Wagging in the school year

District now has two full-time therapy dogs to bring calm to both students and staff

By Tim Jagielo
Fenton — Therapy dog Charlie drew smiles from almost every child and adult who walked past him to enter the building on the first day of school, Tuesday Aug. 27.

See THERAPY DOG on 9

Attorney: Linden has power to sell Loose property

City attorney answers questions on Loose wishing to end inter-local agreement

By Hannah Ball
Linden — Loose Center representatives hope to sell part of the land to a private company to develop a senior living community with a wellness center. However, according to Linden attorney Michael Gildner, the inter-local agreement gives Linden the power to sell the property.

See LOOSE on 8

Rezoning approved for Beacon & Bridge

Development will not affect remediation efforts for underground gas leak

By Hannah Ball
Linden — Linden City Council approved a conditional rezoning request for Beacon & Bridge market and gas station at the Monday Aug. 26 meeting. The vote was 6-0 with Councilor Pamela Howd absent.

The property at 10 E. Broad St. is now zoned general commercial district (GCD), which allows for gas stations. It had been out of compliance before the Aug. 26 vote because it was previously zoned central business district (CBD), which does not allow gas stations. However, all other zoning requirements, such as setbacks and lot size, are based on CBD regulations.

With this decision, Beacon & Bridge is one step closer to expanding.

The property currently has four pump stations on the north end of the property and a 2,240-square-foot convenience store on the south portion. The owner, Quick-Sav Food Stores, wishes to expand to eight pump stations and a 2,592-square-foot convenience store.

See BEACON & BRIDGE on 6

“Apologies to the man in the black truck that I pulled out in front of even though I thought it was flying. You pulled into Boston’s. My fault.”

“How many accidents does it take before Fenton drivers start using turn signals to switch lanes, turn or go into a left turn lane?”

“Really enjoyed Vera’s Wizard of Oz trivia.”
‘Gas prices likely to be lowest in years’

AAA says this is good news for those traveling this Labor Day

Compiled By Vera Hogan

Labor Day is quickly approaching and gas prices for the holiday weekend are lining up to be the lowest in two to three years, according to AAA Michigan. However, there are still a number of factors that could push prices higher before the holiday.

Today, the average price for gasoline in the U.S. is $2.59 per gallon. Drivers are currently paying 25 cents less than they did on Labor Day 2018 ($2.84), and 5 cents less than on Labor Day 2017 ($2.64).

Gas prices should remain low heading into the holiday, unless something unexpected threatens fuel supplies like geopolitical tensions or a hurricane in the Gulf of Mexico, according to AAA.

Labor Day marks the end of the busy summer travel season and the last big surge in gasoline demand before the fall. The expectation of strong demand

In the U.S. is $2.59 per gallon. Drivers are currently paying 25 cents less than they did on Labor Day 2018 ($2.84), and 5 cents less than on Labor Day 2017 ($2.64).

Gas prices should remain low heading into the holiday, unless something unexpected threatens fuel supplies like geopolitical tensions or a hurricane in the Gulf of Mexico, according to AAA.

Labor Day marks the end of the busy summer travel season and the last big surge in gasoline demand before the fall. The expectation of strong demand can promote a slight and temporary bump at the pump before the holiday. However, after Labor Day, refiners begin their seasonal switch to winter-blend gasoline. Summerblend gasoline is more expensive to produce than winter-blend, because the EPA requires more additives in the hotter months of the year. The combination of lower demand and fuel production costs typically restores downward pressure on pump prices through the end of the year.

Most expensive gas price averages: Ann Arbor ($2.80), Metro Detroit ($2.76), Jackson ($2.71)

Least expensive gas price averages: Traverse City ($2.56), Benton Harbor ($2.62), Saginaw ($2.67)

Find Local Gas Prices

Daily national, state, and metro gas price averages can be found at Gas-prices.aaa.com

Motorists can find the lowest gas prices on their smartphone or tablet with the free AAA Mobile app. The app can also be used to map a route, find discounts, book a hotel and access AAA roadside assistance.
Norwegian native returns to homeland 65 years later

Arve and Bonnie Vik of Rose Township and family take a trip back in time to Viik’s home country

By Sally Rummel

Arve Viik, 75 of Rose Township, remembers hawking newspapers and herring door-to-door as a young child growing up in the coastal city and fishing port of Alesund, Norway, on the North Sea.

His memories, and a distinct Norwegian accent, are all that remains of the first 10 years of his life, because he has lived in the United States ever since.

Viik emigrated to the U.S. with his parents, Nils Kristoffer and Oddny Elinor Viik in 1954, following generations of family members who moved here to farm and work in North Dakota.

Back in Norway his dad worked as an engineer on a merchant ship and when he came here, he put his mechanic skills to use and also drove a taxi. His parents relocated to the Metro Detroit area, where Viik spent his teen years, graduating from Garden City High School.

He met and fell in love with Bonnie, now 72, at an “American Graffiti”-style drive-in, married her and together raised three children, living in Rose Township since 1971.

Here, Vik has created his own American Dream, starting on the ground floor in the grocery business and then as a beer distributor. He has been retired for several years, but still enjoys driving for a local automotive dealership.

But the love of his old country has always tugged at his heart. The Norway flag and other Norwegian artifacts are spread throughout his home, and Bonnie serves many traditional Norwegian sweets, breads and lamb dishes for regular meals and especially during the holidays.

The couple has five grandchildren, and each one gets to choose a trip to take when they graduate from high school.

Usually, the chosen trip is a cruise, but when his youngest granddaughter, Hanna Ferguson, 18, graduated from Fenton High School this year, she had a special request: “I want to go to Norway.”

(Above) Arve Viik holds the Alesund newspaper with the article about his trip back to his birthplace after 65 years. (Right) Arve Viik and Hanna Ferguson; his granddaughter. She wanted to spend her spring break in the birthplace of her “Papa.” Submitted photos

NORWAY on 6
Building Brands

perseverance: Persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

I’m not one to keep quotes or definitions stuck around my desk, but after last week, I have to make an exception and post the above somewhere visible. Here’s why.

I arrived at our sales meeting drained. The night before I spent four hours and $495 at the ER vet with our pup. Before you become too alarmed, he is okay. As a rescue he’s had health issues for his entire life. After a weekend party with too many table scraps left him particularly ill, we decided he needed a doctor. Unfortunately, we decided this after-hours, hence the long wait, huge bill and nearly late arrival to the sales meeting.

Our sales meetings start with each team member sharing a success story. Sometimes it’s a struggle to get the team to share, but this time the stories were bountiful. As I sat there listening I became more and more energized.

One client can directly tie more than $100,000 worth of sales this quarter to a print campaign he ran with us. Another saw an increase in event attendance after inserting an invite into our newspapers. I shared a story of a client who used a sticky note to promote his business and had so much success he’ll continue to do so.

These stories illustrate a few things:
1. Print is alive and well and it works!
2. View Newspaper Group is more than just traditional print ads. We offer inserts, direct mail and cool products like our sticky notes to help deliver a marketing message to a customer’s desired audience.
3. Our team has perseverance. While these success stories are awesome, they did not happen overnight. Many are a result of months, sometimes years’ worth of work. It’s important to celebrate success, but it’s also important to remember how it was achieved. With that in mind, the team developed a list of the things that keep us going. Here are my favorite:
   - New ideas
   - Collaboration
   - Passion
   - Positivity
   - Teamwork
   - Story telling
   - Learning
   - Commitment

Everyone has hard days. The next time you have one, think of that list above. I know I will. It has given me the energy to keep on keepin’ on.

What keeps you going on rough days? Email me at ecaswell@mihomепaper.com.
Emily Caswell the Brand Manager of VIEW Group, the branding division of View Newspaper Group.

Hotlines
Submit Hotlines online at myfenton.com or text to 810-771-8398

THE REPUBLICANS PROMISED
to take on corruption. Remember that? However, they have gone to Washington and just plundered away.

