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Fenton doctor could get two years in federal prison

■ She and co-conspirators plead guilty to fraud, kickback violations involving UAW Health Care Fund

Dr. April Tyler, 57, a Fenton area doctor, pleaded guilty to violating the anti-kickback statute on Nov. 6. Tyler's conspirators, Patrick Wittbrodt, 44, of Grand

Blanc and Jeffrey Fillmore, 31, of Clio, pleaded guilty to healthcare fraud on March 6 and Nov. 19, respectively.

Tyler's office was at Fenton Creative Healthcare in

Fenton Township.

The defendants' complex fraud and kickback scheme involved UAW members and medically unnecessary compounded pain creams, scar

creams, pain patches and/or vitamins. According to court documents, the defendants caused an approximate \$8 million loss to Medicare and

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Once, twice a state champion

Fenton sophomore Gracie Olsen gets a high-five from Fenton varsity girls swimming coach Brad Jones as he prepares to give Olsen her first-place medal for winning the Division 2 state championship in the 200-yard freestyle at Oakland University. See stories on page 41. Photo: David Troppens

Wheelchair-bound man dies from injuries

■ Struck by vehicle as he crossed Owen Road on Sunday night

By Sharon Stone

Stephen Bale, 52, of Fenton, died from his injuries Monday, Nov. 25 at Ascension Genesys Hospital in Grand Blanc Township. He was involved in a pedestrian injury crash with a 1993 Chevrolet

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Stephen Bale

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“Ridiculing the young for not understanding old tech is divisive. Ridiculing the old for ignoring the current fad is divisive. We all benefit from working together, combining new technology with old experience.”

“Wouldn't it be nice to see scholars of the week along with the athletes of the week? There is such an emphasis on talented athletes. I was under the impression that school was about academics. Please share the wealth with those who are talented in other ways as well.”

COMMENT
OF THE WEEK

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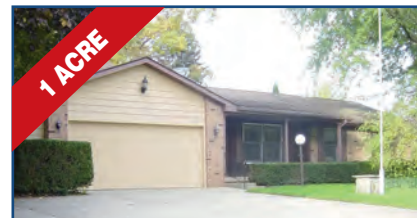
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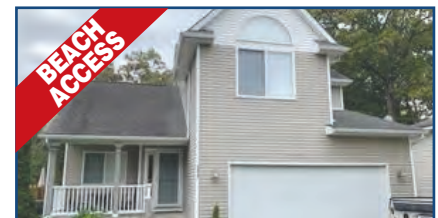
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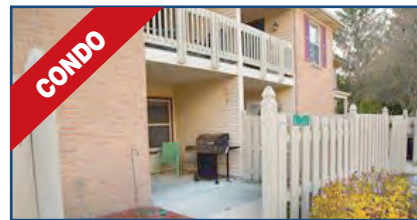
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Vinyl, once a retro thing, is viable business again

■ Record sales growing while CD sales are stagnant; streaming is still king of all media

By Tim Jagielo

Fenton — “How is there music on this flat black disc?” This question propelled 28-year-old Fenton resident Peter Putnam on a 15-year obsession with vinyl records.

It started with studying Thomas Edison’s phonograph, which led to him digesting the science, math and technology behind this enduring music medium. He now has about 2,500 records, which he plays with his Teac TN300 with receiver and speakers.

Putnam said vinyl is his primary way of listening to music. Of his titles, many are out of print. He feels a bit like a music historian or even archeologist. He has mainstream music and even single recordings of a Detroit band from the 1950s, who never released another physical album.

This hobby started as a “nerd thing” in middle school but is now not only cool again, but also a viable part of the national music business.



Peter Putnam of Fenton sits in his entertainment room, which contains 2,500 vinyl records and even some wax cylinders. He said records can let you hear details missed in digital formats. **Photos: Tim Jagielo**

The trend that began approximately 10 years ago has continued growing. Vinyl is back, and it’s encroaching on CD sales, according to the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA).

Physical media — CDs and vinyl — are only 9 percent of the U.S. music industries’ revenue today. Most of the revenues, 80 percent, are streaming services. Streaming is where the industry will focus,



Putnam lifts the tone arm to set it upon one of his records on Tuesday, Nov. 26.

but they’ll likely keep producing record albums as long as people buy them.

Vinyl album sales are growing while CD sales are almost stagnant. In 2018, vinyl brought in \$198.6 million, while CDs brought in \$245.9 million. So far in 2019, vinyl sold \$224.1 million, versus CDs at \$247.9 million. Vinyl is expected to overtake CDs this year.

Many big box stores like Target, Best Buy and Barnes & Noble are selling new record albums. These include recent releases.

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Mark my words

By Mark Rummel



Mark Rummel

Holidays are tough for many

All the songs (and TV ads) tell us this is “the most wonderful time of the year.” Yes, it is a special and glorious season for most folks.

Celebrating these holidays with family and friends are top priorities right now, as they should be. But there is more stress, sadness, depression, frayed nerves, harsh words and over-eating these days, too, for a large number of people. That’s the reason many call this the “blue Christmas” holiday season.

Fifty and more years ago, diseases were the main concerns for medical experts. Children and adults were battling polio, tuberculosis, measles, mumps, scarlet fever, rickets and more. Thanks to truly amazing medical discoveries, vaccines and treatments have been developed to eliminate polio, measles, scarlet fever, mumps and more. As a 5-year-old a long time ago, I vividly remember how my own mother sobbed in relief and joy after all three of her boys had gotten their polio shots.

Some of the top health conditions Americans face today are hypertension, major depression, high cholesterol, coronary artery disease, cancer,

diabetes and substance abuse. We have actually brought many of these on ourselves, although unintentionally.

Today, we ourselves make many of our health conditions worse. Experts list poor nutrition, limited physical activity, being overweight plus tobacco use and substance abuse as our top medical challenges. But if humans truly tried, we could change how we personally handle many of these, resulting in better overall health.

A half-century ago, mental health

was rarely discussed in polite society. It was surrounded by secrecy and shame. Many people went untreated. Today, we’re more willing to seek mental health treatment, which hits so close to home for so many. Admitting you need help is certainly the first step toward resolving — and overcoming — poor health.

We shouldn’t let the bright holiday lights fool or confuse us. Holidays are difficult times for many folks. The best gift any of us can give — or get — is offering a kind word, a friendly greeting or giving some special help to those who need support. These folks are closer than you think.

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WAS WONDERING WHO fixes the road in front of YaYa’s off Silver Lake Road. There is a big pothole there and thought I was going to bust a spring when I hit it.

CHILDREN WHO AREN’T taught how to become financially independent adults, who can find and maintain a home, provide meals, healthcare, transportation for themselves before they take on dependents, will always be dependent on someone else to pay their way, generally the American taxpayer, like generations of American families today.

A BIG THANKS to the Fenton businesses that support Veterans on Veterans Day (Applebee’s, Little Caesars, Jets).

I AM THANKFUL for Tuffy Muffler on Owen Road and Advanced Auto Parts on Fenton Road. This past month Chad and his crew and the guys at Advanced kept my family on the road. They are great and honest.

GOD PREFERS KIND atheists over hateful Christians.

What’s your favorite artist or album?

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter

street talk



“Five years ago it would have been Pearl Jam. They don’t put out new music anymore. Five years before that it was R.E.M.”

Chris Heron
Fenton Township



“I have so many. I like old ‘80s music. I like Guns N’ Roses, Nirvana, Pink Floyd. My favorite song is ‘Sweet Child O’ Mine’ by Guns N’ Roses.”

Paige Phelps
Fenton



“My favorite I’ve been listening to is Howard Shore. My go-to album is the ‘Cuphead’ soundtrack. It’s a lot of jazz and swing type of music.”

Jacob Hoffman
Fenton Township



“My favorite artist is Elvis Presley but I don’t have a particular favorite album of his. My favorite album overall is ‘Back in Black’ by AC/DC.”

Brad Willis
Fenton



“What I’ve been listening to mostly for the last few days is Three Days Grace’s ‘Outsider.’ I listen to a lot of old emo like Fall Out Boy, Breaking Benjamin mixed with rock like Queen and Elton John.”

Kalynn Kennedy, Byron

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According to the National Health Service (NHS), along with many other respected scientific organizations, new research is now clearly demonstrating that steroid injections actually worsen or exacerbate arthritis and its symptoms.

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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Linden residents Stephanie and Chad Johnson stand with their children, Michael, 17, Max, 7 and Madelynn, 5. They moved to Linden in late July. *Submitted photo*

Have you seen the Linden gnomes?

■ Christmas statues help new family be a part of Linden community

By Hannah Ball

Along with festive wreaths hung on light poles and a Christmas tree to be lit at the old Fairbanks gas station property this Sunday, Linden also is getting into the holiday spirit with Christmas gnomes.

It started at Linden Pay It Forward's annual fundraiser Fire & Ice, when Chad and Stephanie Johnson, who moved from Arizona to Linden in late July, saw that a gnome was part of the silent auction.

"I thought, 'oh my gosh, he's so cute.' I told my husband we had to have him," Stephanie said.

The bid turned into a fun game between them and Linden Kitchen & Bath, but ultimately the Johnsons won.

However, Stephanie said the 4-foot gnome was "too cute" to only stay on their porch, so they let him stay at Linden Kitchen & Bath for a few

days. After that, the Johnsons received emails asking if the gnome could go to other businesses and events.

"They decided it would be fun to have the gnome move around town and visit different places to get acclimated to his new home," said Denise Marks, who runs Pay It Forward. "In the process, I named him Roman RoundTown."

So far, Roman RoundTown has visited Linden Kitchen & Bath, Linden Conney Island, The Tea Rose Café and most recently Cub Scout Troop #111 which was packing boxes for Desert Storm, Inc., that sends care packages to troops overseas.

Roman the gnome won't be the only Christmas statue in town.

"Every few days, Roman is visiting different Linden businesses or community events while he waits for the rest of his 26 family members to arrive next weekend. The Pay It Forward gnome tribe will be adorning the sidewalks and porches of Linden for the upcoming holidays," Marks said.

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Linden to host tree lighting ceremony Sunday

■ 'Cocoa and Carols' will kick off Christmas season

By Hannah Ball

On Sunday, Dec. 1 at 6 p.m., the city of Linden invites the public to attend a tree lighting ceremony called "Cocoa and Carols."

This event, sponsored by the Linden Downtown Development Authority in collaboration with Linden's Holiday Happening, will feature a Christmas tree put up at the old Fairbanks gas station location off Broad Street in downtown Linden. On Sunday, attendees can watch the tree be lit while enjoying hot chocolate and singing carols.



**YOUR
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By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

FLOSSING

As most of you are now aware, the Associated Press and the US News and World Reports released an article stating that according to their investigative research there is no scientific evidence to support the ongoing recommendation by us dentists that daily flossing has any positive effect on the health of your mouth. They are dead wrong. It must have been a really slow week in the news business. Their investigation is flawed because they only looked at short term studies of a year or less. The problem is that dental disease such as gum disease take years to progress and a short study probably won't show much improvement in the test subjects gum health after such a short period of time. It's like doing a research study on the benefits of fertilizer for plants that lasts for only one week. At the end of one week the researcher notices no difference between the fertilized and unfertilized plant and reports there is no benefit for using fertilizer on your plants. Unfortunately, the AP did their own, independent investigative search of the dental literature without any input from true dental experts such as the ADA. So, research or no; I can't help but notice those people in my practice who brush and floss on a regular basis tend to have better teeth than those who don't. Bottom line: "If you want to keep them, floss if ya got-um".

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■ Fenton woman arrested for drunk driving, reckless driving after roundabout incident

By Sharon Stone

A 21-year-old Fenton woman was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and reckless driving following an incident at the roundabout at Torrey and North roads Saturday, Nov. 23.

Lt. Jeff Cross said officer Julie Bemus was finishing a crash investigation in The Barn parking lot at 2:27 p.m. That crash had occurred on U.S. 23, however, and the vehicles involved pulled into the parking lot for safety reasons.

