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# Car's safety features save Fenton man

■ NOCFA responds to onevehicle crash on Fish Lake Road

### **Compiled by Sharon Stone**

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A 24-year-old Fenton man walked away from a rollover crash on Fish Lake Road in Holly Township with non life-threatening injuries.

North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) responded to a single vehicle crash at 5:52 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 23 on Fish Lake Road, just south of Grange Hall Road near the railroad tracks.

Chief Jeremy Lintz said there is a very steep hill just south of the tracks.

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A 24-year-old Fenton man sustained non life-threatening injuries in this crash on Fish Lake Road in Holly Township on Monday, Sept. 23. **Submitted Photo** 

### 'Just around the corner' Dr. Wax building making progress in downtown Linden By Hannah Ball **Linden** — The foundation is laid, the steel structures are placed and the walls are going up. The new Dr. Wax building in downtown Linden, on the northeast corner of Bridge and Broad streets, is historic in its undertaking, being built on land replenished after a fire. Nicole Wax, owner of Dr. Dr. Nicole Wax stands at the Wax Orthodontics, said they location of her downtown plan to move businesses in Linden project on Tuesday,

### Citizens urged to do their part with mosquito control

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■ Michigan is facing the worst outbreak of EEE virus in over a decade

#### **By Vera Hogan**

You can't just slap them away anymore — Michigan is facing the worst outbreak in over a decade, according to cbsnews.com, and it's not going away until at least the

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### **Register to vote soon**

■ Fenton City Council, schools' sinking funds and police protection up to local voters

#### **Bv Hannah Ball**

On Tuesday, Nov. 5, voters in Fenton City, the Fenton Area Public Schools district, the Lake Fenton Community Schools district and Gaines Township will cast their ballots on a few issues.

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Sept. 24. Photo by Tim Jagielo



fingers crossed for awesome weather this Saturday at the new craft beer

and wine event in downtown Fenton! Organizers did ensure me there is a huge tent for the samples, food and band so we're on no matter the weather. Can't wait!"



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on them in Scotland while on the left side of the road and the steering wheel on the right side of the car. I'm a 70-year-old woman and I can do it. Can you?"



**Lif you don't** love your grandparents, it's your loss. The wisdoms and understanding they could pass on is priceless.

You think you are the first ones to rebel? Put your cell phone down and read a book."



### BUILDING

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by April 2020, which is "just around the corner."

"It's awesome. Kincaid, my building group, they forced me to be patient to start the building process, which is why planning took so long. By the time we started construction, started groundwork, it would be 11 months from start to finish. To see it going up is very, very exciting," she said. "I just know all the potential it's going to bring to the city."

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When she wants to see the progress, she simply looks out her window at Dr. Wax Orthodontics on N. Bridge Street or walks across the street. Currently, the property houses a half-finished two-story building, mounds of dirt and piles of construction equipment. A fence encloses the land.

Builders flattened the land just to the north of the building, creating more space for the future parking lot with 23 spaces.

"We did include as much parking as we could even though parking wasn't required," she said.

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Wax, a Linden native, spent 11 years in college to become an orthodontist. When she was in her residency, she decided she wanted to come back to Linden to start her practice. She opened Dr. Wax Orthodontics in 2014 and bought the former Union Block property in 2016, which burned down in 2007.

"I had a vision that I would rebuild the building and put my practice in that. I started off small across the street. I've grown that and that allowed me to do

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this," she said.

At the time, the lot wasn't for sale. She reached out to Ryan LaFontaine, who was the previous owner, and offered to buy it.

"He loved my vision and my passion for the community and so he sold it," she said.

During this time, Wax worked with a different architect and building team than she has now. They developed a plan, which was approved by the city, but then she got in touch with Kincaid Building Group through acquaintances. Kincaid said they could do it better.

"So I started from scratch with a new team. I got site plan approval again...and that's the building we're building now," she said.

Linden Planning Commission granted final site plan approval in May 2019. The development is a 14,833-square-foot building. It will house two yet-to-be identified tenants on the first floor. The east bottom unit is 2,600 square feet, and the west bottom unit is 3,600 square feet. On the top will be Dr. Wax Orthodontics in the west unit, with another tenant on the east side, which is a little more than 1,000 square feet.

Wax said it's a "tremendous opportunity" for tenants.

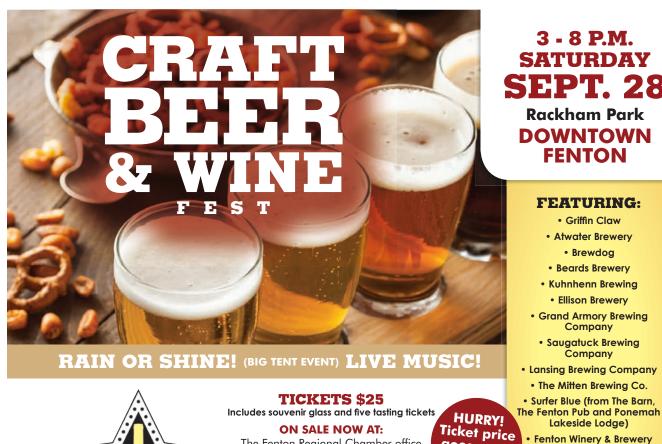
"My business has thrived in Linden. I know the potential for other businesses to thrive here. What I like to say is, 'in Fenton you're one of many businesses. In Linden, you're one of few so you stand out," she said.

