ers Market on Wednesday, July 10, from 5 to 8 p.m. at a brand new location on Walmar Street next to Eagle's Wooden Park. In case of inclement weather , the event will be at the Linden VFW Hall at 105 Mill St.

The markets will run through Aug. 28 and are sponsored by SLPR, the city of Linden and the Linden DDA.

Interested vendors will find an application on the SLPR website, slpr.net.

If you're out and about near the village of Holly, the Holly Farmers Market is open every Sunday between May 12 and Oct. 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., in Crapo Park. You'll find seasonal produce, microgreens, baked goods, salsa, chips, meats, honey and beeswax products.

"It's been raining for almost every market of the year so far ," said Gen evieve Rainey, market master . "All the bad weather makes it difficult, but we're open rain or shine as long as there is no severe weather."

Vendor information can be found on the Holly Farmers Market website: Hollyfarmersmarket.weebly.com.

Genesee County is home to two year-round farmers markets in Flint and Davison.

The Flint Farmers Market has been recognized as one of the "Great Places in America," by the American Planning Association.

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## **Building Brands**

here are two things that will get me out of bed at 6 a.m. Saturday: Tailgating and an early flight. A couple of weeks ago, however, I was up and on the road by 6:30 a.m.

to volunteer at a golf outing. I have worked at this event for four years and it's always a good time, but that didn't stop me from dreading the early wake up call.

Plus, the weather wasn't great. Our team had to take down and put up our set-up four times for rain delays before the outing was called. While I feel for all of the volunteers and the golfers who didn't get a

chance to play, selfishly, the day was a great one for our brand team thanks to networking.

That networking led to securing a presenting sponsor for one of our events in Lapeer, and I was able to chat face-to-face with a few people I'd been exchanging emails with all week.

All good business folks know in theory that networking works, but sometimes we need a reminder of why this medium is such a powerful way to make connections. Still not sold? Here are two reasons you should network:

You get to know people on a different level: Networking events are work events, but they have a different vibe than an office or even a lunch meet-

ing. People are a little more relaxed and share more, making it easier to get to know them.

You up your profile: Most of us want to be known. It takes a lot of networking to make this happen, es-

pecially in bigger cities, but it's worth it. Even if you don't speak to a potential client at a particular event, chances are when you do set the meeting they'll say, "Oh yeah, I think I met (or saw) you at that one event."

Not all networking is easy. Hello, awkward silences and conversations. Here are two ways to help with that:

Ask questions: Think like a journalist. Ask tons of open-ended (not yes or no) questions.

Smile: Even if you've had a long day, don't stop smiling when networking. Everyone at a networking event has the same goals — to meet people and create connections - make it easy for others to achieve those goals.

Networking isn't always convenient. Sometimes it's after hours, sometimes it's at 6 a.m. on a Saturday, but it's always worth it.

Why do you believe in networking? Email me atecaswell@mihomepaper.com.

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**CONSUMERS ENERGY MUST** not

be doing too well with your 'green' agenda. Did anyone notice that the ability to shut off your air conditioning to save power will be mandatory next year. Where, oh where, can I charge my car. I don't know whether to laugh or cry.

#### 

I SEE MANY commentators still refer to people being 'poisoned' by Flint water. There are no reports at the Genesee County Health Department of anyone being poisoned by the water. No doses of lead antidote were ever issued in Genesee County because of the Flint Water Crisis.

MOST OF THE guys who impregnate a woman outside of marriage want her to have an abortion. No child support. Not that they would pay it anyhow.

#### TO THE HOT-LINER 'catch and

release' 'illegal aliens.' I detect racism. Are these asylum seekers fish? Are they from another planet? Use your brain, instead of your anger and ignorance.

## 

TO THE PERSON who ran over the turtle crossing the road after a long line of cars went around it. Thanks for ruining my faith in humanity. It had almost made it across the road and I saw you purposely swerved to run it over.

## Where do you get your inspiration? Compiled by Logan Shanafelt, intern



"My mom. She is very kind, gentle, giving, and free-spirited."

-Jenny Florip

Fenton



"My grandpa, also known as the cart quy at VG's. And my faith. I go to The Rock church."

-Katelyn Wilkowski Fenton



"My mom when I see her do anything. I can always count on her and talk to her."

-Taylor Hagerman l inden



"By setting my own goals and going after those, and trying to achieve those goals for my family."

### -Elvis Tudor Fenton

## street talk



"Church, I go to The River Church and have for the past three years."

-Rose Van Norman Fenton



## **ASSESSMENT** Continued from Front Page

Mark Shantz, a resident in the assessment district who circulated petitions, said, "There was a determination by many people, including myself, that felt 'let's do the roads the right way . Let's do it once and move on with our lives.' That's been the theme."

According to Thomas Broecker , operations manager/deputy clerk for Fenton Township, of the 134 property owners, 110 voted either "yes" or "no." He received 75"yes" votes (56 percent), 35 "no" votes (25 percent) and 24 (18 percent) did not submit a preference. Approximately 54 percent of the road frontage supported the project.

Trustee Vince Lorraine said even if all the "undecided" votes were a "no" vote, the "yes" votes still had the majority . Trustee Christine Reid said she appreciates the residents getting the votes again to make sure everyones voice was heard.

Treasurer John Tucker abstained from the discussion and vote because he lives in the assessment district.

## Cost increases from \$1,270 to \$4,614.84

In the summer of 2018, the board approved an assessment district, which included Four Lakes A venue, W est Four Lakes Drive, Sadler Drive, Squaw Lake Drive and Isleview Drive. The projected cost was \$200,007, which would have been \$1,699.12 for each parcel in the district. Italso would have cost \$1,274.34 for parcels fr onting Emerald Pointe and \$424.78 for parcels fronting Crystal Cove Court. Both are adjacent streets.

