

Deer in Fenton Township tests positive for EEE

■ Proactive spraying ongoing, however, risk of virus from mosquito bite remains until hard frost kills pesky insects

On Oct. 1, the Genesee County Health Department (GCHD) provided an update in response to inquiries regarding the recent aerial spraying conducted by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) in counties affected by

Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). A deer was discovered in Fenton Township that tested positive for EEE on Sept. 9. According to the Genesee County Health Department, Fenton Township has **See EEE on 23A**



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Daddy's home!



Audrey Hanna, 6, clings to her father, Wade Hanna, a lieutenant commander with the U.S. Navy, who surprised Audrey in class at Holly Academy on Wednesday, Oct. 2. Hanna had been on a year-long deployment to Bahrain and hadn't seen his family in six months. At left is his wife, Kelly, and on the right is their daughter, Katie, 12. **Photo by Tim Jagielo**

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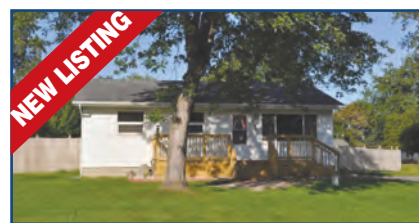
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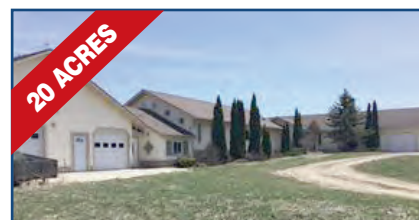
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■ Animal control into Phase II of \$8-million project; many animals already in new kennels

By Tim Jagielo

Flint — For 14 months, the bangs and clangs of construction and the barks and yelps of canines have mixed at the Genesee County Animal Control Shelter (GCAC) on Pasadena Avenue.

Animal control is in the midst of an \$8 million project, which includes additions and renovations to the existing facility. The project is coming in two phases. Phase I is complete, which included the new construction.

The overall project is currently 70-percent complete, and weather permitting the entire renovation will be complete by the holidays, said Deputy Director Renea Kennedy.

This is the facility responsible for handling all strays, and when necessary, owner surrenders, for Genesee



Crews with Sorensen Gross Construction work on the future adoptable dogs area of Genesee County Animal Control facility on Wednesday, Oct. 2. This is part of phase II of an \$8-million project. Photo by Tim Jagielo

County — even Fenton and Linden on the opposite end of the county.

Kennedy said the project won't increase capacity, but will increase living spaces for the animals and provide updated facilities, more outside play room and better cat housing.

She said the animals are calmer in the new expanded living areas. Their

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“The animals are much calmer. Their anxiety is much less. We are seeing fewer cases of cage aggression.”

Renea Kennedy
Genesee County Animal Control deputy director



Several dogs like Big Red live in new kennels that let them go outside when they wish. Photo by Tim Jagielo

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Words with Hannah

A wild internet thing that happened

As a millennial, it's my duty to inform our readers about an internet thing that, in the grand scheme of things, doesn't really matter, but it certainly matters in the realm of social media.

Caroline Calloway is a 27-year-old, New York-based influencer with nearly 800,000 Instagram followers. She made national headlines when she sold \$165 tickets for a creativity workshop in half a dozen cities without booking venues, promised to write heartfelt letters to every attendee, serve a homemade lunch, and give out care packages and more.

The events sold out. But many of them never happened.

A writer on Twitter documented the downfall, and people have compared Calloway to the failed Fyre Festival. I don't have the space to go into detail, but it's absolutely worth a Google search.

A few months after this, an old friend of Calloway's, Natalie Beach, wrote a tell-all article about her friendship with the influencer, who many now called a scammer.

Calloway's initial start on Insta-

gram came from her buying 20,000 followers and using targeted ads. Her page is filled with beautiful travel photos and mystical captions, most of which were ghost written by Beach.

Beach revealed that Calloway was given what I dream of— a \$375,000 book deal.

The book would be a memoir about Calloway's time at Cambridge University, dealing with relationships and heartbreak. They collaborated, but Beach

wrote the majority of the proposal.

When it came time to write the

book, Calloway failed. She missed her deadlines and was asked to return more than \$100,000 from the advance.

She's now dealing with the fallout of everyone knowing that parts of her success weren't entirely truthful.

(How someone messes up a near-\$400,000 book deal is beyond me. The author side of me will forever be baffled by this.)

The real story to me is how the fraud in this tale is a very realistic take on influencer and online culture. Instagram is full of curated, beautiful photos with photoshopped skies, fashionable clothes and flat stomachs.

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WHERE ARE ALL the adult Halloween parties this year? Asking for a friend.

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What was your favorite Halloween costume?

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter

street talk



"It'd be my Dr. Seuss costume. I bought it for Halloween. I also would wear it reading to kids at St. John's for March is Reading Month."

Lisa Flannery
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"Emmett Kelly. He was in Ringling Brothers, one of the world's most famous clowns of the time. He had kind of a hobo appearance."

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"I was a gorilla. My mom had me wear a mink coat with a gorilla mask."

Jeffrey Webb
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"I was Casper the friendly ghost in kindergarten. It was my favorite cartoon at the time."

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"The ex-wife and I went as Olive Oil and Popeye. We won first place at two different bars. I got the fake arms and had the fake pipe."

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Holly Township homeowners object to rezoning request

■ Worries include increased traffic and loss of property values

By Vera Hogan

Dean Morales, the president of Heritage and Company, Inc. in Lake Orion, is one step closer to getting a landscape nursery/retail business off the ground in Holly Township.

On Tuesday, Oct. 1, the Holly Township Planning Commission held a public hearing to consider Morales' application for rezoning 1191 McClelland Rd. from AGRE (Agricultural) to C-2 (Commercial Center). Morales also requested special land use approval to establish a landscape nursery/retail business.

Approximately 45 people attended. One of those residents wrote an advance letter to the Planning Commission, expressing her opposition to the rezoning of the parcel. This resident, Sandra Carlson, lives across the street and east of Morales' property.

"I moved here two-and-a-half years ago, having lived in Alpine Shores subdivision in Fenton Township for 30 years," Carlson wrote. "I served on the Fenton Township Planning Commission for 14 years, was chair of that board for several years, and served on the Zoning Board of Appeals for five years. I also published an article in the Wayne Law Review regarding zoning issues."

Woodfield subdivision is a well-designed site condo community that includes a manicured golf course and club house, Carlson said. "I purchased my home based on the current zoning of Agriculture Residential for the surrounding area and based on my belief that Holly Township would honor its Master Plan and maintain the area as Neighborhood Residential in the future.

"Rezoning this property would significantly impact the neighboring residential communities," she said. "The permitted uses under the current zoning of Agriculture Residential include single-family de-

tached dwellings, which currently exist."

Under commercial zoning, there would be an additional 16 uses, which include planned shopping centers over 50,000 square feet, health and fitness clubs, eating and drinking establishments, funeral homes, retail businesses like grocery stores, and many more.

Should the property be rezoned to C-2, that zoning designation "runs with the land," Carlson said. If the current property owners resell or go bankrupt, any future land owner would be allowed, by right, any of the permitted uses.

Carlson said the proposed use would create an increase in traffic and congestion, hampering ingress and egress for homeowners in Woodfield subdivision and Woodfield South subdivision. It would increase weight limits for vehicles and trucks, which would increase the need

for road repair, she said.

"It would also negatively impact homeowners' quiet enjoyment of their property, and it would negatively impact neighboring property values."

On Wednesday, Carlson said, "The applicant wants to put a landscape business there to grow

and distribute trees etc., but does not want to sell to the public from that location. There are wetlands between the 17-18 acres that he bought and Woodfield South. Several of the board members thought that this is a sufficient buffer.

"The township planner was there. He stated that this project would not affect neighboring residents' property values, which I strongly disagree with," Carlson said.

She said several residents shared similar complaints regarding traffic, trucks, increased road repair needs, congestion and most importantly, all the businesses that could be built there if he ever decides to sell the land.

Despite residents' concerns, the Planning Commission approved giving a favorable recommendation to the Holly Township Board of Trustees on the rezoning request. The Planning

“Rezoning this property would significantly impact the neighboring residential communities.”

Sandra Carlson
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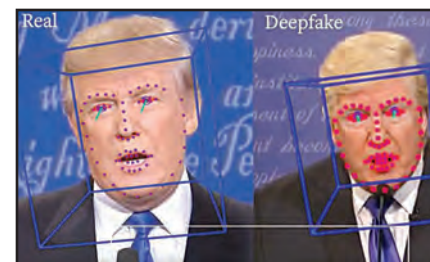
By Tim Jagielo

People are used to being skeptical of images spread around social media. An easy Google search can reveal the original photo alongside the "photo-shopped" one. But the day has arrived that videos may no longer be trusted as true depictions of reality.