While finishing her investigation, Bemus heard a vehicle squeal its tires as it drove quickly around the roundabout. The noise caught the officer's attention and she began watching the vehicle drive around the roundabout several times. The car eventually exited the roundabout onto North Road



and drove up over a curb.

Bemus followed the car to initiate a traffic stop. The driver of the car eventually pulled over on a side street when her car became inoperable with transmission trouble.

Bemus made contact with the female driver who claimed she took a drive after becoming upset over an argument. Bemus determined the woman was intoxicated and arrested her for OWI and reckless driving. There were no injuries reported and there was no damage done to the roundabout.

A security camera at Smitty's Exit 80 caught the woman's driving in the roundabout.

Linden councilor warns against baiting deer

■ Chronic wasting disease reported in Shiawassee County; 133 deer infected since 2015

By Hannah Ball

Linden — The Michigan Department of Natural Resources has banned baiting due to the prevalence of chronic wasting disease (CWD), and Linden Councilor Pamela Howd is stressing that residents need to listen.

"There's an epidemic in deer disease that's been coming up through the last couple of years to the point that this year, baiting has been banned in the Lower Peninsula and in select areas in the Upper Peninsula," she said at the Monday, Nov. 25 council meeting.

Howd works for the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) as an environmental education specialist. She attended Central Michigan University and the University of Michigan, and has degrees in biological science with chemistry.

She's an active runner and often walks with her son, when she sees possible baiting occur.

"We've noticed that some people are baiting in their backyards. Baiting is considered piling corn, feeders, there's a lot of things that can be considered baiting,"

See BAITING DEER on 23

NOTICE OF SKIMMING INCIDENT

Financial Plus Credit Union recently discovered that in October 2019 a skimming device capable of capturing information from cards as they were swiped, was placed on an ATM at its Corunna Road Branch location. The skimming device was placed on the ATM located at G-5256 Corunna Road, Flint, MI 48532 from 6:24 a.m. on October 19, 2019 until 9:42 p.m. on October 20, 2019. Upon discovering the situation, it immediately alerted law enforcement, began an internal investigation, and confirmed the removal of the skimming device from the ATM.

This incident affected only card transactions made at the Corunna Road Branch location during the times listed above. The skimming device is believed to have acquired cardholders' names, card numbers, expiration dates and personal identification numbers (PIN). The skimming device did not acquire Social Security numbers, driver's license numbers, addresses, phone numbers or any other financial information.

Financial Plus Credit Union has contacted its affected members to notify them of the incident and those members should refer to the notification letter they will receive in the mail regarding steps they can take to protect themselves. Individuals who believe that they may have been affected by this incident, or have questions regarding this incident, can visit the Financial Plus Credit Union website (www.myfpcu.com) or call 800-748-0451.



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Another Silver Parkway tenant revealed

■ Children's apparel retailer expected to open in April 2020

By Vera Hogan

Another tenant has been revealed for the new shopping complex on Silver Parkway, which is now home to T.J. Maxx, Five-Below and Skechers. Michaels is expected to move to its new location in the complex after the first of the year.

Michaels Manager Tim Storey said there is no solid date yet but that they would be moving from the store's current location on the north end of the parkway to its new retail space in the early spring.

"A move right now would be very disruptive to our customers during the busy holiday season," Storey said.

According to Kris Krstovski, president and founder of K2 Retail Construction & Development in Wixom, who is developing the property, Carter's/

OshKosh B'gosh will be opening in its new location in April 2020.

Another tenant has been signed for the remaining retail space, but Krstovski is not yet at liberty to reveal its name.

According to cartersoshkosh.ca, "In 2005, OshKosh B'gosh joined the Carter's family of brands. Together, OshKosh B'gosh and Carter's are two of the oldest, largest and most-recognized brands of baby and children's apparel in North America."

Carter's is the leading brand in young children's apparel in Canada. "Our designs are based on a heritage of quality and innovation that has earned them the trust of generations of families," according to its website. "Quality fabrics, adorable designs and attention to detail come together to create a brand parents have trusted for generations."

OshKosh began creating kids jeans fashioned to look just like dad's iconic overalls. Fast forward over a 100 years, and OshKosh kids jeans are still one of their bestselling items.



About the development

K2 Construction Retail Services of Wixom purchased the former Kmart property on 12.7 acres in Silver Lake Village from the Kmart Corporation on July 17, 2018 for \$2.8 million.

The Kmart building was razed to make way for a new retail shopping center covering 72,214 square feet.

The original building was built in 1995.

In late May of 2018, it was announced that the property would be developed by K2 Construction Retail Services, Inc. and be converted into several retail spaces.

Development of two outlots on the property also is planned by K2, but further information on that is not yet available.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

SENTENCING SET FOR LINDEN TEEN

David Rollins, 18, of Linden was arraigned Sept. 28 in Genesee County 67th District Court on one felony count of breaking and entering of a building on July 10, 2018. According to Linden police, Rollins broke into Hyatt Elementary School with intent to steal. Police were dispatched when the school's security system picked up male voices at 1:20 a.m. There are two unidentified juvenile co-defendants. Rollins was released on personal bond. On Oct. 16, Rollins pleaded guilty to breaking and entering a building with intent to steal in Genesee County Circuit Court. With the plea agreement, Rollins has requested the Holmes Youth Trainee Act (HYTA), which would remove his criminal record. Sentencing has been scheduled for Dec. 9 at 9 a.m.



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Beware of scams, online shopping schemes

■ Better Business Bureau offers tips to prevent falling victim to online scammers

According to the National Retail Federation, in 2018 consumers spent an average of \$313.29 on gifts and other holiday items over the five-day period between Thanksgiving and Cyber Monday. The most popular items are apparel, toys, books, and video games.

The Monday following Black Friday, known as Cyber Monday, has become one of the top shopping days of the year. In 2018, consumers spent a record-breaking \$7.9 billion on online purchases on that day alone.

But online shopping — even on Cyber Monday — has risks. Be wary of misleading advertisements, look-alike websites, and untrustworthy sellers. The following tips will help you shop online this holiday season, so you can achieve maximum savings while keeping your personal information and hard-earned money secure.

Last year, Eastern Michigan consumers reported a total loss of over \$33,000 to online shopping scams during the holiday season. Another \$25,000 was attempted but the scammers were unsuccessful.

To keep the holiday season safe and enjoyable, BBB offers the following tips.

- **Read the fine print.** Some retailers may offer an additional percentage off your purchase, but could exclude certain deals or items such as “door busters.” Also, be cautious of companies that boast a high percentage off; the item may be “75 percent off,” but the original price could be inflated.

- **Do your research.** Read product reviews on extremely discounted items. It could be a cheaper model or brand advertised, and not what you initially think you’re getting. As you look through the sales flyers and ads, check BBB.org for Business Profiles of the stores you want to visit, and read what other customers’ have experienced.

- **Beware of false advertising and phony websites.** If a company is selling the hottest item of the year at a price that seems too good to be true, it probably is. Watch out for false advertising and keep a close eye

on the web address in your browser. Scammers love to create lookalike websites that, at first glance, appear to belong to a trusted retailer. Make sure websites use the correct spelling of a business name and have legitimate contact information and customer service numbers.

- **Shop with trustworthy sellers on secure sites only.** Be wary of businesses you aren’t familiar with. Check their

BBB Business Profile on BBB.org, look at the rating, and read customer reviews. In addition, be sure any web page you purchase from is secure. Secure web addresses begin with HTTPS:// and not just HTTP://. Never put personal or credit card information in forms on non-secure web pages.

- **Watch out for phishing scams.** Busy schedules and increased purchases make it easier to miss — and

fall victim to — a phishing scam. Look out for unsolicited emails, texts, calls, or letters. These messages may claim you have a free gift waiting for you or that there is a problem with a delivery — all you need to do is click on a link or give up your personal information. Avoid phishing scams by ignoring suspicious correspondence and calls from unfamiliar phone numbers.

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VINYL

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Putnam's oldest item is an Edison wax cylinder from 1890. The newest is an album of music from the Netflix series "Stranger Things."

The bulk of his collection is vintage original pressings. "I like hearing the music how it was originally intended to be heard," he said.

New record albums sell for more than \$20 at stores, while CDs typically cost closer to \$15.

Real ii Reel recording studio owner Marshall Block of Tyrone Township said, "No one buys CDs anymore." He urges his artists to record a single, stream it, and look for results that way.

According to the RIAA, CD sales peaked in 2000, with \$13.2 billion in sales accounting for 93 percent of all music revenue. In 2018, CDs were less than \$700 million of a \$9.8 billion music market. For a while, cassette tapes were the preferred medium.

Local recording musicians are also pressing vinyl. Block said he has two artists releasing such albums — Frijid Pink and Flint artist Todd Gilbert. "It's a boutique thing," Block said.



Putnam's most prized album is this rare Paramount Record of blues musician Lemon Jefferson. (Lower left) These shellac records were recorded for, and sold to black audiences at a time when they were known as "race music." **Photos: Tim Jagielo**

“I like hearing the music how it was originally intended to be heard.”

Peter Putnam
Vinyl record enthusiast

Local shoppers are buying up vintage vinyl. Stacy Meilcarek of Yesterday's Treasures antique shop said vinyl albums are a hot seller. Several readers commented on Facebook about their preference for the medium, including Katy Golden, Holly Downtown Development Authority director. She said she has 300 albums and two record players.

Recently, Jack's Record Stache used and new music store opened in downtown Flint. Jellybeans Used Bookstore, which also sold records, was damaged by fire in 2014. Another location closed in 2012.



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Neuropathy Pain & Numbness in your Hands/Feet?

By Erica Rainer

Reprint due to successful response.



If YOU suffer from Neuropathy, Pain and Numbness in your Hands and or Feet, we have some news, though Drugs, Surgeries and Injections are Failing, there is now new hope for you, and anyone suffering with this life altering condition.

Neuropathy is a term used to describe the breakdown and damage to the nerves in the hands arms, legs and feet due to a lack of blood supply and nutrients getting to the nerve. It can be caused from Diabetes, Peripheral Vascular Disease, Poor Metabolic Health, Chemo Therapy, Agent Orange Exposure, Misaligned Spinal Bones and so on. "Patients experience extreme sensations, loss of feeling or even **no feeling in their hands and/or feet** along with muscles spasms, pain, weakness, numbness, tingling and burning sensations and have a very hard time with balance" says Dr. James Ide, clinic director at Painless Chiropractic of Fenton. Other symptoms associated with the condition are problems with urination, bladder and bowel control, sexual dysfunction, vomiting, nausea and dizziness among others. **This condition can eventually lead to further nerve damage causing complete loss of leg and/or arm leading to amputation, along with organ failure in some cases.**

Are you or someone you love suffering with weakness, numbness and pain from Nerve Damage in your hands and/ or feet? You are not alone. More than 20 Million people across the United States are dealing with some form of Neuropathy. Most commonly noticed first in the hands and feet, causing weakness, numbness and tingling pain and most debilitat-

ing... balance problems. "Most people find themselves feeling frustrated with no place to turn and no hope of recovery. By the time they come see us, they feel like they have tried everything. Their primary care doctor put them on Anti-Seizure or Epilepsy medications like Gabapentin, Neurotin, Cymbalta or Lyrica and told them they will just have to live with the pain." said Dr. Ide.

That is until now. With recent advancements in nerve regeneration technology and treatment options, clinics all over the world are seeing larger success rates and faster results for their neuropathy patients. "This new technology paired with a multifaceted approach has been life altering for our clinic and our patients. The development and success of the Painless Neuropathy Protocol by Dr. James Ide and his care team at Painless Chiropractic in Fenton has been the talk of the town in recent months. "We have seen an increase in Neuropathy patients and the results that they are getting in such a short amount of time is truly amazing" said Kaitlin Johnson, the Patient Advocate & Coordinator at the Fenton clinic.

"I dealt with neuropathy in my feet along with low back pain for years. Balance was very difficult, and I had to use a walker at times. After starting with Dr. Ide and the Neuropathy Program, I feel 100% better. Each day I can tell a difference in my feet, my back pain is gone and I'm now sleeping through the night. I am just so thankful that I will be able to fully walk again."