However, the cost proposal wasn't calculated correctly and residents went out for a new estimate. The cost jumped from \$1,699 per parcel to \$4,614.84 due to the project being more exten - sive and including Emerald Pointe and Crystal Cove Court.

Because it increased more than 10 percent, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees was required to have another public hearing, which it held on June 3. It lasted for longer than an hour, with residents speaking for and against it. Some residents wanted the entire road redone so it would last longer . Other residents wanted only the potholes fixed. The board asked the residents to recirculate petitions. The results were heard Monday, June 17.

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**HEY, GO GET** yourself some cats and relax, but you care for them. They are a dime a dozen.

WHAT? SOMEONE IS comparing men getting vasectomies, which prevents pregnancy to using abortion for birth control? I doubt anyone would object to women getting tubal ligation. Everyone has a choice. Choose life for that baby.

## **KINDA THINKING MADONNA** ate just a little too much LSD in the past.

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FENTON, WHAT HAVE you done to our roads coming into downtown? It's as though you did that out of spite. How embarrassing.

I AGREED WITH the Hot line until they compared abortions with a man getting a vasectomy. A man getting a vasectomy is preventing a pregnancy.

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WHEN THE BIG box store deletes most of its cashiers to self-scanners, I will not shop there anymore. They brag about raising wages but they also cut hours.

## CULVERT

## **Continued from Front Page**

culvert replacement was already on the 2019 project list and will not require a budget amendment."

In mid April, the culvert under Ray Road, between Linden and Sharp roads, collapsed. Alexander Patsy, GCRC programming and development engineer, said this was due to rain.

"It effectively washed out, taking a lot of the road with it," he said in a previous Times article.

The GCRC deemed the road unsafe and closed an approximate 6-foot stretch.

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## The longest day of the year



## Friday, June 21, marks the first day of summer

## **Compiled By Vera Hogan**

The first day of summer, or the June summer solstice, will occur FridayJune 21, at 11:54 a.m. This marks the official beginning of summer as the Northern Hemisphere angles itself at the point in its orbit closest to the sun, causing the longest day and shortest night of the cal endar year. By longest "day," meaning the longest period of sunlight.

In the Northern Hemisphere, the summer solstice occurs when the sun reaches both its highest and northern most points in the sky It marks the start of summer in the northern half of the globe. In contrast, the June solstice in the Southern Hemisphere is when the sun is at its lowest pointin the sky, marking the start of winter. Countries in the Southern Hemisphere include much of Africa, Indonesia, Australia and New Zealand, all of Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and most of Brazil and Ecuador and part of Colombia.

The word "solstice" comes from Latin *solstitium* — from *sol* (sun) and *stitium* (still or stopped), reflecting the fact that on the solstice, the sun appears to stop moving in the sky as it reaches its northern, or southernmost point.

After the solstice, the sun appears to



It is believed that solstices have been celebrated at Stonehenge, in southern England, for thousandsof years. **Photo:bbcnews.com** 

reverse course and head back in the opposite direction.

The timing of the June solstice is not based on a specific calendar date or time; it all depends on when the sun reaches its northernmost point from the equator. Therefore, the solstice won't always occur on the same day. Currently, it shifts between June 20, 21, and 22.

The summer solstice is the day with the longest period of sunlight. On that day, the sun's rays strike Earth at a more direct angle, causing the efficient warming called summer. Because the sun is highest in the sky on this day, a person's shadow (at noon) is the shortest it will be all year.

For those who live in the Southern Hemisphere, this is the shortest day of the year and marks the arrival of winter. **Solstice fun facts** 

The solstice does not bring the earli - est sunrise.

The earliest sunrises of the year occur about a week before the summer sol stice. In 2019, the earliest sunrises of the year occurred locally on Thursday and Friday, June 13 and 14 (at 5:56:11 a.m.).

The reason for the timing of sunrises is related to the length of day — which is longer than 24 hours in June — and the inclination of the Earth's rotational axis.

The latest sunrises of the year will occur after the solstice on Friday and Saturday, June 28 and 29, 2019 (at 5:59 a.m.).

The sun sets more slowly at the olstice. **Solstice traditions** 

Many cultures, both ancient and mod ern, celebrate the sunlight with rituals and holidays.

Every year on the summer solstice,

thousands of people travel to Wiltshire, England, to Stonehenge — a mysterious prehistoric monument.

In Sweden, people traditionally celebrated the beginning of summeby eating the first strawberries of the season. They also celebrate, and still celebrate, a holiday known as Midsummer's Day, which is one of the four ancient quarter days of the year.

Eating strawberries is considered the perfect way to celebrate the June solstice, since June's full Moon is also known as the "Full Strawberry Moon." It typically coincided with the ripening of strawberries in what is now the northeastern United States.

## Stonehenge

For centuries, historians and archaeologists have puzzled over the many mysteries of Stonehenge, the prehistoric monument that took Neolithic builders an estimated 1,500 years to erect. Locat ed in southern England, it is comprised of roughly 100 massive upright stones placed in a circular layout.

While many modern scholars now agree that Stonehenge was once a burial ground, they have yet to determine what other purposes it served and how a civilization without modern technol ogy —or even the wheel — produced the mighty monument. Its construction is all the more baffling because, while the sandstone slabs of its outer ring hail from local quarries, scientists have traced the bluestones that make up its inner ring all the way to the Preseli Hills in Wales, some 200 miles from where Stonehenge sits on Salisbury Plain.

On the summer solstice, the sun rises behind the Heel Stone, the ancient en trance to the stone circle, and sunlight is channeled into the center of the monument. It is believed that solstices have been celebrated at Stonehenge for thousands of years.

Sources: English-heritage.org; almanac.com; history.com





#### **Communication and court** interpreters

In the 1967 prison movie "Cool Hand Luke," there is a famous line by the prison captain played by Strother Martin directed to a prisoner played by Paul Newman, which goes, "What we got here is a failure to communicate." This same line is repeated at the end by Mr. Newman to Mr. Martin.