I AGREE WITH the self-proclaimed Democrat writer that reactionary Hot-liners are flawed if they think they know you. There is a firm ideological split between socialist collectivism and a free market economy with individual liberties.

WHY ARE YOU against buying Greenland? Please review their strategic value.

HAD EXCELLENT DINNER outside at Ciao Saturday night. Everything was perfect except the customers next door — loud, trashy language and rude behavior.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR advisor/fiduciary fees. If you are paying more than 1 percent you are being taken advantage of. Shop around and get customer reviews on their performance.

IT’S WELL KNOWN that pay raises for corporate executives have far outpaced those for ordinary workers in recent decades, contributing to rising income inequality nationwide.

Growing up, do you wish your school had therapy dogs?

“Yeah, it probably would have been a great help for a couple kids. One particularly in my grade. Some could have used a little more help.”
— Michael Andrews
Saginaw Township

“Sure, definitely, because of all the benefits they provide to people; they comfort people, help them come out of their shells.”
— Ron Bogart
Lansing

“Yes, really. When I was in school there were lots of people who could have been helped.”
— Roy McKee
Rose Township

“Yes, I think it’s been a great program for sure. We’re a dog family, but the other side is that some kids are allergic.”
— Adrienne Ikewood
Fenton Township

“Yes, because dogs are man’s best friend and they’re therapeutic for kids on the special ed. spectrum. I’m a para-pro with Lake Fenton schools and the dogs would really help.”
— Sheila Hodge
Fenton

Compiled by Tim Jagielo, media editor
"If you suffer from pain due to Peripheral Neuropathy — tingling, numbness, or loss of feeling in your feet — I invite you to call our office and reserve a spot for our FREE dinner seminar to learn more about the latest treatment available. More than 20 million Americans suffer from Peripheral Neuropathy, a condition caused by damage to the nerves. This pain affects everything you do, from work, play, and ultimately your quality of life. I am here to tell you that there is hope. You can reduce or get rid of your pain and get your life back. At our offices, we offer advanced customized treatment programs and our goal is to help you have a better quality of life."

— Dr. Katrina Nicholson

You’re invited to a Free Dinner Exclusively for Neuropathy and Nerve Pain Sufferers

Preceding your free dinner, Dr. Katrina Nicholson will be speaking on the latest FDA Cleared Neuropathy treatment program found to relieve pain where others have failed.

FREE ADMISSION & FREE MEAL
* NEW PATIENTS ONLY *

You’ll discover how Dr. Nicholson’s unique treatment program is designed to decrease pain, improve function and relieve the following symptoms:

♦ Numbness  ♦ Leg cramping  ♦ Sharp electrical-like pain  ♦ Burning pain
♦ Difficulty sleeping from leg & foot discomfort  ♦ Back or Neck Pain
♦ Prickling or tingling of the feet or hands  ♦ Pain when you walk

Seminar Dinner will be held at:
Aubree’s Pizzeria & Grill
11501 S. Saginaw St. • Grand Blanc
Thurs., Sept. 12 • 7:00pm

Reservation Required
Please RSVP to 810.771.7624
Feel free to bring a guest. Seating is limited to ONLY 20 spots. Adults only.
Dr. Katrina Nicholson, BS, DC, Presenter.
Mike Carpenter, with Rowe Professional Services Company, said along with pump station parking, there will be two spots by the building, three spots by the end of the canopies, and there’s room for people coming and going.

Scott Sutter, police chief and interim city manager, said motorists will only be able to take right-hand turns out of the property, except for nighttime delivery trucks.

Mayor Danielle Cusson reminded the audience that the only thing decided at this meeting was the rezoning. A final site plan still has to be submitted and approved.

Representatives hope to have everything approved this winter and to start construction next year.

**Remediation efforts**

Beacon & Bridge is currently working on remediation efforts relating to a gas leak found coming from an underground storage tank on the property in 2014. They hired PM Environmental to create a remediation system.

Adam Patton from PM Environmental said the proposed development does not change their plans for monitoring wells to be installed downtown. Only the 22 monitoring wells of the northern system have been proposed so far, Cusson said. They were also approved at this meeting. (Read more about these wells in the Sunday, Sept. 1 edition of the Times.)

The location and configuration of the southern system wells is unlikely to change, but Patton said, “the location of that building really dictates whether we can or cannot put a system on the south end of the property overall as was originally proposed.”

It is possible to install them across the street.

Cusson asked if the expansion affects the corrective action timeline. Patton said “no.”

“The actual plan, the approach, the vacuum system that’s going to be installed, will still be installed and will still be operated,” he said. “From a building standpoint, our location for that system and location for which the piping will be installed is contingent upon the actual location of the new building.”

The system will have to be in place for a minimum of 36 months, with ground-water monitoring for a few more years to ensure the contamination is gone.

Cusson asked if development was still possible even though the ground is contaminated. Patton said they can still build, but engineers do need to consider whether the building will have adequate compaction so it can hold the weight of the development. If vapor intrusion becomes an issue, a barrier can be installed.

**NORWAY**

Continued from Page 3

to se e wh ere Grandpa li ved an d t he school he went to.”

Vik chokes up with emotion at the memory of this simple request.

“I never thought I’d get back to Norway,” he said. The family began to plan the trip six months ago and embarked on their adventure Aug. 5 through 19.

Included in the entourage were Arve and Bonnie, daughter Lisa and her husband, Todd and Hanna and their son, Erik and his girlfriend, Bliss. Their other son, Arve Scott, and his wife, Laura, were not able to join them, although they have all traveled together extensively throughout the U.S. and the Caribbean.

Their itinerary included visits with many Norwegian relatives, meeting the mayor of Alesund, the headmaster of Vik’s primary school, Aspoya and showing everyone the streets and residences that were his home for 10 years.

They also visited the Geirangerfjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, one of Norway’s most iconic landmarks. The Viks were treated “like royalty” by his home country, he said, even being interviewed by the local newspaper.

“It’s hard for me to put into words how big it is for me to come back,” Vik said. “I am so happy. This is something I never thought I would get to experience.”
Competency to stand trial and criminal responsibility (Part 1)

Consider the following hypothetical: A criminal defendant is charged with a crime. He is represented by an attorney, who conducts an initial interview and learns that the defendant doesn’t remember any of the details of the crime. He does remember, however, that on the day in question he’d been drinking heavily and using drugs. He has trouble understanding the attorney’s questions, is very disoriented, and has a lengthy history of mental illness.

What normally happens next?

The answer is that the attorney moves the court to order the defendant to have both a competency to stand trial examination and a criminal responsibility evaluation.

The reasons for this are: (1) a defendant must be able to help the attorney with the criminal case including the trial (competency) and, (2) if the defendant was legally insane at the time of the alleged criminal act, they could be found not guilty by reason of insanity (criminal responsibility).

The following is a brief summary of the law in these two areas.

Competency to stand trial

Upon a proper showing, a defendant can be ordered to have a competency examination at the Center for Forensic Psychiatry (the state’s sole certified forensic facility) to determine if, because of their mental condition, they are incapable of understanding the nature and object of the proceedings against them or assisting in their defense in a rational manner. There is a presumption that a defendant is competent.

After the examination has been completed a report is submitted to the court which includes the doctor’s opinion. If the court finds the defendant is incompetent to stand trial there are then two possibilities.

The first is when it is found that there is a substantial probability that the defendant, if provided a course of treatment, will attain competency within an allowed period of time defined as one-third of the maximum sentence if convicted of the charged crime(s) and 15 months whichever is less. The defendant is then ordered to be treated at the forensic center for this purpose.

If competency has not been restored within this period, the case must be dismissed and the defendant is then referred to the probate court for a civil commitment proceeding and possible additional treatment.

