Safety measures put in place to save lives
By Hannah Ball
Caretel Inns of Linden has no cases of the coronavirus. During the COVID-19 pandemic, management and staff have taken measures to keep residents safe.
Stephanie Hildabrant, vice president of operations, said they’re following safety guidelines set forth by the federal government, state of Michigan, and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).
All employees wear masks while working. They monitor their residents’ temperatures every shift to check for coronavirus symptoms. No visitation is allowed except for medical visits.
“They’re actually doing very well. Caretel of Linden doesn’t have any positive patients. We’re trying to be unique in our approach in socialization. We’re still making sure the residents feel loved, cared for and involved,” she said.
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Hundreds of COVID-19 scams interrupted
Department of Justice reviews more than 3,600 fraud complaints involving internet domains
Federal authorities announced Wednesday, April 22 that an ongoing cooperative effort between law enforcement and a number of private-sector companies, including multiple internet domain providers and registrars, has disrupted hundreds of internet domains used to exploit the COVID-19 pandemic to commit fraud and other crimes.
See SCAMS on 8

Man fatally shot in Gaines Township
Several suspects caught and questioned
By Sharon Stone
David Lee Holmes, 49, of Swartz Creek, was found deceased in a Gaines Township home Monday, April 20.
Lt. David Kaiser of the Michigan State Police reported that the fatal shooting appears to be the result of a dispute over money.
Six individuals were taken into custody and lodged at the Genesee County Jail.
Troopers responded to the home in the 11000 block of Tinsman Road.
See SHOT on 12

Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff stands in downtown Fenton on Wednesday, April 22. He said calls to the fire department have decreased since the COVID-19 pandemic started and the “stay home” order was enacted by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. See story on Page 6. Photo: Hannah Ball

I just want to send out a big ‘thank you’ to Joan Tyree, Sue Bruhn and Julie Barns from the Linden United Methodist Church who made 80 facemasks. The staff and residents at Argentine Care Center are grateful to have something comfortable to wear all day.

Thank you doctors, nurses, nurses’ aids, paramedics who are taking care of COVID-19 patients. You’re angels in disguise. Your hard work and amazing dedication will not go unnoticed. The public is lucky to have you people.

Really nice to see people walking along Tinsman Road and picking up trash on a nice day. Then, the trash is right back there. What’s wrong with people?

Easy times make soft people; hard times make champions. America is going to come back stronger than ever. Mark my words.
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PLEASE INCLUDE GRADUATE’S NAME AND SCHOOL
Area churches and congregations step up to support each other during COVID-19 pandemic

By Sharon Stone

In the current atmosphere of having to stay at home due to the coronavirus, sharing one’s faith in person with others you are close to has brought unexpected challenges to everyone.

Jeff Jaggers, lead pastor of the Fenton United Methodist Church, is pleased to say that they are keeping in touch with the entire congregation in several ways.

Members of the Fenton United Methodist Church volunteer their time at the church’s Food Pantry. If anyone is need of food, they can call the church office at (810) 629-2132. This photo was taken prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. Submitted photo

For members who are regular online users, the church communicates through its Facebook page, its website and email.

Jaggers said they also mail weekly letters of encouragement to their non-digitally connected folks.

The church has started a Zoom Small Group, as well as maintained other small groups through Zoom or conference calls. “In addition, we have reached out to all of our members by phone,” he said. “We have phone prayer partners who will call people who request it twice a week and pray with them over the phone.”

Jaggers said the church is posting worship services online on Facebook and their website.

See FAITH on 9
A message from the superintendent

Building a plane in the air. While the task seems impossible, this is what educators across the state are doing as all school districts transitioned practically overnight to a remote learning platform.

On March 12, 2020 when Governor Whitmer announced the suspension of face-to-face instruction, the construction of each school district’s “plane” started simultaneously with its departure to, at that time, an unknown destination.

A key component to the plane school districts are building in the air, now known as our Continuous Learning Plan, is connecting with our learners via online through Zoom or Google Hangout. These applications have allowed educators to provide instruction, office hours and tutoring sessions using the internet and devices. This has already been a proven strategy for teaching and learning, creating a classroom atmosphere we have all taken for granted before now.

Just as we have worked hard to keep our staff and students safe within our classrooms, we have adjusted our focus to make sure our learners and our teachers understand both the benefits and the dangers of using online meeting applications.

We have reviewed our Acceptable Use Policies, trained the appropriate staff and continue to communicate the potential hazards of using online meeting applications. It is important that students, educators and families work together to ensure both the safety and the integrity of the classroom as we transition to the virtual world.

Fenton Area Public Schools, along with other local school districts, have taken great strides in creating a safety net to mitigate distractions and ensure our online meetings are focused on teaching and learning. These actions include students using school issued emails to login to online meetings, teachers using the virtual waiting room allowing only familiar people into the session, and reviewing the expectations of appropriate dress, location and behavior during an online meeting.

Building a plane in the air has not been easy for anyone within a school community. Transitioning from face-to-face instruction to teaching remotely is one of the biggest challenges our staff, students and families have faced and will face in the future. The good news is that once the plane is built, we can be assured it will fly through any dangers that come our way.

‘Building a plane in the air’

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter

Question asked to Tri-County Times’ Facebook followers

What are you going to schedule when the ‘stay home’ order is lifted?

“The first thing that we will be scheduling is to have someone look at our deck, porch, and replace our furnace. They’re not going to last another year.”  
Jeanette Sugar  
Holly

“I have a prenatal massage gift certificate I’d like to use. Baby is due in July so I don’t have much time.”  
Sarah Moughler  
Byron

“Going into Fenton Fire Hall, sitting down at a table, and ordering Korean pulled pork tacos and a squishy. It’s a frozen drink they make with Faygo.”  
Heather Croney  
Fenton Township

“The library. I can’t afford a printer/computer and need important paperwork printed off.”  
Lexi Metrick-Block  
Fenton
Sharp Shooting PAIN Down the Leg?

By Erica Rainer

Sciatica is a pinched nerve in lower back pain. Pain begins in the nerve roots, located on either side of the lower spine, moving through the sciatic nerve which runs the length of each leg from the buttocks, down to the foot. The leg agony, called radiculopathy, “is often worse than the back pain,” Dr. James Ide, clinic director at Painless Chiropractic & Neuropathy Treatment Center of Fenton says. “It’s very common for patients to come in describing an agonizing, sharp, shooting, burning pain that starts in the buttocks and flows down to the leg and at times into the foot with numbness, tingling and cramps in the leg.” The sensation “can be intolerable,” says Dr. Ide. “Some people describe it to be similar to the nerve pain you experience when you have a toothache.”

After reviewing many different treatment options we have found that typically the average person who suffers from Sciatic pain usually experiences the same frustration when seeking help. They tend to start off going to their doctor who prescribes them one or more of the following; Muscle Relaxers, Pain Pills or Steroid Based Anti-Inflammatory Drugs. The Muscle Relaxers tend to make patients tired but do relax the muscles. The Pain Pills mask the pain while on them but tend to make many people tense, nauseous, constipated and unable to focus. The Steroid Based Anti-Inflammatory Drugs give some people weakness, moon face, weight gain, insomnia and mood swings. All in all the pain usually comes back once the drugs are gone because nothing was ever corrected just masked. These drugs all focus on the symptoms and not the problem.

This is often the case with most pain related to the spine and nerves, regardless if your issue is in your neck, which results in headaches or causes pain, numbness, tingling and/or muscle weakness in the arms and hands or down in the low back and buttocks, resulting in Sciatic Pain. Once the patient goes to their MD, takes their RX prescriptions and then goes back, still in pain, they are usually referred to physical therapy, pain management or a surgeon. Most patients respond to physical therapy however, once the program has finished many report the pain returns. When they visit pain management, they may be prescribed the same types of drugs their MD gave them or they may jump straight to the steroid based epidural shots, injected directly into your spinal column (which may not be FDA approved so please be advised to do plenty of research if you ever find yourself in this situation). As for having surgery... well we all know that surgery is risky and should always be the last resort. Once you make the decision to have surgery, there is no going back and undoing it and many other options are off the table after surgery.