I won't spoil it for those who haven't seen the movie but suffice it to say that at both points communicating was extremely important.

Putting the movie to one side, communication has always been important and when it comes to the law, it has long been recognized that effective communication is vital, especially in courtroom settings, when a person's life and/or future can literally be at stake depending on the outcome of a hearing or trial.

The law requires that all parties should have the opportunity to participate in court. But what of situations where through no fault of their own, a person simply can't participate because of a language barrier or a hearing disability?

The answer here is simple — there are laws and rules which require that they be given this opportunity and this is when court interpreters can enter the legal picture.

When there is a language barrier, Michigan has a court rule (M.C.R. 1.111) which provides that a judge is to appoint a properly qualified foreign language interpreter for a person who has "Limited English Proficiency" to allow them to meaningfully participate in the case or court proceeding either as a witness. a party, or a person who has a substantial interest in the matter.

As to a person with a hearing disability, there is the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and its 2008 amendments which require that qualified individuals be given full and equal access to the justice system.

Additionally, Michigan has both a 1982 statute called the Deaf Persons' Interpreter Act and administrative rules, which require qualified sign language or other interpreters to be appointed for court proceedings for deaf or deaf-blind individuals.

The bottom line here is that for court proceedings there can never be "a failure to communicate." I believe that we in the court system are doing our best to protect everyone's right to have effective communication under the law.

## COCKERHAM **Continued from Front Page**

substance und er 25 gra ms, he w as sentenced to one to 15 years. On four charges of we apons-felony firearm he was sentenced to a minimum (and maximum) of two years on each, with credit for 35 days served.

Cockerham was sentenced as a ha bitual offender. He remains lodged in the Oakland County Jail.

The case against Cockerham stems from an Aug. 2, 2018 raid by the Oakland County Sheriff's Office at Carter Country Homes, Inc, a group home at 1288 Essay Ln.. The Cockerhams and other family members lived there, along with a few elderly clients receiv ing foster care.

Drugs and weapons were confiscated during the raid.

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) had earlier that year suspended the license of the adult foster care home, which is located in a remote area just a quarter mile south of the Rose Township border, in Highland Township.

Authorities discovered that the fam ily was using the facility as a front for selling drugs.

Carter Country Homes owner An gela Cockerham was ordered to suspend operation and five elderly and disabled residents were transferred to other statelicensed facilities. According to LARA documents, the residents of the home included those who were physically disabled, mentally disabled, develop mentally disabled, and/or those with Alzheimer's. At least one was bed-ridden.

According to the LARA summary, the case started in January 2018 when deputies assigned to the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Enforcement Team received complaints of the sale of cocaine by Cockerham.

On Aug. 2, 2018 OC SO de puties executed a search warrant of the facility in the early morning hours, entered the facility through an unlocked front door, and located and secured the five adult foster care residents.

They also located and secured the Cockerhams in the second-floor unlocked bedroom. A loaded unsecured firearm was recovered from the nightstand closest to Russell Cockerham, a previously convicted felon.

During this search warrant, according to the LARA summary, facility residents



This house at 1128 Essay Ln., immediately south of the Rose ownship border in Highland Township, served as a group home for five vulnerable adults. It has been closed for drug and weapons violations. Times File Photo

approached OCSO deputies on the scene drug delivery and weapons charges. Anand informed them that Russell Cockerham frequently smoked marijuana in the facility and r esidents reported having trouble sleeping because of all the drug sales that occurred at the facility through out the night.

Russell Cockerham was arrested Aug. 2, 2018, and chaged with multiple felony

gela Cockerham was chaged with felony possession of cocaine. On Aug. 8, 2018, she turned herself in and was released on bond. Court records show no further information regarding her arrest or subsequent action. It also appears that an attempt by the court to make her forfeit her firearms was unsuccessful.



## New committee charged with restoration project

Will explore grant opportunities and more for one of Genesee County's oldest buildings

## **By Hannah Ball**

**Linden** — A committee of seven people will work on a plan to restore the old Linden Mill building.

At the Monday, June 10 meeting, the Linden City Council approved appoint-

ments for the Mill **Building Advisory** Committee lasting until June 2020.

One of the members, Mayor Dani elle Cusson, said the purpose is to gather information and make recom mendations to the council for what

work should take priority, as well as pursuing grant options and fundraising opportunities.

"The mill building is a symbol of

Linden. Mill building houses our public library, the Linden Museum as well as our council chambers. Many cur rent and former residents want the mill building to be restored and preserved," Cusson said.

> Because it's a nationally recognized historical building located next to the Shiawassee River, any work has to follow specific requirements.

> "Therefore, any work done at the mill building must comply with histori-

cal guidelines as well as environmental

Recently, the city has had two profes





The Linden Mill building was the first structure in Genesee County to be placed on the national register of historic places in 1972. Photo: Hannah Ball

ing — one in 2016 by John Dziurman Architects, and another in 2017 by HRC, by way of grants and donations," she which prepared the facility evaluation report. Both reports are available at lindenmi.us. The city has completed some of the suggestions.

The advisory committee was formed in April and the members were approved June 10.

"In selecting members, we wanted representatives from council, the his torical society, and historic district commission. We also wanted people with knowledge in seeking grants, architecture and historic preservation," she said.

The following people are on the committee: Danielle Cusson, mayor and council representative; Marguerite Plumb, historic district commission representative; Barbara Kincaid, curator of the Linden Mills Museum; John Har tranft, architect; David Lossing, former Linden mayor; Peter Maas, president of the Linden Mills Historical Society; and Karen Breasbois, member of Shiawassee Mills Ouesters Chapter #420.

Kincaid said she is "pleased and honored" to be a charter member of the committee.