Planning and construction hasn't happened without problems, including the underground gasoline leak that originated from Beacon & Bridge Market and gas station across the street.

"I trust that the city is working with them to remedy everything that needs to be remedied," she said. "There are contaminants. That added some complexity to this project, some complexity and costs. But the MEDC (Michigan Economic Development Corporation) has helped us with that and we've remedied any issues that have come from the gas station."

Not everyone is happy with the growth.

"For those nervous about the growth of the downtown... we're replacing something that was here," she said.



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# Frank Thorley, 79, of Fenton Township, bought a 2018 Tesla Model 3 as the second new car he's ever bought. To unlock the car, he uses his smartphone or this small keycard. Photos: Tim Jagielo

### **Testing a Tesla**

■Full electric vehicles might be the future — and the future for aging drivers

### By Tim Jagielo

**Fenton** — It wasn't the 240-mile battery range that drew Frank Thorley, 79, of Fenton Township to buy a brand new Tesla Model 3 last year. Nor was it the zero emissions, sports car handling or sleek aesthetics.

For Thorley, it was the safety it offered him and his wife, Charmaine. The Tesla Model 3 achieved a perfect 5-star rating from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in every crash test. There's no engine in front, Instead there's an

additional trunk and 5 extra feet of crumple room.

Tesla is one of several fully electric vehicles available, and most manufacturers make one. The Model 3, according to C-Net is no longer as buzzy or exotic as it was when introduced in 2017, but it set the standard for electric vehicles overall. It still has a better range than all other vehicles (except the Tesla Model X) and offers near sports-car acceleration. "To me, it's the best car you can make, and it's

the only one you can get with the range at the time," Thorley said.

Safety aside, Thorley is a gadget guy. He's had a prolific career in technology and engineering. Despite the

Tesla being one giant smart device, he thinks it's great for seniors. He said there are eight "eyes" or cameras

nearest charge system can to driving.

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Frank Thorley
Tesla Model 3 owner



watching the road, which can react for you if necessary. There's automatic emergency braking.

It can self-park and guide you to the nearest charging station. Its autopilot system can take some stress out of driving.

The only fluid is the wiper fluid. There are no brake jobs, no transmission fluid or oil changes.

When driving his wife's 2011 Toyota Camry, he said it feels "ancient," and "kinda clunky."

### **Driving impressions**

Thorley was kind (and trusting) enough to allow the Times to

take his car for a drive. The car feels nimble and solid, and pushes you back

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### **Building Brands**

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eer is proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy." — Benjamin Franklin I can't vouch for the accuracy of the above quote, but I agree with it, and it was definitely the senti-

ment the View Newspaper Group owner and publisher were banking on when they founded their first craft beer festival seven years ago.

That event had a great sixyear run in Lapeer plus we were able raise \$39,000 for the Lapeer County Hockey Association, which used the funds to purchase equipment and host skills clinics for young hockey players.

As the saying goes "all good things must come to an end." Last year we knew it was time to mix things up and so a new event — Bottles, Brews & News was born. The craft beer and wine tasting event will run 3 to 8 p.m. this Saturday, Sept. 28 in downtown Fenton. It will take place in Rackham Park and benefit FARR (Fenton Area Resource and Referral Network, Inc.).

In the past seven years our team has worked to bring a variety of events to the communities we serve. We believe that events are a vital part of the newspaper business today. And while we'd like to take credit for this concept, we can't, because we're actually following a major trend among newspapers.

### Brews and brands go hand-in-hand

According to an article on journalsm.org, "Event-hosting has become a prominent part of the conversation about the future sustainability of journalism ... The New York Times hosted 16 events in 2013 ... The Chattanooga

> Free Press has built events into its business model and now generates 14 percent of its annual revenue from them ... Atlantic Media puts on more than 200 events a year and garners 20 percent of the company's total revenue. And The New Yorker Festival has been a Manhattan mainstay for more than a dozen years."

An article by media consulting group Innovation (innovaton. media) reads, "Some publisher's events drive as much as 20 percent of total

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revenues, plus events diversify revenue sources, deepen connections with audiences and sponsors, help hike circulation, attract advertisers who might not magazines 'face time' with their subscribers and potential subscribers, and have high growth potential."

any business. Having your name tied to something enjoyable is never a bad thing, our sponsors were happy to join us for this event and we hope you will too.

Advance tickets to Bottles, Brews & News are \$25, include five tasting tickets and a souvenir glass and can be purchased at myfenton.com. For more info, contact me at ecaswell@mihomepaper. com or (810) 452-2608.

