

Michigan enters next phase of vaccinations

■ Those over 65, some frontline essential workers, teachers, daycare employees and more can schedule vaccination

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and Michigan Department of Health and

Human Services (MDHHS) officials announced Wednesday, Jan. 3, that the state is moving to a new phase of vaccination Monday, Jan. 11.

MDHHS is moving forward with vaccination of Michiganders age 65 and older; frontline essential workers including police officers, first responders, frontline state and federal workers

and jail and prison staff; and preK-12 teachers and childcare providers.

To date, 80 percent of deaths have occurred among those age 65 and older. In addition to vaccinating Michiganders who are 75+ in Phase 1B (Phase 1B, Group A), MDHHS is accelerating to vaccinate individuals 65-74 years old
See **VACCINATIONS** on 9



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Wes Smith
See **DELIVERY** on 12

Upgrades will be made to Fenton Township sewer system



Bryan Bridenstine from Lawrence Engineering opens the sewer pump station at Petts Road on Tuesday, Jan. 5. Engineers will convert it from a dry pit station to a submersible pump station, which is safer. Fenton Township has approval to use Community Development Block Grants funds for this project. See story on Page 5. Photo: Hannah Ball

County searching for suspect in animal abuse case

■ Three dogs neglected, abused, results in one death

By Hannah Ball

The Genesee County Sheriff's Office is seeking a man who faces three felonies of animal abuse.

See **ANIMAL ABUSE** on 20

“It was a disaster. That’s just pure neglect.”

Chris Swanson
Genesee County Sheriff

Fenton Township resident sworn in as sheriff

■ Swanson commits to continuing programs to help reduce jail population, combat opioid crisis

By Hannah Ball

A Fenton Township resident has officially been sworn in as Genesee County sheriff.

Chris Swanson has been in the role since Jan. 6, 2020, when he began serving as sheriff after his predecessor, Robert Pickell, announced his retirement.

At this first weekly briefing of the year, See **SHERIFF** on 18



Chris Swanson

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Local resident fully vaccinated against COVID

■ Labor and delivery nurse received second dose on Jan. 7

By Hannah Ball

One local resident is fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Melissa DeLong of Linden received the first dose of the Pfizer vaccine at work Dec. 18, 2020. She's a labor and delivery nurse at Ascension Providence Hospital in Novi. She received her second dose Jan. 7.

"This is for my children who deserve to be seated in a classroom," she wrote in her Facebook post. "This is for my immunocompromised brother that hasn't been out in public nor able to work in nine months. This is for my grandparents who deserve to enjoy meals with their children and grandchildren. This is for my family so we may never spend another holiday apart," she wrote on Facebook after receiving the first dose.

The injection wasn't any more painful than receiving other vaccines, but DeLong said her arm was "pretty sore" for two days. The following day, she did experience waves of hot flashes, nausea and a slight headache.

"But other than that, I was completely fine," she said. "It's been physically



Melissa DeLong of Linden displays paperwork after she received her first dose of the Pfizer vaccine. Submitted photo

and emotionally draining to work during this pandemic. Between wearing all the PPE in COVID-positive patient rooms to the emotional toll it takes when dads sometimes can't be present for their baby's birth," she said.

“This is for small business owners and workers that have lost their source of income. This is for healthcare workers that sacrifice themselves for their patients.”

Melissa DeLong
Linden resident

DeLong said it's an individual's choice if the vaccine is right for them.

"Unfortunately, there seems to be a lot of misinformation about the vaccine especially on social media. I trust science and believe that this will help us get back to a state of normalcy," she said.

The rest of her Facebook statement: "This is for small business owners and workers that have lost their source of income. This is for healthcare workers that sacrifice themselves for their patients. This is for pregnant mothers who shouldn't have to wear a mask while giving birth. This is for fathers who deserve to hear their baby's heart-beat on ultrasound. This is for patients that did not deserve to die alone."

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A message from the superintendent

Happy New Year!

It is no secret the past year has been challenging for many people. I have written about some of the challenges Fenton Area Public Schools faced during these unprecedented times, including the difficulty of providing a consistent high level of education with so many barriers to overcome.

I have often included in my staff and family newsletters the statement, “we will be stronger after this is over.” That statement is based on the fact that when people battle through adversity, rely on one another’s strengths and support each other to progress toward a common goal, we grow as individuals and we grow as a collective group. A great example of how past support has allowed us to find success in times of adversity is the bond the Fenton community passed in 2014. Before we were forced into remote learning last March, and before we knew we would have to distribute over 2,000 chromebooks so our students had



Adam Hartley
Fenton Area
Public Schools
superintendent

the tools to learn from home, the community supported a bond to help FAPS fill a large technology gap for our students and staff. The research, the planning, and the thoughtful roll out of our technology plan, allowed us to meet the many challenges of remote learning that many school districts could not. We have made great strides in filling our teaching and learning toolbox with the right technology tools and adjusting our

instructional practices to advocate using technology in purposeful and meaningful ways. The support the greater Fenton community continues to provide, the innovative thinking of the FAPS Board of Education and the grit of our FAPS staff, students and families, have not only helped us navigate through these challenging times, but will prove to be the catalyst for becoming a stronger school community when this is over.

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

What book or movie had a big influence on your life?



“The Jungle’ by Upton Sinclair. I was vegan for a number of years after.”

Kyle Austin Switala
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“Ego Is the Enemy’— Ryan Holiday.”

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“The Sound of Music.”

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“Man’s Search for Meaning’ Viktor Frankl.”

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Upgrades will be made to Fenton Township sewer system

■ Will allow engineers to identify issues easier

By Hannah Ball

On Monday, Jan. 5, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees voted to use Community Development Block Grant funds to conduct sanitary sewer upgrades.

These upgrades include converting the pump station at Petts Road from a dry pit system to a submersible pump station, as well as using an Omnisite wireless monitoring system for the site. These are upgrades the Township has been doing throughout the municipality on the sewer system in recent years.

Other upgrades include installing Omnisite wireless monitoring systems on pump station #23, at Firestone Drive and at #27, at Pomona Court.

The township is expected to receive approximately \$117,573 in CDBG funds for 2022-2024. Any left over funds would be used for repairs of gravity sewer mains in the low-moderate income area in the township.

The submersible system that will be installed at Petts Road is safer, said Bryan Bridenstine of Lawrence Engineering. They can bring the pump on land and fix it.

The sewer system is near 50 years old. It's been in operation since 1972.

The Omnisite system uses cellular service instead of landlines.

"It comes up on the screen and I can go to the computer, bring it up,



The sewer pump at Petts Road, which will become a submersible station, will also be upgraded with Omnisite, a wireless monitoring system.

