# 'Celebration of Lexi's Life' at The Rock Church

## Family hosts public visitation, ceremony

#### **Compiled by Sharon Stone**

Funeral arrangements were announced May 27 for Lexi Simon, 17, of Fenton, who died from injuries she suffered in a Waverunner accident on Lake Fenton on Sunday, May 24.

Simon had just finished her junior year

at Lake Fenton High School.

Neil Thompson, director of ministry operations at The Rock Church of Fenton, said the Simon family made arrangements for a Celebration of Lexi's Life on Saturday, May 30 at 3 p.m. at The Rock Church, 11400 Linden Rd., Fenton.

Public visitation would begin at 2 p.m. and the ceremony would begin at 3 p.m. Pastor Wes Morris will officiate.

Thompson said both the visitation and

ceremony would take place under a large, white tent on the softball field on the east side of the property.

"After carefully seeking counsel, it is our understanding that the ceremony is permitted under both the recent Presidential mandate and the religious exclusion that has been provided in Governor Whitmer's previous executive orders regarding places of worship," Thompson said.

See LEXI'S LIFE on 10



Lexi Simon



### Officials expect revenue sharing to decrease

■ Tax revenues from state to local government will decrease due to pandemic

#### **By Hannah Ball**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, local municipalities are expecting a decrease in revenue sharing from the state of Michigan.

Revenue sharing is the distribution of a portion of federal tax revenues to state and local governments.

The money is sent to municipalities in six payments for each fiscal year in the following months: October, December, February, April, June and August. Revenue sharing funds for the FY 2019-2020 have See REVENUE SHARING on 10

# **Recognize these stolen items?**

■Holly police to seek charges against three larceny from auto suspects

#### **By Sharon Stone**

Holly police are hoping to return stolen belongings they recovered to their rightful owners. They also plan to seek charges against the suspects.

Police Chief Jerry Narsh said that in the evening hours of Tuesday, May 26, officers were dispatched to numerous reports of suspicious activity and larcenies from vehicles parked at homes in the neighborhoods of Oakland Street and Academy Road.

See STOLEN ITEMS on 8

# Social distancing sundaes



The staff at Uncle Ray's Dairyland in Fenton handles a drive-through customer every 70 seconds on a busy evening. Until the previous weekend there was no take-out option — only a very busy drive through due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Now they're experimenting with take-out customers with proper social distancing markers. Pictured are Wednesday, May 27 customers before the evening storm came. Photo: Tim Jagielo





arguing about masks, our Governor, and everyone's rights. Again, thank you nurses, EMTs, doctors, all health care workers. Thank

you restaurant workers, grocery store workers, sanitation workers and all essential workers. We all appreciate your help and support."

**66** It's sad that discussion over what to do during and about COV-ID-19 has devolved into a political

topic. Whatever happened to decency and not immediately dismissing someone because of political views?"



school seniors.



**GRIP Lexi. You** were such a beautiful person inside and out and we are going to miss you so much.

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HONORING

# Librarians give out free books to students

Funds that would have gone to Scholastic Book Fair went to buying books

#### By Hannah Ball

Teachers are able to connect with students online for the remainder of the school, and now librarians are finding ways to encourage students to read.

Kelly O'Connell, librarian/technology resource aide at Central Elementary, and Angi Baldwin, librarian/media aid specialist at Linden Middle School, handed out approximately 100 bags of free books to students Wednesday, May 27 at Tyrone Woods Manufactured Housing Community. It's one of three locations where Linden schools staff has handed out free lunches every Monday and Wednesday to students and parents of students since the pandemic began. They can come get food at Tyrone Woods, Linden Elementary and Pine Ridge Mobile Home Park in Argentine Township on these two days.

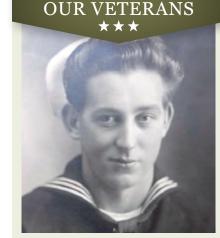
See LIBRARIANS on 20



Kelly O'Connell, librarian/technology resource aide at Central Elementary, hands out a bag of free books to a Linden student Wednesday, May 27 at Tyrone Woods Manufactured Housing Community. Photo: Hannah Ball

In this time of **COVID**, we miss the kids. We miss them so much. 77 Kelly O'Connell Central Elementary technology resource aide







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**Bronchos, first responders** 

join forces against COVID-19

#### A message from the superintendent

ur Broncho community has never been more united. Our dedicated local first responders are playing a central role in keeping our Holly community connected during the continuing COVID-19 pandemic.

Throughout this public health crisis, we have

strengthened our relationships with the Holly police officers and firefighters who keep our schools and community safe.

I'm excited to share a few examples with you.

On April 17, Holly's first responders helped us honor the Class of 2020 as we lit up the Broncho football stadium for 20 minutes. Their presence and support that night helped honor our seniors and provide a moment of unity in the



**Scott Roper** Holly Area Schools superintendent early weeks of the pandemic.

Our teachers, staff and administrators have faced unparalleled challenges to continue educating our kids from a distance. We needed a strategy to provide the technology our Bronchos need to learn remotely. With the help of the Holly Fire Department, we deployed more than

650 Chromebooks to our Broncho families

Our first responders have also joined our Broncho students, families and staff to plan a unique graduation event like none other for our seniors. The Holly police and fire departments have helped us plan next month's Class of 2020 Graduation Parade and Drive-Thru Commencement. Thanks to our first responders.

we have developed safety protocols to ensure a safe event for our seniors as they begin the next phases of their lives.

The safety of our students, staff and families has never been more important. We will be working with our first responders to ensure a safe return to our school buildings based on the best medical research and science.

While we await direction from the state, we are making plans for a safe 2020-2021 school year, whether that includes in-school learning, remote learning, a combination of the two, or something entirely different.

Our Broncho community is being challenged like never before. Despite this adversity, there has never been a better time to be a Broncho.

Our Broncho family has never been stronger, and I've never been more proud to be part of it.

Submit Hot lines online at or text to 810-771

All submissions, if approved for publication, must be 50 words or less and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Tri-County Times. We reserve the right to edit for clarity, length and liability.

HOW CAN I gather with nine other people if I live by myself and have to stay at home by the current order and the other ones have no legal reason to leave their houses to visit me?

TO PEOPLE WHINING about not being able to get their hair and nails done, you are my new heroes. Stay the course, don't listen to nurses and doctors pleading, in tears, for you to stay home and be safe. Stand up for your right to die with great hair and manicure.

#### YOUR GOVERNOR THINKS

you're an idiot. She thinks you are too stupid to make decisions for yourself, luckily, she's so brilliant she can tell you what to do and how to do it. I don't know where we would be without our supreme leader Whitmer.

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter — Question asked to Tri-County Times' Facebook followers

# What do you think of the loosening of restrictions on the stay home order? | Street talk



"This crisis is tough for many reasons. However, isn't the goal to save lives? We should continue to listen to the experts, the PhDs who study pandemics. Remember, history is repeating itself here so they have data to help guide us. None of our opinions matter."





"I'm over it. I'm tired of both sides constantly complaining."



"Look at data from other states that have returned to normal almost a month ago. Their numbers continue to go down. It's our turn."



"Don Schmid would like to see data/risk based decisions by the Governor and Legislature in a logicbased phased reopening. We have none of this now."

**Christa Irons** Holly **Cindy Shaw** Brighton **Don Schmid** Fenton

# Watercraft rules for Michigan lakes

#### Must have enough life jackets on board for everyone

#### By Hannah Ball

With the weather warming, area lakes are getting busier and boaters can expect to see marine patrols cruising the waters.