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BEFORE YOU SPEND your hardearned money on paving Margaret Drive, it is a county road. The Genesee County Road Commission is responsible for all costs.

GUN MAKER COLT says it is suspending its production of rifles for the civilian market, including the popular AR-15.

WE WILL NOT elect people who want to kill our babies, take our guns, open our borders, take over our healthcare and raise our taxes.

WHAT U.S. AUTOMAKERS are seeking is a regulatory regime in which the cars they manufacture will be both legal and attractive to buyers in the widest possible market.

WHY WOULD ANYONE find it 'super funny watching old people try to figure out the new roundabout. Roundabouts can be confusing to anyone of driving age. That was a rude comment and all senior drivers should be offended.

WILL LINDEN SPORTS parents please stop driving their vehicles over the curb, grass, and outdoor basketball courts. Park and walk. It's that easy and good for you and your kids.

Compiled by Tim Jagielo, media editor

### Would you drive an electric car?



"Probably not, because I take trips — long trips. Where would I charge it? That would be the main thing."

- George Hameline

Fenton



"No, I wouldn't. They don't go the distance I would want to go. I might if it was just for local driving. Plus, I don't feel good about how the lithium ion batteries are produced."

> - Patrick Ayar Fenton Township



"Yes, I would. Better for the environment. But I guess it would depend on the cost and how it does in snow and icy roads."

> - Jessica Roberts Tyrone Township



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"No, because most of the electricity is built off of gas plants. Somewhere down the line they have to use fossil fuels."

> - Chase Pente Fenton





"If there were more outlets at the gas stations to hook up to. I have been interested in them. I drive a lot; I put on over 100 miles a day."

- Rafael Stowe

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Frank Thorley of Fenton Township drives his Tesla Model 3 along Owen Road on Wednesday, Sept. 18. Thorley said he knows several other Tesla owners.

Photo: Tim Jagielo

### TESLA

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in your seat when pressing the accelerator. There is no transmission, so there's no shifting.

The base model can reach 60 mph in 5.3 seconds, the same as the base model 2018 Ford Mustang. The Performance Tesla Model 3 can accelerate from 0-60 mph in 3.2 seconds, a little faster than Ford's hottest Mustang, the Shelby GT500.

The regenerative braking takes some getting used to. When you release the accelerator pedal, the carslows aggressively, storing energy in the battery. Thorley "feathers" the accelerator. Because of the regenerative braking, he hardly uses the actual brake pedal.

The multi-use right hand steering column stalk is also unique. It not only operates your turn signal, but also handles your drive modes and cruise control. It starts or stops a variety of functions as set by the 15-inch display.

Speaking of display—there's no gauge

cluster — just a large tablet that shows you a bevy of information. It will navigate you to the nearest charging station, and give you stations along your route. The car operates and updates itself with the built-in 4G LTE connection. It also can connect to WIFI.

Because there are no buttons on the car, every control feature can be updated, like the software of your computer or smart device.

See more online at MyFenton.com

### Entry level electric car pricing:

**2019 Tesla Model 3** (standard range plus) \$32,815, 240-mile range

**2019 Chevrolet Bolt EV** \$36,620, 238-mile range

### 2019 Nissan LEAF S

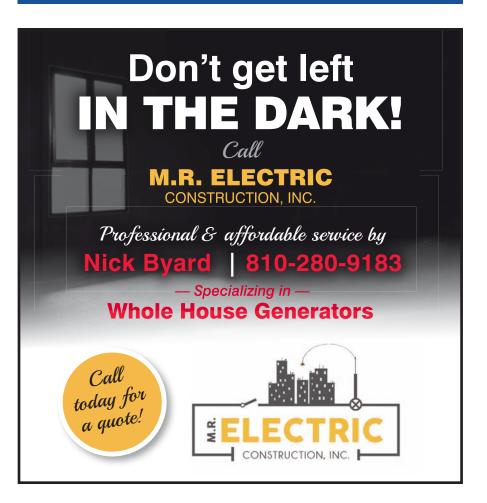
\$30,885, 226-mile range Source: Manufacturers' websites

### LHS senior homecoming court



The Linden High School senior homecoming court is (from left) Rachel Pudney, Brenden Miller, Avery Koan, Linnéa Wittbrodt, Max Hendrickson, Nathan Katzenberger and Allison Marini. Not pictured is Clark Ray. Photo: Tim Jagielo









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first hard frost.

When news of the EEE virus became public, Fenton City administrators took swift action and asked APM Mosquito Control (APM), the company with which the city contracts for mosquito control, to do some extra spraying.

They did so last week, according to City Manager Lynn Markland. As part of the city's contract with APM, he said adult mosquitoes also are collected and sent to Michigan State University (MSU) for testing.

In a press release, APM says Michigan has seen a sharp increase in the number of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) cases in 2019. As of Tuesday, Sept. 24, 21 people in six states have been diagnosed with EEE this year, and eight people have died.

Citizens should participate in the effort to prevent mosquito bites by eliminating sources of stagnant water on their property and dumping water where possible to prevent mosquito eggs from hatching or larvae from developing into biting adults.