Next week - Part 2
LOOSE
Continued from Front Page
     Carl Gabrielson, Loose executive director, spoke at the Aug. 5 meeting and asked Linden City Council to exit the 23-year-old inter-local agreement that originally created Loose and allowed for funding. With the agreement gone, Gabrielson said they would be able to sell part of the land to Wellsprings for development.

The inter-local agreement included funding contributions from the cities of Linden, Fenton and the townships of Fenton, Argentine and Tyrone, but most said they have opted out. The agreement entailed giving 15 percent of their community development block grant (CDBG) money to Loose.

Questions arose after the Aug. 5 meeting, and at the Monday Aug. 26 meeting, Gildner explained his position.

He said one of the principal questions asked was who owns the Loose Center and does the city have a “Trump” card in what happens to it.

“The answer is the property is owned by the Loose Senior Citizen Center Inc. … There is a board of directors and there are also members. The members being the member municipalities that entered into the inter-local agreement,” he said.

Someone could read the bylaws as being a “bit inconsistent,” Gildner said, with regard to who decides what happens to the property, whether it’s the board of directors or the member communities.

Nonprofits are either a membership or a directorship. Since Loose is a membership, the members have the say.

“And here, the members would be the member municipalities,” he said, adding that the next question would be — who are the remaining members in the agreement?

“At that point, I’m not satisfied. I don’t think there is a clear answer.”

According to Loose, Linden is the only remaining member of the inter-local agreement. Scott Sutter, police chief and interim city manager, said there are Fenton Township meeting minutes that say they’re going to pull out of the inter-local agreement.

However, it hasn’t been changed in the bylaws. Sutter also has documents from Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation, which entered into a different agreement with the center in 2003, about leaving the agreement, but they’re also still stated in the Loose Center bylaws.

Fenton City Council meeting minutes from February 2018 show an agenda item presented by Lynn Markland, city manager that Loose wished for Fenton leave the inter-local agreement. Fenton Township meeting minutes from May 2010 show the board opted out of the interlocal agreement.

Fenton City Clerk Sue Walsh said the city council didn’t take formal action on it. The agreement does provide for a process in which the members can withdraw.

“I’m not convinced that process was followed in its entirety,” Gildner said. “It’s possible that some of these entities that think they no longer have an interest, or thought they walked away from it some time ago, may still have some interest in the property.”

Mayor Danielle Cusson said there could be even more problems if the other municipalities believe they’re out of the agreement, but actually aren’t.

“It’s not that we don’t see what (Loose) is doing as maybe something that’s a good idea, but right now it can’t be done until these holes are taken care of,” she said.

The next question is — what power does the city have? Gildner said Linden is still a member, and that the agreement gives the city the power to sell the property.

“The inter-local agreement right now says it’s up to the city if you wish to sell it,” he said. “If that’s to change, the inter-local agreement must change, and that requires that all members in the inter-local agreement agree to that change.”

The city is “essentially” the fiduciary of the property, Gildner said. “I do not see a court invalidating or weakening the city’s interest in all of this.”

The attorney said it’s not about “standing in the way” of the Wellsprings project; his goal is to make sure the city’s interests are protected.

With the council’s direction, Gildner plans to reach out to Loose’s attorney.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing on the Special Assessment Roll for Loon Lake Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2 Charter Township of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF FENTON TOWNSHIP, GENESSEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE OWNERS OF LAND WITHIN LOON LAKE IMPROVEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that supervisor and assessing officer of the township has reported to the township board and filed in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination a special assessment roll prepared by her covering all properties within Loon Lake Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2 benefited by the proposed continuation of the Loon Lake Improvement Project.

Said assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of the eradication and control of aquatic weeds in Loon Lake and services related thereto within the aforesaid special assessment district as more particularly shown on the plans on file with the Township Clerk at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan within the township, which assessment is in the total amount of $138,053.74 spread over five years.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the assessing officer has further reported that the assessment against each parcel of land within said district is such relative portion of the whole sum levied against all parcels of land in said district as the benefit to such parcels bears to the total benefit to all parcels of land in said district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan on Tuesday September 3, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto. Said roll may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours of regular business days until the time of said hearing and may further be examined at said hearing. Appearance and protest at the hearing held to confirm the special assessment roll is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

An owner, or party in interest, or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. (The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at the hearing may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 35 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.)

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
12060 MANTAWAUKA DRIVE
FENTON, MI 48430-8817

HOT LINE CONTINUED

WITH BIPARTISAN SUPPORT
in many cases, 17 states and Washington D.C. have now passed 'red flag laws' that allow the court-ordered removal of guns from people who are considered to be dangerous.

YOUR SECOND AMENDMENT

does not preclude my right to life and liberty. Our second amendment helps to ensure you can protect your right to life and liberty.

TODAY'S 'POOR' HAVE more than previous generations of the 'poor'. And most often, today's 'rich' are those that have generated successful business and innovation. They are the backbone of our economy and oftentimes are demonized by the type of people who want free access to their wallets.

COME ON FENTON Crossing! Hairplay has been gone for years!

BENEFITS PAID BY our government comes from taxes on American workers. Anyone who is able-bodied, doesn't work and gets government benefits is living off the wages of American workers. They should be thankful, not complaining and putting out their hand for more.

WHO REGULATES THE well-regulated Militia?
Students and their parents talk to and pet Charlie on the first day of school. 

Photo: Tim Jagielo

THERAPY DOG
Continued from Front Page

their first day of school. Many stopped to pet him and already knew him by name.

On Tuesday, Aug. 27, Fenton Area Public Schools started the school year with two therapy dogs. Charlie is at Tomek-Eastern Elementary School and Buddy at State Road Elementary School. Both schools have miniature golden doodles, who were trained by Fred Saber at Wing & Shot LLC in Ortonville.

This is Charlie’s first day of school, while Buddy started last December “I think it’s good for the kids to see something to get excited about first thing in the morning,” said Craig Salter, Tomek-Eastern principal. Salter said Charlie is named after Charles Tomek, the late school principal and businessman.

This effort to bring therapy dogs into schools was inspired by the Brighton Area Schools program, which has dogs covering all the school buildings each day.

The idea is to bring comfort and calm to the children and staff. According to UCLA health.org, the act of petting an animal releases an automatic relaxation response and lowers anxiety. Animals can even help reduce the number of medications people need. “Having a highly trained dog can help out in some of those tough moments students may be having,” Salter said.

At State Road Elementary, fundraising efforts began in June 2018. Principal Barry Tiemann spearheaded fundraising $8,000 to pay for Buddy. On Tuesday, he kicked off his first full year as a therapy dog.

“Buddy brings a smile to every student’s face as soon as they see him,” Tiemann said. “Students are able to get that unconditional love that a dog provides.”

Buddy also greeted students at the main entrance as they entered the building that morning. After school started, he visited classrooms. He wore his therapy dog vest throughout the day.

Last year, he was allowed to become familiar with the building and get used to being around hundreds of children.

This year, State Road staff plans to do more “off lead” training. This means he could walk the halls without a leash accompanied by a handler.

Therapy dog planning at Tomek-Eastern started in October when Salter heard about State Road’s project. Salter is Charlie’s primary handler, and he took the pup in July after training.

“With a therapy dog I hope to provide a calming effect for students and staff.” School can be tough at times for students,” he said. “Just bringing a dog into the environment can really brighten up their day or make them smile.”

Both dogs will be available to be read to by students and walked throughout the school year.

Fenton was first to start school this week — other districts are in session after Labor Day.

Fenton police to get new Tahoe

By Vera Hogan

At the request of Fenton Police Chief Jason Slater, the police department will be getting a new 2020 Chevrolet, 4 wheel-drive, pursuit-rated Tahoe.

Officials approved the purchase of a new patrol vehicle for the fiscal year 2019-2020.

“Our current vehicle will have approximately 100,000 miles when it is replaced,” said Slater in a memo to City Manager Lynn Markland. “Purchasing a four wheel-drive option allows us to use the vehicle for daily patrol and provide transportation capabilities in all hazardous weather conditions.”

