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Administrative changes at Lake Fenton

■Longtime teacher/ curriculum director is now principal at Lake Fenton High School

By Sharon Stone

Families in the Lake Fenton Community Schools district



will notice some changes at the administration level.

FormerLake Fenton High School Principal Christopher Belcher was named assistant super-

Kate VanHouten

intendent of the district. Kate VanHouten is now principal at the high school and Brad Reichert is now executive director for technology and district services.

Superintendent Julie Williams said that in January she began talking with school board members about the possibility of restructuring some of the administrative positions to accommodate various needs throughout the district.

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Holly Oaks ORV Park opens to the public



Ethan Samuel of Bloomfield Hills attempts to climb a difficult portion of Mt. Magna at the Holly Oaks ORV Park on opening day, Thursday, Sept. 17. See story on page 27. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Fenton Township man charged

Facing five counts of possessing child porn and five counts of using computer to commit the crime

By Sharon Stone

Jared Mikael Newman, 26, of Fenton Township, was arraigned Tuesday, Sept. 15 in Genesee County 67th District Court on five counts of possessing child sexually abusive material and five counts of using a computer to commit the crime.

Personal bond of \$15,000 was set on each count.

The Michigan State Police (MSP) Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force announced that Newman surrendered himself to the court following an investigation. See **CHILD PORN** on 14

No homecoming for students this year

■ '… dances in particular pose an extreme challenge for us'

By Hannah Ball

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and state restrictions, local schools will not be hosting homecoming dances for students this year. Homecoming generally consists of stuWe are trying to find creative and fun ways to still celebrate our students, without the traditional dance. **77** Kate VanHouten Lake Fenton High School principal dents going out for dinner and then having a dance indoors. Gov. Gretchen Whitmer recently amended the Safe Start order, which clarifies that "indoor social gatherings and organized events among persons not part of the same household remain limited to 10 people or fewer statewide."

See HOMECOMING on 12





need to eat this fall, and I can't wait to get lost in a corn maze."



L Does anyone else wonder why we have all the new green directional signs being put up? There was nothing wrong with them (not

damaged) and they say the same thing, so why? Sure seems like a waste of taxpayer dollars."



applaud Fenton PD for their fast action in apprehending

the thieves who broke into the TSC store."



LEVIS Sighting. Holly Foods this time. It's for real."

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HONORING OUR VETERANS

Flowers for educators

Organization finds creative ways to support teachers during 'difficult' times

By Hannah Ball

Support for educators doesn't always come in the form of school supplies — sometimes it's a flower.

Students of The Freedom Center Academy and with Engage Community Organization (ECO) dropped off 270 potted mums for teachers Wednesday, Sept. 16.

Keri Lay, director of ECO, said they've been meeting for weeks about how they could support educators. They've been seeking input from the community and from the schools.

"Everyone kept saying, 'we just don't know what we need yet' because there's just so much going on. We just decided that it's always great to get a plant. They just have something calming about them. They're wonderful to smell."

Teachers and schools were forced to quickly adapt to online learning this past fall when schools shut down due to the pandemic. Most teachers are currently doing their jobs virtually.



Students with The Freedom Center Academy place flowers along the sidewalk at Lake Fenton High School on Wednesday, Sept. 16. Photo: Hannah Ball

The colorful flowers lined the sidewalk leading up to Lake Fenton High School. The group dropped off flowers at all Lake Fenton schools and Holly Academy. They're planning to do something for Linden Community Schools teachers next week.

See FLOWERS on 14



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In-person learning

A message from the superintendent

'm proud to announce Holly Area Schools will reopen for inperson learning in early October for two reasons.

First, this milestone is the result of cooperation across our Broncho community amid an unprecedented global pandemic. Second, the determination comes just three weeks after all Bronchos started the school year in front of a computer.

The in-person learning option will open to Bronchos in Young 5s through fifth-grade on Oct. 5, and for students in grades 6-12 on Oct. 12. This moves up the in-person learning option by a month for our elementary students and three weeks for our secondary students.

Families also can choose our

100-percent virtual learning option at all grade levels.

This progress would not have been possible without the dedication and cooperation of the Holly Area Schools leadership team, our entire Broncho community, and the Oakland County Health Division.

I would like to personally thank our school board, which took the concerns of our students, parents and staff into consideration when evaluating reports from our local health partners. The board unanimously approved providing the in-person learning option at its



Scott Roper Holly Area Schools superintendent

Sept. 15 meeting.

The board vote followed a series of meetings I attended with county health officials, including senior epidemiologists who assessed local data and key metrics to determine we can safely reopen for inperson learning.

In preparation for reopening, our facilities department will complete final projects on classrooms and lunchrooms.

Our transportation department will identify final transportation routes and student pick-up and drop-off stops.

This is a huge win for our entire Broncho community. But we can't rest on our laurels. Executing our plan will require diligence from our students, families, teachers, support staff and

all Holly Area Schools employees. A significant increase in cases with evidence of transmission in our schools could lead to additional closures.

By following required COVID-19 protocols before, during and after school, we can greatly mitigate risk. Cooperating with contact tracing officials and following all quarantine protocols will play critical roles in preventing a local outbreak. Our combined efforts will keep our community safe and our schools open.

We will continue providing regular updates to our Broncho community - all with the health and safety of our students, families and staff as our top priority. Visit hask12.org/return-tolearn-plan/ for more information.

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

Do you have anything fun planned for the kids for Halloween?



"Trick or treating."



"Yeah, trick or treating!"



"I just saw a photo that somebody posted for Halloween. He used a 6-foot-long PVC pipe that he decorated in black and orange and slid candy down the tube! Looked pretty cool to me!"

right. Wearing your mask protects you from getting COVID-19. If you truly believe this, what's your problem with non-maskers? If we get, it how does that affect

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you? Let's move on.

SEWER BILL RELIEF? Fix the sewer system instead. Business downtown can barely flush toilets. They have unsanitary backups. I don't live in town and have a well but still pay \$255 guarterly just to flush my toilet! Now this grant, all the new residents tapin fees fix the sewers.

UNCLE RAY'S LEGACY

survives. While waiting for my order to be packed, one of the sons bounded out with an ice cream cone of my favorite flavor, Chocolate Fudge Brownie Custard, invented by Uncle Ray himself, for me to enjoy while I was waiting. You gotta love those guys.

JOE BIDEN MIGHT be 77 now. but on Nov. 3. he'll be 46.

street talk



"Yes. Trick or treating."

Laura Carpenter-Mulanix Linden

Rhonda Peplinski Fenton

Kim Weber, Fenton



Michigan Renaissance Festival performers, vendors and artisans welcome festival enthusiasts to a drive-thru event this year. **Submitted photos**

RenFest adds weekend to drive-thru event

Artisans, performers and more ready to help fans get their 'festival fix'

By Sharon Stone

The Michigan Renaissance Festival has added a weekend for fans to get their "festival fix." Tickets are now available for Sept. 26 and 27.



Festival fans oftentimes decorate their cars as they take part in this year's drive-thru event.

Guests can drive through the streets of Hollygrove (that's right, drive right on the Festival Grounds) and purchase goods from some of their favorite festival artisans including Lounies Soap Company, Autumn Moon, Swords & Shields and more.

There will be 15-20 festival artisans each weekend and most are taking presales for the event as well. For a full list of Artisans check out Michrenfest.com.