Regardless of how the symptoms are treated, the number one problem with finding relief through these treatments is that they only focus on treating the symptoms and not the underlying issue. This condition will eventually lead to muscle wasting, numbness, constant tingling down to the toes and eventually permanent nerve damage, sexual dysfunction, even loss of bladder/ bowel control. Left untreated, the intense pain can rapidly wear you down and drain the joy out of life. People lose hope and have no idea where to turn.

That is until now...

Recent advances in the treatment of nerve irritation, sciatica and lower back pain have led to the development and huge success of Non-Surgical Re-Constructive Spinal Care. The excellent results of this treatment have been published in major medical journals. With success rates as high as 90% many back surgeons and neurologists are now recommending their patients try this treatment first before having surgery. Now, right here in Fenton MI, at Painless Chiropractic you can try Non-Surgical Re-Constructive Spinal Care under the direct supervision of low back and sciatica specialist Dr. James Ide D.C. The fully trained spinal care team have helped countless patients find relief from their agonizing back and sciatica problems. “We use a combination of ultra-advanced technology not utilized elsewhere in the area for precisely diagnosing the cause of your pain; and a unique program for reconstructing the damaged area causing the pain; this means superior long-term results for most people” said Dr. Ide.

Because the treatment is non-surgical, safe and easy, most patients report an almost immediate relief from their pain. However, as Dr. Ide says “we are happy patients experience less pain but the pain is just a symptom, our goal is to correct the underlying problem which is structural. The pain is usually the last thing to show itself and the first thing to disappear and if not properly treated and maintained, will show up again in the future.” If you are ready to get to the bottom of your debilitating shooting, stabbing and burning pain stemming from your low back, buttocks and sciatic nerve, Painless Chiropractic is ready to deliver the same positive results to you as they have to so many others. That is why the Times has teamed up with the clinic to spread the news and showcase the offer they put together for our readers. Call them now and get a full and thorough consultation and examination to pinpoint the cause of your problem for just $47!
Fire chiefs report fewer calls

Fewer accidents; firefighters clean supplies after every incident

By Hannah Ball

Local fire departments are reporting a decrease in calls and accidents since more people started staying home due to the COVID-19 pandemic and “stay home” order.

Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff said their call volume and number of accidents are “way down.”

The department’s total number of incidents from March 1 to April 22 is 41, which is less than a normal month’s average.

“So far in April we have only had 13 calls for service. One of the slowest months I can remember, which is obviously a very good thing. The fewer interactions we have with people right now, the better,” he said.

The department has received personal protection equipment (PPE) supplies from the county through the state supply request process, and they’ve gotten donations as well.

“Unless we see a major increase in COVID cases and an increase in calls to our jurisdiction, we should be good,” he said. “We also built our own UV-C cleaning cabinet for our N95 masks. That will allow us to reuse a mask up to five times.”

They laid off the part-time fire inspector because the department suspended fire inspections. Cairnduff is unsure when the program will start back up.

“All of our responders are worried about contracting the virus. Just like everyone we don’t want to bring it home to our families, but we have put into place many new protective policies to help protect our personnel,” he said.

Firefighters must wear a mask at all times while on a call or in the station. They must wear an N95 style mask when any patient treatment is happening and additional PPE depending on the incident type.

All supplies are cleaned after every incident. They are not allowing anyone in the station unless they are there for a call for service. All meetings and trainings are postponed.

“The overall attitude is still positive but it is definitely not a ‘normal’ feeling at all. We miss the normal just like everyone,” Cairnduff said. “The view from my office overlooks the library and I miss seeing all the people going in and out of it daily. It is like a ghost town looking out my window now, except for the occasional walker or runner.”

Fenton Township Fire Chief Ryan Volz said they send fewer firefighters on medical calls to adhere to social distancing guidelines, but their other calls haven’t changed much.

In March 2019, they responded to 39 rescue and EMS calls, which included car crashes, which is approximately 67 percent of their calls that month. In March 2020, they reported 14 rescue and EMS calls (31 percent of calls) and 21 good intent calls (46 percent of calls). Good intent calls could be when a resident calls and asks that the fire department check on a neighbor.

In April 2019, the department had 24 rescue and EMS calls (52 percent of calls), 14 good intent, (29 percent of calls). In April 2020, they had six rescue and EMS calls (20 percent of calls) and 15 good intent calls (50 percent of calls).

“People aren’t really listening and staying home. They’re driving around. Traveling from both stations, I see a lot of people on the roads. That’s problematic in itself,” he said, adding that he would hate to see a second wave of the coronavirus.

Volz said they haven’t had to do much with potential coronavirus medical calls, but they’re still staying safe. The department currently has the supplies they need, including gloves, masks and shields. They haven’t had to lay anyone off, and Volz said they don’t plan on it.

“Everyone’s worried about coming into contact (with someone who has COVID-19),” he said. “If you have your proper PPE, you should be fine. We’re constantly buying cleaning supplies.”

They’re busy disinfecting all supplies when they get back to the station. A few medical facilities have offered them cleaning disinfectant sprays.

“I don’t know if this is going to be our new normal on every call, but we’re healthy so that’s all that matters,” Volz said.
Linden, NOCFA fire chiefs see decrease in incidents

‘They want to help when needed but are very cautious…’

By Hannah Ball

All local fire departments have reported a decrease in the number of calls. This is because of the “stay home” order Gov. Gretchen Whitmer put in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Linden Fire Chief Brian Will said they had 28 calls in March and 13 in April.

“We average around 25 calls a month so this month has been less as you can see,” he said. The call types have been similar. About 15-20 are medical calls and the rest are a variety of fire calls. Will said with Linden’s speed limits, they rarely get any car accidents.

“Our department has all the equipment needed currently to respond to any call type that we receive. We continue to get needed personal protective items from the county. Our department is volunteer and we have not laid anyone off. Actually with our members being laid off from their regular jobs, more of them are available to make more calls when they are sent out,” he said.

They are worried about the virus. The chief said they’ve trained with new policies and more protection, and their attitudes are “still good.”

“They want to help when needed but are very cautious when they have to respond to those in need. We use our PPE, disinfect our equipment and vehicles after every call so they can return home as safely as we can. Pretty much like any call, do their job as safely as possible and return home to their families,” he said.

Jeremy Lintz, fire chief at the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA), said their call volumes are down “quite a bit.”

“I don’t think we’ve had a vehicle accident in six weeks,” he said. “Our medical calls have gone down. Even the ones we do go on, we’re not transporting them to the hospital. I think people are scared to go to the hospital.”

NOCFA sent their ambulance to Southfield a few weeks ago when COVID-19 cases were spiking in the southern parts of the county where the population is higher density. Lintz said it seems to be leveling off now.

They’ve been on a few medical calls when they later discover that the patient tested positive for COVID-19.

The biggest change has been the operating procedures put in place to mitigate exposure. This includes more decontamination after calls, a difference in scheduling, and having virtual training instead of in-person sessions.

“We’ve had many local businesses from time to time bring us pizzas or smoothies. That’s always nice. Someone brought surgical masks. We’ve gotten some positive community involvement,” Lintz said.

The station is closed to the public.

Frank Hatton, assistant fire chief of the Argentine Township Fire Department, said people would expect runs to increase with more people home and more time for home accidents to occur. This also applies to health issues, such as a heart attack or a stroke.