- Henry P.
Brighton MI

There are some things people can do at home to aide in the healing process of their neuropathy however healing neuropathy is an all encompassing process that will require

lifestyle changes along with guidance from a medical professional that is experienced and skilled at doing so.

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My advice, don't wait around suffering a moment longer...

If you or your loved one is experiencing pain, numbness, tingling, pins and needle sensations, cramps and spasms of your legs, hands or feet, along with the many other bodily symptoms this horrible condition pel-ages people with, take action.

Find out if the Painless Neuropathy Protocol can help you regain the feeling in your hands and/or feet and start living your life again!

The program is effective and lasting because it actually treats the nerves at the root cause of the problem.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

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■■■
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■■■
LOOK AT THE American Music Awards. Do you really want these people choosing the next American president?

■■■
THE GREAT LAKES are in imminent danger of being overrun with invasive Asian carp, now appearing on the doorstep of Lake Michigan.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

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LOCAL FINANCIAL ADVISOR QUOTED IN MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Brice Carter, 30, of Fenton Township, was quoted in two major publications. Carter is the Chief Investment Officer of Financial Strategies Group. Over the past week, he was quoted in The

Wall Street Journal and Financial Planning Magazine. The topic for each of the articles was the merger of Charles Schwab and TD Ameritrade. The publications reached out to Carter for comment because Financial Strategies Group has significant client assets held at TD Ameritrade. Carter was quoted as saying, "Competition is good for consumers and advisors of course so if you take one of [Schwab's] biggest competitors out of the marketplace, regulators might have a hard time with that."

BUSINESS BRIEFS

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Pink Night Palooza raises record amount for local cancer patients

Hurley Medical Center and founding sponsor, Financial Plus Credit Union, are pleased to announce \$170,000.37 was raised during October's Pink Night Palooza event and through small fundraisers with community partners. This record amount of donations will be used by Hurley's Breast Cancer Patient Navigation program to help patients keep their homes, cars or even their electricity on while they are off work getting lengthy treatments. Reducing that financial stress allows them to focus on getting better, which we all want.

A big thank you goes to the community partners who raised money through mini-fundraisers for this cause. Organizations that contributed:

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'Every community has homeless people'

■Recent tragedy highlights hidden problem in tri-county area and beyond

By Tim Jagielo

Most people know that homelessness can exist anywhere, including Fenton, Linden and Holly.

"It is a big problem," said Jennifer Strygulec, co-director of Fenton Center of Hope (FCOH). The FCOH is a local community organization with a food pantry, baby closet and pregnancy resource center. They also are referred to local families and individuals living out of their vehicles.

On Monday, Nov. 25, a homeless man, Stephen Bale, 52, was killed while crossing Owen Road at night by wheelchair. It wasn't for lack of help from individuals, police and aid

organizations.

Jennifer's spouse, Bob Strygulec, said they help about one homeless person per week, though they don't have definite numbers. "I can say it's growing," Jennifer said. "Every community has homeless people."

Clients usually come in for assistance with food or other immediate needs, which is when the center finds out they're homeless. For them, gas cards are very helpful. FCOH works on their immediate needs but also on the root issue which led to their homelessness. They might refer them

“Unless you have money saved up for an emergency, it can happen in a couple months. You can be homeless.”

Jennifer Strygulec
Fenton Center of Hope co-director

to check into a hospital or spend hours with someone to talk them through their issue.

"Unless you have money saved up for an emergency, it can happen in a couple months," Jennifer said. "You can be homeless." Jennifer said the root causes can be mental illness or a big life change, such as losing a job, a home or a family member. Even a car crash, which renders you unable

to work, could lead to homelessness.

She said shelters start filling up as the weather cools. Finding temporary emergency housing can be difficult, especially if you're a father with children, or a senior.

"Locally, we have hundreds of people experiencing homelessness," Stacy Daul said, adding that there are

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LOCAL AID RESOURCES:

FARR Network serves those in the Fenton, Lake Fenton and Linden school districts.
farnetwork.org
(810) 750-6244

Fenton Center of Hope assists neighbors who are hungry and in need of resources.
fentoncenterofhope.org
(810) 620-8167
2525 W. Shiawassee Ave., Fenton
Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Snuggle Sacks: Resources for the Homeless provides survival kits with basic essentials like food, toiletry and clothing items. They offer assistance, but can also always use donations and volunteers.
snugglesacks.org
(810) 919-9937

MAN DIES

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Suburban at 8:45 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 24 on Owen Road, west of U.S. 23 in Fenton.

Fenton Police Chief Jason Slater said in a press release Monday afternoon that police were dispatched to a report of a pedestrian who was struck by a vehicle while crossing Owen Road. Bale was wheelchair bound and was crossing from the north side of Owen Road to the south side without utilizing the crosswalk.

Bale sustained serious injuries and died early Monday morning.

The driver of the Suburban was a 38-year-old Fenton woman. She had one other occupant in her vehicle. Neither of them were injured.

Fenton police were assisted by the Fenton Fire Department, Michigan State Police, Genesee County Sheriff's Office and STAT EMS.

Owen Road was closed for several hours to allow officers and detectives to complete the on-scene investigation.

Neither alcohol nor speed are believed to be a factor, however, as standard procedure the Genesee County Prosecutor's Office will review the police report.

Cheryl Burtch of Fenton got to casually know Bale when she regularly saw him sitting outside the Chinese

restaurant on N. LeRoy Street. To her understanding, he was owed some Social Security money, however, the lack of identification was a problem.

She said Bale would sip on coffee, not bothering anyone. One day, she spoke with him and noticed the awful condition of his wheelchair. She decided to give him her brother's old wheelchair, which he was very excited about.

Burtch said several people in the community reached out to Bale to offer help and kindness, including the owner of Growhead grow shop on N. LeRoy. She added that BoRics would give Bale haircuts and Community Threads provided clothes from an account set up by the Growhead owner.

Oftentimes, neighbors or businesses would give Bale gift cards so that he could buy coffee or food. Burtch has even seen strangers walk up to him and give him carryout bags of food. "Steve gave many people the opportunity to show kindness and mercy," Burtch said. "We did it out of the kindness of our hearts because Steve could be any one of us."

Nancy DeKatch, a former caregiver for Bale, said a memorial has been arranged for Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 11 a.m., at Hill Road Baptist Church, at 3500 W. Hill Rd., Flint. For details, call Rev. Kenneth R. Gillardat (810) 238-5572.

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Meet the 2019 Linden Frosty Parade grand marshals

■ Restaurant owners are honored to be recognized

By Hannah Ball

Linden — Karen Stroud and Sharon Flowers, co-owners of the Linden Hotel and Crow's Nest, will lead the Linden Holiday Happening Frosty Parade as grand marshals on Friday, Dec. 6.

Sue Turpen, parade committee member and co-chair of the Fire and Ice fundraiser, told them the news about a month ago.

"Sharon and Karen never stop giving to all groups that work hard in trying to make a difference in Linden," Turpen said. "Their generosity reaches to and beyond the Kiwanis Club, Grow Linden, Linden Arts Council and Linden Holiday Happening and their fundraiser, Fire and Ice. It always involves great food and hospitality and oftentimes at their expense. We are proud and happy to honor this generous family."

Stroud said they were caught off guard, but they were "obviously honored."

Both said they're excited to be on the float with their parents, Jack and Rose Furry, and wave to attendees. However, they're both working that night in the kitchen.

"We work every Friday together," Flowers said.

Nonetheless, they're looking forward to the event.

"It's been great. It draws a lot of people into town," Flowers said. "It's probably by far one of the best events Happening does. It's grown every year. It's been a good event. It's our busiest day of the year."

They're happy that more food trucks will be at the event because people will have more food options beside Linden



Sharon Flowers (left) and her sister, Karen Stroud, are this year's grand marshals of the Linden Holiday Happening Frosty Parade. Photo: Hannah Ball

Hotel and Crow's Nest.

"Most of the time we don't really see the parade because we're working, but it brings the community together and starts off the Christmas season. It becomes a tradition for the people. That's the best part," Stroud said.

Stroud is heavily involved in Grow Linden, which supports events and development in Linden. She works a lot on Ladies Night and both volunteer when they can. Flowers said Stroud is more involved than she is, but they participate in the Fire and Ice fundraiser.

Both said the growth in Linden has been good.

"The more businesses that are here make it more of a destination to come to. The gas station is getting ready to do their remodel and Dr. Wax is across the street so hopefully we'll get some retail. Another restaurant down there will help," Stroud said.

Flowers said she only wishes the growth would happen faster.

Grow Linden has been bringing more business owners together, Stroud said, and it's encouraging people to communicate more, which is helping to make events better. They praised Betty Ciesielski and Turpen for their work with these events in the city.

“It becomes a tradition for the people. That's the best part.”

Karen Stroud
Linden Hotel and Crow's
Nest co-owner

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Our Town

Meet

Kristen Sobanski

- Founder/president of 'Delivering Hope'
- Mother of four
- Active person who loves the outdoors

By Sally Rummel

Kristen Sobanski, 41, and her husband, Eric, 39, have been married since August 2010 and moved to Tyrone Township in 2011. They are the parents of Jacob, 6, Katelyn, 5, Ruby, almost 3 and Caroline, 1. She founded Delivering Hope in 2014 to help provide proper nutrition through weekend/summer food programs and school supplies to students in need in three local school districts: Fenton, Lake Fenton and Linden.

What is your professional background?

I grew up in Sterling Heights and earned my Bachelor of Science degree in Business Logistics and Master of Business Administration from Wayne State University. I am also a Certified Project Manager, using my professional skills to found Delivering Hope and serve as its president. My greatest personal achievement is being a mom to our four amazing kiddos.

Why did you start Delivering Hope?

It has always been my passion to work for a non-profit to help children in need. When I was eight months pregnant with Katelyn, my husband suggested we start our own non-profit group in our own community. I was surprised and saddened by the large number of local children impacted by childhood poverty.

I knew right then that we had our mission and Delivering Hope was

“I was surprised and saddened by the large number of local children impacted by childhood poverty.”

born in late 2014.

What is its mission?

Our mission is to feed children's minds and bodies. We are doing that through our four programs; Food Assistance Program, Book Giveaway Program, School Supplies Giveaway Program and Project Hope.

At Delivering Hope, we sponsor 150 students in the three local school districts on the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan's Backpack Program. This program provides food every weekend for the entire school year. We also provide weekend food

assistance for children not eligible for the backpack program, for example the Head Start Program. We have also launched a Summer Food assistance program to help these same students and their families during the summer months.

Our biggest Book Giveaway was in May, giving more than 3,000 books to help local children maintain their reading skills over the summer months. Our newest program, Project Hope, is aimed at providing emergency and holiday support to local children in need.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

Our active kids are enrolled in at least a couple activities of their choosing (ballet, tap, gymnastics,

basketball, golf, T-ball, swimming, etc). We want them to explore their interests and find what they are passionate about. They also help sort books and school supplies, and pack food for Delivering Hope programs.



This fall family photo pictures Kristen Sobanski with her husband, Eric, and children Katelyn and Jacob, standing, and Ruby and Caroline, seated. Submitted photo

Where is your favorite place to go as a family?

We like any place that is warm so we can enjoy the outdoors. We love Michigan summers — hanging out at home or at local parks. The kids love the water and are great swimmers. I appreciate a warm weather vacation during the winter.

What is your idea of a perfect Christmas holiday?

The perfect Christmas holiday is a lot of family and kiddos. There are nine kids under age 7 on Eric's side and six kids under 7, plus an older niece and nephew on my side, so the holidays are filled with laughter and family time.

Fenton's Jinglefest is a fun family tradition. I typically work at the MOMS Club Bake Sale booth during the day and then bundle the kids up for the parade in the evening. We all love the Christmas spirit, the lights and festivity and, of course, Santa.

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Bronchos end season on high note



The Holly High School Broncho Marching Band scored a season high 93.3 at the Brandon Invitational on Oct. 19. The marching band's win in Brandon followed a second-place finish among 10 competing bands at the Lapeer Invitational on Oct. 12. The band also performed during the Nov. 25 Detroit Pistons game at Little Caesars Arena. The band now looks ahead to its historic trip to Ireland in March 2020 to perform in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. **Submitted photo**

HOMELESS

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approximately 63,000 in Michigan. Her family founded Snuggle Sacks: Resources for the Homeless.

