Everyone can be a bird watcher

By Tim Jagielo

Bird watching in the summer requires a keen eye. Birds aren’t out with their flashy colors and songs as they are in the spring, working to attract mates. They’re staying at their nests, protecting their nests. This is according to Richard Naber of the Genesee Audubon Society. Still, birds are everywhere and you don’t usually have to leave your yard to start bird watching. “It’s a very inexpensive hobby,” Naber said. He said one just needs some birdseed to attract them and maybe some cheap seven- to eight-power binoculars. “Birding is a personal thing, you don’t have to be in an organized group,” he said.

Birds have distinct seasons to their activities. Spring is for migrating back and finding mates. Summer is for hunkering down to care of the nest and chicks.

See BIRD on 4B
HOT LINE CONTINUED

A HUGE THANK you to my fellow taxpayers who voted ‘no’ to the school millage tax increase. Sooner or later these money-grabbers have got to realize that money doesn’t grow on trees.

THE SO-CALLED repair job on the roads in and around Fenton are the poorest I’ve experienced. The only thing worse is the loose asphalt they drop and then leave. The roads are rougher now than before. Sad.

ALL OF THE largest mass killings in this country were committed with explosives. The worst was by aircraft. In Japan, one of the worst was by poison gas. Cell phones have caused more deaths in this country this year than guns. Why is it liberals never attack the true cause of mass shootings?

IT WAS REFRESHING to hear Dr. Alveda King, the niece of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. say this week she knows first-hand that President Trump is not a racist. She knows him well and would know.

THANK YOU LINDEN Family Eye Care for fixing my glasses at the car show Wednesday. Your help was appreciated.

WHEN EVERYBODY STARTS carrying a gun, the cowards won’t commit anymore mass shootings.

TO THE WRITER regarding ‘guns are WMDs.’ Your solution has been tried in Chicago. Restricting firearms hasn’t worked so well there, because firearms are not the problem.

MICHIGAN VOTES

Legislative Activity

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While the legislature remains on summer break with no votes to report, this Roll Call Report describes some recent constitutional amendment proposals of general interest.

Senate Joint Resolution F: Repeal 1970 ‘parochiaid’ initiative ban on state support to private and religious schools

Introduced by Sen. Peter Lucido (R), to repeal the provision of the 1970 “parochiaid” constitutional amendment that banned state support to private and religious schools, including allowing individuals to claim an income tax deduction or credit for expenses incurred sending a child to non-public schools. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Joint Resolution G: Protect “electronic data and communications” from unreasonable search and seizure

Introduced by Sen. Jim Runestad (R), to place before voters in the next general election a constitutional amendment to add “electronic data and communications” to the Article I provision that recognizes the right of the people to be secure from unreasonable government searches and seizures of their “person, houses, papers, and possessions.” Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Joint Resolution K: Eliminate state board of education

Introduced by Rep. Pamela Hornberger (R), to place before voters in the next general election a constitutional amendment that would eliminate the current structure of an elected state board of education, which currently selects a superintendent of public instruction, who also directs the state Department of Education. Instead, the governor would appoint the director of the department, as with other state departments. The proposal would also make explicit that the legislature has the authority to control and direct the spending of state universities. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.
There are beautiful birds, and then there are some downright ugly birds — birds that have weird features like warty faces and long, dangly wattles. Then, there are birds that just look plain scary. But, no matter how they look, birds are still fascinating creatures. Here are some of the strange and weird:

**Helmeted Hornbill**

Found in the lowland rainforests of Borneo, Sumatra, and the Malay Peninsula, the helmeted hornbill is a critically endangered (very near extinction) species. Helmeted hornbills are monogamous birds, which have a peculiar breeding habit. Pairs work together to seal the female inside a tree cavity with mud, fruit pulp, and feces, leaving a hole only large enough for the male to transfer regurgitated food to her as she incubates up to six eggs. Once the chicks are ready to fledge, the adults break open the seal.

**Shoebill**

You can’t expect a bird to win a beauty pageant when its face is attached to a giant bill resembling a clog shoe. However, that doesn’t stop the shoebill from being one of the most popular birds on the must-see list for birdwatchers in Central-Eastern Africa. Standing tall (nearly 5 feet) on long, spindly legs, this prehistoric-looking stork has a massive bill that resembles a wooden clog shoe. At the end of this razor-sharp beak is a hook-shaped nail that allows the shoebill to decapitate its prey.