“We are not seeing a drastic change in either direction fortunately, which is a good thing. Stay home, stay safe,” he said.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

WHITMER DID NOT prohibit buying home repair items or garden equipment and supplies from online companies. Browse and buy all you want. Local hardware stores sell these items too. Get the facts before you make accusations and post falsehoods for others to believe.

I THINK IT was Patrick Henry who said, ‘Give Me Liberty, Or Give Me Death.’ If you live in the right state next week, you can have both.

ROSE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS
NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF THE
2020 ANNUAL SPRING ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP DAY

Due to the potential health risks of COVID-19, Rose Township WILL NOT hold its annual Roadside Clean-Up for residents and property owners on May 2, 2020 as previously scheduled.

The Rose Township Clean Up Day will be rescheduled in the fall of 2020 as soon as we have the ability to schedule a new date.

Clerk, Debbie Miller will be notifying residents of the new fall date via Tri County Times and the website, rosetownship.com as soon as the new date can be secured once the health risk to everyone is resolved.

Residents may call me at (248) 634-8701 with any questions.

Thank you for your understanding during this very difficult time and I hope everyone is staying safe and staying home.

Best Regards,

Debbie Miller, MMC, CMMC
Rose Township Clerk
SCAMS
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As of April 21, the FBI’s Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) has received and reviewed more than 3,600 complaints related to COVID-19 scams, many of which operated from websites that advertised fake vaccines and cures, operated fraudulent charity drives, delivered malware, or hosted various other types of scams.

To attract traffic, these websites often utilized domain names that contained words such as “covid19,” or “coronavirus.” In some cases, the fraudulent sites purported to be run by, or affiliated with, public health organizations or agencies.

For example, the cooperative effort has disrupted:
• An illicit website pretending to solicit and collect donations to the American Red Cross for COVID-19 relief efforts
• Fraudulent websites that spoofed government programs and organizations to trick American citizens into entering personally identifiable information, including banking details
• Websites of legitimate companies and services that were used to facilitate the distribution or control of malicious software

Multiple federal agencies have worked to analyze the complaints, investigate ongoing fraud, phishing, or malware schemes, and assemble vetted referrals. Agencies have sent hundreds of these referrals to the private-sector companies managing or hosting the domains. Many of those companies, in turn, have taken down the domains after concluding that they violated their abuse policies and terms of service, without requiring legal process.

Domain registrars and registries have advised the department that they have established teams to review their domains for COVID-19 related fraud and malicious activity. Cybersecurity researchers have also made important contributions by developing sophisticated tools to identify malicious domains and refer them for mitigation.

Law enforcement is actively reviewing leads, including those referred by private firms, to verify unlawful activity and quickly pursue methods for disruption.

If you think you are a victim of a fraud or attempted fraud involving COVID-19, call the National Center for Disaster Fraud Hotline at 1-866-720-5721 or email at disaster@leo.gov.

If it is a cyber scam, submit your complaint through ic3.gov.

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LOOKING BACK
at this week in
HISTORY

APRIL 26
1986: Television news reporter Maria Shriver marries the movie actor and former bodybuilder Arnold Schwarzenegger.

APRIL 27
4977 B.C.: The universe is created, according to German mathematician and astronomer Johannes Kepler, considered a founder of modern science.

APRIL 28
1945: Benito Mussolini, the 61-year-old deposed former dictator of Italy, and his mistress, Clara Petacci, are shot by Italian partisans who captured the couple as they attempted to flee to Switzerland.

APRIL 29

APRIL 30
1993: Computer scientist Tim Berners-Lee released the source code for the world’s first web browser and editor. The browser he dubbed WorldWideWeb became the first royalty-free means of browsing the information network that developed into the internet.

MAY 1
1926: Ford Motor Company becomes one of the first companies in America to adopt a five-day, 40-hour week for workers in its automotive factories.

MAY 2
1924: Patrick Mahon is arrested on suspicion of murder after showing up at a train station in London to claim his bag. He confessed that the bloody knife and case inside were connected to the death of his mistress. Detectives were led to a grisly scene in a bungalow, where they found Kaye’s dismembered remains. The officers were forced to pick up Kaye’s body parts with their bare hands. After this investigation, rubber gloves became standard equipment at murder scenes.
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HOLLY AREA SCHOOLS
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ASBESTOS ABATEMENT FOR 2020 RENOVATIONS

Holly Area School District will receive firm prime contractor bids for the Davisburg Elementary Asbestos Abatement for 2020 Renovations located in Holly, Michigan.

The bidding documents consist of plans and specifications as prepared by Arch Environmental Group, 37720 Interchange Drive, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48335. Documents are available from Arch Environmental Group, 37720 Interchange Drive, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48335, (248) 426-0165, www.archenvgroup.com, starting Tuesday, April 28, 2020, at 5:30 PM.

A Pre-Bid meeting will be held at Davisburg Elementary School, located at 12003 Davisburg Rd, Davisburg, MI 48350 on Tuesday, May 5 at 1:00 PM. The meeting will be held on-site in the Media Center.

An opaque envelope bearing your proposal must identify your company, the project being bid “Holly Area Schools Davisburg Elementary Asbestos Abatement for 2020 Renovations’’ and “Sealed Bid, Do Not Open”. The proposal shall be addressed to the attention of Mr. Scott Roper, Superintendent, Holly Area Schools, 920 Baird Street, Holly, MI 48442.

Bids must be delivered no later than 11:00 a.m., Friday May 8, 2020 to Holly Area School District at the address noted above. Each proposal must be submitted on the forms furnished by the Construction Manager and must be completed in full. All bids shall be accompanied by a sworn statement, in accordance with MCL 380.1267, disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner(s) or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Board of Education of the School District or the Superintendent of the School District. All bids shall be accompanied by a sworn statement, in accordance with MCL 129.313, certifying that the bidder is not an Iran linked business. The Board of Education shall not accept a bid that does not include sworn and notarized copies of the familial relationship disclosure statement and affidavit of compliance with the Iran Sanction Act.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at a meeting convened at the Holly Area Schools Administration Building located at 920 Baird Street, Holly, MI 48442 starting at 11:00 AM on May 8, 2020.

Holly Area Schools reserves the right to reject any or all bids either in whole or in part or to waive any informalities or irregularities that may be in the best interest of the School District.

Linda Blair
Secretary Board of Education
Holly Area Schools

FAITH
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He said they were already set up for online giving, and that has increased since the stay-at-home order. In addition, church members have been sending in their offerings through the mail.

The FUMC Food Pantry is operational. People who may need food can call the church office at (810) 629-2132 to set up a time to pick up food. Jaggers added that their sewing group has been making masks that are available.

Jaggers said volunteers have offered to pick up and deliver groceries for members who cannot get to the store. “Other folks in our congregation are running errands for folks, making meals for folks and more,” he said.

Injured Motorcyclist Re-leased From Hospital, Ticketed

At 4:27 p.m., on Sunday, April 19, deputies from the Genesee County Sheriff’s Office responded to a motorcycle crash on Owen Road in Fenton Township. Deputies arriving on scene discovered that a 24-year-old Linden male driving a 2001 Yamaha motorcycle crashed into a Jeep Cherokee as it was turning left (north) onto Eleanor Street from Owen Road. Sgt. Curt Harrington said several witnesses on scene told the deputies that they observed the motorcyclist traveling west on Owen Road at a high rate of speed and passing several vehicles before he crashed into the Jeep Cherokee. The motorcyclist was transported to Hurley Medical Center in Flint for unknown injuries. He was issued a citation for reckless driving, prior to his release from the hospital.

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Contact Ann Fischer - Pupil Services at Holly Area Schools
920 Baird Street, Holly MI 48442
Call (248) 328-3106 or fax (248) 328-3145
Sec 105 - within Oakland County and Sec 105 (C) - contiguous counties
Residents concerned about water runoff, 24/7 access and traffic

By Hannah Ball

A new storage facility, called Lake Fenton Self Storage, is one step closer to coming to Fenton Township at 11191 and 11175 Torrey Road. These properties are located north of Thompson Road on the east side of Torrey Road.

