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Area man recovers from coronavirus

By Sharon Stone

A local man has shared his experience of being infected with the coronavirus and his recovery.

Chip Nowiki, 55, a Lobdell Lake homeowner, and Deerfield Township resident said, "I felt like crap for three days."

During the weekend prior to St. Patrick's Day, Nowiki had been around numerous people. He does not know for sure how or when he was infected, but suspects it might have come from his girlfriend.

During the afternoon of Tuesday, March 17, he started to run a fever, had aches all over his body and had a slight cough. By Wednesday, it hurt when his skin was touched.

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Chip Nowiki of Deerfield Township has recovered from COVID-19. He came down with symptoms March 17 and tested positive for the virus March 20.

Photo: Hannah Ball

Nothing but nets

JOHN KNIGHTS HALL



Visitors to Fenton's Bush Park utilize the basketball courts Thursday, April 2. All the playground equipment is barricaded during the COVID-19 pandemic. Photo by Tim Jagielo

Hogan Road bridge could be replaced in 2023

■ Deteriorating bridge has been one lane only since 2017

By Hannah Ball

A grant from Michigan Department of Trans-

portation's Local Bridge Program could help local officials replace the Hogan Road bridge during the 2023 construction season.

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Burn bans in place due to pandemic

■ Check your municipal website before you burn

By Hannah Ball

A burn ban is in effect for Argentine and Tyrone townships.

This is a complete burn ban, said Assistant Fire Chief Frank Hatton of Argentine Township Fire and Rescue. It's meant to help protect fire fighters and the public
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welcome. Your kind words keep myself and my fellow coworkers going. Take care and keep safe."

“To all the people who have thanked us grocery workers. You’re



who is helping people who are battling COVID-19. Let's show our appreciation by clapping at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. every day no matter where you are. Show your appreciation; these are our soldiers."

“I would like to say thank you to all of our nurses, doctors, first responders and everybody



my rescue in these crazy times we are in."

“I would love to give a shout out to Linden Complete Auto. They came to





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■ Snappers on the Water owner giving out meals daily to those who need some help during the COVID-19 pandemic

By Sharon Stone

A local hangout in Argentine Township, where friends and families have enjoyed meals and entertainment for years, is doing things quite differently for the time being.

Kirk Norman, owner of Snappers on the Water in Argentine Township, began giving out free dinners March 23 to anyone who needs a little help during the coronavirus pandemic.

The meals are free; no questions asked.

Businesses, especially restaurants, have seen a significant hit to their revenue. Restaurants capable of doing take-out or delivery orders are doing so while others have temporarily closed.

Norman said he's made a lot of friends in the area and he knows some need help because of unexpected layoffs.

His answer to that? Give away free dinners every afternoon.

From 2 to 7 p.m. vehicles will drive



Snappers on the Water owner Kirk Norman (second from right) and his employees, Tom Garcia, Stanley Gadd and Chuck Skidmore, prepare and hand out free dinners daily to anyone who needs a little help during the COVID-19 pandemic. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

up to the orange cones in his parking lot, and tell him or one of his helpers how many meals they need. Packaged meals are set on a table and taken away by the guest.

Norman and three of his employees,

Stanley Gadd, Chuck Skidmore and Tom Garcia, who he also considers as close friends, prepare a different meal each day. They hand out the meals in a to-go box and provide disposable utensils.

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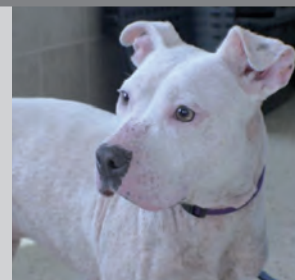


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Building Brands

Creativity in a time of COVID

The first wave of panic hit me in the soup aisle. There we stood, staring at empty shelves, and only one can of soup remained. It was cream of mushroom. I hate mushrooms.

Flash forward a few weeks into the COVID-19 pandemic and chances are you've all felt that same wave of panic at some point. Whether at home, in the grocery store or God forbid the doctor's office.