"Deepfake" videos are here. A deepfake video is one that has taken footage of a real person, usually talking to the camera, and replaced their words and facial or even body movements with someone else's, with convincing results.

Film director Jordan Peele lent his Barack Obama impression to a team who made a deepfake video of the former president for the sake of education and entertainment. Played side-by-side with the derivative clip, it can be difficult to spot the fake. The image probably won't pass muster played on a large high-resolution screen, but could be convincing on a smartphone or tablet.

This technology isn't new. Do you remember the scene from "Forrest Gump" when Gump met President



The University of California, Berkeley is studying deepfake videos by creating some themselves. Here, the computer maps the faces of President Trump and Alec Baldwin, right. Photo: UC Berkeley

Kennedy and "had to pee" because he drank too many sodas? Several historical figures were faked into that movie

to achieve a comedic affect. Today, those Hollywood caliber scenes are less convincing than the deepfakes possible today.

Your phone can already morph your face or swap it with someone else's almost instantly. If putting dog ears on someone isn't bad enough, deepfakes already have dark-

er applications. Actors' faces have been used on existing pornographic videos.

Other concerns are that deepfakes could disrupt the criminal justice system. Sometimes videos are used as evidence in court cases. The Times witnessed,

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“Attorneys and judges have to be aware of what the possibilities are. As technology advances, the odds of having a deepfake presented (as evidence) certainly increase in likelihood.”

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Bald eagles on the rise in Michigan

■ Fewer pesticides, more education result in 69 eagle nests in 1969 to 800 today

By Hannah Ball

From 1961 to 1987, no bald eagles hatched in metropolitan Detroit. In 1963, there were fewer than 1,000 nesting eagles in the U.S. In Michigan, there were only 69 eagle nests in 1969.

This decline is mostly attributed to the increased use of pesticides that contained DDT and increased industrial production that used PCBs. These chemicals weakened the eggs, which were easily crushed when adult eagles tried to incubate them, and it led to a higher fatality rate for adult bald eagles.

Today, there are about 800 nesting pairs of bald eagles in Michigan alone, and they are all federally protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

"The bald eagle population has

made a great recovery in the state. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service currently monitors bald eagle populations in Michigan," said Holly Vaughn, acting public outreach and engagement unit manager of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). "The DNR supports bald eagle habitat by managing aquatic, wetland, lakeshore and coastal habitat which benefits bald eagles."

According to the Michigan Wildlife Council, bald eagles have been the national emblem of the U.S. since 1782. They've been a spiritual symbol for indigenous populations for thousands



Photo: Scott Schupbach

of years, and the species was nearly wiped out.

The Michigan Wildlife Council was created in 2013 to increase public knowledge of the importance of wildlife management and conservation, as well as the positive impact that hunting and fishing have on Michigan's wildlife and natural resources.

Along with the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, the Michigan Wildlife Council also credits the

Dingell-Johnson Act, which placed a fee on fishing equipment in order to fund Michigan's wildlife conservation and management activities.

It raised an estimated \$10.7 million last year, which goes

to conservation and monitoring work.

Fees from hunting and fishing licenses also help, with approximately \$61 million being raised in 2018 for invasive species remediation and habitat rehabilitation.

Documented local sightings

In August 2017, a group gathered at a home in Fenton Township to watch a rehabilitated eagle take flight. It had been found as an injured juvenile in June along Hogan Road.

In February 2016, a bald eagle was seen eating a deer carcass at Linden and Lahring roads, across from Hilltop Farms.

In June 2015, a reader sent in photos of a bald eagle resting on a watercraft on Lake Fenton.

Times Editor Sharon Stone said her family has seen bald eagles perched high atop trees along Lake Ponemah and Squaw Lake this summer and last summer.

Source: Michigan Department of Natural Resources, content.govdelivery.com, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

“The bald eagle population has made a great recovery in the state.”

Holly Vaughn

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■Lakeside Terrors runs weekends through month of October; proceeds to charity

By Hannah Ball

Starting this weekend, the Ponemah Lakeside Lodge in Fenton Township will host a haunted house every Friday and Saturday night for the month of October.

It’s put on by The Warda Foundation, founded by Jason Warda, owner of The Barn, the Fenton Pub, and Ponemah Lakeside Lodge.

All proceeds go to charity. “Every Friday and Saturday night, from 7 p.m. to midnight, we will have a haunted trail set up down by the lake, and all proceeds will go to the guest charity that

night. We have partnered with Whaley Children’s Center, Snuggle Sacks, Voices for Children Advocacy Center, Flint Area United Soccer Club, The Fenton Inprint, and The PST (Ponemah, Squaw Tupper) Lake Association,” said Bianca Wurtz, marketing and event coordinator for The Warda Foundation.

The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for

children 8 and under. Organizers will have a kids spooky trail and craft area as well.

“There is no age limit and we hope with having the two areas, we can accommodate people of all ages. I would say to expect a little scarier and ‘creepy’ things in the main haunted trail and for the kids area to be toned down and fun. The whole thing will be family friendly,” she said.

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ZBA19-028 Gary Metzger, 2511 W. Thompson Road: Requesting a 2.5-foot side yard setback variance to construct an attached garage at 2511 W. Thompson Road, parcel 06-02-300-062

ZBA19-030 Terry Hanson, 2401 Davis Road: Requesting an 1,147.85 sq. ft. maximum allowable sq. footage variance to expand a detached accessory building at 2401 Davis Rd, parcel 06-02-551-006.

ZBA19-031 William Bye, 8300 Dwyer Rd, Howell, MI: Requesting a 10 ft. front yard setback variance for the construction of a new house on vacant land on Dalhart Drive, parcel 06-11-529-018.

ZBA19-032 Richard Brandt, 13354 Julie Anne Court, James Nolan 13358 Julie Anne Court: Requesting a 4.67-foot variance to construct an 8-foot-tall vinyl sound barrier fence along Torrey Road at 13354 and 13358 Julie Anne Court, parcels 06-14-653-028 and 6-14-653-029.

ZBA19-033 George Johnson, 13100 Hollynton Court
Requesting a 2.67-foot variance to construct a 6-foot-tall wood fence along Fenton Road and McCully Lane at 13100 Hollynton Court, parcel 06-13-505-031.

RENEWAL OF HOME OCCUPATIONS

HO02-001 Mark Wendling 12075 Torrey Rd: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to operate gun sale business in residence; parcel 06-11-503-021

HO02-004 Craig Allen 11533 Torrey Rd: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to operate an auto wholesale business in residence; parcel 06-02-300-042

HO02-005 Gilford Goodrow, 11250 Odell Rd: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to operate a photography studio in residence; parcel 06-05-200-008

HO02-012 Tonya Gerow-Boucki 2352 Belle Glade Ct: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to operate dog grooming business in garage; parcel 06-02-553-006

HO08-042 William Molpus 2355 Thompson Rd: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to operate a small deck installation business from residence; parcel 06-02-552-006

HO13-051 Melvin Spencer, 14283 Hogan Rd: Requesting to renew a home

occupation permit to continue to operate a gun sale business in residence; parcel 06-19-300-001

HO13-052 Marc Skutt, 13109 Ripley Rd: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to continue to operate a taxidermy business in residence; parcel 06-16-601-008

HO13-053 Sharon Schneider, 15074 Meadow Ln: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to operate a salon at in her home; parcel 06-30-601-012

HO14-009 Timothy Paige, 5450 Blossom Ln: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to continue to operate a gun sale business in residence; parcel 06-32-601-101

HO15-014 Diana Gibbons, 13507 Haddon St: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to continue to operate a personal training business in residence; parcel 06-14-577-109

HO16-047 Daniel Maldonado, 4237 Crystal Cove Ct, Linden: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit to operate gun sales business in residence, parcel 06-21-626-034

HO16-005 Alexander Adams, 13260 Marvin Dr. Fenton: Requesting to renew a home occupation permit for a heating and cooling business, parcel 06-15-100-018

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ROBERT KRUG,
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Baiting deer for hunting is illegal in Lower Peninsula

■ Deer munching on your vegetable garden is not baiting

By Vera Hogan

On Tuesday, Oct. 1, archery deer hunting season kicked off in Michigan. It runs through Nov. 14 and will go again from Dec. 1 through Jan. 1, 2020. Regular firearm season takes place from Nov. 15-30.