Photo: Hannah Ball

and I can see each station and it shows how many times the pump has been pumping, how many gallons are going through the pumps and everything," Bridenstine said. "We can see what's happening and see what's wrong before we get there."

The landline technology only tells them when there is a problem, but it doesn't say what the problem is. It requires workers to come to the site to investigate.

Currently, 10 out of 57 stations have the Omnisite system. The

goal is for every station to have it, but Bridenstine said that will take time.

The township board has been discussing doing more video monitoring of the sewer system, which would allow them to find issues faster and more efficiently.

Melissa Lawrence, from Lawrence Engineering, said during the pandemic, they saw more rags in the sewers and

more flow because people have been staying home. There were no major incidents with the system this past year.

"It was smooth," she said.

Upgrades they've done in the past few years include adding generators to three pump stations in 2019. Currently, 11 stations have them. These stations, such as the one on Butcher Road, tend to have power outages or handle more volume.

"It's staggering the importance of this sewer system in the township. Most of us never even think about it, it just happens it is a very complex system and I certainly support any improvement we can make," said Trustee Kade Katrak.

The board considered a list of other projects that they sent for approval to the Genesee County Community Development staff, including street improvements and installing barrier-free improvements at the Thompson Road Regional Dog Park. However, the dog park project was determined ineligible, according to meeting minutes, due to "no architectural barriers being removed."

City council approves projects

■ Has \$88,708 in Community Development Block Grant funds for upcoming 2022-2024 program

By Sharon Stone

During a work session Monday, Jan. 4, the Fenton City Council approved recommended projects using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

The city is finishing the third year of its three-year (2019-2021) CDBG program as administered by Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (CDP). The city was allocated \$61,995, which was utilized for the benefit of its low income or disabled residents, per the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) guidelines.

For the upcoming 2022-2024 grant program, the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

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“We can see what’s happening and see what’s wrong before we get there.”

Bryan Bridenstine
Fenton Township engineer

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Fenton Township waste collection changes to Friday

■ Republic Services makes changes to operations

By Hannah Ball

The trash and recycling collection schedule will change in Fenton Township starting in February. Trash will be collected on Fridays, with recycling being collected every other week.

On Monday, Jan. 4, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees discussed how Republic Services plans to change operations with waste, recycling and yard waste pick up.

Republic Services sent the township a letter stating that effective the week of Feb. 1, the company will pick up waste and recycle bins on Friday.

“Your new service day will be Friday with your first collection on February 5. Weekly yard waste collection will restart again in April on Fridays as well. We are committed to providing our customers with the best, most cost-efficient service and we look forward to working with Fenton Township for a smooth transition,” according to the letter.

Currently, Republic Services does collection in Fenton Township throughout the week in different areas of the municipality.

Gary Hicks, municipal services manager for Republic Services, said they’re working on consolidating their operations to make collection days run smoother.

“2020 was a year unlike I’ve ever experienced in the trash industry,” he said, attributing that to the pandemic because they had to delay service at times. Their

employees often had to quarantine or they were out with COVID. He apologized to the Board for that.

“It was just a very very very trying year,” he said.

There’s been a significant increase in waste since the pandemic began.

“Every closet has been cleaned out,” Hicks said. “We’ve picked up more compost than we have ever picked up ... I’ve never seen volumes like we’re seeing.”

In some areas, it’s up 30 percent. They see more food waste at home because people are eating at home.

“The volumes are just off the charts,” he said. “I’ve never seen more garbage in my life.”

Republic is working to switch most municipalities to a single-day service plan.

Trustee Kade Katrak asked why Friday was chosen for Fenton Township.

“We find that lake-type communities either want Monday or Fridays,” Hicks said. Monday wasn’t possible for Fenton Township because of a contract with another municipality.

“A lot of work has gone into trying to make it work for everyone,” Hicks said. He anticipates service to “dramatically improve.”

Township attorney Jack Belzer said he doesn’t believe a formal amendment needed to be made to the contract because it states “Monday through Friday.”

Hicks said getting verbal confirmation from the Board is good enough for him.

Those with questions can call the Republic Service customer service department at 1-800-438-0966. The 2021 recycle calendar is available at fentontownship.org.

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Sheriff asks for help in finding missing endangered teen

■ Not seen since Dec. 1, 2020, has contacts from Dearborn Heights to Flint

By Sharon Stone

On Dec. 1, 2020, Brooklyn Spears fled from Oakland County Children's Village where she had been a resident. She fled on foot at approximately 7:30 p.m. into a field near the rear of the building.

She has no known contacts in the Pontiac area, but has previous contacts in Dearborn Heights. Spears is also known to frequent the Lansing and Flint areas.

Brooklyn is a 14-year-old Black female who has brown hair and brown eyes. She is approximately 5-feet,



3-inches tall and weighs 100 pounds. Her information has been entered into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) database as well as into the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children database.

If you have any information regarding the whereabouts of Brooklyn, contact Crime Stoppers at (800) SPEAK-UP. There is a \$1,000 reward and you will remain anonymous.

Child killed in auto crash

■ Father charged after losing control of SUV on northbound U.S. 23 in Livingston County

By Sharon Stone

A 4-year-old girl from Fayetteville, North Carolina was killed in automobile crash on U.S. 23 in Livingston County on Friday, Jan. 1.

According to the Livingston County Sheriff's Office, on Friday Jan. 1, at approximately 11 p.m., deputies with the sheriff's office were dispatched to northbound U.S. 23 south of Highland Road on the report of a single vehicle crash with possible injuries.

The investigation revealed that a 36-year-old man from Fayetteville, North Carolina, later identified as Jonathan Osborne, was operating a 2006 Ford Expedition northbound when he lost control of the vehicle causing it to leave the roadway and strike several trees. Osborne's 33-year-old wife, 8-year-old son

and 4-year-old daughter were in the vehicle at the time of the crash.

During the crash, the 4-year-old girl was ejected from the vehicle and succumbed to injuries at the scene. The other occupants of the vehicle were extricated by personnel from the Hartland Deerfield Fire Authority and transported to the University of Michigan Hospital for treatment of injuries.

Speed and alcohol appear to be factors in the crash.

Deputies were assisted at the scene by the Michigan State Police Brighton Post and Livingston County EMS.

Osborne has been charged with one count of moving violation causing death, two counts of moving violation causing serious injury and one count of open intoxicants in a motor vehicle. Bond has been set at \$30,000. Osborne's wife and son are currently at U of M Hospital in Ann Arbor recovering from their injuries.



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VACCINATIONS

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(Phase 1C Group A). MDHHS is accelerating implementation of vaccination of individuals 65-74 years due to concern around disparity in life expectancy by race/ethnicity for this group (Phase 1C, Group A).

