

The next Holly police chief is Jerry Narsh

■ Worked as the Lake Orion chief for 19 years; has 38 years experience

By Tim Jagielo

Holly — On Tuesday, Nov. 12 the Holly Village Council voted unanimously to hire Lake Orion Police Chief Jerry Narsh to be the next Holly Police Department chief.

Narsh has been a police officer for 38 years. He spent the last 19 as chief in Lake Orion. Interim Police Chief Scott Fischer's last day will be Friday, Nov. 29.

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Jerry Narsh addresses the Holly Village Council, with his family behind him, on Tuesday, Nov. 12, prior to the council vote to affirm his contract as the next Holly police chief. Photo: Tim Jagielo



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Know the law before you leave your dog out in the cold



■ 'Take your coat, boots and hat off and go sit down next to your dog'

By Hannah Ball

Is it legal or ethical to keep a pet outside in the winter?

It depends, said Paul Wallace, director of Genesee County Animal Control. He

doesn't personally think animals should be left outside.

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What every young student should know

■ Issues with joking threats start in elementary school

By Hannah Ball

Fenton — The older generations grew up with rotary phones and landlines, not smartphones and Apple watches. If you wanted to

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“We’re making it too easy for predators and people with bad intentions to know who we are and where we’re at.”

Thomas Cole
Fenton Area Public Schools school resource officer

Fenton Rotary draws record attendance to Veterans Day event



Cork Knox of Fenton addresses the Veterans Breakfast audience Monday, Nov. 11. There were 120 veterans and 60 more guests at the annual event. See story on Page 10. Photo by Tim Jagielo

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Alcoholism vs. alcohol abuse

■The holidays bring increased risk for those struggling with alcohol addiction

By Tim Jagielo

Transfiguration Lutheran Church Pastor Mark Fisher has always been open about being a recovering alcoholic, sober for 31 years. He understands the impact of addiction. “It was something and I simply couldn’t control it,” he said. “If I ever had a problem, it was usually because I was drinking ... It became an all encompassing reality.”

Today he’s alcohol free through his spirituality and willpower. He also avoids triggers, like hanging out with a group of guys on a fishing trip. His friends tend to understand and be supportive.

There’s a big dif-



ference between suffering from alcohol abuse and being an alcoholic. Those who “abuse alcohol” drink to the point that it impedes their professional and personal lives. Alcoholism is a type of substance addiction. As defined by the American Society of Addiction Medicine, this means alcoholism, like other addictions, is a chronic disease affecting the reward, memory, and motivation systems of the brain, according to alcohol.org.

When trying to quit, they experience withdrawal symptoms.

Alcoholism isn’t just feeling the need to drink too much — science has traced the risk



Photo:therecoveryvillage.com

of alcoholism to human genes, specifically ADH1B and ALDH2, which metabolize alcohol, according to a scholarly report posted by the National Center for Biotechnology Information.

According to this report by Howard Edenberg and Tatiana Faroud, there are several genetic “pathways” that influence the risk of alcoholism.

Whether someone is

experiencing alcohol abuse, disorder or dependence (alcoholism) is defined by a series of criteria set by the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. Criteria includes negative impacts of drinking such as “continued use despite recurrent social problem,” “alcohol craving,” or “alcohol withdrawal.”

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“If I ever had a problem, it was usually because I was drinking ... It became an all encompassing reality.”

Mark Fisher
Transfiguration Lutheran Church pastor, recovering alcoholic



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Words with Hannah Fishing, insults and sharing one bed

Some of my favorite stories about the Founding Fathers have nothing to do with politics and government. They involve fishing, insults, and sharing one bed.

It's well known that Thomas Jefferson and Alexander Hamilton hated each other. Textbooks and the amazing musical "Hamilton" by playwright Lin-Manuel Miranda are full of evidence (and rap battles) about their rivalry and arguments, ranging on differences in politics to personal matters like affairs and impregnating a slave.

One of my favorite stories about Jefferson and Hamilton is when George Washington made them go on a fishing trip with him in Sandy Hook, New Jersey in 1790.

Yet, sadly, none of them kept notes about how it went, which is a crying shame. Did they argue incessantly? Did one of them get pushed overboard? I'm imagining Washington as an exasperated babysitter having to separate the two and keep the peace.

Looking at all the insults traded between Founding Fathers really puts into perspective how politics has always been contentious and definitely entertaining at times.

When John Adams referred to Hamilton as a "bastard brat of a Scotch pedler" in 1806 in a letter, the insult stuck. Ham-

ilton's opponents, including Jefferson and John Quincy Adams, held on to it.

One of the nastiest presidential races was between Jefferson and John Adams in 1800. Jefferson hired a journalist to smear Adams, and an article was published stating he was "a hideous hermaphroditical character which has neither the force and firmness of a man, not the gentleness and sensibility of a woman."

When Ben Franklin and John Adams shared a bed

In September 1776, only a few months after the thirteen colonies declared independence from Britain, Franklin and Adams, part of a delegation sent by the Continental

Congress, had to share a room for a night at an inn in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Adams wrote that their room only

consisted of a bed and one small window, which he closed because he was afraid of the night air.

However, Franklin wanted it open. Adams said he didn't want to get sick, but Franklin argued that the air in the room was worse. Franklin believed that no one ever got sick from the cold air, and that it was the "frowzy corrupt air" from animals, humans and dirty clothes and beds that made people catch colds.

Adams wrote in his diary that this was inconsistent with his own experiences, but that he left the window open nonetheless and got into bed with Franklin.

Apparently, as they lay in bed together, Franklin "began a harangue upon air and cold and respiration and perspiration." Adams wrote he was "so much amused" and fell asleep.

I wonder who was the big spoon.

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■■■■
LIFETIME DEMOCRAT VOTERS:
Seriously, what would your grandfather think of today's Democrat party? JFK would be thrown out.

■■■

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter

What's been your favorite job and least favorite job?

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"My least favorite was working at a beer and wine store for 50 cents an hour when I was a teenager. My favorite is what I'm doing now. I'm a detective."

Michael Bard
Argentine Township



"My favorite was working in a coffee beanery. I love coffee. I loved learning how to make all the drinks. My least favorite was babysitting as a kid."

Luann McLeod
Gaines Township



"Farming is my favorite. Retail was my least favorite. I worked at Meijer. Management didn't want me to spend a lot of time with customers."

Patrick McLeod
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"My least favorite was working in a restaurant. My favorite was working at GM in the parts plant. It was a good job and it made good money."

Beth Everhart
Fenton



"My least favorite would be a welder in Holly. It was terrible. My favorite would be construction and working with heavy equipment."

Mike McLean
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"My favorite would be a school bus driver for Lake Fenton. My least favorite was working at McDonald's."

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View Newspaper Group 2019 events raise more than \$36,000 for area nonprofits

■ More than \$109,000 raised for charities through seven years of signature events

View Newspaper Group wrapped up its 2019 event season two weeks ago when it presented a check for \$6,000 to FARR (Fenton Area Resource and Referral Network, Inc.). The funds were raised at Bottles, Brews & News, View Newspaper Group's craft beer and wine fest, which took place Saturday, Sept. 28 in Rackham Park in downtown Fenton.

The sold-out event featured more than 20 beer and wine brands, live music, food and more.

The presentation to FARR marked the fifth and final donation of the year, bringing the grand total of money raised in 2019 at View Newspaper Group events to \$36,936.

"It was a big year for our team," said Emily Caswell, brand manager at View Group, the branding division of View Newspaper Group. "We launched three new events and each one was super successful thanks to our dedicated team, great nonprofit partners and the many community members who came out to support our celebrations."

Leading a trend for newspapers nationwide, View Newspaper Group began hosting events seven years ago with a craft beer fest in Lapeer. Since then the line-up of events has grown, with each one benefiting an area nonprofit.

In just seven years, View Newspaper Group has raised \$109,242.26 for area nonprofits through its signature events.

Bowling in Bowties is set for Saturday, Jan. 18, 2020 at Gerlach's Bowling Center in Lapeer. In its first year, the event raised \$4,000 for the Lapeer County Department of Veterans Affairs.

The first-ever Christmas in July raised more than \$3,500 for the Child Advocacy Center (CAC) of Lapeer County. That event will return on Thursday, July 23, 2020 to Metamora Golf & Country Club and once-again benefit the CAC.

The sixth annual Robo-Con returns Friday and Saturday, July 31-Aug. 1, 2020 set to take place at Lapeer High School. Since its start, Robo-Con has raised more than \$8,500 for Lapeer County Robotics.

The View Lady Classic, now in its fourth year, is set for Thursday, Aug. 13, 2020 at Metamora Golf & Country Club. Raising more than \$47,000 for LACADA (Lapeer Area Citizens Against Domestic Assault), the event is looking at another sell-out year in 2020.