Now is the time to remind hunters that as of Jan. 31, no baiting or feeding deer is allowed in the Lower Peninsula. This is due to the dangers posed by Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD), a contagious, neurological disease that affects deer, elk and moose.

According to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), bait is a substance intended for consumption that is composed of grains, minerals (including salt and salt blocks), fruits, vegetables, hay or other food materials, which may lure, entice or attract deer or elk as an aid in hunting.

Feed is a substance intended for consumption that is composed of grains, minerals (including salt and salt blocks), fruits, vegetables, hay or other food materials, which may lure, entice or attract deer or elk for any reason other than hunting.

The only exception to the baiting regulation involves the “youth and hunters with disabilities hunts,” which took place in mid-September. Another hunters with disabilities hunt will take place Oct. 17-20. For specific information about this hunt and regulations, visit michigan.gov/dnr.

For the most part, you cannot bait deer in your hunting camp or choice of hunting grounds in the Lower Peninsula or the parts of the counties listed above (see www.michigan.gov). Why then do local gas stations and other retailers sell large bags of carrots, potatoes, apples and cracked corn? A former Fenton gas station employee said they were instructed by management that selling bait isn't illegal. If the buyer purchases the food and engages in unlawful baiting, that is their problem to deal with.

Holly Vaughn with the DNR said, “We are unable to regulate what retail-



The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is unable to regulate what retailers sell. The bags of carrots and other foodstuffs could be purchased and used where baiting is legal. Photo: Kerry Muise via cbc.ca

ers can sell. It is possible that customers are buying these foods for areas in the UP where baiting is legal.”

If deer visit your big back yard in the city and make themselves at home eating from your berry bushes, or make a smorgasbord of your vegetable garden while you sleep — that is not considered baiting because you have no intention of hunting them.

The DNR says food plots, which are naturally occurring foods, standing agricultural crops, or food placed as a result of using normal agricultural practices are not considered to be bait or feed. But constructing or maintaining any food plot or any artificial garden to attract wildlife on public land is prohibited.

The punishment for baiting

Unlawful baiting of deer is a misdemeanor offense with a maximum of 90 days in jail, a minimum fine of at least \$50 to a maximum fine of \$500, court costs and state fees, and the loss of hunting privileges at the discretion of the court.

CWD — there is no cure

CWD causes a degeneration of the brain resulting in emaciation (abnormally thin), abnormal behavior, loss of bodily functions and death. CWD is

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October is Fire Prevention Month

■ Expert tips will help keep your family and pets safe this holiday season

Compiled By Vera Hogan

It's that time of year again when pumpkins get carved and lit with candles, then more holiday candles come out for Thanksgiving and Christmas, stoves get a workout with festive meals and desserts, and wood-burning fireplaces are put into action to keep out the cold.

All of those things can and have been the cause of major house fires.

When a fire starts in a home, the occupants may have as little as two minutes to escape.

During a fire, early warning from a working smoke alarm plus a fire escape plan that has been practiced regularly can save lives.

Learn what else to do to keep your loved ones safe. According to the American Red Cross, the following are ways families can prepare for a home fire:

- **Install the right** number of smoke alarms. Test them once a month and replace the batteries at least once a year. Smoke alarms can be purchased at any local hardware store and retailers like Walmart, Home Depot and Target. Some cost as low as \$6 and go up to over \$50, depending on the features, make and model.

- **Teach children what** smoke alarms sound like and what to do when they hear one.

- **Make sure that** all household members know two ways to escape from every room of your home and know the family meeting spot outside of your home.

- **Establish a family** emergency communications plan and ensure that all household members know who to contact if they cannot find one another.

- **Practice escaping from** your home at least twice a year. Press the smoke alarm test button or yell "fire" to alert everyone that they must get out.

- **Make sure everyone** knows how to call 9-1-1.

- **Teach household members** to STOP, DROP and ROLL if their clothes should catch on fire.

Photo: Metro Creative Graphics



Area fire departments are holding open houses Oct. 6-12 that will offer safety tips, demonstrations and fun for the kids. See the Oct. 2 Midweek edition of the Times for dates, times and locations, or go to www.myfenton.com.

Cooking and baking

No holiday celebration would be complete without a feast, but be sure to take precautions against kitchen fires when you're cooking and baking. That includes keeping children and flammable items such as grocery bags and kitchen towels away from the stove and oven.

Clean up greasy spills as you go to remove another fire hazard. If you're deep frying a turkey, keep the fryer well away from structures and trees, make sure your turkey is fully thawed, and follow the manufacturer's instructions for your fryer.

According to Glenn Gaines, deputy fire administrator for the U.S. Fire Administration, the kitchen can be one of the most hazardous rooms in your home during the holidays.

"Before you begin your holiday meal preparations, I would like to remind everyone that cooking equipment, most often a range or stovetop, is the leading cause of reported home fires and home fire injuries in the United States," he said. "Cooking equipment is also the leading cause of unreported fires and associated injuries."

Gaines offers these tips:

- **Young children are** at high risk of being burned by hot food and liquids. Keep children away from cooking areas by enforcing a "kid-free zone" of 3 feet around the stove.

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BAITING

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fatal — once an animal is infected there is no recovery or cure. To date, there is no evidence that CWD can be naturally transmitted to humans or to other animals.

As a precaution, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) recommend that infected animals not be consumed as food by either humans or domestic animals.

CWD is caused by a normal protein, called a prion, that folds incorrectly and can infect other deer. It is transmitted through direct animal to animal contact or by contact with saliva, urine, feces, blood, carcass parts of an infected animal or infected soil. Prions are extremely resistant in the environment and can stay infectious for years, according to a statement released by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) and the DNR.

“With a disease like CWD, everyone’s actions matter,” said DNR state wildlife veterinarian, Kelly Straka, DVM. “Whether you are a deer producer submitting samples for surveillance or a hunter practicing safe carcass disposal, we all have a role to play in

minimizing the risk of disease spread.”

Since May 2015, when the first free-ranging white-tailed CWD-positive deer was found in Michigan, CWD has been confirmed in free-ranging white-tailed deer in the Lower Peninsula from Clinton, Eaton, Gratiot, Ionia, Ingham, Jackson, Kent, and Montcalm counties.

Additionally, a CWD-positive deer was found in the Upper Peninsula in Dickinson County in October of last year.

Source: michigan.gov/dnr and
michigan.gov/mdard

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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CAN YOU BELIEVE the Democrats when they passed legislation to fine a citizen if they didn’t buy health insurance but right now, all the Democratic hopefuls want to give it to illegals for free?

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REDIRECTION, FEAR, HATE, insults, innuendos and lies. Just some of Trump’s tools to keep his followers in line.
■■■■

THE BIG BOX store on Owen Road has gone too far. Had over \$200 in groceries and found only one cashier and new and ‘improved’ self-checkout lanes taking up most of the front of the store. I don’t want to work there to increase their profits.

■■■■
I DID NOT vote for Trump but I will now.

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VAE Life Coaching

■ Focuses on healing depression and anxiety

Is your teen withdrawn? Does he or she seem fearful of social settings or lack joy when doing activities that used to be fun?

If so, depression and anxiety could be to blame. Luckily, there is help.

Celebrating five years in Fenton, Mark Carpenter, MA, LPC owner of VAE Life Coaching has helped hundreds of teens and adults overcome

depression and anxiety through hard work that sometimes includes physical exercise. followed his own life coaching process by setting one-, three- and five-year goals, which included opening his own practice and then offering insurance to his clients. Today, VAE Life Coaching takes many different insurance plans from Blue Cross Blue Shield to Optim (United Behavioral Health), McLaren and Molina. Carpenter asks that potential clients call his office to see if their insurance is accepted.

As a veteran marine, Carpenter knows exactly what it’s like to live in fear of the future and anxiety in one’s current circumstance.

“Fear and guilt are what drive depression and anxiety. You have to learn to confront fear with real logic and truth. We all have a lot more control than we think.”

Mark Carpenter, MA, LPC
Owner of VAE Life Coaching

It’s not unusual to find Carpenter and a client walking or running outside at Clover Beach during a counseling session. He has seen first-hand how clients relate to being outdoors rather than an office. “To some teens a traditional office visit can feel like a visit to the principal’s office,” he said. “It’s a way for me to get comfortable with teens and a great way to get to know people.” Carpenter also offers evening and weekend appointments to accommodate busy schedules.

He opened his Fenton practice five years ago at North Towne Professional Center. He

es. He also was a member of Personal Security Detail Teams in Iraq and Afghanistan for the U.S. Department of Defense, and still keeps photos in his office drawer as a reminder of horrific events he lived through. Fear and guilt, said Carpenter, are what drive depression and anxiety. “You have to learn to confront fear with real logic and truth,” he said. “We all have a lot more control than we think.”