"The Linden Mills Museum has been housed in the mill building for more than 40 years. I feel it is most fitting and appropriate to be a part of this project," she said.

The current mill building was built in 1871, Kincaid said, and over the years it has seen many maintenance and repair projects as needed.

"Many factors are involved with vari

ous providers. Funding must be obtained said. "I look forward to of fering input and suggestions in order to accomplish restoration of Linden's Historic Mill building in the near future."

## **History of Linden** Mill building

The Linden Mill building is one of the oldest building in Genesee County.

Seth Sadler and Samuel W. Warren, who were local residents, built a saw and gristmill from 1845-1850. which operated with the earlier facility, according to michmarkers.com. This complex became known as the Linden Mill building.

The current structure is the third one, built in 1871 after the first two were destroyed by fires. According to a report by John Dziurman Architects, Ltd., the Linden Mill building operated as a gristmill until 1956. The machinery was dismantled and sold at auction that same year.

It was purchased by the village of Linden, which is now a city, that year to be used for municipal offices and a library. Approximately four years later, the municipal offices were moved to the current city hall on East Broad Street.

It was the first structure in Genesee County to be placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1972.

In selecting members, we wanted representatives from council, the historical society, and historic district commission.77

> **Danielle Cusson** Linden mayor

> > restrictions," Cusson said.

sional assessments done on the build -

## Brad Stone Summer Classic keeps growing

Outing in memory of 12-year-old boy has raised more than \$200,000 in 19 years



Pamela Powell of Detroit hugs tournament co-organizer Sharon Stone after golfing was underway on Saturday. Powell was the recipient of Brad Stone's lungs after he died from an asthma attack in 2000. **Photo: Tim Jagielo** 

## By Tim Jagielo

**Fenton T wp.** — The Brad Stone Summer Classic memorial hats are always orange, and a little frayed looking. This year, a large embroidered "61" graces the front. The tournament always also me morializes Brad's hockey jersey number.

Brad's mother and golf tournament co-organizer Sharon Stone has designed dozens of hats over the years for the golf scramble in memory of a similar one he received for Christmas in 1999. Every golfer receives one when they arrive.

To date, a total of \$213,800 in col lege scholarships have been awarded to graduates of Lake Fenton High School and members of the Eastern Michigan Hockey Association.

This year's tournament was held Sat urday, June 15. This is the 15<sup>th</sup> year it has been held at Fenton Farms Golf Club. That morning, an orderly pile of the latest hats sat beside the registration table and snagged by the enthusiastic golfers.

This tournament is run by family and friends, and had 141 golfers this year . Stone said they raised approximately \$13,000 after expenses.

Despite the threatening weathergolfers enjoyed 18 holes of golf, food, a bar and

## prizes, with no rain.

Tournaments like these take several volunteers and many hours of work leading up to the big day. Watching the carts finally take off to golf, Stone said it feels "emotional, overwhelming, and wonderful."

Brad Stone was 12 when he died from complications of an asthma attack in 2000, leaving his parents Sharon and Jeff Stone, and siblings Jake and Laura. The tournament in Brad's honor has been going strong since then.

Pamela Powell of Detroit was the recipient of Brad's lungs in July of 2000. She attends the golf outingeach year, and despite the time that has passed, said it's still important for her, and she still ap - preciates her life being extended another 18 years.

She was fighting sarcoidosis, an inflammation of the lungs, and pulmonary hypertension, a high blood pressure condi tion that attacks the lungs and portions of the heart before receiving Brad's lungs.

"You never get over the awesomeness of the gift of life," she said. Her husband David expressed appreciation for the Stone family as well.

See BRAD STONE on 10



**MIDWEEK TIMES** 

## Nancy E. Petruska dies at 89

She and husband inspired annual Fenton Education Foundation award

## **By Vera Hogan**

Nancy E. Petruska, whose name along with her husband's, Edward H. Petruska, will be forever etched in Fenton Area Public Schools history, died on June 15 in Novi. She was 89 years old.

the age of 85.

Nancy graduated from St. Matthew High School (class of 1947) in Flint and received a bachelor degree from West-

ern Michigan University before beginning a teaching career of 30-plus years, mainly at State Road Elementary School in Fenton. She and Edward were married for 54 years before his death in 2009.

Nancy and Ed lived in Fenton for 49 Her husband died on Feb. 21, 2009 at years. They were dedicated to education and in 2006 were honored when the "Edward and Nancy Petruska Lifetime Achievement A ward in Education" was created by the Fenton Education

Foundation.

This award was established via a gift from the Petruska family to the school foundation. The award recognizes the contribution that educators make to the community. The Petruskas were part of a generation that developed the standards of excellence that have been the hallmark of the Fenton Area Public Schools. They served the school and the community with humility, generosity and leadership.

For funeral arrangements see page 18. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make memorial contributions to the Fenton Education Foundation at fentoneduca tionfoundation.org.



Nick Edling of Fenton sports the 2019 tourney hat. Edling is a childhood friend of Brad Stone. He's played every year with old friends since the tournament began, including some from out of state. Photo: Tim Jagielo

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Fenton Farms Golf Club owner Christopher White said in his ex perience, memorial tournaments don't continue to build momentum like this over the years. "Usually there's a bell curve on them, but not this. This just keeps steadily climb ing," White said. He attributes this to the family that runs it, and the friends who support it.

Sam Selley, 18, of Lake Fenton High School was one of the two recipients of the 2019 scholarship. He was selected by a board inde pendent from the family.

"The community involvement that came together for this is amazing," said Selley, who is also a Fenton Farms employee. He has worked the tournament, and will now benefit from it and will likely study pre-medicine.

Sharon Stone is editor of the Tri-County Times.

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Located at 300 E. First St. in Flint, the market is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for food vendors, entertainment, kitchen demonstrations, events and more.