Homelessness, in part, is experienced by an individual or family who lacks "regular and adequate nighttime residence, such as those living in emergency shelters, transitional housing or places not meant for habitation." This definition is provided by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

The homeless can also include those 14 days away from losing their primary residence with no viable housing plan. Definitions also include unaccompanied youth and those escaping domestic violence.

Daul said her organization has helped 13,000 homeless with their survival packages since 2015. Her daughters, Addisyn and Sheridan Goss, urge anyone who meets someone who they think is homeless to treat them with kindness and respect and to try to link them to a

local aid organization.

Fenton Police Chief Jason Slater said the police have attempted to aid two people who are homeless in the past two years, though police aren't usually involved unless there is a complaint.

One such past complaint involved Bale, in his wheelchair, seen in a traffic lane on Owen Road. Another complaint involved a woman observed sleeping in her car on private property for an extended period of time. Trespassing or squatting on property is illegal.

Police try to get them assistance. They have gone as far as driving Bale to Social Security Administration to get assistance. "We try to use all the resources available to help those folks," Slater said.

He said there are local organizations that can bridge the gap and get those at risk of homelessness through difficult times. Aside from FCOH and Snuggle Sacks, Fenton Area Resource and Referral (FARR) can also get residents assistance to bridge the gap and keep their homes, or keep their lights on.

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DOCTOR

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Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBS). Some of this money was stolen from UAW members' prescription insurance accounts.

Court documents laid out the defendants' scheme:

Due to the high reimbursement rate paid by Medicare and BCBS

for prescription pain cream, scar cream, pain patches and/or vitamins, defendants targeted these insurance plans. Fillmore had acquaintances and personal contacts at the UAW through his job and various family members. Fillmore, Wittbrodt and Tyler would then schedule time at various UAW meetings where defendants would tout pain cream, scar cream, pain patches and vitamins to the UAW members. An aspect of defendants' presentation was that the UAW members could receive their prescriptions free — without paying a prescription drug co-pay at the pharmacy. UAW members did not realize that acceptance of the "free" medications would cost their health care fund millions of dollars.

Defendants would then collect the UAW members' insurance information along with their family members' insurance information. Tyler would then authorize the pain cream, scar

cream, pain patch and/or vitamin prescriptions for the UAW members and/or their family members. Tyler did not establish a valid doctor-patient relationship with any of the UAW members, did not perform a physical exam and did not determine medical necessity for the prescriptions she wrote for the UAW members. The prescriptions were not, therefore, legally eligible for

reimbursement from the various insurance companies. Tyler also pre-signed prescription forms and allowed Wittbrodt and Fillmore to choose which compounded creams, patches and vitamins to write on the prescriptions.

Wittbrodt directed the prescriptions to various pharmacies. The pharmacies would fill the prescriptions, bill the UAW members' insurance and pay a monetary kickback to Wittbrodt, who

would then provide remuneration to Tyler and Fillmore from the kickback he received.

The prescriptions were periodically re-filled and/or re-billed, regardless of whether the UAW member requested a refill or not. The prescription co-pay was waived at the pharmacy for the UAW members.

Also according to court records, each defendant has agreed to the following federal sentencing guidelines:

• Patrick Wittbrodt: 70-87 months in

prison

• Dr. April Tyler: 18-24 months in prison

• Jeffrey Fillmore: 37-46 months in prison

"These unlawful prescriptions cost the UAW health care fund millions of dollars, and the end result was a rip-off of the hard working men and women of the union," said United States Attorney Matthew Schneider in a news release. "We will continue to aggressively prosecute health care fraud and step in to protect UAW workers across Michigan."

"We rely on medical professionals to uphold the integrity of the prescription drug programs by only prescribing medications that are medically indicated and necessary. Circumventing this process solely for personal, financial gain compromises the integrity of these systems and takes away valuable healthcare dollars from patients who truly need the medications. HHS-OIG will continue to work with our law enforcement partners to protect and deter fraud within federal health care programs," said Lamont Pugh III, special agent-in-charge of the Chicago Region

of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General.

"Medical professionals and others should know that we will investigate and bring to justice to those involved in illegal distribution of unneeded drugs," said special-agent-in-charge William P. Conway, FDA Office of Criminal Investigations Chicago Field Office.

"This case demonstrates that collaboration between law enforcement and private insurance investigators is essential in prosecuting those responsible for federal healthcare fraud and kickback violations," said Dan Crowell, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, director of corporate and financial investigations.

This case was investigated by the United States Department of Health and Human Services — Office of Inspector General, the United States Food and Drug Administration and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, under the supervision of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Michigan. Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Heesters and Wayne Pratt are prosecuting the case.

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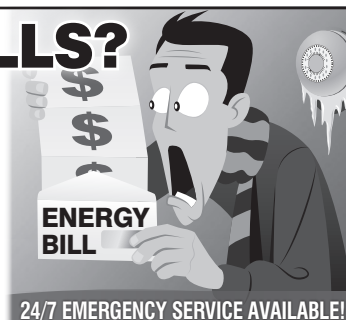
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While joining your local Toastmasters club won't make your Aunt Mildred stop asking when you'll find love and settle down, it can help you be confident and well-spoken in your answer. Long-time member and current Genesee Toastmasters President, Lavon Compton, said, "Toastmasters has helped me to be less self-conscious when answering a question or telling a story. Now I feel comfortable taking a little more time to give details which make the conversation more interesting."

It never hurts to be prepared, either. Before your event, take some time to think about a few of your interesting or unusual hobbies or qualities. This will keep you from being stumped when met with the dreaded, "So tell me about yourself!" Another way to hone the skill of thinking on your feet and answering quickly is the Toastmaster practice of Table Topics. This segment in nearly every club meeting consists of taking 1-2 minutes to answer an impromptu question or cue.

Fenton Area Toastmasters meets every Friday morning — except holidays and Fenton High School snow days — in the training room of the Fenton Fire Department, 205 E. Caroline St., Fenton. Parking and entrance is on the east side of the building. Meetings start promptly at 7:45 a.m. and run for about an hour. Visitors are always welcome. Visit the Fenton Area Toastmasters website by searching their name online, or call (810) 620-7590.



Pictured above are a few of the Christmas gnomes Linden residents can expect to see around the city during the holidays. Submitted photo

GNOMES

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This weekend, more of the gnomes will arrive and Linden residents can expect to see them around the city.

"It's a rather massive fundraiser as gnomes have been purchased and sponsored by community members for the downtown area," Marks said. "Each gnome will have a unique name and we will be working with elementary teachers at Linden for classrooms to adopt one of the gnomes and be sure they are properly cared for during their Linden visit."

Stephanie said it's been great for their family and kids in helping them be a part of a new community.

"With Pay It Forward, we couldn't have asked for anything better to get out there and make our mark on the community. I think it's just been a wonderful experience. Everyone's been so welcoming. My husband and I like to be goofy and have fun, and having the community right behind us is fantastic," Stephanie said.

She doesn't yet know where Roman will be during all Linden holiday occurrences, but the big event will be during the parade at the Linden Holiday Happening Frosty Parade on Friday, Dec. 6, when "Father Gnome" will be on the Pay it Forward float. This gnome is 6 feet tall.

BAITING DEER

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she said. "I think a lot of people are doing it out of maybe ignorance ... they're unaware of the problem but the problem is downright serious because one of the diseases, chronic wasting disease, is caused by something called a prion."

Prions are a protein that can infect other deer and remain infectious in the environment for years. It affects the nervous system of infected animals, and it's transmitted through direct animal-to-animal contact or by contact with saliva, urine, feces, blood, or carcass parts, according to the DNR.

CWD is fatal. Once an animal is infected, there is no recovery.

To date, there is no evidence that CWD can be transmitted to humans, but it's not advised to consume an animal that has been infected.

Howd is worried about deer passing other diseases onto humans.

"The real worry with these dis-

eases is that we could potentially get them," she said.

CWD has been reported in Shiawassee County, just west of Genesee County. Approximately 133 deer have tested positive for CWD since 2015, according to the DNR.

"It's coming our way. It's just a matter of when. But we can take steps to prevent it," she said.

Signs of CWD in deer include a thin or weak body, change in behavior such as loss of fear of

humans, loss of bodily control or movements, and excessive drooling.

If you see a sick deer, document the location and call DNR's Report All Poaching hotline at 1-800-292-7800.

"We want people to be healthy and there are a lot of elderly people in Linden who are susceptible to things," Howd said. "I just think we need to be proactive and make it known that baiting is against the law. No feeding the deer or wild animals."

“It's coming our way. It's just a matter of when. But we can take steps to prevent it.”

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| Tue.... Dec. 3 | 7 p.m..... | at Milford |
| Fri..... Dec. 6 | 7 p.m..... | Durand |
| Fri..... Dec. 13 | 6 p.m..... | at Holly |
| Tue.... Dec. 17 | 7 p.m..... | Corunna |
| Fri..... Dec. 20 | 6 p.m..... | Flushing |
| Tue.... Jan. 7 | 7 p.m..... | at Lake Fenton |
| Fri..... Jan. 10 | 6 p.m..... | Swartz Creek |
| Tue.... Jan. 14 | 7 p.m..... | Owosso |
| Fri..... Jan. 17 | 6 p.m..... | at Fenton |
| Fri..... Jan. 24 | 6 p.m..... | at Kearsley |
| Tue.... Jan. 28 | 7 p.m..... | at Goodrich |
| Fri..... Jan. 31 | 6 p.m..... | Holly |
| Tue.... Feb. 4 | 7 p.m..... | Brandon |
| Fri..... Feb. 7 | 6 p.m..... | at Flushing |
| Tue.... Feb. 11 | 7 p.m..... | at Clio |
| Fri..... Feb. 14 | 6 p.m..... | at Swartz Creek |
| Fri..... Feb. 21 | 6 p.m..... | Fenton |
| Tue.... Feb. 25 | 7 p.m..... | at Montrose |
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JV GIRLS BASKETBALL

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| Tue.... Dec. 3 | 5:30 p.m. | at Milford |
| Fri..... Dec. 6 | 5:30 p.m. | Durand |
| Tue.... Dec. 17 | 5:30 p.m. | Corunna |
| Fri..... Dec. 20 | 4:15 p.m. | Flushing |
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VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

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| Fri..... Dec. 13 | 7:30 p.m. | at Holly |
| Tue.... Dec. 17 | 7 p.m..... | at Corunna |
| Fri..... Dec. 20 | 7:30 p.m. | Flushing |
| Sat.... Dec. 28 | 7 p.m..... | Bridgeport at Corunna |
| Tue.... Jan. 7 | 7 p.m..... | Lake Fenton |
| Fri..... Jan. 10 | 7:30 p.m. | Swartz Creek |
| Tue.... Jan. 14 | 7 p.m..... | at Owosso |
| Fri..... Jan. 17 | 7:30 p.m. | Fenton |
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| Tue.... Feb. 25 | 7 p.m..... | Lapeer |
| Fri..... Feb. 28 | 7:30 p.m. | Kearsley |
| Tue.... Mar 3 | 7 p.m..... | at Henry Ford II |