The good news (yes, there is good news) is that as the crisis continues, everyone is getting creative. Teachers, students and their parents are getting creative to keep the learning going. Companies are getting creative to ensure their employees can work from home. Restaurants are getting creative in order to survive in a carry-out-only world. People are finding ways to get creative with their workout and even their happy hours. Companies are getting creative to help out, switching from manufacturing cars and clothes to much-needed medical equipment and supplies.

And last, but certainly most interesting to a brand expert like me, companies are getting creative in their marketing.

About 10 days into the crisis, ad campaigns began to have a COVID vibe. Companies now offer deep discounts, the opportunity to buy online

and delivery where there was no delivery option before. Clothing retailers are emailing specials on lounge wear (knowing we have no place to wear a fancy, new dress anyway), and furniture companies are marketing items for the home office.

I'm sure we've all seen the #AloneTogether campaign and perhaps my all-time favorite COVID campaign so far has been the Hotels.com ad featuring their new tag line "Just stay home."

Locally, our team is working with our clients to develop creative campaigns as well. From grocery stores to financial institutions to vehicle service centers and more, essential businesses need to let their customers know 1. That

they are open for business and 2. What that business looks like since chances are there have been some changes.

Even businesses not considered essential during this crisis need to pay close attention to their marketing message. Consumers will remember how your brand reacted and react accordingly when business is booming again. And it will boom again.

Until then, get creative. At home, at work and if you're like me, in the kitchen. Turns out there are a lot of meals I do like that call for cream of mushroom soup.

If you need help getting creative with your marketing message contact me at ecaswell@mihomepaper.com or at (810) 452-2608.

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RESIDENTS IN FENTON can no longer put out our yard waste. We are paying for this on our taxes. So, is the city giving us a rebate?

■■■
WISHED MY ROAD (McCaslin Lake Road) would get chloride soon. The dust once again is unbelievable. People please slow down. Thank you and stay safe.

■■■
IT'S GREAT THAT you picked up the pile your dog left behind in my yard and put it in a small plastic bag. It was not great that you left the bag, with the poop inside, on my yard. That's not being very neighborly.

■■■
PLEASE DON'T CONCERN yourself with how I shop for groceries. Some of us eat fresh fruits and vegetables and those don't keep for two weeks. Keep the recommended 6-foot separation, wear a mask while out in public and worry about yourself.

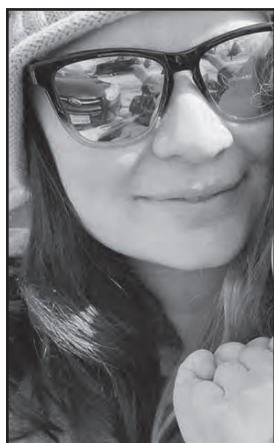
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NICE ARTICLE VERA on creepy cooking. Headcheese with vinegar brought back memories.

■■■
EXPERIMENTING WITH OLD recipes. Made beer bread last week. Tomato cake is next. Any early 20th century or WWII recipes out there? Thanks.

■■■

Question asked to Tri-County Times' Facebook followers

How do you explain the pandemic to your children? | streettalk



"It's hard to hide the reality of it when you have someone who works in public safety in your home. We talk to them about it with honesty and facts. Teaching them proper hand washing and sanitation along with explaining why things are the way they are right now."

Ali Brown
Fenton



"I've been 100 percent open about the entire situation. Answer all their questions with honesty. They lost their father last year due to hypoxia from cancer, so they do understand respiratory distress, unfortunately firsthand, seeing it and seeing him on a ventilator. As sad as it is, I'm able to take that experience and what they saw and relate it in a way to the virus."

Bridget Webb, Fenton



"We are honest and open with them about what is going on in the world. We give enough information so they know what is happening and why we are home but we don't overwhelm them with too much information."

Rachel Terryah
Linden

Local ER nurse grateful for support

■ Owner of ACE Hardware in Linden hand delivers much-sought-after respiratory mask

By Sharon Stone

In times of crisis, signs of compassion and kindness can turn a horrible day into a heartwarming day to remember.