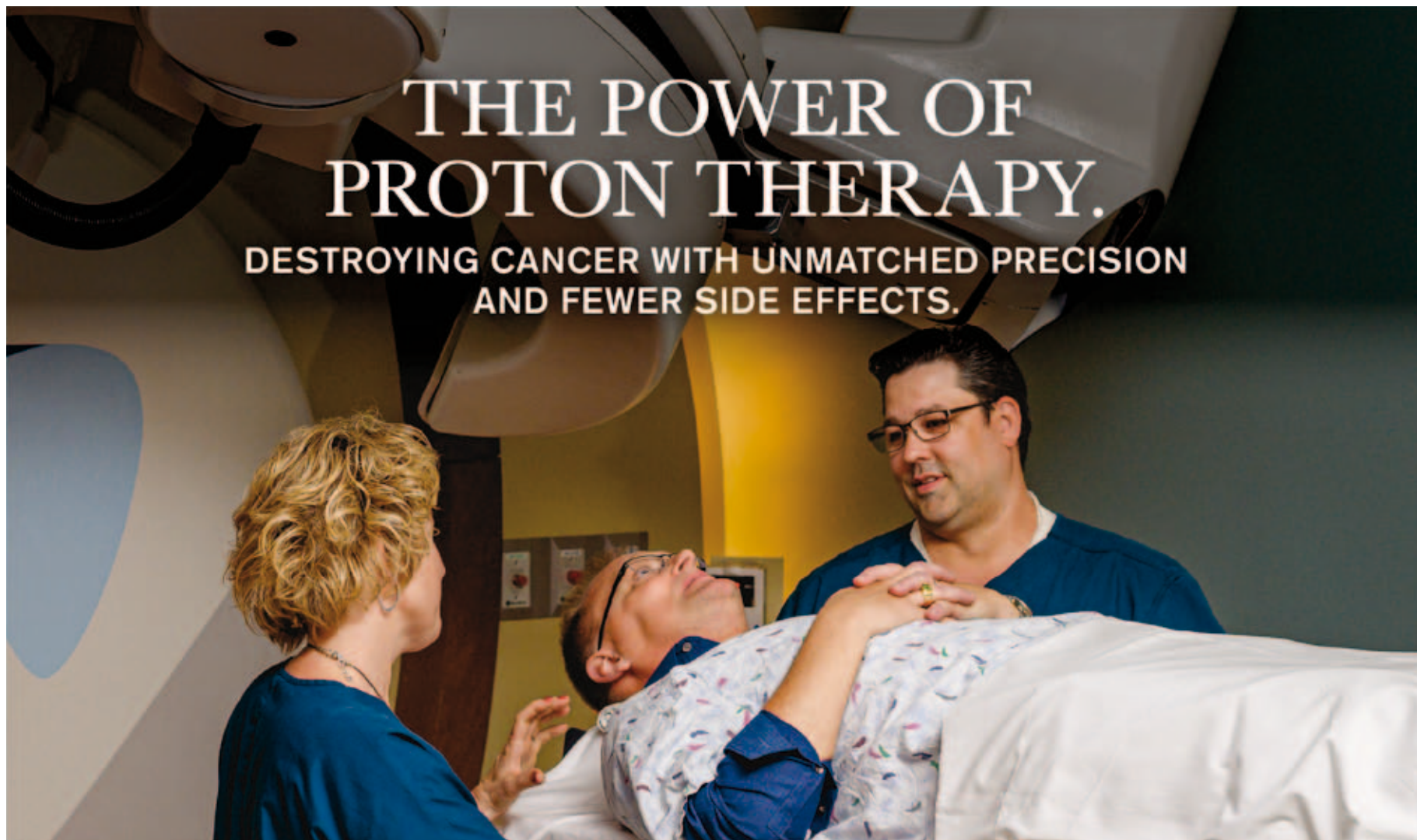
Thanks to the success of Bottles, Brews & News, that event will also return to downtown Fenton on Saturday, Sept. 26 next year.

"We are extremely proud of our event line-up," Caswell said. "These events are fun to plan and host. They offer a great way for us to connect with our

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The discovery comes on the heels of a recent scientific study, which was published in the October 2019 issue of Radiology. The publication is a peer-reviewed monthly medical journal owned and published by the Radiological Society of North America. The study distinctly demonstrated evidence that patients getting steroid injections of the knee or hip saw their arthritis progress faster than people who did nothing.

If you suffer from arthritis and currently receive steroid injection treatments, rather than ending up a victim, you should actively research and pursue several healthier and more natural options for combating osteoarthritis. You don't have to suffer through the pain.

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Auto insurance fee to drop to \$100 annually

■ Auto owners charged this fee to maintain unlimited lifetime personal injury protection benefits

Compiled by Sharon Stone

The Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association (MCCA) is lowering the assessment charged per vehicle to \$100 for the period beginning July 2, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

This is a 55-percent reduction from this year's current \$220 assessment. Insurance companies will charge this assessment only to people who choose to maintain unlimited lifetime personal injury protection (PIP) benefits.

Those who choose lower limits under Michigan's revised no-fault insurance law avoid the assessment altogether, as long as the MCCA is not in a deficit position.

The 55-percent reduction results directly from savings created by cost controls for medical treatment and

other changes made to Michigan's no-fault insurance law on June 11, 2019. These changes are estimated to erase the MCCA's deficit of approximately \$2 billion and reduce the annual MCCA assessment by approximately \$1 billion.

Beginning July 1, 1973, Michigan's no-fault insurance law required all policyholders in Michigan to buy unlimited PIP coverage. This mandatory coverage covered unlimited lifetime medical benefits for people injured in motor vehicle accidents.

Under the new law, as of July 2, 2020, applicants for no-fault insurance coverage can select from several different coverage limits, including the same unlimited coverage offered since 1973.

The legislature created the MCCA effective July 1, 1978 to reimburse insurance companies for amounts paid for PIP benefits over an amount deemed catastrophic under the no-fault insurance law.

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November brings early snow, cold

■ But it's not the first time (or the last) that Mother Nature mixes up the seasons

By Sally Rummel

If you think it seems unusually cold in Michigan this November, you are b-r-r-r-right.

Usually this month prepares us for winter with chilly temperatures and "football weather," with average daily temperatures in the high 40s to low 50s, according to the National Weather Service.

But there was nothing average about the Arctic cold air and snow from Canada that blasted the tri-county area Monday, Nov. 11, shattering all previous Veterans Day weather records.

The tri-county area, along with Flint/Genesee County, was pummeled with snow totals from 7 to 9.5 inches, much more than the 2.2-inch average precipitation for the entire month of November, often in the form of rain or a rain/snow mix.

Bishop International Airport reported 8.6 inches of snow, shattering the old record of 4.1 inches set back in 1984. This year's early snow also allowed Mt. Holly Ski & Snowboard Resort to open earlier this year than usual — Saturday, Nov. 9.

For those of us with a short memory, last November 2018 brought winter in early, too. It was one of the coldest and snowiest on record for Michigan, according to

See **SNOW** on 23

SUMMARY

■ Michigan often takes us on a rollercoaster ride of seasons, especially notable this week with unseasonably cold and snowy conditions.

OUT IN THE COLD

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Pets must be given proper food, water and shelter. The law touches on livestock and dogs, but not feral cats because they're technically "wild," he said.

"There are rescues that support feral cat colonies (and we, in turn, support them) by making houses for the cats out of coolers and such; they also do as much TNR (trap, neuter, release) and feeding as they can," he said.

According to the American Veterinary Medical Association, "Long-haired or thick-coated dogs tend to be more cold-tolerant, but are still at risk in cold weather. Short-haired pets feel the cold faster because they have less protection, and short-legged pets may become cold faster because their bellies and bodies are more likely to come into contact with snow-covered ground."

Huskies are one breed of dog that have thicker coats and love the snow, but other breeds, such as Chihuahuas, would feel the cold more.

Most veterinary sources reviewed for this article said to bring your dog inside during freezing temperatures. Check their paws for blisters and consider buying them boots or socks to wear when going outside.

Wallace said the GCAC gets many calls about this, especially during the winter.

"We get several calls a week about dogs outdoors without shelter. Many times it turns out to be not true but it also often is. Depending on the circumstance we try to knock on the door. Many people won't answer and we may leave a notice to contact AC (Animal Control) to advise them of the requirements, or we may seize the animal if circumstances warrant. Every case is different, and some will give rise to actual criminal charges," he said.

Wallace added, "Take your coat, boots and hat off and go sit down next to your dog. If you're cold, they are, too."

The law

According to section 750.50 of the Michigan Penal Code, a pet owner must provide "adequate care," which entails "sufficient food, water, shelter, sanitary conditions, exercise, and veterinary medical attention in order to maintain an animal in a state of good health."

The law states that "shelter" means protection from the elements suitable for the age, species and physical condition of the animal to maintain good health. For livestock, this can be structures such as fences, trees or topography.

For dogs, "shelter" means the owner's residence, a doghouse, or an enclosed structure like a garage, barn or shed "that is sufficiently insulated and ventilated to protect the dog from exposure to extreme temperatures or, if not sufficiently insulated and ventilated, contains a doghouse..."

The doghouse must have dry bedding when the outdoor temperature is or is predicted to drop below freezing.

If a dog is tethered outside, that tether must be three times the length of the dog as measured from the tip of its nose to the base of its tail and is attached to a harness or non choke collar.

The law states that no pet owner shall "Negligently allow any animal, including one who is aged, diseased, maimed, hopelessly sick, disabled, or nonambulatory to suffer unnecessary neglect, torture, or pain."

This could apply to leaving a dog outside in freezing temperatures, especially if the animal has a medical condition that would cause more adverse reactions.

A first violation of this

law is a misdemeanor that carries a fine of not more than \$1,000 and/or 93 days in jail and community service not more than 200 hours. Continued violations carry a harsher offense.

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Paul Wallace
Genesee County
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Additional information on the MCCA, including claim payment statistics, audit reports, financial statements, the annual consumer report to the Michigan legislature, and answers to frequently asked questions is available at michigancatastrophic.com and from the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services' website, michigan.gov/difs.

'We veterans need to help each other'

■ Fenton Rotary draws record 180 to Veterans Day event for food, sharing and support

By Tim Jagielo

Linden — Through the snow storm on Veterans Day, Monday, Nov. 11, 180 veterans and their family and friends made their way to Spring Meadows Country Club in Linden for the seventh annual Veterans Breakfast hosted by the Rotary Club of Fenton.

"Veterans are kind of diehard," said breakfast chairman Scott Ward referring to the morning storm. This event brought a record crowd, and staff had to set up additional seating.

The annual breakfast brings veterans from around Michigan together for a morning of swapping stories, meeting new friends, hearing from presenting speakers and, of course, a breakfast buffet.

"Anything that pulls us together and gives us a chance to see each other after a year is a great thing," said Ed Koledo, retired Army Reserves battalion com-



Retired Marine Sgt. Joseph Caballero shares his traumatic experience during Vietnam at the seventh annual Veterans Breakfast on Monday, Nov. 11. Photos by Tim Jagielo



A large 450-square-foot American flag is displayed by the Fenton Fire Department on Monday, Nov. 11 for guests of the Rotary Veterans Breakfast at Spring Meadows Country Club.

mander and former Linden Community Schools superintendent.

While it's a time for fun, it's also a time for acknowledging and addressing serious issues.

Presenting speaker, retired Marine Sgt. Joseph Caballero, is a Vietnam veteran who talked about his own trauma during service. "We need to remember that we all have a story and your story may be the key to unlocking someone else's prison," Caballero said.

He added that while many veterans have experiences that include post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and physical disabilities due to their service, they can still feel alone with their problems.

Caballero still suffers from the effects of Agent Orange and the PTSD of hearing friends die in a night attack.

He credits "angel on his shoulder" wife, Lana, for sticking with him through his struggles. "We live in a great country full of great people," he said. "We veterans need to help each other."

In attendance were veterans as old as 95 and as young as their late 30s.