JV BOYS BASKETBALL

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| Thur .. Dec. 12 ... | 7 p.m..... | Holly |
| Tue.... Dec. 17 ... | 5:30 p.m. | at Corunna |
| Thur .. Dec. 19 ... | 7 p.m..... | at Flushing |
| Tue.... Jan. 7 | 5:30 p.m. | Lake Fenton |
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| Thur .. Jan. 16 ... | 7 p.m..... | Fenton |
| Tue.... Jan. 21 ... | 5:30 p.m. | Powers |
| Thur .. Jan. 23 ... | 7 p.m..... | Kearsley |
| Tue.... Jan. 28 ... | 5:30 p.m. | Goodrich |
| Thur .. Jan. 30 ... | 7 p.m..... | at Holly |
| Tue.... Feb. 4 | 5:30 p.m. | at Brandon |
| Thur .. Feb. 6 | 7 p.m..... | Flushing |
| Tue.... Feb. 11 ... | 5:30 p.m. | Clio |
| Thur .. Feb. 13 ... | 7 p.m..... | Swartz Creek |
| Thur .. Feb. 20 ... | 7 p.m..... | at Fenton |
| Tue.... Feb. 25 ... | 5:30 p.m. | Lapeer |
| Thur .. Feb. 27 ... | 7 p.m..... | at Kearsley |
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 Sat Jan. 4 2 p.m..... Goodrich at Colonial Lanes
 Sat Jan. 11 9 a.m..... Owosso at River Bend Lanes
 Sat Jan. 11 1:30 p.m. Clio at Capitol Bowl
 Thur .. Jan. 16 6:30 p.m. . Flushing at B's Bowling Cen
 Sat Jan. 25 9 a.m..... Baker Tourney at Cherry Hill
 Sat Feb. 1 8 a.m..... Swartz Creek at Holly Lanes
 Sat Feb. 1 10:45 a.m..... Fenton at Holly Lanes
 Sat Feb. 8 9 a.m.Brandon at Clio Bowling Arcade
 Sat Feb. 15 8:30 a.m..... Kearsley at Holly Lanes
 Sat. .. Feb. 22 2 p.m..... Singles Tourn at Grand Blanc

VARSITY GIRLS BOWLING

Sat Dec. 7 9 a.m..... Holly at Cherry Hill Lanes
 Wed .. Dec. 18 6:30 p.m. Corunna at Grand Blanc Ln
 Sat Jan. 4 2 p.m..... Goodrich at Colonial Lanes
 Sat Jan. 11 9 a.m..... Owosso at Capitol Bowl
 Sat Jan. 11 1:30 p.m. Clio at River Bend Lanes
 Thur .. Jan. 16 6:30 p.m. Flushing at B's Bowling Cen
 Sat Jan. 25 9 a.m..... Baker Tourn at Cherry Hill
 Sat Feb. 1 1:30 p.m. Fenton at Holly Lanes
 Sat Feb. 1 4 p.m..... Swartz Creek at Holly Lanes
 Sat Feb. 8 9 a.m.Brandon at Clio Bowling Arcade
 Sat Feb. 15 8:30 a.m..... Kearsley at Holly Lanes
 Sat. .. Feb. 22 2 p.m..... Singles Tourn at Grand Blanc

VARSITY COMPETITIVE CHEER

Wed ... Jan. 8 TBA ...FML jamboree at Swartz Creek
 Sat Jan. 18 10 a.m..... Pinckney Invitational
 Wed ... Jan. 22 TBA FML jamboree at Flushing
 Wed ... Feb. 14 TBAFML jamboree at Owosso

VARSITY GYMNASTICS

Mon .. Dec. 2 7:30 a.m..... at Holt Invitational
 Fri..... Dec. 13 6 p.m..... at FBPP Invitational
 Sat Dec. 14 ... 4 p.m..... at Flip Starz Gym Academy
 Fri..... Dec. 20 6:30 p.m. Tri-meet at home
 Sat Jan. 4 TBA at Livingston County Gymnastics
 Fri..... Jan. 17 6:30 p.m. Milford at home
 Mon ... Jan. 20 6:30 p.m. at Tri-Livonia Blue
 Sat Jan. 25 7:30 p.m. at Jeanne Carruss Inv
 Fri..... Jan. 31 6:30 p.m. at Hartland
 Tue.... Feb. 4 6:30 p.m. at Walled Lake Central
 Thur ... Feb. 13 6:30 p.m. . home meet vs. two teams
 Mon .. Feb. 17 Noon Tecumseh
 Tue Feb. 21 6:30 p.m. League meet at home
 Sat Mar 7 TBA at regional meet
 Sat Mar 14 TBAstate meet at Rockford

VARSITY HOCKEY

Sat Nov. 16 2:30 p.m. at Midland Dow
 Tue Nov. 19 6:30 p.m. Davison at Yost Arena
 Wed ... Nov. 27 6 p.m..... Powers at Iceland
 Fri..... Nov. 29 7:30 p.m. . Hustonville at Georgetown Ice
 Sat Nov. 30 5:30 p.m. . Romeo at Georgetown Ice
 Sat Dec. 7 6:45 p.m.Swan Valley at Saginaw Bay
 Wed ... Dec. 11 ... 8 p.m..... South Lyon
 Sat Dec. 14 ... 12:30 p.m. . Davison at Dort Federal
 Wed .. Dec. 18 ... 8 p.m..... Gabriel Richard

Sat Dec. 21 ... 1 p.m..... Milford
 Sat Jan. 4 5 p.m..... Swartz Creek at Iceland
 Thur .. Jan. 8 8 p.m..... Swan Valley
 Sat Jan. 11 1:30 p.m. Lapeer
 Thur .. Jan. 15 7 p.m..... Swartz Creek
 Sat Jan. 18 7:30 p.m. Freeland
 Thur .. Jan. 22 7 p.m..... Oxford
 Sat Jan. 25 1 p.m..... Walled Lake Central
 Fri..... Feb. 7 8:20 p.m. Lakeland at Lakeland
 Sat Feb. 8 1 p.m..... Stoney Creek
 Sat Feb. 15 4 p.m..... Lapeer at Crystal Fieldhouse
 Wed ... Feb. 19 7:15 p.m. Pinckney
 Fri..... Feb. 21 8 p.m..... Walled Lake Cent at Lakeland
 Sat Feb. 22 6:45 p.m. Freeland at Saginaw Bay

VARSITY WRESTLING

Sat Dec. 7 10 a.m..... Hartland Scrimmage
 Wed .. Dec. 11 ... 1 p.m..... Linden assembly meet
 Sat Dec. 14 ... 9 a.m..... at Garden City Invitational
 Sat Dec. 21 ... 9 a.m..... County meet at Clio
 Sat Jan. 4 9:30 a.m..... Linden duals
 Wed .. Jan. 8 6 p.m..... at Goodrich/Holly
 Sat Jan. 11 9 a.m..... at Kargel Classic Duals
 Wed .. Jan. 15 7:15 p.m. Corunna, Flushing
 Sat Jan. 18 9 a.m..... at Mt. Morris Tournament
 Wed .. Jan. 22 6 p.m..... at Owosso/Swartz Creek
 Sat Jan. 25 9 a.m..... at Hartland Invitational
 Wed .. Jan. 29 6 p.m..... at Fenton/Owosso
 Sat Jan. 31 TBA at West Michigan quad
 Wed .. Feb. 5 6 p.m..... at Clio/Kearsley
 Sat Feb. 8 9 a.m..... Flint Metro League Meet

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Thanksgiving leftovers sandwich made famous by 'Friends'

■ Here's the recipe for the 'moist maker' Monica Geller made for her brother, Ross

By Vera Hogan

If you're like a lot of people, the TV show "Friends" is greatly missed. The series that aired weekly for 10 years, from 1994 to 2004, left us with many fond memories of the six 20-something-year-old friends living in Manhattan.

The friends, Rachel Green, Ross Geller, Monica Geller, Joey Tribbiani, Chandler Bing and Phoebe Buffay, lived off of one another in the heart of New York City. Over the course of 10 years, this average group of buddies go through mayhem, family trouble, past and future romances, fights, laughs, tears and surprises as they learn what it really means to be a friend.

Although all that's left of "Friends" are the reruns, there is one thing that lives on and that is Monica Geller's famous leftover Thanksgiving turkey sandwich called the "Moist Maker" that she made for her brother, Ross.

According to the dailymeal.com, when Ross Geller brought his sister's Thanksgiving leftovers sandwich to work for lunch, it was "mistakenly" eaten by a co-worker. The mishap escalated to the point that he was put on sabbatical for his aggressive behavior because he was so upset — but can you blame him? It's the gravy-soaked bread that sets this leftover sandwich apart from the rest.

Inspired by the infamous sandwich from Friends, this moist maker is a deli-



Ross Geller's Turkey Moist Maker Sandwich is made of turkey breast, stuffing, cranberry sauce and the important moist maker layer. **Photo:** dinnerthendessert.com.

cious way to enjoy your Thanksgiving leftovers for days to come.

Make it and enjoy — but beware of thieves!

Directions

Heat up the gravy in a small pot over medium to low heat, or microwave it. For a hot sandwich, put the turkey and stuffing in another pan with a little bit of water over medium to low heat or microwave them, otherwise you can begin layering.

Lay out two slices of bread, and spread the cranberry sauce as you would any other condiment on both slices. Pile the turkey on one slice. Once the gravy is reheated, dunk the third slice of bread in it entirely, so that it soaks up the gravy like a sponge. Lovingly place the moist maker on top of the turkey, then add the stuffing and close up the sandwich with the other slice of bread. Use toothpicks to hold it together.

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Tupperware – put a lid on it

■ This ‘blast from the past’ started with a bowl that ‘burped’ and revolutionized kitchen storage

By Sally Rummel

Who doesn’t remember the days of Tupperware parties when moms would get together to socialize and watch demonstrations of the newest food storage products — from sippy cups to mixing bowls and even a shape-sorting ball toy for kids.

Yes, Tupperware is a part of many of our collective memories, and it’s still here 73 years later after being invented by Earl Tupper during the post-World War II year of 1946. According to Tupperware.com, he created the first lightweight, non-breakable plastic containers inspired by the seal-tight design of paint cans.

What has changed the most over the years is Tupperware’s way of reaching customers. Many sales are conducted at the Tupperware online site, on Amazon, Facebook and at mall kiosks around the world.



Karen Ates of Linden has sold tens of thousands of dollars worth of Tupperware products over her career. She’s holding her favorite item, the Pressure Cooker.

Photos: Tim Jagielo

But that doesn’t mean there aren’t Tupperware parties anymore.

Local Tupperware representative Karen Ates of Linden has at least a

party a month, and she used to hold many more before working two jobs consumed much of her time.

“People are shocked that there are still



Tupperware’s catalogue features more kitchen items than containers, including the Fusion Master Spiralizer.

Tupperware parties,” Ates said. “Parties are the main way hostesses get their (Tupperware) products, and it allows representatives like me to show people how to cook with new products.”

She typically makes a meal or a dessert at the party to share with the guests. “I can make a delicious hot cake from the microwave in 10 minutes,” she said.

Ates first sold Tupperware in the 1980s, after having grown up in a Tupperware-filled home. “I knew all

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TUPPERWARE

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about the products," she said. "Then I got back into it about five or six years ago."

The expansion of Tupperware products from mainly storage containers into cooking innovations has created a niche for busy people to maximize their time.

"I lost 65 pounds by cooking with different Tupperware products," Ates said. "I use my Smart Steamer to steam dishes in the microwave, and the fat goes to the bottom. I also make homemade soups from scratch with my Tupperware Microwave Pressure Cooker and homemade salsa in less than five minutes with my Tupperware Chop N Prep."

Ates is also a huge believer in the positive environmental impact of Tupperware. "It replaces a lot of disposable wraps and packaging and no one ever throws it away," she said.

Some of the most iconic Tupperware items are still available, includ-

**“Don't ever
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Tupperware.”**

Karen Ates

Tupperware sales representative

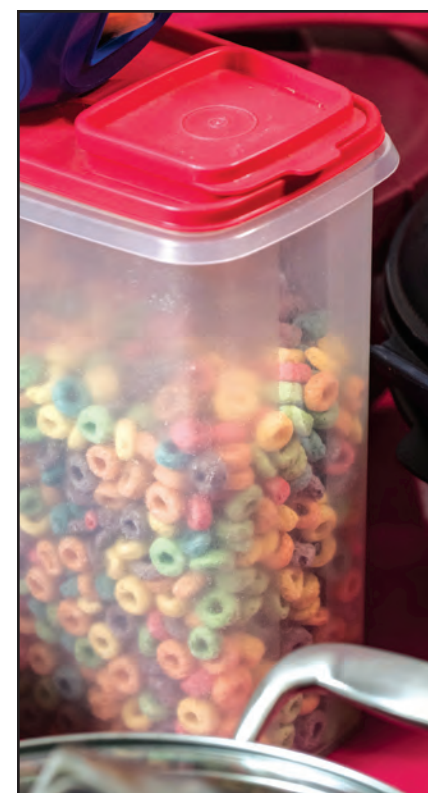
ing the Bell Tumblers with sipping lids, Wonderlier Bowls, Modular Mates and the Toy Shape Sorter.