The Davison Farmers Market, at 8110 E. Court St., is open Tiesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and for a mix of indoor and outdoor vendors selling fresh produce, baked goods, meats and cheeses and crafts.

## Continuing patriotic culture with ice cream

Flag Day celebrated by 350 children reciting Pledge of Allegiance at Uncle Ray's

## **By Tim Jagielo**

**Fenton** — Flag Day, Friday, June 14, was celebrated by children with a microphone in their left hand, and their right hand over their hearts.

At Uncle Ray's Dairyland, 350 children aged 2 to 12 recited the pledge one (ASL) to recite the pledge. Some es by one on stage before a lar ge crowd, usually filmed or photographed by their parents.

The crowd applauded when the y finished and they were given a gift certificate for a free sundae and a round of mini golf. The Fenton VFW pro vided flags. "We gave

out about \$3,000 worth of goodies," said owner Dave Durant. "It' s well worth it. It's great to see the young generation continue the patriotic culture, especially in today's environment ... We think it's a great investment in the future."

This is the third year of the event, hosted by the popular ice cream and

miniature golf business. According to Durant, it's about their tradition of thinking outside of the box and also encouraging patriotism.

Durant said there were three children who used American Sign Language pecially young and shy ones had help from siblings or parents. "All their ex-

ecution was perfect," he said.

The pa triotic event started with appropriately p atriotic music. Members of the Lake Fenton Marching Band led by R yan

Gonder played a patriotic music set.

The event ran from 2 to 5 p.m. The afternoon closed with "Proud to be an American" by Lee Greenwood played over the PA system.

"For us it's very important that we continue the tradition of patriotism. We think we can change the world with one ice cream cone." Durant said.

## The origin of the pledge

According to History.com, the original pledge was written by Christian socialist minister Francis Bellamy. It read, "I pledge allegiance to my flag and the republic for which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.'

The pledge was originally published in the magazine "Youth's Companion" in 1892. The pledge was written for use in patriotic celebrations surrounding the 400th anniversary of Christopher Columbus's arrival in the New World. The pledge began to gain popularity in schools across the U.S., with subtle tweaks implemented through the decades.

Congress adopted the pledge in 1942, also adding that it should be recited with a hand over the heart, instead of outstretched toward the flag because it too closely resembled a Nazi salute.

In 1954, the phrase "under God" was added to the pledge, according to Smithsonian.org, after lobbying from religious groups and fraternal organizations. Today, the pledge is: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and iustice for all."



(Left) A duorecites the Pledge of Allegiance together on Friday, June 14. (Above) Uncle Ray's Dairyland owner Dave Durant hands the microphone to another participant. Three-hundred-and-fifty children recited the pledge and received certificates for ice cream and mini golf, and an American flag. Photos: Tim Jagielo



## **OPEN HOUSE • SUNDAY 1-3**



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## Spencer changes training for eighth bout; fights Sunday on FOX

## **By David Troppens**

There have been a lot of changes for Joey Spencer since Linden's only professional boxer last took the ring, defeating Osias Vasquez by a unami nous decision on April 13.

Spencer has himself a new trainer. Helping out Spencer 's father is Josh Kosier, co-owner of Holly's Ultimate Athlete Performance. W ith the additional trainer came a change in the way Spencer prepared for his upcoming six-round fight at Las Vegas's Mandalay Bay Events Center on Sunday.

And finally, when Spencer takes the ring during the Fox Network's Premier Boxing Champions event starting at 8 p.m., the 19-year -old

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will be facing his biggest challenge to date — 24-year-old prospect Akeem • Black (5-2).

Spencer (7-0) feels good as he prepares for his next six-round bout.

Joey

Spencer

"Everything at Ultimate Athlete Performance is in See SPENCER on 14



The Fenton varsity girls are No. 2 on our 2019 Tri-County Elite Eight Teams of the Spring Poll. Photo: David Troppens

## Holly girls tennis remains atop spring's Elite Eight

## **By David Troppens**

Over the last few years the Fenton ath letic program has been the dominant one in the tri-county area.

And when the sports staf f does its end-of-the-season or our end-of-the-year polls of the top teams, it shouldn't be shocking to see the Tigers' teams dominate the lists.

The 2019 T ri-County Elite Eight Spring Sports Teams of the Year list isn't an exception. Of the nine teams listed in the poll (we had a tie in ninth place), Fenton is involved with six of the squads. The top four is going to have a huge Fen ton theme, with three of the four squads coming from Tigerland.

Last edition we listed teams in the No. 8 to No. 5 positions. T oday, the sports staff will list the top four squads.

No. 4 - Fenton girls track: The Fenton varsity girls track team is a toughone to rank on this list.

It's hard to find an area squad that See ELITE EIGHT on 13





Almost 160 competitors finished the FirstTry/FastTry Triathlon held at Clover Beach and Linden County Park on Saturday. (Above) One group of competitors begin their race. The overall winner was (immediate left) Grass Lake's Adrian Forbes who finished the event in 49:16, about four minutes ahead of the rest of the field. Photos: David Troppens



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## **Athlete motivations vary at FirstTry Triathlon** said overall male winner Adrian

Sports

Forbes. Forbes completed the

race that includes a 300-yard

through Linden County Park in

any other competitor crossed

the finish line. That second-

The triathlon is considerably

shorter than a traditional Olym -

pic triathlon. That is purposely

give a triathlon a chance with

out being intimidated by the dis-

tance covered during the swim,

bike ride and run. It seems like

it's a winning formula, consid

ering the event has been around

done so that competitors can

## **By David Troppens**

Fenton Twp. — Some faces have been around for nine years. About half of the athletes

were there competing in their first triathlon of their careers.

But while the experience varied and the goals of the event did as well from athlete to ath lete, it appeared the ninth-annual FirstTry/FastTry T riathlon held at Clover Beach and Linden County Park on Saturday was a success

Almost 160 competitors competed in one of the two sprint marathons with roughly about half competing in the rookie race (the FirstTry) while the other half were veterans, competing in the FastTry event.