WWII Navy veteran Bill Lindhout, 95, of Brighton, has attended every event. "It is a different part of your life you'd like to have recognized," he said "I don't talk about it all that much. Who's got the occasion these days to bring it up in daily conversation?"

Attendees entered, walking past the approximately 450-square-foot U.S. flag hung from the Fenton Fire Department ladder truck. Inside, attendees chatted over the din of the music of the Halsey Old Timers Band and drank coffee. Each branch of the military was recognized in turn at the start of the event.

It cost \$10 for non-veterans and veterans dined for free. The event is funded by the annual Rotary Club Fourth of July rubber ducky regatta and golf outing, and costs approximately \$2,000 to host. In attendance were representatives from the local police and fire departments and legislators including Senator Ken Horn.



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Fenton Fire Department to get new roof top units

■ Current 18-year-old heating and cooling units 'limping along'

By Vera Hogan

The Fenton Fire Department will get a new roof top heating and cooling unit — once another quote is received and a vendor is chosen for the work.

At its Monday, Nov. 11 regular meeting, the Fenton City Council voted favorably to approve the purchase, contingent on receiving the second quote, according to Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff.

"I am still waiting on it, but we needed to move quickly to get the approval of the project as winter is obviously upon us and our furnace is limping along at this point," Cairnduff said. "We expect the work to be completed within a few weeks once the vendor is chosen and notified."

Earlier this month, the fire department had its quarterly maintenance service performed by Dee Cramer on the two roof top heating units.

"Dee Cramer is our contracted service provider for our heat and air-conditioning units and has been since

the units were installed when the station was built," Cairnduff said.

While they were performing their normal inspection and service on the two units, Dee Cramer discovered a failing heat exchanger on unit number 2 — the unit that supplies heat and cooling to all main portions of the station, including the offices, hallways, locker rooms, bathrooms, day room and kitchen. Unit 1 covers the training room only, according to Cairnduff.

Dee Cramer provided a quote for the replacement of the heat exchanger and another for the replacement of the entire roof top unit.

The unit is as old as the station at 18 years old. "The heat exchanger was replaced once before in December of 2012 and only carried a five-year warranty," Cairnduff said.

Due to the age of the equipment, Cairnduff recommended going with the new unit. "The cost to just replace the heat exchanger is approximately 40 percent of the cost of a new complete unit," he said.

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LOOKING BACK *at this week in* **HISTORY**

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

NOV. 17

1973: In the midst of the Watergate scandal that eventually ended his presidency, President Richard Nixon tells a group of newspaper editors gathered at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida, that he is "not a crook."

NOV. 18

1978: Peoples Temple founder Jim Jones leads hundreds of his followers in a mass murder-suicide at their agricultural commune in a remote part of the South American nation of Guyana. Many of Jones' followers willingly ingested a poison-laced punch while others were forced to do so at gunpoint. The final death toll at Jonestown that day was 909; a third of those who perished were children.

NOV. 19

1863: At the dedication of a military cemetery at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, during the American Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln delivers one of the most memorable speeches in American history. In fewer than 275 words, Lincoln brilliantly and movingly reminded a war-weary public why the Union had to fight, and win, the Civil War.

NOV. 20

1947: In a lavish wedding ceremony at Westminster Abbey in London, Princess Elizabeth marries her distant cousin, Philip Mountbatten, a dashing former prince of Greece and Denmark who renounced his titles in order to marry the English princess. Princess Elizabeth, heir to the British throne, was 21 years old. Philip Mountbatten, age 26, had fought as a British naval officer during World War II and was made the duke of Edinburgh on the eve of his wedding to Elizabeth. The celebrations surrounding the wedding of the popular princess lifted the spirits of the people of Britain, who were enduring economic difficulties in the aftermath of World War II.

NOV. 21

1976: Rocky, starring Sylvester Stallone as the underdog prizefighter Rocky Balboa, debuts in New York City. The movie, which opened in theaters across the United States a couple of weeks later, was a huge box-office hit and received 10 Academy Award nominations, including Best Actor and Best Original Screenplay for the then-little known Stallone. Rocky ultimately took home three Oscars, including one for Best Picture, and made Stallone one of the biggest stars in Hollywood.

NOV. 22

2005: Angela Merkel is sworn in as Chancellor of Germany on this day in 2005. The first woman to hold the position, Merkel emerged as one of the strongest forces in European politics over the subsequent decade. She has frequently been called the most powerful woman in the world and the de facto leader of the European Union.

NOV. 23

1959: Robert Stroud, the famous "Birdman of Alcatraz," is released from solitary confinement for the first time since 1916. Stroud gained widespread fame and attention when author Thomas Gaddis wrote a biography that trumpeted Stroud's ornithological expertise.

Source: history.com

BUSINESS BRIEFS

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

ASCENSION GENESYS TO OFFER FREE SCREENINGS FOR LUNG CANCER ON NOV. 23

In recognition of lung cancer awareness month, Ascension Genesys is offering a no-cost low dose CT screening of the lungs. The event will be **Saturday, Nov. 23, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.** at the Ascension Genesys Ambulatory Imaging Center, 600 Health Park Blvd., Suite B (lower Level), in Grand Blanc. According to the American Lung Association, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths among men and women over the age of 55, exceeding colon, breast, and prostate cancers combined. Most cases occur with no symptoms. A low dose computerized tomography scan (known as CT) of the chest is one the simplest screening exams a person can have. It's quick and easy, completely painless and results in a minimal amount of radiation exposure. Individuals eligible for the CT lung screenings must meet the following criteria:

- Be between the ages of 55 - 77
- Currently a smoker or have quit within the past 15 years
- Have, at minimum, a 30-plus pack year smoking history (i.e. 1 pack a day for 30 years, 2 packs per day for 15 years, etc.)

No appointment or early registration is necessary for the CT Lung Screening event. For more information, call (810) 715-0803, ext. 1356.

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How roads are actually funded

■ State and county roads are tax funded, local roads are city or resident funded

By Tim Jagielo

According to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), there are approximately 122,000 miles of roads in Michigan. For comparison, planet Earth is 24,901 miles around once, according to space.com.

According to MDOT, one lane mile of road costs approximately \$2 million to replace.

Aside from homeowner-funded private roads, whatever road you're on, a governmental agency is assigned to maintaining and if needed, replacing it. Michigan roads and streets are well known to be in poor condition and are generally only funded by a few different means — gasoline taxes, vehicle registrations, and citizen-enacted millages and special assessments.

Downtown Development Authorities (DDA) do not capture taxes for road funding outside their specific district.

Who is responsible for which roads?

At the top is MDOT, which is responsible for building and maintaining state trunklines, which are highways with the "M,"

"I," or "U.S." name.

They also maintain any bridges that span state trunklines, according to Jocelyn Hall, communications representative with MDOT. If a local road crosses over a state road, MDOT maintains that bridge as well.

Individual states are responsible for funding their own highway systems, but federal funds are available from the Highway Trust Fund that receives money from the federal gasoline tax. Drivers pay a federal tax of 18.4 cents per gallon, according to the US Energy Information Administration. According to Michigan.gov, the state gas tax is 18.7 cents.

MDOT uses both state and federal funding for road projects. MDOT also takes federal money to assist county



The Michigan Department of Transportation uses gas taxes and registration fees to fund highway projects like the new northbound lanes of I-475 this past summer. *Times file photo*

road commissions on projects using a distribution formula.

Hall said MDOT is covering 9,700 miles of the overall 122,000, but she added that 53 percent of total traffic happens on those roads, including 60 percent of commercial traffic.

Considering the condition of the roads, Hall isn't sure how much the agency would need to attack all MDOT projects as desired. "... currently we have ongoing deterioration that

will only continue to worsen until funding is established for their repairs or replacement," she said.

The next level of road management is county road commissions. These commissions are responsible for county roads — not local or village roads. A county road could be Fenton Road in Fenton Township

or Saginaw Street in Holly Township. Craig Bryson with the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) said which roads they maintain can vary greatly per community.

The RCOC maintains 2,700 miles of county roads, and like the Genesee County Road Commission, is contracted by MDOT to help maintain state highways in their respective county.

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Jocelyn Hall
MDOT Bay Region
communications representative



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YOUR 'MARK MY words' article needs to be corrected. Everyone knows that Al Gore invented the internet.

Liquor distribution issue affecting local bars

Michigan Liquor Control Commission calls for a 'corrective plan' to shortage

By Hannah Ball

The Michigan liquor shortage that's been going on for a few months is affecting local bars and restaurants

The Great Lakes State has three authorized liquor distribution companies. One of the largest, Republic

National Distributing Co., recently moved to a new warehouse in Livonia. The company said software issues at the new site are delaying deliveries.

Jason Warda, owner of The Barn, Lake Ponemah Lakeside Lodge and the Fenton Pub, said, "We have seen minimal shortages at this point but I'm hearing it might get worse before it gets better."

Jon Foley, head bartender and co-

owner of The Relief & Resource Co., said these problems are causing more issues for specialty bars compared to restaurants.

"It's been going on for months. We've definitely been affected," he said, adding that they're experiencing "week-to-week" out of stocks. This means different liquors for their on-line orders will be labeled as "out of stock" in different weeks.

"It can change week to week. We just hope every week we get the majority of what we order," Foley said.

The speakeasy orders liquor in two ways — its weekly online orders and allocated orders. Allocated orders are for rarer products such as specialty whiskeys or bourbons.

"We have allocated product that we were supposed to get in October that are still locked and we can't get it," he said. "Some bourbons we wanted are late because of that."

Foley is worried about having specialty liquors they would normally have during the holidays. However, because they stock many liquors, if they don't have one specific gin, for example, it's not a huge problem.

"We might have to switch some out without sacrificing the recipe too much," he said. "We're being patient and we hope it all gets sorted. Hopefully, you as a guest don't notice anything."

The Michigan Liquor Control Commission recently met with officials from bars, restaurants and retailers who have been affected by the distributor's problems.

On Nov. 8, the Michigan Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA), put out a statement that reads, "The Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC) has called on one of the principal authorized distribution agents (ADA), NWS Michigan LLC, doing business as Republic National Distributing Company (RNDC), to implement a corrective plan of action that will immediately address liquor licensee complaints regarding delivery issues, stock shortages, and lack of customer service that are negatively impacting their businesses."