On Monday, April 20, during a telephone conference call, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees passed a proposed zoning ordinance amendment to revise the conditions for a previously approved PUD zoning. The proposed amendment would permit the development of a self-storage facility on the subject property.

Applicants Brian and Jeanette Tait thanked the board for considering their proposal. The area they wish to develop is 16.25 acres.

Treasurer John Tucker said the property would still be zoned PUD, but the conditions allowed for the property would be changed. The applicants wish to allow outside parking for boats, RVs and other recreational type trailers.

According to the meeting minutes, self-storage is a commercial or industrial use that generates low traffic and water use. When properly screened, self-storage facilities can act as a buffer between residential and more intensive commercial uses.

No storage of hazardous materials will be allowed, a maximum height for the storage units would be set, and there would be setbacks to create an appropriate buffer for the neighboring residential community.

The applicant, Brian Tait, spoke during the conference call and addressed concerns from residents. Everyone within 300 feet of the location is being notified of the progress. He disagreed with one comment from a resident who said the area did not need any more storage facilities.

Other resident concerns include water build up, environmental issues, excessive lighting, and 24/7 access, which could lead to more traffic at odd times of the day. One resident said they were not in favor of a storage facility being built at that location.

Tucker said the proposed changes and use are consistent with the Master Plan and the location is in a mixed-use area that allows storage facilities. He said many of these issues were site plan issues, which would be addressed when the topic goes back to the Planning Commission.

Zoning Administrator Mike Deem also addressed residents’ concerns, and said the next step is for the Planning Commission to discuss it on May 14.
‘God is our refuge’

These certainly are crazy times we are experiencing. We have had to learn new words and phrases the past six weeks such as: “sheltering at home,” “social distancing,” and a “new normal.” It is amazing how in a few short months our economy, our sense of safety, our financial stability, and our daily routine have been shaken. I don’t like it. I don’t do well with the uncertainty. I have talked to so many people who are struggling with stress and fear. We all want to see an end to the crisis. We want to get back to normal. We want to live without the fear of sickness, financial ruin, and national uncertainty.

I would like to share some personal thoughts with you that have brought me comfort, peace, joy, and hope. Aren’t those great words: comfort, peace, joy, and hope? I love those words. I love how they make me feel on the inside. They are not toxic to my soul. They are healing words, life-giving words, and strengthening words.

Listen to the words from King David in Psalm 59:16-17. He penned these words when his life was being threatened.

“But as for me, I will sing about your power. Each morning I will sing with joy about your unfailing love. For you have been my refuge, a place of safety when I am in distress. O my Strength, to you I sing praises, for you, O God, are my refuge, the God who shows me unfailing love.”

Wow! The Lord can and will do amazing things for us. He is our refuge and our strength.

Do you need protection from this virus? Of course you do. We all do. God is our refuge. He is a very present help in times of trouble. He is a shield for us. He promises to stand between our enemies and us.

Psalm 91:9-10 says, “If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter, no evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home.”

What a great promise for us! That promise gives me peace and hope.

My wife and I pray this promise every day over our lives. We have discovered that faith is the antidote to fear. I want to encourage you to trust God in this test. Fight the good fight of faith every day. When doubts and fears shake you, choose to believe His promises.

God is not only our refuge but also our inner strength.

Are you lacking inner strength? Are you fearful? God is our inner strength. He is our power. The Lord will keep us from collapsing in fear. Our hearts can be full of courage.

Ask God every day for His supernatural strength. Expect God to give you His abiding peace. Fear will torment you, but His love will cast out that fear. Trust Him right now. He is closer to you than your dearest friend.

God is our refuge and our strength. The Lord also has an unfailing love for our lives.

Do you ever ask yourself or others why this has happened? Is there a purpose to this pandemic? Can any good come from this terrible disease? I ask why. I’m a man of faith, and I wonder what God is doing through this great trial. King David said that God shows His unfailing love in times of testing.

C. S. Lewis penned these words about pain and suffering, “Pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our consciences, but shouts in our pains. It is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world.” In this pandemic, God has picked up His megaphone. I believe God is speaking to us. What is He saying?

Romans 8:28 is one of my favorite verses in the Bible. It says, “For we know that all things work together for good to those who love God and are the called according to His purpose.” Rather than trying to explain our suffering, let us give thanks that God brings good from bad, that God redeems the pain of His people, and that God is wiser than we are. What the devil intends for evil, God turns for good.

Are you asking what good has come from this pandemic? Let me give you some of my thoughts.

God is showing us in this crisis that people are more important than possessions, and family is more important than fortunes.

God is teaching us that His light shines brightest in the darkness, His strength is made perfect in weakness, and His Gospel is good news to the weary.

Let me conclude by speaking words of life to you. If you trust the Lord, He will lift you high above your troubles. If you call upon the Lord Jesus, He will save you. If you draw near to Him, He will draw near to you. If you seek Him, you will find Him. If you lean upon Him, He will make you stand.

God is never overwhelmed, surprised, or dismayed by any news. The Lord is not shaken. The Lord is not defeated. God is at work. History is not happening to God. It is unfolding in the palm of His hand. Let’s rest in His love.

Grace and peace to you,

- Tim Forsthoff
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**CARETEL**

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They still have residents do activities to stay active while being safe. This includes activities such as hallway bingo or independent activities in their rooms.

Caretel has approximately 110 employees.

“It is more work, but they do understand the importance of it,” she said, adding that the Linden facility is unique because it doesn’t have any positive cases. “That’s encouraging because they’re doing the right thing.”

When they first implemented the no visitors rule March 14, Hildabrant said they did receive some calls from upset family members who felt the rule was too extreme.

“There were some attempts at window visits,” she said. However, as time went on and Gov. Gretchen Whitmer’s orders have been more understood, Caretel has received support for those protective measures.

Windows of patients staying at Caretel Inns of Linden are decorated to remind them of the love of families unable to visit in person. Submitted photo

“The facility is doing everything they can to protect the people who live there,” she said. “As an organization, because we are part of a larger network of skilled nursing facilities, we have designated one of our skilled nursing facilities as a COVID unit. If someone tests positive, we have the ability to transfer them to another location to make sure they are cohorted with others who have also tested positive.”

This facility is in Brighton.

**Shiawassee River events canceled, postponed**

Riverfest postponed until 2021, cleanups still scheduled

By Hannah Ball

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the “stay home” order, multiple Shiawassee River events have been canceled or postponed.

This information is provided by David Lossing, chair of the Shiawassee River Water Trail Coalition.

**Friends of the Shiawassee River events:**

The Shi-Tri triathlon, originally scheduled for May 31, has been postponed until May 23, 2021. The Garlic Mustard Festival is postponed until May 2021.

The Paddle and Cookout, planned for June 14 at DeVries Nature Center, is still occurring unless the shelter in place order is extended. The current order expires April 30.

The river cleanup is still scheduled for July 25, with cleanups planned in Owosso, Corunna, and Vernon communities of Shiawassee County.

The water quality monitoring program is canceled for this spring. It will resume in the fall as scheduled.

**Keepers of the Shiawassee River events:**

The annual Riverfest event has been postponed until 2021. The annual river cleanup, scheduled for May 16-17, is still scheduled to take place unless the shelter in place order is extended. The spring water quality monitoring program is canceled and will resume in the fall.

**Headwaters Trails, Inc:**

The Adventure Paddle, scheduled for June 13, is still occurring unless the shelter in place order is extended. The Shiawassee River Water Trail Coalition has canceled its monthly meetings. Dates in May are pending based on the shelter in place order.

**SHOT**

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Hill Road, between Nichols and Duffield roads, at approximately 7:15 p.m. to investigate a reported shooting.