That happened to one Linden area woman.

The Times tracked down a Hot line author, an ER nurse, who thanked ACE Hardware in Linden for providing a P100 respiratory mask that she was desperately in search of. She wrote that she was beyond grateful to ACE in Linden.

The ER nurse, who chose to keep her name private, said the hospital she works at provides the N95 masks, but sometimes nurses in ER want a step up in protection for when they are in close contact or doing specific treatments for COVID-19-potential patients. The P100 respirators provide that added protection but she learned that those masks were sold out across Michigan.

The nurse said a friend of hers contacted ACE to keep an eye out for the P100 respirators. She soon heard that ACE's warehouse was sold out, however, they found two on a back shelf in the ACE in Durand, which is owned by the same family. ACE owner Stephanie Stutts picked up the masks from her Durand store and drove them to Linden.

In light of the pandemic, Stutts got the nurse's address and dropped them off on the porch of her home.

"She did not want me to go to the store for safety precautions," she said, adding Stutts would not take any money for the items.

"The generosity the town of Linden has shown is amazing, and makes me truly proud to be from Linden," she said. "In addition to ACE, I have had neighbors donate to me eye shields, other masks and homemade masks. I have had neighbor kids write appreciation notes in chalk on my driveway. I have had paintings from kids in the community mailed to me, and I have had numerous messages sent to me thanking me, checking on me, and showing support."

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF A MAILBOX

On Tuesday, March 31, a 39-year-old Holly woman reported to Holly police that someone struck her mailbox with a vehicle, breaking the 4x4 post and leaving the damaged mailbox on the lawn.

YOUTH THROWS ROCK AT HOME, APOLOGIZES

On March 31, a male resident on Oakwood Street reported to Holly police that three young juveniles were shooting BB guns near his home. One of the youths picked up a rock and threw it at his house. Holly police officers located the children and spoke with the children and their parents. All were apologetic and resolved the issue.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

ALTHOUGH I AM pleased to see so many people out walking, please be considerate and pick up after your dog. That does not mean throw the poop bag in my yard. Be considerate North Horrell and Horrell Court walkers.

■■■■
GLOVES ARE SPREADING the virus. There's a lot of cross contamination going on that you don't realize when you touch the cart, the groceries, your purse and your clothing. Use hand sanitizer and/or wash your hands. Stop the spread. Wear face-masks every time you go to the store.

■■■■
QUIT THROWING YOUR used and dirty gloves on the ground in parking lots. This is disgusting. Please learn how to take them off safely and dispose of them in a trashcan. Show some respect.

■■■■
I'VE CHANGED MY mind on student loan forgiveness. We should forgive all our working health workers' loans. Doctors, nurses, aides, paramedics and any other first responders. They deserve and earned it. Those people have risked it all for our country. My thanks to all who have stepped up.

Prosecutor urges continued social distancing

■ As spring and warmer weather approaches, he fears teens will want to socialize in person

Compiled by Sharon Stone

Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton said last week Gov. Gretchen Whitmer made the tough decision to suspend "in-person" classes for the remainder of the 2019-2020 academic school year.

This unprecedented measure underscores the seriousness of the new reality we face, he said.

"We must each continue to do our part in this battle against the COVID-19 coronavirus through social distancing and other means and that includes our children."

He said adults must continue to follow the guidance from medical professionals but parents also must educate their children to follow in their example.

"As warmer temperatures lead us into spring, it will bring a natural desire to get outdoors and socialize with friends and family who we may not have seen in a while," he said. "For children,

especially teenagers, the temptation to socialize will be great."

The prosecutor said parents must ensure their children avoid sleepovers or other group activities with friends. At the same time, he encourages parents to continue with the educational process through home learning in ways suggested by local and state school officials.

"We as a society must remain vigilant," Leyton said. "The coming weeks and months ahead cannot be treated as an extended spring break or an early summer vacation. To do so would only undermine the goal of the State's shutdown, which is to defeat the coronavirus as quickly and as efficiently as possible."