Patrons will also enjoy street entertainment throughout the parade route, in-vehicle games like festival trivia and scavenger hunts. Some of the entertainment will include Jousters, Fairies, Comedian and Juggler Pumpernickel the Fool, the Enchanted Pegasus, Shannon Irish Dance Group, The Dutchmen, Pirate Magic and more. In Coordination with Townsquare Media, parade-goers also will have the opportunity to listen to a festival themed playlist during their cruise.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see the Michigan Renaissance Festivallike you have never seen before. Tickets are limited for each day and are selling quickly. Tickets are available for \$20 per vehicle and includes a commemorative insulated lunch bag. Tickets are available now at MichRenFest.com.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE COVID-19 is a thing. They told us to keep eating well and working out, but those extra 19 pounds still found us. We had to do reality checks every week by trying on a regular pair of dress pants since yoga pants tend to stretch so much.

OUR DEMOCRAT SECRETARY

of State Benson issued a directive that absentee ballot signatures don't need to be verified, but she sure wants to verify every one of them on the petitions to limit Governor Whitmer's emergency powers.

SO MANY OF us have canceled our Netflix accounts over this past week

after the release of its new child porn show 'Cuties.' We saw some clips of the movie and wonder how any of the parents involved would let their daughters take part in this sexual exploitation.

WELL, WELL, WELL. A federal judge just ruled Pennsylvania Governor's shutdown order and business closures were unconstitutional. I see a bleak future for our governor. She's done.

THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

are criticizing Trump's handling of the COVID-19 virus. Their remedy for the virus problems is to do what Trump did months ago. How dumb do they think the voters are?





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Students are returning to in-person learning

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plan accordingly. 77

Fenton Area Public Schools

Parents describe struggles and adjustments with students learning online

By Hannah Ball

Since this school year began, the majority of students in the tri-county area have done virtual learning. Most districts are returning to in-person learning in the

coming weeks while following state guidelines and the correct phases.

Lake Fenton Community Schools began in-person this past week.

Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS) returns to in-person learning Oct. 1 for

families choosing in-person instruction.

"It is important for our families to know that we are planning for an Oct. 1, 2020 return so you may plan accordingly. More information will be sent home by the building administration with return to learn information in their weekly newsletters," according to FAPS.

Linden Community Schools returns to face-to-face instruction Sept. 28. The Board of Education voted Sept. 16 to approve moving to Phase 4. Families who chose online learning will continue to learn virtually.

"Over the past few months a lot of changes have taken place due to CO-VID-19, this has caused all of us to reevaluate the 'norm' of education. Linden Community Schools has been evaluating multiple options and plans in preparing for our return," according to Linden Community Schools. "We have put a plan together, with multiple learning opportunities that allows all stakeholders to return to a safe academic environment. Thank you to our staff, parents, students, and community for your feedback. Your participation with surveys, task force meetings, board meetings and more helped guide our decision making."

Holly Area Schools will return to inperson instruction for students in grades Young 5s to fifth grade Oct. 5 and for grades six to 12 on Oct. 12. This was approved at the Sept.14 Board of Education meeting. Parents have the choice to have their students learn in-person or virtually.

In a letter to parents on hask12.org, Superintendent Scott Roper said, "Going forward, I will continue to meet weekly with the epidemiologist and other health department officials to review current cases in our community and determine the impact on our school district. A

significant increase in cases with evidence of transmission in our schools could lead us to future closures. It remains critical that we all work together to support our schools staying open."

When asked online how their children were faring with

virtual learning, our readers responded with the following:

Kelly Fairbanks Miller said, "They are adjusting just fine. They went into it with a positive attitude, prepared to adjust as needed, and that has helped tremendously. Their teachers have been great!"

Ali Brown said, "So far so good! They start around 9 a.m. with a live lesson and end their independent classwork by 1 p.m. Instructions and expectations are clear and they are able to navigate and complete their work just fine. Ready to go back face to face though!"

Karen Kubik Hoskins, said "Mine is struggling. Needs face to face. I find the teachers talk fast to get offline. I've paid attention nearly every day and a quick white board that is up 3-5 minutes isn't long enough for a child to take notes!"

Judy Crimando said, "They are struggling with math online learning. They tell me they just want to be back in the classroom. They also tell me their teachers have been trying to make things go smoothly. They have been available for the kids. That helps."

Stacy Jones said, "It's been good so far, but the emails that my son gets are overwhelming. The teachers are doing a great job overall but the emails come at all hours of the day all the way until midnight. It just doesn't feel like the school day ends in this regard."

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IF SEATBELTS WORK, why air bags? If air bags work, why brakes? If brakes work, why auto insurance? Point: safety and protection isn't a singular intervention but the result of multiple. Wash hands, wear the mask, and distance yourself.

IF BIDEN WINS the election, who will be in charge of the government? Biden? Harris? Sanders? Pelosi? Schumer? Seriously, who will be in charge? Honestly, none of those people have the ability to handle the national and global challenges Trump addresses on a daily basis including the daily Democrat political roadblocks.

THIS IS BARRY. I was in B&C Pharmacy yesterday and I was informed that Bob retired. I'm sure it's well deserved, Bob, but you are going to be sorely missed.

I AM JUST as furious about innocent police officers being shot by

shooters as I am about innocent Black men, women and children getting shot by the police.

THE FENTON FIRE Department has done a really nice job installing its fire sculpture. I'd like to see it finished with really black mulch to resemble cinders.

ANYONE ELSE REMEMBER why Biden dropped out of the 1988 presidential campaign? Oh yeah, that's right, he's a thief. He got caught stealing intellectual property (aka plagiarism) and lying about his credentials. Gotta hand it to him, like all good con men, Biden is persistent.

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Two positive cases at Lake Fenton

Superintendent sends letter to families informing them of two COVID-19 cases

By Sharon Stone

On Wednesday, Sept. 16, Lake Fenton Community Schools Superintendent Julie Williams sent a letter to families to inform them that two students have recently tested positive for COVID-19.

Williams said one student attends Torrey Hill Intermediate School and one attends the high school.

"Their involvement in extracurricular activities and the use of the school transportation impacted families from each building," Williams wrote in her letter.

Williams said as of Wednesday, all families that have a child that was identified as a close contact have been contacted. "If you did not receive a call, your child is not considered a close contact," she wrote.

According to the Genesee County Health Department, the main symptoms of COVID-19 are any of the following symptoms not explained by a known medical or physical condition:

- Fever of 100.4 or higher
- Uncontrolled cough
- Shortness of breath of difficulty breathing

• New loss of taste or smell

Symptoms could include at least two of the following not explained by a known medical or physical condition:

- Chills/sweating
- Muscle pain or body aches

- Sore throat
- New onset of severe headache • Diarrhea, vomiting or abdominal pain
- Congestion or runny nose

The health department advises any child experiencing any of the above symptoms not to go to school and to avoid contact with any individuals until they are certain the symptoms are not COVID-19 related.

Williams said Lake Fenton schools follow the Genesee County Health Department guidance. This includes contact tracing protocols, meaning they would contact any individuals who may be considered "close contacts" of the symptomatic individual.

In her letter, Williams wrote, "Due to the 6-feet distancing measures we have in place in each classroom, we only had one student identified as a possible close contact in the school setting.

"We must be diligent in our efforts to practice social distancing as it significantly reduces the possibility of being identified as a close contact and having to quarantine for a 14-day period.

"Our students and staff have been absolutely amazing, adapting to and following the processes in place with the start of our blended learning.

"Please remember, we must do our best to protect the privacy of our students and/or staff, while also keeping our families informed when dealing with these types of situations. We will continue to work with the health department to make sure we are taking the appropriate measures to protect the wellbeing of our students and staff."