The Tahoe will be purchased from Berger Chevrolet for $36,834, which is the same price they purchased the 2019 Chevrolet Police Tahoe for earlier this year, Slater said.

The new vehicle will be equipped by Arrowhead Upfitters, Inc. for $4,339. The cost to equip this vehicle is mitigated by the transfer of several pieces of equipment from the old patrol vehicle. Lettering will be completed by High Octane Designs on Thompson Road for a cost of $400.

In conversations last year with Victor Canever Chevrolet, Slater learned that the dealership would lose money if their vehicle is quoted at cost. Warranty and service work on the new vehicle will be completed by Victor Canever.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE POOR AREN'T poorer with Trump. More unemployed are working; opportunities to advance are available; taxes are lower. The only able-bodied people who are remaining poor are people who aren’t taking advantage of available employment opportunities. Everyone who can must work to advance. 

GREAT ARTICLE ABOUT

Trump. More unemployed are working; opportunities to advance are available; taxes are lower. The only able-bodied people who are remaining poor are people who aren’t taking advantage of available employment opportunities. Everyone who can must work to advance.

SECURE YOUR BUSINESS

Call for a FREE Survey!

Cloud & On-Premise Solutions
Business Communication Experts
Customer Service is our Specialty!
We’re Local and Here to Help

TelNet group
BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS SOLUTIONS

810-735-8585
1035 N. Bridge St.
Linden
Telnetgroup.com
and against our citizens. These Republicans are anti-equitable laws, anti-police regulation, anti-taking care of vets and first responders. The results in these areas are increased diseases, welfare, ODs, and poverty. Cons are the main problem.

PROBLEMS IN INNER cities, especially those in the Rust Belt, are very complicated. Stop repeating what you heard on your TV and talk to someone with an actual education.

BET YOU COULDN’T find Greenland on a map. You also don’t understand the first thing about the actual left.

DEMOCRATS WOULD BE considered right of center in most other countries. They are not even close to socialists. Stop repeating what the man on TV tells you to think and stop getting news from Facebook memes.

YOUR CASUAL OBSERVATION that ‘not everyone should have a gun’ is exactly the careless attitude that rational, legal gun owners fear. An equally valid statement is that ‘not everyone should have a vote.’ Sounds menacing, doesn’t it?

ACROSS THE RURAL south, conservative Republican-controlled areas explicitly side with the pundits and the anti-intellectuals.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE FOOD SERVICE director at LF schools deserves jail time regardless of restitution. Appears to have been embezzling for a long time, obviously without remorse. Need to send a message this behavior has consequences!

TO THE PERSON asking a Republican about the federal spending and national debt. Yes, we care. I think you need to recheck how much Obama raised our national debt and what his administration spent money on that had to do with our safety in particular.

FOR THOSE OF you who may not know this, you pay roughly 6 percent of your income to a Social Security tax. However, if you earn more than $138,000 annually (a cap that keeps rising each year), you pay the Social Security tax on only the first $138,000. You pay no more Social Security tax, even if you make a million bucks.

MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, non-partisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. This report was released Friday, Aug. 23.

The legislature remains on summer break with no votes expected until September. Rather than votes, this report contains some interesting or noteworthy recent bill introductions.

Senate Bill 403: Define fetus as a “dependent” for income tax deduction

Introduced by Sen. Rick Outman (R), to define a fetus at least 12 weeks old as a “dependent” for purposes of claiming a state income tax deduction. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 409 and House Bill 4789: Subsidize electric car charging stations

Introduced by Sen. Michael MacDonald (R) and Rep. Joseph Bellino, Jr. (R), respectively, to authorize refundable income tax credits for a small business (50 employees or less) or a multiple unit rental housing operator who installs an electric car charging station that is accessible to the public. “Refundable” tax credits are the equivalent of cash subsidies and these would be worth between $1,250 and $1,750 for business and rental housing owners. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 421 and House Bill 4813: Subsidize certain home purchases

Introduced by Sen. Jeremy Moss (D) and Rep. Kyra Bolden (D), respectively, to authorize an income tax credit of up to $5,000 for a person who purchases a residence with accessibility features that make it more “visitable,” or retrofits a residence in this way. Unused portions of the tax credit could be used to offset future tax liability for up to seven years. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 4721: Give second chance on driving without a license

Introduced by Rep. Beau LaFave (R), to let a person who gets a ticket for driving without a license beat the charge by obtaining a license within 60 days. Second offenses would be a misdemeanor punishable by 90 days in jail and a $500 fine, which would also apply if a violator is not eligible to get a license. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Bill 4724: Ban investigating or enforcing immigration law violations

Introduced by Rep. Abdullah Hamoud (D), to prohibit state or local law enforcement agencies from spending any money or using any personnel to investigate, interrogate, detain, detect, or arrest individuals for immigration enforcement purposes. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Bill 4725: Restrict police “stop and frisk”

Introduced by Rep. Ronnie Peterson (D), to prohibit law enforcement officers and agencies from using “stop-and-frisk” procedures and policies. This would only be allowed if an officer has a reasonable suspicion that a person has, is or soon will be engaged in criminal activity, or is “armed and dangerous.” Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Bill 4727: Require taxpayer-funded legal aid for illegal or undocumented aliens

Introduced by Rep. Kyra Bolden (D), to require the state to pay for legal aid to illegal or undocumented aliens subject to deportation. The state would have to provide this either directly or through a contract with a nonprofit agency. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Bill 4710: Impose full licensure on acupuncturists

Introduced by Rep. Bronna Kahle (R), to convert a registration mandate into a more comprehensive licensure regime, including training and apprenticeship requirements, license fees, regulations specified in the bill and additional ones that state licensure officials would be authorized to impose, and more. A 2005 law imposed a less intrusive “registration” mandate on acupuncturists. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.
Monthly Moonlight Paddle kicks off from DNR launch

‘It’s just making people aware of a wonderful waterway we have in our community.’

By Hannah Ball

Argentine Twp. — The skies were scattered with clouds, the lake was cool and reflective, and kayakers were attaching lights to their personal watercraft in anticipation of paddling after the sunset.

While these kayakers with the Moonlight Paddle started their trek on Lobdell Lake a little after 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 22, it was dark when they returned hours later.

The Moonlight Paddle, organized and hosted by Keepers of the Shiawassee River, set off from the Department of Natural Resources Launch on Lobdell Lake. Participants had a few different options for which parts of the lake they wanted to explore.

Joetta Pyles-Zalewski, a member of the Keepers group, said, “We clean up the river, and we maintain the river as best we can as an all-volunteer group. We have these Moonlight Paddles once a month in the summer months, or in the fall months, too. It’s fun to get people together as a community and support the waterways and support each other.”

People can paddle as slow or as fast as they’d like. At this Moonlight Paddle, the group paddled for about an hour and a half before stopping at The Deck on Lobdell Lake for dinner. Then they returned back to the DNR launch. Approximately 12 people came to this event, but other paddles have hosted more than 40.

“Everybody’s very joyous to be here so it works out really nice,” she said. “It’s just making people aware of a wonderful waterway we have in our community. So many people don’t know it exists or don’t take advantage of it. If you use it, most people have a tendency to respect it more.”

---

SPECIALIZING IN

POLE BARN CONSTRUCTION, ROOFING & SIDING

FREE ESTIMATES
INQUIRE ABOUT A LIFETIME ROOFING WARRANTY
LICENSED & INSURED
OVER 20 YEARS EXPERIENCE
CALL LORNE 810-577-8591

L. KNAAUFT CONSTRUCTION LLC
Eagles want to return to the football playoffs in 2019

By David Troppens

Last season was a tough year for the Linden varsity football team.

The injury bug hit the Eagles for most of the season, resulting in the team’s first losing record since 2001. It also marked the first time since that year the Eagles didn’t make the playoffs.