"It is imperative we embrace our new normal more than ever. Doing so will not only save the lives of many but will also allow us to return to the way of life we so cherish, that much sooner."

"It is only through a unified front, by each of us as individuals and collectively at the local, state, and national levels, will we be able to win this battle."

"Remember: stay home, stay safe and save lives."

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We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause. Republic Services number one priority is the safety of our employees, residents, and the communities that we serve. Limiting the exposure of our employees will help slow the spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). As this unique situation is rapidly changing we will keep the communities up to date on any and all changes to your service.



You have the right to repair smart devices

■ Some repairs just require tools, patience and courage

By Tim Jagielo

According to Square Trade, iPhone users spent \$14 billion repairing and replacing devices between 2007 and 2017, and a cracked screen was the most common repair.

Screen repair and replacement kits are available for about \$30 online. These include the new screen and the tools to replace it — but not always instructions.

While the sellers recommend using a professional, YouTube videos are available that demonstrate the steps. The downside is that it may void your warranty, if there still is one.

The other risk is ruining another component of your phone or electronic device.

Risks aside, there is a growing movement called the Right to Repair Movement that seeks to compel manufacturers to enable independent repairs on items from iPhones to John Deere tractors.

The criticism is that manufacturers make it difficult for independent repair shops to handle even common repairs on items.

Jacob Ross of CPR Cell Phone Repair of Fenton is a firm supporter of the Right to Repair Movement. It makes sense considering it's his job, but he also supports consumers repairing their own devices. He even has a YouTube channel with some repair videos.

If you're feeling adventurous: smart phone repairs

"There's always some element of possible danger," Ross said. Sometimes things have to happen in the right order or be heated with a hair dryer before they're removed for repair.

Finding the right YouTube video is

“You could fix any device at home with the right set of skills. As long as you have a general understanding of how to use tools, those things can be applicable to other repairs.”

Jacob Ross
CPR Cell Phone Fenton
repair technician

important.

Older phone models tend to be easier to repair and they're out of warranty already.

An LG K30 is about one model year behind, and there are kits for sale online to replace the screen glass or the entire screen and frame.

The kit includes inexpensive tools and a new glass screen protector.

Ross said one should have some mechanical abilities and a decent set of tools. These should

include small screwdriver set, a pentalobe security screwdriver and various wedges like a thin flexible piece of steel called an iSesamo.

"You could fix any device at home with the right set of skills," he said. "As long as you have a general understanding of how to use tools, those things can be applicable to other repairs."

He suggests experimenting with an old device with discharged battery, not an \$1,100 iPhone to see if you have a knack for it.

Some phones, like in the example listed at right, make it easy to replace cameras, batteries and speakers once the phone is disassembled.

Tim's example steps for an LG K30 screen/frame repair.

- **Have tools, parts** and a few video tutorials available for reference. Have clean, well-lit workspace and safe place for small screws. Proceed carefully.
- **Turn phone off.** Use tool to pry off rear cover along the edges. This will reveal the interior housing.
- **Unfasten the interior** housing and carefully pry it off.
- **Disconnect the battery** and other flat cables connected to the motherboard.
- **Carefully pry up** and remove the motherboard.
- **All components attached** to the old frame/screen need to be transferred to the new frame/screen.
- **Use a hair** dryer to heat the battery to loosen the glue. Pry it off and install into new frame.
- **Heat the earpiece** and carefully remove it, installing into the new frame.
- **Transfer the cameras,** charging jack and buttons to the new frame. Reverse directions to reassemble the phone.

These steps are meant as an example for one type of repair. It is not professional advice from the Times. Pry away at your own risk.



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The screen replacement for this LG K30 is a medium-difficulty repair for someone new to electronic devices. Here, the interior cover is removed, revealing the motherboard.

Photo by Tim Jagielo





The Stay Home Order and circulating nominating petitions

I'm sure everyone is doing their level best to abide by the provisions of Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's March 23 "Stay Home, Stay Safe" order.