While troopers were on their way to the home, they were advised that several people who had been in the home had fled in a silver Dodge Durango.

Upon their arrival at the home, troopers found Holmes who apparently had been shot multiple times.

Metro Police Authority assisted state police with locating the vehicle as it was turning from School Road onto Miller Road in Swartz Creek. A traffic stop was initiated at Miller Road and I-69.

The suspects were questioned at the MSP post in Flint Township and were then lodged in the Genesee County Jail.

Kaiser said the suspects were known to Holmes and range in age from 18 to 25.
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Residents in Fenton Township likely noticed a low-flying yellow plane during the morning of Wednesday, April 22. It was dropping a granular compound that kills mosquito larvae. Fenton Township authorized the aerial larvicide application this year as a part of the overall mosquito control program. Township property owners are assessed $20 per year for this service. APM Mosquito Control coordinated the aerial larvicide operation with Evans Aviation, which conducted the flights to treat approximately 600 acres of swamps and other areas not reachable by vehicle. The process includes the use of Bacillus thuringiensis (var. israeliensis), commonly referred to as Bti, which will be dispensed from an agricultural aircraft at a rate of 5 pounds per acre. Bti is a naturally occurring spore and crystal forming soil bacteria that has been shown to be toxic only to mosquitoes, black flies and closely related species, with no toxic effects on humans or aquatic organisms. The aerial application took place April 22, using a bi-wing “crop duster” airplane flying at very low altitudes. Questions may be directed to APM Mosquito Control at (877) 276-4714.

Mark Pfau, owner of several McDonald’s restaurants, including one on Owen Road in Fenton and W. Broad Street in Linden says McDonald’s restaurants are giving free meals to first responders, nurses and doctors through May 5. Times file photo.

Now through Tuesday, May 5, all McDonald’s restaurants across the country, including locations in Fenton and Linden, are offering first responders, nurses and doctors a free meal served in a Happy Meal box. The meal includes either an Egg McMuffin/Bacon Egg and Cheese Biscuit/Chicken McGriddle and hash brown and drink for breakfast, or a Double Cheeseburger/6-piece McNugget/Filet-O-Fish and a small fry and drink for lunch/dinner. The customer needs to either show a badge or be in uniform to get the free meal.
Five ways to leave a lasting legacy

Compiled by Sharon Stone

It is customary for people to take inventory of their lives as they grow older, wondering about their impact on the world and the people closest to them. A legacy is often the story of one’s life and the things he or she did through the years.

The good thing about a legacy is it is never too early to begin planning. The following are some guidelines that can help people establish lasting legacies.

• Keep track of your story. Grab a journal and start jotting down events that occur in your life. Mention particular achievements or notable things that occur from day to day. Pepper these accounts with stories of your family and childhood to start establishing an autobiography of sorts.

• Consider your daily actions. Even though people may imagine it is the grand gestures that are remembered most, quite often it’s the simplest acts that make the most impact. Think about the way you treat others each and every day. Smile at people, compliment others and offer positive advice when it is sought.

• Research investments that are profitable. If the goal is to make money to leave for future generations, investigate your options. These include assets that can retain their value.

According to newretirement.com and Stepping Stone Financial, Inc., vacation homes mean a lot to families and they also can be a source of future revenue should they be rented or sold. Speaking with a financial advisor also can be a sound way to invest the right way to accumulate assets that can be passed down as a legacy.

• Name children or other relatives as beneficiaries on Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs). With Roth IRAs, distributions are tax-free as long as the person who set up the IRA met the five-year holding period for contributions and conversions. Beneficiaries can have five years to take out money from the account; otherwise, they can convert the plan to an Inherited IRA, which stretches out distributions over their life expectancy, according to Investopedia, an online financial resource.

• Write a legacy letter. A legacy letter is a way to speak directly to loved ones and say all those things that you had wished you told them earlier but maybe didn’t find the words or perhaps never had the time, according to Forbes. The letter ensures others know just how much joy they brought to your life and the pride you had in knowing them.

Leaving a legacy is something people start to think about as they grow older, but it’s easy to start planning a legacy regardless of age.

Source: Metro Media Connection
Hurley Medical Center has been recognized as a bronze standard-Level 3 Geriatric Emergency Department by the American College of Emergency Physicians through the Geriatric Emergency Department Accreditation (GEDA) program. This not only enhances the hospital’s reputation for delivering excellent geriatric patient care, it also furthers Hurley’s mission of improving patient outcomes by providing standardized approaches to care that addresses common geriatric issues.

Hurley’s Level 3 designation ensures optimal transitions of care from the ED to other settings, including inpatient, home or long-term care. The journey to accreditation was led by Benjamin Misemer, MD, and Stacie Abraham, RN, geriatric nurse specialist, among many other interdisciplinary leaders.

“Hurley continues to receive award recognition for the many layers of services and medical excellence for our patients 65 and older. From admission to discharge, Hurley cares for seniors,” said Cathy Metz, administrator for geriatrics.

The GEDA program is voluntary and includes three levels, similar to trauma center designations. It was developed by leaders in emergency medicine to ensure that older members of communities receive well-coordinated, quality care at the appropriate level at every ED encounter.

Specific criteria and goals are provided for emergency clinicians and administrators to target in a process that consists of more than two dozen best practices for geriatric care. A Level 3 emergency department must incorporate many of these best practices, along with providing interdisciplinary geriatric education and having geriatric appropriate equipment and supplies available.

As the only area Senior Center of Excellence, Hurley Medical Center is committed to providing services tailored to the unique needs of senior patients, including a Fast-Track rooming policy for patients 65 and older in the ER, a bone health program and geriatric nurse specialist oversight. Hurley is also the only NICHE (Nurses Improving Care for Healthsystem Elders) hospital in the region. NICHE is an international organization out of the Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing at NYU that awards different levels of excellence based on nursing care. Hurley has achieved their highest ranking.

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Don’t become a victim

● Home security tips for seniors and those living alone

Compiled by Sharon Stone

Seniors and retirees are often targeted by criminals.

Though many criminals target seniors from afar via telephone or internet scams, criminals also seek to enter seniors’ homes. The Bureau of Justice Statistics reported that the ratio of property crime to violent crime was higher for the elderly and persons between the ages of 50 and 64 than it was for younger persons between the ages of 25 and 49.

Home security is important for people of all ages, but especially so for seniors and aging individuals living alone. By following certain safety tips and developing a home security plan, seniors can feel safer at home.

● Lock windows and doors. It may seem like common sense, but failure to repeatedly lock windows and doors can, and often does, give burglars easy entry into the home.

● Think about a smart doorbell. Technology now enables doorbells to provide a video feed to a person’s smartphone or tablet over WiFi. This allows residents to see who is at the door and speak to this person without having to open the door. Some products like Ring will even register motion activity and record short videos from outside of the house.

● Don’t share or leave keys. Avoid leaving keys under a mat or in a flowerpot. Others may be watching your actions and gain access to your home while you are away.

● Ask for ID. When service people or other individuals come to the door, verify their credentials by asking to see some identification.

● Get a home security system. The best protection against burglars is a home security alarm, according to HomeSecurityResource.org. Such an alarm often deters burglars from breaking in.

● Install a lockable mailbox. Locked mailboxes restrict access to sensitive information, such as bank account numbers, sent in the mail. Make sure retirement checks or other payments are deposited directly into bank accounts instead of having them sent by check.

● Use home automation. Home automation, or a “smart home,” can be utilized to turn on lights, set the thermostat, lock doors, and much more.

● Adopt a dog. Dogs can be an asset to seniors. Dogs provide companionship and can bark or alert seniors if someone is around or inside of the home.