One of the biggest selling points for Tupperware today is still its lifetime warranty if a product or lid is damaged or broken. The only thing it can't guard against is a neighbor or friend not returning it.

"Don't ever walk away with someone else's Tupperware," Ates said.



The Shape-O Toy has been around since 1968. **Photos: Tim Jagielo**



The Super Cereal Storer is part of the Tupperware food storage system, which includes stackable modular pieces.

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Benefit Dinner for Jessica Burns

For those in the Fenton area, a fundraiser dinner at the Moose Lodge, 2245 Sonora Dr., Fenton, on Lake Fenton is planned for **Saturday, Dec. 14, from 4 to 11 p.m.** There will be dinner, silent auction, music and more. This fundraiser is for mother of three, Jessica Burns, 35, of Fenton, who is battling stage 4 breast cancer. She has worked the past 15 years at Skipper Bud's on Lake Fenton. Due to her treatments, she is no longer able to work. The event is hosted by the Fenton Moose Lodge. Additional details are on Moose's Facebook page under events. Tickets are \$15 per person, \$5 for ages 5-12 and kids under 5 are free. A gofundme page, "Jessica Burns Breast Cancer Fight," has also been created with hopes of raising \$10,000. For more information, call Tara Goldman at (810) 429-9899.

BEST-SELLING MUSIC ALBUMS OF ALL TIME

Eagles make the top 3

Compiled By Vera Hogan

Remember the days when you and your friends would listen to your favorite music on vinyl albums? The following are the seven top-selling albums in the United States of all time, according to Business Insider (businessinsider.com; April 2019).



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EAGLES — “THEIR GREATEST HITS”

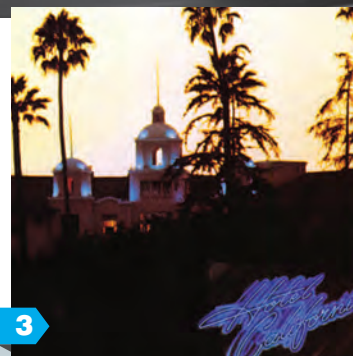
Featuring songs:
Take It Easy, Witchy Woman, Lyin’
Eyes and One of These Nights.



2

MICHAEL JACKSON — “THRILLER”

Featuring songs:
The Girls is Mine, Thriller,
Beat It and Billie Jean.



3

EAGLES — “HOTEL CALIFORNIA”

Featuring songs:
Hotel California, New Kid in Town, Life
in the Fast Lane and Victim of Love.



4

BILLY JOEL — “GREATEST HITS VOLUME 1 & VOLUME 2”

Featuring songs:
Pressure, Allentown,
Tell Her About It and Uptown Girl.



5

LED ZEPPELIN; “LED ZEPPELIN IV”

Featuring songs:
Stairway to Heaven, Black Dog,
Rock and Roll and Four Sticks.



6

PINK FLOYD — “THE WALL”

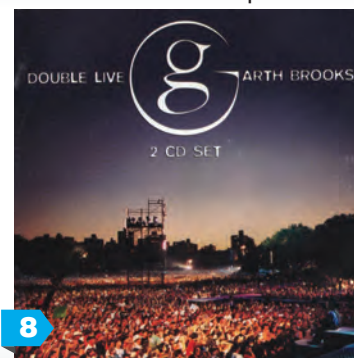
Featuring songs:
Another Brick in the Wall, In the Flesh,
The Thin Ice and Mother.



7

AC/DC — “BACK IN BLACK”

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Vinyl, records, albums, whatever – I had a bunch of ‘em

The article in today's edition regarding vinyl record albums really brought me back to when I was in my late teens and very early 20s. My boyfriend at the time worked in the distribution warehouse of United Artist Records in the Chicago suburbs. He had an amazing vinyl collection, thanks to a generous employee discount.

One of our favorite pastimes was to sit in his mom and dad's basement and listen to our favorite albums over and over. Although they recorded under a different label, my personal favorite was "A Question of Balance," by the Moody Blues. I loved all their music and my second favorite was "Days of Future Past." We listened to them for hours and later attended their live concerts.

As of this date, I have seen the Moody Blues in concert more than a dozen times, first in the Chicago area and after I moved to Michigan. Several years ago, my husband of 31 years and I saw the Moody Blues in concert at The Palace. His cousin worked for a company that had a suite on the mezzanine level. We were invited in to enjoy hors d'oeuvres and cocktails, and watch the concert from the balcony. I was in heaven.

My other favorite vinyl record albums included the very first one I ever bought with my own money "In a Gada da Vida" by Iron Butterfly.

Nothing to this day compares to the drum solo in that song performed by Ron Bushy.

Other all time must-haves included music by The Doors (L.A. Woman), Jethro Tull (Aqualung), as well as albums recorded by Neil Diamond, Santana, Crosby, Stills and Nash, Eagles — there were just so many. I

was never much of a Beatles fan, although I did like their earlier music.

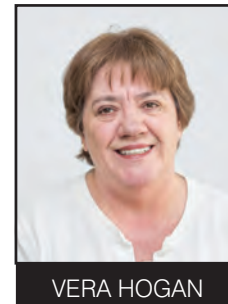
I saw Jethro Tull in concert once and it was fabulous. At the start of the concert, the venue turned off the house lights. Then starting out very low and getting increasingly louder we heard the song "Locomotive Breath." Suddenly,

the house lights came back on and Ian Anderson (flautist) came flying out of the ceiling wearing what looked like a Sherlock Holmes outfit. It still makes the hair on my arms stand up thinking about it.

One Christmas, a vinyl record album by Emerson, Lake and Palmer was on my wish list. My dad, who was very frugal (cheap) seized this opportunity to convince a younger family member that there really is a Santa Claus.

He told her, "Do you actually think I would waste my own money on something called 'Brain Salad Surgery?' Well, think again." That did the trick.

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Tips for hosting houseguests over the holidays

Hosting houseguests over the holidays? For happier guests and hosts alike, you'll want to be sure you're equipped to accommodate all your overnighters. Here are a few pointers:

Special considerations

You'll likely know of any special considerations you will need to make for individual guests, but if you aren't sure, ask in advance. For older guests, be sure the floor is free of tripping hazards and that walkways are well-lit. For families, offer a room away from noise so small children can sleep undisturbed at their regular bedtimes. Anticipating and accommodating allergies, dietary restrictions and mobility issues can help keep guests health, happy and safe during their stay with you.

Better bedding

Whether you are hosting one guest or many, it's important to ensure that everyone under your roof has a comfortable place to sleep. Thanks to the latest updates in air mattress technology, that's easier than ever these days. Before the holidays, get equipped with a compact, high-quality air mattress — which are a must-have for travelers who need to pack a car compactly, as well as hosts who want to store guest bedding between uses.

A stocked bathroom

Not only will a well-stocked bathroom help avoid last-minutes trips to the store, it will make guests feel comfortable and welcome upon arrival. You'll always want to provide a set of linens for each guest, as well as shampoo, conditioner and soap in the shower. Having a few additional items on hand — disposable razors, cotton swabs, combs, toothbrushes and toothpaste — is a nice touch. For many reasons, guests often ar-

rive with certain essentials. Maybe they forgot them at home. Maybe the airport made them toss something in the trash. Whatever the reason, you'll want to prepare for this common occurrence.

A full holiday house does not need to be overwhelming. With a few considerations, you can create a joyful holiday experience for you and your houseguests.

Source: statepoint.net

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ROBERT G. HARRIS BOOK SIGNING ON DEC. 7

Robert G. Harris, 96, of Fenton Township, has completed his seventh Village Players book on Fenton history. The book, "The Village Players in the Mid-'60s," will be available for purchase at Fenton's Open Book, 105 W. Shiawassee Ave., in downtown Fenton on Saturday, Dec. 7, during the Jinglefest celebrations, from 12 to 4 p.m. Harris will be at the store for a book signing. While his books normally sell for \$20 each, they will be on sale that day for \$10.

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LOOKING BACK at this week in HISTORY

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DEC. 1

1990: Shortly after 11 a.m., 132 feet below the English Channel, workers drill an opening the size of a car through a wall of rock. This was no ordinary hole. It connected the two

ends of an underwater tunnel linking Great Britain with the European mainland for the first time in more than 8,000 years.

DEC. 2

1972: The Temptations earn the last of their four chart-topping hits when "Papa Was A Rollin' Stone" reaches #1 on the Billboard Hot 100.

DEC. 3

1947: Marlon Brando's famous cry of "STELLA!" first booms across a Broadway stage, electrifying the audience at the Ethel Barrymore

Theatre during the first-ever performance of Tennessee Williams' play "A Streetcar Named Desire."

DEC. 4

1952: Heavy smog begins to hover over London, England. It persists for five days, leading to the deaths of at least 4,000 people. It was a Thursday afternoon when a high-pressure air mass stalled over the Thames River Valley. When cold air arrived suddenly from the west, the air over London became trapped in place. The problem was exacerbated by low temperatures, which caused residents to burn extra coal in

their furnaces. The smoke, soot and sulfur dioxide from the area's industries along with that from cars and consumer energy usage caused extraordinarily heavy smog to smother the city.

DEC. 5

1945: At 2:10 p.m., five U.S. Navy Avenger torpedo-bombers comprising Flight 19 take off from the Ft. Lauderdale Naval Air Station in Florida on a routine three-hour training mission. Flight 19 was scheduled to take them due east for 120 miles, north for 73 miles, and then back over a final 120-mile leg that would return them to the naval base. They never returned.

DEC. 6

1884: Washington, D.C., workers place a nine-inch aluminum pyramid atop a tower of white marble, completing the construction of an impressive monument to the city's namesake and the nation's first president, George Washington.

DEC. 7

1941: At 7:55 a.m. Hawaii time, a Japanese dive bomber bearing the red symbol of the Rising Sun of Japan on its wings appears out of the clouds above the island of Oahu. A swarm of 360 Japanese warplanes followed, descending on the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor in a ferocious assault. The surprise attack struck a critical blow against the U.S. Pacific fleet and drew the United States irrevocably into World War II.

Source: history.com

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■■■■
I DID NOT realize coaches were off limits for anonymous comments. After all, aren't all these comments anonymous? Is everyone who writes in a coward? I think the intimidating response is interesting and I think it reinforces what is really going on.

■■■■
WHEN IS U of M's endowment fund going to be forced to divest its \$2 billion investment in China over human rights abuses of its citizens? They divested in South Africa at the drop of a hat. Why not China? My guess it's the return on investment vs. concern of citizens.

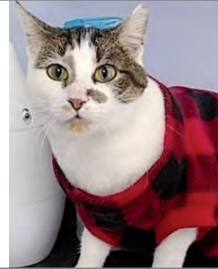
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NOTICE

ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS December 10, 2019 BOARD OF REVIEW

The Argentine Township Board of Review will hold its December meeting as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, December 10, 2019
TIME: 6:00 P.M.
PLACE: Argentine Township Hall
9048 Silver Lake Road
Linden MI 48451
(810) 735-5050

Purpose: To correct any of the errors in assessments and tax rates, to review claims of qualified homestead on properties and to review hardship/poverty/veterans claims.

Denise Graves, Clerk, Argentine Township

Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting November 25, 2019

Call to order @ 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Saad.

Present: Conner, Saad, Graves and Schmidt.

Observed: A moment of silence for Lt. Bruce Coverdill and Christina Pasquerelli.

Approved: Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on October 28, 2019.

Approved: Budget amendment.

Approved: Payment of bills as printed.

Issued: 20 Building and Zoning permits that total \$11,811.97.
bonds.

Authorized: Treasurer to discuss and make decision on sake of 2 township owned parcels.