**Potoo**

The potoo is a not-so-cute critter. You won’t see or hear the potoo during daylight hours because it is nocturnal and likes to sleep all day. Even if you were to look right at the potoo as it sleeps upright on a tree branch, you may not see it because its plumage is a mottled green, gray and brown exactly like tree bark (both male and female). However, if you decide to go on a night safari in the rainforest of Central or South America, the potoo may just give you a shock with its bulging yellow eyes, long neck, small beak and large, gaping mouth that is used to catch fly-by insects.

**Muscovy Duck**

This bird with a bald crown has short, bristle-like feathers, and his white eyes are red-ringed, but the rest of his head and face vary in vibrant colors of red, orange, yellow, green, and bluish-purple. Found in the dense tropics of Central and South America, from Mexico all the way down to southern Argentina, the king vulture goes way back to ancient Mayan times when it was believed to be a “king” that transported messages from the gods to humans.

**Capuchinbird**

The capuchinbird looks like a small, hunchbacked vulture. While the body plumage is mostly a blend of brown, orange and chestnut colors, the wings and tail are dark brown or black. The hunchbacked neck looks like it is about to swallow the naked, pale blue head and beak. Found in the rainforests of northern and eastern South America (Venezuela, Colombia, Brazil, and the Guyanas), the capuchinbird makes an otherworldly sound to go along with its odd appearance. Some people have described the call as the low mooing of a cow while others say it is more like the noise of a distant chainsaw,

**Featherless Chicken**

This is not a hoax, featherless chickens are living, breathing supper. Their breeding was initiated by an Israeli geneticist as part of an experiment to breed chickens for hotter climates. He says that the mutation occurred naturally in California over 50 years ago and the original chicken was kept and bred.

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BIRD

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They’re also starting to molt, so the distinctive emerald green head of the mallard is no longer as visible as they prepare for fall.

There are several back yard birds that you can still spot in the summer. “I think most people want to know what’s in their yard,” Naber said. He said there’s about 10 species that come right to your yard.

These include cardinals, chickadees, robins, blue jays and some black birds. A feeder will attract nuthatches and titmice.

While house sparrows are also around, they are seen as an invasive species from Europe. “So true birders don’t get excited about them,” he said. “They can be a very invasive bird in a home.” House finch and starlings are other invasive birds.

Lake Fenton graduate Adam Hoisington is knowledgeable enough about local birds that he teaches a “Birds of Michigan” class at Delta College in the spring.

He started watching birds as a biology student at the University of Michigan–Flint. “I took a field biology class one spring just to fill up some credits and it ended up changing my life,” he said. “I shifted my focus from being in a laboratory with my face buried in a microscope all day to spending my days outside, hiking forests and fields and walking along lakeshores.”

He “got hooked” watching them and ended up doing his master’s thesis on bird communities.

He does most of his bird watching in the spring. “I really look forward to seeing the wood-warblers each May. They are some of the most colorful birds we see in our areas.”

To see raptors, Naber said to simply look up. It’s easy to see turkey vultures along the highways.

To get started

According to Naber, bird watching can be as involved as you make it. You can sit and watch through your window, or go outdoors and hike. You can do it alone or find groups. One useful Facebook group is Michigan Birder and another is Birding Michigan.

Hoisington said nature centers in our area (such as For-Mar Nature Preserve) offer guided bird-watching hikes throughout the year. “That can be a really great place to start for someone who wants to learn the basics of bird watching,” he said. For helpful books, he recommends Pete Dunne’s “On Bird Watching” and “Birds of Eastern and Central North America” by Roger Tory Peterson.

Some places to start looking for birds in the tri-county area would be Sorenson Park in Holly, Dauner Martin Nature Sanctuary in Fenton or Eagle’s Wooden Park in Linden.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

YOU’VE HEARD THE slogan ‘guns don’t kill people, people kill people.’ It’s as true today as it was 50 years ago. The difference today is about 90 percent of the nation’s mental health facilities have closed in favor of group homes. One of the latest shooters was a devout liberal, a fact unreported by the media.

DO PARENTS STILL make their kids stand in the corner or is it the time out thing when it’s not really a game?
HISTORY

AUG. 11
1934: A group of federal prisoners classified as “most dangerous” arrives at Alcatraz Island, a 22-acre rocky outcrop situated 1.5 miles offshore in San Francisco Bay. The convicts, the first civilian prisoners to be housed in the new high-security penitentiary, joined a few dozen military prisoners left over from the island’s days as a U.S. military prison.