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17-year-olds are teens again under new law

■ Package of 18 bills raises default age to be tried as an adult from 17 to 18 in 2021

By Tim Jagielo

For the first time since 1912, 17-year-olds will no longer be tried as adults automatically in the Michigan criminal justice system. In October, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signed the bill that will take effect in October 2021. The bills passed committee in November 2018.

According to Michigan Radio, Michigan has been in the minority in automatically charging young teens as adults. According to 67th District Court Judge Mark McCabe, there are now only three states that try 17 year olds as adults — Georgia, Texas and Wisconsin.

In 2018, the State of Michigan Legislative Council projected that more than 7,000 17-year-olds would be reclassified as juvenile offenders this year. The reports added that this number could decrease along with the overall number of juvenile offenders.

The Annie E. Casey Foundation reports that Michigan's youth incarceration

rate has been decreasing historically since 1997.

McCabe said the age of being an adult for all legal purposes was lowered from 21 to 18 in 1972. Starting in 1912, 17-year-olds were automatically tried as adults. "As a result, our current laws provide that those who are at least 17 years old are prosecuted in adult criminal courts and those 14 to 16 years old in the Family Division of Circuit Court," McCabe said in his "Ask the Judge" column. "The research shows that an adolescent's brain is different from an adult's and young defendants should be viewed differently in appropriate cases," he said.

Whatever their age, there are exceptions for crimes like murder, where teens would still be tried as adults, where there are automatic waivers. Those waivers that applied to 14- to 16-year-olds

will apply to 17-year-olds instead.

The package of 18 bills essentially sends 17-year-old offenders to the Family Division of Circuit Court, and 18-year-olds will be tried as adults.

According to the State of Michigan Legislative Council, this change would cost between \$16.9 and \$34.1 million annually. The package of bills included funding mechanisms.

Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Fenton Township) voted against the law. "Philosophically, I agree with the concept," Mueller said. His concerns

spring from the extra costs. "It will give some teens a second chance, but it will also take resources away from the more vulnerable teens who unfortunately end up in the juvenile justice system."

Mueller said that if the age was raised right now it would

lead to an additional 900 juvenile petitions in Genesee County.

Highlights from the law

The law prohibiting juveniles from being held in the same facility as adults will now apply to 17-year-olds. When in custody, they will be held in separate facilities subject to a limited exception.

Because the bills add to the number of juveniles in the court system with a resulting increase in costs there is a new "Raise the Age Fund," which will be used to reimburse counties for the extra expenditures.

The "Holmes Youthful Trainee Act" allows young defendants to plead guilty on a deferred basis to certain offenses committed when they were 17 to 23 years old.

If they then comply with certain conditions, the case is dismissed and there is a nonpublic record.

The age for adult sentences will be raised to 18 for violations of Personal Protection Orders. Seventeen-year-olds will be subject to juvenile contempt of court sentences.

Source: Mark McCabe

“It will give some teens a second chance, but it will also take resources away from the more vulnerable teens who unfortunately end up in the juvenile justice system.”

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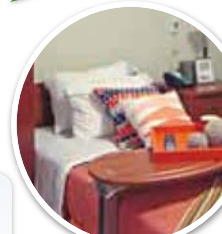


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According to the council action request by Village Manager Jerry Walker, Narsh will be paid \$74,263 annually with additional benefits. Narsh said he'll start on Monday, Dec. 9.

"He's going to give us the police department we'll all be happy with," said Holly Township Supervisor George Kullis after presenting Narsh to council. Kullis was one of five on the selection panel.

Narsh was able to address the council before the official vote to accept Walker's recommendation to hire Narsh.

Narsh said the police department is all about creating trust. "We go forth every day to improve people's lives and build that trust," he said.

He describes his style as "open door, open heart, open communication," and he looks forward to bringing that style to Holly, which includes being involved in various community groups and coalitions.

Narsh will probably have a different style than past police chiefs. He uses social media regularly. His department posts "police blotters," and photos and information on suspects. It's a practice he intends to bring to Holly.

He's comfortable putting himself out there for the sake of a cause. This fall he wore a full pink uniform for the "real men wear pink" breast cancer campaign in Lake Orion. He even dressed as Ike Turner for Halloween.

Members of the police chief search panel were chosen by Walker. They included Kullis, resident Gary Mills, Village President Tom McKenney and Holly Fire Chief Steve McGee. While there were no police officers on the committee, Walker said the police department and fire department work together the most.

Walker himself had a career in law enforcement. He worked with Narsh in Lake Orion briefly as a night shift patrol officer in 2010 and 2011. "While working at Lake Orion, I was able to observe his leadership style, character and relations with the public," Walker said. "In



Jerry Narsh shakes hands with Holly Village President Tom McKenney (left) and various department heads after his contract as the next Holly police chief was confirmed by unanimous vote. Narsh is currently the Lake Orion Village police chief. He starts in Holly on Dec. 9. Members of his family, including his wife Amanda (right), attended. Photo: Tim Jagielo

"I look forward to bringing that community policing style ... my door is always open."

Jerry Narsh

Lake Orion police chief, next Holly police chief

part, the observations I had gave me confidence in my recommendation to council to appoint him as the next leader for the Holly police."

Walker said he believed this past experience with Narsh wasn't worth noting publicly during the process.

Narsh said he's worked with a current Holly Police Department officer who worked in Lake Orion.

Walker said that he had nothing to do with the candidates until the final two

were selected, which included Narsh. "During each step of the process, Jerry Narsh was ranked as number one by the selection panel during phases one and two along with Chief Fischer and me during phase three (final interview)," said Walker in an email. "The process was fair and the Selection Panel did a good job in narrowing the field to the top two candidates to be interviewed."

The final interviews were held Oct. 29.

Fischer was appointed interim police chief soon after Michael Story resigned in late August. Fischer was retired from the Holly Police Department as a detective lieutenant after 33 years of service. He was not seeking the permanent position.

Narsh's official swearing-in ceremony will be Thursday, Nov. 21 at the Holly Vault at 202 S. Saginaw St. There will be a meet and greet with Narsh at 5 p.m., a swearing in at 6 p.m. and reception to follow.

Swearing-in ceremonies are normally held during a village council meeting, but the event was suggested by Kullis as Holly Chamber of Commerce president to promote the chamber and draw in the community.

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THREATS

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take a photo to share almost immediately, you would have needed a Polaroid camera. Fenton Area Public Schools officials said this presents new challenges to young students.

Social media threats

Thomas Cole, school resource officer for the school district and Fenton police officer, said kids posting threats on social media is one of the biggest issues.

Most of the time, these threats aren't credible, but Cole is required to investigate them.

"They're not realizing the magnitude of it. They'll get on their video games and say 'oh, we're going to blow this person up' or 'we're going to shoot this.' You can't say that. Once it's on social media, everybody has access to it," he said.

The FBI considers threats, even jokes or hoax threats, a federal crime. Even if it's a false report, Cole said the statute says the suspect could be charged with a 20-year felony.

Online threats don't happen often in Fenton. Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton has directed officers to

complete a report on every incident and the prosecutor's office will decide what's credible. The goal is to get the kids to understand that threats aren't a joking matter.

"What I've found out is the kids were talking amongst each other and it was a joke. Someone comes into the Snapchat group or whatever social media it is, they take it out of context and so that scares them, which falls into the statute. It's causing fear," Cole said.

Cole also cited the new Michigan law that makes cyberbullying a crime. If found guilty of the misdemeanor, someone could spend up to 93 days in jail.

"Kids don't understand the ramifications of making those types of statements or those types of threatening posts," said Eric Rettenmund, AGS Middle School principal. "Even if it was sent as a private message, kids screenshot it."

Kids as young as elementary age have smartphones and Apple watches now. He said AGS kids and families are vigilant about these incidents and will come forward if they see or hear something suspicious. It's concerning to Rettenmund that some kids see threats as jokes. They've seen kids of

all ages make threats as jokes, even first grade students.

"Kids at this level are so impulsive ... they don't think about how other people are going to feel. They don't think that it evokes fear," he said.

Cole said kids these days are subjected to violence in video games, movies, social media, TV and more, and they're socialized to it.

At the beginning of the year, Rettenmund talks with students about online threats, vaping, social media and more. AGS has one counselor, Tamara Hall, who Rettenmund said deals with students every day. She does a large presentation on digital footprints, cyber safety and more every three years.

Photos

Taking nude or explicit photos of yourself while underage constitutes child pornography. This is a maximum 20-year felony in Michigan.

"Knock on wood, we haven't run into that at all this year, which is good so maybe the word is getting around," Cole said. He regularly talks to girls at the high school about this. Some have told him that they've gotten weird messages from strangers who know where they go to school, and Cole explains how easy it can be to find someone's personal information online.

"We're making it too easy for predators and people with bad intentions to know who we are and where we're at," Cole said.

He urges parents to monitor their kids' social media and see which sites they use.

Vaping

Vaping is another issue, but it's more prevalent at the high school. So far, Cole has written one citation for a student vaping at the high school, although the school has dealt with more.

"If there's a vape case that warrants me coming in because the kid's gone above and beyond just vaping, then I told them I'd come in and write a citation," he said.

Last year, the AGS had eight or nine vaping incidents and only one so far this year. Rettenmund expects to see fewer cases this year with the new law prohibiting flavored vape products. He talks with all the students about the dangers and consequences of vaping at the beginning of each year.



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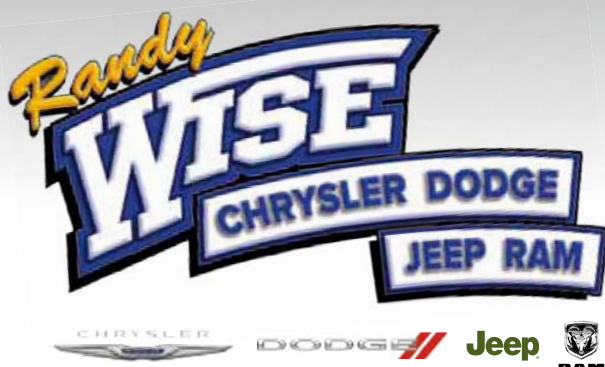
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Hartland Insurance Agency celebrates 41 years in business

By Sharon Stone

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Walker was excited to hear that her husband and president of Hartland Insurance, David Walker, won the Community Service Award, presented to him at the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce Awards Dinner on Nov. 8. "We're so proud of the things he has done," she said.

