New industrial park could come to Thompson Road

By Hannah Ball

The Fenton Township Board of Trustees held a public hearing Monday, June 15 for a potential industrial park that could be built at 3145 Thompson Road.

Avalanche Holdings, LLC is requesting to amend the existing PUD which allows for 256 residential condominiums to M-2 zoning, which allows for up to 11 lots for an industrial park.

The park would be consistent with M-2 uses and the master plan, said Treasurer John Tucker, who’s also on the Planning Commission. The land is 49.8 acres and borders industrial zoned properties on each side except for the south, which is wetlands/agriculture.

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Officers to receive life saving awards

Police chief: ‘That’s an absolute save’

By Hannah Ball

Argentine Township Police Chief Daniel Allen plans to present life saving awards at an upcoming township meeting to multiple officers for two incidents.

The first incident happened May 5 at an apartment complex. Two officers, Steven Carlson and Paul Honkanen, were called to the building at approximately 8:30 p.m. and arrived on scene to a verbal argument between a male and female. Allen said it took place on the second floor, and the two residents had been drinking.

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Safety first

An officer from the Genesee County Sheriff’s Office helps an attendee practice CPR on a dummy on Thursday, June 18 at a free first-aid and boater safety class conducted by the GCSO. Officers covered CPR, using a tourniquet, age requirements to drive a boat, required safety equipment and more. See story on Page 6. Photo: Hannah Ball

Sublease extended for soccer field

Three soccer groups and SLPR unable to reach agreement

By Hannah Ball

During the Monday, June 15 Fenton Township Board of Trustees meeting, officials voted to extend the existing license for the Deer Run soccer facility through June 30, 2021.

In a split vote by the Fenton Township Board of Trustees on June 15, the sublease on the Deer Run soccer facility was extended to June 30, 2021. Times file photo
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Holly High School Class of 2020 has first-of-its-kind graduation parade

The Holly community packed downtown streets Saturday, June 13 to honor the Holly High School Class of 2020 with a graduation parade, culminating with 253 graduating seniors receiving their diplomas in drive-through fashion.

The parade was a combined effort by students, faculty and community members to honor the Holly High School Class of 2020 amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Seeing our graduation event come to life was very rewarding, and participating in the parade was an awesome experience,” said Zach Hill, a 2020 HHS graduate who will attend Oakland University in the fall to study engineering.

“It was a celebration for every student, rather than a quick moment of recognition we would have had at a normal commencement ceremony. I felt like the entire community was supporting us as we rode along the parade route, which made it a unique experience for my entire class.”

The Holly High School Class of 2020 celebrates its graduation with a community-wide parade through Holly on Saturday, June 13. The COVID-19 pandemic prevented graduating seniors from having a traditional commencement ceremony indoors. Submitted photos

The Holly community, as well as teachers and staff, lined the streets while 266 vehicles, along with fire trucks and police cruisers made their way through town streets Saturday, June 13 to honor 253 graduating seniors receiving their diplomas in drive-through fashion.
The Class of 2020 will remember their senior year as a year cut short by a pandemic, where the last few months were spent learning online and waiting to see what graduation and prom might look like. No group of seniors should have to go through what our seniors did and we would like to commend them for their resilience and perseverance.

As the 2019-2020 school year came to a close, Fenton Area Public Schools, and other school districts within the tri-county area, were creative in recognizing seniors and working within the Executive Orders to make sure each graduate received their diploma. In the end, the Class of 2020 celebrations were impacted by outside factors such as laws, state restrictions and expert medical recommendations, keeping our seniors from celebrating in ways past graduates were able to enjoy. We would like to not only congratulate our seniors, but let them know how proud we

are of how they navigated through the challenges they faced.

The Class of 2020 will experience more challenges in their lives and barriers will be placed in front of these young men and women as they move forward in life. Hopefully, the Class of 2020 can look back to this time of uncertainty and realize they learned the skills of adaptability, resilience and perseverance, while continuing to work toward the goal of graduating from high school.

On behalf of the Fenton Area Public Schools Board of Education, administration, teaching staff, and school community as a whole, I want to congratulate the Class of 2020. Whether they are heading to college in the fall, building a career, or taking a year off, the Class of 2020 will be ready for whatever life throws their way. Always remember the words of Dr. Seuss, “Only you can control your future.”

“Only you can control your future.” — Dr. Seuss

Adam Hartley
Fenton Area Public Schools superintendent

What makes/made your dad so special?

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Celebrate being a father

Local pastor shares words of wisdom on why today’s father is so important for healthy society

By Sharon Stone

The nation’s first Father’s Day was celebrated June 19, 1910, in the state of Washington. However, it was not until 1972, 58 years after President Woodrow Wilson made Mother’s Day official, that the day honoring fathers became a nationwide holiday in the United States.

Father’s Day 2020 is today, Sunday, June 21.

Pastor Mark Fisher of Transfiguration Lutheran Church in Fenton Township says fathers should celebrate being a father.

“I think it’s important to remember that children need parents in their lives,” he said. “And as adults, our children need to be priority one.”

Based on what he has learned as a pastor and consultant, Fisher said for fathers it could be a challenge to recognize that being a parent needs to be just as important as the work they do in their career. He said that in our society, some men define themselves by what they do, more so than being a father. “That’s a problem,” Fisher said. “Can’t replace being a father. It all starts in the home. A healthy home is a healthy society.”

Fisher noticed during this COVID-19 pandemic that more people have had a chance to slow down and really engage with each other. “They recognized how important family is,” he said.

His vision for men to be good fathers is to put themselves in their child’s shoes. “Think what you were hoping for when you were a child and become that vision,” he said.

Fisher recognizes that not everyone can celebrate having a good father. After a challenging childhood himself, he rose to the occasion to be a good dad.

“Look for good role models, people who did it well and learn from them,” he said.

Through his work, Fisher has learned that we need to develop a culture where we ask fathers about their children. Ask, “How are your kids? This would force fathers to answer,” he said. “Men don’t get that question much while at work, but it’s an important question.

“We need to celebrate children at the workplace. It makes for healthier employees.

“Celebrate the family and parenting by talking about it. Questions open doors.”

Fisher has recently become a grandfather and went to Chicago to visit with his daughter and grandchild. “It was pretty cool. It’s a game changer,” he said.

His advice for new fathers who might be nervous is, “It’s good to be nervous. That shows you care. In the end, celebrate each day of life. Enjoy it as a gift. Trust that you will do the right thing. Care for each other. Let your child love on you. Let your wife love on you. If you receive love you can give love so much more.”

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Genesee County Sheriff’s Office conducts free class to help make lakes safer

By Hannah Ball

In the wake of two lake accidents which resulted in two deaths, the Genesee County Sheriff’s Office hosted a free boater safety class Thursday, June 18 for anyone wishing to attend.

Sitting around tables with CPR dummies, attendants listened to the two-hour presentation about first-aid and boater safety.

First-aid

Dep. Sean Clayton, who’s been a paramedic for 10 years, said the first step to take after any accident is to call 911 and know the address. If you’re on the lake, know which road you’re closest to. If someone isn’t breathing, check for responsiveness.

With CPR, doing mouth-to-mouth is no longer recommended. Clayton said the goal is to do 100 chest compressions a minute, which helps keep blood flowing to their brain until paramedics can arrive. Doing them to the tune of the popular song “Baby Shark” will help people do the proper amount.

He demonstrated how to do the Heimlich maneuver if someone is choking and can’t breathe. If someone is choking but can still draw air, call 911. Do not perform the Heimlich maneuver if the person doesn’t have complete airway obstruction. For more information on CPR, go redcross.org.