Here's are the rules of the lake, which are set by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources:

• Kids under age 12 may operate a boat powered by a motor of no more than 6 horsepower (hp), legally without restrictions. They may operate a boat powered by a motor between 6 hp and 35 hp, if they have been issued a boating safety certificate and are supervised on board by a person who is at least 16 years old.

• People age 12 through 15 years old may operate motorboats if they are accompanied by at least one person 16 years or older, or, the person has a boating safety certificate.

• The number of people in the boat must not exceed the number of seats on the vessel.

• Don't drink and drive. Michigan law prohibits driving a boat with a blood alcohol content over .08 percent.

• Don't go near docks or swimmers. All watercraft are supposed to stay at least 100 feet away from any fixed objects, diver flags and other boats. Give swimmers a wide berth.

• Having enough life jackets for every person on board is required by law. All passengers under age 6 must wear a life jacket, and everyone tubing, skiing or riding a personal watercraft



Now that nicer weather has arrived in Michigan, boaters are reminded of Michigan Department of Natural Resources rules to follow. **Photo: avalonpontoons.com** 

must wear a life jacket.

• Water skiing is not allowed between the timeframe of one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise.

• At least one person, in addition to the driver, shall be in the boat to watch the people being towed. With a driver and spotter on a two-person PWC, there's no seat for the person they're pulling if they get injured.

• The tow boat must have a 170 degree wide angle rear view mirror affixed to permit the drive to see those being towed.

• Boaters must drive counterclockwise around the lake.

• Sit in the correct spot of the boat. Pontoons have an enclosed area and passengers are not allowed on the outside front end or on the raised back area while the pontoon is moving.

• Motorboats are required to have mufflers or an underwater exhaust system so it does not produce sound in excess of 90 decibels (dB).

• Motorboats shall give way to nonmotorized vessels.

• If two vessels are approaching each other head on, the operators shall pass on the left side. When overtaking a slower vessel, the operator must pass on the left side.

Source: Department of Natural Resources, Michigan Lakes and Streams Association

# Secretary of State offices reopen June 1

#### Appointment-only transactions due to COVID-19 guidelines

Secretary of State branch offices will reopen Monday, June 1 by appointment only for essential transactions not available online in order to continue to balance the need to provide critical services and protect public health.

Beginning the week of June 1, all 131 branch offices in Michigan will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for appointment-only services for transactions.

To schedule an appointment visit Michigan.gov/SOS or call 888-SOS-MICH.

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# HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE orders are law. So, if you violate her orders, you are breaking the law. That makes you a criminal, not a patriot.

IF YOU'RE AMONG the many people who are nonstop complaining about our elected leaders, and posting dozens of conflicting videos from random sources, you are obviously a genius and I hope to see your name on the ballot in November.

**TO THE PERSON** with the chain link trimming problem. Spray it with Round Up and it will kill it all.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL LAWYER

**FAILS** again; cites the Declaration of Independence and the preamble to the Constitution as the basis for fantasy rights of health and life. Too bad, both are merely aspirational text and neither serves as a basis for law. Try again.

**I SURE MISS** Foster Childs. Would love to hear what he has to say about our situation.

# Two local organizations awarded \$4,000 combined

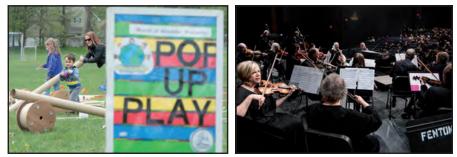
Fenton Community Orchestra and Fenton Arts Council eligible for portion of \$502,400 Emergency Relief Fund grants

#### By Sharon Stone

The Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs (MCACA) has awarded a total of \$502,400 in Emergency Relief Fund grants to 176 nonprofit arts and cultural organizations around Michigan to provide relief from the negative impacts of the COVID-19 outbreak, according to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC).

Locally, the Fenton Arts Council (FAC) received a grant of \$1,000 and the Fenton Community Orchestra (FCO) received a \$3,000 grant.

Eric Szczepanski, board chair of the FCO and board member of the Fenton Arts & Culture Commission, said, "This grant will support FCO's part-time operations manager. FCO Manager Tetyana Clarke plays a vital role in ensuring continuity of FCO programming and services. Mrs. Clarke,



(Left) As a kick-off to the summer art season in 2019, more than 400 children and their parents attended Arts Are the Heart in this Times file photo. (Right) The Fenton Community Orchestra performs a concert in 2019 in this Times file photo.

with the board, has been working diligently to prepare the FCO for the next orchestra season.

"Plans will include both traditional and virtual engagement opportunities pending recommendations by the state."

Sally Bright of the FAC said that the free "Arts Are The Heart" community events hosted by the FAC for the last four years have been funded by grants, sponsors and donations. These events are organized by the all-volunteer FAC to help promote all forms of art in the community.

"Due to the current pandemic, it has been difficult to procure sponsors and donations," Bright said. "The Fenton Arts Council is especially grateful as this assist will help to continue the free community events."

New this year for the "Arts Are The Heart" series is the collaboration with local art gallery, Cause & Affect, and local artists to bring a fine art exhibit to downtown Fenton, which opens July 10 and will close Aug. 8, said Bright.

"Creative minds are forging forward to make this happen during our social distancing times," Bright said. "Reservations will be taken for daily viewing time slots and also a virtual gallery exhibit will be available.

"In addition, the Fenton Arts Council continues to plan the Aug. 15 'Arts Are The Heart' and Back to School Community Resource Fair and also an 'Arts Are The Heart Mini Maker Fair' for Nov. 7."

# Fenton Arts Council plans July art exhibit

Organizers will follow state guidelines for social distancing and other precautions during the pandemic

#### By Hannah Ball

The Fenton Arts Council is planning a showcase in July at the Cause & Affect Gallery at 126 N. LeRoy St.

According to the press release, all fees are waived and participants will become a member of the Fenton Arts Council. The exhibition will run from July 10 to Aug. 8.

"This outreach is to help support artists during this difficult time when many summer events are canceling," according to the release. "Public attendance and social distancing requirements are unknown currently, however creative minds are forging forward to work out details for our changing times. Our plan is to follow state guidelines at the time of the event."

Submission guidelines can be found fentonartscouncil.com. The application deadline is June 8. Application by mail must be postmarked by June 6.

This is a juried exhibit. The jury panel is comprised of three people with a diverse background and skillset, including working artists and members of the arts community at large, according to the council. Jurying will occur in May/June 2020.

Three jpeg images of the artwork must be submitted with the application.

There will be two ways to see the exhibit. The first is virtually on the Cause & Affect Gallery website and Fenton Arts Council website. The second is by appointment.

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# More cancer patients to benefit from proton therapy

McLaren Proton Therapy Center adds second treatment room, upgrades imaging capabilities

More people fighting cancer may receive radiation oncology treatment with superior precision. The McLaren Proton Therapy Center has opened a second treatment room and has added cone beam computed tomography (CBCT) for better imaging prior to each treatment.

Adding an additional treatment room makes the McLaren Proton Therapy Center the largest in Michigan, and the first proton therapy center in the state to operate cancer treatments in two rooms. In addition to having two rooms operational, McLaren has developed new imaging modality, adding the CBCT in both treatment rooms.

All of this comes at a time when the number of physician referrals and selfreferrals have significantly increased.

"We have an increasing demand for proton technology as we have been treat-

ing at almost capacity with one gantry room," said Hesham Gayar, MD, medical director of the McLaren Proton Therapy Center. "Having a second 45-ton gantry room, coupled with integrated CBCT volumetric image guidance to accurately target our proton pencil beam, makes McLaren Proton Therapy Center the largest and most advanced technological center in the state.