A 1991 Fenton High School graduate, Carpenter said he



Mark Carpenter, MA, LPC, is owner of VAE Life Coaching in Fenton. He works with teens and adults to help them overcome anxiety and depression. Submitted photo

became a life coach/licensed professional counselor to help others in all walks of life.

“Life coaching is for everyone,” he said. And while the majority of his clients are teens, Carpenter has seen a growing number of adults, especially those seeking help to make a connection between mental and physical health — another reason you’ll often find him working out during a counseling session. “You have to get out that bottled up energy,” he said. “Physical exercise is very necessary when fighting depression and anxiety.”

VAE stands for Vision-

Achievement-Excellence, which is Carpenter’s goal for the process of life coaching. “You can put in time and effort and see the results and improvements in your life,” he said.

Through Carpenter’s practice, he helps teens and adults set goals for the future that match their values. “The main word is ‘hope,’” he said. “We focus on the successes of the past and people can see from their goal-setting that they can accomplish anything.”

VAE Life Coaching is at 14165 N. Fenton Rd., Suite 102A2, (810) 282-4093.

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A lot of it’s fake, or at least misrepresented. A lot of us know this. But a lot of us don’t care.

The tell-all and failed workshops will forever besmirch Calloway’s name, but that doesn’t mean she’s done. She still lives in New York and currently makes money by buying cheap craft supplies, gluing them together, and selling them for around \$200. People are buying them.

It’s baffling, but it’s not surprising.

There’s a few important lessons. You can be given all the opportunities, but still blow them.

You can profess a certain fake-ness, but it doesn’t matter. Internet culture isn’t about being truthful. It’s about being a spectacle.

Opinions offered in this column are the author’s alone and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Tri-County Times or its staff. Email Hannah Ball at hball@tctimes.com.

Paper mail down, package shipping up

■ Decline in letters and paper bills, increase in online shopping

By Hannah Ball

First-class mail, largely made up of transactional mail, payments, bills and statements, is decreasing while package shipping is on the rise.

This is due to more payments being processed online, reducing the need to send paper checks and envelopes.

The United States Postal Service (USPS) is heavily feeling this trend.

“Within the last 12 years our total mail volume has dropped significantly,” according to a fact sheet from the USPS. “Since fiscal year 2007, total mail volume has declined by 31 percent. First-Class Mail, our most profitable product, has declined by 41 percent since 2007 and is expected to continue to decline as a result of the increase in online transactions and other digital communications.”

This also includes using social media, such as Facebook, to talk to



Fenton Goin' Postal co-owner Mike Clabuesch said half of their parcels end up being delivered by the United States Postal Service. Photo: Tim Jagielo

relatives and friends instead of sending them a paper letter or traditional greeting card.

In 2018, USPS brought in \$25 billion in revenue from First-Class Mail by delivering 56.7 billion in First-Class Mail volume. A First-Class stamp is 55 cents.

This number has declined steadily since 2009, which is the earliest year mentioned in the facts report by USPS. In 2009, USPS delivered 82.7 billion in First-Class Mail volume. By 2014, that number decreased to 63.8 billion, which reduced to 56.7 billion by 2018.

“The Postal Service continues to attract e-commerce customers and business partners because our customers see the value of our predictable service, enhanced visibility, and reasonable pricing. Our unparalleled delivery network coupled with the quality and professionalism of our workforce enables us to provide a value proposition unique in the shipping marketplace that even the largest e-commerce players cannot match,” said Elizabeth Najdich, USPS strategic communications specialist.

Meanwhile, shipping/package volume with USPS has doubled since 2009, increasing from 3.1 billion in 2009 to 6.2 billion in 2018. Marketing mail volume

BUSINESS BRIEFS

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RMI launches ‘Empty Pink Chair’ fundraiser

Regional Medical Imaging (RMI) is launching its Empty Pink Chair campaign, designed to raise funds for Genesee County women battling breast cancer. A prior “secret project” by RMI involved collecting old wooden chairs from the community for use as the fundraiser’s symbol. The response was strong, with more than 75 donated chairs. RMI staff and volunteers then painted the chairs pink. The chairs are hosted by area businesses, which have made a donation toward the cause. Chairs will have a sign noting the symbolic absence of a loved one who died of breast cancer. Part of RMI’s core business for 30-plus years has been mammograms. The Empty Pink Chair fundraiser officially kicked off with a launch party at Skaff Furniture Carpet One Floor & Home on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at the store at U.S. 23 and Hill Road. Skaff is the title sponsor of the fundraiser. RMI also thanks the presenting sponsors — The State Bank, Hurley Medical Center and Sherwin-Williams. Local businesses interested in participating should contact Lisa Scott at (810) 720-7556.

has seen a slight decrease from 81.8 billion in 2009 to 77.3 billion in 2018.

This is due to the rise of online shopping. The Mary Meeker Internet Trend Report of 2019 shows that online sales accounted for 1 percent of total retail sales in 2000. In 2019, that number is 16 percent.

However, one local store said package shipping hasn’t changed drastically. Kathy Byers, manager of The UPS Store, said they do more package shipping than print mail business.

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GUEST VIEWPOINT

CNHI Deputy National
Editor Jim Zachary



Newspapers protect your First Amendment rights

Editor's note: Today kicks off the 79th annual National Newspaper Week, a recognition of the service of newspapers and their employees across North America sponsored by Newspaper Association Managers.

This year's theme is "Think First — Know Your 5 Freedoms."

Today's guest editorial was written by Jim Zachary of CNHI, a newspaper group that includes the Traverse City Record-Eagle.

With just 45 words, the founders guaranteed five — no six — basic freedoms, fundamental American rights.

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

This Bill of Rights, the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution, was ratified to protect freedom, to ensure liberty and to define the Republic.

These fundamental rights of freedom declare what it means to be an American.

As Americans, we are guaranteed:

- The right to freely practice religion
- The right to exercise the freedom of speech
- The right of a free press
- The right to peaceably assemble in protest
- The right to petition the government for a redress of grievances
- And the sixth — implied — right: The right to know, namely, the freedom of information.

It stands to reason that if the press is free to hold government accountable, if all people are free to openly express their opinions about government, to assemble in protest of government and to petition the government for grievances against it, that we also have a fundamental right to always know what government is up to.

Newspapers have a long and important legacy protecting the public's right to know. In that way, newspapers have always mattered. The work newspapers do in communities has always been important. However, newspapers have never mattered more or been more important.

In 1841, Thomas Carlyle wrote about the power of the press, conjuring the words of Edmond Burke: "Burke said there were Three Estates in Parliament; but, in the Reporters' Gallery yonder, there sat a Fourth Estate more important far than they all."

Burke may have been chiding the press for its sense of itself, but Carlyle used his words to write about the importance of newspapers to democracy.

In an often-quoted letter to Edward Carrington, Thomas Jefferson wrote that if he were to have to choose between "a government without newspapers or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."

Democracy is best served when the newspaper provides checks and balances as the Fourth Estate of government. Newspapers are not the enemy of government — rather they are the champions of ordinary men and women.

Newspapers are the most powerful advocate the public can have and for that reason should always provide an open forum for a redress of grievances and public expression.

Newspapers hold government accountable because at our very core we believe that government belongs to the governed and not to the governing.

If newspapers do not stand up for the public, protect the rights of free speech and the rights of access to government, then no one will.

The provisions of the First Amendment do not exist to protect the press. Rather, the press exists to help protect those freedoms.

Far from being the enemy of the people, the province of a free and unfettered press is to help keep government in check and to defend the public against any assault on the five — no six — basic American rights of freedom guaranteed by the First Amendment.

CNHI Deputy National Editor Jim Zachary is CNHI's regional editor for its Georgia, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Texas newspapers and editor of the Valdosta (Ga.) Daily Times. He is the vice-president of the Georgia First Amendment Foundation.

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Drive-Thru Flu and Immunization event

Genesee Health Plan will host its sixth annual "Drive-Thru Flu and Immunization" on Friday, Oct. 11 at its office at 2171 S. Linden Rd., Flint. Community members can get flu shots and health screenings, and water giveaway for Flint residents. Attendees can drive through one of GHP's garage service bays, roll down their window and roll up their sleeve to receive their flu shot. Flu, Tdap, HPV and Pneumonia vaccines are available inside GHP's office including blood pressure checks, body mass index (BMI) screenings and other health care services and resources. Learn more about GHP at geneseehealthplan.org or call (844) 232-7740.