Genesee County residents who fall into a Phase 1B category can visit the health department's vaccine webpage at gchd.us/covid19vaccine to access the registration form and for additional information and updates regarding COVID-19 vaccination.

"The more people we can get the safe and effective vaccine, the faster we can return to a sense of normalcy," Whitmer said. "I urge all seniors to get the COVID-19 vaccine as soon as possible and that all Michiganders to make a plan to get vaccinated when it becomes available to you. And as always: mask up, practice safe social distancing, and avoid indoor gatherings where COVID-19 can easily spread from person to person. We will eliminate this virus together."

"We are pleased to move the state forward in the next stage of vaccinations," said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health. "These vaccines are safe and effective, and we especially want our first responders, teachers and older adults to get vaccinated as soon as possible. The strategy we are announcing today is efficient, effective, and equitable, focusing on making vaccine available to those who have the highest level of risk, whether it is because of where they work or because of their age."

All counties may begin vaccinating residents over age 65 and seniors are urged to visit Michigan.gov/COVIDVaccine to find local health departments and other local vaccine clinics near them that are ready to book appointments.

Eligible essential workers, teachers and childcare workers will be notified by their employers about vaccine clinic dates and locations. Eligible individu-

als should not go to any of the clinics without an appointment.

MDHHS is following the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations for prioritization of distribution and administration of COVID-19 vaccines.

CDC recommendations are based on input from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), the federal advisory committee made up of medical and public health experts who develop recommendations on the use of vaccines in the United States.

PHASES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Phase 1A: Paid and unpaid persons serving in healthcare settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials and are unable to work from home as well as residents in long term care facilities.

Phase 1B: Persons 75 years of age or older and frontline essential workers in critical infrastructure.

Phase 1C: Individuals 16 years of age or older at high risk of severe illness due to COVID-19 infection and some other essential workers whose position impacts life, safety

and protection during the COVID-19 response.

Phase 2: Individuals 16 years of age or older.

These prioritizations may change as more information on vaccine effectiveness and additional vaccination products become available. MDHHS has provided additional prioritization guidance within these categories.

It is important to note that vaccination in one phase may not be complete before vaccination in another phase begins. There may be vaccination of individuals in different phases that occur simultaneously. The timing of the start of vaccination in a phase is dependent on the supply of vaccine from the manufacturer, how vaccine is allocated from the federal level to Michigan and the capacity to administer the vaccine to populations.

Decisions on moving to the next phase will be made at the state level.

More than 140,000 of Moderna and Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to health care workers with more than 8,000 of those doses going to nursing home residents and staff. This data is being tracked on the COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard, which also includes information on the number of providers enrolled to provide the vaccine and vaccination coverage rates by age and race.

Even with COVID-19 vaccinations starting in Michigan and worldwide, Khaldun urges everyone to continue to practice preventative measures such as properly wearing masks, social distancing and frequent handwashing to reduce the spread of the virus until the vast majority of people have been vaccinated.

There will be no out-of-pocket costs to individuals for the vaccine, however, healthcare providers may bill insurance for administrative costs. The COVID-19 vaccine will require two doses, separated by three or four weeks depending on the manufacturer. Michiganders should receive both doses in order to have full protection from the virus. Individuals who receive the vac-

cine may experience mild side effects such as low-grade fever, sore arm and general discomfort, which indicate that the vaccine is working. There is a robust state and national process for tracking vaccines and reporting side effects.

Michigan residents seeking more information about the COVID-19 vaccine can visit Michigan.gov/COVID-vaccine. As additional information and resources become available, it will be posted to this site.

Genesee County residents should keep checking <http://gchd.us/covid-19vaccine/> for updates. Suzanne Cupal, MPH director, Community Health Services, said this page is being updated daily as more information become available regarding availability of doses and vaccination sites. Senior centers will be receiving information packages to assist their local residents.

Livingston County residents can check for latest updates at <https://www.livgov.com/health>

Oakland County residents can check availability of vaccine appointments at <https://www.oakgov.com/covid/best-practices/prepare/Pages/vaccine.aspx>

“These vaccines are safe and effective, and we especially want our first responders, teachers and older adults to get vaccinated as soon as possible.”

Dr. Joneigh Khaldun
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Families, prepare for vaccination of incapacitated family members

The Livingston County Probate Court urges the public to make sure that incapacitated family members in nursing homes who are not able to give consent to be vaccinated have taken the appropriate legal steps to give consent. For example, if an incapacitated individual does not have a patient advocate or guardian to act on their behalf, a family member may want to petition the court to appoint a guardian. "While many residents of nursing homes and family members have already taken the necessary legal steps to allow for important medical decisions to be made on their behalf, the court wants to make sure that there are no delays in vaccinating vulnerable populations," said Chief Probate Judge Miriam Cavanaugh. The court also asks local nursing homes to inventory patient records in order to determine which patients require third party consent and to make sure the information is up to date. In addition, the court said it plans to make every effort to act on petitions as quickly as possible. For more information, call (517) 547-3750.

Sheriff warns of more scams

■ Trust your instinct and call local police to verify the claim with them first

By Sharon Stone

Last week, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office released information regarding scammers making calls claiming family members were incarcerated prompting citizens to potentially send money for bond.

Recently two additional scams have been reported.

A case in Orion Township involving a 78-year-old woman resulted in her losing over \$29,000 to scammers. This scam involved a call placed to the victim claiming to be an Amazon employee verifying the victim had purchased \$8,000 in Apple products. When the purchase was disputed, the employee claimed to transfer the caller to the Michigan State Police (MSP) to make a report. The person claiming to be a trooper from MSP told the victim she must make a report, which included giving this alleged trooper all of her banking information. The victim became suspicious and asked for a phone number for the alleged investigator and was provided a legitimate MSP phone number, but with instructions not to call the number as whomever would answer may not be familiar with her case. The victim was then transferred to an alleged US Treasury agent who told her she was a victim of identity theft. In the span of three days, the victim was told to withdraw funds

from her bank account and to use QR codes given to her by the scammers to make deposits at a Bitcoin ATM to deposit money in Independence Township.

Detectives from the Oxford Township Substation were alerted to the case and have since possibly identified other victims who recently made deposits at the same Bitcoin ATM.

On Dec. 22, the sheriff's office was sent a voicemail received from a citizen living on the west side of the state. The voicemail stated the name of a former sergeant of the sheriff's office and needed the person to call them back immediately as they had documentation that required immediate attention. The number left to call back was a (248) number but was not a number associated with the sheriff's office. This scam has been used many times over the years where the scammer uses a legitimate name of someone in law enforcement to intimidate the victim and extort funds.