If someone is unresponsive and not breathing in the vicinity of an automated external defibrillator (AED), then the people helping should grab it and follow the instructions until paramedics arrive.

“You see someone bleeding... someone came into contact with a prop on the back of the boat, they got a big gash on their arm. Someone tell me what the first thing you do is,” he said. “We’re going to stop the bleeding.”

Apply direct pressure, call 911 and get first responders out there. Clayton demonstrated how to use a tourniquet, which can be bought online or made from towels, cloth or an article of clothing. The tourniquet should be tied at least 2 inches above the wound.

Attendees practiced CPR on dummies, which were wiped down between each use.

If someone has a seizure, Clayton said to protect their head, don’t put anything in their mouth, and roll them onto their side with their head on their arm.

In the event of a narcotic overdose, it’s best to do compressions and call 911.

See FIRST AID on 10
Celebrated differently this year because of the global COVID-19 pandemic

Compiled by Sharon Stone

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Fenton Freedom Festival committee wants to let the community know that Fenton will still be celebrating the Fourth of July but in a different way while keeping our community safe.

The Fenton Freedom Festival Committee as a whole made the decisions on what could be done this year. The committee includes Pat Lockwood, chair; Scott Grossmeyer, parade chair; Tracy Bottecelli, fundraising chair and Shelly Day, administrative chair.

THE PARADE

This year’s parade will be a virtual parade, honoring our first responders, 2020 graduates, our non-profits and our Grand Marshal, the Fenton & Linden Regional Chamber of Commerce. Watch the parade on the Fourth of July at 10 a.m. on social media and public access television channel 191.

FENTON FREEDOM FESTIVAL KING AND QUEEN ANNOUNCED

The 2020 Fenton Freedom Festival king is Brody Stack and the queen is Chelsea Bujak, who will represent Fenton at various events in the upcoming year. The Festival and Chamber of Commerce are proud to present both winners with $1,000 scholarships.

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Fenton Freedom Festival

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IN A TYPICAL Democrat move, Hot-liner sows racial division in the community; commenting to blacks, ‘I value you’ and scolding ignorant whites to ‘get with the program.’ After dividing and castigating citizens based upon race, our local Hot-line writer perfectly demonstrates racism in America.

SCARY THAT ONE man, Joe Biden, will select the next president of the United States with his vice president pick.

JUST TO BE clear, Governor Whitmer did absolutely nothing to reduce death and suffering. Whitmer’s actions merely shifted death and suffering onto other, not COVID-19 infected segments of the population.

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Stay prepared with incapacity planning: Legal incapacity arising from dementia or Alzheimer’s can make it challenging to manage your financial affairs and make healthcare decisions. To properly plan for an event of incapacity, you can create a general durable power of attorney document authorizing an individual chosen by you to handle your financial matters. An effective plan will also include a health care power of attorney appointing a patient advocate should you be unable to participate in your own medical decisions and stating the kind of medical treatment you want or do not want to receive.

Alternative ways to transfer assets to beneficiaries: A living trust that you create when you’re alive allows you to manage assets during your lifetime and transfer property to heirs after the terms are set and when and to whom they’re to be distributed. Enhanced life estate deeds or “Ladybird Deeds” allow you to plan for the direct conveyance of real property upon your death such as your home or a vacation or income property without requiring probate of your estate saving significant costs and expenses.

Estate planning can be straightforward or complex but it is vital at every level and for many reasons. It is wise for everyone to have an estate plan in place that is tailored for your specific needs and those of your family. Don’t wait to create your estate plan. It may very well be one of the most important things you ever do.

SOCCER

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June 30, 2021.

The vote, after much debate and input from numerous people, was 4-3, with Supervisor Bonnie Mathis, Clerk Bob Krug, Treasurer John Tucker, and Trustee Vince Lorraine voting yes. Trustees Robert Kesler, Mark Goupil, and Christine Reid voted no.

On June 30, the contract expires for the use of the field on Linden Road between AYSO (American Youth Soccer Organization) with Fenton Township as the holder of the sublease from Genesee County Parks & Recreation.

Fenton Township is working to cede its long-term sublease for the complex, and Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation is its first choice to take over the 40-acre facility.

After approximately 18 months of negotiations between the AYSO and SLPR, an agreement has not been reached. The three soccer clubs which use the field, AYSO, Nationals Genesee and La Forza Soccer Club, sent a letter to the Fenton Township Board to request the extension of the lease.

During the meeting, which took place via conference call, Clerk Robert Krug said he’s spoken with representatives from AYSO and SLPR and that he has concerns that once the deal is done, SLPR is going to do what they want. He’s heard rumors from numerous people that if SLPR gets the contract, they’ll give local school districts involved veto power on anything they want.

Supervisor Bonnie Mathis said that’s just a rumor and that she’s not going to believe anything until she sees official paperwork. She hasn’t seen any paperwork, she said, about budgets, contracts or plans.

Kim Bobier, from La Forza Soccer, said they don’t have time to sit through more negotiations because practice starts soon. The three clubs that use the field have an agreement to maintain the field and keep 900 kids playing soccer.

Bobier said they haven’t been able to agree on “a lot of things,” and that SLPR would add extra expenses like a “super complex” that would allow other sports to use the field. All the equipment on the field is owned by AYSO. SLPR wanted to hire an operations manager for the park, but the three organizations don’t want that because they already manage the park.

“We want something to call our home for a long time. Not just having a one year agreement and then have to do everything over again,” she said.

Rick Miracle, from Nationals Genesee, said there were several budgets proposed ranging from $60,000 to $100,000, and that they can’t enter into an agreement without outlined roles and responsibilities.

“With this being all about the kids, we want to work out as much as possible, but we ran out of time,” he said.

Pat Lockwood, Fenton City council woman and SLPR representative, said SLPR has more than 20 years of a proven track record of professionalism and management, servicing more than 4,700 kids and hundreds of adults with programs on a yearly basis.

Lockwood said they offered to cut a few costs, and that they would let the organizations operate uninterrupted. The field could be used for other sports as well as soccer, she said.

They support forming an advisory board after the new contract would be signed, which would be made up of individuals from school districts to work with the soccer groups and SLPR. Lockwood said she doesn’t know of any group that operated without an advisory board.

She asked the Fenton Township Board to continue to support SLPR and enter into the contract with the county and the organizations.

Fenton Township Attorney Jack Belzer said the township should not be involved in contracts for one group, and that local municipalities should not be controlling land in this way.

Shaun Shumaker, Genesee County commissioner and former Fenton Township trustee who also was on the SLPR board, said he’s been in talks with the involved and doesn’t believe they can come to an agreement soon. Shumaker said they could extend the lease, and that’s best for all parties involved. He doesn’t want mudslinging, but he said there’s justification for distrust between SLPR and the soccer groups.

He expressed hope with SLPR’s new executive director, Ed Koledo.
INDUSTRIAL PARK
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According to the application, “The intent of this Future Land Use District is to cluster development on major corridors to increase accessibility for residents who wish to reach a range of services. Industrial and commercial have been subsumed into this classification. An industrial park would be consistent with this classification.”

The property was originally zoned AG and M-1 prior to zoning in 2004. Adjacent properties are zoned M-2.

“The exact layout of the industrial park will be determined by the market. The site plan was developed for a maximum of 11 lots. The number of lots may be reduced if a user requires more land for their development,” according to the application.

Bob Lagan, owner of Avalanche Holdings, told the township there will be an association to maintain landscaping and maintenance of the road. The company also applied for a site plan approval for a private road.