Walker said 41 years has gone by very fast. "It's amazing when you look back to what you were and to now," she said. "It's been a wonderful opportunity to be in business and wonderful to work with our 37 employees. Employees — that's what makes your business. All of them care about our clients."

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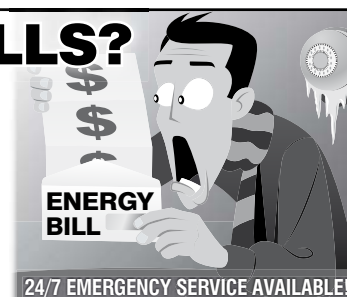
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SNOW

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ABC-TV. Twenty-five days came in with below average temperatures in the Flint area, with some days more than 15 degrees below average.

Flint also recorded 11.1 inches of snow, making it the seventh snowiest November on record for Flint.

The snow this November is only half the story; the other half is the cold. The highs and lows of 25 degrees F. and 7 degrees F. brought out winter boots and coats a few weeks earlier than usual and closed local schools Tuesday, Nov. 12.

These cold temps really send a shiver down your spine when you see the record high temperature of 79 degrees in

Flint, recorded on Nov. 3, 2015.

Even though snow came early in the season this year, it didn't set any records for an early snowfall. The earliest date for snow came Oct. 12, 2006 for a snowfall of 1 inch or more, with 2.3 inches falling in Flint. The earliest date for 3 inches of snow or more came Oct. 19, 1989 in Flint.

While we're all still shivering from the cold, it's still nothing like the coldest temperature ever recorded in Michigan: -51 degrees F. at Vanderbilt, on Feb. 9, 1934. If you want to break out in a hot sweat, Michigan's state record high is 112 degrees F., at Stanwood, recorded July 13, 1936.

Sources: Timeanddate.com, Currentresults.com, Weather.com

ALCOHOL

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This report defines alcohol dependence (alcoholism) as the most severe use disorder.

"Alcoholism has long been noted to run in families, but that alone is not sufficient to demonstrate that genetic factors contribute to risk. Many independent lines of evidence point to genetic contributions to its etiology (the cause of the disease)," according to the report.

This report cites adoption studies that illustrate a correlation between alcoholism in children and biological parents — not adoptive parents. Twin studies in the U.S. and Europe suggest that approximately 45 to 65 percent of the liability is due to genetic factors, the report states.

There are some genes that can deter excessive drinking, which are not present in everybody. There are genes that trigger a red face and nausea reaction in people of Asian descent, but not European or African.

However, there is no "alcoholism gene," but many genetic factors that increase risk. There are also strong social and environmental factors, which can override such "protective" genes.

Fisher said the recovering alcoholics group would often meet at the ice cream parlor. He speculates that because alcohol is broken down as sugar in the body, that the ice cream is a replacement for the sugar in the

alcohol.

With the holidays coming up, he suggests those struggling with alcoholism or who are recently recovered to "be on guard this time of year."

He said the season brings food, drinks and groups together, along with possible seasonal depression. He suggested that friends of those struggling should ease the temptation for them as much as possible.

The health risks of alcohol

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), "heavy" drinking is 15 drinks per week for men and eight for women.

Long-term health risks include high blood pressure, liver disease and digestive problems and alcohol dependence.

Binge drinking is eight drinks in one session, and according to the CDC, 23 percent of adult men report doing this five times per month. Most people, 90 percent, who binge drink are not alcoholics or alcohol dependent.

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Before boarding the bus to go home, I made a pit stop into the bathroom. There, Mrs. Diefenbach and another teacher were crying their eyes out. JFK was beloved and revered, and for someone to have shot and killed him was unthinkable.

Once home, I parked my 10-year-old self in front of the TV. My little sister was too young to be interested. My mother was in the kitchen cooking. I don't remember what she was cooking but I'm thinking she was making potato pancakes. That's what Mom always made when she was stressed or upset.

So I watched the TV and was riveted to the unfolding events. They showed the whole thing. How JFK and his wife, Jacqueline (Jackie), were in the motorcade rolling through downtown Dallas, Texas.

Gov. John Connally and his wife, Nellie, were seated in the front seat of the open convertible. The Kennedys were seated behind them.

They showed the scene where JFK

suddenly slumped over toward Jackie. At about 12:30 p.m. (EST) bullets had struck the president's neck and head. The governor was also hit in the chest. They showed the limo as it raced to the hospital just a few minutes away. There, the President died. Connally eventually recovered.

This scene was aired over and over throughout the day and next couple of days.

As we all know by now, Lee Harvey Oswald was arrested for the crime. On Sunday morning, Nov. 24, 1963, he was to be transferred from police headquarters to the county jail. I watched on live television a man suddenly run up to Oswald, aim a gun and fire it. The gunman was a local nightclub owner, Jack Ruby. Oswald died two hours later at the same hospital the President died.

The shootings of JFK and Oswald were aired on TV repeatedly. Then came the funeral. JFK's flag-draped casket was moved from the White House to the Capitol Rotunda for the viewing. On Monday, Nov. 25, JFK was laid to rest. I learned later that in addition to myself, countless millions of people in over 100 countries watched as he was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery.

Throughout all of these horrible things I watched on TV, what made me cry was seeing little John F. Kennedy, Jr., who turned 3 that very day, salute his father's casket. That was 56 years ago this Friday and I remember it like it was yesterday.

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By Vera Hogan

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In the summer, visitors can enjoy live music at a street fest, sip craft beer by the water, watch a movie under the stars or spend sun-soaked days on the shores of Lake Michigan. Autumn in Chicago brings gourmet food fests, major art fairs, spooky parades and, of course, "da Bears."

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FROM SINEW

The sinew is probably the most useful part on a deer. It's like duct tape. You can use it for pretty much anything. Shredding the tendons of a deer, you will find there are thicker sinews and thinner ones.

Tools

When sinew is wet, it is malleable and can be wrapped around an arrowhead and adhered to an arrow shaft. When it dries it becomes hard, making a very strong weapon.

A bow string

Thicker tendons can be put to use to make a strong string for a bow. Find yourself a great piece of wood, notch out the top and bottom and you've got yourself a homemade bow.

Sewing

Using thinner sinew found on muscles, you can sew buckskin together for moccasins, or even suture a wound using a small bone from the leg of your deer as a needle.

Jewelry

Braid sinew together and you can make an amazing arrowhead necklace for your significant other.



Compiled By Vera Hogan

In 2018, about 367,652 deer were harvested statewide (all seasons). Also in 2018, hunters donated deer that resulted in more than 50,000 pounds of ground venison, which is estimated to have provided about 200,000 meals, according to Michigan Sportsmen Against Hunger. Venison is a lean meat that contains more protein and less fat than beef. Last year there were 53,464 vehicle-deer crashes, up 5 percent from 2017. Regardless of how you bagged your deer — by bow, by firearm or by Chevy — there are uses for your deer, besides the meat, that shouldn't go to waste.



Source:
wideopenspaces.com;
bowhunting.net

FROM "TRASH" ANTLERS...



Decoration

Go to any crafty website and find that antlers are all the rage, but expensive. Boil your old antlers in water, clean off any flesh, bleach the skull, and you have your own European mount. Spray paint them gold and hang necklaces off them. Mount a single antler by your window and you have a curtain tie back.

Buttons

With a bone saw, carefully cut the antler at the base, about 1/4-inch thickness to form a perfectly strong button. Punch out a couple of holes and you can use your sinew to mount these buttons to your favorite coat.

Knife handle

Take your sturdiest looking "trash" antler and put it to great use by sliding in a blade to make a beautiful and useful knife. The leg bone of your deer will make another beautiful weapon once cleaned and boiled.

Bouncy eyeball

Perhaps the most fun part of the deer head is the eyeballs. Cut off any and all meat connections to your deer's eyeball thoroughly. Once the eyeball is completely cleaned, you have the best bouncy ball of all time. This one is for the kids.



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CHICAGO

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Chicago boasts numerous museums and cultural opportunities including the Museum of Science and Industry, the Natural History Museum, Adler Planetarium and Shedd Aquarium to name a few.

But the Christmas season is very special in Chicago. The following are some of the must-do things in downtown Chicago during the holidays, especially if you're a first-timer.

Get a view from the top at the Willis Tower Skydeck

One of your first stops when visiting downtown Chicago should be the Willis Building (formerly Sears Tower for 36 years). Ride up to the Skydeck on the 103rd floor. From there, you can enjoy a view from the top of the city from four directions.

The Willis Tower is a 110-story, 1,450-foot skyscraper. When completed in 1973, it surpassed the World Trade Center in New York to become the tallest building in the world, a title it held for nearly 25 years. It is currently the third-tallest building in the United States and



A 2014 performance of The Nutcracker in Chicago

Photo: chicagoreader.com

the Western hemisphere. It is one of Chicago's most popular tourist destinations. There is a fee to enter the Skydeck; visit willistower.com for more information.

Visit the Museum of Science and Industry

"Christmas Around the World and Holidays of Light" opened Nov. 14 and

will run through Sunday, Jan. 5, 2020.

It began in 1942 with a single tree. Today, the museum's beloved annual celebration features a four-story, floor-to-dome Grand Tree, surrounded by a forest of more than 50 trees and spectacular displays decorated by volunteers to represent the holiday traditions from cultures around the globe. On the weekends, you also can enjoy live holiday performances. The one-of-a-kind experience brings a whole world of holiday joy under one roof.

Start your Christmas shopping on The Magnificent Mile

The Magnificent Mile offers more than 460 retailers, major department stores; international luxury labels and designers; and three vertical shopping centers — 900 North Michigan Shops, The Shops at North Bridge and Water Tower Place. The 900 North Michigan Shops also celebrate the opening of its new gourmet food hall, Aster Hall. The mile-long shopping strip along Michigan Avenue lies between the Chicago River and Oak Street and boasts award-winning dining at more than 275 restaurants.

The Magnificent Mile is recommended for Christmas shopping because it's Chicago's most popular shopping area, with more than 400 stores, holiday lights, street performers and decorated window displays.

Dine at one or more of the top downtown Chicago restaurants

If you leave Chicago hungry, it's your own fault. There are countless restaurants throughout the city, but if you're visiting during the holidays, many of the downtown's finest serve everything from fabulous steaks to seafood to vegan, and Italian, Japanese and French cuisine.