HOT LINE CONTINUED

DEAR HOT-LINER, adding 'white Caucasian male' to a Hot line comment in order to demonstrate intellectual authority is racism and sexism. Calling it out is not.

TO HOT-LINER, WHO never 'gambles her life' and irrationally fears COVID-19. Lifetime odds of dying from lightening are 1 in 180,746 and from auto accidents are 1 in 106. So, unless you've never ridden in a car, you're a hypocrite.

WHY CAN HUNDREDS of people

crowd into stores and restaurants every day, but it's too dangerous to vote in person? Think about this. Vote in person.

THE DOWNTOWN AREA has been especially beautiful again this year. However, the two dividers/boulevards coming into town on Main Street continue to be broken and empty. Maybe they should be bricked or cemented in so that they might make a better impression entering our city.

IN THE FUTURE, we will look back and laugh at the 'folly' being played out today. We are being lied to.

Kickin' Cancer Runway Fashion Show

■Livestreamed from Eclections this Friday, Sept. 25

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The show is going virtual this year to follow current health and safety guidelines and will be streamed live from Eclections in Fenton.

The fashion show will benefit the

Hurley Medical Center Breast Cancer Navigation Program.

Tickets to the virtual show, which will feature models walking the runway showing off the latest fall fashions and trends, are \$5.

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The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate to electors that the program and computer that will be used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Marcella Husted, Tyrone Township Clerk







LOOKING BACK at this week in **HISTORY**

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

SEPT. 20

1963: An optimistic and upbeat President John F. Kennedy suggests that the Soviet Union and the United States cooperate on a mission to mount an expedition to the moon.

SEPT. 21

1780: During the American Revolution, American General Benedict Arnold meets with British Major John Andre to discuss handing over West Point to the British, in return for the promise of a large sum of money and a high position in the British army. The plot was foiled and Arnold, a former American hero, became synonymous with the word "traitor."

SEPT. 22

1862: President Abraham Lincoln issues a preliminary Emancipation Proclamation, which sets a date for the freedom of more than 3 million black slaves in the United States and recasts the Civil War as a fight against slavery.

SEPT. 23

1908: A game between the New York Giants and Chicago Cubs ends in 1-1 tie after a controversial call at second base. The officials ruled that Giants first baseman Fred Merkle was out because he failed to touch second base, a call that has been disputed ever since.

SEPT. 24

1890: Faced with the eminent destruction of their church and way of life, Mormon leaders reluctantly issue the "Mormon Manifesto" in which they command all Latter-day Saints to uphold the anti-polygamy laws of the nation.

SEPT. 25

1978: A Pacific Southwest Airlines jet collides in mid-air with a small Cessna over San Diego, killing 153 people. The wreckage of the planes fell into a populous neighborhood and did extensive damage on the ground.

SEPT. 26

1969: American television audiences hear the soon-to-be-famous opening lyrics "Here's the story of a lovely lady. Who was bringing up three very lovely girls..." as The Brady Bunch, a sitcom that will become an icon of American pop culture, airs for the first time.

Source: history.com

LAKE FENTON

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Williams took over as superintendent in 2017 after Wayne Wright, the former superintendent, retired. Prior to Williams becoming superintendent, she served as assistant superintendent for several years. When she transitioned to the superintendent's position, it was as an interim and at that time the district needed someone to continue focusing on curriculum, so they filled that vacancy with a curriculum director and Williams maintained several of the responsibilities she had while she was the assistant.

As part of the succession planning process, the board of education identified Christopher Belcher as the individual who would step in as superintendent if there was an emergency situation that prevented Williams from being able to fulfill those responsibilities.

With that in mind, Williams recommended to the board that they reinstate the assistant superintendent position and place Belcher in that position to begin learning the various aspects of district leadership.

This moveled to the promotion of VanHouten to principal. They made one additional change including changing the title and responsibilities of Reichert, who had been the district's technology director for several years, but has taken on many other responsibilities during his time in Lake Fenton. He is now the executive director for technology and district services.

"All of these individuals are very hardworking and dedicated to Lake Fenton Community Schools," Williams said. "They bring unique talents and strengths that add di-



mension to our team. I feel very fortunate to have such a wonderful group of building and district administrators working together to make Lake Fenton a great place to learn and work."

VanHouten began her career in Lake Fenton as a student teacher in 1999 at Torrey Hill when it was still the middle school.

From there, she began teaching middle school literature full time in the district until 2016. She then became the curriculum director until this school year when she became the high school principal.

"I am doubly blessed with the opportunity to be back with my former students who I taught in middle school who are now at the high school," VanHouten said. "I have had an amazing career span at Lake Fenton and love working in this district and community. Proud to BE Blue!"

VanHouten has two children her son graduated this year during the pandemic and her daughter is a fifth-grader at Torrey Hill Intermediate School. HOT LINE CONTINUED

IF STANDING UNDER a tree during a lightning storm is a requirement for employment, prosperity or personal liberty, then heck yes, I'll stand under the tree.

ITHINK IT is despicable for someone to politicize the death of a loved one because he is seeking votes. It shows that he only cares about winning an election any way he can.

TO THE HOT-LINER who hates Trump for what he has done. Exactly what has Trump really done? Quote facts, not slander.

LOOKS LIKE THE Democrats are singing the same scare tactics as last election; Trump will attack Social Security. Don't forget, it was the Democrats that passed the law to rob from Social Security. That money has not been paid back.

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NOTICE OF REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING TO BE HELD ELECTRONICALLY CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN OCTOBER 8, 2020

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Members of the public will only be able to speak during the public comment portion(s) of the meeting and such comment will be limited to three minutes per person. To provide for orderly public participation, when the Chairperson or meeting moderator calls for public comment, a person wishing to speak must state their name and wait to be recognized before speaking. The Chairperson or moderator will recognize all persons wishing to speak during public comment. Prior to the meeting, if members of the public have certain questions or wish to provide input on any business that will be addressed at the meeting, such persons may contact the Planning Commission members through Michael Deem, Zoning Administrator, by email at mdeem@fentontownship.org, or by mail at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. A copy of the meeting material may be found on the Township website homepage at www.fentontownship.org.

The Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 72 hour advance notice by contacting Robert Krug, Township Clerk, by email, phone, or mail at the below.

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One TSC break-in suspect charged

Arraigned Wednesday for possession of burglary tools, fleeing and eluding police and driving with suspended license

By Sharon Stone

One of two suspects taken into custody after Fenton police responded to a break-in at Tractor Supply

Company (TSC) off Owen Road on Sunday, Sept. 13 was arraigned Wednesday, Sept. 16 in Genesee County 67th District Court.

David Michael Conatser, 39, of Redford, was charged with one count of possessing burglary tools, one count of fleeing and eluding police and one count of driving on a suspended driver's license.

Fenton police responded to the store for a 4:52 a.m. security alarm on Sept. 13. When officers arrived, they spotted a box truck idling near the store. When police approached the truck, the driver, later identified as Conatser, drove away.

HOMECOMING

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Michael Bakker, Fenton Area Public Schools athletic director/assistant principal at Fenton High School, said he was talking with other school district leaders about this topic and he has a meeting with their student council advisors this week.

"Although we have no definitive plans scheduled or canceled yet, dances in particular pose an extreme challenge for all of us. At Fenton, we typically have between 850 - 950 students attending our Homecoming Dance and they congregate in the main gym. In the COVID-19 era, there does not seem to be a feasible way to ensure the safety of our students with a population of that size," he said. "Although I have not spoken with the health department directly, I am confident that they would absolutely not be supportive of such an event."