From the Fenton Township Planning Commission on May 14, meeting minutes show that the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval for the amendment with the following uses:
1. The private road is to be paved with curb and gutter, and
2. The landscape plan is to be approved by the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission will review the individual site plans as the industrial park is developed.

The potential ordinance also states, “The Planning Commission and Township Board will evaluate this request in five years and may initiate a rezoning of the property if the developer has not demonstrated that suitable, continual progress has been made to develop the property consistent with this ordinance.”

Mike Deem, zoning administrator, said a development like this would be a benefit in the long run. Supervisor Bonnie Mathis agreed.

Lagan said the long term of an industrial subdivision is a "much superior use" than the residential use planned previously.

Clerk Robert Krug said he wanted to make sure the buildings on Thompson Road were taken care of cosmetically. Lagan said the frontage for this industrial park is minimal at approximately 200 feet, and it will be a heavily landscaped area that leads to an upscale industrial subdivision. Each purchaser of the units will have to get its own site plan approved by the board first.

Shaun Shumaker, Genesee County commissioner and former Fenton Township trustee, asked if they had conducted a study on traffic to see if the road could handle the weight of the trucks. The township said a study had been completed when Miller Industries came to the area.

The board is expected to discuss and vote on the potential zoning change and industrial park at a later meeting.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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ACTUALLY, SATURDAY, JUNE 20 has the most daylight between sunrise and sunset. All days are essentially the same length with the days getting long by .00178 milliseconds per century due to tidal and other forces slowing the earth’s rotation.

Holly Village offices reopen Monday

Residents are still encouraged to do as much online as possible

Compiled by Sharon Stone

The village of Holly Municipal offices will reopen to the public Monday, June 22. They will resume their normal business hours of Monday – Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., however the office will adhere to the following safety guidelines:

Anyone needing to enter the village offices will be required to wear a mask/face covering. There will be signage to maintain 6-foot social distancing while in the hallway. Only one customer will be allowed to enter the offices at a time.

The only area of the building that is reopening is the Village Offices.

GROVE LAND TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Groveland Township Planning Commission will be held on Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Groveland Township Hall, 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly, MI 48442.

The purpose of the meeting is to hear if Groveland Township should adopt an ORV Ordinance to allow the operation of Off-Road Vehicles (ORVs) on Shields Road, west of Dixie Highway, East of Interstate 75, and north of Grange Hall Road for approximately 0.12 miles.

Additional information is available at the Township Office during regular business hours. If you are unable to attend the meeting, your written comments are welcome at the Township Office prior to the night of the meeting.

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The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday June 15, 2020 via telephone conference call and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.

2. Received a presentation of Fenton Township’s audited financial statements for the year ended 12/31/19 from Plante & Moran, PLLC.

3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of $1,000,000.00.

4. Conducted a public hearing on, and first reading of, a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the conditions for previously approved PUD zoning for parcels 06-03-400-008, (3145 Thompson Road), to permit for the Deer Run soccer facility property.

5. Approved a motion to submit a letter to the Genesee County Parks & Recreation Commission to request a 1-year extension to the existing license for the Orchard Hills Phase II Development. The Units comprise the Orchard Hills Phase II Development. The Units are as follows: Units 79-90, 109-123, 142-149 Maple Tree Drive, Units 91-103 Plum Tree Drive, Units 104-108 Peach Tree Trail, Units 124-141 Cherry Tree Court, Units 150-164 Apple Tree Court. For additional information, please check the Township’s website at www.fentontownship.org.

6. Approved 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, MI 48430 when the office reopens to the public. The ordinances are also available on Fenton Township’s website at www.fentontownship.org.

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Honkanen spoke with the male and Carlson spoke with the female, who was seated in a chair near the sliding glass door that led to the balcony.
“The female became agitated and jumped up and ran, and attempted to dive off the second floor balcony,” Allen said. “Carlson was able to stop her from going over by grabbing her ankles.”

The two officers were able to pull her back over the railing. Allen said she probably wouldn’t have made it if she’d fallen head first.

The second incident took place June 7 at approximately 5:30 p.m. Officer Angelo Panos responded to a call of a man lying down in a driveway in the 1500 block of Locust Grove. Panos arrived, saw the man and attempted to revive him. It appeared he was in respiratory distress and his face was a blue-reddish color.

Panos administered one dose of Narcan, but did not get a reaction. He administered a second dose. The man vomited and Panos turned him on his side to make sure his airway was clear. He was transported to Genesys where he recovered.

“That’s an absolute save,” Allen said.

The Argentine Township Police Department was trained with Narcan this past September. All officers carry Narcan in case of an opioid overdose.

Allen said he hopes to present the life saving awards to the officers at the July Argentine Township Board meeting.

FIRST AID
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Boater safety
Burton Police Chief Brian Ross, who worked at the GCSO for 17 years and in the marine division, went over the laws of the water in Michigan.
“If you see these guys out on the lake, they’re not here to ruin your weekend. They’re there to make sure your weekend isn’t ruined.” he said.

Ross covered information about different classifications of boats, nighttime boating, fuel safety and more. Before a boater leaves the dock, they should check to make sure they have identification, a fire extinguisher, and enough U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets on board for all passengers. Everyone under the age of 6 must wear a personal flotation device (PFD) when the boat is not anchored. Check to make sure all lights work.

He covered when boaters need to give the right-of-way to other boats and how to identify which light is which. Green lights mean it’s the starboard/right side, and red lights are on the port/left side.

Personal watercraft users need to stay 150 feet away from other personal watercrafts (PWCs) and 100 feet away from shore, unless they are traveling at a no-wake speed.

Ross covered what’s considered reckless operation of a vehicle, which is illegal. This includes weaving around boats too closely, jumping wakes too close behind a boat and not leaving adequate room in front of the boat in front of you.

Disturbing wildlife is illegal, as is going too fast in a way that threatens the safety of people or property. People are not allowed to reside in the bow of a vessel without proper seating while the boat is moving. Failing to operate in a counterclockwise distance is illegal. Boating within restricted areas is not allowed.

Dep. Scott Mangrum said if someone falls overboard, mark where they fell in the water. Boats will float away from the spot even when there’s no wind.

For more information on boater safety, go to boat-ed.com.
Camp Copneconic to stay closed for summer

Despite permission by governor, officials say camp just wouldn’t be the same for the kids

By Sharon Stone

Under executive order signed Friday, June 12, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer said overnight residential, travel and troop camps may reopen as the spread of the COVID-19 slows in Michigan.

Despite this easing of restrictions, the YMCA Camp Copneconic in Fenton Township will remain closed, said Brandon Dreffs, executive director.

Dreffs said they understand Whitmer loosened restrictions that she had previously put in place to slow the spread of the coronavirus. “It gives us hope that a return to normalcy is closer,” Dreffs said. “Although restaurants and retail establishments are now open, Camp Copneconic will remain closed.

“When we made the difficult decision to cancel programming for this summer, we outlined several metrics that we used to make our decision. We assessed the level of risk we can manage, the effect of social distancing on our programs, and whether we would be able to offer an equitable experience to our community.

“Simply put, Camp Copneconic would not look like the camp our youth have come to love for over 100 years. No high fives, no s’mores around the fire with your cabinmates, no making friendship bracelets with your best friend.

“So many of the activities that make camp fun would be severely altered or removed completely.”

Dreffs added that they still believe that the best, safest and most fair decision was to suspend their operations for this summer. “It was an incredibly hard decision but one that is in the best interests of our staff and campers we serve,” he said. “We look forward to when we can open our doors again, and until then, stay safe.”
Led by the Holly police and fire departments, Holly High School graduating seniors took part in a graduation parade Saturday, June 13. Submitted photos

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Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, school districts got creative to celebrate their graduating seniors. Here, Holly High School graduates rode in decorated vehicles in a parade through Holly on Saturday, June 13.