Chicago-style hot dogs and Chicago deep-dish pizza

It's often said that the hot dog is a major food group in Chicago, right next to Chicago deep-dish pizza. The best Chicago hot dog restaurants crank out red hots topped with mustard, onions, relish, pickle spears, tomato, sport peppers and celery salt. (If you didn't already know, those are the key ingredients in a true Chicago-style dog.)

Hot dog joints and pizza parlors offer the best cheap eats in Chicago — even more reason to scarf down a red hot while checking out classic Chicago attractions.



Chicago-style pizza is very thick, baked in a pan and layered with cheese, meat, vegetables and sauce — in that order. Photo: tripadvisor.com



A traditional Chicago-style hot dog is topped with yellow mustard, chopped white onions, bright green sweet pickle relish, a dill pickle spear, tomato slices or wedges, pickled sport peppers and a dash of celery salt served on a poppy-seed bun.

Chicago's signature approach to pizza is unapologetically excessive — crust buttery, sauce chunky and thick pies oozing with ribbons of fresh mozzarella. Throw some sausage in there while you're at it. There's no denying that the best deep-dish pizza in Chicago is a truly unique dining experience. It's one of those local staples you just have to experience for yourself.

Check out the holiday and Christmas shows

This year, the classic "A Christmas Carol" will be performed at the Metropolis Performing Arts Center. The show runs from Nov. 29 through Dec. 25.

The Joffrey Ballet's "The Nutcracker" will be performed at the Auditorium Theater of Roosevelt University. It runs from Nov. 30 through Dec. 29.

Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" will be performed at the Theatre at the Center. It began on Nov. 14 and runs through Dec. 23.

Visit your local travel agency for information on hotel accommodations, car rentals and more things to see and do.

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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, Nov. 13, Midweek Times**. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282 or go to myfenton.com.

SLPR names new interim executive director

Former executive director, Vince Paris, had been with organization for nearly 19 years.

Early winter weather roars in

Fenton police respond to 21 crashes in about 30 hours.

The hunt is about to begin

Friday, Nov. 15 marks the beginning of regular firearm season for deer hunters.

Be safe when shoveling snow this season

American Heart Association says "Don't make shoveling a marathon event."

Holly's Ladies Night Out wonderfully successful

More than 1,500 guests attend Holly's signature shopping event.



Mixed reactions to self-checkout lanes

Walmart now has 26 self-checkout kiosks.

Sharin' the spotlight

Editor Sharon Stone writes about The Fenton Shriners — brotherhood, family and of course — fun.

Our Future

Meet Cameron Carlson, 15, a sophomore at Fenton High School.

ROADS

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Their activities also are funded by gasoline tax and vehicle registration fees. County commissions will often partner with a city or village to repair roads, but it requires a matching general fund contribution from the city or village.

Finally, there are cities and villages, which are solely responsible for funding the maintenance and replacement of neighborhood streets.

Local governments are not funded by property taxes to repair roads, nor

does the DDA fund road improvements outside the DDA district.

The Fenton DDA help did fund the \$4.7-million Streetscape project.

The city of Fenton cannot take advantage of gasoline taxes or registration fees to fix neighborhood roads. Instead, special assessment districts funded by the affected homeowners repair neighborhood streets.

This could cost thousands of dollars per parcel.

The state and cities also can ask voters to pass millages, which voters have been known to reject.

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George & Kathy Bertogli are requesting a Variance for a Side Yard Setback. They would like to enclose the existing carport. Described as 01-29-576-006, Part of Lot 8 Meier & McKane Lake Park.

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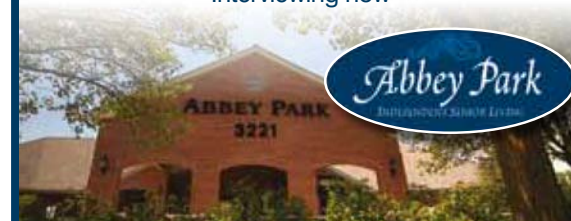
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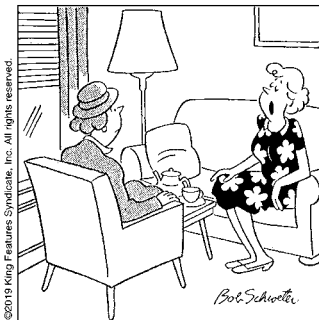
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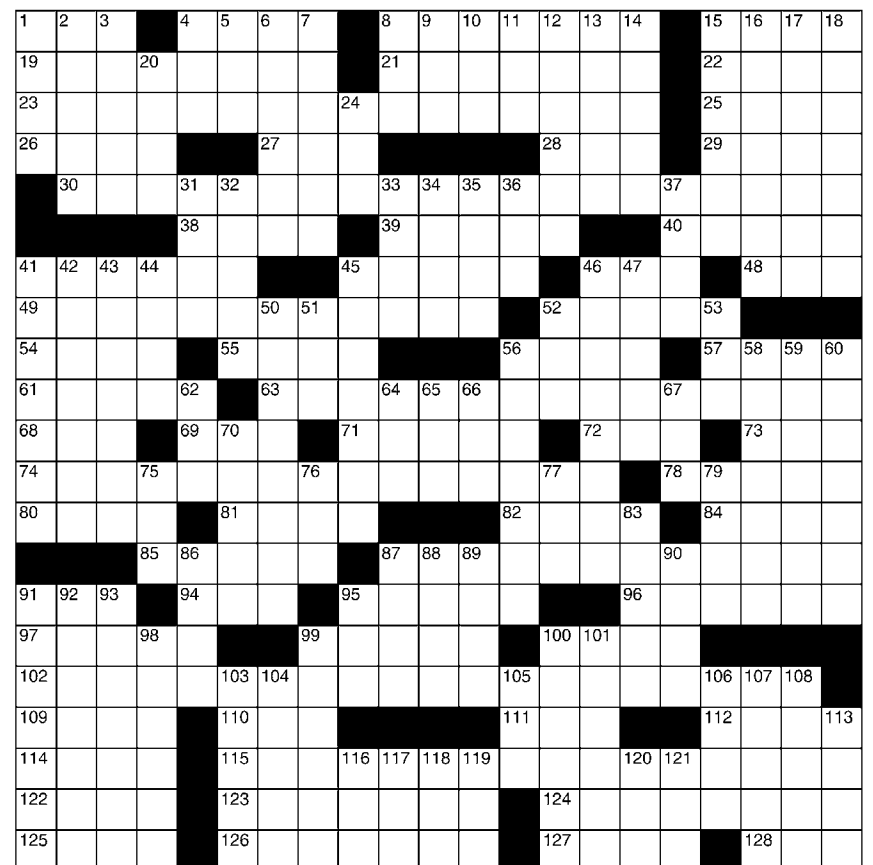
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- 1 "All seats sold" abbr.
4 Wound coverer
8 Course outlines
15 Jessica of "The Veil"
19 Really revealing
21 At some future time
22 Appear as though
23 "Take Me Home Tonight" singer picks from the menu?
25 Drawn-out drama
26 Tiny parasite
27 Pucksters' org.
28 Parasite egg
29 Big stirs
30 "Hot Stuff" singer takes a pleasure trip?
38 God of love
39 Cultural credo
40 1967 Dionne Warwick hit
41 Small vise
45 A Great Lake
46 Sahara viper
48 Vogue thing
- 49 "Walk on the Wild Side" singer plays a droning instrument?
52 Get a laugh out of
54 War unit
55 Wet blanket
56 Fast-running birds
57 Trapped like —
61 Choir garb
63 "I Walk the Line" singer trims a photo?
68 Follower of Benedict?
69 Galoot
71 Art stand
72 Aunt, to Juan
73 IRS hiree
74 "It's Too Late" singer grumbles?
78 Hog lover
80 Canadian oil company
81 Group of two
82 Slushy drink brand
84 "—, vidi, vici"
85 Choir song
87 "Let's Stay Together" singer checks IDs at the door?
91 Day, to Juan
94 Entirely
- 95 Writer Nin
96 Queen, e.g.
97 Go inside
99 Nonviolent protest
100 Novelist Oz
102 "Them There Eyes" singer has fun at a bash?
109 Just slightly
110 Brooklyn loc.
111 Assoc.
112 La — Tar Pits
114 Rake prong
115 "Song Sung Blue" singer telephones someone?
122 Snacks on
123 Serving to help
124 Matter of little interest
125 Crate piece
126 Noteworthy
127 Attack like a turtle
128 Tisane, e.g.
- 7 Lew Wallace novel
8 Like a sneak
9 NBA'er Ming
10 P.O. piece
11 Was a guide
12 Sporting spots
13 Of element #5
14 Popular photo-sharing app, for short
15 Lay into
16 Make the first play
17 Petalless showy flower
18 Racked up
20 Bank claim
24 Tall tree
31 Designate
32 Excited, informally
33 "You crack —!"
34 To be, in French
35 Fraternity letters
36 Wernher — Braun
37 Bugle tune
41 Jodie's role in "The Silence of the Lambs"
42 Sun or moon circlers
43 Moves heavily
- 44 "Ellen" actor Gross
45 Upscale
46 Something not to be missed
47 Fish-on-rice food
50 Mr. Hyde's other half
51 Kung — chicken
52 Drs.' gp.
53 Corn serving
56 Custard-filled treats
58 Musical period that began in the 1950s
59 Tacks on
60 Like Russia, once
62 "Dino" star Mineo
64 Persist, as an injury
65 Gp. advising the president
66 "— out!" (ballpark cry)
67 Fleet vehicle
70 Piano part
75 Alley- (court play)
76 What "je suis" means
77 Abbr. after old dates
79 Author Turgenev
- 83 Forest moon where Ewoks live
86 Hindu dress
87 Prefix with 99-Down
88 Installed, as carpet
89 Gershon of "Cocktail"
90 Sac in anatomy
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92 First
93 Georgia State locale
95 Feel awful
98 Like firstborn children
99 Extroverted
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104 "Laughing" carnivore
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Obituaries

Times
Alan Hitzelberger

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Alberta Grabowski

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Sharon Roudebush

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Robert Santimo

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Stanley Robbins

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Valorie Richardson

Valorie Richardson - age 71, died November 12, 2019. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


Ronald Harry Bush

1939-2019

Ronald Harry Bush - age 80, passed away on Monday, October 28, 2019 from battling Leukemia for over a decade. He was born in Flint on February 10, 1939 and lived in Fenton. He graduated from Fenton High School in 1957 and served in the United States Army. He worked at Grand Trunk Railroad in Flint and was a medical transport for residents in Young Town and Sun City, AZ. He resided in Young Town for over 35 years. Ron was a very talented and gifted man who enjoyed gardening, singing, playing piano, composing songs, poetry and stories. He was a giver at heart and always brought a smile to everyone he met. Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Doris Bush; two sisters, Sharon Dawson and Marilyn Virgin. He is survived by his brother, Fred Bush and sister, Alice Chrenko; two daughters, Tammy and Stacy; and six grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and LOVED HIM.