Approved: Expense of up to \$6,200. for K-9 conversion of police vehicle.

Appointed: Supervisor Saad and Leslie Renckly as representatives to Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Accepted: Terms from Thor Environmental for Wetland Delineation for LAFF Pathway.

Adjourned@ 7:40 p.m.

Approved: Submitted by Denise Graves
Argentine Township Clerk

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS IN ROSE TOWNSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **ROSE TOWNSHIP DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW** will be held on **Tuesday, December 10, 2019 in the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, in Rose Township at 10:00 AM until all business is completed.** This meeting is held for the purpose of correcting clerical errors, mutual mistake(s), mathematical calculations, reviewing homestead qualifications and hardship/poverty claims and any other appeals allowed by the law(s) governing the Board of Review.

Persons interested in submitting information to the Board of Review are asked to contact the Township Assessor prior to December 10, 2019 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at (248) 634-7551.

Persons needing assistance to attend the Board of Review due to physical handicap should contact the Rose Township Clerk, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan (248) 634-8701 at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

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ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN (Ordinance No. _78A)

At a meeting of the Township Board for Argentine Township held at the Township offices on November 25, 2019, the following Ordinance was offered for adoption by Township Board Member Schmidt, and was seconded by Township Board Member Connor:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 78 TO EXTEND A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY PERMIT, APPROVAL OR LICENSE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, ENLARGEMENT, INSTALLATION OR BUILDING OF ANY DRAWBRIDGE, BRIDGE, WALKWAY OR SIMILAR ITEM ON, ACROSS OR OVER ANY LAKE WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP AS WELL AS PROHIBITING THE CONSTRUCTION, ENLARGEMENT, INSTALLATION OR BUILDING OF ANY SUCH DRAWBRIDGE, BRIDGE, WALKWAY OR SIMILAR STRUCTURE ON, ACROSS OR OVER ANY LAKE WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP DURING THE MORATORIUM.

THE TOWNSHIP OF ARGENTINE (the "Township") ORDAINS that Ordinance 78 is amended as follows:

Section 1. Term of This Ordinance. The moratorium imposed by this Ordinance shall be extended to February 24, 2020 or until the regulatory ordinance specified above is enacted by the Township Board and becomes effective. Prior to the expiration of this moratorium, the Township may extend the moratorium to allow sufficient time to complete and enact any such ordinance.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency ordinance and shall become effective the day following its publication (or a summary hereof) in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

Section 3. All other provisions of Ordinance 78 remain in effect

The vote in favor of this Ordinance was as follows:

YEAS: Saad, Connor, Schmidt, Graves

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/ABSTAIN: Hallman

ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an emergency Ordinance adopted by the Township Board for Argentine Township at the time, date, and place specified above pursuant to the required statutory procedures.

Respectfully submitted,

By Denise M. Graves

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Argentine Township Clerk

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Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times

Weekend Sudoku

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Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times

Level: Beginner

KING FEATURES

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- 1 One-sixth of a fl. oz.
4 Fess (up)
7 Hikers' trails
12 — Lankan
15 Suffix with 83-Down
18 Alternative to a barrette
20 Moral code
21 One getting toasted, e.g.
23 Waldorf — (New York hotel)
24 1970s TV spinoff
25 Clingy mollusk
26 Start of a riddle
29 RSV card encl.
30 Saudi export
31 Sup in style
32 Farrow of "Alice"
34 Indian kings
38 Buy and sell
41 Nonstandard contraction
42 Riddle, part 2
47 Casino stake
48 Claimed psychic gift
49 Engraving tool
50 Germany's Merkel
51 Clothing

DOWN

- 53 Skylights?
55 Vigor, muscally
56 Riddle, part 3
60 Tachometer inits.
63 Cuts down with an ax
64 Furiousness
65 Stein quaff
66 Giga- times 1,000
67 Eon division
68 Riddle, part 4
75 Rationalist Descartes
76 Render blank
77 Japanese condiment
78 Eye in awe
81 Comic actress Oteri
83 Devour
84 Grassy tract
85 End of the riddle
90 Ever so slightly
91 Directed (at)
92 Pasta tube
93 Yang go-with
94 White bird
96 Really good bud, in brief
97 Zeus' mother
101 Riddle's answer
109 Like the Dalai Lama

- 110 Filch
111 Babka nuts
112 Shoulder bone
113 Bitterly pungent
114 Rider not in a seat
115 Always, in verse
116 Submitted texts: Abbr.
117 Rotor noises
118 Chicken — (varicella)
119 Carders' requests
12 Blocking more sunlight
13 Actress Lively or musician
14 Dumbstruck
15 Nickname for boxer Tyson
16 Watchman
17 Golf ball prop
19 Regatta athletes
22 Ending for Motor or Rock
27 Capital of Qatar
28 More quirky
33 "— girl!"
35 "No man is — to his valet"
36 Composer Franz — Haydn
37 Extra for an iPhone
38 Pre-1917 despots
39 Word after ballet or charlotte
40 Big primate
41 2012 film set in Iran
42 Canine chain

Weekend Crossword

- 43 Canada's capital
44 "What a shame"
45 Actress Kate or Rooney
46 Blue dye from a plant
47 Wash oneself
52 "— in there!"
53 Vassal of old
54 Beech, e.g.
55 Certain sib, in dialect
57 Marcher's flute
58 Big tanks
59 River in Germany
60 Junk dealer's transaction
61 Takes a close look at
62 Group in "GoodFellas"
66 QBs' stats
68 Numb
69 Misfires from QBs: Abbr.
70 Actor Christopher
71 Made a misplay, say
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Anthony Michael Bauer, Sr.

1951-2019

Anthony Michael Bauer, Sr. - age 68, of Linden, died Tuesday, November 26, 2019. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Those desiring may make contributions to the Linden United Methodist Church. Anthony was born April 4, 1951 in Columbus, OH, the son of Carl Joseph and Alice Albert (Bruck) Bauer. He was a 1969 graduate of Linden High School. Mr. Bauer retired from General Motors Flint Metal Fab in 2008 after 40 years of service. He enjoyed riding his motorcycle and attended Linden United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife, Lynne; daughter, Joni (Tom) Rang; son, Anthony "Mike" Bauer, Jr.; grandchildren, Ryan, Brady, Dale, Katie, Kirsten and Holly; sisters, Barbara Bauer and Carol Odom; brother, Daniel "Pat" (Julie) Bauer. He was preceded in death by his parents. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

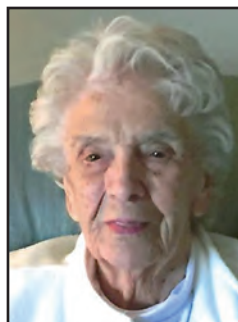


Pauline J. Guild

1921-2019

Pauline J. Guild - age 98, of Fenton, MI, long-time resident of Natick, MA, died Monday, November 25, 2019.

Private family services have been held with burial at Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne, MA. She was born April 26, 1921 in Framingham, MA. Pauline was a charter member for over 50 years, of the South Middlesex Association for Retarded Citizens and was also a founding member of the Association for Retarded Citizens of Massachusetts. Surviving are three children, Kathleen Guild, Valerie (Jim) Angus, Gregory (Carol) Guild; four grandchildren, Gregory (Karen) Guild, Jr., Lisa Angus, Amy (Jason) Gamble, and Daniel Guild; and five great-grandchildren. Pauline was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Donald H. Guild. A special thanks to the care givers at The Caretel Inns of Linden and to Peggy Price, her Hospice nurse from Elaring Caring. Arrangements entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton, MI 48430. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



William E. Jansen, Sr.

1934-2019

William E. Jansen, Sr. - age 85, of Linden, died Monday, November 25, 2019.

A memorial service will be held 5 PM Saturday, December 7, 2019 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. The family will receive friends from 3-5 PM Saturday at the funeral home. Those desiring may make memorial contributions to American Cancer Society. Bill was born September 27, 1934 in Caro, MI, the son of William G. and Anna (Gray) Jansen. He was raised in Caro and moved to Linden his senior year. Bill married Louise Nelson on May 12, 1955 and raised their family. He retired from General Motors U.A.W. Local 659 with 30 years of service. After retirement they moved to Lakeview, MI. Bill was a life-long Detroit Tigers and Detroit Lions fan and a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Louise; four children, William (Maravic) Jansen, Jr., Cynthia (John) Smith, Steven (Brenda) Jansen, and Michael (Beth) Jansen; six grandchildren, Edwin, Catherine, Bonnie, Jennifer, Kevin, Nathan; and several great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; and four sisters. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Patricia A. Kirby

1947-2019

Patricia A. Kirby - age 72, of Linden, died Sunday, November 24, 2019 at University Hospitals in Ann Arbor. Funeral service will be

held at 11 AM Saturday, November 30, 2019 at Riverdale Baptist Church, 5151 Calkins Road, Flint, Pastor Cory Snyder officiating. Burial in Crestwood Cemetery. Those desiring may make contributions to the Music Program for Faith Baptist Schools in Davison. Visitation was held 12-8 PM on Friday, November 29, 2019 at the Swartz Funeral Home, 1225 West Hill Rd. Mrs. Kirby will be at the church from 10 AM Saturday until the time of the service. Patricia was born in Goodrich on November 19, 1947, the daughter of the late Richard and Elizabeth (Copeland) VanLoon. On May 1, 1970 she married John Kirby. She was a member of Riverdale Baptist Church. Patricia was a secretary at Genesee Christian School circa 1979-1992. She worked for the Genesee County Court System from 1992-2010. Surviving are husband, John; three children, Joyce (Patrick) Dillon, Jan (Michael) Cox and Michael (Martinique) Kirby; five grandchildren, Hailee, Kirby, Declan, Lochlan and Michelle; brother, Joseph (Debbie) VanLoon, Sr.; several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her brother, Harold. Your condolences may be shared with the family at www.swartzfuneralhomeinc.com.



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Fred Bell

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Marie DeWitt

Marie DeWitt - age 88, died November 22, 2019. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes.
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Ruth Wilcox

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Barbara Bailey

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Leland "Lee" Burnham

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James Teffner

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Calvin Rathburn

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Rev. Ron Keller

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Phillip Gilmer

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Patricia Brandt

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Laura Campbell

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Roland "Ron" Fizell

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Autumn Smith

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Mary Louise Toth
1922-2019

Mary Louise Toth - age 97, of Fenton, passed away Saturday, November 23, 2019. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11 AM Saturday, November 30, 2019 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton. Fr. Robert Copeland celebrant. Visitation 2-8 PM Friday, November 29 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton, where a rosary will be held at 7 PM and 10 AM until time of Mass Saturday at church. Interment at St. John Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions would be appreciated to St. Jude Children's Hospital. Mary was born September 29, 1922 in Clio, the daughter of Joseph G. and Stephanina (Bargou) Nemeth. She married Albert J. Toth in Flint, November 10, 1945. At a young age Mary was employed as a "Rosie the Riveter" at A.C. Spark Plug in Flint, during WW II, where she assembled bomb site targets and tested machine guns for the military. She also was an excellent homemaker and an accomplished artist. Mary owned and operated Marto's Ceramic Shop which



was established in 1968 with locations in Mt. Morris and Lake Fenton. Mary made hats and taught ceramic classes. She was a long time member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton and the Red Hat Society. Mary was a champion golfer, avid gardener, bird watcher, and very much enjoyed playing cards. Surviving are six children, Jim (Toni) Toth, Mary Pat Toth, Susan Toth, Nancy (Chauncey) Moran, Debra Scheeler, Jeanean (Donald) Hoffman; daughter-in-law, Deborah Toth; nine grandchildren, Samuel Toth, Irene Toth, Alexander Toth, Courtney Borg, Ashley Toth, Chelsea Norris, Emily Garcia, Kyle Scheeler, Jeremiah Moran; great-grandchildren,

Kaylee, Brennan, Madelyn, Pepper, Jaxton, Indigo; brother, Bill Nemeth; sister Katheryn Clawson; and many nieces and nephews. Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Albert J. Toth; granddaughter, Elizabeth Toth; sisters, Helen Lawrence, Margaret Balla; and son, Andrew Toth. Online tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


Grant C. Smith

Grant C. Smith - age 68, died November 23, 2019.
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Michael O. Wininger

Michael O. Wininger - age 68, died November 23, 2019.
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Robert T. Bonk

Robert T. Bonk - age 88, died November 23, 2019.
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Theresa C. Shelton

Theresa C. Shelton - age 93, died November 25, 2019.
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rottentomatoes.com **94%**

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OVERCOMER
Life changes overnight for coach John Harrison when his high school basketball team and state championship dreams are crushed under the weight of unexpected news. When the largest

manufacturing plant shuts down and hundreds of families leave their town, John questions how he and his family will face an uncertain future. After reluctantly agreeing to coach cross-country, John and his wife, Amy, meet an aspiring athlete who's pushing her limits on a journey toward discovery. Inspired by the words and prayers of a new-found friend, John becomes the least likely coach helping the least likely runner attempt the impossible in the biggest race of the year.
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rottentomatoes.com **98%**

Guess Who?