It's available online along with a Frequently Asked Questions page so I won't go into any great detail on what is and isn't allowed except to say that a problem has now developed as to Michigan's Aug. 4, 2020 primary election.

The following is a brief summary.

Michigan law requires certain candidates who want to appear on the ballot to have nominating petitions circulated by individuals known as "petition circulators." A candidate may be a circulator. These individuals have voters sign the petitions and when there are enough signatures for the particular elective office, they are filed with the Secretary of State. This year's filing deadline is April 21.

Since circulators traditionally go door to door or otherwise appear in public to obtain signatures and these practices are not allowed under the governor's order, it is possible that some candidates who want to run for office, but don't yet have enough peti-

tion signatures, will not get on the ballot. Other options, such as obtaining signatures by mail, still remain.

The question becomes is there a solution to this problem?

The answer is it's possible, and one solution has been proposed by Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson to Gov. Whitmer to extend the filing deadline to May 12.

This request is being reviewed along with several other options.

The state legislature is also looking into it and a federal lawsuit has been filed by a congressional candidate seeking a deadline extension.

Other states are facing the same problem and some have already addressed the issue.

Examples include New York and Virginia, where the number of signatures needed for nominating petitions has been reduced; Utah, for allowing electronic petitions to be sent directly to voters; Florida and New Jersey, for having online petition filing with New Jersey also permitting electronic petition signatures; Vermont, for eliminating the requirement for petition signatures; Texas and Georgia, for extending the filing deadlines for some candidates.

This is an important issue and it appears an answer will come in the very near future.

A complete list of all election actions that states have taken because of COVID-19 is available on Ballotpedia's website — ballotpedia.org.

MEALS

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He said they are averaging between 50 and 100 meals each day.

"We've gotten a pretty good response. We get a lot of 'bless you' comments," he said.

Norman said God has been good to him. He added that he's quietly done things for others in the past and doing this just seemed like the right thing to do.

"Everyone has been respectful," he said. "This is just a helping hand to get through this crap."

"I've always believed that if you give, it comes back tenfold."

Speaking of his helpers, Norman said, "They just want to help. They're not doing it for the money."

When asked what was for dinner Friday, April 3, Norman said they were fixing grilled chicken, a casserole, mixed



Kirk Norman, owner of Snappers on the Water, has signs posted instructing guests of the social distancing guidelines when they pick up dinner.

Photo: Hannah Ball

vegetables and a bun.

"The people, they're amazing," he said. "This has brought me closer to individual people."

NEWS

BRIEFS

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

City of Fenton announces update on garbage and refuse collection due to COVID-19

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BRIDGE

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At the Monday, April 6, Fenton Township Board of Trustees meeting, the Board approved sending a letter of support to the Genesee County Road Commission (GCRC) for the township's share of the cost, which would be \$188,400. The township would set aside money each year to budget for this cost in 2023.

The Monday, April 6 vote was 6-0. Clerk Robert Krug was absent. The meeting was held over a conference call due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The MDOT Bay Region Bridge Program would provide \$1,193,200. The GCRC would pay \$188,400.

The estimated total cost is \$1,570,000.

"The total project costs include construction costs, preliminary engineering costs, and construction engineering costs," according to a letter to the township board from Alexander

Patsy, programming and development engineer for GCRC.

The GCRC will know by mid-October of this year if the Hogan Road bridge was selected by the MDOT Local Bridge Council.

The bridge, which was built in 1937 and goes over the Shiawassee River, has been one lane only since October 2017 after years of deterioration. The northbound lane of the bridge has been closed for years.

Patsy said in a May 2019 Times article that the bridge is built in two compartments — the substructure, which is everything below the beams, and the superstructure, which is everything above the beams, including the deck.

"Everything above the substructure is deteriorating," he said.

A steel plate covers a 2-foot-wide hole in the middle of the bridge. Patsy said the substructure is too narrow and too restrictive on the river.