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Coronavirus may postpone nuptials but not the love

The perils of planning a wedding when the COVID-19 pandemic hit

By Sharon Stone

In any given year, approximately 2.3 million couples wed in the United States. That works out to 6,200 weddings a day, according to weddingdaysparklers.com.

But 2020 is turning out to be unlike any given year.

Brides who had spent months or even years planning their perfect wedding were abruptly stopped in their tracks due to the COVID-19 virus.

A few area couples shared their experiences of planning a wedding when the pandemic struck.

Times Media Editor Tim Jagielo and his fiancée Emily Von Brockdorff were looking forward to their May 16 wedding. They met in February 2016 when Jagielo was covering a Fenton Community Orchestra concert. Von Brockdorff, a violinist, was watching the concert and a flash from Jagielo’s camera blinded her for a second. A friendship was born.

Jagielo proposed June 22, 2019 to Von Brockdorff in Rackham Park on “their” bench where they first met.

Their wedding at a church in Flint and a simple afternoon reception for 180 guests would then get them ready for their honeymoon in Hocking Hills, Ohio.

This is when the coronavirus took over the world. When they decided to cancel, all of their vendors were cooperative.

Jagielo and Von Brockdorff ended up with a cautious, immediate family only wedding at Jagielo’s home April 17. Von Brockdorff’s mother, Lata Von Brockdorff, made facemasks so the wedding party could stand closer for photos.

“The most important thing was to be together,” Jagielo said. “We do miss our families and friends that we want to be excited newlyweds with, but we feel like everything was more special and meaningful the way it had to happen.

“Also, we can’t technically get our marriage license until the county starts issuing them again.”

Stephanie Burden, 31, of Fenton, was in the midst of planning her wedding to fiancé Stephen Hayward, 44, of Davison. She’s raising her 9-year-old daughter just one-and-a-half miles from her childhood home, “which has been very special.”

The two met in December 2018 through one of Hayward’s co-workers who happens to be her daughter’s father. “We started dating in December and put a deposit down on our venue in February 2019,” she said.

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Words to live by

Friday, Jan. 20, 1961 was the day that our young new president, John F. Kennedy, gave what is considered the most powerful inaugural speech of all time.

His address brought the words many Americans continue to live by today, and the speech that an equal number of people have forgotten. They are, “… My fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you — ask what you can do for your country.”

Even at a young age, many children, including me, wanted to know, “I’m just a kid, what can I do for my country?” Our parents told us that the best thing we can do is follow the Golden Rule, to treat others the way we want to be treated, take our educations seriously and do the very best we can, and most of all be selfless and help others. The rest, they said, will follow.

Another thing our parents taught us is that our country’s leaders are to be respected. It doesn’t matter if the president or governor is a Democrat or Republican. He or she was chosen to lead us by the majority of citizens and deserve our respect.

We have many constitutional rights in this country. The First Amendment gives us the right to free speech and to assemble peaceably. Even though it may be a right, I personally believe it is morally wrong to call our elected officials “stupid idiots,” “morons,” and other derogatory names not fit to print. That’s just unacceptable and I am shocked when I see the names of those who post this type of thing freely on social media.

I also am dismayed to see the number of protesters all over the country, ignoring stay home and social distancing orders. What are these folks thinking? They may have the right to assemble, but I can’t find anywhere in the Constitution or Bill of Rights that it says people have a right to endanger the lives of others through their carelessness.

This pandemic will end eventually, but until then we would all be wise to heed the words of JFK so many years ago. There are many doing just that. They include the hundreds of thousands of people volunteering their time, talent and money to help others — even at the risk of their own lives.

We all know what we should be doing to stop the spread of this virus; it’s been drummed into our heads for more than a month. We should also do our best to stop the spread of something as destructive — and that is hatred and negativity.

And that, my friends, is my right. Just sayin’!

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They chose a golf club in Clarkston that they fell in love with for their venue. Their wedding date was scheduled for May 30.

“May is a rough month for me,” she said. “My late father’s birthday, parents’ anniversary and the anniversary of his passing are all in the month of May. I was thinking I could turn the month around by closing it out with the celebration of our marriage.”

Burden said they had planned just about everything for their big day. Vendors were lined up, clothing was purchased and invitations had been sent.

Then the COVID-19 pandemic happened. They initially thought they’d let the CDC guidelines decide their fate, but then the pressure got to Burden.

At the beginning of April, with no end to COVID-19 in sight, their venue reached out to tell them they were willing to let the couple reschedule, free of cost. “At this point, we made the difficult, but stress-relieving decision to reschedule,” she said.

They began contacting understanding family and friends and they reached out to the other vendors, who were willing, except for one, to work with them on a new October date. They are hoping they pushed the date out far enough and are not ruling out reducing the number of invited guests.

Charlotte Cox of Grand Blanc and her fiancé, Jesse Payne of the Lapeer area, are rescheduling, as well. They made the decision to postpone their wedding until July due to the “stay home” order. She added that her mom is a lung cancer survivor and her dad has early Alzheimer’s/dementia. Both are high risk of the virus.

“We had our first of two miscarriages, followed by our house fire in May 2019,” Cox said. “We selected May 16, 2020 for our wedding date so we could celebrate our rainbow babies (what would have been the first birthday). Corona changed that.

“I work for Beaumont and just got laid off today. One day we will all get back to normal but have to be thankful for what we do have.”

One popular wedding venue in the Fenton area is Fenton Winery and Brewery in Fenton Township, owned by Matt and Ginny Sherrow.

Ginny Sherrow said this week, “We have been very busy working with our brides and grooms to reschedule them to new dates.” She added that so far, the 20 weddings they had scheduled between March 16 and May, half have moved to either later in 2020 or 2021.

“As weekends become unavailable in 2020, we are having some brides and grooms opt for a Thursday wedding or a micro wedding if they want to stick with 2020,” she said. “We have new micro wedding packages for spring dates that have opened up due to brides and grooms preferring to keep their parties large and move to 2021.”

The Sherrows’ goal is to provide the utmost flexibility for their brides and grooms and allow them to lead the way as far as reschedules. For those outside the mandates, it’s been completely up to their comfort and preference when and if they change their date.

“The same flexibility has been provided to our smaller event bookings, unrelated to the banquet hall,” she said. The 25-40 person parties, however, have mostly had to cancel due to time sensitivities; baby showers, birthdays, rehearsal dinners, etc. “So far we’ve lost nine of the 14 we had booked during the now six weeks of executive orders,” she said.
Linden’s Root earns region coach of the year honors by BCAM

By David Troppens

Linden varsity boys basketball coach Chris Root led his squad to a 19-2 overall record during the winter.

His efforts helped him earn the Basketball Coaches of Association of Michigan (BCAM) Region 11 Coach of the Year honors.

The Eagles finished the Flint Metro League Stripes Division season with a 10-0 division record, earning the division title. The team’s only two losses during the season were against squads ranked among the top 10 teams in Division 2. One of those programs was the Goodrich Martians which kept the Eagles from having a perfect Flint Metro League record overall. However, he still captured the Stripes Division Coach of the Year honors as well.

The Eagles defeated Holly in the opening round of the D1 district tournament and then had its season postponed at that point. The Eagles were scheduled to face Howell in the district title game when the season was postponed by the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

Lake Fenton’s Furey headed to Siena Heights to continue her basketball career

By David Troppens

When Morgan Furey was looking for a school to continue her basketball career, she made her collegiate choice rather quickly.

She knew before she started her senior season at Lake Fenton High School.

Her choices were Siena Heights University or Albion College. Siena Heights won out.

“The reason I picked Siena Heights had to do with the first time I walked in (the gym). They made me feel so welcome and made me feel like it was a family,” Furey said. “It was something I wanted to be a part of.

“I committed last July. It helped me a lot because I didn’t have to worry about it or stress about my decision during my senior year. I was able to just relax and enjoy my senior year with all of my close friends.”