APM has initiated additional surveillance activity in the immediate area of the infected deer detection. Should additional mosquitoes test positive for EEE or mosquito populations increase, localized spraying will continue as weather conditions allow. CDC (dry ice) traps will be utilized to collect adult mosquitoes throughout the area for testing purposes with samples submitted to MSU for testing.

APM is reinforcing recommendations released by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Service concerning preventative action.

The easiest and best way to avoid a mosquito virus is to prevent mosquito bites by doing the following:

- When you are outdoors, use insect repellent containing an EPA-registered active ingredient.
- · Many mosquitoes are most active at dusk and dawn. Be sure to use insect repellent

and wear long sleeves and pants at these times or consider staying indoors during these hours.

- · Make sure you have good screens on your windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out.
- · Get rid of mosquito breeding sites by emptying standing water from flower pots, buckets, and barrels, etc. Change the water in pet dishes and replace the water in bird baths weekly. Drill holes in tire swings so water drains out. Keep children's wading pools empty and tipped onto their sides when they aren't being used.
- Use fine mesh screen on the top of rain barrels to prevent female adults from reaching the water surface to lay eggs.

The following is what other local communities are doing to address the EEE problem:

### **Fenton Township**

Since both Fenton City and Fenton Township contract with APM Mosquito Control, the additional measures taken in the city are being duplicated in the township, (extra spraying, mosquito testing, etc.), said Thomas Broecker, deputy clerk and operations manager.

#### **Linden City**

The city of Linden also contracts with APM Mosquito Control. APM set additional CDC traps in Linden to capture live mosquitoes on Sept. 18, said City Manager Ellen Glass. The samples were taken to MSU for disease testing of EEE and West Nile, which were negative.

"APM also treated Linden schools last week and are doing touchup spraying as needed," she said. "They will continue to monitor mosquito populations, especially around school facilities. APM is taking a precautionary approach and encourages residents to heed the advice for prevention of mosquito bites."

There are no mosquito control programs in Argentine, Rose or Tyrone townships. Holly Village and Holly Township administrators did not respond to a request for information by press time.

Sources: Washingtonpost.com; cnn.com;

### **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

LOOKING BACK IN History: Orval Faubus the governor of Arkansas (against racial integration of schools) was a Democrat. President Dwight Eisenhower (for school integration) was a Republican. Most people think Republicans are racist and the Democrats freed the slaves — not true. Do your research and find out the truth. THANK YOU TO the wedding venue off Owen and Linden roads for our free wedding concerts every weekend. Another season of blaring music, pounding bass and obnoxious DJs all from the comfort of inside my house. What happened to the peace and quiet in my Linden neighborhood?

**ALL I WANT** for Christmas is a \$10,000 paving bill from Fenton Township for a Margaret Drive racetrack.



### An update on the Michigan **Indigent Defense Commission Act**

In July 2018. I wrote a two-part column about a statute called the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission Act.

The purpose of this statute is to ensure that indigent defendants in criminal cases are provided with the effective assistance of competent counsel. The statute provides for a statewide program with one set of rules under the administration of the newly formed Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC).

At the time I wrote the columns, the statute had not been fully implemented although much of the groundwork had already been laid.

Today I am happy to report that the indigent defense program is now in place and almost all courts have state and locally funded appointed attorneys for eligible defendants starting at the arraignment (first appearance on the criminal charges) and for all critical stages thereafter.

A "critical stage" is defined as a step in a criminal proceeding where the absence of counsel may harm the defendant's right to a fair trial.

As a Genesee County judge, I can tell everyone first hand that our county's courts started the new indigent defense program last spring and everything is going very well.

We have appointed attorneys at each of our seven district court locations every day that defendants are being arraigned or are present for other criminal matters. For felony cases, this representation continues at the Circuit Court level.

This is a work in progress and everyone involved continues to adapt to the new system. I see that it is effective and continues to improve.

What should also be said is this. There aretimeswhenonehearsthatadefendant has a "court appointed attorney" and is therefore at a disadvantage in their criminal defense.

In my experience, nothing could be further from the truth.

What I constantly see from the appointed attorneys is the highest level of dedication and competence, which everybody can be proud of.

To be an appointed attorney there are a number of requirements including continuing legal education and training. It is not easy. Few people know the time and energy the attorneys spend on their cases.

This has all been a mammoth undertaking. For those interested, there is a full history and many more details at the MIDC website michiganidc.gov.

### **CAR CRASH Continued from Front Page**

The vehicle was occupied by one 24-year-old driver from Fenton, who was traveling north on Fish Lake Road at a high rate of speed. Lintz said the car crested the hill and the driver lost control running off the side of the road and rolling over.

When NOCFA arrived, the driver was out of the vehicle sitting on the ground. Lintz said the driver sustained some injuries but nothing life threatening.

NOCFA transported the driver to Ascension Genesys Hospital in Grand Blanc Township.

Lintz said, "We believe alcohol may have played a factor in the crash. The car sustained heavy damage as you can see in the pictures. It rolled at least one time and took out some trees."