"Scammers continue to evolve their tactics and try to find ways to outsmart citizens," said Sheriff Michael J. Bouchard. "This year the number of reports on scams has risen dramatically. As a reminder, law enforcement will never ask you to supply funds, use Bitcoin, or put money on gift cards to pay for services or fees over the phone. If something does not seem legitimate, trust your instinct, call your local law enforcement agency, and verify the claim with them first."

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

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DISTURBANCE IN HOLLY

On Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2020 at 10:37 a.m., Holly police officers were dispatched to a residence for a disturbance where an argument was ongoing between a man and a woman. The officers arrived and were told by the female on scene that her boyfriend was angry and left after taking the keys to one of her vehicles and the license plate of the other. Officers searched the area for him, and were contacted by the original caller that the male had returned and gave back the missing property without additional conflict.

MAN ASSAULTED, ABANDONED ON SIDE OF ROAD

On Jan. 1, at 2:53 a.m., Holly police were asked to assist the Michigan State Police by responding to a location on Dixie Highway where an assault victim was found lying on the ground. The officer located the victim who was with a good Samaritan who had stopped to assist. The officer determined the man was assaulted in a vehicle and was abandoned on the side of the road by the assailant. The officer called for medical attention and had the man transported to a medical facility. The officer also provided the victim with information on how to proceed with a criminal complaint against his assailant who fled the scene.

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New office building coming to Thompson Road

■Township sells tax-reverted properties

By Hannah Ball

Thompson Road is one step closer to seeing more development.

On Monday, Jan. 4, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees accepted an offer from Owen Road LLC to buy two parcels on Thompson Road. Municipal reports say the company plans to build an office building.

In the purchase agreement, Fenton Township agrees to sell 3095 Thompson Road and a vacant, adjacent property for \$415,000 to Owen Road LLC. Both are tax-reverted properties.

"I think it's time the township sells the property," said Supervisor Vince Lorraine.

The vote was 6-1 with Trustee Mark Goupil dissenting.

During a December 2020 meeting, Lorraine stated that he wants to improve the Thompson Road Corridor since it is the "entrance" to Fenton Township from the U.S. 23 freeway. He hopes the sale and development of this property could jumpstart more projects and more investment in the area.

The property is currently an old oil change station that is no longer being used, along with the vacant land next to it. Combined, they're approximately 1.3 acres. Owen Road LLC plans to build an office building at the site.

Discussion surrounding the property, which has been owned by the township since approximately 2013, centered on developing the Thompson Road Corridor and the problem of not having a municipal water supply in the area. The property that was sold was identified as a site that could be used as a water tower location to supply water for businesses on Thompson Road.

According to meeting minutes from a previous meeting, "Treasurer (John) Tucker stated that the construction of a municipal water system would likely generate significant development along the corridor. The cost of the water system has always been the primary obstacle."



Fenton Township sold tax-reverted property at 3095 Thompson Road. The new owners plan to put in an office building.

Tucker said he was previously against selling the property because it could be a water tower location. His opinion changed when he learned that other locations could be obtained for a "reasonable cost," according to the minutes. This could either be a purchase agreement or an easement.

Township engineer Allen Lawrence told the board that other potential water tower locations could include an area near the Fenton Road/Thompson Road intersection or near the Thompson Road/U.S. 23 interchange.

Thomas Broecker, operations manager/deputy clerk, said it's been several years since the township looked at potential costs to bring municipal water to the area so he didn't have a current estimate, but the cost discussed several years ago was \$8 million.

He said the sale of the tax-reverted property is a "step in the right direc-

tion" to develop the Thompson Road Corridor.

"The recent PUD approval for 11 industrial sites in that same area is also an indication that the township may see more development activity along the Thompson Road corridor," he said.

“I think it's time the township sells the property.”

Vince Lorraine
Fenton Township
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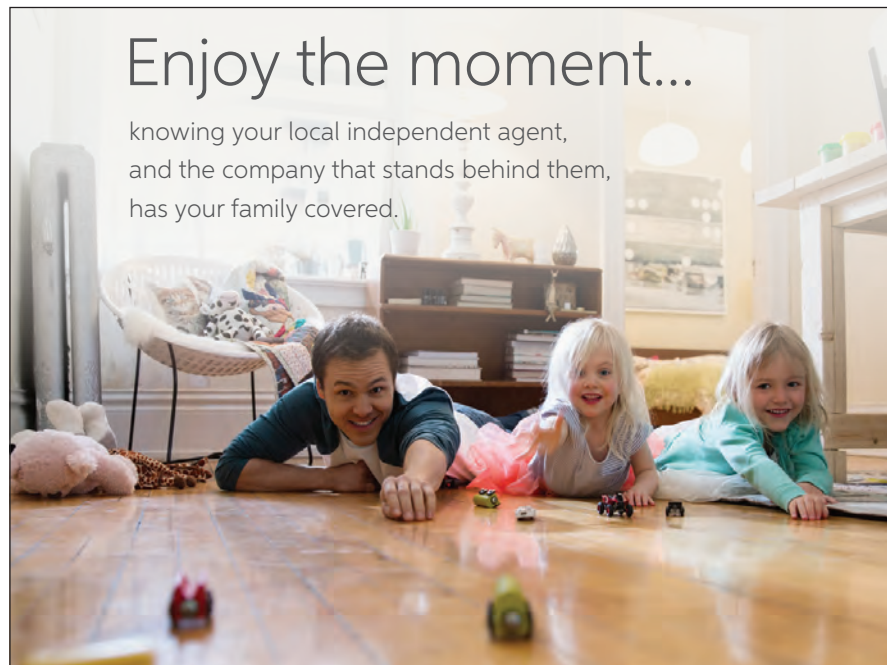
On Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2020 at 3:23 p.m., Holly police officers were asked to assist a social worker at a home where they were trying to reach a client who may have had a health condition. The client had not been answering their phone or door, but did look out the window. The officer was able to make contact and discovered the person was incoherent and in need of emergency medical care. Holly Fire Department was requested with the person being transported for medical care.

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Shelly Day, chairman of the Fenton Area Resources and Referral Network, Inc. (FARR) and Carla Juarez, client care specialist at FARR, receive a check for \$1,630 from Cause & Affect Gallery owner Annie Anglim on Thursday, Jan. 7. Photo: Hannah Ball

Cause & Affect Gallery donates to FARR

■ Money will help local residents in need

By Hannah Ball

Cause & Affect Gallery in Fenton is helping people in need.

On Thursday, Jan. 7, owner, director and curator Annie Anglim presented representatives from Fenton Area Resources and Referral Network, Inc. (FARR) with a check for \$1,630.