"I've done it in the past. I won the masters (division) last year,"

for nine years. See TRIATHLON on 14





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was more dominant than the T igers in their conference. Fenton swept through the dual portion of the season relatively easily, going 8-0. Then, when the T igers competed at the league meet, Fen ton took first, scoring 200 1/2 points, 64 1/2 points ahead of second-place Flushing. Fenton won seven of the 17 event titles at the league meet.

What keeps the T igers from ranking higher is their postseason performance beyond the league meet. At the regional meet, the T igers posted a respectable third with 59 points, but finished a distant third with 59 points, 38 points be hind second-place Brighton.

To crack in the top three, the T igers had to do slightly better . They finished 32nd at the state meet.

**No. 3 - Fenton boys track:** The Fenton boys were pretty dominant them - selves during the Flint Metro League season, but weren't quite as dominating as the Fenton girls. The Fenton boys also went 8-0 in league play, but "only" won the league meet with 157 points, 45 points ahead of second-place Swartz Creek. Fenton won eight event league titles.

At regionals, the T igers took third, with 64 points, just 21 1/2 points out of first place, and also came home with four event regional championships.

Once at the state meet, the T igers took 10th overall, earning two state runner-up finishes. Noah Sage took second in the 400 while the 800 relay team of Ethan Pyeatt, Sage, R yan Miller and Brandon Miller also earned them a second.

No. 2 - Fenton girls soccer: Some

day this team won't be overlooked and underrated.

However, this wasn't that season. The Tigers are well respected in the Flint Metro League, defended their Flint Metro League title by posting an unbeaten 7-0-1 mark in league play . However, during the early portion of the non-league season, the Tigers didn't turn many heads with strong wins. They played a lot of tough squads, but generally lost those games.

When the postseason came, they started winning them. The Tigers faced eighth-ranked Goodrich and fifthranked Notre Dame Prep in the district tourney, beating both en route to a dis trict championship.

The regional didn' t get much easier as the T igers had to face top-ranked DeWitt in the regional semifinal round. The Tigers made easy work of the Panthers, earning a 2-0 lead before leaving Atwood Stadium with a 2-1 victory The Tigers then had to face 11th-ranked Powers in the regional championship game. It may have been a case of too many quality squads consecutively , as Fenton lost to Powers 2-0. Still, the tourney run and the league title were more than enough to earn the Tigers the No. 2 spot in our poll.

**No. 1 - Holly girls tennis:** Last year's No. 1 squad returns to lead our list in 2019. The Holly varsity girls tennis squad has always been a dominant team in the Metro, and one of the elite in the region, but over the last five or so years, the Bronchos have upped their game and become one of the elite D2 tennis programs in the entire state of Michigan.

The rest of the Metro League had no



The Fenton varsity boys track team is No. 3 on our 2019 Tri-County Elite Eight Teams of the Spring Poll. **Photo provided** 



For the second straight year, the Holly varsity girls tennis team is the tri-county area's top spring prep sports team. The squad won a league title, a regional title and placed eighth at the state meet. The Bronchos were No. 1 on our T ri-County Top 16 Teams of 2017-18. Will they repeat this season? We'll find out in future editions of the Tri-County Times. **Photo provided** 

chance of beating Holly , even though every single foe faced the Bronchos on their own home courts. When the league tournament came, the Bronchos cruised to an easy league meet championship as well.

Holly's dominance continued at

the regional meet when the Bronchos earned a regional championship. Finally, the Bronchos made it five straight seasons of top-10 finishes at the state meet by taking eighth.

This was an easy selection. The Bronchos earned the top spot convincingly.



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Different divisions start at different times, giving the be ginning a staggered start over a lengthy period of time. That means the first runners by the finish line aren't always the actual overall winners. That happened in the women' open FastT ry race. Linden's Hannah Gallamore was run ning her eighth event, and was the first woman by the finish line, finishing with a strong time of 1:05.29. However, two other women actually had better times that started in other heats. Sarah Keesling finished in 1:01.04 while Amy Schen kel was second in 1:05.15.

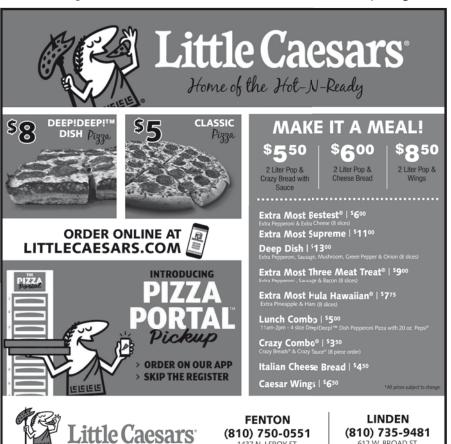
"This was the first time I was the first woman across the finish line," Gallamore said. "My dad signed me up for it (the first time she competed) and I kind of went along with it. I joined the club team at Michigan State."

Gallamore graduated from

Michigan State this spring. Linden's Alia Frederick is a Division 1 soccer athlete at Eastern Michigan University, but she' s also a strong runner. Despite it being her first time at the event, she competed in the FastT ry event and was first in her 20 to 29 female age group (1:05.38).

"It's just something dif ferent for me to do than soccer," Frederick said. "I wanted to do something competitive and I wanted to see what I could do. ... This was the first time I could do it, so I figured why not?"

Desi Mayner was a strong athlete during his prep days at Linden High School. He played football at Eastern Michigan University and in 1:35.24.