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way along Sherman, Broad and Maple streets. The Holly police and fire departments escorted the parade as part of continued collaboration between Holly Area Schools and local front-line first responders during the public health crisis.

“I congratulate the Broncho Class of 2020 as they plan the next phases of their lives, and for helping plan this first-of-its kind, communitywide graduation celebration,” said Scott Roper, Holly Area Schools superintendent. “Our graduation parade defined what Broncho Pride is all about, and came to fruition because our students applied the outside-the-classroom skills they learned as part of a 21st century education here at Holly Area Schools.”

Holly High School staff, administrators and HAS board members distributed diplomas through the drive-through line in front of the high school.

“The Class of 2020 has done a tremendous job under unprecedented circumstances,” said Holly High School Principal Peter LoFiego. “I have no doubt each graduate will be successful, whether they plan to attend college, technical school or immediately launch their professional careers. The Class of 2020 will serve as role models for generations of Bronchos for their leadership and willingness to plan a successful graduation event during such a difficult time in our community, state and nation.”
Father really does know best

Today is Father’s Day, a time when sons and daughters honor the special men in their lives, thank them for all they do and show how much they love them.

Dads are notorious for wanting to fix the things that are troubling their children, and it is frustrating when they can’t. In this day and age deadly diseases like cancer and viruses like COVID-19 are something Daddy just can’t fix.

There is one man, a father with a Michigan connection who I have always admired — Danny Thomas.

More than 70 years ago, Thomas was a struggling actor with a baby on the way. After a couple years, he achieved moderate success as an actor in Detroit but was struggling to take his career to the next level. He went to church and prayed to St. Jude Thaddeus, the patron saint of lost causes. He said, “Help me find my way in life, and I will build you a shrine.”

Thomas became an internationally acclaimed film and TV star, and is likely best known for his role in “Father Knows Best.” But he will be forever known for fulfilling his vow to St. Jude.

In 1962, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee opened its doors after several years of planning. It was open to all regardless of race, religion or financial need. As a result of Thomas’ “shrine,” the survival rate for childhood cancers jumped from 20 percent in 1962 to 80 percent today. Father really does know best. Just sayin’!

Happy Father’s Day to all you great dads out there!

Local dentist reopens

By Sharon Stone

There’s no need to fear the dentist when you come to Dr. Patricia McGarry’s office in Linden. Her office is the small town dentist office that produces big smiles. Her staff prides itself on providing the finest in dental care while keeping patients relaxed, comfortable, and smiling bigger and better than before you walk in our doors.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, McGarry’s office has made some changes for patients and employees as it reopens. They have a new check-in process, social distancing of patients, and increased personal protection equipment (PPE) usage. Patients are required to wear a mask and employees sanitize after every patient.

The office has also added Plexiglass around the front desk area and increased its screening process.

McGarry’s office is at 200 Lindenwood, Linden. To reach the office, call (810) 735-9426.

Dr. Patricia McGarry’s dental office in Linden is now open for appointments. Call and schedule yours today.
Dr. McGarry’s office welcomes new dentist

Looking forward to meeting patients and providing high level of care they are accustomed to

By Sharon Stone

Dr. Patricia McGarry’s dental office in Linden has announced the hiring of their new Associate Dentist Dr. Justin Schultz.

Schultz earned his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from the University of Michigan where he was awarded the Comprehensive Care Award for astounding patient care.

Growing up in another small Michigan town, he found Linden to be a perfect fit. He married his wife Aubree in 2018 and they have a dog named Blitz. He enjoys spending time with his family and friends, fishing, golfing and going up north. He is excited to begin meeting all of McGarry’s wonderful patients and maintaining the level of care patients are accustomed to at Dr. McGarry’s office.

Genesee County prosecutor sets new policy

New warrant review practice is important part of improving the criminal justice system

Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton has established a new policy for assistant prosecutors in his office to follow when reviewing warrant requests from police.

In a staff meeting with all lawyers in the Genesee County Prosecutor’s Office, Leyton laid out the details of a new warrant review practice he said is intended to prevent police from using low-level ordinance or civil infractions as a reason to stop and question a citizen who is otherwise doing nothing wrong or illegal.

“In light of the very important social conversations currently taking place across the nation, I have had many discussions with staff and community members about the perception of law enforcement in our county,” said Leyton in an official memorandum to the lawyers in his office.

Leyton indicated these conversations are “an important part of improving the criminal justice system from the community to the courthouse” and the new policy regarding warrant reviews is likely just one of many policy changes affecting how the prosecutor’s office and police conduct their business.

The new policy Leyton rolled out Tuesday, June 16, states the Genesee County Prosecutor’s Office will not authorize warrants where the sole basis for the police interaction with a citizen is the result of a violation of a state or local ordinance regarding walking on/in a street where a sidewalk is provided.

Leyton said that many communities have ordinances preventing citizens from walking in a street where sidewalks are present but its enforcement is potentially selective and subjective and may be used as a means to interact with citizens in order to uncover other potential crimes being committed such as illegal drug or weapons possessions or outstanding warrants.

“Such practices oftentimes are used in urban centers as opposed to suburban communities and that is an unfair and unequal treatment under the law,” Leyton said.

“The perception and many times the reality is that such practices are an unwarranted harassment of an individual and an intrusion into their daily life,” he said.

Leyton said his new policy is aimed at fairness in our justice system and eliminating selective enforcement to ensure equal treatment of every resident in Genesee County from one municipality to the other.

“If police bring a warrant request to my office where the only reason a more serious crime was uncovered was because the police stopped an individual for walking in the street, that warrant will be denied,” he said. “There must be other tangible evidence a crime is being committed before we will entertain a warrant.” He also noted that warrant decisions where other tangible evidence are presented will be evaluated on the individual merits of the case.

“It is incumbent upon us as ministers of justice to ensure we have adequate information in the police reports submitted by the arresting agency to make this determination,” he said.

Leyton emphasized that he is not endorsing or encouraging citizens to walk in the street because that is a traffic and pedestrian safety issue. He added that all local police chiefs, the sheriff, and the Michigan State Police Post Commander in Flint have been notified of this decision, which has gone into immediate effect.
Genesee County courts set to reopen

Additional safety measures to be implemented

On Monday, June 22, the Genesee County probate and circuit courts will begin the process of returning to full operations.

In an effort to safely reopen to the public, the courts have undertaken significant changes in facility operations to include signs underscoring the need to continue social distancing and frequent hand washing.

Fenton Toastmasters elects officers

Guests may check out organization’s virtual meetings using Zoom

The Fenton Area Toastmasters club has elected new club officers to lead the club for the 2020-21 year. Sharon Howell led the club this past year and will assume the role of immediate past president. Jim Orolim stays on as treasurer, Robin Riddell moves over to fill the secretary role, and Wesley Whittaker continues as the vice president of public relations.

Chris Patrello is the new vice president of education and will assist club members in reaching their educational goals through the new online Pathways program.

The vice president of membership, Sarah Watson, will be reaching out to local businesses, organizations and individuals who are seeking to develop the soft skills that all business leaders need today. The new president of the club is Trice Berlinski, a Neurochange Solutions corporate consultant who is passionate about the proven sciences of meditation and mindfulness. In her acceptance speech, she laid out her vision for the club over the coming months.

“Toastmasters provides the training and the tools to allow us to become the best version of ourselves,” Berlinski said. “As president, it is my intention to lead our club with this mindset, as well as the tenets of mindfulness. Leading by supporting and being inclusive allows every member of this club to come from an awareness that their input is heard, and their contributions are appreciated.