Holly High School 2019 senior homecoming court



The Holly High School 2019 senior homecoming court is from left, Ruby Barrett, Connor Ford, Tyler Hild, Riley Houldsworth, Kasey McCarty, Zach Hill and Cameron McAninch. The group was photographed on stunt double/twins day during spirit week. Court member Kate Brown is not pictured. **Submitted photo**

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IT WOULD BE nice if the westbound shoulder on North Road in the roundabout construction area were maintained a little. Feel penalized for going to businesses in that area.

TO THE HOT-LINER who offered to assist us old folks with the roundabout. Thanks for the offer but I'm sure you're much too busy fixing all the damage we did to the economy. You do have a job, right?

WHAT AN EMBARRASMENT Rep. Rashida Tlaib is to the people of Michigan. Who voted her in to office? She is a racist person, as displayed in her argument with the Detroit police chief. She revealed herself as racist by saying non African American people think all blacks look alike.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

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Flint Firebirds and McLaren Flint partner for fifth annual breast cancer awareness event 'Pink Out for Mamms'

In an effort to create awareness about breast cancer and raise funds for area women in need to receive 3D mammograms, the Flint Firebirds Hockey Club and the McLaren Flint Foundation are partnering for the fifth time. This year's hockey game fundraiser is called "Pink Out for Mamms" and takes place on Saturday, Oct. 12. The puck drops at 7 p.m. at the Dort Federal Event Center. This year's pink title sponsor is Pink Par-Tee of Warwick Hills Golf and Country Club Women's Association. The Flint Firebirds players will wear special jerseys with the pink breast cancer awareness ribbon on them during the game. The jerseys will be auctioned off at the end of the game. Tickets can be purchased at the Dort Federal Event Center Box Office or through ticketmaster.com. Use the promo code PINK and \$4 from each ticket purchase will go toward helping area women in need receive a 3D mammogram at the McLaren Imaging Center.

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Commission's approval of the special land use request stands and does not require Township Board approval.

Carlson said she hopes the board will consider conditional zoning, which would allow the applicant to proceed with his landscape business only as presented.

"Any future buyer would have to use the property as it's approved or seek to rezone the property," she said. "We did this many times in Fenton Township. It's a great way for the township to have more control on what is built now and in the future."

The Planning Commission's recommendation will go before the Board of Trustees at its Oct. 16 meeting.

Morales did not respond to a request for comment.

LOOKING BACK

at this week in

HISTORY

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

OCT. 6
1866: A new method of sticking up moving trains in remote locations low on law enforcement soon became popular in the American West, where the recently constructed transcontinental and regional railroads made attractive targets. The sparsely populated landscape provided bandits with numerous isolated areas perfect for stopping trains, as well as plenty of places to hide from the law.

OCT. 7
1913: For the first time, Henry Ford's entire Highland Park, Michigan automobile factory is run on a continuously moving assembly line when the chassis, the automobile's frame, is assembled using the revolutionary industrial technique. A motor and rope pulled the chassis past workers and parts on the factory floor, cutting the man hours required to complete one "Model T" from 12-1/2 hours to six.

OCT. 8
2001: The Office of Homeland Security is founded, less than one month after the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Now a cabinet department, Homeland Security is now one of the largest organs of the federal government, charged with preventing terror attacks, border security, immigrations and customs, disaster relief and prevention and other related tasks.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

DOES ANYONE THINK that the UAW would have been investigated for corruption under a Democratic administration, much less go to jail?
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ELISA SLOTKIN HAS joined the far left socialists in the Democratic Party in trying to destroy our president and the economy in order to take power. The Democrats took over Congress in 2006 and destroyed the economy, electing Obama in 2008. They are trying to repeat their effort in 2020.
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I'M STILL WAITING for meaningful

OCT. 9
1942: Chicago bootlegger Roger "The Terrible" Touhy escapes from Illinois' Stateville Prison by climbing the guard's tower. Touhy, who had been framed for kidnapping by his bootlegging rivals with the help of corrupt Chicago officials, was serving a 99-year sentence for a kidnapping he did not commit. He was recaptured a couple of months later.

OCT. 10
2004: Actor Christopher Reeve, who became famous for his starring role in four Superman films, dies from heart failure at the age of 52 at a hospital near his home in Westchester County, New York. Reeve, who was paralyzed in a 1995 horse-riding accident, was a leading advocate for spinal cord research.

OCT. 11
2002: Former President Jimmy Carter wins the Nobel Peace Prize "for his decades of untiring effort to find peaceful solutions to international conflicts, to advance democracy and human rights, and to promote economic and social development."

OCT. 12
1940: Cowboy-movie star Tom Mix is killed when he loses control of his speeding Cord Phaeton convertible and rolls into a dry wash (now called the Tom Mix Wash) near Florence, Arizona. He was 60 years old. Today, visitors to the site of the accident can see a 2-foot-tall iron statue of a riderless horse and a plaque that reads: "In memory of Tom Mix whose spirit left his body on this spot and whose characterization and portrayals in life served to better fix memories of the Old West in the minds of living men."
Source: history.com

legislation to come out of the Democratic House. Nothing. But they complain that the Republican Senate blocks it. Could it be because it's not in the best interest of most of the citizens?
■■■■
TO THE PERSON who says there are some bad Democrats but no good Republicans, let me tell you that Republicans donate more to charity than Democrats. So who's really better?
■■■■
IT'S A JOKE to believe that unions do anything but help themselves. The government and lawyers are the ones responsible for safety measures in a car — not the unions.

FIRE PREVENTION

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- **Watch what you're** cooking. The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking. Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, or cooking food on the stop top or broiling food.
- **Choose the right** equipment and use it properly. Follow manufacturers' instructions when using cooking equipment. Remember to plug microwave ovens and other cooking appliances directly into an outlet. Never use an extension cord for a cooking appliance, as it can overload the circuit and cause a fire. Cook only with equipment designed and intended for

cooking, and heat your home only with equipment designed and intended for heating.

- **Keep potholders, oven** mitts, wooden utensils, paper or plastic bags, food packaging, towels and curtains away from your stovetop. Keep the stovetop, burners and oven clean. Wear short, close-fitting or tightly rolled sleeves when cooking.
- **To prevent spills** due to overturned appliances containing hot food or liquids, use the back burner when possible, and/or turn pot handles away from the stove's edge. Use oven mitts or potholders when moving hot food from ovens, microwave ovens, or stovetops.

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DEEPPFAKE

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in court, attorney Frank Manley using police footage of murder suspect Abdu Akl in the police cruiser saying things that suggests his possible guilt.

Judge Mark McCabe of the Genesee County 67th District Court said videos of the outside of a house or business are sometimes used or cell phone videos for non-jury trials. He said deepfake videos are potentially “of great concern.”

He said coming across a deepfake is possible. “Attorneys and judges have to be aware of what the possibilities are,” McCabe said. “As technology advances, the odds of having a deepfake presented (as evidence) certainly increase in likelihood.”

The good news is that any attorney, according to McCabe, would not want to knowingly submit a deepfake video into evidence. For one, it would be cause for a retrial and severe professional repercussions.

“It’s certainly a troubling situation,” McCabe said.

He said there are already measures in place to protect evidence being used in court. The judge is the gatekeeper.

How are they made?

These deepfake videos are made by using existing footage of a person, for example Barack Obama, and images of the actor, Jordan Peele. An artificial intelligence (AI) program handles synthesizing Obama’s face to create the deepfake video.

This topic is already being studied by both the Pentagon and several universities, according to CNN.com.

How to spot a deep fake video

This isn’t an exact science, but the most consistent sign seems to be a subtle blurriness around the mouth and chin, as the computer builds an image and moves pixels around to make the fake image move.

Spotting the difference might just be realizing something looks a little “off.”

Tyrone Township supervisor wins with big bass

■ Comes in second place at B.A.S.S. Nation Championship

By Vera Hogan

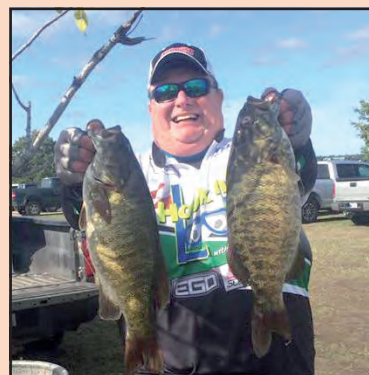
Tyrone Township Supervisor Mike Cunningham knows how to do more than just run a community — he’s an award-winning angler as well.

Cunningham competed in the B.A.S.S. Nation Championship, held Sept. 12-14 on the Saint Mary’s River in Sault Ste. Marie.