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Saginaw Valley State Uni - Johnathan Milgie (above) starts the cycling portion versity. He finished the event of the FirstTry/FastTry Triathlon hosted at Clover Beach and Linden County Rrk on Saturday (Right) **CONTINUED AT** Lori Konieczka approaches the finish line while MYFENTON.COM completing the two-mile run. Photos: David Troppens

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## SPENCER

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house and very convenient," Spencer said. "They put a full boxing gym in there and it has a weight lifting equip ment for strength training. I feel in the best shape of my life. I have never felt better than I do now. I had my last sparring session and I kept getting better every time in the ring."

The move to Kosier came when Jason Spencer responded to some of Kosier's emails after Joey Spencer 's most recent fight. Kosier thinks many boxers aren't trained properly for the type of conditioning a boxer needs for a fight. Kosier says there are three major types of energy systems every body has. One involves a quick sprint type of reaction that lasts usually no more than six seconds. He calls it the creatine phosphate system.

The second uses the body' s carbo hydrate sytem and can last up to about 45 seconds while utilizing it. Finally there's the fat-burning system which is where most boxers do their condition ing. It's more of the level one would

expect to utilize as a distance runner.

"The problem with that is it' s the least powerful system," Kosier said. "That's what a marathoner wants, a nice pace for a long time."

Kosier argues that boxers should utilize their more powerful and quicker systems. Kosier said it has helped al ready during his training when it comes to Spencer's heart rate.

"We monitored his heart rate after every single sparring session and his heart rate came down a lot lower from each session to session.

"The big thing is we allowed him to get the work done, and get the work he needed to get done but not have him overtrain."

The training style was a dramatic change for Spencer, but it seems to have him feeling strong entering Sunday' s eight professional bout of his career.

"Josh and (director of Sports Perfor mance) Kyle (McCarty) have brought a lot of needed balance to our training," Jason Spencer said.



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Samuel Carnes, 11, hands out flags at the first Concert in the Park on Thursday, June 6 at Rackham Park in Fenton. Samuel is with the Prelude String Orchestra, which also handed out programs and collected donations while the Fenton Community Orchestra performed. Photo: Tim Jagielo



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## ARIES Mar 21/Apr 20

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#### TAURUS Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, kick communication up a notch if you want to get things done. Write things out if you need a cheat sheet, then pull together all of the key players.

## GEMINI May 22/Jun 21

Money is a priority this week, and you have to put your focus on finances, Gemini. Have you reconciled your checking account lately? See where you are spending and saving.

## CANCER Jun 22/Jul 22

Don't overthink things too much, Cancer. Try to go with the flow as much as possible. Situations with coworkers could take an unexpected turn. Be on the lookout.

## Horoscopes

## LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23

You are in need of a break this week, Leo. However, there are many demands on your time and focus. Devote this weekend to self-care and R&R.

#### VIRGO Aug 24/Sept 22

The first half of the week lights up your friendships and longterm aspirations, Virgo. Try putting the two together so you can have more balance in your life.

## LIBRA Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, career stars are shining brightly for you and all eyes are on you. Use this opportunity to really showcase your talents. People with power may be watching.

### SCORPIO Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, inspiration is in big supply this week, but be sure to watch out for those who might try to dissuade you. Keep plans on the down low if you have a great idea.

#### SAGITTARIUS Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, you might get a little off course in the next few days. But all it will take is a little correction to have your plans and goals line up once again.

### CAPRICORN Dec 22/Jan 20

Relationships take center stage this week, Capricorn. You are getting pulled in many different directions, but you may love being busy and the energy that requires.

## For the week of June 17, 2019

#### AQUARIUS Jan 21/Feb 18

Work and health take the helm this week, Aquarius. Are you running yourself ragged or not feeling 100 percent? It might be time to really focus on schedule adjustments.

#### PISCES Feb 19/Mar 20

Good old fashioned fun is on the horizon, Pisces. Use the warm weather as an opportunity to go to a drive-in movie or attend a local carnival.



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#### House Bill 4397: No-fault auto insurance reform "clean up" bill

To revise details of the no-fault auto insurance reform bill signed into law in May (Senate Bill 1), in particular timing issues related to the implementation of the new law's changes to minimum insurance coverage, and the customer discounts that those changes are intended to allow. This corrects provisions in Senate Bill 1 that would have required insurers to give customer discounts before the cost saving reforms required by the bill go into effect.

### Passed 33 to 4 in the Senate

Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14)	<b>⊠</b> YES
Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15)	<b>⊠</b> YES
Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22)	<b>⊠</b> YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	<b>⊠</b> YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	<b>⊠</b> YES
Passed 89 to 20 in the House	
Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)	<b>⊠</b> YES
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)	<b>⊠</b> YES

## House Bill 4549: Expand who can view confidential child records

To establish that generally confidential child records that licensed child care organizations are required to retain must be made available to the various Department of Health and Human Services bureaus that operate child welfare services, the social service organizations they contract with, and to national accreditation agencies.

#### Passed 109 to 0 in the House Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)

## Senate Bill 150: Increase current year spending, fund wrongful imprisonment compensation

**X**YFS

**⊠**YES

To authorize spending an additional \$28.7 million during the current fiscal year on various state departments and programs. Among other items, the bill authorizes \$5 million each for marijuana regulation and for state actions related to the 2020 federal census. It also includes \$10 million to compensate wrongfully convicted prisoners, which was originally in House Bill 4286. This money was line-item vetoed from that bill by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, because that was a "policy" bill, not an appropriation bill (which this bill is). Passed 107 to 2 in the House

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)	<b>⊠</b> YES
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)	¥YES

## Obituaries

Charles D.

at Sharp Funeral

Fogel 1933 - 2019 Charles D. Fogel - age 85, of Linden, died Saturday, June 15, 2019. Funeral services will be held 12 PM Thursday, June 20, 2019

Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Visitation will be held 6 PM - 8 PM Wednesday, June 19, 2019 and 11 AM until the time of service on Thursday. Burial will be 10:30 AM Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Cancer Society. Charles was born October 20, 1933 in Flint, the son of Michael and Julia (Makranyi) Fogel. Mr. Fogel was a veteran of the US Marine Corps and retired from General Motors after 38 years of service. He is survived by his wife, Roberta; daughter, Janie Butterworth; grandsons, Michael Butterworth and Timothy Henderson; great-granddaughter, Lydia Henderson; sisters-in-law, Donna Robinson and Judy Leek-Relyea; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents: brothers. Michael and William; daughter, Lynn Henderson. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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## Maria Josephine Lanning 1937 - 2019

Maria Josephine Lanning - age 81, of Fenton, died Sunday, June 16, 2019. Funeral Mass will be celebrated

11 AM Friday,

June 21, 2019 at St. Augustine Catholic Church, 6481 Faussett Rd., Howell with Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Interment will follow at St. Augustine Cemetery. Visitation will be held 2 PM - 8 PM Thursday, June 20, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton where a rosary will be prayed at 7 PM. Visitation will also be held from 10 AM - 11 AM Friday at the church. Those desiring may make memorial contributions to St. John Educational Foundation. Maria was born July 25, 1937 in Poteet, TX, the daughter of Vincent and Josephine (Espinosa) Huizar. She was a 1956 graduate of Vassar High School. Maria retired as a bookkeeper at Bazley's Market in 1994 after 18 years of service. She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton. Maria was a regular at Loose Senior Center and never missed the Senior trips. She enioved Tiger's baseball, golfing, bowling, playing cards and going to the casino. Surviving are: three daughters, Mary (Clayton) McCauley of St. Clair Shores, Jacqueline Zaiser of Grand Blanc, and Christina (Christopher) Neuville of Linden; ten grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; 12 siblings, Christopher (Alice) Huizar, Rose Huizar, Joan Barravino, Jerry (Elizabeth) Huizar, Gary (Bonnie) Huizar, Dora (Steve) Fobear, Vincent (Candy) Huizar, Pete (Judy) Huizar, David Huizar, Beverly Huizar, Marcos Huizar, and Linda Huizar; brother-in-law, Adam Salinas; many nieces, nephews, greatnieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by three husbands, John Jelsch on October 21, 1994, Theodore Hibbard on May 5, 2006 and Gerald Lanning on February 20, 2017; daughter, JoAnne Lamb; and two sisters, Anita "Ann" Wise and Delores Salinas. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



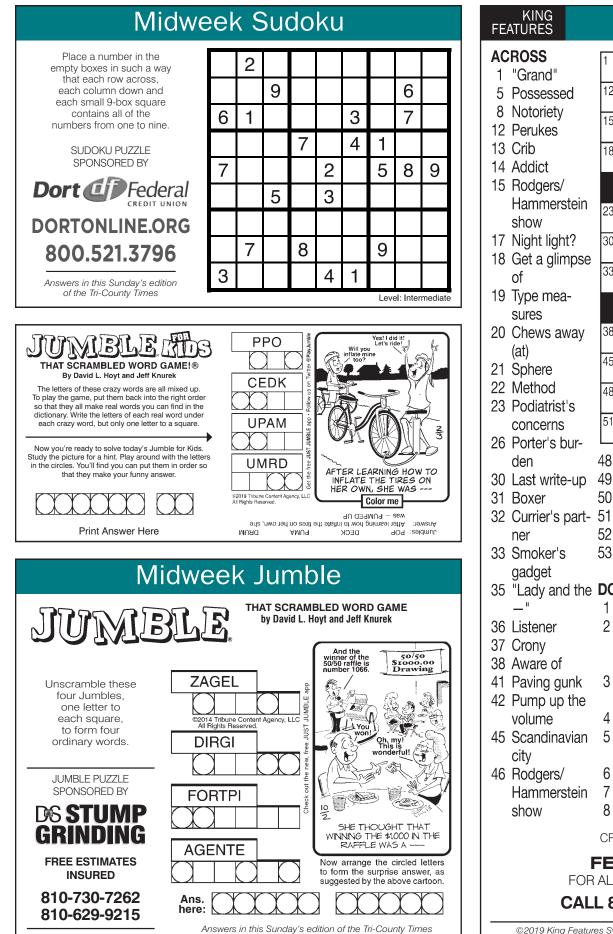
## Nancy Ellen

Petruska 1930 - 2019 Nancy Ellen Petruska - age 89, of Novi, and formerly of Fenton, went home to be with God on Saturday, June 15, 2019.



**Funeral Mass** will be celebrated 11 AM, Thursday, June 20, 2019 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton with Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Interment will follow at St. John Cemetery, Fenton. Visitation will be held 4 PM - 8 PM Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton where a rosary will be prayed at 7 PM. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make memorial contributions to the Fenton Education Foundation (www. fentoneducationfoundation.org). Mrs. Petruska was born on February 19, 1930 in Flint, the daughter of Jeremiah and Vesta Dunn (nee Van Houton). She graduated from St. Matthew High School (class of '47) in Flint and received a bachelors degree from Western Michigan University before beginning a teaching career of 30-plus years, mainly at State Road Elementary School in Fenton after the family moved there from Niles, MI in 1958. Mrs. Petruska met her future husband, Edward H., in Niles and they married on August 28, 1954, in Flint. They were married for 54 years before Edward died in 2009. Nancy and Ed lived in Fenton for 49 years. They were dedicated to education and in 2006 were honored when the "Edward and Nancy Petruska Life Time Achievement Award in Education" was created by the Fenton Education Foundation. Mrs. Petruska became a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth after she and her husband moved to Novi in 2006. Surviving are: four children, Edward J. Petruska of Casa Grande, AZ, Catherine and husband, Jeffrey Fox of Springboro, OH, Steven Petruska and wife, Jill of Goodrich, James Petruska and wife, Judi of Northville; 12 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. A brother, Michael, preceded her in death. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.





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