But maybe last year’s issues could help Linden this season. The injuries meant a lot of players got playing time they wouldn’t have otherwise gotten.

“We had a lot of players play varsity football out of necessity last year,” Linden varsity football coach Denny Hopkins said. “A lot of them probably never would’ve come out of the JV but we had situations where we had to make moves. Hopefully it helps this year, but we’ll find out.”

The Eagles are always known for their offense, and it struggled a year ago, scoring just 232 points, the least the team has scored since (again) 2001. In 2017 the Eagles almost scored double that number (446).

CONTINUED AT MYFENTON.COM

Tigers gunning to return to top of Metro mountain

By David Troppens

A major streak came to an end during the fall of 2018.

The Tigers saw their seven-year streak on the top of the Flint Metro League mountain end when Flushing and Brandon earned a co-league title.

Obviously, Fenton wants back on top. “Our goal is to win the conference title and win any crossover game we play, no matter who we play,” Fenton varsity football coach Jeff Setzke said. “We are looking forward to the start.”

Perhaps one of the biggest reasons for last year’s non-title had to do with what happened the first week of the season when starting quarterback Dylan Davidson went down with a season-long injury. The Tigers ended up scoring the fewest points they have since 2013 and ended with a 7-3 mark overall. However, now Davidson, a junior, is healthy.

“He’s been really good,” Setzke said. “Even though he doesn’t have a lot of game experience, he’s still been around varsity ball. He ended last season practicing with us even though he wasn’t cleared for game competition. He’s gotten a lot of reps at 7-on-7s and is 100 percent healthy. He’s bigger, faster and stronger.”

Davidson has some pretty good weapons at his disposal. His receivers include two-year starter Ryan Miller and Ethan Pyeatt. Both have plenty of speed. Brady Triola and Lucas Claborn will be other receivers. At running back is Brandon Miller and Caleb Anderson. Miller is another one of those speedsters while Anderson can punish opponents with his strength. In short, this will be a fast and athletic offense.

CONTINUED AT MYFENTON.COM

Who will take us HOME?

Adopt-A-Pet
A Friend for Life!

13575 Fenton Rd • Fenton
www.adoptapetfenton.com
810-629-0723
Tuesday, Friday & Saturday 12pm-5pm
Thursday 12-7 • Sunday 1pm-4pm
Closed Monday & Wednesday

Pebbles
I’m an active girl who wants to be the queen of the house.

Invisible Fence
www.invisiblefence.com
800-578-DOGS (3647)

SPONSORED BY:

Enchilada
I’m a young boy who loves playing and treat time!

SPONSORED BY:

Sponsored by:

SPONSORED BY:

1423 N. Bridge St • Linden
810.735.8822
Eagles place third in own volleyball team tournament

By David Troppens

Linden — It was a solid opening for the Linden varsity volleyball team at the Linden Eagles Invitational Saturday.

Linden finished in third.

Fenton also competed at the meet and had four ties and a loss, while Lake Fenton earned its first win at the meet and tied Oxford. The Bronchos lost a three-set match to Lakeland and lost to Brighton.

The Eagles went 3-1-2, eventually losing to Davison in the semifinals by tight 25-23, 25-23 sets.

“I thought we had a good day overall,” Linden varsity volleyball coach Cori Mason said. “It was nice to see multiple kids step up throughout the tournament.”

Offensively, Makenna O’Keefe had 38 kills while Ellie Klocek had 27 and Maddie Shier had 17 kills. Braylin Robbins had nine kills. O’Keefe had 47 assists as well.

Bronchos learning new roles on team, perform respectably at Lake Orion Invitational

By David Troppens

The first tournament is always a time to tinker and learn about your volleyball squad.

That was the case for Deena Maher and her Holly varsity volleyball squad at the Lake Orion Invitational.

Holly used many lineups in a tournament that the Bronchos finished with a record of 2-2-1. Holly swept Berkeley and Wixom St. Catherine and tied Oxford. The Bronchos lost a three-set match to Lakeland and lost to Brighton.

“The tournament was a good start for us,” Maher said. “We are trying new things and putting players in new positions. We learned a lot. We found some good things and found some areas we need to improve. Overall, it was a good start.”

Holly has a good group of veterans. First team All-Metro player Kennedy Hogan is back patrolling the middle hitter position while honorable mention players Nicole Jewell and Paige Weeder also return. Sydnie Meszler returns at setter and will share the role with Jewell.

Holly soccer wins first Metro League game

Holly’s varsity boys soccer team is off to a good start in Metro action.

The Bronchos defeated the Owosso Trojans 5-3 in a home contest.

Nick Rees had an outstanding contest, scoring three goals, including one in a not-so-typical fashion.

With Holly leading just 4-3 in the second half after an Owosso goal, Rees took the ensuing kickoff from midfield and shot it.

CONTINUED AT MYFENTON.COM

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing on the Special Assessment Roll for Squaw Lake Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2 Charter Township of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF FENTON TOWNSHIP, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE OWNERS OF LAND WITHIN SQUAW LAKE IMPROVEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that supervisor and assessing officer of the township has reported to the township board and filed in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination a special assessment roll prepared by her covering all properties within Squaw Lake Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2 benefited by the proposed continuation of the Squaw Lake Improvement Project. Said assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of the eradication and control of aquatic weeds in Squaw Lake and services related thereto within the aforesaid special assessment district as more particularly shown on the plans on file with the Township Clerk at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan within the township, which assessment is in the total amount of $56,101.12 spread over three years.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the assessing officer has further reported that the assessment against each parcel of land within said district is such relative portion of the whole sum levied against all parcels of land in said district as the benefit to such parcels bears to the total benefit to all parcels of land in said district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan on Tuesday September 3, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto. Said roll may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours of regular business days until the time of said hearing and may further be examined at said hearing. Appearance and protest at the hearing held to confirm the special assessment roll is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

An owner, or party in interest, or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. (The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at the hearing may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 35 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.)

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
12060 MANTAWAUKA DRIVE
FENTON, MI 48430-8817
Final-minute thriller for Fenton Tigers

Curtis scores game-winner during final 10 seconds vs. Creek, 2-1

By David Troppens

Fenton — The defending Flint Metro League champions had a tight battle in their first game of the varsity boys soccer season on Monday.

The Fenton Tigers dominated action early on against Swartz Creek, but didn’t notch the victory against the pesky Dragons until the final seconds in a 2-1 victory at Fenton High School.

The game-winning goal was provided by Calvin Curtis during a scrum in front of the Swartz Creek net when it looked like a tie was inevitable.

Fenton peppered the Swartz Creek net in the first half and eventually scored midway through the half when R.J. Stack scored. It seemed the Tigers had things under control.

The Tigers played strong defense for most of the contest, not giving the Dragons many scoring opportunities. However, they were able to tie the game late in the first half at 1-1. It remained 1-1 until the game-winning goal with 10 minutes left.

Gannon Welch was Fenton’s goalie, making two saves in net.

CONTINUED AT MYFENTON.COM

FAIRWAY FRIDAYS
$25 Every Friday
18 Holes with cart

WEEKENDS
$25 /person before 7am
$30 /person after 12pm
$25 /person after 3:30pm
Prices reflect 18 holes with cart per golfer.
Must Present coupon for pricing! Expires 9/29/19

SENIORS WEEKDAYS
$26 /person before 3:00pm
Prices reflect 18 holes with cart per golfer.
Must Present coupon for pricing! Expires 9/29/19

Online Stories

Fenton swimmers defeat Stevenson, 112-73

The Fenton varsity girls swim team has a large number of athletes.

The squad has 26 returning members and 11 freshmen joining the squad this fall.

But the Tigers don’t only have numbers, they have talent.

Fenton opened its season with a 112-73 victory against Livonia Stevenson on Saturday.

State qualifying times were already made at the meet. The 200 medley relay team of Delaney Fries, Abigail Dolliver, Gracie Olsen and Lillie Kromer earned one. Meanwhile, Division 2 defending state champion Olsen in the 200 individual medley, made her state cuts in that event and the 100 freestyle.