Fenton Area Public Schools is still



Conatser and his 38-year-old wife, who was a passenger in the truck,

were taken into custody. They were transported to the Fenton police station for processing and questioning.

During the incident, there were no injuries to the suspects or police and there was no damage to the vehicles. The truck they were driving was impounded.

tser Lt. Jeff Cross said there was damage done to the store and it appeared that entry was made to a secure area of the store.

A probable cause conference has been scheduled for Sept. 24. Conatser posted bond and was released.

Conatser's wife was released pending further investigation.

doing remote learning. Bakker said they're "anxiously awaiting" the return of in-school learning on Oct. 1.

"We are doing everything we can to mitigate the circle of spread for the coronavirus. It would not be an appropriate decision on behalf of the administration to put our students, staff or community in the situation where we could be looking at a super spreader event like a dance. Therefore, I believe that it is safe to say, a dance will not be in any of our homecoming plans for 2020," he said.

Lake Fenton students will not have a homecoming either.

Katie VanHouten, Lake Fenton High School principal, said, "Lake Fenton will not be holding a Homecoming Dance this year. We are trying to find creative and fun ways to still celebrate our students, without the traditional dance."

Holly High School also does not have a dance planned this year.





David Michael

Conatser



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HOT LINE CONTINUED

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Lake Fenton High School teachers pose with flowers gifted to them by Engage Community Organization (ECO), which wanted to do something to support local educators. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

FLOWERS

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ECO partnered with Carlson's Greenhouse on Torrey Road to buy the flowers. Kingdom Builders from The Freedom Center funded the project, and ECO organized the drop off.

"We just really wanted to bless them. They're working so hard in these difficult and unprecedented times. Hopefully it's something that will bring a smile to their faces," Lay said.



CHILD PORN

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Officials say digital evidence was seized from his home after it was learned that he was viewing child sexually abusive materials on the internet.

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THE BENEFITS OF HOME HEALTH DURING COVID-19

Tammy Aubel, BSN, RN Vice President McLaren Homecare

According to the CDC, the risk of getting a severe and life-threatening illness from COVID-19 increases the older you are. In the United States alone, 80 percent of deaths related to COVID-19 have been among those 65 years or older. One of the best ways to reduce the risk of exposing oneself is by avoiding close contact with people and maintaining a distance of 6 feet from others. Although this can be challenging for people who receive health care in places like a hospital, there are some safer and less risky alternatives.

In order to keep patients and their families safe, McLaren offers patients the unique ability to receive care from the convenience of their home. This can be a very beneficial treatment option for people who are at a higher risk of being affected by COVID-19.

Listed below are some services McLaren Home Health provides since the COVID-19 outbreak:

Assistance With Virtual Physician Visits

During patient home visits, staff can assist patients with virtual physician visits, or Nurse-TeleDOC visits. This allows patients to see their doctors without having to risk their health by leaving their home. Nurse-TeleDOC visits also allow for coordination of care between patients, physicians, family members, and home health staff. This interactive process allows physicians to assess patients and make changes to their plan of care, as necessary.

Safety Education

McLaren Home Health services includes safety education. This allows patients and families to better understand the warning signs associated with COVID-19. The infection control education also covers a variety of topics, such as the signs and symptoms of COVID-19, social distancing, the importance of wearing a mask, and the need for frequent hand washing.

Patient and Caregiver Screenings

Prior to each home visit, patients are asked a series of questions that are meant to protect the health and safety of patients and their families, as well as the employees. The series of questions helps determine if the patient is displaying any COVID-related symptoms since their last home health visit. If the patient is experiencing any of the symptoms, the staff will immediately notify the patient's physician to discuss a plan of treatment.

Employee Screenings

McLaren is dedicated to keeping its patients, families, and employees safe and healthy during the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, McLaren requires a daily screening that employees must pass prior to beginning work each day. The employee screening determines if an employee is experiencing any potential COVID-19 symptoms. If an employee displays any symptoms, they cannot work and must go through a strict health evaluation prior to returning. As well, employees are required to wear personal protective equipment, such as masks, gloves, shoe covers, and other related protective equipment to every home visit.

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Autumn begins Tuesday

September equinox has almost equal amount of daylight and night darkness

Compiled by Sharon Stone

In two days, Sept. 22, day light and night darkness will be almost equal in most locations. Here are 10 facts about the first day of astronomical fall (autumn) in the Northern Hemisphere, according to timeanddate.com.

1. Second Equinox of the year — The September equinox is on or around Sept. 22, while the first equinox of the year, the March Equinox, takes place on or around March 21 every year.

2. Say goodbye to summer...

...in the Northern Hemisphere — Astronomically, the September equinox is the autumnal, or fall, equinox marking the end of summer and the beginning of fall. The fall season ends on December Solstice, when astronomical winter begins.

3. And welcome spring — In the Southern Hemisphere, the September equinox is the vernal (spring) equinox. The September equinox is also known as the vernal or spring equinox in the Southern Hemisphere and is considered by astronomers as the first day of spring there.

4. A moment in time — Equinoxes are not day-long events, even though many choose to celebrate all day. Instead, they occur at the moment the Sun crosses the celestial equator – the imaginary line in the sky above Earth's Equator. At this instant, Earth's rotational axis is neither tilted away from nor toward the Sun. In 2020, the Sun will cross the celestial equator from north to south on Sept. 22, at 13:30 UTC.

5. The date varies — While the September equinox usually occurs on Sept. 22 or 23, it can very rarely fall on Sept. 21 or 24. A Sept. 21 equinox has not happened for several millennia. However, in the 21st century, it will happen twice – in 2092 and 2096. The last September 24 equinox occurred in 1931, the next one will take place in 2303. The equinox dates vary because of the difference between how the Gregorian calendar defines a year (365 days) and the time it actually takes for Earth to complete its orbit around the Sun (about 365 and 1/4 days). This



Temperatures are falling, it's getting darker earlier every day, and pumpkins are ripe for picking. This means one thing — autumn has arrived.

means that each September equinox occurs about six hours later than the previous year's September Equinox. This eventually moves the date by a day. **6. Equal day and night...** — Most locations on Earth do not experience equal day and night on September equinox. The term equinox comes from the Latin words aequus, meaning equal and nox, meaning night. This has led to the common misconception that everybody on Earth experiences equal day and night – 12 hours of daylight and 12 hours of night time darkness – on the day of the September equinox.

7. ...But not quite — In reality, most places on Earth enjoy more than 12 hours of daylight on this day. This is because of two reasons: the way sunrise and sunset are defined and atmospheric refraction of sunlight.

8. Shorter time between moonrises — The Harvest Moon is also sometimes called Corn Moon, after the corn harvest in the months of fall. The full Moon closest to the September equinox, the Harvest Moon, is astronomically special. This is because the time between one moonrise to another around this period becomes shorter.

9. Prepare for Northern Lights — As the September equinox rolls by, the chances to see the aurora borealis display increases for those located at high Northern Hemisphere latitudes.

10. Celebrated around the world — Many cultures around the world hold feasts and celebrate festivals and holidays to mark the September equinox.

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Senate Bill 745: Authorize temporary increase in unemployment benefits and more

To appropriate \$2.87 billion federal dollars to cover the additional \$300 per week boost to unemployment benefits authorized in August by a federal "Lost Wages Assistance Program." These benefits are retroactive to Aug 1 (when the earlier \$600 weekly federal boost expired), and end Sept. 30. The bill also includes \$59.3 million federal dollars to cover extra state unemployment bureau expenses generated by the massive and sudden epidemicrelated iob losses. \$9 million in state matching funds for flood cleanups, and \$8 million pledged by state officials toward an invasive species barrier in Illinois.