“The first day of competition was postponed due to gale force winds and thunderstorms,” Cunningham said. “The top 10 anglers make the Michigan State team to fish the Regional Championship, the location and date of which are yet to be determined.”

The anglers from that event go on to fish the BASS Nation Championship with the top three anglers qualifying for the B.A.S.S. Master Classic, which is considered the Super Bowl of bass fishing. Chad Timmer won this year’s event with 40 pounds 02 oz. bass. Cunningham’s second place bass came in at 36 lbs. .52 oz.

See **BIG BASS** on 19A



Tyrone Township Supervisor Mike Cunningham took second place in the B.A.S.S. Nation Championship held in mid-September. His award-winning fish weighed in at 36 pounds, .52 ounce. Submitted photo

TRI-COUNTY FUNDRAISERS

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Diana Anderson of Linden displays some of the bras collected at The State Bank in Fenton for Project UP Lift. Submitted photo

PROJECT UP LIFT UNDERWAY

Diana Anderson of Linden is hoping to collect as many new or gently used bras for Project UP Lift, a collaboration of Essential Bodywear and I Support the Girls (ISTG). Project UP Lift is attempting to collect 150,000 donated bras to help improve the lives of women and girls around the world. Anderson has made arrangements with The State Bank at 175 N. LeRoy St. in Fenton to have a collection box in the main lobby for the month of October. I Support the Girls (isupportthegirls.org) collects and distributes essential items, including bras, underwear, and menstrual hygiene products, allowing women experiencing homelessness, impoverishment, or distress to stand tall with dignity.

?!?! TRIVIA !?!?

Sagebrush Cantina is a popular restaurant, featuring Mexican cuisine, on the north side of Fenton on Fenton Road. It housed two long-time restaurants before that. What were their names?

Answer: It was first a fine-dining restaurant called Richard's. After that, it was remodeled and re-opened to another popular restaurant called Jimmy G's, owned by Jim and the late Joan Garfield (former Fenton Township treasurer).

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SafeHouse Saturday

Skaff Furniture Carpet One is partnering with the local YWCA to help victims of domestic violence. Dick Skaff, president of the Skaff home furnishings operation, said that his family supports the YWCA's efforts to empower women, and domestic violence is one of the most compelling issues the organization tackles. On Saturday, Oct. 12, Skaff will hold a special event, featuring great savings for its customers and a way for everyone to support the community through the YWCA. A portion of every purchase on Oct. 12 will be donated to the Domestic Violence programs. The YWCA SafeHouse is the only location in Genesee County that provides free, safe emergency shelter and supportive services to survivors of intimate partner violence and sexual assault. For more information, visit skaff.com or ywcaflint.org.

BIG BASS

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What does B.A.S.S. stand for?

According to Ray Scott, (bassmaster.com), "When I started the organization back in 1967, I knew I wanted it to have the acronym B.A.S.S., but I wasn't sure what the letters should stand for. We tried different things, but none of them stuck.

"Finally, I called my friend Homer Circle in Florida. I thought he might be able to come up with something. He gave me the number of Bob Steber, the outdoor editor of the Nashville Tennessean. I called him and told him my issue. Steber said he'd call me back.

About 15 minutes later, the phone rang and Steber said, "How about Bass Anglers Sportsman Society?"

At first I thought that was too long, and told him so. "Yeah, but that's another reason they'll call it B.A.S.S. for short," he said.

I thanked him, hung up the phone, and told the staff, "We've got a name."

PAPER MAIL

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In regards to package shipping, Byers, who's worked there for more than six years, said it's been "steady."

"I don't think I've seen an increase but I don't think I've seen a decrease," she said.

Mike Clabuesch, owner of Goin' Postal in Fenton with Lucy Valeriano, said they've also seen a decline in paper mail, such as stamped letters.

Clabuesch said there's been a "slight increase" in package shipping.

"There are a lot of factors that go into it. Some of it has to do with online shopping," he said, adding that more people

are shipping items for home businesses, like online Etsy shops. "There are more people that have access to sell things online in an easier way. The economy is better, so people are more willing to send things to family members."

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TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF GROVELAND TOWNSHIP:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any qualified elector of Groveland Township who is not already registered, may register to vote at the office of the Township Clerk; the office of the County Clerk; a Secretary of State branch office, or other designated state agency. Registration forms can be obtained at mi.gov/vote and mailed to the Township Clerk. Voters who are already registered may update their registration at www.expressSOS.com.

The last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk is **Monday, October 22, 2019**

After this date, anyone who qualifies as an elector may register to vote in person with proof of residency (MCL168.492) at the Groveland Township Clerk's office, located at 4695 Grange Hall Rd., Holly, MI 48442 at the following times:

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- Election Day, Tuesday November 5th from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Groveland Township will be voting on the following millage proposal as presented and listed below:

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Sunday School9:00 am
Sunday Evening Worship6:00 pm



The Genesee County Animal Control facility in Flint is open while under construction/renovation. The \$8-million project may be completed by the holidays. **Photo by Tim Jagielo**

ANIMALS

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anxiety is much less. We are seeing fewer cases of cage aggression,” Kennedy said.

There are currently 98 dogs and 60 cats at the facility. During the construction they have not reduced the number of animals they help. However, Kennedy said they won’t be taking owner surrenders. Instead, they will assist with re-homing and financial resources.

Kennedy said they have a maximum emergency capacity of 300 animals but ideally, they’d house 136, based on being able to give each animal 15 minutes of time per day.

On Wednesday, crews with contractor Sorensen Gross were working on the future adoptable dogs area. Scaffolds and dangling power cables filled the space as they tore up the floors and ceilings.

The GCAC is still a fully functioning operation, despite plywood doors, construction sounds, and their veterinarians crammed into a small room. “When I say ‘we’re working on it every day,’ that’s no joke,” said Kennedy, walking through the controlled chaos of the facility.

The new facilities

Many areas are brand new and

without construction debris. The sleek brushed aluminum entrance is already complete, with new, updated separate intake areas for adoptions and strays (lost and found) in order to keep possible illnesses away from adoptable dogs.

Several animal housing rooms are already complete. The “tall tails” room for larger dogs is done, with new, larger spaces. The “room with a view” combines a larger indoor space, with a door to an outside space. Fenced in, easy-to-clean play areas are also done.

Aside from the new lobby, entrance and administration area, several other areas are completed. The stray dog and cat areas, adoption and isolation wards, some adoption kennels, indoor/outdoor kennels and 10 outdoor play yards are complete, according to Kennedy.

Phase II is under construction, which includes updated adoption wards, a medical suite, grooming and laundry areas and more meet-and-greet rooms for adoptions.

There will even be a photography area and new volunteer training and orientation areas.

This \$8-million project is funded by the Genesee County Animal Control millage of 2014.

Reporter Hannah Ball contributed to this article.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

The State Bank welcomes new commercial lending market manager

The State Bank welcomes Michael Franklin as the company’s commercial lending market manager for the Oakland County area. Franklin is responsible for managing and expanding the bank’s commercial lending team in the Oakland County area. Franklin joins The State Bank after 16 successful years at JPMorgan Chase. Franklin attended Central Michigan University, graduating with a BSBA with an emphasis on Hospitality Services Administration. “I am honored and excited to start this new journey with The State Bank. It gives me great pride to work for a Bank that has such close ties to its community,” Franklin said.



HOT LINE CONTINUED

■■■■ **COMPARE THE HARM** being caused by the teachers’ unions with UAW.

■■■■ **WHERE IS HUNTER** Biden hiding?

■■■■ **SOOOO, THE SOS** made \$58 million. First thought of mine was what was the money used for? Nothing in the article about that, but obviously not to fix our roads.

■■■■ **THE TIMES DID** an article on the union workers’ side of the story. Now do an article on the salary employees, the truck drivers, or the police side of the story. Then you will see the bigger picture and understand that the police are the only reason the mob has stopped attacking vehicles of hard working Americans.

■■■■ **THERE ARE OVER** 400 bills sitting in the Senate that Mitch McConnell is sitting on. Now what was that about the Dems doing nothing?

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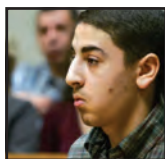
WHAT YOU MISSED IN THE MIDWEEK TIMES

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

The following are stories you may have missed in the **Wednesday, Oct. 2, Midweek Times**. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282 or go to myfenton.com.

Aki murder trial postponed again

Judge moves trial date to Dec. 3 despite ruling that there would be no more adjournments.



Rabies cases confirmed in Oakland County

Ten confirmed cases total so far in 2019 in Oakland County.

Be mindful of where you park in Holly Village

Police and code enforcement team up to deter improper parking of motor vehicles.