Every quarter, Cause & Affect donates 10 percent of its proceeds to a different organization. This past quarter was FARR, which helps people in financial need. After this current quarter, they will donate to Motherly Intercession, a group that helps the children of incarcerated mothers.

"It's always been a thing with my business to give back," Anglim said. "I'm just giving money back to those

people that help support us. I stay within Genesee County to do that."

FARR representatives who accepted the check were Carla Juarez, client care specialist, and Shelly Day, chairman of the board.

Juarez said they're helping a 78-year-old woman whose home's plumbing is bad, a young man who's homeless, and more people who are struggling.

"We appreciate everything the community did by shopping at Cause and Effect, and that they were so generous to donate back to us," she said. "The need for housing and food is greater now than it's been all year."

Day said many people don't realize these struggles exist "right in our backyard."

Donate to FARR at farnetwork.org or by calling (810) 750-6244.

PROJECTS

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(GCMPC) notified the city that it has a projected \$88,708 in CDBG funds to use.

Michael Hart, Fenton city assistant manager and Downtown Development Authority (DDA) executive director, recommended that the city council approve a few projects.

Those projects include property acquisition including demolition (properties to be determined) with a cost estimate of \$65,000 (73.3 percent of the CDBG grant); parks programming for seniors with a cost estimate of \$10,000

(11.3 percent of the CDBG grant); and a home improvement program (HIP), with a cost estimate of \$13,708 (15.4 percent of the CDBG grant).

Percentages are used in case the amount approved for expenditure through the GCMPC changes for the city.

According to a Dec. 22, 2020 memo, the GCMPC approved funds to be allocated for senior programming through Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation. It also approved CDBG funds to be used for the demolition of blighted properties in various locations of the city.

At a crossroads?

■ Consider a career in healthcare as a home caregiver

By Sharon Stone

Considering a career change? You're in good company — 18 percent of the deskless workforce who had a job during COVID-19 plan to leave for better benefits or job security, according to a recent survey by Quinyx.

Experts say that if you're looking for meaningful work in a reliable, recession-proof industry, the field of home healthcare might be the right career path for you.

"At a time when work and life are

blurring together more than ever, home caregiving allows for greater mobility and flexibility for professionals like LPNs, RNs and therapists, as well as home support aides and companions," said Jennifer Sheets, president and chief executive officer of Interim HealthCare Inc. "Compassionate and mission-driven professionals within and outside of healthcare can bring their unique skills to these positions to ensure patients get the care they need."

To encourage people from all professional backgrounds to consider whether a career in home healthcare is right for them, Sheets offers the following insights into the field:

- **Previous home care experience**



Home caregivers have the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of others every day. Photo: aging.com

- **is not required.** For certain roles, you don't need a degree or industry experience to qualify for a home caregiving position, you just need a compassionate heart and a willingness to help others. Whether you're a

licensed healthcare professional (like a nurse or therapist) or you're employed in a service industry like hospitality, retail or food service, you likely have people skills and a desire to positively impact others, both of which are needed to step into this field and begin a rewarding career.

- **The work is rewarding.** Seeking a career path with purpose? Caregivers have the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of others every day. And, if you decide to take your career further, you can. The industry offers much potential for career growth.

- **Positions offer autonomy.** If you already work in the healthcare industry, you may discover that providing personalized care to patients at home offers greater flexibility and autonomy than other sites of care in the industry.

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Mott's LERTA graduates 13 in fall 2020 class

■ Those interested in law enforcement career can sign up for next session at Fenton Township campus

By Sharon Stone

The Mott Community College (MCC) Law Enforcement Regional Training Academy (LERTA) graduated 13 recruits in a virtual ceremony that can be viewed on YouTube by searching for "LERTA Class of 12-20 Graduation."

The keynote speaker was MCC Public Safety Chief Michael Odette, and the class spokesman was Austin Jerome. Graduates of the fall 2020 term are:

- Aundreana Allen
- Carly Arnett
- Abel Bandy
- Robert Barron
- Daundria Frye
- Austin Jerome
- Christopher Keller

- Cole Kemper
- Evan Myers
- Perry Dakota
- Michael Roper
- Brandon Smith
- Todd Willis

Fall 2020 represents LERTA's 17th session since the Academy offered its first class in September 2012. LERTA, operating under the authority of Chief Theresa Stephens-Lock, executive director of MCC's Department of Public Safety, offers an educational opportunity for individuals interested in pursuing law enforcement careers.

LERTA is a 16-week, intensive program that meets the Michigan Commission of Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) training requirements and prepares students for the Law Enforcement Licensing Examination. LERTA holds two sessions each year, designed to coincide with the Fall and Winter Semesters at MCC.

LERTA is a professional learning environment designed to give the basic training and education needed to begin a career in law enforcement. Academic excellence and personal integrity are stressed during the Academy. Recruits are mentally and physically challenged on a daily basis. The learning environment is a combination of traditional classroom instruction, skill area instruction and practical exercises conducted by members of the LERTA staff as well as regional instructors.

The LERTA is conducted during MCC's fall and winter semesters (one training class/semester). Those interested in enrollment in the LERTA are strongly encouraged to review the MCOLES requirements for law enforcement officers at michigan.gov/mcoles. LERTA is located at MCC's Southern Lakes Branch Center at 2100 Thompson Road in Fenton Township. For more information, visit lerta.mcc.edu or call (810) 410-1900.

BUSINESS

BRIEFS

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GENESEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ANNOUNCES LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

During the Genesee County Board of Commissioners' organizational meeting on Jan. 6, Commissioner Mark Young was chosen to lead the Genesee County Commission as Chairman for 2021. Young was elected to serve the residents of the 5th District as county commissioner in 2012 and has previously served as chairman in 2017 and 2018 when the county experienced the greatest capital improvement project growth in several decades. Young has previously served as chairman for the Finance Committee, and serves on the Flint & Genesee Regional Chamber of Commerce Operations Board. Young announced the leadership team for the following committees:

- Finance Committee** – Commissioner Gary Peppin (chairman)
- Governmental Operations Committee** – Commissioner Bryan W. Nolden (chairman)
- Human Services Committee** – Commissioner Charles H. Winfrey (chairman)
- Public Works Committee** – Commissioner Domonique Clemons (chairman)
- Community and Economic Development Committee** – Commissioner Debra Newman (chairman)

Commissioner Domonique Clemons also was elected as the vice-chairman of the board for the 2021 year. Clemons, who represents the 4th District, was elected to his first term in November's election.

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January is School Board Recognition Month, a time to recognize the work of our volunteer school board members and to celebrate public education.