Passed 37 to 0 in the Senate

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YES

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YES

Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) Did Not Vote Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15) Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22) Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)

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

To extend until October 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 more, and do so without tying those expenses to the particular case.

Passed 29 to 8 in the Senate

Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) Did Not Vote 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

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House Bill 5134: Establish carnival ride operator age requirement

To prohibit a person under age 16 from operating a carnival or amusement park ride, and ban state regulators from imposing any higher age mandate. The bill would also require all operators to be trained in operating and safety procedures.

Passed 31 to 6 in the Senate Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) Did Not Vote Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15) YES Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22) YES Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) NO Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) YES

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Senate Bill 892: Make rules for 'semi-autonomous personal delivery devices' (R2D2)

To establish regulations allowing semi-autonomous "personal delivery devices" to make deliveries on roads and sidewalks. The bill defines these as devices for transporting cargo on sidewalks or on the side or shoulder of a roadway "with the remote support and supervision of a human." The bill would require that a human operator monitor the device and be able to promptly take control. It establishes that these are not "vehicles" subject to licensure, prescribes required safety equipment and specific "rules-of-the-road" (and sidewalks), addresses user liability issues and more. Local government regulation would be preempted, but local authorities could choose to ban the devices, with some exceptions.

Passed 22 to 16 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)	NO
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	YES

Senate Bill 171: Let high school students avoid language requirement and more

To repeal a provision of the law establishing high school graduation requirements that requires school districts to report to the state each year the number of students who did not complete a language requirement but instead took career and technical courses or "visual or performing arts" courses that are allowed as an alternative. The bill also makes permanent a temporary provision allowing students to avoid part of the language requirement by taking a career and technical education program.

Passed 67 to 38 in the House

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

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hen I was a much younger woman in my 20s, I not only had a full-time day job, I often worked part time in the evenings tending bar. I was single at the time and the money I earned as a bartender financed a few very memorable vacations.



Even though it could be grueling work some evenings, it was worth it. It could also cause some big trouble if I didn't watch it. For exam-

VERA HOGAN

ple, at one bar, I had a regular customer

named Jesse. He was in his mid-40s, a Hispanic man who spoke little English. He had wild long hair and looked kind of scary. For some reason he liked me and every time he was at the bar, he would want me to do a shot with him.

He'd say, "Tequila, you and me!" It was for this reason I kept a bottle of tequila behind the bar, with water in it, not tequila. Jesse would get the real booze and I would throw back a shot of water. He thought it was great that I could keep up with him.

The possibility of over-serving a customer, something that could in the end (even in the 1970s) result in a \$500 fine or more and time in jail, was always on my mind. I was pretty good at spotting those who should not be served and never really had any trouble.

Zoom ahead a few years. When my sons (now 28 and 30) were 12 and 14, I took them to the downtown food tasting event. In addition to food samples, guests could acquire plastic glasses of beer and wine. Maybe I noticed this because of my bartending past, but I watched as some young teens snatched half-filled beer and wine cups from unattended high top tables outside. Those sitting there did not clean after themselves and left half-empty (meaning half full) cups of wine and beer on the tables.

So, the young teens quickly grabbed them and poured the booze into their own bigger cups.

I'm not sure if it was because I alerted the "strolling cops" to what was

Where there's a will...

going on, but in subsequent years, alcohol sales at this event took place in a designated, fenced-in area where it was necessary to show an I.D. before gaining entry.

Today, I am very concerned about another development. Earlier this summer, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signed a new law that allows for the sale of alcoholic beverages with take-out orders and to homes through services like Door Dash. The law also allows communities to establish "social districts," where people can walk around with open alcohol containers within a designated district.

I understand the reasoning behind allowing this — so that restaurants, bars and retail establishments can recover some of the much-needed revenues they lost during this pandemic. As a former bartender, however, I think this is a very bad and dangerous idea, and one that

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will be impossible to police.

People who take advantage of this opportunity are not all going to be responsible with this privilege. I don't care what rules are put into place to prevent it, kids are very creative and will find a way to get their hands on alcohol. And if they are old enough to have cars ... well, you get the picture.

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Holly boys cross country defeats ND Prep in dual meet



By David Troppens

The Holly varsity boys cross country team has faced three teams in two different events.

The Bronchos have finished on top against all three squads.

The most recent victory came in a dual meet against Notre Dame Prep.

Notre Dame Prep had the top finisher in the race, but the Bronchos had each of the next three finishers and had its scoring five

all finish in the top eight positions, earning a (17:20) and Eli Seitzinger in eighth (18:08). 24-31 victory.

Holly's top three finished within 19 seconds of each other. Wade Robinson was the team's top finisher, taking second in 16:40. Just four seconds behind Robinson was third-place finisher Nolan Weisdorfer who finished in 16:44. Mason Rosa took fourth in 16:59. The rest of Holly's top five scorers were Zachary Rockafellow in seventh

The rest of the team's top seven runners were Adam Martin in 19:08 and Grant Hoffman in 19:13.

Three others finishing with times less than 20 minutes were Benjamin Baxter (19:14), James Chabot (19:19) and Nate Vogel (19:20). Ten other Holly runners competed in the race.

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Sports Times Holly's **Nolan Weisdorfer**

Eagles, Tigers tied atop Metro League soccer standings

Eagles trying to reach top form, remain undefeated with win vs. Holly

By David Troppens

Holly — The Linden varto lose a game during the fall season.

The squad had a 6-1 road victory at Holly High School on Wednesday, so it sees life with the Eagles is pretty grand these days.

Not according to Linden varsity boys soccer coach Kevin Fiebernitz. He thinks he has a team that can win the Flint Metro League title, and while a 4-0 overall and a 3-0 conference start is nice, he realizes that the team must pick up their play if they want to repeat as at least co-league champs in 2020.

"We are struggling with consistency right now," Fiebernitz said. "We are struggling all around, with a lot of different things.

"The competitiveness should be there and I'm not seeing it, and this team can do it too. ... We have some dynamic kids that can attack and play, but we are not on

the same page right now."

Don't tell that to the Bronsity boys soccer team has yet chos who became the Eagles' fourth victim in as many games. The contest was close during the first half. The Bronchos did a strong job in the opening half, keeping the Eagles' lead to just 2-1. In fact, the Bronchos were tied 1-1 after Jayden McDougal scored with about seven minutes left in the half.

> "Utilizing the offside trap, we were able to get a few quick calls to keep the Eagle strikers in check," Holly varsity boys soccer coach Matthew Sherrow said. "The sharp play between all of the players saw possession slightly favoring the Bronchos as we continued to pressure their defense and get a few shots on goal."

> The Eagles took control in the second half, scoring four goals within a 20-minute period in the second half. Alex Smith scored two goals while Hunter Hall, Brendan John-See EAGLES on 25





(Top) Holly's Kyle Sherrow (left) competes with Linden's Brenden Shingleton for the ball in the Eagles' 6-1 victory against the Holly Bronchos. (Left photo) Fenton's Desmond Coughlin competes for the ball in a recent game. Fenton beat Clio 7-0 on Wednesday. Linden and Fenton are tied for first in the Metro League. Above photo: Christopher

Tigers continue to dominate Metro foes, beat Mustangs, 7-0

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity boys soccer team is about as hot a squad this fall as any in the tri-county area.