Judith Hatch

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Martin Bazzani

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Mary Taylor

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Delma Quincy Butterfield

1943-2019

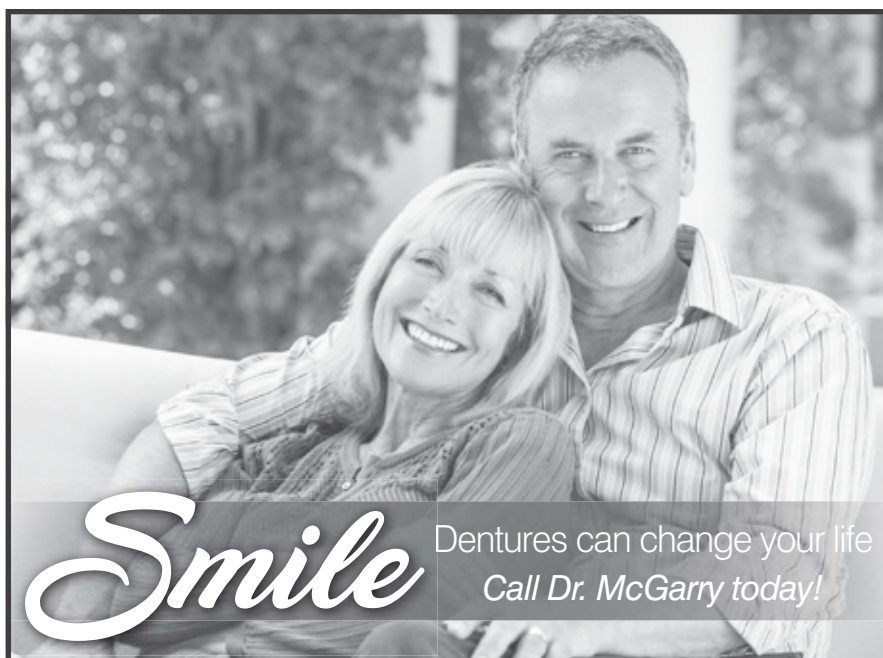
Delma Quincy Butterfield - age 76, of Fenton passed away Saturday, November 9, 2019. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements are by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions would be appreciated to the family to assist with medical expenses. Delma was born October 15, 1943 in Jacksonville, NC the daughter of Marvin and Christine (Hobbs) Brown. She married Barry B. Butterfield in Fenton on December 30, 1983. Delma was an excellent homemaker. She is survived by her husband, Barry Butterfield; children, Stephen R. (Melissa) Polkinghorne, Michelle D. (Lee) Crouch, Robin R. (Mark) Shutes, and Sonya J. (Jay) Bietila; grandchildren, Stephen Robert Polkinghorne, Mahlon Polkinghorne, Kevin Polkinghorne, Tyler Polkinghorne, Megan Crouch, Austin Crouch, Triston Wright, Christopher Wright, and Brendan Bietila; great-grandchildren, Stephen R. Polkinghorne, Conner Polkinghorne, Wahlon Polkinghorne, and Wyatt Polkinghorne. Delma was preceded in death by her son, Scott W. Polkinghorne. Online tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


Mavis Whithey

Mavis Whithey - age 95, died November 7, 2019. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


Gerald Dezenski

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Obituaries

Times

Mrs. Ilene M. Shook
1930-2019

Mrs. Ilene M. Shook - age 89, of Fenton and Holiday, FL, passed away Sunday, November 10, 2019 at Vicinia Gardens Memory Care in Fenton. Ilene was born August 3, 1930 in Redford the daughter of Leo Rodgers and Agnes Lucas. She married William Shook on August 14, 1948 and they shared 69 years together. Ilene worked as an orthodontic assistant for many years and enjoyed quilting, her family and friends. Above all, Ilene cherished her family the most. She is survived by her daughter, Cheryl Collard of Fenton; grandchildren, Dione Diener (Tim) of Fenton and Jim (Rachele) Collins of Sterling Heights; great-grandchildren, Brooke Demeter, Abby Diener, Liam, Peyton, and Paige Collins; two great-great-grandchildren; brothers, Eugene of Fenton, Raymond of Holly, and Steve (Edith) of Davisburg; and many nieces, nephews, and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Bill; and brothers, Alvin, Richard, and Donald. A private family service will be held in the near future. Special thanks to Vicinia Gardens Staff and The Medical Team Hospice. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital... or simply do a good deed. Share memories at www.temrowskifuneralhome.com.



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Barbara C. Campbell

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Kevin W. LaLonde

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David (Josh) Klumpp

1982-2019
David (Josh) Klumpp - passed peacefully into the arms of his Savior on Tuesday, October 15, 2019. Josh was an outstanding athlete, a gifted artist, actor, competitive dancer and writer. He was kind, had an infectious smile, and a wonderful sense of humor. He will be greatly missed by his father, David Klumpp; his mother, Jill (Jerry) Flewelling; sister, Elizabeth (James) Crandall; and his much loved nieces and nephews; his grandmother, Kay Anderson; Uncle Joe (Elaine) Asselin; Aunt Sue Hahn; Uncle Wayne Klumpp; and Uncle Jim Klumpp; many cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Ruth (Nanny) Asselin; and grandfather, Bob Anderson. A memorial service was held for Josh at The Rock Church, Fenton, on November 2, 2019.



Rodney A. Bonk

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FUNERAL ETIQUETTE

When you arrive at the funeral home, go to the family, and express your sympathy with an embrace or by offering your hands. Don't feel as though you must avoid talking about the person who has died. Talking can help the grieving process begin. If you were an acquaintance of the deceased but not well-known to the family, immediately introduce yourself. Do not feel uncomfortable if you or the family member becomes emotional or begins to cry. Allowing the family to grieve is a natural healing process. However, if you find yourself becoming extremely upset, it would be kinder to excuse yourself so as not to increase the strain on the family. Source: thefuneralsource.org

Easiest Creamiest Mashed Potatoes



Master this side dish staple

SERVES 6

Mashed potatoes are the perfect side dish, capable of being paired with meats, poultry and fish. Few meals wouldn't benefit from the addition of creamy mashed potatoes. Some food historians say that the original recipe for mashed potatoes originated in 1771, when a Frenchman named Antoine Parmentier hosted a competition on ways to prepare potatoes. Others say that mashed potatoes surely were born in Great Britain in the 1600s, as potatoes were a staple of the English diet at that time. Regardless of the origin of mashed potatoes, a solid understanding of how to perfect this beloved side dish is a great way to impress family members and guests. This recipe for "Easiest, Creamiest Mashed Potatoes" from "Simple Soirées: Seasonal Menus for Sensational Dinner Parties" (Stewart, Tabori & Chang) by Peggy Knickerbocker is one every mashed potato lover will fall in love with.

INGREDIENTS:

- 6 medium-sized russet potatoes, peeled and quartered
- 3 to 4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 cup whole milk or cream (or half-and-half)
- Salt and freshly ground white pepper

DIRECTIONS:

1. Place the potatoes in a large pot and cover with salted cold water. Bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to medium-high, and cook for 15 to 20 minutes, until the potatoes are tender when pierced with a fork. Drain.
2. Meanwhile in a small pot, warm the butter and milk over medium-low heat.
3. Place the potatoes in a large bowl and mash them with a potato masher, adding a little of the warm milk-and-butter mixture as you go. Continue to mash until the lumps are gone. Add just enough of the milk mixture to get a creamy consistency. Then whip the potatoes with a fork and season with salt and pepper to taste.
4. You can make the potatoes a little ahead of time and keep them warm in a low oven, well covered, until ready to serve.

JUMBLE KIDS
THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME!®
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

The letters of these crazy words are all mixed up. To play the game, put them back into the right order so that they all make real words you can find in the dictionary. Write the letters of each real word under each crazy word, but only one letter to a square.

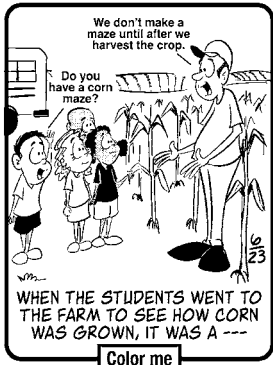
Now you're ready to solve today's Jumble for Kids. Study the picture for a hint. Play around with the letters in the circles. You'll find you can put them in order so that they make your funny answer.



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Jumble: RFY VENT
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What to expect when adopting a shelter dog

Millions of dogs reside in shelters or in foster homes just waiting for someone to make them permanent members of their family. The ASPCA says there are nearly four million dogs in shelters across America. Bringing home a puppy or an older dog can be an exciting, selfless endeavor.

Shelter dogs have the capacity to be loving, devoted pets. Unfortunately, many such dogs have been dealt difficult hands, ending up in shelters through no fault of their own.

Prospective pup parents should be aware that there can be a transitional period as dogs acclimate to their new homes. Understanding what to expect the first few weeks and months can be helpful.

- **Creatures of habit:** Dogs are creatures of habit and feel most comfortable when they know what to expect. Moving from a shelter into a home can be a big change. Shelter dogs will need time to understand the workings of a household. By remaining consistent and patient, dog owners can help their pooches acclimate to their new surroundings. Feed the dog at the same time and place each day. Take the dog for a walk the same time each day with the same route. Knowing what to expect can be calming for the dog.

- **Housetraining regression:** New puppies likely do not fully know the rules of housetraining, but even older dogs who may have been housetrained can regress in a new environment. Pet parents may have to go back to basics and reinforce housetraining lessons.

- **Shyness and anxiety:** It's impossible to know what dogs went through before landing in a shelter. Shelter workers may have conducted certain tests, such as food



aggression or resource guarding, but that only paints part of the picture. It will take time for the dog to trust and understand, and dogs may be timid and experience anxiety for a brief period. Some may even act out by exhibiting damaging behavior.