Since March 2020, schools across the country have been faced with many challenges no one saw coming. The members of our local school Boards of Education have been steadfast leaders, helping navigate our school districts through this unprecedented time.

School board members in Linden Community Schools, Fenton Area Public Schools, and Lake Fenton Community Schools develop policies and make tough decisions that help shape the future of our education system. They bear responsibility for the annual budget and the welfare of our students, employees, and school buildings. They are citizens whose dedication and decisions affect our children and build our communities.

Showing appreciation for the important work of school boards should be a year-round process, but too often we neglect to recognize the dedication and hard work of these men and women. This January, the staff and students of our districts are asking all members of

the community to take a moment and thank a school board member.

Each school will be presenting its board with tokens of appreciation during scheduled board meetings:

- **Fenton Area Public Schools:** via Zoom, Jan. 11, at 6 p.m.
- **Lake Fenton Community Schools:** via Zoom, Jan. 11, at 6 p.m.
- **Linden Community Schools:** via Zoom Jan. 20, at 7 p.m.

We salute the public servants of all districts whose dedication and civic responsibility make local control of public schools in our community possible.

The men and women serving our areas schools are:

Linden Community Schools: Scott Maker, Shari Luck, Michelle Shayna, David Haney, Steve Losey, Jarrod Montague and Steve Murphy

Fenton Area Public Schools: Dana Jones, Pam Dickie, Scott Pushman, Emily Rossmassler, Kim Gruber, Matthew Welch and Keith Reynolds

Lake Fenton Community Schools: Chris Fletcher, Larry Godlewski, Heidi Howieson, Bob Hutchins, Mike Cicalo, Katherine Carswell and Michelle Curtain

Sincerely,

Adam Hartley, Fenton Area Public
Schools superintendent;
Julie Williams, Lake Fenton Community
Schools superintendent;
Russell Ciesielski, Linden Community
Schools superintendent

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Making the rounds with Dudley



Dudley is making his way around the Fenton community and putting smiles on everyone he meets. Toni Gorris of Fenton Township said Dudley is a gigantic stuffed dog that they keep at their home for when the grandkids come over. Since the grandkids enjoy him so much, Gorris said they thought they would start taking him around town to various venues to take his photo. "I thought it just might be a happy thing for people to see during this difficult time," Gorris said. **Submitted photo**

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POLICE & FIRE REPORT

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HOLLY POLICE GET HELP FOR DEPRESSED WOMAN

On Dec. 31, 2020 at 12:43 a.m., Holly police were dispatched to a residence of a woman who called police to request help over depression. The officers said she was struggling with issues and asked for help. The officers were able to get her assistance and requested the Holly Fire Department for a transport to a medical facility.

Spencer won two more professional boxing matches in 2020

By David Troppens

Editor's Note: Today will be the end of our look back at 2020. We have more stories remaining. Enjoy.

Linden's "Small-town Solider" had a pretty strong 2020.

Linden resident and the tri-county's most popular professional boxer had a pretty successful 2020, despite probably not boxing as much as he would've hoped due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Joey Spencer faced Erik Spring in his 10th

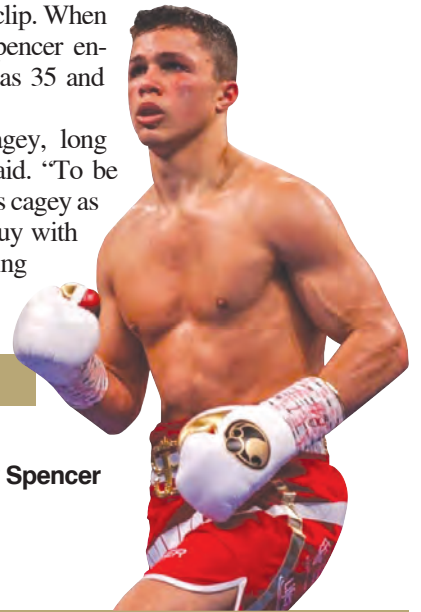
bout of his professional career and earned a six-round unanimous decision against the much taller and much older southpaw. He also boxed in an empty arena on Aug. 22 when he defeated Shawn West by knock out, improving to 11-0 during his young career.

Against Spring, Spencer fought on FOX's national network and earned the easy verdict. The two opponents kept their distance in what was a cautious bout. Spencer controlled the fight by landing 51 punches at a 29 percent clip. Spring

only landed 20 at a 13 percent clip. When it came to power punches, Spencer enjoyed a 44-18 edge. Spring was 35 and held a 13-3-2 record.

"I was in there with a cagey, long southpaw tonight," Spencer said. "To be honest when a guy is fighting as cagey as he was, it's really hard for a guy with my style to just pull something out of nothing."

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Joey Spencer

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Sports Times

Fenton's senior swimmers excited to get one more shot

By David Troppens

Fenton — When one walks into Fenton High School's pool these days, practices look pretty much as they always have as the varsity girls prepare for a Division 2 state swim meet.

But, of course, the practices are anything but normal. First off, the calendar reads January, and traditionally the girls swim season ends in November. This is the third time the girls have started practice sessions for the state swim meet, and the squad knows nothing is guaranteed in today's COVID-19 pandemic era. The next chance of having a D2 state meet will happen Jan. 15 and 16 with the swimming portion happening on the 16th. The Tigers are hoping this third attempt at a state meet ends up being the final attempt.

"I am a little worried about it because we never know what is going to happen," senior swimmer Abigail Dolliver said. "We found out the week before our state meet that it was going to be canceled (earlier this season). ... I wouldn't be surprised at this point. I'm not going to just not be hopeful and not be excited for it

because I'm so excited."

"I definitely would not be necessarily surprised if this didn't happen but I am hopeful that it does," fellow senior Maddie Kazmierski said. "I won't be too disappointed. I'm not getting my hopes up as much as I did the first time because I know there is a good possibility it may not happen. I just hope it does."

The seniors have experienced one of the craziest senior seasons ever. The season started with outside pool practices as the team waited to see if there would be a season. Eventually the season happened, but with many changes to the schedule and many changes to the format of all meets.

The team was preparing for the state meet when it was suspended and then preparing again with their own personal practices outside of Fenton's pool for a second meet when it was called. The Tigers have made the most of their experience.

"I think from the get go right at the beginning of our senior season we knew it wasn't going to be normal," Dolliver said.

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The Fenton varsity girls swim team practices Tuesday after school in preparation for the Division 2 state swim meet. The event is scheduled for Jan. 16 at Grand Rapids Northview High School. This is the third different date the event has had this season. Photo: David Troppens

Wings of Mercy 5K found a way to run it's annual event

By David Troppens

With COVID-19 attacking our country in March, the tri-county area saw a lot of the annual sporting events canceled during 2020. Road races were called off, with some being done using alternative methods. The FirstTry Triathlon had to cancel as did Linden's Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament. They were all sound decisions, obviously.