“When we fully realize that, we can then begin to create the kind of personal reality that we deserve as we consciously consider our thoughts and choose our actions.”

Fenton Area Toastmasters meets every Friday morning at 7:45 a.m. via the ZOOM platform. Guests are welcome to check out a virtual meeting of the Fenton Area Toastmasters. Send your request to the VP-Education at vpe-699671@toastmastersclubs.org and an invitation to the next meeting will be sent to you. Once you get the invitation, all you do is click on the “Join Meeting” link to enter the meeting. Those interested also can find out more about the Fenton Area Toastmasters at https://699671.toastmastersclubs.org/ or call (810) 620-7590.

As an additional measure to ensure minimal, controlled person-to-person contact, the Genesee County Courthouse will be closed to the public:

• Fridays, during the initial reopening phases, beginning Friday, June 26, through Friday, July 31
• Monday, July 6, a previously selected county furlough day

The closure measure was signed by Chief Judge Duncan M. Beagle in Local Administrative Orders 2020-07J (Circuit) and 2020-04J (Probate)

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Medstar welcomes two doctors to its board of directors

Medstar, Southern Michigan’s largest EMS and mobile healthcare provider, announced two new members to its Board of Directors.

Kevin Grady, MD, president and CEO of Ascension St. John Hospital and Ascension River District Hospital is one and Gary Druskovich, MD, MBA, Ascension Macomb-Oakland Hospital president is the other.

“Dr. Grady is a champion for patient-centered care, and it’s an honor to have him on our board,” said Kolby Miller, Medstar CEO.

“As healthcare systems recognize the importance of pre-hospital emergency care, as well as the value of community paramedicine, I am excited to join in the direction of the region’s most responsive and innovative organization,” Grady said.

In addition to his service with Ascension SE Michigan, Grady is a senior share his passion for serving the most vulnerable patients,” said Kolby Miller, Medstar CEO.

“I look forward to joining fellow physicians, as well as the healthcare and community leaders on Medstar’s Board of Directors,” Druskovich said. Druskovich is an anesthesiologist who was in a private group practice for 27 years. Before being named president at Ascension Macomb-Oakland Hospital in December 2019, he held the position of chief physician officer (CPO) for both hospital and ambulatory physicians at Ascension Borgess. As CPO, Druskovich served as both the chief medical officer of Ascension’s four west Michigan hospitals and the clinical vice president of West Michigan Ascension Medical Group. He also served nine years on the Board of Directors of Ascension Borgess.

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— Compiled by Sharon Stone —

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 29.

**House Bill 5766: Coronavirus epidemic response bills – Tax Tribunal deadlines**

To extend for up to 96 days the filing deadlines for appeals to the Michigan Tax Tribunal during 2020. Specifically, for deadlines that normally fall between May 27 and the end of August, the new deadline would be August 31. The Senate Fiscal Agency describes the Tax Tribunal as “an administrative court that hears tax appeals for all Michigan taxes [and] has jurisdiction over assessment disputes only after the assessment has been protested before the [local] Board of Review.”

Passed 30 to 0 in the Senate

Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) ☑ YES
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) ☑ YES

**House Bill 5097: Authorize small non-payday loans by payday lenders**

To allow payday lenders to make “small loans” of up $2,500, subject to restrictions specified in the bill. These would be 90-day to one-year loans that are not secured by a future paycheck.

Passed 58 to 49 in the House

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

**Senate Bill 718: Extend roadside drug testing statewide**

To authorize statewide roadside drug testing. This expands a five-county pilot program authorized by a 2016 law.

Passed 77 to 30 in the House

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) ☑ YES
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) ☑ YES
Looking back: Tigers collect key win vs. rival Grand Blanc

By David Troppens

The Fenton-Grand Blanc swimming rivalry continued on Tuesday, with the Fenton varsity girls squad taking the edge in the most recent chapter.

The Tigers won eight events defeating Grand Blanc in a dual meet 105-81.

The two area rivals have spent the 21st century battling for the No. 1 swim program in the Flint area. This season ended in a split decision with the Tigers winning the dual meet and Grand Blanc winning the county meet.

Gracie Olsen continued her strong performances, earning firsts in all four events she competed. Individually, Olsen earned firsts in the 200 freestyle (1:57.35) and in the 100 butterfly (57.56). She also teamed with Abigail Dolliver, Halee Alexander and Lillie Kromer to win the 200 medley relay (1:53.61) and with Kromer, Delaney Fries and Dolliver in the 400 freestyle relay (3:50.17). All four times were state-qualifying times.

Kromer also was a four-time winner. Along with the relay firsts, she won the 50...

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Fenton’s Abigail Dolliver

Linden teams make their mark on Top 16 poll

Eagles’ boys basketball, cross country make their mark on our top team list

In recent seasons, the Tri-County Top 16 Poll hasn’t been a place where many Linden squads preside. The last three seasons, only two Eagles’ teams earned a spot in the top 16 squads of the school year.

Last year, the two Linden teams ranked 15th (boys basketball) and 16th (softball) giving the Eagles their weakest representation in the poll’s existence. The last time the Eagles had a reasonably strong performance in the top 16 came during the 2015-16 season when three Linden squads made it with the Linden baseball finishing in the top spot after making it to the D2 state championship contest during that year.

Linden squads have had other strong seasons as well. In fact, no other tri-county area team has had more No. 1 squads. The Linden boys cross country team has been the school’s strongest representative, making the list nine times out of 11 years entering this season. The runners have finished No. 1 on the poll three times (2008-09, 2009-10, 2012-13), more than any other athletic program in the tri-county area. Along with Linden’s baseball team’s No. 1 position during the 2015-16 season, that has given the school four firsts.

In this season’s poll, four Linden teams made our list, the most that have since the Eagles had five squads in the 2014-15 poll. Today’s installment includes the two highest placing Linden squads.

No. 7 - Linden boys basketball: Linden boys basketball was one of the toughest teams to place. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Eagles’ chances of finishing high were severely thwarted.

The Eagles were having an outstanding season, certainly setting up to possibly have their best of the 21st century when the squad finished an 18-2 regular season.

Both losses were tight losses to state-ranked Division 2 teams. The Eagles posted a perfect 10-0 Flint Metro League (FML) Stripes Division title, but fell short of the unofficial overall FML title due to a 46-44 loss to the Martians.

The Linden Eagles finished their season with a victory against Holly in a district semifinal game before the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in the cancellation of the rest of the season. The Eagles are No. 7 on our Tri-County Top 16 Poll this year. File photos
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freestyle (25.64) and 100 freestyle (56.57) individually. Dolliver and Emma Jump took Fenton’s other firsts. Dolliver won the 100 breaststroke with a state-qualifying time of 1:10.90, while Jump won diving (230.65). The Tigers were particularly strong in diving, taking the top three places in the event. Chloe Mallard took second (217.95) while Morgan Smith placed third (171.15).

Fenton had four other individual second and third place efforts. They were earned by Dolliver in the 200 individual medley (2:22.45), Alexander in the 200 butterfly (1:05.90), Madeline Kazmierski in the 500 freestyle (5:39.65) and Abby Carrigan in the 100 backstroke (1:07.15).

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during the season.

The Eagles had just started the D1 district tournament at Howell when the season was halted. The Eagles won a thrilling 67-66 district semifinal game against the Holly Bronchos, setting up a D1 district title game against Howell, but the COVID-19 pandemic ended the season before the tournament was able to continue.

The Eagles had the potential to jump significantly, but it is hard to rate them higher for potential than for actual results. But that’s life, so we had to make the tough decision and rate the squad for the point of the season it actually ended. Still, No. 7 is pretty good.