Our Future

Meet Drew Baldwin

- Fenton High School junior
- Loves nature and the quiet life
- Future music therapist

By Vera Hogan

Drew Baldwin, 16, is a junior at Fenton High School. She is the daughter of Heather and Ryan (stepdad) Croney and Rick and Alicia (stepmom) Baldwin. Her siblings are Anna, 12, Fletcher, 13, Isaac, 15, Andrew 20, Chelsea, 25 and Katie, 28. She is a member of the Ambassadors, Varsity Vocal, Key Club at FHS and she is in Bible study at church.

What are your post-high school plans?

I plan to attend a community college for my first two years of school and experiment from there with what I am led to do.

What accomplishments are you most proud of?

I am most proud of the shows that I have been able to be a part of with the Ambassadors. That group is very special to me and there is no other feeling in the world like when you come off the stage knowing you killed a solo or a difficult acapella piece. The people in there are amazing and we have such a supportive group of parents and friends who are willing to give their free time to come see us perform and show them our talent. I

am forever grateful for this group.

Do you want to stay in Michigan?

Absolutely. It's such a beautiful state. Why not? My dad and stepmom live in Ludington, and I love going there because we live somewhat in the woods and the view of the lake is so pretty and peaceful. Plus, we have all four seasons here. We have the chance to enjoy all different kinds of weather here and really take it in.

What do you love best about nature?

It's simple. It's quiet. No one else can bother you and you can really think and reflect on your life. I enjoy nature much more than in the city. I love camping and I love getting my hands dirty. If I could live in the middle of the woods I would because I would live in a much simpler life with no rush or noise.

What do you like to do for fun?

I love to sing and listen to music. I do it all the time. I always have some song stuck in my head whether it's country or pop. I also enjoy making bracelets out of string. I'm no professional but I think I do a pretty good job at it. I read my Bible and watch devotionals and sermons on YouTube and through my church. I journal and pray to release any feelings I have. I like to paint although I'm not very good at it. And I really enjoy spending time with my family with whatever crazy activity we do.

What type of career possibly excites you?

I really want to be a music therapist because there are so many unbelievable benefits from it. From people with walking disabilities to people struggling with mental disabilities, the results will blow you away. If I don't pursue this career, I definitely want to stick with the music industry because it's so comfortable for me and because I am so passionate about it.

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RECOVERS

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At that point, he called his doctor. Through a phone interview and answering several questions, his doctor prescribed him an inhaler and instructed him to take acetaminophen and stay away from ibuprofen for reducing his fever.

He self-isolated at his home.

By Friday, he felt much better and drove to Ascent Walk-in Clinic in Fenton for a COVID-19 test, a nose swab, from his car. He learned Sunday, March 22 that he had tested positive for the coronavirus.

More self-isolation was done.

Nowiki said his girlfriend had been feeling ill on and off since Christmas. She had a terrible cough and had been treated for pneumonia. He said he knows of four others who tested positive and have since recovered.

When Nowiki learned he tested positive March 22, his girlfriend was tested. However, when her test results came back, they came back negative.

Nowiki said right now, they do not know if his girlfriend was once positive for the virus.

"I feel fine now," Nowiki said Monday, April 6, adding that he raked leaves in his yard over the weekend.

The state is conducting more testing on patients who have recovered from the virus. Nowiki said he told Livingston County Health and Human Services that he would be willing to donate plasma to see if it had antibodies for the virus, which could help new patients.

Nowiki does not know if he is immune to the coronavirus since more testing is needed. "I'd like to see a test to find out who had and has the virus," he said.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer announced Monday, April 6, during a press conference that there have been 15,718 coronavirus cases in Michigan and 617 deaths. The number of recoveries in the state is unclear at this time.

According to Johns Hopkins University, more than 17,000 people have recovered in the U.S., with more than 330,000 cases reported across the country.

BURN BAN

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during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Each time we go out on a run, we have up to five people in close quarters in the cab of the engine, not to mention the responders back at the hall. We are just trying to mitigate our exposure," he said, adding that it also mitigates exposure for residents.

Tyrone Township, which contracts with the city of Fenton, Fenton Township and Hartland Fire for coverage, announced the ban on Facebook on Monday, April 6.