When it comes to going to the collegiate level, next year will be a banner season for the Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team. All three seniors from the 2019-20 squad are headed to the next level. Along with Furey, Sydney Hammis is headed to Adrian College while Katelyn Siebert is going to play at Cornerstone University.

“That’s awesome. I’m so happy for both of my best friends,” Furey said. “Next year I will be able to play against both of them. I will be excited to see them and play against them.”

Furey had an outstanding four-year varsity career at Lake Fenton. She was a first-team All Metro League performer this season, averaging 10.5 points a game. She also averaged 2.8 rebounds, 2.6 steals, 2.0 assists and 1.4 deflections a game. The team enjoyed a +14.6 points a game edge when she was on the court.

She helped the squad earn a D2 district title this winter, which included a victory against Goodrich in the district title game. The squad was preparing for a regional championship.
FUREY

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The season opened in 2014-15. National pitching was pitched opening in the season, and she’s nearing 300 career wins with the program. The Saints have posted winning records every year since going 20-12 in the 2011-12 season. They’ve won at least 20 games in all but two of those seasons, earning 26-win seasons in back to back seasons from 2013-14 to 2014-15.

Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball coach Brian VanBuren said he thinks the squad is a good fit for Furey.

“Her coach came to watch her play and just while talking with her she really liked her and thought she’d fit in,” VanBuren said. “She told me we think she is a great shooter and we want to build upon her game from there.”

“It feels good knowing you competed one of your goals,” Furey said about earning a position on a college basketball program. “I always thought about (playing college basketball). Going into my freshman year making the varsity was my goal but after that I was working toward playing on the next level one day.”

Furey is expected to play at shooting guard.

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1984 Tigers continue to win as April ends

By David Troppens

Editor’s note: The Major League Baseball season was supposed to start a little more than a month ago. To make up for the loss of the season, we’ll be reliving the last Detroit Tigers World Championship season, 1984 with occasional stories about the season. Enjoy.

The Tigers had finally lost their first game of the season when the Kansas City Royals beat them in the 10th game of the year. Certainly the Tigers would come back to life and settle into a strong battle with Baltimore, Toronto or someone else in the American League East during the season, right?

It wasn’t going to happen. The Tigers remained as hot as they ever were and kept a nice distance between them and the rest of the league. A seven-game win streak followed the team’s first loss.

Chicago came into town and the Tigers’ starters Milt Wilcox, Dave Rozema and Juan Berenguer combined to pitch 21 innings of 12-hit, two-run ball, leading Detroit to a series sweep. Wilcox, who had come within one batter of a

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2020 All Tri-County Wrestling Team

Wrestler of the Year

Most Valuable Wrestler  Team  Rec  Postseason
152) Jacob Gonzales  Holly  55-0  State champion  Comment: Gonzales finished a perfect sophomore season by winning a D2 state championship by pinning his championship match foe in the final seconds of the match.

The rest of the first team

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Note: This team is selected based on the wrestler that had the best performance in the individual state series. If there are no placers at a particular weight in the state series we select the highest placer at the league meets. There may be up to two wild card positions, but to qualify for one of the two spots, the wrestler must compete at the state meet. Records are based on MSHAA state meet results.
Weekend Scrambler

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words.
Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Weekend Sudoku

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Village of Holly
PUBLIC NOTICE

LANDOWNER'S DUTY TO CUT GRASS, REMOVE WEEDS, ETC.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all owners of land in the Village of Holly, Oakland County, Michigan that they shall not permit grass, weeds, brush, noxious weeds, or other harmful vegetation to attain a height greater than six (6) inches. These conditions are detrimental to the health, comfort, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Village and are deemed to be a nuisance. This nuisance shall not be permitted to exist on property in the Village beginning May 1, 2020 and continuing through October 31, 2020.

Growth and accumulation of the offending vegetation shall be cut or removed on all lands 1) to a distance of at least 100 feet from any structure designed for human occupancy or use or 2) to a distance of at least 50 feet from any land owned by another person when no habitable structure is near and 3) to a distance of at least 100 feet from the edge of the road or curb along a street or alley, as applicable.

WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE the Village will take the necessary action to maintain the property free of the nuisance during the months of May, June, July, August, September and October.

Holly Village ordinance provides that expenses incurred in the abatement of the nuisance shall be charged to the owner(s) of the land. Left unpaid, those expenses shall become a lien against the land. Landowners who refuse to destroy the noxious weeds are subject to penalties as provided for by the Village ordinance.

THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 3-06, VILLAGE OF HOLLY CODE.

Deborah J. Bigger
Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Holly
Weekend Crossword

Solution Time: 21 min.

Across:
1. Musical pace — director [8]
2. "Nuts" grassy plains [10]
4. Looker's leg — Tarot card reader, e.g. [11]
5. LaBelle with a Grammy — University in North Carolina [13]
7. Pal, to Gigi — Singer Donny or Lauren [6]
8. One of the Three Musketeers — Assembly with a no. [74]
10. Painter Duty — Real leaky members [124]
11. Co. heads — With 59-present [125]
12. Zero in/on — With 59-present [28]
13. What a while flag signifies — Language of Bangkok [76]
14. Speed — Pastor's talk [77]
15. LLOYD — Washington — Def. [79]
16. Make — out (of toughen up) — With 59-present [83]
17. Jogger's guilt — Mike & Molly's aird building [86]
18. Pro — (bump, so to speak) — Small car [87]
19. Candle blowers' secrets — Cumulative pay abbr. [91]
20. CAROL — Cuba's Fidel [97]
21. Caesar of comedy — Some jeans, familiarly [101]
22. Sever — How night turns are often allowed [46]
23. Swan's kin — Peruvians of long ago [106]
24. Copy a bunny — Adams of photography [86]

Down:
1. Read — Paving gunk [1]
2. Prefix with car or warrior [2]
3. Cumulative pay abbr. — Unruly thong [3]
4. Star Milo — Cumulative pay abbr. [89]
5. Capitals — Prefix with car or warrior [9]
7. The Lone Ranger's companion — Florida keys, e.g. [24]
8. Par for the course — The Lone Ranger's companion [25]
10. Evita — Prefix with car or warrior [31]
11. Settle the tab — Evil 20th-century conflict [32]
13. Fr. ladies with haloes — Early 20th-century conflict [34]
15. Stop talking! — Arch — Early 20th-century conflict [43]
16. IRS ID — Arch — Early 20th-century conflict [44]
17. Mosaic tile — More like a hoarse voice [47]

Sudoku

MIDWEEK SUDOKU ANSWERS

WEEKEND SUDOKU ANSWERS

Crossword 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.

MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS:
Offer, Gripe, Fungus, Appear

Answer: The fish that started their own rock band were — Groupers

MIDWEEK SCRAMBLE ANSWERS:
Lilting, Chagrin, Breezy, Strobe

Answer: Zillions

Puzzle Answers
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS**

**APRIL 20, 2020**

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday April 20, 2020 via telephone conference call and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
2. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of $437,720.48.
3. Received the first quarter Fire Department report from Chief Ryan Volz. Adopted Ordinance No. 819, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the conditions for previously approved PUD zoning for parcels 06-02-100-002 and 06-02-100-003, (11191 & 11175 Torrey Road), to permit the development of a self-storage facility.
4. Adopted Resolution No. 2020-04, scheduling a public hearing on the special assessment roll for the Margaret Drive Improvement Special Assessment District.
5. Adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and will be available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430 when the office reopens to the public. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

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Bob Benner - age 89, passed away at home on Sunday, April 19, 2020. Born in Mt. Pleasant in 1930, he moved to the Linden, Fenton area at a young age and lived there for the remainder of his life. Active in various forms of auto racing in the 1950s and 1960s, his focus turned to snowmobiles in the 1970s and he quickly made Enduro Snowmobile Racing history. The Master mind behind Benner Racing and later, Williams/Benner Racing, he built some of the fastest Ski-Doo entries on the Enduro circuit. He led his teams to countless records and victories along the way, most notably winning the grand daddy of all races, the Sault Ste. Marie I-500, in 1986.