AUG. 12
2014: Actress Lauren Bacall, who shot to fame in her debut film, 1944’s “To Have and Have Not,” in which she appeared opposite Humphrey Bogart, with whom she would have a legendary romance, dies at her New York City home at age 89. In a career that spanned nearly 70 years, the smoky-voiced Bacall made more than 40 films, including “The Big Sleep,” (1946) “How to Marry a Millionaire” (1953) and “The Mirror Has Two Faces” (1996).

AUG. 13
1961: Cary Stayner, the serial killer convicted in the grisly murders of four women near Yosemite National Park, is born on this day in 1961. In 1972, Stayner’s childhood took a tragic turn when his younger brother Steven, then 7, was kidnapped while walking home from school in the family’s hometown of Merced, California. Steven’s abductor, convicted child molester Kenneth Parnell, held him captive for seven years before he managed to escape and return home. Compounding the tragedy, Steven was killed in a 1989 motorcycle accident.

AUG. 14
1935: President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs into law the Social Security Act. Press photographers snapped pictures as FDR, flanked by ranking members of Congress, signed into law the historic act, which guaranteed an income for the unemployed and retirees. FDR commended Congress for what he considered to be a “patriotic” act.

AUG. 15
1914: The American-built waterway across the Isthmus of Panama, connecting the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, is inaugurated with the passage of the U.S. vessel “Ancon,” a cargo and passenger ship.

AUG. 16
1896: While salmon fishing near the Klondike River in Canada’s Yukon Territory, George Carmack reportedly spits nuggets of gold in a creek bed. His lucky discovery sparks the last great gold rush in the American West.

AUG. 17
1984: The serial burglar and rapist known as “the Fox” breaks into a house and physically assaults a girl, her boyfriend and the girl’s brother near the village of Brampton, England. After raping the woman, the attacker proceeded to remove any traces of evidence from both his victim’s body and the surrounding area. The attack turned out to be a part of a crime spree that had begun in the spring of 1984 when a hooded burglar broke into several houses in an area north of London. A few months later, the thief turned to rape.

Source: history.com

LOOKING BACK
at this week in
HISTORY

COMPiled by vera Hogan

MICHIGAN VOTES
LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

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Senate Joint Resolution A and C; House Joint Resolution F: Remove higher education from allowable School Aid:
Introduced by Sen. Tom Barrett (R), Sen. Dayna Polehanki (D) and Rep. Matt Koleszar (D), respectively, to place before voters in the next general election a constitutional amendment to remove current language in the Constitution of 1963 that permits tax revenue earmarked to a state “School Aid Fund” to be used for higher education. In other words, tax dollars earmarked to this fund could only be spent on K-12 public schools. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Joint Resolution B: Equalize school district funding
Introduced by Sen. Tom Barrett (R), to place before voters in the next general election a Constitutional amendment to require that by Oct. 1, 2024 school year all school districts receive the same amount of money per pupil from state and local revenue. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Joint Resolution D and House Joint Resolution G: Repeal constitutional prohibition on graduated state income tax
Introduced by Sen. Jeff Irwin (D) and Rep. Rebekah Warren (D), respectively, to place before voters in the next general election a constitutional amendment to repeal an existing prohibition on imposing a graduated income tax (as opposed to Michigan’s current flat tax). See also House Bill 4481, which would authorize individual income tax rates ranging from 5 percent to 8.4 percent, with the latter imposed on annual income above $75,000. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

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Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept/ and or refuse any and all bids. Sealed bids must be received at the Clerk’s office at 9048 Silver Lake Rd., Linden 48451 by 2:00 p.m. August 23, 2019.

Denise Graves,
Argentine Township Clerk

VILLAGE OF HOLLY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF REZONING OF A PROPERTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with Section 157.077 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance the Village of Holly Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on a request by the property owner for a rezoning of their property at 313 S. Broad, tax parcel ID #’s IH-01-34-310-016/IH-01-34-310-017 and 315 S. Broad, tax parcel ID #’s IH-01-34-301-018/IH-01-34-310-019 on August 28, 2019 at 7:00 PM (or as soon thereafter as possible) in the Village Council Chambers located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, Michigan.

A rezoning was initiated by the Village of Holly, 300 East Street, Holly, Mi. The request has been made to change the property from Industrial to Neighborhood Office Commercial.

Written comments may be submitted to the Village Clerk/Treasurer, 300 East Street, Karl Richter Center, Holly, Michigan 48442 prior to the review and may also be submitted at the meeting. All documents pertinent to the application are available for inspection in the Village Offices at the above address during regular business hours.

Interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting. Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend are asked to contact the Village offices at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (248) 634-9571 during regular business hours.

Deborah J. Bigger
Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Holly
The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday August 5, 2019 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
2. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of $1,122,052.85.
4. Approved a motion to allow Supervisor Mathis to abstain from voting on all actions, in this and future meetings, relating to a proposed lake improvement special assessment district for Lake Fenton due to a conflict of interest.
5. After conducted a public hearing on same, adopted Resolution No. 2019-23 and Resolution No. 2019-24, creating Lake Fenton Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2 and scheduling a public hearing on the special assessment roll.
6. Adopted Ordinance No. 810, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone part of parcel 06-22-528-007, (14214 Eastview Drive) from R-MH to R-5.
7. Approved a Local Road Agreement with the Genesee County Road Commission for the rehabilitation of streets in the Silver Ridge subdivision under a special assessment district.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-25, authorizing the Township Supervisor and Clerk to approve changes to the Township’s street lighting contract with Consumers Energy for 2019.
10. Approved a motion to allow Clerk Krug to abstain from voting on all actions, in this and future meetings, relating to a proposed lake improvement special assessment district for Golden Pond due to a conflict of interest.
14. Approved the termination of a member of the Fenton Township Fire Department for failure to meet the minimum monthly alarm response requirements.
15. Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL
FOR BYRAM LAKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The Linden City Council has determined the necessity to continue an improvement program to Byram Lake. The project will consist of herbicide treatments, and if feasible mechanical harvesting for aquatic plant control and continued water quality monitoring to gauge the effectiveness of the project establishment of a special assessment district to fund said project.

The special assessment district consists of all properties in the City of Linden within 500 feet of Byram Lake which abut the lake or lots which have deeded lake access. Said district consisting of tax parcel numbers:

61-30-100-011  61-30-100-012  61-30-100-013  61-30-200-001
61-30-200-007  61-30-200-008  61-30-200-009  61-30-200-010
61-30-527-001  61-30-527-002  61-30-527-004  61-30-527-005
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61-30-527-029  61-30-527-030  61-30-527-031  61-30-527-032
61-30-527-033  61-30-527-035  61-30-527-037

The estimated cost of the improvements, the amount to be specially assessed, the amount to be a general obligation of the City of Linden, and the special assessment district are as follows:

Estimated Cost for the City Linden Residents Spread over 5 years $25,333.80
Amount to be a general obligation of The City of Linden $0

A special assessment roll assessing the cost of said improvements to the aforesaid special assessment district has been prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held on Monday, August 26, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers on the lower level of the Mill Building at 201 N. Main Street, Linden, Michigan at which time any interested person will be given the opportunity to object to the special assessment roll as prepared by the City Assessor. A person objecting to the special assessment roll shall file the objection in writing with the City Clerk before the close of the hearing.

Appearance and protest of the special assessment at the hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may protest the special assessment by letter files with the City Clerk at or prior to the time of the hearing, in case appearance in person is not required. If the special assessment is protested as provided above, the owner or any party having an interest in the real property may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal or other court of competent jurisdiction within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.

If written objections to the proposed improvements have been filed by owners of the property which will be required to bear more that 50% of the amount of such special assessment roll then, an affirmative vote of four members of the Council would be required to confirm the roll. The drawings, plans, and cost estimate of the improvements are on file with the City Clerk for public inspection.

Tessa Wightman, City Clerk
City of Linden
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTED
ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

At their regular meeting of August 5, 2019, the Fenton Township Board adopted Ordinance No. 810, an amendment to Zoning Ordinance No. 594 to rezone part of parcel 06-22-528-007, (14214 Eastview Drive) from R-MH to R-5.

A complete copy of the adopted ordinance may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The ordinance is also available on Fenton Township’s website at www.fentontownship.org.

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

TYRONE TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BOARD MEETING
SYNOPSIS
HELD JULY 16, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.

2. Opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. to review and hear objections to the Laurel Springs Waste Removal Project Special Assessment District. No comments or objections were made. Closed the public hearing at 7:00 p.m.
3. Approved the agenda as presented; approved the consent agenda as presented.
4. Authorized the amendment to the 2019-2020 budget to the Building & Site Fund.
5. Adopted Resolution #190703 to approve the project details and prepare the special assessment roll for the Laurel Springs Waste Removal Project.
6. Adopted Resolution #190704 to schedule and issue notices for the second public hearing for the Laurel Springs Waste Removal Project. The public hearing is scheduled for August 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
7. Adopted Resolution #190705 to amend Zoning Ordinance #36 to include a definition and clarify submerged land beneath lakes.
8. Adopted Resolution #190706 to amend Zoning Ordinance #36 to opt-out, therefore prohibit, recreational marijuana establishments/facilities within the township.
9. Adopted Resolution #190707 to Zoning Ordinance #36 to allow for utility scale solar energy facilities.
10. Adopted Resolution #190708 acknowledging the five year review and ratification of the 2012 Master Plan.
11. Adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

The minutes of all regular and special Tyrone Township Board Meetings are on file and may be viewed at the Tyrone Township Clerk’s office, 10408 Center Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at www.tyronetownship.us. The next regular meeting of the Tyrone Township Board will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall. The public is encouraged to attend. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Tyrone Township Clerk at (810) 629-8631 at least seven days prior to the meeting.

Marcella Husted, Tyrone Township Clerk

NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
RE-ZONING REQUEST
ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

The Argentine Township Planning Commission is holding a hearing August 29, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the following item:

REZONING REQUEST FROM R2 URBAN RESIDENTIAL TO C2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL

A request has been received from Cale Gillett, to rezone a portion of his property, Tax ID 01-26-400-004, 5.5 acres from current zoning R2 Urban Residential to C2 General Commercial so the whole property will be zoned as C2 General Commercial.

Currently the front 600 is zoned C2 General Commercial and the balance is zoned R2 Rural Residential.

Denise Graves, Clerk
Argentine Township
PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY AUGUST 27, 2019 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AT 12060 MANTAWAUCA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

NEW BUSINESS:
ZBA19-024 Thomas Guzik, 6096 Lakeview Park Dr.
Requesting a 27 ft. front yard setback variance to build an attached garage at 6096 Lakeview Park Dr., parcel 06-30-577-010.

ZBA19-025 Steve Morin, 2437 Davis Rd.
Requesting a 2,936.76 sq. ft. maximum allowable sq. footage variance to expand a detached accessory building at 2437 Davis Rd, parcel 06-02-300-015.

This notice is published in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

Fenton Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon 14 days notice to Fenton Township.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Fenton Township by writing or calling the following: Robert Krug, Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430, (810) 629-1537.

Ordinances, meeting schedules and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

ROBERT KRUG,
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
ZONING BOARD of APPEALS
CITY OF FENTON
GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF VARIANCE REQUEST
TUESDAY, August 27, 2019

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fenton Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Tuesday, August 27, 2019, for the purpose of considering a variance request to permit the construction of a building within twenty feet (20') of US-23 at 155 N. Alloy Drive, Fenton, Michigan Tax ID #53-34-200-006. The proposed request will allow for the construction of a building and maneuvering parking within twenty feet of US-23 instead of the required thirty feet setback. The property is zoned IND, Industrial District, abutting US-23 and the Zoning Ordinance requires a thirty-five feet setback.

The public hearing will be held in the City Hall Conference Room, 301 South Leroy Street. The purpose of the public hearing is to describe the proposed variance request and receive public comment on the proposal. All interested parties are welcome to attend and present their comments.

A copy of the variance request is available for public inspection at the City of Fenton offices, 301 South Leroy Street, during regular business hours. Written comments concerning the variance may be submitted at the above address prior to the hearing and will be made part of the official record. All minutes of meetings are available at the City Clerk’s office.

Comments and questions may be directed to the City of Fenton Zoning and Building Administrator, Michael Reilly, at 810-629-2261.