The Tigers won their third Flint Metro League contest by an overwhelming margin this fall, defeating the Clio Mustangs 7-0. Des Coughlin was the hottest of all the Tigers, scoring three goals.

The victory improved the Tigers to 4-0 overall and to 3-0 in the Flint Metro League. In those four games the Tigers have outscored their opponents 25-1. In Metro League action the Tigers have yet to allow a goal, outscoring their foes 23-0.

It took some time for the Tigers to extend their lead to blowout proportions. Coughlin scored his first goal early in the first half See TIGERS on 26

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son, Bishop Lawrence and Brendan Shingleton had a goal each. Smith also had two assists while Lawrence also had two assists. Hall had an assist as well.

The Eagles have outscored their opponents 16-5, including a 14-5 edge against Metro opponents. But Fiebernitz realizes the team has yet to play the teams who are expected to be among the elite teams in the league. That will change next week when Linden plays Fenton at home on Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. The Tigers were one of the two teams that ended last Metro season in a tie at the top of the standings. The other one was Goodrich. All three teams are currently 3-0 in league play. Linden also hosts Owosso on Monday and travels to Flushing on Friday.

"I definitely don't think we are ready (for Fenton)," Fiebernitz said. "A lot has to be done. First of all, we have to get our heads on straight and committed. Sometimes I think the guys are treating it like a recreation thing. ... We have a lot of guys returning and I thought maybe we could just pick up the pieces where we left off, but we're still working on it."

Holly fell to 1-2 in Metro play with the loss. The Bronchos played at Pontiac Notre Dame Prep on Saturday, travels to Lake Fenton on Monday and hosts Goodrich on Wednesday.

Linden's Douglas Lutz takes a shot during the first half of the Eagles' 6-1 victory against the Holly Bronchos on Wednesday. Photo: Christopher Summers

Fenton golfers lose one-stroke meet vs. **Goodrich Martians**

By David Troppens

In the battle of the top two Flint Metro League squads, the Fenton varsity girls golf team played in a tight match against the Goodrich Martians.

Fenton's entire squad posted ninehole scores less than 50, but the Martians defeated the Tigers by a tight 171-172 score at Tyrone Hills Golf Course.

Goodrich's Madeline Swett was the medalist with a score of 40. Fenton had three of the next four best scores with Victoria Carnell matching Goodrich's Amanda Miller's 41. It was Carnell's best nine-hole score of her career. They were followed by Fenton golfers Brook Herbstreit's and Katelyn Burkett's 42s. Fenton's Olivia Herbert was Fenton's final scorer with a 47.

However, Goodrich's final two scorers were Abby Schell (44) and Ashley Madill (46).

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Linden volleyball starts season with 1-2 mark

AREA ACES

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity volleyball team was going to have its fair share of challenges entering the 2020 season without the COVID-19 pandemic.

The squad lost key athletes from a year ago and needed the preseason to get together and help the gelling process.

Instead, there were questions where practices would be and, of course, if there even would be a season.

But life has gone on and the Eagles are

playing volleyball. So far, the end results haven't gone exactly perfect as the Eagles hoped. The team opened with a loss to Grand Blanc 25-17, 25-12, 25-15 and also lost its opening Metro League match. dropping a 25-15, 25-18, 25-18 verdict to co-defending Metro League Stripes Division foe Flushing. However, the Eagles rebounded by beating Swartz Creek in their third match of the season, beating the Dragons 25-18, 25-22, 25-23.

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TOM BURGESS

Burgess, 68, recorded a holein-one on the 160-yard third hole at Tyrone Hills on Thursday. Burgess used a 5-wood and shot an 18-hole score of 104. It is only his second year he has played golf. The Grand Blanc resident's shot was witnessed by Roger Sewell, Bob Stevens and Dan Cioni

AL KASPOR

Kaspor, 72, recorded an ace and also shot his age at Tyrone Hills on Monday. The Highland resident

used an 8-iron on the 133-yard 11th hole to record his ave. The shot was witnessed by Leo Brennan and Ron Dotson.

LAURA GERMANE

Germane, a Fenton resident, recorded an ace on the 103-yard third hole at Tyrone Hills on July 15. It was Germane's first ace of her 33-year golfing career. She used a 7-iron and scored a 45 for nine holes. The shot was witnessed by Wanda Spicer, Linda Phillips and Shirley Fisher.



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1984 Tigers closing in on AL East title

By David Troppens

Editor's note: From time to time, we still plan on continuing our feature considering the 1984 Detroit Tigers' championship season within our publication. Enjoy.

The 1984 Detroit Tigers weren't American League East Champions after sweeping the Toronto Blue Jays on Sept. 7, 8 and 9, but they were mighty close to being champs.

Holding a 92-51 record and leading the division by $11 \ 1/2$ games with just 19 games left, a celebration in Detroit was inevitable. The only question was when the Tigers would clinch the title.

Possibly still dealing with the celebrations after sweeping the Blue Jays in their own stadium, the Tigers traveled to the defending World Champions Baltimore Orioles' for the next three nights.

Detroit struggled during the

trip, winning only one of the three games. in the opener, the Tigers lost a 3-1 verdict as Baltimore starting pitcher Mike Flanagan held Detroit's potent lineup to just five hits. Detroit's only run was plated by Kirk Gibson's solo home run in the fourth.

Detroit cut its magic number to just seven a night later when Detroit crushed Baltimore 9-5. Darrell Evans had four hits with one being a home run and Larry Herndon had three hits with one being a home run, leading Detroit to the easy victory. Gibson also had three hits while Johnny Grubb continued his recent hotstreak with two more hits.

The series ended with an other 3-1 Tigers' loss. This time Baltimore starter Dennis Martinez limited Detroit to just six hits, earning Baltimore the win.

Up next was a three-game series against the second-place Blue Jays and questions were could the Tigers sweep Toronto



Larry Herndon

again and clinch the title against their biggest challengers?

The answer was no. Detroit lost the first game 7-2 in front in front of 44,349 fans. Ruppert • contests. Jones was the star in this game,

TIGERS

Continued from Page 24 on a Calvin Curtis assist. Later in the first half, Ben Chapple scored on an assist by Will Dickens. The Tigers were only ahead 2-0 at the half.

In the second half, the Tigers scored five more goals. Gavin Shepherd scored on a breakaway pass from Calvin Curtis while Austin Ames scored a goal, making it a 4-0 lead.

The edge grew to 5-0 when McKellar assisted a Zander Fulton corner kick header to the to the upper corner of the net. The blowout was on at that point. The only question that remained was if the of 46,040 Tiger Stadium fans • Tigers would earn the eighton Friday night. The Tigers . goal mercy rule and if they bounced back on Saturday, would get their third shutout earning a thrilling 2-1 victory . in as many Metro League

They would come close to hitting a home run at the plate . getting the mercy victory but and making two great catches. • ended one goal short. Cough-**CONTINUED AT TCTIMES.COM** In closed out his three-goal hat trick later in the second half with goals assisted by Chase Coleman and McKellar.

In net, Brandt Sanchez and Gannon Welch each played time in net, assuring the Tigers got their shutout. No Metro team has scored against Fenton's keepers.

The Metro League race seems to be taking up the same pattern it did during last year's first season with the 12 squads. Last year's three shared champions - Fenton, Linden and Goodrich - are off to 3-0 starts and seemingly are the league's elite squads again this season.

The Tigers have a busy week coming up. Fenton traveled to Detroit Catholic Central for a Saturday game, and have three Metro League games during the week. Fenton travels to Kearsley on Monday, travels to area rival Linden on Wednesday and then hosts Holly on Thursday.