"Patients are coming to us from all over Michigan and the neighboring states. I am glad to have the additional room to help more patients receive life-saving treatments, at the highest possible precision and accuracy of positioning to reduce side effects and improve quality of life."

The CBCT is a volumetric imaging modality. This technology allows for six-degrees of freedom when aligning patients for treatment. This means patients are accurately aligned for treatment quicker, even in the most challenging scenarios. A traditional image guided radiation therapy uses two-dimensional radiographic images,



which do not delineate soft tissues. With a CBCT, therapists can see a more detailed image to distinguish the tumor from healthy tissue. The McLaren Proton Therapy Center is one of a few centers in the country with this technology.

"We're at a good place, treating more patients than we could have imagined with only one room, utilizing this exceptional cancer treatment resource more efficiently" said Vahagn Nazaryan, Ph.D., executive director of the McLaren Proton Therapy Center. "While we begin treatments in the second room, we will continue to develop our center by focusing on getting a third treatment room operational. This will allow us to treat even more patients in the future with the most advanced technologies available."

The addition of the second treatment room allows for a more efficient workflow, and for a better patient experience. As the proton beam is being delivered to one of the treatment rooms, another patient will be positioned and prepared for their treatment in the second treatment room.

Gayar added that the McLaren Proton Therapy Center has continued operations throughout the coronavirus pandemic to ensure patients battling cancer receive their needed treatments. This further emphasizes commitment of the Karmanos Cancer Institute to serve our communities.

"Cancer doesn't wait, even in a pandemic, so we continue our dedication to help our patients fight this disease no matter what," Gayar said. "We continue to adhere to the most current safety measures to make sure our patients and staff are safe during this time."



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# HOT LINE CONTINUED

**YES, WHITMER IS** both a run of the mill standard Democrat and a Socialist. By decree, Whitmer has selected and controlled production of goods and services throughout Michigan. A textbook definition of Socialism. You're the one who doesn't understand Socialism.

#### HOT-LINER CLAIMING

**GOVERNOR'S** Emergency Powers were upheld needs to read the court record. Judge Stephens (D) stated 'Whitmer overstepped by re-declaring a state of emergency; violating a 28-day limit.' The judge sided with Whitmer on a technicality and recognized the case is headed to Michigan Supreme Court for final adjudication.

I WOULD LIKE the individuals who strongly support our governor that if she made such great decisions on COVID-19, why is Michigan among some of the worst hit states for COVID-19 deaths and cases?

MAIL-IN VOTING. Fact — people have gone to jail for cheating with mail-in voting. Don't allow it.



The Holly Police Department is seeking the owner or owners of stolen items it recovered May 26 from suspects of multiple larceny from vehicle complaints. **Submitted photo** 

#### **STOLEN ITEMS** Continued from Front Page

The officers searched the area and located a vehicle occupied by two individuals who were detained and questioned. While questioning the two individuals, alcohol, marijuana and what appeared to be stolen property was recovered from the vehicle.

The officers identified a third male



subject who may have been involved in the larcenies. He matched the images posted on Holly area social media, which had been captured on home surveillance systems during the crimes.

On Wednesday, May 27, Holly officers located the third suspect and obtained a confession to the thefts from vehicles.

The Holly Police Department is asking that victims of these crimes review the picture of recovered property. If this is your property, contact the Holly police department at (248) 634-8221 to come in, make positive identification, and recover your property.

Once the investigation is complete, police will submit the case to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office for review.

Narsh said, "Thank you to everyone who posted pictures of possible suspects from your home camera systems. This network of surveillance systems greatly assists your police department in solving crime."

Reference Case Number 20-3394.





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#### <u>MAY 31</u>

**1889**: In a river valley in central Pennsylvania, heavy rain and a neglected dam lead to a catastrophe in which 2,209 people die and a prosperous city, Johnstown, is nearly wiped off the face of the earth.

#### **JUNE 1**

**1980**: CNN (Cable News Network), the world's first 24-hour television news network, makes its debut.

#### JUNE 2

**1997**: Timothy McVeigh, a former U.S. Army soldier, is convicted on 15 counts of murder and conspiracy for his role in the 1995 terrorist bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City.

#### JUNE 3

**1965**: Major Edward H. White II opens the hatch of the Gemini 4 and steps out of the capsule, becoming the first American astronaut to walk in space.

#### JUNE 4

**1989**: Chinese troops storm through Tiananmen Square in the center of Beijing, killing and arresting thousands of prodemocracy protesters.

#### <u>JUNE 5</u>

**1968**: Sen. Robert Kennedy is shot at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles after winning the California presidential primary. He died a day later.

#### JUNE 6

**1998**: HBO airs the pilot episode of "Sex and the City," a new comedy series chronicling the lives and loves of four single women living in New York City.

Source: history.com







COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

#### RUNAWAY FOUND AND RETURNED TO PARENTS

On Saturday, May 16, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies took a complaint at the Fenton Township sub-station for a runaway. Deputies located the 16-year-old runaway and returned her to her parents.

#### FENTON TOWNSHIP MAN CHARGED WITH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

On Sunday, May 17, deputies with the Genesee County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to the 4000 block of Lahring Road in Fenton Township for a domestic assault and battery. Shelby Meredith, 41, of Fenton Township was arrested. He was arraigned in Genesee County 67th District Court on May 21 with domestic violence. He was released on \$20,000 personal bond. A pretrial is set for June 3. He was ordered to have no contact with the victim, no drugs or alcohol and to not be in possession of weapons.

#### **ASSAULT ON EASTVIEW DRIVE**

On Sunday, May 17, deputies with the Genesee County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to the 14000 block of Eastview Drive in Fenton Township for an assault. The incident is currently under investigation.

#### WHITE TRAILER STOLEN ON SUGAR MAPLE COURT

On Wednesday, May 20, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the 1000 block of Sugar Maple Court in Fenton Township for a stolen trailer. The stolen trailer is a white 20-foot, Legend. The white trailer said "WHITE" on it. Video surveillance shows a dark, possibly dark green, Dodge Ram truck pulling the trailer. If anyone has any information, contact D/Sgt. Curt Harrington at (810) 257-3422.

#### UNLAWFUL ENTRY ON SUGAR MAPLE COURT

On Thursday, May 21, deputies from the Genesee County Sheriff's Office

were dispatched to the 1000 block of Sugar Maple Court in Fenton Township for an unlawful entry complaint. A 54-year-old Fenton Township man was arrested and issued a citation for unlawful entry.

#### LARCENY FROM AUTO ON FAIRBANKS ROAD

On Friday, May 22, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the 12000 block of Fairbanks Road in Fenton Township for a larceny from auto. The incident is currently under investigation.

#### **ASSAULT ON LOON LAKE COURT**

On Monday, May 25, deputies from the Genesee County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to the 3000 block of Loon Lake Court in Fenton Township for an assault. The incident is currently under investigation.

#### **ASSAULT ON PONEMAH DRIVE**

On Monday, May 25, deputies with the Genesee County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to the 3000 block of Ponemah Drive in Fenton Township for an assault. The incident is currently under investigation.