- **Safe space:** The experts at Hill's Pets advise employing a crate that can serve as a den for the dog. It not only is an area that can keep the dog out of trouble as he or she learns the rules of the house, but it also can serve as a safe haven that is familiar and comforting.

- **Training classes:** Enroll in training classes so that the pup begins to learn commands. Obedience training also helps keep the animal safe.

- **Vet care:** Make an appointment to have the shelter dog checked over by a vet as soon as possible. This helps everyone get on a vaccination schedule and can pinpoint illnesses or behavior problems. Many shelter dogs have common communicable illnesses like kennel cough or worms that require prompt treatment.

Shelter dogs can become warm and loving pets with the right care and a little patience.

Word Search

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Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times

Guess Who?

I am a singer born on November 9, 1973 in Kentucky. I wanted to be a sports therapist while studying in college, but I ended up in a popular, independently formed boy band with a name that calls to mind body temperature.

Answer: Nick Lachey

Puzzle Answers

Midweek Sudoku, Crossword Puzzle and Jumbles are located in the last Midweek's issue. All other puzzles are located throughout this edition of the Tri-County Times.

WEEKEND SCRAMBLE ANSWERS

Scrambles:
RABBLE, INSIGHT,
MODEST, MEDIAN
Answer: **ADMITTED**

MIDWEEK SUDOKU ANSWERS

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WEEKEND SUDOKU ANSWERS

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MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles:
KNACK, GUARD,
CACTUS, MINGLE
Answer:
The tennis player
couldn't find his
equipment in the
closet and was —
MAKING A RACKET



MIDWEEK CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Solution Time: 25 min.

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WEEKEND WORD SEARCH ANSWERS

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WEEKEND CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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David's Dabblings

Some thoughts about sports and others not dealing with sports at all



DETROIT SPORTS SCENE IS DOWNRIGHT DEPRESSING

People think when someone is a sports reporter, that means that person watches a bunch of sports during the course of the week.

The truth of the matter is I'm willing to bet most sports fans watch more athletic events on television during the course of a week than I will within a month.

Why? It's because most major sporting events during the weekdays take place at night. And guess what I do during most nights during the school year — yup, I watch a bunch of prep sports.

But there are times during the school year I get to be a 'normal' Detroit sports fan. I am enjoying one of those periods right now — in between the fall and winter sports seasons. So during the next couple of weeks — and again around the winter break weeks — I will be able to enjoy our Detroit sports teams a bit more than usual.

Unfortunately though, I'm learning that maybe there's

See **DABBLING** on 39

Krusniak returns to helm of Fenton/Linden hockey squad

By David Troppens

The new Fenton-Linden co-op hockey coach won't need too much of an introduction to area prep hockey fans.

Matt Krusniak, who coached the Fenton Tigers about seven seasons ago, returns at the helm of Fenton-Linden program.

"It feels good to be back in the saddle," Krusniak said. "A combination of things — my family and my son wanted to play hockey, so I gave it up to coach him. The timing was right to come back. The opportunity presented itself so I decided to

put my name in the hat again."

The team will experience a pretty nice way to open the season as well. The team's first game will be at the University of Michigan's Yost Arena Tuesday against Davison at 6:30

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Sports Times



Tigers bringing 12 athletes to state swim meet

■ Fenton looking for high placing at event being hosted at Oakland University

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity girls swim team is going to be mighty busy on Nov. 22 at Oakland University.

That's the day and the venue of the opening session of the Division 2 State Swimming and Diving Championships, and the Tigers will have a large group of competitors competing in many events at the pool.

The Tigers will be bringing 12 athletes to compete in at least 11 of the events at the state meet being held at Oakland University's pool.

"It's super-exciting," Fenton sophomore and one-time individual Division 2 state 200 individual medley champion Gracie Olsen said. "I think



The Fenton varsity girls swimming and diving team is bringing 12 athletes to the Division 2 State Swimming and Diving Championships. Photo: David Troppens

we are all super-excited, especially after Metros. There were a few girls and another relay so close to getting the cut

and it was so exciting when they made it. We knew they would, but it was just

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Varner begins his tenure with Holly girls basketball squad

■ New Bronchos' mentor has a deep history with Fenton, Linden girls programs

By David Troppens

Ben Varner has coaching in his blood.

"I just love coaching basketball," Varner said. "I just love it. I love the competition of it and the strategy of it. I love coaching the kids. It seems to keep me younger. I love practicing with them and doing shooting drills. It's just awesome."

So when the Holly varsity girls basketball coaching position came up, Varner jumped at the chance to become a varsity mentor again. When practices officially started on Monday, Varner officially began his first practices as Holly's new girls mentor.

Varner has a long resume

of experience within the area. Last season he was the varsity girls assistant coach at Corunna. Prior to that he was Linden's varsity girls basketball coach for eight seasons, and prior to that coached at Bendle as the girls head coach for two seasons. He was in the trio-county area before Bendle when he was the JV coach for the Fenton varsity girls program for six seasons.

Varner is replacing David Hall who retired from the position after last season.

"(Corunna varsity girls basketball coach) Ron Birchmeier gave me a great opportunity to help him out and it was a great time. I loved every minute of it," Varner said. "But when I found out about the Holly job, I thought that would be another great opportunity, so when (Holly athletic director) Casey (Lombard) offered me the job,



Ben Varner talks to his Linden varsity girls basketball bench during game in 2016. Varner is Holly's new varsity girls basketball coach this season. He is replacing David Hall who resigned the position after the 2018-19 season. File photo: Mark Bolen

I couldn't be any happier."

Official practices started for all girls Michigan prep

basketball teams last Monday. Varner has been learning about his team through some

other periods he's had with the squad. Varner likes

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the process. Now, we have our adrenaline up and we think all of the relays will do well."

"I feel really good," junior Abigail Dolliver said. "This year, we qualified more than we have the previous year and I'm excited that we have more girls going this year than we have before."

"It's exciting. We are seeded higher than we have ever been seeded before and I'm lucky to be part of the relays that are seeded so high," senior Lillie Kromer said. "We have Gracie and we have such a big team. It's the biggest group we've had in my high school career, and really almost ever with the amount of qualifying times."

The Tigers have nine swimmers going — Olsen, Dolliver (200 individual medley), Kromer (50 freestyle and 100 freestyle), Sophie Stefanac (200 freestyle and 500 freestyle), Halee Alexander (100 butterfly), and Madeline Kazmierski (500 freestyle). Three drivers — Chloe Mallard, Emma Jump and

Morgan Smith — are also competing.

Holly's Rebecca Costigan will be at the meet as well, competing in the 100 breaststroke.

As of press time, Olsen's two individual events haven't been determined. She is qualified and rated highly in many of the individual events. She is the defending state champion in the 200 individual medley and was the runner up in the 100 butterfly last season during her freshman year. Olsen said the decision of which events will be determined by her and Fenton varsity girls swim coach Brad Jones.

"We will look at the way the meet is set up and decide what would be best while we get ready," Olsen said.

The team is still working hard in preparation of the meet.

"I'm seeing a lot of girls and we've all been training really hard," Kromer said. "It's nice to see the times drop in practice and seeing the last little bit of effort everyone is putting in right now. It's amazing to see how far each girl has come."

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not too much to 'enjoy.' For example, I didn't have great expectations for the Pistons this winter but watching this squad is mighty challenging.

The team is based on two aging superstars who are frequently injured — Blake Griffin and Derrick Rose. And their past tendencies have come to fruition. Twelve games into the season, Griffin has played just 24 minutes in one contest while Rose has played in seven games. Compounding matters, this team can't play a lick of defense. Seemingly every time I sit down to watch a game, the Pistons trail by double-digits before I realize the contest has started. And seemingly teams threaten scoring 120 points each contest. Predictably, the Pistons are 4-8 and will probably finish woefully out of the playoff hunt. They've been a tough watch.

Of course, Sundays aren't any easier. Remember when Lions' fans were complaining about the officiating when Detroit lost to Green Bay? Supposedly the only thing keeping Detroit out of first were the refs. Instead they were now in last place. Since then, the Lions have fallen flat on their faces and remain in last on their own merit. Chances are the Lions will remain in last and continue their streak of no playoff victories since 1991.

The Red Wings are on a nice roll and I was able to watch an overtime victory. However, how the mighty has fallen. It's been seven seasons since the Wings have won a playoff series, and they are more likely going to finish in dead last than make the playoffs this season.

Wow, Detroit sports fans truly have nothing to hang their hat on, and it doesn't look like that's going to change any time soon either. I really don't know how long I can handle this depression.

So exactly when does the winter prep sports season begin again? I need a break from this.

KRUSNIAK

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p.m. What was a scheduling mishap actually worked out to the team's benefit when the game had to be rescheduled to a different venue.

"We didn't have our ice rink for that date, so we thought let's see if we can get ice at Yost," Krusniak said.

It ended up being a successful alternative.

Krusniak has had a handful of practices with his squad of 21 players.

"We've got a great group of kids," Krusniak said. "We have a lot of team speed. They are all hockey players. They have all played competitive hockey and most have played some travel hockey, so they are experienced players."

Among the seniors are Brendan Miles, Trevor Isaacson, Lincoln Wright, Heyden Justus and goalie Loren Jones.

"We have a good mix of senior leadership and freshmen youth," Krusniak said. "We have a good mix of size and speed so we have a lot of options of how we want to put together our team and the lines."

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the players' work ethic.

"I like how hard these kids play," Varner said.

"I haven't had a whole lot of time with them. I've done some three-player work outs with the kids and those who are able to come and they've been hard-working kids. They really seem to want to get after it this year. I'm very excited about that.

"Right now we are doing some conditioning so I'm learning about the kids. ... The first couple of days are going to be crazy, learning everyone's names and figuring out who is going to fit where, maybe see if any underclassmen are coming up. I'm excited to figure it out. I want to have a couple of practices and see if we are going to be a defensive team, be able to run or how good of shooters we have. I can't wait until ... we get all the pieces together."

The Bronchos begin their season Dec. 3 at Lakeland High School.



Goalie Loren Jones makes a save during one of last year's games. Jones is one of the Fenton/Linden Griffins' returning players. File photo: Mark Bolen

The schedule will be a challenging one. Among the early games are the Davison contest, a game against Powers on Nov. 27 and a contest against Romeo on Nov. 30.

"We have a tough schedule," Krusniak said. "We are looking forward to a good season. It feels great to be back on the ice. I have a great assistant coaching staff and we're ready to rock."

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