However, one event did figure a way to compete. While it wasn't during the same time of the year as usual and the event had to deal with many adjustments, the Wings Of Mercy Runway 5K race still figured a way to have an actual event in 2020. The event was scheduled for late June, but had to be moved to late August. And the numbers were limited to just 99 people and two different races.

Still, the actual event happened.

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Fenton girls golfers finish fifth place at 2020 state meet

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity girls golf team has been one of the area’s top teams for the last four to five years and that trend continued in the fall of 2020.

The Fenton girls golf squad had its share of honors during the fall, including earning a co-Flint Metro League championship with the Goodrich Martians. They also captured the county league championship.

However, their top moment came during the state tourney postseason. The Tigers qualified for the D2 state meet by taking third at the regional meet with a team score of 362.

One wouldn’t think a squad that qualified for the state meet by placing third could place particularly high once

there, but that wasn’t the case.

The Tigers finished in a tie for fifth place with Dearborn Devine Child at Forest Akers West Golf Course at Michigan State University.

A handful of seniors capped their outstanding four-year careers with the Tigers. Brook Herbstreit, a senior, finished 10th overall with an 18-hole score of 84, while Victoria Carnell, also a senior, shot an 89. The other senior to compete at the meet was Olivia Herbert who placed 62nd with a 99. Katelyn Burkett was the young performer on the team. The sophomore posted a 94, placing 39th. Junior Elise Roberts placed 53rd with a 96.

Fenton was one of just four teams to have all of its golfers shoot a score less than 100.



The Fenton varsity girls golf team finished in a tie for fifth at the Division 2 state meet during the fall of 2020.

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SPENCER

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“I felt like he was a real defensive guy,” Spencer said. “No excuses though because at the end of the fight I really just pressed him and I said ‘I am going to finish strong and hit him with some good shots.’ I feel like if I did that the first or second round I think I probably would’ve ended it early, but I’m glad to get the six rounds in. Experience is everything. You are only as good as your next fight and I am happy to get in there, get some good experience and do my thing and get the shut out.”

COVID created a seven-month layoff. He had one bout canceled due to it, but Spencer looked strong in his knockout victory against Shawn West during another national broadcast match. Spencer enjoyed a 17-8 punches landed advantage in the opening round and started to take over in the second round when he used a left hook, some right hands and some punches to the body to set up his first knock out. The six-round fight ended in the fourth when Spencer used another combination that ended with a right hook, resulting in the end of the fight.

“I felt great about it. I think that ev-



Joey Spencer (right) recorded two victories during 2020 despite the fact COVID-19 forced the cancellation of many sporting events during the year.

everything I’ve been working on (I executed),” Spencer said after the fight. “After I got the knock down I took my time, threw a good flurry. When I realized how tough he was (and that he was) going to be able to take some shots I calmed down, picked the right shot when it came again and it presented itself. I was really proud of myself.”

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POLICE & FIRE REPORT

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EXPIRED LICENSE LEADS TO JAIL TIME FOR OUTSTANDING WARRANTS

At 6:50 p.m. on Dec. 29, Fenton police in the area of Silver Lake Road and Poplar Street observed a vehicle with expired plates. A traffic stop was initiated. A records check on the driver, a 42-year-old Harrison resident, revealed he had three warrants for his arrest. He was cited for driving with a suspended license and was lodged at the Genesee County Jail pending a hearing on the outstanding warrants.

UNDER-RINGING CAUGHT AT THE SELF-CHECKOUT

At 3:29 p.m. on Dec. 24, Fenton police responded to a retail store on Owen Road for a retail fraud complaint. A loss prevention employee reported to police that they observed two female shoppers, later identified as a 41-year-old

woman and a 27-year-old woman, both of Flint, under-ringing \$226 in store merchandise at a self-checkout lane. The employee watched as the women exited the store and leave in a car. A Fenton police officer was in the area and spotted the vehicle and initiated a traffic stop on northbound U.S. 23. The women were taken into custody and back to the store. They were photographed and released with a court appearance citation.

SUSPECTS STEAL GLOVES FROM GAS STATION STORE

At 12 p.m. on Dec. 29, Fenton police were dispatched to a gas station on North Road, at Torrey Road, for a retail fraud complaint. While doing inventory, an employee told police that they located tags that had been torn off gloves and stuffed between snack items. A review of the store surveillance video revealed two unidentified people taking the tags off the gloves and then concealing the gloves down the front of their pants. Because of the masks, police have not identified the suspects. They were observed, however, leaving in a silver Ford Mustang convertible. Stolen merchandise was valued at \$20.

SHERIFF

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livestreamed on Facebook on Wednesday, Jan. 6, Swanson was officially sworn in as sheriff for the next four years by Circuit Court Judge Brian Pickell, Robert Pickell's son.

Swanson was voted in during this past election cycle and won by a wide margin. He is the 40th sheriff of Genesee County.

"I have committed to giving you the best of me," he said.

Swanson made a commitment to continue to "protect, serve and unify" in his role as sheriff, three words he uses when he describes the role of the GCSO.

Swanson joined the department at age 18 as a seasonal marine deputy. When asked about his career aspirations then, he said he "wanted to run the place."

Before he served as the under-sheriff, Swanson served as sergeant, lieutenant and captain. He is a licensed paramedic.

Swanson has spent his time as sheriff working to combat the opioid crisis, bringing more education opportunities to inmates with the I.G.N.I.T.E. program, helping people during the holidays with the Walk With Us Christmas Spectacular and working with different Genesee County organizations to reduce the

recidivism rate at the county jail.

He started the G.H.O.S.T. program, which has resulted in the arrest of more than 90 people in 2020 who arranged to have sexual relations with minors.

Swanson received national recognition this past spring during the George Floyd protests in Flint when he walked with protestors and the events remained peaceful.

"You should be proud because not only is Genesee County being seen when we have a protest or for human trafficking or for how we handle inmate education, but how we build this bridge between the community and law enforcement. What does reform look like? You've seen that with Walk With Us, our Christmas spectacular," he said.

He said there's a "small army of leaders" at GCSO who are working

to make these programs happen.

"Everything that I just mentioned, we're going to continue to do, and we're going to get better at it," he said. "We've got a great year ahead and I'm so glad to be your sheriff."

On Wednesday, Jan. 6, he was sworn in with his wife Jamie standing next to him.

"We're going to change the perception of law enforcement. We're going to change the perception of Flint," he said.