#### HOLLY POLICE RELEASE COVID-19 INFORMATION

Starting April 6, Holly Police Chief Jerry Narsh has been posting the number of positive cases and deaths for COVID-19 in the Holly area by zip code 48442. The population within this zip code is 20,464. This area includes Holly Village and Holly Township as well as parts of Rose, Groveland, Highland and Springfield townships. Information is taken from the Oakland County COVID-19 map published at Oakgov.com. Narsh considers this information to be just as vital as crime activity to the health and awareness within our community. The recovery rate of persons diagnosed with COVID-19 in the 48442 zip code is at 90 percent.

## FRAUDULOUS UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIM

On Tuesday, May 19, at 2 p.m. Holly police were dispatched to a Corbin Street home where a 42-year-old Holly woman reported she had been advised by her employer that an unknown person had filed an unemployment claim in her name. The woman reported she has never filed unemployment in her name in the past and is still employed. The officer took the report and advised her to get more information regarding the false claim from her employer to be provided to Holly police.

#### HOLLY TEEN PICKED UP ON ARREST WARRANT

On Tuesday, May 19, at 3:47 p.m., a Holly police officer on patrol was advised by the Michigan State Police that a trooper had an 18-year-old Holly man in custody on a traffic stop. The man has a valid felony arrest warrant out of Holly police for domestic assault. The officer took custody of the man and lodged him at the Oakland County Jail pending arraignment on the charge.

#### NOVI WOMAN DRIVES 'SUPER DRUNK' IN HOLLY

On Friday, May 22, at 5:50 p.m. Holly police officers were advised by dispatch of a vehicle that was

traveling all over the road in the area of Maple Street near Clarence Street. A person calling 911 from a cell phone reported the blue Chevy Tahoe had pulled into Crapo Park and appeared unconscious. The officers located the vehicle being driven by a 58-year-old Novi woman. A citizen who witnessed her driving had taken her keys and handed them to the officers. The officer noticed front-end damage to the vehicle and it was missing a front tire. In addition, officers were advised that there were several mailboxes that had been hit and damaged along E. Maple Street as well as other damaged mailboxes in Holly Township. Officers determined the driver was highly intoxicated. The driver was arrested and found to have a blood alcohol level over four times the legal limit. The driver was booked on a charge of "super drunk" driving, medically cleared for incarceration and lodged at the Oakland County Jail pending bond or arraignment.



#### LEXI'S LIFE Continued from Front Page

Thompson added that they would do their absolute best to encourage and assist people to abide by all suggested CO-VID-19 guidelines for places of worship.

The ceremony also may be viewed via livestream on The Rock Church of Fenton's Facebook page and YouTube channel.

In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make memorial contributions to The Rock Church.

#### HERE'S HOW TO WATCH THE SERVICE FROM AFAR:

Rock Church of Fenton Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/ therockfenton

Rock Church of Fenton YouTube page: http://www.youtube.com/c/ TheRockChurchFenton

#### **ART EXHIBIT** Continued from Page 6

Deborah Simms, board member, said, "It's an opportunity for artists to show their work because of course they haven't been able to show their work with everything that's going on. We had to start putting our heads together and think creatively to make it happen."

They're also working with a few local schools, including World of Wonder Ellen Street Campus, to showcase some student work.

"All of these things are moving targets, but we're working really hard to think creatively and to keep everyone involved," she said.

Anyone with questions can call (810) 354-5659 or email info@Fenton-ArtsCouncil.com.

The Fenton Arts Council is an allvolunteer organization based in Fenton. This event is part of the annual Arts Are The Heart series sponsored in cooperation with the Greater Flint Arts Council Share Art Genesee Grant Program, made possible by the Genesee County Arts education and cultural enrichment millage funds, according to the Fenton Arts Council.



#### **REVENUE SHARING**

**Continued from Front Page** not been fully paid to municipalities yet.

#### Fenton Township

The estimated revenue sharing numbers for the fiscal year 2020-2021 for Fenton Township is \$1,308,237, according to the Michigan Department of Treasury. For the FY 2019-2020, the township will receive an estimated \$1,368,981.

Thomas Broecker, operations manager and deputy clerk, said using the current projections from the Michigan Treasury, Fenton Township's annual revenue would be reduced by approximately \$140,000, which is about 10 percent, from the original projections.

"While that number is significant, it is not as severe as the 'up to 50 percent' discussion that was occurring about a month ago.

The next revenue sharing payment should be a good indicator as to the accuracy of the state's projections," he said.

The Township expects a payment June 30, and this will be based on sales tax collections for the months of March and April, which were the first two months of the pandemic.

"Even if that number is close to the state's estimate, the everchanging nature of the pandemic makes it difficult to assume that the longer range projections will be accurate," he said.

#### **Fenton City**

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**Thomas Broecker** 

Fenton Township operations

manager/deputy clerk

In Fenton City, the Treasury estimates the full 2019-2020 payment will be \$1,042,234. The estimated 2020-2021 payment is \$996,563.

#### **Argentine Township**

Clerk Denise Graves said they expect less revenue this year. In the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the township received approximately \$584,081, according to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

For the FY 2020-2021, the estimate is \$556,469.

"Our Fiscal Year ends June 30th, so we have only one more payment in this FY. We do expect that we will receive less for the new FY that begins July 1. Serious consideration will have to be given to our next budget year due to the state shared revenue reduction," she said.

#### Linden

In Linden, the estimated 2019-2020 fund is \$355,426. For FY 2020-2021, that number is \$339,940.

#### **Holly Township**

Clerk Karin Winchester said, "There have been projections of up to 50 percent discussed by government resources. The state has yet to update our revenue sharing estimates."

The Department of Treasury estimates the township will receive \$445,771 for the 2019-2020 FY. The estimate for the 2020-2021 fiscal year is \$424,697.



## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**READING HOT LINES** is always an experience in realizing how divided this area really is. It also provides a great opportunity to see what minuscule effort people are willing to expend to become informed.

ACTUALLY, THE REASON Democrat states like California and New York are hit the hardest by COVID-19 are largely because they are coastal and closer to highly infected areas than Republican-led states (California is closer to China than Georgia, for example).

**TO THE HOT-LINER** who wrote, 'at least five states already mail to every registered voter.' Check your facts. Only three states do — Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington. Check your facts when you submit. Every other state is a request.

MAIL-IN VOTING only works with

valid voter rolls. Case in point, Los Angeles was recently forced to remove 1.5 million names from its rolls when proven they had more voters than citizens. That's 1.5 million extra ballots available to steal.

FAUCI, PERSON OF the Year? You mean Fauci, who said, 'If you want to go on a cruise, go on a cruise,' and 'No need to wear a mask.' Then, 'You need to wear a mask. It's okay to have casual sex with someone you met online?' Are you kidding me? That Fauci? **THANK YOU, PRESIDENT** Trump, for lowering the co-pay of insulin for senior citizens to no more than \$35 for a month's supply. This will help many of us.





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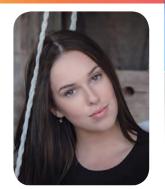
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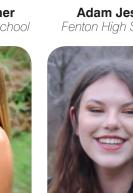
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# Looking back: Tigers capture a thriller against area rival Linden Eagles

#### **By David Troppens**

**Fenton** — Fenton quarterback Dylan Davidson was having a completely forgettable game against the Tigers' biggest rivals, the Linden Eagles.

By the end of it he was experiencing the ultimate high of the

Fenton-Linden football rivalry.