The roof of the vehicle collapsed about a foot into the driver compartment, however the vehicle had front and side air bags, which deployed and the driver was wearing his seat belt.

"This is one of those crashes where had it not been for the vehicle's safety devices this person probably would not have survived," Lintz said.



A hot air balloon from Balloon Quest of Holly Township hovers near Silver Lake Road in Fenton on Sept. 16. This balloon landed in a field in the Silver Lake Hills apartment complex. Photo: Tim Jagielo

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What business would you like to see and support in Argentine?

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### **REGISTER**

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To register to vote, you must be:

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- A resident of Michigan and the city or township where you are applying to register to vote for at least 30 days before election day.
- A citizen of the United States of America.
- At least 18 years of age (by election day).
- Not serving a sentence in jail or prison. Monday, Oct. 21 is the last to register to vote in any manner other than inperson with the clerk for the Tuesday, Nov. 5 election.

From Oct. 22 through Nov. 5, residents can register to vote with the local clerk with proof of residency.

#### **Absentee ballots**

Due to last year's passage of ballot proposal 18-3 in November 2018, Michigan residents who are registered and eligible do not have to give a reason for absentee voting.

Absentee ballot requests must be submitted to the clerk no later than 5 p.m. the Friday before the election, Nov. 1. Fenton Clerk Sue Walsh can be reached at

(810) 629-2261. Gaines Township Clerk Michael Dowler can be reached at (989) 271-6300. Fenton Township Clerk Robert Krug can be reached at (810) 629-1537.

Absentee ballot requests can also be found on cityoffenton.org, fentontown-ship.org and gainestownship.net.

They can be obtained, voted on and returned to the clerk up until 8 p.m. on election day.

The signature on the return envelope must match the signature on file.

"If you received assistance voting the ballot, then the signature of the person who helped you must also be on the return envelope. Only you, a family member or person residing in your household, a mail carrier, or election official is authorized to deliver your signed absent voter ballot to the clerk's office," according to the Fenton City website.

#### **Elections**

Six people are running for three positions as a Fention City Council. They are four-year terms. The candidates are incumbents Nancy Draves, Patricia Lockwood and Cherie Smith, along with challengers Bradley Jacob, Sean Sage and Damien Siwik.

Mayor Sue Osborn is being challenged by Cheryl King for the two-year seat.

#### Proposals on the ballot:

### Fenton Area Public Schools Proposal Sinking Fund Millage Renewal Proposal

"This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the building and site sinking fund millage that expires with the 2019 tax levy.

"Shall the currently authorized millage rate of .8999 mill (0.8999 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) which may be assessed against all property in Fenton Area Public Schools, Genesee, Livingston and Oakland Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 3 years, 2020, 2021 and 2022, to continue to provide for a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2020 is approximately \$820,000 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2019 tax levy)?"

### Lake Fenton Community Schools Ppposal Sinking Fund Millage Proposal

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes, which may be assessed against all property in Lake Fenton Community Schools, Genesee County, Michigan, be increased by and the board of education be authorized to levy not to exceed 1.25 mills (\$1.25 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2020 to 2029, inclusive, to create a sinking fund for the purchase of real estate for sites for, and the construction or repair of, school buildings, for school security improvements, for the acquisition or upgrading of technology and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2020 is approximately \$765,000?"

### Gaines Township Proposal Proposition to levy special assessment

"Shall the Township levy the amount of \$115 per annum on all improved parcels within the Township, those being all commercial units, industrial units, dwelling units or mobile home sites on each parcel of property within the Township, including those within the Village of Gaines (except for those parcels exempt from the collection of taxes under the general property tax act) for a term of 10 years, from 2019 through 2028 inclusive, to finance police protection services?

"It is estimated that the special assessment would raise approximately \$303,000 in the first year of the assessment."







Meet

### Logan Campbell

- Future firefighter
- Learning sign language
- Finished EMT classes before graduating

#### **Compiled by Tim Jagielo**

Logan Campbell, 17, is a senior at Holly High School. His parents are Scott and Lena Campbell. He has one sibling, Rensle. He's active in Holly/Brandon lacrosse, and is a cadet with North Oakland Fire Authority (NOCFA). He wants to be a firefighter. He also enjoys working on cars, hunting, fishing and taking sign language courses.

### In what ways do you feel that you've matured over the last year?

Being in an adult/college setting class for a year as well as being in high school has taught me to be more professional.

### What accomplishment are you most proud?

My most proud would be finishing my fire and EMT classes before graduating high school.

### What profession do you think will be the most popular when you graduate?

Registered nurses. The medical world is always growing and there is still a huge drive for teens to pursue further education.

### Do you want to attend college and where?

I haven't decided; if I do it will be outside of Michigan to be certified in another state for EMS.

### What do you look forward to when you wake up?

Taking another step toward graduating.

### What type of career possibility excites you?

First responders. I am taking the



next step into doing what I have always wanted to do; I have grown up around firemen, so it seemed fitting.