ROSE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

September 9, 2020

Supervisor Scheib-Snider called the Regular Meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. on a virtual gotomeeting.com.

Roll Call:	Board Members Present: Scheib-Snider, Miller, Gambka, Blaska, Noble
	Board Members Absent/Excused: None
Approved:	Agenda for the September 9, 2020 Agenda.
Approved:	Consent Agenda minus HAYA report.
Approved:	Oakland Together Local Government Partnership Program and Allocation of Cares Act Funding Agreement and Reso- lution for Township to submit reimbursable expenses.
Approved:	Township employees BC/BS and Always Care Health Insurance Renewal.
Approved:	Rose Township Clean Up Day September 26, 2020 8:00 am – 4:00 pm at Fire Department on Rose Center Rd and Milford Rd.
Approved:	N0 Haz date is September 26, 2020 9-2 at Oakland County. October date will be announced later.
Approved:	\$17,000 for 2 cemeteries to be surveyed and a new fence at Brookins Cemetery only.
Adjourned:	Meeting ended at 8:02 p.m.
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Debbie Miller, MMC, MiPMC II Rose Township Clerk

Dianne Scheib-Snider Rose Township Supervisor

GIRLS GOLF

Linden 194, Clio 238: Linden's Ella LaMothe shot a 46, earning match medalist honors on the front nine holes at Spring Meadows Country Club. Hanna Baldwin and Cassie Most followed with 49s while Emma Lurvey shot a 50. Kaitlyn Straub shot a 52 and Cate Draper shot a 55.

► Kearsley 226, Holly 232: The Bronchos posted two of the three best scores at the Flint Elks Golf Course, but lost to Kearsley (4-3) anyway.

Élla Bush led the Bronchos (2-3) with a 52, two strokes more than Kearsley's medalist Kate Jacot's 50. Emma Tooley followed Bush with a 55. Holly's other two scorers were MaKenna McGee's 60 and Claire Bednarczyk's 61. **BOYS SOCCER**

Kearsley 1, Holly 0: Kearsley scored the only goal with about 23 minutes left in the contest, earning the Hornets the victory. **BOYS TENNIS**

Fenton 7, Owosso 1: The Tigers won all four doubles matches en route to the easy victory. The doubles flights that won their matches were

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Josh Brott and Nate Dymond at No. 1 doubles, Gavin Stoober and Justin Miller at No. 2 doubles. Tate Webb and Trey Hajak at No. 3 doubles and Joe McCarthy and Garrett Stack at No. 4 doubles.

Three of the singles flights also won matches. They were Sheldon Hand (No. 1), Remy Book (No. 2) and Cam Ruiz (No. 4).

Holly 8, Kearsley 0: The Bronchos swept Kearsley with all eight flights winning by straight set scores. The Bronchos also defeated Goodrich 5-3 during the week.

Against Kearsley, all four doubles matches recorded a 6-0, 6-0 victory. The doubles winners were Garrett Reid and Drew Hignite (No. 1), Parker Monty and Quintin Monty (No. 2), Alex Hepner and Adam Booher (No. 3), and Max Brief and Miles Syjud (No. 4).

Two singles flights won by 6-0, 6-1 scores. They were Jacob Denman (No. 2 singles) and Joe Kittle (No. 3 singles). No. 1 singles player Walker Glass won a 6-2, 6-1 match while No. 4 singles player Joe Loeffler won 6-2, 6-2.

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The first group of off-roaders enter Holly Oaks ORV Park on opening day, Thursday, Sept. 17. Photo: Tim Jagielo





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Holly Oaks ORV Park opens to the public

■Local 113-acre facility caters to the 250,000 offroad drivers in Michigan

By Tim Jagielo

Groveland Twp. — Ethan Samuel and his wife, Sammy Paz, of Bloomfield Hills, were the first to enter the newly opened Holly Oaks ORV Park on Thursday, Sept. 17.

It's been a more than decade-long dream project, with an initial test event in 2014, revealing a robust interest in a local off-road park. "It took many years of a lot of hard work by everyone involved," said Melissa Prowse, supervisor of Planning and Resource Development for Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission (OCPR).

There have been several events held at the park already, including Detroit4Fest and a ribbon-cutting ceremony last week. But now, this park is open to the public.

The Holly Oaks ORV Park is built and shaped from former mining operations in Groveland and Holly townships. This park will be operated by OCPR under a use agreement with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), which owns the site.

According to OCPRC Executive Officer Dan Stencil, it was made possible by the cooperation of four government entities — both townships, the OCPRC and the DNR.

There are 113 acres available for driving now, while the remaining aggregate mining operations finish in the Holly Township property. When that land becomes available for development, the park will grow to 235 acres. This will be the first motorized park in the OCPR portfolio.

According to the DNR, there were 249,385 ORV permits and 196,796 trail permits issued in 2019.

According to OCPR, Oakland County has the highest concentration of registered ORV owners, with no legal place to ride or drive near home, making this a prime location.

Samuel's is the first of 500 vehicles See **ORV PARK** on 28





Quads, dirt bikes and full-sized street vehicles can drive at Holly Oaks ORV Park. Photo: Tim Jagielo

ROSE TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST OPTICAL SCAN VOTING DEVICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that, on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 4:30 p.m., the Rose Township Election Commission will administer a public accuracy test of the voting devices to be used to conduct the November 3, 2020 General Election. The test will be performed in the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street in Rose Township, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is performed to demonstrate that the program and computers that will be used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

> Debbie Miller, MMC, MiPMC II Rose Township Clerk





Drivers test the articulation, or flex of their vehicles' suspension, on this ramp positioned near Mt. Magna. Photo: Tim Jagielo

ORV PARK

Continued from Page 27 allowed to register at the park including quads, side-by-sides, dirt bikes and include street vehicles like Jeeps. While used to driving several hours or even across the country for off-road opportunities, he's excited about an option 23 minutes from home.

Admission is \$15 per off-road vehicle (ORV) and each must also have an ORV sticker and trail pass, which cost \$36.25 combined.

The closest off-road park is the Mounds Off-Road ORV area in Genesee Township. Otherwise there are potentially illegal back roads and spots several hours away such as the Silver Lake Sand Dunes and trails in Grayling and St. Helen.

Now off-road enthusiasts have a park right in their back yard, designed and built by other off-road enthusiasts. Tom Zielinski organizes off-road events across the country, including several at Holly Oaks. He's one off-road enthusiast who has been instrumental in this park's development.

He said the facility is not only unique to mid-Michigan, but maybe the country, because there are few parks near major metropolitan areas in the U.S. "The fact that it has elevation and ob-

The Holly Oaks ORV Park is at 14551 Shields Road, Holly. Go to oakgov.com and search "Holly Oaks ORV Park" for additional information. stacles not found anywhere in the Midwest makes it very unique," he said.

Both companies, Ford and Jeep, have done major events at the park, lending it visibility and credibility.

The current 113 acres includes a variety of trails and obstacles for every-thing easy to advanced.

"The park is designed to be ever-changing," Prowse said. "Partly because the landscape will require it as things get used, and partly because we want to continue to keep it fresh and exciting to keep people coming back."



Seth LaVene of Burton navigates a rock obstacle course. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Memorable VUIVES

Sunday is National Wife Appreciation Day

Compiled by Sharon Stone

Sunday, Sept. 20 is National Wife Appreciation Day. Through the years, our favorite TV wives have supported their husbands and entertained us.