"Tyrone Township has issued a burn ban in effect until the State of Michigan lifts the moratorium on open burning due to the COVID-19 crisis. This burn ban does not affect recreational/camp fires. You are still allowed to have a recreational fire," according to the post.

Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff

said, "Some local jurisdictions have issued burn bans in an attempt to limit fire department responses and limit exposures. Everyone should check with their local municipality before burning if they are unsure."

Fenton does not allow open burning or burning of leaves, brush, trash, etc., he said. They allow fires for cooking or warmth with clean, dry firewood. Camp fires must be in a container and smaller than 3-feet-wide by 2-feet-high. No permit is needed. The fire must be attended by an adult at all times.

In Fenton Township, Fire Chief Ryan Volz said they don't have a burn ban in place, but they ask residents to

not burn every day. They are allowed a 3- by 3-foot attended fire.

"We ask them to follow the burning ordinance and not burn brush, cardboard, paper, building materials, leaves or garbage," Volz said.

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Ryan Volz

Fenton Township fire chief

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4 Jet forth

8 Faucet problem

12 Shade

13 Part of the foot

14 Solemn promise

15 Geological period

16 Silver salmon

17 Wrinkly fruit

18 Informal game

21 "Absolutely"

22 Deposit

23 Brilliance

26 Cotillion honoree

27 Blond shade

30 Proper subject?

31 Stop running

32 Toll road

33 Pooch

34 Cover

35 Bizarre

36 "A mouse!"

37 Donkey

38 Uncanny ability to make money

45 Memory unit

46 Tittle

47 Aye canceler

48 Practice pugilism

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49 Heal, as a fracture

50 Little demon

51 Bouquet

52 Withered

53 Ball prop

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8 Uncertainty

9 Sitarist's music

10 "— have to do"

11 Collins or Donahue

19 Greenish-blue

20 Bathroom fixture

23 Conclusion

24 Bill's partner

25 Drag along

26 Accomplished

27 Football fill

28 Go downhill rapidly?

29 Haw preceder

31 Long-snouted antelopes

32 Mexican moola

34 Mainlander's memento

35 Will subject

36 Nail smoother

37 Moving about

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39 Syringe, for short

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ARIES
Mar 21/Apr 20

This is the week to take charge of your overall health, Aries. If you haven't been feeling so well, now is the time to visit a doctor and get back on track.

GEMINI
May 22/June 21

Gemini, now is the perfect time to get up and get outside. Fresh air, sunshine and physical activity are long overdue, and they can infuse you with positive energy.

TAURUS
Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, if you have your heart set on an art project but can't find the time, figure out a way to make it happen. If you commit to finding the time, your efforts will pay off.

CANCER
June 22/July 22

Cancer, do not get frustrated with a close friend if he or she seems less ambitious than you. Everyone works at his or her own pace and may not have the same focus as you. Be patient.

LEO
July 23/Aug 23

Use good relationships with loved ones and friends to organize group activities. Such outings will strengthen your already strong bonds with the people you love most, Leo.

VIRGO
Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, if you have not been exercising regularly of late, now is the ideal time to get back in the action. Embrace the physical and mental benefits of being active.

LIBRA
Sept 23/Oct 23

Let your ambition guide you this week, Libra. Spend the week mapping out strategiss. Once you have a plan on paper, you can work towards executing it to perfection.

SCORPIO
Oct 24/Nov 22

Do not have a moment's hesitation when taking on a project or spearheading plans this week, Scorpio. Your organizational skills are right for the job.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, this week should go well for you. Expect to feel a renewed energy and harbor a more positive outlook. Use this to your advantage in your career.

CAPRICORN
Dec 22/Jan 20

Ambition is creeping up on you and it cannot be ignored, Capricorn. You have the time now to devote to any plan of action, so don't be afraid to go all-in.

AQUARIUS
Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, do not be surprised if you wake up feeling super this week. Chances are this renewed strength and energy has something to do with better lifestyle habits.

PISCES
Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, the cosmos puts an end to any lethargy you have been feeling. Use this opportunity to be active and pursue new goals.



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