Silver Pointe Shopping Center project 'flying'

Facade and site improvements to be completed by early December; familiar names among new tenants.

Getting groceries the fast way

Online ordering more popular at local stores.

Sharin' the spotlight

Editor Sharon Stone talks about officiating — for the love of the sport.

Our Future

Meet Maddi Medich, 17, senior at Lake Fenton High School.

Dance event to honor 8-year-old cancer survivor

Fenton dancer currently being treated for leukemia.

EEE

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a robust season-long mosquito abatement program and was proactive in response to this single identified case of EEE.

An additional targeted mosquito spraying was conducted within a two-mile radius of where the deer was found. The contracted mosquito abatement company took further action to set out three mosquito traps in the targeted area. When the traps were full, they sent the mosquitoes to the Michigan State University laboratory to test for West Nile Virus (WNV) and EEE.

All test results were negative for both diseases.

Due to Fenton Township's contracted mosquito abatement company's quick response to treat the targeted area, the MDHHS notified the GCHD on Sept. 26 that it was holding off on offering aerial insecticide spraying in Genesee County at this time. The GCHD concurred with this decision.

If the risk changes substantially and there are additional animal cases or human cases of EEE identified in Genesee County, MDHHS would reconsider offering aerial spraying. If Genesee County is offered aerial insecticide spraying at a later date, residents will be notified via media release, social media, and by visiting gchd.us.

Residents wishing to opt out of having their property sprayed must send an email request to MDHHS at eee@michigan.gov. Resident name and complete residential address must be included in the body of the email.

Genesee County residents can opt out of having their property sprayed at any time now or in the future, but must do so at least 48 hours before spraying is scheduled to begin.

Residents can find additional information about EEE at michigan.gov/EEE or by visiting our gchd.us and

clicking on the EEE hot button on the home page.

The GCHD continues to stress the importance of taking precautions against mosquito bites, especially during outdoor activities occurring at or after dusk, particularly activities that involve children. Residents can stay healthy by following these steps to avoid mosquito bites, especially prior to outdoor activities:

- **Apply insect repellents** that contain the active ingredient DEET or other U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-registered product to exposed skin or clothing, and always follow the manufacturer's directions for use.

- **Children under 2 months old** should not have repellent applied, but rather be covered in clothing that covers arms and legs; strollers and baby carriers should be covered with mosquito netting.

- **Wear long-sleeved shirts** and long pants when outdoors. Also, apply insect repellent to clothing to help prevent bites.

- **Maintain window and door screening** to help keep mosquitoes outside.

- **Empty water** from mosquito breeding sites around the home, such as buckets, unused kiddie pools, old tires or similar sites where mosquitoes may lay eggs.

- **Use nets and/or fans** over outdoor eating areas.

People can be infected with EEE, California Group encephalitis viruses, and WNV from the bite of a mosquito carrying the viruses. Infections can occur even when mosquito bite numbers are low. The diseases can affect anyone, however persons younger than age 15 and over age 50 are at greatest risk of severe illness following infection.

Signs of EEE and WNV include the

sudden onset of fever, chills, body and joint aches.

Symptoms of California encephalitis virus include fever, headache, nausea, vomiting, fatigue and lethargy. The diseases can develop into severe encephalitis, resulting in headache, disorientation, tremors, seizures and paralysis. Permanent brain damage, coma and death may also occur in some cases.

Anyone experiencing these symptoms should visit a health care provider or emergency room.

Further information about mosquito-borne disease is available at Michigan.gov/emergingdiseases and gchd.us.



YOUR SMILE MATTERS!

By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

GOLD OR PORCELAIN

When restoring badly decayed and broken teeth, often a crown is placed. Time was that gold was the "gold standard" and most crowns, especially those for back teeth were made of gold. Gold has been used for restoring teeth for centuries even Egyptian mummies have been found with gold restoring their teeth. Gold has many useful properties that make it good for dentistry. Gold is biocompatible and non-allergenic. It's strong and easy to work, cast and shape. Also, the reason gold is considered a precious metal is because it does not tarnish which enables gold to withstand the hostile oral environment for years. But gold also has some non-ideal properties. Gold, because it's a relatively scarce element, is very expensive. And gold is metallic and not a natural looking restorative material.

Porcelain crowns, on the other hand, are much more life-like in appearance. Historically there has been a problem with porcelain crowns being able to withstand and hold up well over time in the mouth especially in the back teeth. With time the porcelain would sometimes break and the crown would need to be replaced. Porcelain crowns have always worked relatively well for front teeth but because the bite pressures are so much greater, porcelain crowns were not considered a good treatment option for back teeth. Now, with advances in porcelain material science and technology; crowns made of advanced E-max or Zirconium porcelain are just as strong and last as long as gold crowns on back teeth. In fact, just a few years ago it was reported that for the first time that more teeth are now restored with life-like, all-porcelain crowns than with gold. In my practice I very rarely place a gold crown these days. The vast majority of the time I am recommending a life-like all-porcelain crown which my patients appreciate much more than the metallic look of a gold metal crown in their mouth. I see this trend continuing to rise.

I welcome your questions and comments.
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Times Sports

Eagles, Tigers capture a share of Metro soccer title

■ Linden defeats Lake Fenton 7-0 to earn first league title since 2017

By David Troppens

It was a slow start for the Linden varsity boys soccer team in its potential Metro League championship clinching game against the Lake Fenton Blue Devils.

The Eagles were the overwhelming favorites against Lake Fenton's inexperienced and young squad, but at halftime Lake Fenton trailed just 1-0.

However, the Eagles scored six second-half goals and cruised to a 7-0 victory, earning the Eagles their first Metro League championship since 2015. The Eagles are co-champions with Fenton and Goodrich. All three teams finished the league season with 10-1-0 Metro League records.

"It was only 1-0 at halftime but it was a rainy night," Lin-



Linden and Fenton captured a share of the Flint Metro League boys soccer title with victories on Wednesday. (Left photo) Linden's Tyler Light (18) battles for a ball in a recent contest. (Right photo) Fenton's Andrew Hutchins (front) tries to outrun a Brandon player for the ball. **Photos: David Troppens**

den varsity boys soccer coach Kevin Fiebertz said. "They played way better in the second half than they did in the first, obviously."

The Eagles won outright league crowns in 2014 and 2015. The season started with a tough and controversial 2-1 loss to the

Goodrich Martians on Aug. 26. Since then, the Eagles rattled off 10 straight league wins, with eight being shutouts. Linden outscored its foes 55-2 during the 10-game run. Linden's defense has been impressive, posting eight straight shutouts. The last time Linden allowed a goal was



in an 8-1 victory against Swartz Creek Sept. 9.

"That's a good question. I wish I knew the answer because I would've done it the last 30 years," Fiebertz said when asked about the strong team defense.

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■ Curtis scores two goals to lead Fenton to 3-1 win vs. Blackhawks

By David Troppens

Ortonville — It didn't come easy.

The Fenton Tigers' quest to a second straight Flint Metro League title, almost ended before it began in late August.

"We started pretty bad, I'm not going to lie," Fenton senior Alex Flannery said. "We almost lost to Swartz Creek in our first game (a 2-1 victory on Aug. 26). It was so close."

Entering the final week of the Metro League season needing victories against Flushing and then Brandon, the Tigers were able to accomplish their task, becoming co-Metro League champions along with area rivals Linden and Goodrich. Fenton (10-1-0 in the Metro) opened the week with a 5-0 thrashing of

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Olsen looking to make a big splash her sophomore season

By David Troppens

Gracie Olsen is a tiny bit frustrated. She's been breaking pool records in some meets, including another one Tuesday in a meet at St. Johns High School in a three-team meet involving the hosts, Fenton and Midland Dow.

She's crushing the state standards needed to qualify for the D2 state meet as well. But, when you are a returning state champion, sometimes one's standards are a bit higher than your typical

prep swimmer.

"This season I'm really trying to start where I ended last year and so far I'm pretty close to that," Olsen said. "But my goals are bigger and it's frustrating right now, because I really haven't reached that point yet. But it will happen. I'll get there."

There's no reason to doubt the sophomore who was the Division 2 200 individual medley champion during

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Gracie Olsen competes in the 100 backstroke during a recent Fenton swim meet.
Photo: Christopher Summers

Area soccer teams begin district action this week

■ Lake Fenton, Linden, Fenton in Clio tourney

By David Troppens

When Division 2 district soccer action begins this week, it looks like there's great potential for a third Fenton-Linden battle.

In fact, that's looks like the most probable outcome.