### What have you learned from your grandparents?

Work hard for what you believe in and be proud of who you are.

### What do you wish your school would teach that is not currently being taught?

An automotive course that teaches you what to do with general maintenance or problems that occur.

### Which of your school subjects is most useful? Which do you think is useless?

I see all of the subjects in school as important; there are none that are useless, just not in depth to what a particular student needs.

### How do you think school is different today than it was for your parents?

The concepts and standards we are held to. We have a mandated number of topics to learn about, but never one that is in depth ... such as math, my algebra class isn't the same as my younger sister's, they have different ways of solving. To say it's easier or harder isn't up to me. I am glad that things are always changing in education because it means we are cared about and so is our future.

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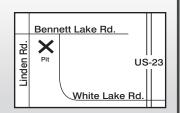


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Lake Fenton's Joseph Gilbert won the Laker Cross Country Invitational.

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### LF XC boys win \_aker Invitational

### **By David Troppens**

The Lake Fenton varsity boys cross country team is supposed to be in a semi-rebuilding year.

But maybe the Blue Devils don't know it.

The Lake Fenton boys won the Laker Cross Country Invitational crushing the field Saturday.

Led by Joseph Gilbert's first-place finish, the Blue Devils scored just 27 team points, while second-place Deckerville was a distant second with 74 points. Mayville took third with 75 points.

The Lake Fenton girls were competitive in its race, taking third with 70 points. Harbor Beach won with 51 points while Cass City took second with 65 points. Deckerville placed fourth with 71 points.

The race gave the team more than some strong results according to Lake Fenton cross country coach Chris Sobczak.

"We were trying to shake things up this year and run different races," Sobczak said. "A couple of my runners have family up in the thumb and • I figure we would give their family an opportunity to watch them race when they may not otherwise be able to."

Gilbert was the team's top individual performer, with his first-place time of 16:40.39.

### LF football sneaks past Clio Mustangs, 30-28

#### **By David Troppens**

If someone is looking for an exciting prep football game every Friday, that person doesn't have to look any farther than the Lake Fenton Blue Devils.

Four games into the season, the Blue Devils have yet to play in a game de-

cided by more than 10 points. And quite frequently it seems the game is resolved in the final minutes.

For the fourth time this season, that was the case on Friday. Lake Fenton scored the game-winning TD on Reid Shumaker's fourth TD pass of the game

with 4:01 left, and the defense held Clio on its final possession, leading the Blue Devils to a 30-28 road victory.

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# Sports Times

Lake Fenton's Zachary Coon catches a ball during a recent Blue Devils' contest.

Photo: Mark Bolen

### Setzke sits back, Tigers defeat Holly, 57-7

### **By David Troppens**

Holly — During the last couple of weeks, Fenton varsity football coach Jeff Setzke has been a no-show for his squad.

It's not his fault.

Setzke is involved in the General Motors labor talks, forcing him to spend most of the last two weeks in Detroit. He wasn't able to attend the Tigers' 50-0 victory against Swartz Creek on Sept. 13, and was only able to present his input in the game plan for one day as the team prepared to travel to Holly on Friday.

It didn't matter. Setzke enjoyed watching the first half of Fenton's 57-7 victory against the Bronchos from the press box.

"Most of us have been together well over 10 years," Setzke said. "Even though we do some things different,

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Holly's Dylan Hignite is tackled by the Tigers' Logan Angel (right) and Ryan Miller (left) during Fenton's 57-7 victory Friday. Photo: Mark Bolen

### Fenton Tigers post state, MISCA times at county meet

### **By David Troppens**

Of course the goal for the Fenton varsity girls swim and dive team was to capture a second straight County League

That didn't happen on Saturday, but so many other positives did occur.

The Tigers had eight state qualifying times (two were new marks) and had many more **CONTINUED AT MYFENTON.COM** • MISCA meet qualifying times

en route to a second-place team finish.

The Tigers won five events and finished with 484 team points. Grand Blanc finished with 570 points, winning the meet with its sheer number of athletes on its squad.

"We had a great weekend," Fenton varsity swim coach Brad Jones said.



**CONTINUED AT** Fenton's Abigail Dolliver was one of the Tigers' strong **MYFENTON.COM** performers at the county meet. **Photo: Christopher Summers** 

### **Eagles' comeback falls short vs. Flushing**

### **By David Troppens**

The Linden varsity football team has been competitive in all three of their losses, losing each by eight points or less.

The losses have been so tight, that the Eagles have outscored their foes 89-81 despite their 1-3 overall record.

In each of those games, the Eagles have turned the ball over enough to pretty much keep the losses from being victories.

It happened again Friday night against Flushing.

The Eagles trailed 27-7 at halftime and got back into the contest before losing a tough 42-35 Metro League Stripes Division contest. The Eagles made a nice comeback, twice recovering onside kicks, but it was three turnovers that gave Flushing short fields resulting in Raiders' touchdowns.