His legendary status in the racing community culminated in 2009 when he was inducted into The Michigan Motor Sports Hall of Fame. Bob retired (kicking and screaming) from Chevrolet Manufacturing after 30 years of service as a skilled trades Welder in the maintenance division. Bob is survived by his wife Betty; son, Lynn; son-in-law Laurence Grindel; brothers, Lynn Benner, Frank Vollmer and sister Lucille Howard. Cremation will take place per his request. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Bob Benner Memorial Fund set up by the Midwest International Racing Association (M.I.R.A.) to help snowmobile drivers injured while racing. A special thank you to Steve and Sherry Landon of The Winning Edge magazine for the photo contribution here and for faithfully following Bob throughout his racing career. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.


Obituaries

Thomas John Gorzenski
1936 — 2020
Thomas John Gorzenski - age 83, died Friday, April 17, 2020. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at a future date at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 North Adelaide Street, Fenton, with Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Interment will follow at Great Lakes Cemetery, Holly, (arrangements are tentative subject to easing of quarantine restrictions). Tom was born November 5, 1936 in Bay City, the son of Peter and Elizabeth (nee: Kosnik) Gorzenski. Tom’s long and fruitful life included graduating high school from St. Mary’s Preparatory High School, Orchard Lake, and later receiving a teaching degree from Bay City Junior College. After two years of teaching and coaching, Tom served in the U.S. Army from 1959 through 1963. Upon returning home, Tom began a successful career with numerous corporate sales divisions, Tom won Ward and later with the J. L. Sharp Corporation. While mostly employed in the electronics division, Tom won numerous corporate sales awards using his friendly, warm, and down to earth personality. Tom’s love of music was evident in how he incorporated it with his sales delivery. Tom was a lifelong Roman Catholic and a parishioner of St. John Catholic Church in Fenton, for over 50 years. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus. Tom will mostly be remembered for how he made people feel important, worthwhile, significant. Tom’s warm, funny and easy personality was a blessing to so many. Surviving are four children, Mary Ann (Jeffrey) Kost of Linden, Lisa Ann Miller of Linden, Thomas Michael (Leni) Gorzenski of Apollo Beach, FL and Monica Ann Gorzenski of Novi; eight grandchildren, Peter, Carolyn, Corrine, Andrew, John, Maria, Jacob and Joseph. Tom was preceded in death by his beloved former wife, Mary (O’Connor); best friend Harold Fournier; parents; and six siblings, Virginia, Virgil, Germaine, William, Henrietta and Barbara. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

Shirley Mae Kruse
1937 — 2020
Shirley Mae Kruse - age 83, of Byron, passed away Sunday, April 13, 2020, at her home. In accordance with her wishes cremation has taken place. A memorial will be held at a later date at St John Catholic Church and she will rest next to Elwyn Kruse, her husband of 60 years. Shirley was born in Caro on April 13, 1937. She graduated from Caro High school in 1955 and went on to Flint for employment at General Motors where her and Elwyn crossed paths. They were united in marriage on February 7, 1959 in Caro. They raised their family in Holly and lived there for 22 years. During their retirement years they lived in Arkansas, Florida, Lewiston, 13 years in Byron and enjoyed their travels. Shirley was a devoted mother to daughter, Kimberly Giesey; son, Marvin Kruse (Barbara Nakuls) and son, Richard Kruse. She had five wonderful grandchildren, Adam (Neyeli) Giesey, Jamie (Justin) Nielsen, Austin (Hayley) Giesey, Jacob (Alyssa) Kruse, Sarah (Matthew) Hauck and seven great-grandchildren. Shirley was preceded in death by her parents Rolo and Vera Darbee; her husband, Elwyn Kruse; brother, Michael Darbee; and granddaughter, Shannon Giesey. Shirley (mom) will always have a special place in our hearts. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Beverly (Haltunen) Rastello
1966 — 2020
Beverly (Haltunen) Rastello - age 70 of Fenton, formerly of Copper City passed away Wednesday, April 15 with her loving family by her side after a very admirable and valiant fight with a recent diagnosis of Calciphylaxis. Beverly was born to Elmer and Gwendolyn Haltunen on December 16, 1949. She attended Calumet High School and married Reid Rastello on November 26, 1966. She worked for Kewenaw Home Nursing retiring in 1997. She was a loving Mother to Leanne (Dave) LaBonte of Calumet, Lori Wuestnick (Shannon) of Linden, and Reid (Laura) Rastello of Copper City. Beverly loved spending time with her family and enjoyed bonfires, pontoon rides, berry picking, a cup of coffee with a friend, and spending time with her grandchildren Logan, Collin, Paige, Alayna and Mikaylee. Special thanks to the love of her life, Jerry, who we cannot thank enough for his unremitting love and devotion to her. Thank you to her caregivers at Davita Dialysis, Caretel Inns of Linden and Genesys Hospital. Thank you to Wings of Mercy for the many flights to and from the Mayo Clinic. Cremation has taken place and a memorial celebration of her life will be held this summer. See the full obituary at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Tilda Jane Dotson
1931 — 2020
Tilda Jane Dotson - age 89, of Fenton, died Thursday, April 23, 2020. A graveside service has been held and a public memorial service will be held at a later date. Those desiring may make contributions to the family. c/o Sharp Funeral Homes. Tilda was born April 22, 1931 in PawPaw, KY, the daughter of James and Lou (McClimahan) Scarberry. She married Lawrence Dotson May 23, 1947 in Pikeville, KY and he preceded her in death in 1995. She had resided in Fenton for the past 20 years, coming from Kentucky. She was a member of Free Unity Baptist Church. Surviving are her children, Shirley Estep of Fenton, Norma Jean Turzanski of Clarkston, Cathy Sowards of Argentine, Jimmy (Lisa) Dotson of Fenton, Geneva Catrell of Clarkston, Wanda Stiltner of Fenton, and David (Tina) Dotson of Fenton; many grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Eleanor England; sons, Russell, Elmer, Terry, and Timmy Dotson. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Susan DeLosh
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**Robert Gould**

**Kathryn Carr**

**Michael Crabill**

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**Robert “Bob” Kirby**

**Saundra Dukes**

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**Dorthea Adelaide Beauchamp**
1927 — 2020
Dorthea Adelaide Beauchamp - age 93, died Monday, April 6, 2020 at Autumn Ridge Assisted Living in Clarkston. Dorthea was born in 1927 in Bridgeport, CT, the daughter of George and Elizabeth (nee: Mihock) Yanss. At a young age she moved to northwest Detroit. She graduated from Redford High School and made the Detroit area home for much of her life. She worked various jobs in the Detroit area and married Norbert P. Beauchamp in 1960. In her youth as well as later in life she spent much time visiting with friends and family along the St. Clair River, which she loved. She moved to Fenton much later in life to be near her family and favorite granddaughter. She reveled in her family’s accomplishments and milestones. She loved to cook and especially bake pies, gracing others tables with them. She loved dogs, shopping, and visiting community businesses. Most of all she loved to be with family and friends especially during the holidays and celebrations. She will be remembered as a fun loving and giving person who often wore a trademark hat. Dorthea is survived by her son, Charles (Pam) Handley; granddaughter, Katie Handley; step-daughter, Jeanne Adwani; sister, Gail Luzod; nephew, Todd Luzod; and many Beauchamp family members by marriage. She was preceded in death by her husband Norbert and niece Candace Laitan. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Those desiring to make a contribution can donate to Henry Ford Employee Emergency Fund at www.henryford.com/donatecovid19. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

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