The Linden Eagles are the top-seeded team in the tournament, yet they probably have a tougher road to the finals than the second-seeded Fenton Tigers. The Eagles will have to beat two opponents to make it to the Oct. 17 district title game at Clio's soccer field while the Tigers will have to beat just one squad.

Linden, winners of their last 12 games, begin tourney action with a road game against tourney hosts Clio on Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. The Mustangs gave the Eagles a good battle earlier this season when Linden

won a 2-0 contest.

"We have the No. 1 seed but we have a tougher path than Fenton," Linden varsity soccer coach Kevin Fiebernitz said. "But we know what is in front of us. We know what we've got to do and it won't be an easy road."

The winner of the Linden-Clio game will host a semifinal contest Oct. 15 at a yet to be determined time against either area rival Lake Fenton or Flint Southwestern. Those two teams play in an opening round game Wednesday at Lake Fenton High School at 4:30 p.m. Meanwhile, the Fenton Tigers won't play until Oct. 15 in the semifinals when they face the winner of Wednesday's Owosso-Kearsley winner. The Tigers crushed both opponents.

The championship game will be Oct. 17 at 4 p.m. at Clio's soccer complex. The Eagles have beat Fenton twice already this season.

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Fenton and Linden could end up competing in a district title match at the Clio district tournament.

Photo: David Troppens

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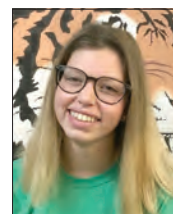
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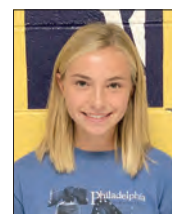
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Bronchos sweep Linden in three sets

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity volleyball team had to deal with a couple of injuries over the last week.

The squad did a pretty good job overcoming them.

The Bronchos are getting close to being healthy again, but still had to deal with not being 100 percent against the Linden Eagles Wednesday night.

It didn't matter as Holly figured a way to beat the Eagles 25-14, 25-12, 25-20 at home.

"The girls played really well," Holly varsity volleyball coach Deena Maher

said. "We dealt with some injuries this past week. We got most of the team back and we were ready to go. They played really well."

The Bronchos (5-1 in the Metro and 19-8-2 overall) controlled the match. Maher said Nicole Jewell and Paige Weeder had strong attacking games at the outside hitting position, helping spark the win.

"They hit the ball great," Maher said. "They hit the ball hard, were aggressive and played really well."

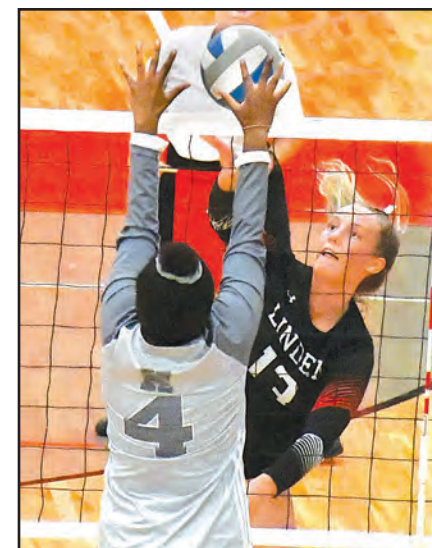
Linden varsity volleyball coach Cori Mason said her team struggled.

"We definitely did not have our best showing," Mason said. "Holly was super scrappy and played tough. We hit negative as a team so it's kind of hard to stay in a match when we couldn't keep the ball in play."

Linden's Makenna O'Keefe had six kills while Katie Strickert had four

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Linden's Drew Kinney attempts an attack against Holly's Danielle Coleman during the Bronchos' three-set victory against the Eagles. Photo: Christopher Summers



NOTICE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019 TYRONE TOWNSHIP, LIVINGSTON COUNTY

To the qualified electors of Tyrone Township (PRECINCT 2 & 3 ONLY):

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The last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk is **Monday, October 21, 2019**.

After this date, anyone who qualifies as an elector may register to vote in person with proof of residency (MCL 168.492) at the Tyrone Township Clerk's office, located at 10408 Center Road, Fenton, MI 48430 at the following times:

- Regular business hours: Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, November 2, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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Persons with disabilities needing accommodations should contact the clerk's office.

Marcella Husted
Tyrone Township Clerk

Holly faces Fenton in silver division of Northville invite

By David Troppens

The Fenton-Holly rivalry hit the Northville Invitational last weekend.

Both squads advanced to the Silver Bracket championship game of the tournament creating the second time the squads have faced this season.

The Bronchos won the match by a 25-14, 25-18 score.

The Bronchos went 4-1-1 in the tourney, also beating Harper Creek, Pinckney and Rochester. They tied Saline and lost to Lake Orion. The Tigers went 3-3 at the event.

"A lot of girls stepped up in different ways," Holly varsity volleyball coach Deena Maher said. "We had key players out so we had to change things quite a bit, but the girls took it and ran with it. Where we struggled had nothing to do with the new girls, but had to do with the tougher competition we played. But

it's all a growing and learning experience."

Against Fenton, Delaney Jenkinson led the Bronchos with nine digs while Sarah Jewell and Paige Weeder had three digs each. Sydnie Meszler had 21 assists with Kennedy Hogan providing a team-high six kills. Weeder and Jewell had five kills each. Jewell also had four aces while Meszler had three. Jenkinson had two.

In the victory against Rochester, Weeder had 15 digs and Jewell had eight. Jewell also led the team with six kills while Marissa Walker and Weeder had four kills and two blocks each. Hogan also had two blocks. Meszler had 17 assists.

Jewell and Hogan had seven kills each against Pinckney while Weeder had four kills, nine digs and three aces.

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kills. Drew Kinney led the Eagles with 12 digs.

Jewell led the Broncos with 13 digs, 12 assists, nine kills and two aces while Weeder had 10 digs and eight kills. Kennedy Hogan had nine kills and three blocks while Sydnie Meszler had 17 assists. Delaney Jenkinson had 10 digs.

Holly enters the second round-robin portion of league play just one victory behind the Flushing Raiders. Flushing remains undefeated in Metro League Stripes Division play.

"This is very interesting season because playing everyone twice is new," Maher said.

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Holly's Nicole Jewell attempts to attack a ball during the Broncos' victory against Linden. Photo: Christopher Summers

OLSEN

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her freshman season. She also finished state runner-up in the 100 butterfly. So what are Olsen's goals for this season? When asked, Olsen looked to the team goals first.

"Team-wise I think we can really win a relay at state and definitely place higher up than we did last year because we have a really great team," Olsen said. "Of course we did last year too, but this year I think we are going to place top three in the relay."

How about her individual thoughts?

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Chloe Mallard took third in diving against St. Johns and Midland Dow on Tuesday, and took second in a meet against John Glenn and Swartz Creek on Thursday. Photo: Christopher Summers



Fenton's Cal Curtis (left) scored two goals in the Tigers' 3-1 victory against the Brandon Blackhawks on Wednesday. Photo: David Troppens

CURTIS

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Flushing and concluded their title run with a 3-1 victory in the steady drizzle at Brandon's home field Wednesday night.

"I'm just excited about it," Flannery said. "We finished it off. ... We came together as a team, worked our butts off for the last six games and won it."

"It feels great," Fenton junior Cal Curtis said. "And we still have a chance against Linden (possibly in the district tournament)."

Curtis was probably the Tigers player of the game, scoring Fenton's first two goals. Fenton had yet to get a shot on target when Curtis scored on a ball that deflected off his head

and into the net with 21:38 left in the opening half.

It looked like the half may end with Fenton leading 1-0, but Curtis had other plans when he scored on a Jimmy Myers assist on a shot from about 18 yards out with about 10 seconds remaining until halftime.

"The first goal I just hustled for it," Curtis said. "The ball got up and I got a little header."

"The second goal I looked at the clock and there was 15 seconds left. Jimmy played the ball off so I did a little Maradona turn, let it loose and hit it."

It looked like the Tigers had the game under control at that point.

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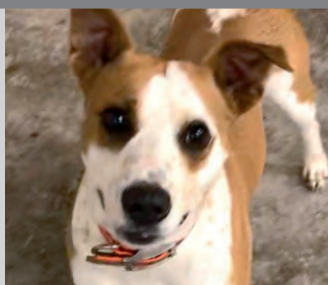


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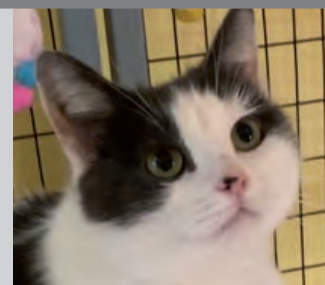
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