With 2:27 remaining he threw his fourth interception of the contest when Austin Jaworski collected his second pick of the game at the Eagles' 15 while the Tigers were trying to ice the game by melting the clock. Instead, two plays later, Linden's Seeger DeGayner was catching a 21-yard TD pass from Colby Kohmescher, earning the Eagles their first lead of the game. After Carson Kelley's extrapoint, the Eagles led 21-17 with See TIGERS on 15

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# Sports Times

Fenton's Ryan Miller catches a touchdown pass during the Tigers' 24-21 victory against the Eagles last fall. **Photo: Mark Bolen** 

# **COVID-19** impacting some traditional summertime area events

# Linden Gus Macker called off until 2021

#### **By David Troppens**

The COVID-19 virus forced the cancellation of the end of many winter prep sports seasons and also forced the cancellation of the entire prep spring sports season in the state of Michigan.

With summer activities beginning soon, it's apparent the COVID-19 outbreak will be impacting some of the tri-county's traditional events that happen during the first half of the summer.

One of those events will be the Linden Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament. The sixth-annual event was cancelled a few months ago.

"The decision was made in the first part of April," event



Two area events that usually happen during June won't be part of this summer's plans due to the COVID-19 outbreak. They are the Linden Gus Macker 3-on-3 Tournament (left) and the FirstTry/FastTry Triathlon (right). File photos

co-chairperson and superintendent of Linden Community Schools Russ Ciesielski said. "Among the Fenton Regional Chamber

of Commerce, the Linden Community School district and the Gus Macker we felt that given the COVID-19 circumstances it was best to

cancel the event for 2020 and reschedule for 2021."

The 2021 dates for the sixth event are scheduled **See MACKER** on 15

#### 10th FirstTry/FastTry Triathlon will be postponed for a year By David Troppens

In one capacity or another, Jeff Haggerty has been involved in all nine First-Try/Fast Try Triathlons hosted at Linden County Park.

In recent years, he's been the race director, a position now held by Brad Brown.

The organization was excited about celebrating its 10th year at Linden County Park early this summer, but due to the COVID-19 outbreak, that 10thanniversary celebration will have to wait another year.

"We decided to reschedule the event to 2021 a couple of weeks ago," Haggerty said. "We did talk about potentially waiting a bit longer, but with the Executive Order taking us out to May 28th at that point, we realized that coordination was going to be very difficult. We See FIRSTTRY on 15





Fenton's Brandon Miller is tackled by the Linden defense during the Tigers' 24-21 victory against the Eagles last fall. Photo: Mark Bolen

#### TIGERS

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just 1:47 remaining.

Somehow, Fenton's junior signalcaller was able to forget about the troubles from the past, drive the Tigers 64 yards on just five plays, leading the Tigers to the game-winning eightyard pass reception for a TD to Lucas Claborn, earning the Tigers a thrilling 24-21 victory against the Linden Eagles.

"I feel great now," Davidson said. "It was a close game. There were a lot of mistakes made, especially by me,

.......

but we came out on top and that's all that matters right now. We just have to move forward.

"You have to (forget about the past mistakes). You can't try to play a game thinking about what you did in the past. It's just going to eat you up. As a quarterback you have to have a short-term memory. Linden is our rival and we can't lose to them."

"It was definitely thrilling for sure," Claborn said about catching the gamewinning touchdown pass. "I felt like I had to make that catch for my team.

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#### MACKER

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for June 26 and June 27.

The Gus Macker has become one of the top summer athletic programs in the tri-county area in a very short time.

The Linden Gus Macker began in 2015 at Hyatt Elementary with 128 teams. Since then the site has changed twice due to the size increasing each

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## FIRSTTRY

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have always prided ourselves on having a highly organized race that is able to support the needs of the beginner triathlete as well as the seasoned one, and rushing at the last minute didn't summer. Last year's event was held at Linden Middle School's campus for the first time, hosting a record 223 teams in 19 different divisions. This year's event was expected to continue steady growth.

"We were anticipating having about 240 teams participating in the 2020 Linden Gus Macker," Ciesielski said.

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seem to support that mentality. We have also always committed to the safety of the racers, and between the COVID situation and the crunched time frame felt that safety could have been unintentionally compromised."

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#### 1984 Tigers' strong start shockingly halted by lowly Seattle Mariners By David Troppens With a trip to Seattle with a weekend

*Editor's note:* The Major League Baseball season isn't starting soon, so to give area fans their fix, we've been looking back at the 1984 Detroit Tigers' championship season.

The Detroit Tigers were 35-5. They held a record no Major League Baseball (MLB) team had ever held at the 40-game mark of the season.

While completing the 35-5 start with a 4-2 road victory against the California Angels, the home fans applauded their opponent's great accomplishment, realizing the history the Tigers had set. With a trip to Seattle with a weekend trip against the 20-24 Mariners it looked like the early season run was poised to continue. That's not what happened.

The Mariners jumped on the Tigers in the bottom of the first inning when Alvin Davis's double drove in Barry Bonnell, who Detroit starting pitcher Milt Wilcox hit with a pitch. In the bottom of the second back-to-back RBIsingles by Bonnell and Davis plated two more runs, putting the Mariners up 3-0. The Tigers cut the gap to 3-1 with a solo home run by Alan Trammell.

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SECTION 105C Students who reside in counties contiguous to Genesee County.

Applications are due in the superintendent's office prior to 3:00 p.m. on Friday, August 14, 2020.

- To apply, complete the Schools of Choice 105/105c application online at https:// tinyurl.com/LF-SOC-Application-2020-21.
- If you do not have computer/internet access to complete the online application, please contact Katy Valentine at 810-591-2532 to schedule a time for you to come to the Administrative Services office located at 11425 Torrey Rd, Fenton, MI 48430 to complete the application.
- Notification of acceptance should be completed by Friday, August 21, 2020.
- All accepted students must be enrolled prior to the end of the school day on Friday, August 28, 2020.
- Transportation will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- There is no tuition charge for students accepted for enrollment under these programs.
- Applications for students entering 8th grade are NOT being accepted.

For more information, please contact Katy Valentine at 810.591.2532

## Just sayin'...



emember the Neil Diamond song, "Brother Love's Travelling Salvation Show?" "... pack up the babies and grab the old ladies and everyone goes ..." It reminds me of the old-fashioned revival meetings I've read about from days gone by.

# 'Brother Love's shows...' (take it outside)

If anything has been reinforced during the nationwide stay-at-home orders, it is that people want to be together and outdoors. In addition to concerts and festivals, we host graduation open houses, weddings, family reunions and many other events outside. So I'm wondering if lo-

cal churches would consider holding outdoor services for those who wish to worship together. Maybe they will but it appears that most of our local churches have only "virtual" services scheduled. Don't get me wrong, YouTube is a wonderful thing, but it doesn't get people together, or outside.

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1122 N. Saginaw St. • Holly • 248-634-8951 • kertonlumber.com M-F 7:30am-5:30pm • Sat. 7:30am-1:00pm Many churches have massive lawns and/or parking lots, or both. Like some parks and beaches nationwide, family circles could be created with chalk, circles that are at least 6 feet apart. Churches could ask parishioners to bring their own lawn seating or blankets. As far as the older folks and those with physical and mobility issues, an area cordoned off within earshot of the minister and music should work nicely.

Attendees would wear masks and bring their own hand sanitizer if they wish. Skip the hymnals, too many germs. Instead, the church could have that week's song and prayer selections printed on handouts from a home computer.

It's unlikely that anyone is going to drag the organ outside, but most churchels today have instruments like the clarinova, for example, a digital piano that does amazing things. Guitars and other (non-spit blowing) instruments could work, too.