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Answer: *Chad Kroeger*

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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:
PRIDE, CREDIT, SUPER, GLOOM
Answer: **DUMPS**

**MIDWEEK
SUDOKU ANSWERS**

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**MIDWEEK
JUMBLE ANSWERS**

Jumbles:
GROVE, CLOUT,
DOODLE, SCRIPT
Answer:
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**MIDWEEK CROSSWORD
ANSWERS**

Solution Time: 27 min.

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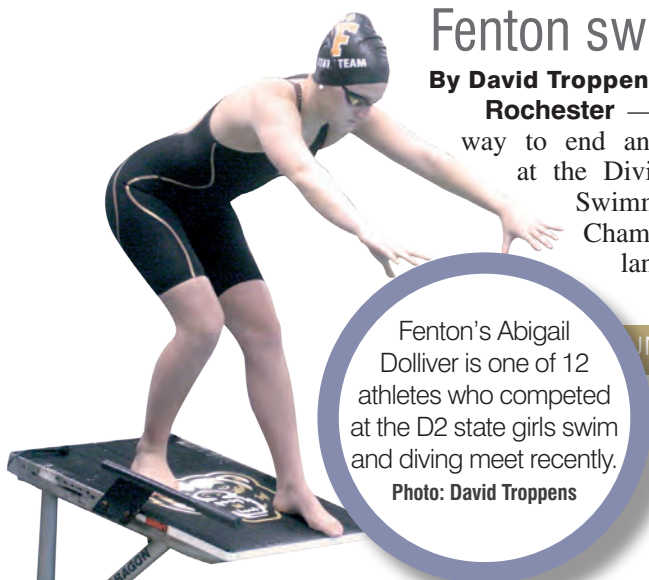
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WEEKEND CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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Fenton's Abigail Dolliver is one of 12 athletes who competed at the D2 state girls swim and diving meet recently.

Photo: David Troppens

Fenton swim squad places eighth at D2 girls at Oakland University

By David Troppens

Rochester — It was the perfect way to end an outstanding night at the Division 2 State Girls Swimming and Diving Championships at Oakland University.

The Fenton varsity

girls swim team had already watched its 200 medley relay team place fifth, saw sophomore Gracie Olsen win two individual event state titles in the 200-yard freestyle and the 100-yard butterfly and seen many others have strong individual efforts during the second day of the meet. Emotions were already high.

So why not finish with something else that would make the performance historical?

The Tigers did just that.

The 400 freestyle relay team of Olsen, Lillie Kromer, Delaney Fries and Abigail Dolliver finished in third place

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Sports Times

Fenton's Olsen picks right time to have memorable meet

■ Sophomore swimmer leaves state event with two individual state titles

By David Troppens

Rochester — Gracie Olsen called it "One of the best meets I've ever been to."

In Fenton's varsity girls swim program history her Saturday efforts probably ranked as the greatest performance by an individual ever.

A D2 state champion as a freshman in the 200-yard individual medley just one year earlier, Olsen became the first Fenton swimmer to win two individual state championships at the same meet Nov. 23, earning state titles in the 200-yard freestyle and the 100-yard butterfly at the Division 2 State Girls Swimming and Diving Championships held at Oakland University.

She also helped lead two relays to championship final finishes. The finals began with Fenton's 200 medley relay team of Olsen, Abigail Dolliver, Halee Alexander and Lillie Kromer placing fifth in 1:49.19 — a pretty nice highlight on its own. However, the meet ended with Fenton's best relay finish in state meet history when the 400 freestyle relay team of Olsen, Kromer, Delaney Fries and Dolliver placed third in a school-record time of 3:34.55. The Tigers finished the meet in eighth place with 111 points, one of nine teams to score at least 100 points. For more details on the rest of the Tigers' performance check tctimes.com.

Olsen entered Saturday's finals after an outstanding Friday in the preliminary races. She dominated her events, winning the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:49.90 (more than two seconds ahead of the rest of the field) and

See **OLSEN** on 43



Fenton's Gracie Olsen won Division 2 state titles in two individual events at the state girls swim meet — one in the 100-yard butterfly and the other in the 200-yard freestyle. (Left) Olsen celebrates her butterfly title. (Below) Olsen competes during her butterfly event.

Photos: David Troppens



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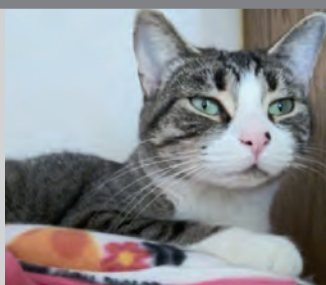


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Powers's Wujciak earns All-State honors at D3 state swim meet

■ Holly's Costigan caps her swim career at D2 event

By David Troppens

Rochester — The Fenton varsity girls swimmers and divers weren't the only area performers at Oakland University last weekend.

Holly's Rebecca Costigan and Fenton's Lara Wujciak also competed at state meets.

Wujciak, who started the meet ill with a body temperature of 102 degrees, competed in the D3 Girls State Swimming and Diving Championships, competing in four events.

The junior who attends Powers Catholic High School earned All-State honors in the 100-yard butterfly with a fifth-place time of 57.41 seconds. Her finals time was a 1.03 second drop from her prelim time of 57.21.

Wujciak also competed during the second day of the meet in one more event — the 200 freestyle relay. In that event, she teamed with Olivia Camara, Lauren Taylor and Abigail Merz to place 14th with a school-record time of



Flint Powers junior and Fenton resident Lara Wujciak (above) competes in the backstroke in a recent meet. She placed fifth in the 100-yard butterfly at the D3 girls state swim meet. Holly's Rebecca Costigan (right) also competed in a state meet and placed 29th at the Division 2 state meet. Both state events were hosted at Oakland University. **Photo: Alan Atendido**

1:43.37. The squad qualified for the consolation finals by posting a prelim time of 1:43.59 on Friday.

Wujciak competed in another relay and another individual event that didn't make it beyond Friday's preliminary rounds. Powers had its 200 medley relay team of Hannah Murawski, Merz,

Wujciak and Taylor finish 20th overall in 1:55.97. Wujciak also competed in the 100 backstroke, posting a 30th-place time of 1:03.82 in the event.

Holly High School's Costigan, a senior, qualified for the D2 state meet in one event. She finished 29th in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:13.02.



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Fenton's Delaney Fries was one of 12 Fenton swimmers and divers who competed at the D2 state girls swim meet. **Photo: David Troppens**

Fenton swimmers post strong first day at state meet

By David Troppens

Rochester — The Fenton varsity girls swim team had an outstanding day during the first day of the Division 2 State Swimming and Diving Championships Nov. 22 at Oakland University.

The Tigers had competitors in each of the 12 events during the preliminary event.

Gracie Olsen provided some of the

biggest highlights. She earned the top seed for Saturday's championship meet in two events. She posted the top time in the 200 freestyle (1:49.90) and in the 100 butterfly (55.24). Olsen helped two relay teams earn spots in the finals as well. Olsen, Abigail Dolliver, Hallee Alexander and Lillie Kromer earned the fifth seed in the

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in the event in a school-record time of 3:34.55, becoming the first-ever Fenton relay to leave a state meet with a top-three finish.

Overall, the Tigers had an outstanding meet, placing eighth in the final standings with 111 points, just one of nine teams to score at least 100 points at the event. The relay performance may have meant more to Kromer, a senior, who was competing in her final race as a Fenton Tiger. The other three girls are underclassmen. The Tigers entered the race as the fifth seed after Friday's prelim time of 3:36.21. However, on Saturday, the Tigers had outstanding performances by all four swimmers, and actually led the race for the majority of the event before finishing in third.

"Going into it we had to pull out every last bit of energy we

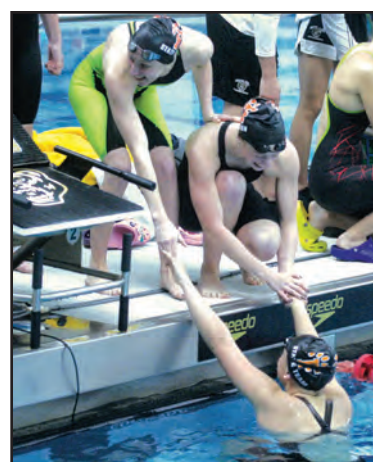


Fenton's Lillie Kromer (above) competed in the consolation finals of the 100- and the 200-yard freestyle at the D2 state girls swimming and diving meet. Members of the 400 freestyle relay (right) placed third in the finals. **Photos: David Troppens**

had," Kromer said. "(Fenton varsity girls swim coach Brad) Jones told us 'Third place is yours. You just have to work for it' and we did. Gracie pulled out and I don't even remember swimming. I just remember going off the wall, touching and suddenly it was over. Delaney swam

faster than I ever saw her swim before and Abby — I just haven't seen that type of energy from them before. It was absolutely insane ... watching Abby touch, see No. 3 on the scoreboard and see it was a record-breaking time was amazing."

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championship race in the 200 medley relay (1:49.02) while Olsen, Kromer, Delaney Fries and Dolliver earned the fifth seed in the 400 free-style relay (3:26.4).

Diver Emma Jump earned a spot in the diving finals as well. She was in 13th place after Friday's preliminary and semifinal action (230.80).

The Tigers earned some athletes in the consolation finals races as well. Kromer placed 14th in the prelims with a time of 24.77 seconds and 10th in the 100 freestyle (53.71). Abigail Dolliver earned a spot in the consolation finals of the 100 breaststroke as well. She placed 12th in the prelims (1:09.36).

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then winning the 100 butterfly with a time of 55.24 (more than a half-second ahead of the rest of the field). She entered Saturday's finals knowing she'd be the top seed in both races.

"(Friday) was a huge adrenaline rush," Olsen said. "Going to bed that night all I could think about was swimming today and what would happen. My nerves were going crazy. I had no idea what to expect."

She ended up finishing with two overwhelming championship performances. First, came the 200 freestyle. Olsen led by a half-second at the halfway point with a time of 52.42 seconds, and then crushed the field in the second 100 yards, finishing with a time of 1:48.98, beating Grosse Pointe South's runner-up finisher Oliva Yoo (1:51.13) by a considerable margin.

"That race has always been one of my most nerve wracking races, so today all those nerves came back to me," Olsen said. "I was (wondering) what's going to happen, what am I go-

ing to do. I got up in the ready room, I calmed down and I was like, 'This is it. This is the last day' and I just went for it.

"It's definitely the most painful (event)."

About an hour later, Olsen was competing for her second individual event title (and third of her young prep career) against a familiar foe. Olsen led the first 50 yards of the 100 butterfly finishing in 25.43 seconds and she never lost the lead. She won with a time of 54.62 seconds. Yoo came in second in this event as well with a time of 55.57 seconds. Her performance also earned her a spot on the Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association's Dream Team.

"It was a lot like the 200 freestyle," Olsen said. "The 100 fly is my favorite event so I'm always super-excited for it. I definitely got up there with the pain a couple of times, but once you get to that third 25 all I can think about is getting to the wall and everything I have to put in the last 25 (to finish). It was exciting."

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