"We fumbled the ball on about the 25 and gave them a short field. We threw a pick and gave them a short field and they scored again," Linden varsity football coach Denny Hopkins said. "They led 27-7 at halftime and they scored on three



Linden's offensive line opens up a hole during the Eagles' 42-35 loss to Flushing. **Photo: Christopher Summers** 

turnovers."

Linden's second half comeback involved two Seeger DeGayner TD receptions and two more by Brenden Miller. Austin Jawarski also had one. Miller scored on TD passes of 37 and 39 yards

while DeGayner scored from 31 and 33 yards out. Jawarski scored from 17 yards out. All were thrown by Cobly Kohmescher, who finished with well over 300 yards passing.

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### Fenton, Linden soccer earn wins, remain in Metro League race

#### By David Troppens

The Linden and Fenton varsity boys soccer teams are still in the middle of the Metro League championship race.

That's because both earned shutout victories during Monday night action.

The Tigers defeated area rivals Lake Fenton 8-0, while the Eagles defeated Clio 2-0.

The wins keep both teams one game behind the Goodrich Martians in league action. However, the Tigers can play a big role into getting both teams back into a tie for first with Goodrich if Fenton can beat the Martians today at Goodrich High School.

The Tigers jumped to a quick 1-0 lead when Max Guerra headed in a Jimmy Myers cross for the first goal. Before the game was up, Austin Ames had two goals while Calvin Curtis, Devon Cherney, Trevor Brow, Alex Flannery and Will Dickens had a goal each.

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### Holly swimmers show progress at county meet

### ■LF, Powers athletes have solid showings

### **By David Troppens**

Holly and Lake Fenton had some strong highlights at the county meet at Fenton High School on Saturday.

Holly placed in a tie for sixth while the Kearsley/Lake Fenton co-op squad took ninth.

The Bronchos had three individual performers earn spots in the finals in events. Aby Bullard took seventh in the 50 freestyle (27.62 seconds) while Rebeeca Costigan took seventh in the 100 breaststroke (1:16.11). Finally, Lauren Costigan took eighth in the 500 freestyle (6:10.63).

Holly also had two relays place fifth. They included Lauren Costigan, Rebecca Costigan, Ella Althaver and Aby Bullard (2:02.61) in the 200 medley relay while the team of Althaver, Lauren Costigan, Jaryn Kivari and Rebecca Costigan took fifth in the 400 freestyle relay (4:12.53).

"These girls pushed for every



Holly's Aby Bullard took seventh in the 50 freestyle at the county meet. **Photo:** Christopher Summers

dropped second they achieved," Holly varsity girls swim coach Jessica Drogemuller said. "From personal best to medals received, each girl on the team made sure to show their Broncho spirit and set their goals high.

"All in all, these girls showed that a great attitude, hard work, and commitment make a huge difference in reaching your personal goals."

Lake Fenton student Emily Gilbert also had a strong meet, earning finals spots in two individual events.

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Fenton's Brady Triola (left) runs downfield during the Tigers' 57-7 victory against the Bronchos on Friday. Photo: Mark Bolen

### SETZKE

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it's huge (my confidence in the rest of the coaching staff). I don't like not being here, but I'm comfortable because we met (Sunday) and I was able to help put the practice plans together. But they did all the coaching (tonight)."

The coaches and players did an outstanding job. The Tigers scored 49 points in the opening half and cruised to a 57-7 victory against the Holly Bronchos.

Both sides of the ball had strong showings for Fenton.

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### Eagles, many area middle schools run at Linden

The Linden Invitational had plenty of local representation in its annual event, but most of it came at the middle school level.

All four area school districts had middle school teams at the meet while the Eagles were the only one had varsity squads at the meet.

The Linden varsity boys had a strong showing, taking third. Meanwhile, the Linden girls took fourth.

### Fenton golfers remain perfect in Metro League

The Fenton varsity girls golf team are four-time defending Flint Metro League champions.

The Tigers took a big step in the right direction to help earn their fifth straight Monday.

### Holly golfers take second at Jim Sander tourney

The Holly varsity girls golf team got a chance to play at Prestwick Hills on Monday.

The Bronchos are glad they got that chance. Holly ended up finishing second at the Jim Sander Memorial Tournament.

Fenton remained undefeated in Metro

The win has the Tigers as the only re-

League play, defeating Flushing by a

maining undefeated team in the Metro

with duals against Kearsley and Brandon.

175-216 score.

Birmingham Seaholm took first with a 359, followed by Holly's 404. Milford gave the Bronchos a challenge for second, finishing in third with a 406.

### Linden golfers moving to upper half of Metro League

The Linden varsity girls golf team play, and had some impressive perforcontinues to steadily progress this fall.

The Eagles defeated Kearsley 197-223 to improve to 6-2 in Metro League mances in the process.

Match medalist Caitlin Draper led the way at Flint Elks Country Club.