As far as communion, place the wafers (body of Christ) in a bowl with small tongs, and provide wine or juice (blood of Christ) in a tiny cup with a lid. Hey, you do it for Jell-O shots! An associate pastor and one or two church members could be charged with safely walking these items around to the people. Those individuals also could carry around the collection basket with the longreaching handle.

Many large churches have their own, or rent, big top tents for annual picnics and festivals. These could be set up to protect attendees from inclement weather. If it storms, people can simply go home. If it's too hot, they can use the handout as a fan.

I've seen some amazing planning go into local church festivals and events, and truly believe this can happen. So, if your church doors remain closed, please think about taking it outside.

That song is in your head now isn't it? "Hallelujah!"

Just sayin'!

Opinions offered in Just Sayin' are the author's alone and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Tri-County Times or its staff. Email Vera at vhogan@tctimes.com.



Sunday, May 31, 2020

# Lake Fenton seniors clapped out, COVID style

Drive through stations provide cap, gown, chords; alternative commencement in the works

#### By Tim Jagielo

**Lake Fenton** — It wasn't the graduation anyone necessarily wanted, but the staff at Lake Fenton High School have been working to make it as memorable as possible for the Class of 2020.

Due to closing schools and limiting social gatherings during the pandemic, all normal graduation celebrations were canceled for local students. This includes their graduation ceremony and clap out.

Lake Fenton graduating senior Mackenzie Moore said, "It's really sad to miss out on everything, since as a kid I remember looking forward to See SENIORS on 18



Nearly all 165 Lake Fenton High School graduating seniors made it to the "Covid-19 Clap-Out" Tuesday, May 26 at the high school. They drove through stations, returning books and receiving their cap and gown, while being "clapped out" by family and staff. **Photo: Tim Jagielo** 



#### SENIORS

**Continued from Page 17** all of these things, and people always telling me, 'that will be you when you're older.'"

She added that she understands that this is something necessary everyone is going through.

But Tuesday afternoon, May 26, staff members and volunteers organized a drive-through "COVID-19 clap out," as an alternative for the regular clap out. This is part of the trend of people pivoting to celebrate what are normally busy public gatherings in a very "2020" way.

Lake Fenton staff set up stations to give students caps, gowns and cords as they drove through. Families lined up to give praise and encouragement as students, many with families, drove by. Dozens of vehicles wound their way through the parking lot stations as a deejay played high energy music.

Principal Christopher Belcher said nearly all 165 seniors were able to attend. Aside from receiving their cap, gown and chords, they also turned in athletic and school materials and their Chromebooks. They were given a Popsicle on



Lake Fenton High School food service employee Jenn Beardsley takes a selfie photo with a student after handing out Popsicles during the "Covid-19 Clap-Out," Tuesday, May 26. Photos: Tim Jagielo

the 85-degree day.

"We believe it is important to celebrate our seniors in any way that we can — the end to their high school careers ended in such an unfortunate way," Belcher said. "We are trying to go the extra mile for them."



Senior Allison Hathaway said she enjoyed the event because she was able to see staff and friends for the first time in a while. She drove through by herself, but her family was cheering from the sidelines.

Lake Fenton senior and former Times intern Logan Shanafelt said, "I enjoyed seeing my educators and gaining a sense of closure. The hardest part of this whole thing was

not being surrounded by the people that have taught me an abundance of information."

He went with his mother who decorated the car, and according to Shanafelt, was happy to see him get the finish he'd been waiting for. All three students

appreciated the ef-



Family, friends and staff cheer students on as they wind through the "Covid-19 Clap-Out."



Lake Fenton High School students' vehicles are decorated, sometimes humorously, for the event.



Lake Fenton High School staff follow safety protocols as they assist students.

fort by staff members to provide a memorable event.

Belcher said making the usual events up for students has been "extremely difficult." He said they are creating a "virtual commencement" for students

and families as a keepsake.

"We are committed to finding a way to have some sort of commencement ceremony as well, depending on the restrictions that we find ourselves in the next few months," Belcher said. "Our kids deserve the best and that is exactly what we will give them."

**Christopher Belcher** Lake Fenton High School principal

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MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, non-partisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. This report was released Friday, May 22.

Senate Bill 876: Coronavirus epidemic response bills - driver's license expirations To extend until June 30, 2020 the expiration date on a driver's license or vehicle registration that expired between Feb. 1 and May 31, 2020. Senate Bills 877 and 878 also were passed to do the same with state identification cards and "enhanced" versions of both document. Passed 35 to 2 in the Senate Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) XYES Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15) ≤ YES Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22) 🖄 YES Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) 🛚 YES Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) X YES

House Bill 5417: Authorize child Do-Not-Resuscitate orders To allow a parent or guardian to sign a Do-Not-Resuscitate (DNR) order for a minor child or ward who has an advanced illness, and prescribe related procedures and requirements. DNR orders apply in a setting outside a hospital, and current law does not provide for DNR orders for a minor. Under the bill, the orders would state: "I authorize that in the event the minor child's heart and breathing should stop, no person shall attempt to resuscitate the minor child. I understand the full import of this order and assume responsibility for its execution." **Passed 104 to 1 in the House Rep.** *Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)* ¥YES *Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)* ¥YES

House Bill 5418: Prescribe school actions on child Do-Not-Resuscitate orders To establish procedures, rules and liability limitations for schools under the proposal in House Bill 5417 to allow parents and guardians to sign a Do-Not-Resuscitate order, which would also apply to a Physician Order for Scope of Treatment (POST) directive for a minor child with an advanced illness. Passed 103 to 2 in the House Rep. Hank Vaural (B-Dist 47) M VES

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) ⊠ YES Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) ⊠ YES

House Bill 5488: Let courts keep imposing operations costs on defendants

To extend until October of 2022 a law that permits courts to impose any costs on guilty defendants that are reasonably related to the actual costs of operating the court, including building maintenance expenses, court employee benefit expenses and

#### HOLLY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2020-2021 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 8, 2020, at 6:30 o'clock p.m., at Baird St., Holly, Michigan, the Board of Education of the Holly Area School District will hold a public hearing electronically pursuant to Michigan Executive Order 2020-75 through Webex, with identification number 160 445 2193, to consider the District's proposed 2020-2021 budget.

The Board may not adopt it's proposed 2020-2021 budget until after a public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2020-2021 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hors at 920 Baird St., Holly, Michigan and available online at: www:hask12.org.

# The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support budget will be a subject of this hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

Secretary

#### WEEKEND TIMES

version of this bill would have added another three years, not two years. **Passed 101 to 4 in the House** *Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)* ¥ YES *Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)* ¥ YES

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT - PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

To the residents and property owners of The Charter Township of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan, and any other interested persons:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that as a result of a recommendation made by the Fenton Township Planning Commission, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Fenton will conduct a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Fenton Township Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of revising the PUD conditions for previously rezoned property, parcel 06-03-400-008, owned by Avalanche Holdings, LLC and located at 3145 Thompson Road in Section 3 of the Charter Township of Fenton. Said revisions include language that would allow the development of the subject property into an industrial park.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the legal description of the subject property is as follows:

#### 06-03-400-008

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board has tentatively scheduled the first reading of the proposed amendatory ordinance to be conducted concurrently with the public hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the proposed amendatory ordinance may be examined on the Fenton Township website at www.fentontownship.org from the date of this Notice until and including the date of the public hearing hereon.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the public hearing for the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment will be held during the regular Township Board meeting on Monday June 15, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. The Township Board meeting and public hearing will be conducted by telephone conference call, pursuant to Michigan Executive Order 2020-75.