Anyone who has seen "Breaking Bad" will have an opinion about **Skyler White (a)**. She made some crazy decisions in response to her husband Walter's actions, sometimes trying to protect her family or sometimes to get revenge, and she gets involved in things that might be way over her head sometimes.

Who could forget the classic "Brady Bunch" wife and mother of three daughters, **Carol Brady (b)**. Her marriage to Mike Brady to become the mother of three girls and three boys to set up the classic girls versus boys family sitcom.

Peg Bundy (c) is the wife of Al Bundy in the show "Married with Children." She played the classic but rather trashy housewife and mother. She does a lot of stereotypically womanly things like shopping and watching Oprah while at the same time being rather self-centered and forgetful of her children.

The classic TV hit "The Sopranos" brought to us the great TV wife **Carmela Soprano (d)**. Her position as the wife of Mafia boss Tony Soprano puther in a unique situation where morals clashed with power and desire.

Lucy, I'm home! This famous line from the show "I Love Lucy" would never have been around if not for the famous character of **Lucy Ricardo (e)** played by Lucille Ball. The show was wildly popular in the '50s, and ended it's run at the top of the Nielson ratings which has only been repeated by "The Andy Griffith Show" and "Seinfeld."

Who else could lead a household stable enough to take in "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air" and keep everything under control? **Vivian Banks (f)** has been both stern at times and permissive as she tries to teach her kids, as well as her sister's kid Will Smith, how to grow up to become better people.

Morticia Addams (g) is the matriarch of the classic show "The

Addams Family." She wears all black, has a name that represents death, and often maintains a demeanor of evil. She is exremely loyal to her family, as the Addams family often prefers to stay distant from the public.

"The King of Queens" showcases an often dysfunctional couple, Doug and **Carrie Heffernan (h)**. Carrie is strangely much more attractive than Doug. She is a very fierce person and extremely memorable.

The "Mad Men" series often portrays and critiques the way women were treated in the past, and **Betty Draper (i)** is a prime example of a classic housewife in the beginning. In later seasons you see many struggles she has with her insecurites and transitions to more modern society.

Gloria Pritchett (j) is the much younger, more fun loving Colombian wife of Jay Pritchett on the show "Modern Family." She is very prideful and outspoken but still gets along with everyone and really loves being a mother.







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Puzzle Answers

Midweek Sudoku, Crossword Puzzle and Jumbles are located in the last Midweek's issue. All other puzzles are located throughout this edition of the Tri-County Times.

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5 8 3 9 6 2 4 7 1 8 5	5 3 4 2 9 1 6 7	SCHEME AISLE									
		EROSSHORTTON	PEPEOS SIE ETUDE								
MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS:	WEEKEND SCRAMBLE	TORT POW CORD									
OCTET, HILLY, PICKLE, STICKY	ANSWERS:	ACTS YEN HAYS	A C H U M P A T O X F O R D A R F								
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Obituaries

Timothy Leo Alger - age 72, of Fenton, joined his parents Benjamin and Bobbie Alger, his beloved Chihuahua Peanut, and other family and friends in everlasting peace on Saturday, September

12, 2020. Funeral Mass will be

celebrated at 11 AM Tuesday,

Evangelist Catholic Church

of Fenton with Father Robert

Copeland, Celebrant. Visita-

will be in Lakeside Cemetery,

Holly on June 15, 1948 to Ben

and Bobbie Alger. He gradu-

ated from Holly High School

and proceeded to become a

He then joined GM Metal Fab-

rication for 18 years. He lived

in the Holly and Fenton area

sweetheart Barbara and they

most of his life. He married his

Master Plumber Contractor.

Holly. Timothy was born in

tion will be from 10:30 AM until the time of the funeral. Burial

September 22, 2020 at St. John



Timothy Leo Alger

1948 - 2020

celebrated 51 wonderful years of marriage together. Tim was active at St. Rita Catholic Church and St. John Evangelist Catholic Church as a Lay Eucharistic Minister. He loved working on the funeral

luncheons. Tim's most precious gift to everyone was his making of crosses and crucifixes, numbering more than 20,000. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree. Tim adored his grandkids and loved his Red Wings. Surviving are his wife, Barbara; daughters, Dina Rhoades and Tina Roberts (Amanda); grandchildren, Brady, Chase, Cooper, Olivia, Macy, Sawyer, and the soon to be born Greyson; brothers; sisters; great-nieces; greatnephews; other family; and dear friends. In lieu of flowers, donations may be gifted to Fenton Adopt A Pet. www. dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

Chester **Dopkowski**

1920 - 2020Chester Dopkowski - age 99, of Fenton, died Monday, September 7, 2020, just 15 days shy of his 100th birthday. Loving husband of the late Maryann. Dearest father to Denise (Robert) Brink and the late Timothy and Robert. Proud grandpa of four and greatgramps to his joy, Isabelle Lily Spencer. A patriotic WWII vet and "lovingly" referred to as the "Apple" man in Fenton. May you rest in eternal peace you "old salt." Arrangements provided by Sharp Funeral Homes, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Cathy Greer

Cathy Greer - age 63, died September 11, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Chrisitan Milder

Chrisitan Milder - age 45, died September 15, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

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Deidre Anthony

Deidre Anthony - age 70, died September 11, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

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Dennis Hunt

Dennis Hunt - age 77, died September 13, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

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Donald Tucker

Donald Tucker - age 52, died September 13, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

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Edith Goins

Edith Goins - age 90, died September 12, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Jack Proper Jack Proper - age 68, died September 7, 2020, Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Judy Hansen

Judy Hansen - age 73, died September 11, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Lester "Bud" Dorff. Jr.

Lester "Bud" Dorff, Jr. - age 64, died September 11, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Marsha Kerpilo

Marsha Kerpilo - age 73, died September 16, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

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Mary Dunworth

Mary Dunworth - age 96, died September 15, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Jov Petke

Joy Petke - age 72, died September 14, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



James Robinson James Robinson - age 80,

died September 17, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Mark Grennay - age 61, died September 17, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneral-



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Mark Grennay

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Patricia Parhat

Patricia Parhat - age 92, died September 16, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Haleigh "Halo" Hadaway

Haleigh "Halo" Hadaway - age 30, died September 14, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.







Ruth Sinn

Ruth Sinn - age 86, died September 12, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.





have more _____ than men."

Mistake
PEALS
Gift
GITARS
Place
STILLAN
Roam
MARBLE
TODAY'S WORD

Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times

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!

Word Search

Ν Т Ε Н Ι С н Α Е С L R L Н C В Ε С 0 D 0 R G Ν Ι R 0 D R 0 Н G Ε G K Ν S 0 Е 0 0 I I Ι S S Ι Т G Y E S J Т 0 R K Ε F Y Ε R Ε М R S S В G E Т S B Ε I Ε Ε B Ι R Т S B В С V I I. Α A J V С Е G S S F B Т W С I E .] Ε C Ν М S V S В Н М G Ε C U В С 1 I Ν Ε D М D Ι Н Ι Ν S Α R D A Ι J Ν С 0 С Ν W ш I R C C н V K G 0 В ТМ V Α D М F V Н W CHICKEN BREED

AMERAUCANA, ANCONA, ANDALUSIAN, ASEEL, BARNEVELDER, BRAHMA, CAMPINE, CATALANA, CHANTECLER, COCHIN, CORNISH, CUBALAYA, DELAWARE, DOMINIQUE, DORKING, FAVEROLLES, FAYOUMI, HAMBURG, HOLLAND, JAVA, JERSEY GIANT, LAKENVELDER, LEGHORN, MARANS Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times

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