No. 6 - Linden boys cross country: The Eagles have clearly been one of the area’s top teams over the last 12 seasons, making it for the 10th time during those years.

No Metro League sport got any stronger from the expansion of the league than boys cross country. Already a strong sport, Goodrich and Lake Fenton made life even tougher. Yet, the Eagles had a strong showing, finishing second in each of the three Metro events. The Fenton Ti-
Easy ways to keep your immune system strong

- Sleep, diet, exercise and amount of stress all play a role

The immune system is a powerful component of the human body and right now couldn’t be a better time to make sure you are doing everything you can to have a healthy immune system.

Your immune system recognizes when viruses, bacteria and other foreign invaders enter or compromise the body, and then takes action to prevent illnesses from taking over.

The average person can help his or her immune system do its job more effectively by making the immune system as strong as it can be.

A report released by Harvard Medical School indicates diet, exercise, age, and psychological stress may affect immune system response. Certain lifestyle choices can promote a strong immune system.

Get adequate sleep.

Doctors believe sleep and immunity are closely tied. A study of 164 healthy adults published by the National Institutes of Health found those who slept fewer than six hours each night were more likely to catch a cold than people who slept for more than six hours.

Increase your intake of fruits and vegetables.

Fruits and vegetables supply the powerhouse antioxidants that are essential for protecting a body against free radicals. Free radicals may play a role in heart disease, cancer and other diseases.

Consume fiber and fermented foods.

Fiber can help feed the gut microbiome, which is linked to a robust immune system. The microbiome also may prevent harmful pathogens from entering the body through the digestive tract. Data also suggests that eating more fermented foods can further strengthen and populate healthy bacteria in the gut.

Exercise regularly.

Aim for 30 minutes of moderate exercise per day, advises the American Heart Association. Thirty minutes of exercise each day can go a long way toward keeping the body healthy. The U.S. National Library of Medicine reports that physical activity may help flush bacteria out of the lungs and airways. Exercise causes changes in antibodies and white blood cells. These antibodies and white blood cells circulate rapidly, so they may detect illnesses earlier than they would if you do not exercise. Body temperature also rises during exercise, which could naturally prevent bacteria from growing.

Try to minimize stress.

According to Simply Psychology, when people are stressed, the immune system’s ability to fight off antigens is reduced, making people more susceptible to infections. The stress hormone corticosteroid can suppress the effectiveness of the immune system. Limiting stress through meditation and breathing exercises, or trying to remove stressors from one’s life, may help.

A healthy immune system is vital to fending off or recovering from illness.
Pedaling ‘Pure Michigan’ and beyond brings families together in fun activity

By Sharon Stone

There are more than 1,300 miles of biking trails in Michigan to explore. Add another two miles to that opportunity when the Argentine Township portion of the LAFF (Linden, Argentine Township, Fenton Township, Fenton) pathway is completed.

Bicycling has become increasingly popular in Michigan, especially these past few months, when families were seeking safe outdoor activities during the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent shutdowns.

There is reportedly a shortage of new recreational bicycles in northern Michigan, based on residents hoping to buy one while vacationing north of here. It’s best to call retailers directly and check out their websites for availability.

Detroit Bikes, with a manufacturing plant in Detroit, said it is currently out of stock of some models.

The lure of bicycling is highlighted through the Pure Michigan initiative. Whether recreational or mountain biking, Michigan has a trail for every cyclist’s interest and comfort level, according to Michigan.org/biking.

Michigan offers more rail trails than any other state and is home to the International Mountain Biking Association Silver Level Ride Center in Copper Harbor.

**Bike Mackinac Island**

For many families, visiting Mackinac Island is an annual trip and taking a ride around the island is a great activity.

The eight-mile bike ride around the island is a one-of-a-kind experience, and it’s not just because your trek is on the state’s only official highway that doesn’t allow cars. Rent a single or tandem from one of the many outfitters or bring your own. There are plenty of inner island trails for fat tire enthusiasts, too.

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Bicycling burns calories
According to Harvard University, biking at a moderate speed of 12 to 13.9 miles per hour will cause a 155-pound person to burn 298 calories in 30 minutes. At a faster rate of 14 to 15.9 miles per hour, a person of the same weight will burn 372 calories.

Find the right bicycle for you
Bikes are divided into four broad categories, including road, mountain, gravel and city. Within each, you’ll find all kinds of options and every price.

For 2020, bicycling.com rated the Canyon Roadlite 7.0 as one of the best “road” bikes. It’s priced at $999.

They highly rated the “city” BENNO eJOY, priced at $3,400. Their review said, “There’s something about the eJOY 9D that makes you want to take care of it like a new pet.”

For “mountain bikes,” one of their top rated bicycles is the Kona Mahuna, priced at $999. A bit pricier is the Salsa Warroad Carbon Apex, priced at $4,399. This is for “gravel” terrain.

The nostalgic Schwinn bicycles have been around since 1895 and were started by Ignaz Schwinn and Adolf Arnold. They set up their own bicycle factory and produced “World Bicycles,” the official trade name for early Schwinn bicycles.

Schwinn still carries a variety of road, mountain, cruisers, hybrid and commuter bicycles.

One local family, Ed and Julie Furmanczyk of Tyrone Township and their daughter, Jessica Urban and her husband, Brian of Lake Orion, go on bicycle adventures often.

Julie said that she and Ed have specialized mountain bikes and Ed also has a fat tire bike.

“It gets you outside in the fresh air and it’s an awesome way to explore the outdoors,” Julie said. “We enjoy it locally and we work it into our vacations, like Grand Cayman, Copper Harbor, Sedona and more. It’s always an adventure.”

The family also enjoys riding the Paint Creek Trail from Lake Orion to Rochester Hills, catching lunch along the way.

Bicycles are classified by the type of terrain they are best for, such as city streets, open road, mountain or gravel.

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Seymour Road Drainage Improvement Special Assessment District

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Board of the Township of Argente, Genesee County, Michigan, has received petitions from property owners to make certain public improvements (the “Public Improvements”) consisting of:

Improvement of Seymour Road Drainage in the Township.

The petitions have been received from record owners of land constituting more than fifty percent of the total land area in the proposed special assessment district described below.

The Township Board intends to proceed on the petitions and pursuant to Act 188, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended, to create a Special Assessment District, and make the Public Improvements. The Township Board has tentatively determined that the cost of the Public Improvements shall be specially assessed against each of the following described lots and parcels of land, which together comprise the proposed Special Assessment District:

Property located in the Township of Argentine, Genesee County, Michigan, and described by the following parcel numbers:

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The current construction estimate is $105,500.00, not including administrative costs and interest, which will be added to the assessments.

PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Township of Argentine will hold a public hearing on June 29, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Argentine Township Hall located at 9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden Michigan, to hear and consider any objections to acceptance of the petitions, and the creation of the Special Assessment District, and all other matters relating to the public improvements.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the plans and estimates of cost for the Public Improvements are on file with the Township Clerk for public examination. Be advised, if you object to the creation of the District, you must provide a written objection to the Clerk’s Office by mail or email clerkgraves@argentinetownship.com prior to the hearing, or appear at the hearing, or attend by Zoom to voice your objection.

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85008059155

Meeting ID: 850 0805 9155
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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
Township Supervisor
Township of Argentine
9048 Silver Lake Road
Linden, MI 48451
Telephone: (810) 735-5050

Denise Graves, Clerk
Township of Argentine
FENTON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2020-2021 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Monday, June 29, 2020, at 5:50 o’clock p.m., at 3100 Owen Road, Fenton, Michigan, the Board of Education of Fenton Area Public Schools will hold a public hearing (electronically pursuant to Michigan Executive Order 2020-75 (COVID 19) through Zoom.