At such hearing, the board will consider any written comments regarding the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment that might be filed with said board at or prior to the time of said hearing. Written comments may be submitted by mail to the address below or by email to info@fentontownship.org. Verbal comments concerning any of the foregoing may be submitted through participation in the conference call meeting/public hearing, (Phone Number: (844) 855-4444, Access code: 323110#).

ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK 12060 MANTAWAUKA DRIVE FENTON, MI 48430-8817

#### NOTICE ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP

Please be notified that the Argentine Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Meeting on Monday June 15, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lake Rd and by ZOOM, to consider the following Variances:

Keith and Sandra Charron are asking for the following Variances: Side yard Setback of 9', a Lakeside Setback of 2', and Coverage of 2%. They are going to tear down the existing home and build a new home. Described as 01-35-526-166, 16371 Whitehead Drive.

Jackie Pudvay is requesting a Variance for Square Footage and Height. She is building a Pole Barn that has more square footage than her home and height is 16ft side walls. Described as 01-29-527-053, Lots 127-131 and Part of Lots 132-134, 15020 Chippewa Dr.

Garrett & Jennifer Purman are asking for the following Variances: Rear Yard Setback of 5', Side yard setback of 5' on the North and 4' 2 3/8" on the South for coverage. They are going to tear down the existing home and build a new home. Described as 01-36-577-016, Lot 20 Pleasant View Park, Lobdell Lake, 16426 Hilltop Dr.

#### TABLED ITEM: Nothing has been turned in

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

You can attend the meeting by ZOOM with the instructions below.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81529743511

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A complete copy of these tax descriptions may be viewed at the Township office by appointment, (810) 735-5050 or by email, argentineoffice@ argentinetownship.com.

Denise Graves, Clerk Argentine Township



Linden librarians hand out free bags of books to students on Wednesday, May 27 to encourage them to read while they can't be in school. **Photo: Hannah Ball** 

#### LIBRARIANS Continued from Page 3

"In this time of COVID, we miss the kids. We miss them so much," O'Connell said. "We just wanted to put some books in their hands and tell them that we're thinking of them and that we want them to read."

O'Connell and other Linden schools librarians, including Baldwin, Marsha Strobel and Mary Ann Goodhue, all contributed by pooling funds they would have used for the Scholastic Book Fair to purchase books through Scholastic. They also received books from the Genesee Intermediate School District. It amounted to more than 1,000 books.

O'Connell organized the books into 100 lunch bags. She included about four or five books for K-2, and about four books for grades three through six.

"So many parents would say, 'oh my gosh, this is so cool, my kids were griping because they read through all their books," she said. Goodhue, librarian/media aid from Linden Elementary, decorated the bags with a quote from an author or celebrity, and made homemade bookmarks.

This is the second time O'Connell has given out books. The first time was when she handed out 100 bags at the drop-off location at Linden Elementary. The librarians will give out another 100 bags at the Pine Ridge Mobile Home Park on Monday.

"I'm just really thankful to be able to do something and get them a little bit further along. Let them know that we miss them," O'Connell said.

Michael Gagne, principal of Central Elementary, also came to greet students Wednesday.

"I just want to say how proud I am that these librarians took this on themselves and just really ran with it. Kelly headed it up, and the other librarians jumped on board," he said. "They worked together and got this done. I'm extremely proud of them and happy that I get to work with such great people."



# A vegetable garden timeline

# What to do with your garden in May, June and July

#### **By Tim Jagielo**

While spring was here in March, it really hasn't been safe to get your outdoor garden going until now. May 27 is the last projected frost date for the Flint area. To the south in Pontiac, it's May 25, according the State Climatologist Office.

The Michigan State University Extension (MSU-E) has voluminous online resources for gardening, which includes a timeline for Michigan vegetable gardens.

Proper garden size depends on what's being planted. Seed packets will include information about proper spacing outside in the garden.

Here is some monthly guidance by MSU-E, with clarification added where needed:

#### May

• Plant seeds of cool weather crops for the second and third times. These can include broccoli and onions, which should start indoors in planters as opposed to direct seeding. Spinach, kohlrabi and peas can be planted right into the ground.

• Thin out seedlings of crops planted earlier inside to their proper spacing. This is in case several seeds were planted indoors. If they're sprouting, they should be separated. See seed packet for distances.

• Plant warm season seeds after the danger of frost is past, including cucumbers, squash, pumpkins and melons.

• If you've been transitioning seedlings to live outdoors (hardening off), plant the hardened-off transplants of peppers, tomatoes and eggplant.

• Plant warm season crops where cool season crops have been harvested.

• Mulch around plants and in rows to keep soil moist and reduce soil compaction.

#### June

• Thin vegetables seeded in May to proper spacing.

Plant successive crops of beans every two weeks until the end of the month.
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• Continue to harvest frequently as crops mature.



In 2018, Holly Patterson Elementary had a community garden. Kindergarten teacher and organizer Kathy Marion started the garden in 2017 with fundraising, volunteer assistance and donated items. They harvested vegetables like cilantro, green beans, and cucumbers. Times file photos

• Remove cool season crops as they bolt (form seed stalks). Additional plantings may be made of lettuce, spinach and radishes, which need some shade and cooler temperatures so planting them under taller crops will extend the harvest.

• Stake tomatoes for improved health and easier harvest. Remove suckers (branches that form where the leaf joins the stem) when they are 1 inch to 1.5 inches long.

• Weed the garden. Weeds compete with vegetable plants for nutrients and moisture.

• Monitor regularly for insect and disease problems and take needed control measures to limit damage.

#### July

MSU-E suggests continual weeding and harvesting through July. Seedlings should also be thinned and properly spaced. Some may require hardening. • Cover potato tubers, carrot shoulders and onion bulbs with soil to prevent development of green color. Soil or mulch may be used to keep them covered.

• After harvesting central heads of broccoli, allow the plants to produce side heads for an extended harvest.

• Garden crops can be given nitrogen fertilizer at the beginning of July. Wait until tomatoes, peppers and eggplant have set some fruit before you fertilize them. Work fertilizer into soil a few inches away from the plants, then water. Do not allow the fertilizer to touch the plant stems.



Brinley Lawrence, 5, of Commerce Township, waters the Patterson Elementary Community garden in this July 2018 file photo.

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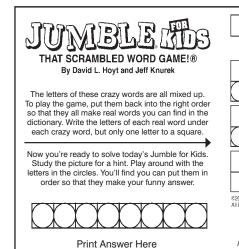


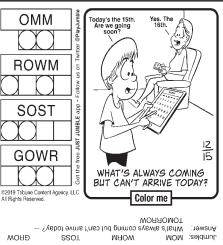
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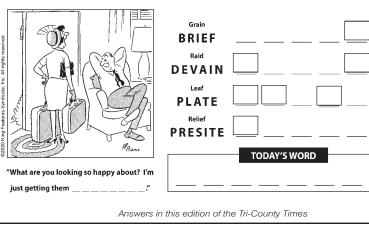
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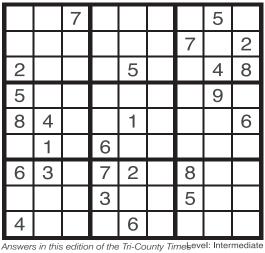
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# Obituaries

#### **Barbara Spees**

Barbara Spees - age 81, died May 26, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



#### Betty Anderson Betty Anderson - age 92, died May 22, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



#### **Betty Johnston** Betty Johnston - age 90, died May 21, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



#### **Catherine Jones**

Catherine Jones - age 84, died May 22, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



#### **Diane Wehby**

Diane Wehby - age 54, died May 26, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