Linden, LF XC teams begin season at meets

Two area cross country teams opened their seasons during Saturday meets.

The Linden program competed at the Pete Moss Invitational while Lake Fenton headed to the South Lyon Invitational.

Of the squads, the Linden boys probably experienced the most success, earning an 11th-place team effort in the 19-team Big Division.

Linden’s Tyler Buchanan came mighty close to earning his first victory of his senior season.

Linden soccer loses heartbreaker to Martians

The Linden varsity boys soccer team lost a game in a way that almost seems impossible.

Tied at 1-1, a player who wasn’t supposed to be allowed on the field scored the game-winning goal against the Eagles in a 2-1 road loss at Goodrich High School on Monday.

The game was tied when yellow cards were distributed to players on both teams during a scuffle.

GIRLS GOLF

Fenton 178, Owosso 252:
During the rain, Brook Herbstreit shot a 39 while Olivia Herbert carded a 45. Katelyn Burkett carded a 46 and Victoria Carnell shot a 48.

Fenton, Holly at Sun-Dried Invitational:
Fenton placed seventh (354) in the event, while Holly was 14th (418).

Brook Herbstreit shot an 81 to lead the Tigers while Olivia Herbert shot a personal best 86. Elsie Roberts carded a personal best 93 and Victoria Carnell shot a 94.

Kelsey Malone led Holly with an 86 while Kate Brown shot a 92. Kendall Stillwell had a 111 and Ella Bush shot a 129.

Linden vs. Goodrich, Owosso:
The Eagles shot a 213, beating Owosso’s 255, but falling to Goodrich’s 181. Hanna Baldwin led the Eagles with a career low score of 52. Caitlin Draper shot a career low 54 while Kaitlyn Straub shot a 55. Ella LaMothe and Emma Lurvey each shot 56s.

PREP REPORT

Girls Golf

Fenton 178, Owosso 252:
During the rain, Brook Herbstreit shot a 39 while Olivia Herbert carded a 45. Katelyn Burkett carded a 46 and Victoria Carnell shot a 48.

Fenton, Holly at Sun-Dried Invitational:
Fenton placed seventh (354) in the event, while Holly was 14th (418).

Brook Herbstreit shot an 81 to lead the Tigers while Olivia Herbert shot a personal best 86. Elsie Roberts carded a personal best 93 and Victoria Carnell shot a 94.

Kelsey Malone led Holly with an 86 while Kate Brown shot a 92. Kendall Stillwell had a 111 and Ella Bush shot a 129.

Linden vs. Goodrich, Owosso:
The Eagles shot a 213, beating Owosso’s 255, but falling to Goodrich’s 181. Hanna Baldwin led the Eagles with a career low score of 52. Caitlin Draper shot a career low 54 while Kaitlyn Straub shot a 55. Ella LaMothe and Emma Lurvey each shot 56s.

PREP REPORT

Girls Golf

Fenton 178, Owosso 252:
During the rain, Brook Herbstreit shot a 39 while Olivia Herbert carded a 45. Katelyn Burkett carded a 46 and Victoria Carnell shot a 48.

Fenton, Holly at Sun-Dried Invitational:
Fenton placed seventh (354) in the event, while Holly was 14th (418).

Brook Herbstreit shot an 81 to lead the Tigers while Olivia Herbert shot a personal best 86. Elsie Roberts carded a personal best 93 and Victoria Carnell shot a 94.

Kelsey Malone led Holly with an 86 while Kate Brown shot a 92. Kendall Stillwell had a 111 and Ella Bush shot a 129.

Linden vs. Goodrich, Owosso:
The Eagles shot a 213, beating Owosso’s 255, but falling to Goodrich’s 181. Hanna Baldwin led the Eagles with a career low score of 52. Caitlin Draper shot a career low 54 while Kaitlyn Straub shot a 55. Ella LaMothe and Emma Lurvey each shot 56s.

PREP REPORT

Girls Golf

Fenton 178, Owosso 252:
During the rain, Brook Herbstreit shot a 39 while Olivia Herbert carded a 45. Katelyn Burkett carded a 46 and Victoria Carnell shot a 48.

Fenton, Holly at Sun-Dried Invitational:
Fenton placed seventh (354) in the event, while Holly was 14th (418).

Brook Herbstreit shot an 81 to lead the Tigers while Olivia Herbert shot a personal best 86. Elsie Roberts carded a personal best 93 and Victoria Carnell shot a 94.

Kelsey Malone led Holly with an 86 while Kate Brown shot a 92. Kendall Stillwell had a 111 and Ella Bush shot a 129.

Linden vs. Goodrich, Owosso:
The Eagles shot a 213, beating Owosso’s 255, but falling to Goodrich’s 181. Hanna Baldwin led the Eagles with a career low score of 52. Caitlin Draper shot a career low 54 while Kaitlyn Straub shot a 55. Ella LaMothe and Emma Lurvey each shot 56s.

PREP REPORT

Girls Golf

Fenton 178, Owosso 252:
During the rain, Brook Herbstreit shot a 39 while Olivia Herbert carded a 45. Katelyn Burkett carded a 46 and Victoria Carnell shot a 48.

Fenton, Holly at Sun-Dried Invitational:
Fenton placed seventh (354) in the event, while Holly was 14th (418).

Brook Herbstreit shot an 81 to lead the Tigers while Olivia Herbert shot a personal best 86. Elsie Roberts carded a personal best 93 and Victoria Carnell shot a 94.

Kelsey Malone led Holly with an 86 while Kate Brown shot a 92. Kendall Stillwell had a 111 and Ella Bush shot a 129.

Linden vs. Goodrich, Owosso:
The Eagles shot a 213, beating Owosso’s 255, but falling to Goodrich’s 181. Hanna Baldwin led the Eagles with a career low score of 52. Caitlin Draper shot a career low 54 while Kaitlyn Straub shot a 55. Ella LaMothe and Emma Lurvey each shot 56s.

PREP REPORT

Girls Golf

Fenton 178, Owosso 252:
During the rain, Brook Herbstreit shot a 39 while Olivia Herbert carded a 45. Katelyn Burkett carded a 46 and Victoria Carnell shot a 48.

Fenton, Holly at Sun-Dried Invitational:
Fenton placed seventh (354) in the event, while Holly was 14th (418).

Brook Herbstreit shot an 81 to lead the Tigers while Olivia Herbert shot a personal best 86. Elsie Roberts carded a personal best 93 and Victoria Carnell shot a 94.

Kelsey Malone led Holly with an 86 while Kate Brown shot a 92. Kendall Stillwell had a 111 and Ella Bush shot a 129.

Linden vs. Goodrich, Owosso:
The Eagles shot a 213, beating Owosso’s 255, but falling to Goodrich’s 181. Hanna Baldwin led the Eagles with a career low score of 52. Caitlin Draper shot a career low 54 while Kaitlyn Straub shot a 55. Ella LaMothe and Emma Lurvey each shot 56s.
Avoid speeding, distractions and impaired driving

AAA urges caution on the roads this Labor Day

As drivers set out on that last road trip of the summer, AAA is urging motorists to avoid speeding, distractions and impaired driving. Also, drivers and all passengers should be buckled up.

The majority of traffic crashes can be prevented. According to NHTSA data, in 2017 impaired driving, distracted driving and speeding accounted for just over half of all traffic fatalities. In addition, passengers failing to buckle up also led to fatalities.

Tips for safer travel

Plan ahead. Make sure your vehicle has been properly serviced. If you are unfamiliar with how to get to your destination, program your navigation ahead of time, before you get on the road. Make sure the battery on your phone is completely charged and have a charger in case of an emergency. Have an emergency roadside kit in your vehicle.