The Board may not adopt its 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 hours at Fenton Area Public Schools Administration Building located at 3100 Owen Road, Fenton, Michigan.

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

Individuals may participate in an electronic meeting through electronic conferencing and telephone using Zoom. This includes providing public comment. To download Zoom, go to the following link: https://zoom.us/support/download.

After downloading and launching Zoom, you may join the meeting using the link or telephone numbers below. For more help on signing in and joining a meeting, please view the following: https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-Meeting.

Participants can access the electronic meeting through the following link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83428725311?pwd=S0pMd2h5VWJJZW93WGRkSnVBR3RFUT09

The Zoom meeting ID is: 834 2872 5311 Password: 7nadHP

Participants can partake in the meeting via telephone by calling:
(877) 853-5257 (US Toll-free)
(888) 475-4499 (US Toll-free)
+1 (312) 626-6799
+1 (929) 205-6099

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Once individuals have joined the meeting, the Board President will provide information about procedures for participation.

Please test your software prior to the meeting. If you are unable to access the software due to technical difficulties, please call 810-591-4703 prior to the scheduled meeting. Any questions or comments may also be submitted prior to the meeting by email or calling Michele Wilson at 810-591-4703 or via email at mwilson@fentonschools.org.

Further information and materials related to this meeting can be found on the Fenton Schools website at www.fentonschools.org/board of education.

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact Michele Wilson at mwilson@fentonschools.org or (810) 591-4703, at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the meeting to request visual, hearing, technological, or other assistance.

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

Dana L. Jones, Secretary
Board of Education
Fenton Area Public Schools

NORTH OAKLAND COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING DATES FOR FY ENDING 2021

The State of Michigan has enacted PA 267 of 1976, the “Open Meetings Act,” which requires a public body to give prior public notice of all regular meetings and that said notice shall provide the dates, time, and places of such meetings. It is the desire of the North Oakland County Fire Authority Board of Directors, a public body, to conduct all of its business in an open forum, in compliance with said act. The NOCFA Board of Directors will hold regular meetings during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, on the following dates at 3:00 P.M. at either the Rose Township Offices located at 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan 48442 or NOCFA Station #1, located at 5051 Grange Hall Road, Holly, Michigan 48442.

June 15, 2020
NOCFA Station #1
Rose Township Offices

July 21, 2020
NOCFA Station #1
Rose Township Offices

August 18, 2020
NOCFA Station #1
Rose Township Offices

September 15, 2020
NOCFA Station #1
Rose Township Offices

October 20, 2020
NOCFA Station #1
Rose Township Offices

November 17, 2020
NOCFA Station #1
Rose Township Offices

December 15, 2020
NOCFA Station #1
Rose Township Offices

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
JUNE 15, 2020

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday June 15, 2020 via telephone conference call and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
2. Received a presentation of Fenton Township’s audited financial statements for the year ended 12/31/19 from Plante & Moran, PLLC.
3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of $521,108.56.
4. Conducted a public hearing on, and first reading of, a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the conditions for previously approved PUD zoning for parcel 06-03-400-008, (3145 Thompson Road), to permit the development of an industrial park.
5. Approved a motion to submit a letter to the Genesee County Parks & Recreation Commission to request a 1-year extension to the existing lease for the Deer Run soccer facility property.
6. Adjourned at 9:35 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.

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the August 4, 2020 Primary Election has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 6:30 PM at the Holly Township Offices 102 Civic Dr. Holly, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the electronic tabulating equipment will accurately count the votes cast in the manner prescribed by Michigan Election Law.

Karin S. Winchester
Holly Township Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Annual Redetermination of Special Assessment Roll for Special Assessment District for the Purpose of Fire Protection Services and Emergency Medical Response Services
TOWNSHIP OF HOLLY
Oakland County, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Township Board of the Township of Holly will conduct a public hearing via electronically, on June 30, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. or as soon as possible thereafter on the estimated costs and expenses, and the distribution of the levy for Fire Protection Services and Emergency Medical Response Services within which the same benefit to real property from the nature and level of fire protection services as determined pursuant to MCL 41.801(4).

Please use the link below to join the join the meeting: https://zoom.us/j/93326104117

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Or Telephone:
Dial(for calling on landline or with a VoIP device):
US: +1 646 876 9923 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 669 900 6833 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 408 638 0968
Webinar ID: 933 2610 4117
International numbers available: https://zoom.us/u/atY7qgYSD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Special Assessment District for the Purpose of Fire Protection Services and Emergency Medical Response Services within which the cost of fire protection services, including but not limited to construction of facilities, operational cost of fire protection, maintenance and improvement of equipment, and the cost of ambulance services and related emergency medical response services within the Special Assessment District for the fiscal year 2020-2021 is approximately $818,000.00. The amount of the special assessment is based upon the benefit to real property from the nature and level of fire protection services and emergency medical response services to be provided to the Township by the North Oakland County Fire Authority.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the total amount proposed to be specially assessed in the Special Assessment District for the Purpose of Fire Protection Services and Emergency Medical Response Services and the millage rate proposed are:

TOTAL: $739,957.00  MILLAGE RATE: 3.8500

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that copies of the proposed budget and of the proposed special assessment roll may be inspected at the office of the Township Clerk at 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan 48442, by appointment and may also be inspected at the public hearing. For an appointment please call the Clerk at 248-459-2280.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that at the public hearing, the Township Board will hear and or review said special assessment roll and any comments or objections thereto which might be made or filed with the Board at or prior to the time of said public hearing, and will consider any revisions, amendments, or changes to said proposed special assessment roll and the amount of special assessments to be levied against benefited property.

Appearance and protest at this public hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner or party in interest or his or her agent may appear in person at this hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter received at or before the public hearing, and if such a letter is filed, then the personal appearance of the person protesting is not required.

The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at this hearing as set forth above may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within thirty (30) days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if the proposed special assessment roll is confirmed, or is modified and confirmed, the special assessment will be collected in the same manner as property taxes as provided for by law.

All interested persons are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place to submit comments concerning any of the foregoing, or to protest the proposed special assessment roll and/or special assessment.

Holly Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed material being considered at the hearing, to individuals with disabilities at the hearing upon seven (7) day notice to the Township Clerk. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Clerk at 248-459-2280.

Karin S. Winchester, MMC
Holly Township Clerk
Weekend Crossword

ACROSS
1 Painter of limp watches
2 Central Asia's —
3 Pooh peats
4 Rorschach test features
5 Luau chow
6 Hamming in
7 Type in anew
8 See 95-
9 Bettor's note
10 Series-ending abbr.
11 Succeeds
12 Spin around
13 -- Barbera
14 "The Middle"
15 Poked fun at
16 Register
17 Indiana county
18 Afore
19 Gun, in slang
20 Parts of hammers
21 -- good clip
22 Ice-T's style
23 Hack
24 Roll
25 Deriding look
26 Nevada
27 Partner of a mortise
28 Hearing aair
29 Share a view
30 Artery
31 Ruminated
32 Minneapolis-to-Dallas dir.
33 Hit with a zapping gun
34 The Beatles' "Let--"
35 Pole carving
36 Advice giver
37 Landers
38 Yankee Yogi
39 Bob -- restaurants
40 Per-unit costs
41 "Bye Bye" boy
42 Rumba's kin
43 Garden soils
44 Johnny who cried "Come on down!"
45 OPEC fuel
46 Idolize
47 Keystroke or mouse click
48 Canadian gas brand
49 Detached, in mus.
50 Old game console
51 Lanai and Skye
52 Product label
53 Eye malady
54 With 8-
55 Down, swims
56 Without a suit
57 They made LPs passé
58 Kid
59 100 West with 21
60 Grammy
61 -- lie (fibbed)
62 Funny Laurel
63 Goseamer
64 Degas, for playwrights
65 Eye malady
66 109 GPS drawing
67 From — B
68 Ring legend
69 111 "Preg" with
70 Cat coat
71 law or tourist
72 With so much dental work
73 needed, they joked about having an
74 orthodontist —
75 On Retainer
76 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.