### PREP REPORT

### **BOYS SOCCER**

- ► Holly 2, Notre Dame Prep 0: Nick Rees scored a three-goal hat trick and keeper Mitch Thiell earned the shutout in net as Holly improved to 4-4 in league play. Luke Wilson also had a goal and an assist while Ben Gramer had an assist.
- ► Holly 2, Notre Dame Prep 0: Nick Rees scored his eighth goal of the season and Joe Leffler scored a goal, leading the Bronchos to the victory.
- ► Grand Blanc 2, Fenton 0: Fenton's Gannon Welch made 11 saves

#### **BOYS TENNIS**

► Holly hosts quad: Holly played some great tennis on Saturday winning multiple matches at several flights against top programs across the state. Standout performances were posted

by Drew Hignite, Cameron McAninch, Jacob Denman, Joe Kittle and Jack Ford.

#### **VOLLEYBALL**

► Fenton at Frankemuth Invitational: The Tigers qualified for the gold bracket of the tournament and lost to Flint Powers in the semifinal by a 16-25, 25-19, 15-7 score. The Tigers competed against Powers, Bay City Central, Unionville-Sebewaing and Fowler in the tournament. During the Tigers' five matches, Sydney Acho had 78 assists, six kills, 17 digs, five aces and a block. Sydney Sahr and Lydia Podlesak had 31 kills each while Anna Weigle and Arie Staib had 15 kills and two blocks each. Bella Henson had six aces while Sahr had five aces.

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1943-2019 Philip Lawrence Frederick - age 75, of Linden, died Monday, September 23, 2019. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11 AM Friday,



September 27, 2019 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Fenton. Fr. Ryan Riley celebrant. Visitation will be held at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton, Thursday from 4-8 PM where a rosary will be prayed at 7 PM and at church Friday from 10 AM until the time of the Mass. Those desiring may make contributions to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Philip was born September 29, 1943 in Detroit, the son of Leo and Mary (O'Rourke) Frederick. He was a graduate of Redford Union High School. He married Caroline Ann Wellman November 13, 1976 in Plymouth. He resided in Linden since 1991 coming from Plymouth. Philip owned and operated Tuffy Auto Service Center in Howell. He was a member of the Plymouth-Ann Arbor Elks Lodge #325. He was an avid golfer. Surviving are: his wife. Caroline: children. Paul (Anli) Frederick of Northville, Curtis Frederick of Linden, and Janeane Frederick of Linden; grandchildren, Tim Frederick and Jennifer Frederick both of Northville, and Nikki (Shane) Cowan and Jesse Pestka both of Linden; brother, Thomas (Gerry) Frederick of Fenton; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Barbara Kopmeyer and Helen Sturgeon. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.





### Bernice Tokarski 1937-2019 Bernice Tokarski - age 82, died August 5, 2019. Memorial service Saturday, September 28, 2019 in Fenton. https://www. sunsetpoint funeralhome. com/notices/



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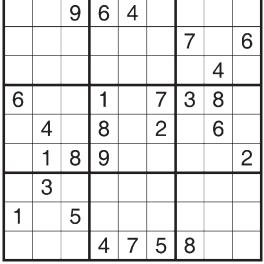
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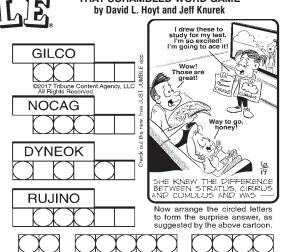
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### Jul 23/Aug 23

People have been asking for your input at every turn, Leo. You probably can use a break. It's fine to step aside and let someone else handle things

### **VIRGO**

### Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, a change of scenery can be just what you need to infuse a new energy into your life. New opportunities can bring about a different perspective and attitude

### **Sept 23/Oct 23**

a shake-up, Libra. You just aren't sure if that means taking a break for a little bit or going on the hunt

Oct 24/Nov 22

sense of humor, Scorpio. Humor is sometimes an acquired taste. Your true friends understand you thoroughly.

### **SAGITTARIUS** Nov 23/Dec 21

A houseful of guests is one way to put you on the spot and showcase how you are the consummate host/hostess, Sagittarius. Embrace the party full force.

### **CAPRICORN** Dec 22/Jan 20

Are you ready for your long to-do list. Capricorn? Because those tasks are lining up and waiting for your finishing touches. Delegate a little, but don't shy away from hard work.

### **AQUARIUS**

For the week of September 23, 2019

#### Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, even though you are often a fountain of good information, sometimes the delivery leaves something to be desired. Watch your tone and filter for your audience.

### **PISCES**

#### Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, it may be good to have a close friend or family member in your corner this week. Some news could surprise you.

### **ARIES**

### Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, you like to be friendly to everyone, but sometimes you have to accept that not everyone is on your team. This week you may experience push-back from a new face.

### **TAURUS**

Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, you have a lot on your plate right now and you need to work through some tasks before you can focus on new things. Take some time to contemplate.

### **GEMINI**

### May 22/Jun 21

It is easy to find yourself on a spending spree, Gemini. Instead of figuring out when to put the credit cards away, leave them home instead.

### CANCER

### Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, if you're thinking about running away from big decisions right now, realize they'll only be waiting for you when you get home. Better to dig in right now.

### **LIBRA**

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