Leave early. AAA encourages drivers who have the flexibility, to travel during off-peak hours. Based on prior holiday trends, Friday afternoons are busy days to travel. Traffic is also expected to be heavy late Monday afternoon.

Be patient. Follow the rules of the road as there will be more motorists on the roadways than usual, with many in unfamiliar areas. Get plenty of rest before setting out on a road trip and schedule breaks every two hours or 100 miles to remain alert and avoid driving drowsy.

Eliminate distractions. Research shows that taking your eyes off the road for just two seconds doubles your chances of crashing. Avoid distractions like texting while driving or reading a text while driving. Also, be aware of the dangers of cognitive distraction while driving. Hands-free and in-vehicle technologies can mentally distract drivers, even if their eyes are on the road and their hands are on the wheel. Drivers should designate a passenger to serve as their official text messenger and navigator.

Buckle up: Make sure all passengers are buckled up no matter the seat they occupy in the car. This simple action can save lives should you get into a crash.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO ALL YOU owners/drivers of your $80,000-plus wake/ski boats. The proper side of the boat to approach your skier/boarder is from the right/driver/starboard side. This allows you to observe your skier/boarder at all times. It scares me when I saw you approaching from the left/port side.

YOU HAVE A 'right' to life, liberty and the 'pursuit' of happiness, but you do not have a right to guarantee the outcome. You cannot steal other people's labor to provide these. You are solely responsible.

SO FAR THIS president has raised the national debt a lot less and his spending has to do with America. He believes other countries need to start taking care of themselves, which every country should be able to do and which they cannot do because they are socialistic mostly. What we need to do is vote people into office who care about us and keep us safe.

HOLLY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AUGUST 21, 2019
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

Roll Call: Supervisor Kullis, Clerk Winchester, Treasurer Freeman, Trustee Feeney and Trustee Ruth.

Approved: Consent Agenda as Amended.


Approved: Meeting Room Audio-Visual Proposal.

Approved: Fall Cleanup.


Approved: Shiawassee River Coalition.

Karin S. Winchester, MMC
Holly Township Clerk
George A. Kullis
Holly Township Supervisor
Help Wanted

DIRECT CARE WORKERS needed in Fenton area. DIRECT CARE WORKERS NEEDED! $11.00 per hour to start. Direct Care Workers interested in providing services for people with special needs. There are rewarding positions serving persons with special needs in their homes or in group homes. Positions available in Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and Wayne Counties. Requirements: Must be at least 18 years of age, have a clear criminal record, have dependable transportation, must be responsible and committed, available for Mandatory stay, be willing to learn and take direction, work well with others. Be available for training if you are not fully trained already. Compensation: Paid training, medical, dental, vision, paid time off. To Apply Call 734-458-8140 between 9:00am-3:00pm. Email resume to: recruiter@questserv.org, mail resume to: 36141 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 or fax resume to: 734-855-4200.

RELIABLE HONEST PERSON looking to take care of your home or pet while you are away. Call 810-735-5175.

MECHANIC NEEDED LOCAL RV BUSINESS LOOKING for a responsible person. Full time position available, experience not necessary but preferred, will train. Call 810-750-2020 for more information.

OFFICE ASSISTANT Clerical, filing, invoicing, computer experience required. Call 810-750-9971.

WANTED MASTER OR EXPERIENCED GARDENER to help an elderly person in the Fenton area for the fall, pay negotiable. Call 810-240-8554.

PART-TIME MACHINIST 10-20 hours operate manual lathe, mill, surface grinder. Great retirement job. Send Resume to jim@renovoparts.com.

CUSTOMER SERVICE capable in Excel, internet, outlook, inventory. Send Resume to jim@renovoparts.com.

NOTICE OF ERROR It is the responsibility of the advertiser to check the correctness of each insertion of an advertisement. The Tri-County Times will not be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion and for only that portion that may have been rendered valueless by an error.

JOB OPENINGS

DIRECT CARE WORKERS needed in Fenton area. DIRECT CARE WORKERS NEEDED! $11.00 per hour to start. Direct Care Workers interested in providing services for people with special needs. There are rewarding positions serving persons with special needs in their homes or in group homes. Positions available in Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and Wayne Counties. Requirements: Must be at least 18 years of age, have a clear criminal record, have dependable transportation, must be responsible and committed, available for Mandatory stay, be willing to learn and take direction, work well with others. Be available for training if you are not fully trained already. Compensation: Paid training, medical, dental, vision, paid time off. To Apply Call 734-458-8140 between 9:00am-3:00pm. Email resume to: recruiter@questserv.org, mail resume to: 36141 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 or fax resume to: 734-855-4200.

RELIABLE HONEST PERSON looking to take care of your home or pet while you are away. Call 810-735-5175.

MECHANIC NEEDED LOCAL RV BUSINESS LOOKING for a responsible person. Full time position available, experience not necessary but preferred, will train. Call 810-750-2020 for more information.

OFFICE ASSISTANT Clerical, filing, invoicing, computer experience required. Call 810-750-9971.

WANTED MASTER OR EXPERIENCED GARDENER to help an elderly person in the Fenton area for the fall, pay negotiable. Call 810-240-8554.

PART-TIME MACHINIST 10-20 hours operate manual lathe, mill, surface grinder. Great retirement job. Send Resume to jim@renovoparts.com.

CUSTOMER SERVICE capable in Excel, internet, outlook, inventory. Send Resume to jim@renovoparts.com.

NOTICE OF ERROR It is the responsibility of the advertiser to check the correctness of each insertion of an advertisement. The Tri-County Times will not be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion and for only that portion that may have been rendered valueless by an error.

VOLUNTEERING with a PAYCHECK!

Are you interested in working with Veterans or Seniors to help them remain living independently in their homes?

Come join the Right at Home team! We offer flexible schedules including day, evening and weekend hours for our employees.

For immediate consideration, call 810.232.2433
Ask for Caroline or apply on-line at www.rightathome.net/geneseecco

CHECK YOUR AD! Report errors immediately. The Tri-County Times will only be responsible for the first day of incorrect publication.
NOTICE OF ERROR - It is the responsibility of the advertiser to check the correctness of each insertion of an advertisement. Tri-County Times will not be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion and for only that portion that may have been rendered valueless by an error.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing on the Special Assessment Roll for Golden Pond Improvement Special Assessment District
Charter Township of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF FENTON TOWNSHIP, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE OWNERS OF LAND WITHIN THE GOLDEN POND IMPROVEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that supervisor and assessing officer of the township has reported to the township board and filed in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination a special assessment roll prepared by her covering all properties within the Golden Pond Improvement Special Assessment District benefited by the proposed lake improvement project for Golden Pond. Said assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of the eradication and control of aquatic weeds in Golden Pond and services related thereto within the aforesaid special assessment district as more particularly shown on the plans on file with the Township Clerk at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan within the township, which assessment is in the total amount of $32,232.20 spread over five years.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the assessing officer has further reported that the assessment against each parcel of land within said district is such relative portion of the whole sum levied against all parcels of land in said district as the benefit to such parcels bears to the total benefit to all parcels of land in said district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan on Tuesday September 3, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto. Said roll may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours of regular business days until the time of said hearing and may further be examined at said hearing. Appearance and protest at the hearing held to confirm the special assessment roll is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

An owner, or party in interest, or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. (The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at the hearing may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 35 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.)