PLEASE CONTACT THE FENTON CITY CLERK’S OFFICE IF ANY ACCOMMODATIONS ARE NEEDED DUE TO A DISABILITY.
Weekend Scrambler

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Weekend Crossword

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Barbara Ann Rogers
1959-2019
Barbara Ann Rogers - age 59, of Linden, passed away peacefully August 5, 2019 after a short battle with cancer. Barbara was born September 7, 1959 in Tawas City to Gerald Don and Veronica Elizabeth (Blust) Gracik. She graduated from Tawas Area High School in 1977. Barbara graduated from Hurley School of Nursing in 1980 and later Ferris State University with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She married Lee Roy Rogers September 28, 1984. Barbara enjoyed a long career as a Registered Nurse at Hurley Hospital and after retirement finished her career at McLaren Hospital. She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and Tyrone Hills Golf Club. Barbara was an avid golfer, Detroit Tigers fan, loved animals, and enjoyed games of chance. She was a talented musician and singer, and loved to travel. Barbara was preceded in death by her father, Gerald Gracik. Surviving are her beloved husband, Lee; sons, Jason, Dustin, and Joseph Rogers; grandchildren, Micah and Harper; mother, Veronica Gracik; siblings, Tom (Laurie) Gracik, Linda (Scott) Potts, Jerry (Julie) Gracik, Jim (Sharon) Gracik, Lori (Jeff) Wojahn, Lisa (Joe) Frappier; several nieces and nephews. Visititation will take place Friday, August 9, 2019 from 2-9 PM at Sharp Funeral Home, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton, Michigan, with Rosary service at 7 PM. On Saturday, August 10, 2019 visitation will begin at 9 AM at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton, with Funeral Mass being celebrated at 10 AM; Fr. Ryan Riley celebrant. Interment at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, East Tawas, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorial contributions in Barbara's name to assist with medical expenses. Online tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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On the 15th anniversary of your death
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Forever Loved,
We miss you.
With love, Patrick & CeCe

Carroll Gene Butts
1924-2019
Carroll Gene Butts - age 94, of Linden, died on Thursday, August 8, 2019. Funeral services will be held 11 AM Friday, August 23, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Pastor Dawn Russell officiating. Interment in Oakwood Cemetery, Fenton. Visititation will be held 2-8 PM Thursday, August 22, and 10 AM until the time of service Friday, August 23, 2019. Those desiring may make contributions to the Linden Presbyterian Church. He was born in Carterville, IL on September 26, 1924, the oldest child of Carl and Mary Butts. The family moved to Fenton. Carroll enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corp in 1942 and served as an instructor pilot for B17 (AKA Flying Fortress) bomber crews. At the end of the war, Carroll, like many other vets took advantage of the GI Bill and earned a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University. He was a salesman for Abbott Laboratories for 40 years until his retirement in 1984. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed his times on the course at Spring Meadows Golf Club and at other courses around the country. He also enjoyed photography and documenting his travels. He looked forward to annual trips to the deer cabin near Lake City, not so much for the sake of hunting but for the friendship and fun of sharing those times with friends and family. Carroll's life was also marked by his love for two women. His first love was Jane Walcott, his high school sweetheart. They married in 1946, and had four children together, and remained a loving couple until her death in 1980. Carroll met Sylvia Dukes, his second love, on a blind date in 1982. They married in 1984. Sylvia and Carroll enjoyed travel, golf, and friends until her death in 2014. In addition to his two wives, Carroll was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Mary Butts; daughter, Paula Sue; and his brothers, Bobby and Carl. He is survived by his children and stepchildren, Jeffrey Butts and wife Diane of Boone, NC, Nancy Shaver and husband Bud of Cave Creek AZ, Jana Hoensheid and husband Gary of Suttons Bay, Cindy Norman and husband Don of Elkhart, IN and Susan Rutan and husband Terry of Notia, TN. He is also survived by seven grandchildren and three step grandchildren; Jonathon Butts and wife Amy of Des Moines, IA, Aaron Butts and wife Paige of Chicago, IL, Adrienne Stumb and husband Adam of Boone, NC, Kiel Shaver and wife Laura of Baily, CO, Kara and husband Wes Bates of Chandler, AZ, Ryan Hoensheid and wife Kate of DeWitt, Taylor Hoensheid and fiancé Maddy of St. Paul, MN, Michelle Hillegass and husband John of Akron, PA, Matt Norman and wife Sarah of Elkhart, IN, and Andrea Kerr of Elkhart, IN. Additional survivors are great-grandchildren, Charles and Madelyn Stumb, Hannah and Elias Butts, Harlow Bates, Landon and Tenley Hoensheid, Greta and Jeremiah Hillegass, Brennon and Taylor Norman, Jazmine, Zachary, and Bella Kerr. The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff of Tanglewood Home Care and Hospice for their care of Carroll. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Donna Mae Wright
1923-2019
Donna Mae Wright - age 95, of Linden, died Tuesday, April 30, 2019. A memorial service will be held 11 AM Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at Hope Lutheran Church, 7355 Silver Lake Rd., Linden with Rev. Paul Kollek officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Loose Senior Center or Hope Lutheran Church of Linden.

Harriet Lynn Schrader
Harriet Lynn Schrader - age 82, passed August 5, 2019. No services per her request.

Theodore Goodwin
Theodore Goodwin - age 86, died August 2, 2019. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

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