DOWN
1 Johnny of
2 Ed Wood"
3 Read
4 then
5 Recycle
6 Puddle's
7 kin
8 Stiff in ale
9 Rev's talk
10 Johnny of
11 City on I-80
12 Name of 12 popes
13 "Cinq a Sept"
14 Moomin
15 "Lalita"
16 "St. Louis"
17 "Prairie"
18 "Camel"
19 "Tommy"
20 "Belle"

Solution Time: 25 min.

MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS:
ADAGE, ICIER, TUNNEL, EXPORT
Answer: With so much dental work needed, they joked about having an orthodontist — ON RETAINER

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NOTICE
HOLLY TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS
BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING (TRUTH IN BUDGETING)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Holly Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budgets for fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 via electronic meeting on June 30, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. or as soon as possible thereafter. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. A copy of the budget and the proposed millage rates are available for public inspection, by appointment at Holly Township Clerk’s Office 102 Civic Drive, Holly, MI 48442 by contacting the Clerk at 248-459-2280.

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Webinar ID: 933 2610 4117

International numbers available: https://zoom.us/u/atY7qgYSD

The Holly Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aid and services to Individuals with disabilities upon seven (7) day notice to the Clerk’s Office prior to the hearing by writing, calling or emailing the Clerk.

Karin S. Winchester, MMC
Holly Township Clerk
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!

Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times

Weekend Sudoku

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times
Level: Advanced
Obituaries

Donald Chapin

Jeffrey Mitchell

Marie Winters

Eva H. Lowery

Johnny Weathers

Krystal Merritt

Franklyn Hultberg

George Havens

Chad Klorres

Mary Boyer

Darrel Taylor

Mary Eldred

Kathleen McDowell

Mary Winters

John Kleynenberg

John Martinez

Alice Bond

Elaine Tallman

Lamar Hibbard

Allyson Ardelean

Adam Joseph Lazar
1982 – 2020
Adam Joseph Lazar - age 37, of AZ, formerly of Fenton, passed away Wednesday, March 11, 2020. A Memorial Service will be held 1 PM Saturday, June 27, 2020 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Visitation will be 10 AM until the time of service. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.
Margaret Rita Reid
1950 – 2020
Margaret Rita Reid - age 69, passed away peacefully with her loving family by her side on Saturday, December 21, 2019 at home. She was born on December 4, 1950 in Detroit, Michigan to the late William Joseph Stairs & Marianna Justine (Luther) Stairs. Peggie was a hardworking woman with a heart of gold. She was a skilled paramedic instructor for many years. Her calm demeanour allowed her to thrive under pressure in the emergency room. Upon her well deserved retirement, Peggie became an avid gardener and was active in the Red Hat Society. Above all else, Peggie loved to cook and spend time with her friends and family. She will be dearly missed. Left to cherish Peggie’s memory are her beloved husband of 47 years, Mr. James Ernest Stairs of TN; & Joseph Stairs of FL; nieces, nephews & cousins; a large, loving extended family and many supportive friends and neighbors. At the request of the family, please consider memorial contributions in Peggie’s name to the American Cancer Society at www.cancer.org or to the American Diabetes Association at www.diabetes.org. Visitation will be 6 - 8 PM Thursday, June 25, at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. A Committal Service will be held 2:30 PM Friday, June 26 at Great Lakes National Cemetery, 6200 Belford Rd., Holly. Tributes may be shared at www.sharfuneralhomes.com.

Funeral Etiquette
In the days and months to come, the family will continue to need your support. Try to write or call on a regular basis. Continue to include them in your social plans, they will let you know when they are ready to participate. It is also nice to remember the family on special occasions during the first year following the death. Don’t worry about bringing up the pain and emotion of the loss, they are well aware of that. By remembering such occasions as wedding anniversaries and birthdays, you are not remembering the death, but reaffirming that a life was lived.

Source: Thefuneralsource.org

Garth Bradley Tunningley
1979 – 2020
Garth Bradley Tunningley – age 41 died Thursday, June 11, 2020 at home following a week in the hospital. He was born March 24, 1979 and lived most of his life in Argentine Township. Surviving is his mother, Carol Jedele Tunningley; and was preceded in death by his father, Gerald “Jerry” Tunningley. Garth graduated from Linden Community Schools in 1997 and had a business degree in marketing from University of Michigan Flint. His career included working in golf pro shops, buying and selling stocks, price control expert and several marketing ventures. He loved golfing, grilling, his cat “Libby”, and Star Wars. He was adamant in his beliefs. He researched everything extensively on his phone. He had a special group of friends who would meet on Tuesday evenings to watch a TV show. A special thanks to Heart to Heart Hospice for the wonderful care they gave us. He leaves behind his mother, family and friends to cherish his memory. A memorial will be held at a later date. Donations in Garth’s name may be made to the American Cancer Society, Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church at myshepherdchurch.com or P.O.Box 715 Linden, or the Flint Junior Golf Association, P.O. Box 90377, Burton, MI 48509. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

Janet Ann Sullivan
1931 – 2020
Janet Ann Sullivan - age 88, of Fenton, died Monday, June 15, 2020 at her home of natural causes after a long and full life. Funeral services will be held 1 PM Friday, June 19, 2020 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Visitation will be held 4 - 8 PM Thursday and 12 PM until the time of service Friday. Janet was born July 15, 1931 in Flint, the daughter of Clarence Roscoe and Grace Lawson (Orr) Soper. She was a 1949 graduate of Flint Central High School, attended Flint Junior College graduating from Western Michigan Teachers College. Janet married Roger Barrett Sullivan on August 22, 1953 in Flint. They resided initially in Ann Arbor where she began her career as an elementary school teacher. They lived in Corpus Christi, TX and Ludington before returning to Flint. She was hired by the Flint Board of Education and taught mathematics at Neithercut Elementary School for 30 years retiring in 1996. At the end of her teaching career Janet owned and operated The South Flint Learning Center. Janet was preceded in death by her husband of 66 years; her sister, Margaret Mackey; her great-grandson, Curren Baker; and her nephews, Patrick and Peter Murphy. She is survived by her four children, Roger Barrett Jr. (Jeannette), Margaret (Barney) Martlew, Tim (Cathy) and Amy Sullivan; six grandchildren, Jim and Abby Martlew, Colleen, Sam (Katie) and Charlie Sullivan, Mary Sullivan; great-granddaughter, Shea Lynn Sullivan; and nephews and nieces, David and Daniel Mackey, Lynn and Tom Murphy. Janet channeled her life long love for sewing to create clothing for her young family and then in later years turned her creativity into quilling wall hangings and wearable art. Over the years she expressly designed and made quilts for all her grandchildren and many others. Janet was also an avid knitter, sharing her skills with many. She was passionate for gardening. Through the MSU Extension Master Gardener Program she fulfilled the requirements necessary to become a Master Gardener and applied her creativity both to her gardens at home and in the community as a volunteer at Applewood Estate and the Fenton Open Gate Garden Club. In honor of Janet’s life please make contributions to the American Lung Association or the charity of your choice. www.sharfuneralhomes.com.

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