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
12060 MANTAWAUKA DRIVE
FENTON, MI 48430-8817
Barry D. Bare
1941-2019
Barry D. Bare - age 78, of Kalkaska passed away on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 in Traverse City.
He was born on July 6, 1941 in Erie, Pennsylvania to the late Richard and Minnie (Jenkins) Beardsley. Barry was an avid fisherman and hunter who not only enjoyed them both, but excelled. Fly fishing on the Pere Marquette were some of his favorite times. He especially loved to help others learn so they could enjoy being out on the rivers too. He loved his family and liked to joke with and tease them often. Barry will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Kathleen (Unger) Bare; sons, Barry (Sue) Bare Jr., and Eric (J.J.) Bare; grandchildren, Tom (Ashley), Kathy, Jessica, Darren, and Shayler; great-grandchildren, Mary Jo, Cheryl, Tommy Joe Jr., Lucius, and Zander; siblings, Linda (Tim) Thomas, Bill (Shawn) Beardsley, and Dick (Ginny) Beardsley; many nieces and nephews, as well as, Keith, Laura, Kent and Pam whom he treated as his own children. Barry was preceded in death by his parents, Richard Beardsley who was killed in action in Iwo Jima, Minnie Bare and his second father Ruben "Stan" Bare. A private family memorial will be held. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Jacqueline Lee Arrol
1946-2019
Jacqueline Lee Arrol - age 73, of Fenton, died Saturday, August 24, 2019. Funeral services will be held 1 PM, Saturday, August 31, 2019 at Fenton First Presbyterian Church, 503 S. Leroy St., with Pastors Robbie and Lindsey Carnes officiating. Interment will be held at a later date at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Visitation will be held 3 - 7 PM Friday, August 30, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. A second visitation will also be held 12 - 1 PM, Saturday at the church. Jacqueline was born March 27, 1946 in Detroit, the daughter of Robert O. and Iva June (Havens) Mynatt. She was married to Lawrence G. Arrol on June 21, 1969. Jacqueline was a devoted Army wife, she was the president of the Officer’s Wives Club while stationed at Ft. Meade, Maryland and was awarded the Berlin, Germany AUSA Volunteer of the Year in 1985. She was also awarded the Public Service Commendation Medal. Jacqueline was a Registered Nurse for 50 years and retired from Potomac Hospital in Virginia. She was the Fenton First Presbyterian Church parish nurse from 2001 to 2019. She was an active member of Fenton First Presbyterian Church, the Linden American Legion Auxiliary Unit #119 and volunteered for the American Red Cross. Jacqueline enjoyed vacationing on Drummond Island where she has been visiting with her family for 70 years. Surviving are, husband, Lawrence Arrol of Fenton; two sons, Lawrence (Melissa) Arrol, Jr. of Grand Blanc, Lt. Col. Matthew (Brandy) Arrol of the U.S. Army stationed at Ramstein Air Base in Germany; four grandchildren, Brynna, Jackson, Sydney, and Lauryn Arrol. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Stanley "Larry" Gibson
1943-2019
Stanley "Larry" Gibson - age 75, of Fenton, died Sunday, August 25, 2019. Funeral services will be held 1 PM Saturday, August 31, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Burial 9:30 AM Monday, September 2, 2019 at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Holly. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Friday, August 30, 2019 from 4 - 8 PM where a Lions memorial service will be held at 7 PM, and visitation also on Saturday from 12 PM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to the Fenton Lions Club. Larry was born September 25, 1943 in Flint, the son of Stanley Charles and Hazel Doris (Meoak) Gibson. He was a 1961 graduate of Bentley High School and a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam era. He married Janet Lorraine Freeman on July 7, 1979 in Clarkston. Larry retired from GM AC Delco in 1999 after 36 years of service. For many years he coached Little League, was a "grunt" for the Linden Eagle Marching Band, and was a member of the Fenton Lions Club. Larry enjoyed collecting clocks and model trains, gardening, his fish pond, traveling, reading, and most of all spending time with his family. Surviving are, his wife, Janet; daughter, Shannan (Mark) Lambert of Fenton; son, Joel (Shelby) Gibson of Linden; grandchildren, Rachel Lambert, Ethan Gibson, Matthew Lambert, and Chase Gibson; brother-in-law, Larry Whitman of Davison; nephew, Jared Whitman of Davison; and aunt, Jean Kneeshaw of Davison. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Ellen Whitman; nephew, Eric Whitman; several aunts and uncles, and his beloved dog, Grendel. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.
Midweek Crossword

CLUES ACROSS
1. Crackle & Pop’s friend
5. Having wings are two
10. Small, rounded fruit
12. Cobb and tossed are two
14. Not sensible
16. One of the six noble gases
18. Helps little firms
20. Triangular bones
22. Plead
23. Longs
25. Covers with turf
26. Peyton’s little brother
27. Partner to cheese
28. Famed patriot Adams
30. Tear
31. One-billionth of a second (abbr.)
33. Dog
35. Electronic communication
37. Marked
38. Informed upon (slang)
40. Actor Damon
41. Black, long-tailed cuckoo
42. A type of corrosion (abbr.)
44. Sportscaster Patrick
45. Witch
48. Neatly, carefully store
50. Indicates silence
52. Computer giant
53. Sea eagles
55. Moved quickly
56. Small island (British)
57. Prosecutor
58. A type of monk
63. Pictures or sculptures of the Virgin Mary
65. Area of muddy ground
66. Saddle horses
67. Fasting in Islam

CLUES DOWN
1. Engine additive
2. ATM company
3. Satisfaction
4. Park lunch
5. Remarks to the audience
6. Resinous substance
7. Expression of sorrow or pity
8. Rhythmic patterns
9. Westworld actress Harris
10. Published false statement
11. Ability to be resourceful
13. Small, herringlike fish
15. 2,000 lbs.
17. Scraped
18. One point east of due south
23. Political action committee
24. Resembles a pouch
27. Genus of badgers
29. Daniel Francois __, South African P.M.
32. Pull up a chair
34. Egg of a louse
36. Catches poachers
39. Fall back
40. Sports equipment
43. Stroke gently
44. Jeans and jackets
46. Firs genus
47. Greenwich Time
49. “Wings” actor
51. Dishonorable man
54. Stiff, hairlike structure
59. Snag
60. Portuguese river
61. Defunct aerospace company
62. 007’s creator
64. Farm state

Midweek Sudoku

FUN BY THE NUMBERS
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

Levels: Easy, Intermediate, Hard

Midweek Jumble

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

JUMBLE PUZZLE SPONSORED BY

TEXT YOUR HOT LINE
810-771-TEXT (8398)
NATIONAL LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

Show your library card at these great businesses and get a discount September 1-30, 2019.

For more information visit thegdl.org

2nd Time Around Consignment
A Darlin’ Dog
Anytime Fitness - Both Grand Blanc Locations
Aubree’s Pizzeria & Grill
B-Dogs-Flint Farmers Market
Beale Street Smokehouse
Best Cheesecake Ever
B’s Bowling Center
Calabria Village
Cops and Robbers Shop
Cottage Used Books
Cranberries Café
Cycleft Sports
Davison Home Bakery
d’Vine Wines

Electric Crown Records
Elixer - Davison, Lake Orion
Empress of China Restaurant
Firehouse Subs - Grand Blanc, Lake Orion
Fireside Coffee
Flint Children’s Museum
Flint Institute of Arts
Flint Roller Derby
Gerych’s Distinctive Flowers & Gifts
The Grafted Root Eatery
Grand Blanc Music
Harry & David
Hoffman’s Deco Deli
Howe Art Supplies and Studio
La Familia Morales
LaMarsa Mediterranean Cuisine
Legends Bar & Grill
Leo’s Coney Island - Grand Blanc
Longway Planetarium
Lucy’s Pet Supplies and Feeds
Mancino’s of Fenton
Max Well Therapy, LLC - Both Locations
Mayn St. Flowers & Gifts Inc.
Montrose Orchards Inc
NCG Theaters
Oliver T’s Market
Pipsqueak Boutique
Play It Again Sports
Pure Pro Wrestling
Richfield Bowl
Rollhaven
Spectacular Spudz
Steady Eddy’s Market Café
Sugar Shack | life+style
Totem Books
Tropical Smoothie Café - Clio, Davison, Fenton, Flint & Grand Blanc
Vogt’s-Davison
Vogt’s-Flint
Vogt’s-Flushing Flower Market
Vogt’s-Grand Blanc Florist
Wojo’s Garden Splendors