#### **George Frieling** George Frieling - age 90, died May 23, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



#### Harold Ruettinger, D.O. Harold Ruettinger, D.O. age 62, died May 26, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



#### John Quick, Jr. John Quick, Jr. - age 89, died May 21, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



#### Lorraine Sparks

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#### Norman Ulman

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#### **Martha Partio** 1943 – 2020

Martha Partlo - age 76, longtime Fenton resident, passed away Sunday, May 24, 2020. Funeral services will be held at 1 PM Monday, June 1, 2020 at St. Mark Catholic Church, 7296 Gale Rd., Grand Blanc, with Deacon Ron Kenney officiating. Burial will follow in Oakwood Cemetery, Fenton. Visitation will be held 3 - 5 PM Sunday (following State guidelines) at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Those desiring may make contributions to Sjogren's Foundation. Martha was born October 18, 1943 in Clare, the daughter of Forest and Tena (Blaauw) Lickert. She was married to Oscar Partlo on October 19, 1963. he preceded her in death on October 16, 1990. She is survived by her daughters, Brenda (Terry) Costigan and Tena (Craig) Richie; grandchildren, Kyle, Brianna and Erika Costigan. Oscar. Olivia and Owen Richie; brother, Ralph (Sandy) Lickert; sister, Mary Ann (Bob) Lee; several nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her parents and brother. Fred Lickert. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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#### **Gene L. Phillips** 1937 – 2020

Gene L. Phillips - age 82 of Fenton, went to be with the Lord, surrounded by his family at home on Friday, May 22, 2020. Mass of the Resurrection was held privately at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, on Wednesday, May 27th, 2020. Burial took place at St. John's Catholic Cemetery. Preceded in death by his wife of nearly 60 years, Rosemary A. Phillips (December 2017) and his three brothers. Gene is survived by his daughters, Kathy Milhizer and Donna Phillips: his son. David (Kim) Phillips; grandchildren, Steven Houck, Scott (Shelby) Ruggles, Angela (Thomas) Norris, Courtney (Ted) Palen, Lauren and David (Chelsea) Phillips II; great-grandchildren, Logan, Lainey, Brooks, and Isaac: sisters-in-law. Marian (the late Wilfred) Linden. Joan Linden, and the late brotherin-law, Helmut Linden. In Lieu of flowers, donations to St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton, and American Heart Association 24445 Northwestern Hwy - Suite 100 Southfield, 48075. For further information, phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248.684.6645 or visit **www.** LynchFuneralDirectors. com.

#### Susan Karen (Barcus) McEwan

Times

1948 - 2020 Susan Karen (Barcus) McEwan - Wife, mother, friend, and educator left this world on Thursday, May 21. The joy of her smile and the offering of a helping hand will be deeply missed by all family and friends. For several years she worked in the Three District Vocational Education Program as a child care educator. Every school year, her students were invited to join the community in raising young children with love, laughter, and a favorite crayon. Her immediate family will join together for a private burial. A memorial service will be held later this summer at the Fenton United Methodist Church. Those desiring may make contributions to the Fenton United Methodist Church Building Fund, 119 S Leroy St., Fenton. Arrangements provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



#### **FUNERAL ETIQUETTE**

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

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#### **Lexi Mykell Simon** 2002 - 2020

Lexi Mykell Simon - age 17, of Lake Fenton, died Sunday, May 24, 2020 as a result of a personal watercraft accident. Funeral services will be held at 3 PM

Saturday, May 30, 2020 at the Rock Church, 11400 Linden Rd., Fenton with Pastor Wes Morris officiating. The family will receive friends from 2 PM - 3 PM Saturday. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make memorial contributions to the Rock Church. Lexi was born December 19, 2002 in Grand Blanc, the daughter of Michael and Dianne (Diem) Simon. She had just finished her junior year at Lake Fenton High School. Lexi was passionate about music, especially the band, Queen. She was outgoing and energetic. Lexi had the ability to make everyone

laugh! She was a talented artist and loved making personalized gifts for everyone. Lexi had a very intimate relationship with the Lord, Jesus Christ and was a

member of the Rock Church. Surviving are her parents, Michael and Dianne Simon. She was incredibly close to her three sisters, C.J., Taylor, and Laci Simon; grandparents, David and Carol Diem, George Simon and Jerrilyn Spence; many aunts, uncles, cousins and many, many friends. Arrangements by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.





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#### William Ward Wilson Jr.

1939 - 2020

William Ward Wilson Jr. - age 80. of Fenton, passed away Sunday, May 24, 2020. William was born November 6, 1939 in Middlesboro, Kentucky

the son of William and

Ruth (Morgan) Wilson. He

graduated from Northern

13, 1960 in Raleigh, NC.

William retired in 1983 from

the City of Flint as a traffic

engineer. Prior to Fenton,

he resided in Detroit. Flint.

and Aurburndale, FL, for 16

his family and cherished his

many friends. He loved being

outdoors and enjoyed fishing,

snowmobiling, and travelling

the country. Throughout his

life, he always had a variety

of animals around him. Dogs,

rabbits, fish, etc. An avid bird

birds and catch views of them

watcher. he would feed wild

as they landed on the patio.

Early on, his love of NASCAR took the family to various tracks across the country.

years. William was devoted to

High School and attended

Flint Junior College. He was a

married Judy Bailey on August

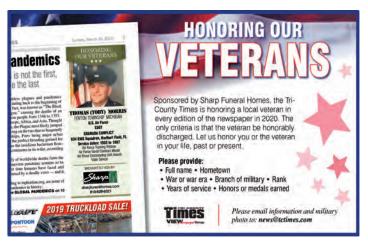
veteran of the U.S. Army. He



In his spare time he loved to tinker with technology including computers, iPhones, and yes, video gaming. On a sports note. he loved both college and professional

football, watching whenever he could. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Judy; three sons, Mark of Kalamazoo, Scott of Midland, and Matthew of Walled Lake: granddaughters. Gabriela and Isabella; brothers, William Aaron and James; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents. Private burial at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Arrangements by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to Samuel and Jean Frankel Cardiovascular Center, 1500 E. Medical Center Drive, Ann Arbor. 48109. Online tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.





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# Obituaries

**Margaret Klapp** 

Margaret Klapp - age

89, died May 25, 2020. Services provided by Sharp

Funeral Homes.www.

#### Rosemary (Rennie) Stickel

1922 - 2020 Rosemary (Rennie) Stickel age 97 died peacefully in her sleep on Sunday morning, May 24, 2020. Services pending. Arrangements provided by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. She was born on August 2, 1922, to Mary Estelle (Smith) Rennie and Alec Rennie of Traverse City. She loved the state of Michigan and was a resident of Michigan almost all of her 97 plus years. She graduated from Traverse City High School and attended Western Michigan University. In high school and college Rosemary loved the humanities, English and writing. She had a special flair for art and design. During World War II she was a graphic designer for an architectural firm in Detroit, where she met her future husband & soul mate. architect, Fredrick Gordon Stickel. They spent their early vears of marriage in Grosse Pointe, then moved to Troy. She often taught art classes at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association. Later in her life she took up calligraphy and for years did calligraphy for the Renaissance Festival in Michigan. She was beloved by her family and friends known for her intelligence, quick wit, sharp mind, and her artistic talent. She is survived by her three children Andrea Van de Kamp, David Stickel, and Cynthia Alexander, her six grandchildren and her seven great-grandchildren. She was a treasured mother, grandmother, greatgrandmother, and friend. She will be much missed by those who knew her. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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