**“I have
committed
to giving you
the best of
me.”**

Chris Swanson
Genesee County sheriff

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

MIDWEEK SUDOKU ANSWERS

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MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS:

MOOSE, INPUT, NIBBLE, WARMLY

Answer: The wheel hadn’t quite been invented, but the wheels — **WERE IN MOTION**

WEEKEND SUDOKU ANSWERS

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WEEKEND SCRAMBLE ANSWERS:

FALTER, SERVE, DENSE, REPEL

Answer: **ELEVEN**

MIDWEEK CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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WEEKEND CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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WEEKEND WORD SEARCH ANSWERS

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PUBLIC HEARING

The Holly Township Parks will be holding a public hearing on January 13th at 7 pm to hear comments on the 5 year recreation plan. The meeting will take place virtually. Please see hollyparks.org for the connection.

Any questions please call Toni Brinker at (248) 634-1758.

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY JANUARY 26, 2021 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ELECTRONICALLY. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

NEW BUSINESS:

ZBA20-023 Gregory Hernacki 12135 Margaret Drive: Requesting a 6-foot front yard setback, a 7-inch side yard setback, and 9 foot site line variance and a 3% lot coverage variance to remove an existing home and rebuild a new home at 12135 Margaret Drive, parcel 06-11-501-071.

ZBA21-001 Jacob Spaulding 13496 North Rd: Requesting a variance for a 36' x 24' detached garage and bonus room in the front yard, 25 feet into the front yard setback at 13496 North Road, parcel

To the residents and property owners of Fenton Township, Genesee County, Michigan, and any other interested parties. Please take notice that a regular meeting of the Fenton Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Tuesday January 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. by ZOOM Meeting. The public may participate in the meeting via the following web link:

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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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Email: info@fentontownship.org

ROBERT KRUG,
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

ANIMAL ABUSE

Continued from Front Page

During his weekly briefing on Wednesday, Jan. 6, Sheriff Chris Swanson said on Dec. 30, 2020, they received an anonymous tip about dogs being neglected at a home in Genesee County.

In this house, deputies found three dogs in different stages of neglect.

The first dog, found in a room with feces, was dead. Swanson said when they had the dog examined, the veterinarian said the dog hadn't eaten in 30 days and starved to death. There was no food in its stomach and no feces in its colon.

The second dog was malnourished and weighed 20 pounds less than it should. Both of these dogs were about 1-2 years old and potentially from the same litter. This dog, named Maddie, was about 42 pounds when she should have been between 55 to 60 pounds.

The third dog, which was around 2-3

years of age, was in an "okay" condition, Swanson said. Maddie and this dog will be able to be rehabilitated and adopted when ready. The dogs didn't have any water, and food was placed in an unreachable location for the animals.

"It was a disaster. That's just pure neglect," he said.

The suspect faces two counts of killing and torturing an animal, and one count of animal cruelty. This man is not yet in custody.

"If you see or have an animal that is neglected or abused, do not give one more minute away from going after help. Don't wait," he said.

Call Genesee County Animal Control, 911, or any animal rescue organization.

"All these dogs have a right to be treated with humane service," he said.

"The key is do not neglect an animal. Do not abuse an animal."

NOTICE ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP

Please be notified that the Argentine Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Meeting on Monday January 18, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lake Rd by ZOOM, to consider the following Variance:

Appeal #2020-11

Mark & Liz Hering are returning with their request for a Variance for a Side Yard Setback. They have the survey that was requested and moved the setback from 14 inches to 4 feet from the property line. They would like to construct an attached garage on to the existing home. Described as 01-35-502-003, 16214 Sunset Way, Lot 3 and part of lot 4 beg at NE COR of Lot 4 TH SELY along Sunset Way 27.5 ft TH WLY to a point on W lot line which is 44.39 ft SLY of NW COR of Lot 4 TH NLY 44.39 ft TH ELY 120 ft to PL of BEG Sunset Beach

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During this critical time, the Red Cross and NFL are thrilled to offer all those who come to donate an opportunity to receive a special thank you this month. Those who come to donate blood or platelets

this January will be automatically entered to win two tickets to next year's Super Bowl LVI in Los Angeles. See details at redcrossblood.org/local-homepage/events/super_bowl.

In addition, those who come to give January 1-20, will also be automatically entered to win the Big Game at Home package for an awesome viewing experience safely at home, with a 65-inch television and a \$500 gift card to put toward food and fun. See details at redcrossblood.org/local-homepage/events/super_bowl.

Individuals can schedule an appointment to give blood today with the American Red Cross by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, using the [Red Cross Blood Donor App](#),

See **GIVE BLOOD** on 22



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Save a Life, Give Blood

Barons MC hosts blood drive

■Pre-registration required at redcrossblood.org

By Sharon Stone

The community is invited to take part in the Barons Motorcycle Club's first blood drive of 2021 on Jan. 30.

Due to previous long wait times, pre-registration at redcrossblood.org is required (no walk-ins) so that organizers can guarantee all who wish to donate blood will get their opportunity.

The blood drive is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 30, from 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. The Barons Motorcycle Club is at 101 Genesee St., in Gaines.

The Barons Motorcycle Club asks that residents continue to support the surrounding communities at their most critical time of need.

Masks are expected and required for donation to ensure the safety of donors and staff because of the COVID-19 pandemic.



The Barons Motorcycle Club is at 101 Genesee St., in Gaines. They are hosting a blood drive with the American Red Cross on Jan. 30. Submitted photo



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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
JANUARY 4, 2021

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday January 4, 2021 via Zoom and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
2. Approved the agenda as presented.
3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$87,168.26.
4. Authorized the Township Supervisor to submit a counter-offer on the proposed sale of tax reverted property.
5. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-01, honoring Fenton Township resident Breanna Trecha, one of the first females to earn the rank of Eagle Scout.
6. Authorized the submission of a 2022-24 CDBG project application for sewer improvements.
7. Approved 2021 summer property tax collection agreements with Linden Community Schools, Fenton Area Public Schools and the Genesee Intermediate School District.
8. Adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

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

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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!



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TODAY'S WORD

Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times

Obituaries

Times

Helen Horcha
1917 – 2020

Helen Horcha – age 103. Loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, died peacefully, Sunday, December 27, 2020. Private services were held. She will be buried with her husband Joe, at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Helen was born August 16, 1917 in Youngstown, OH, the daughter of John and Katherine (Labance) Luscik. She married Joseph Horcha on March 14, 1936 in Durand, and he preceded her in death on October 20, 1995. Helen and Joe owned and operated Joe Horcha Excavating Company, Inc. in the Flint area for many years. Along with running the office of the family business, Helen was known for her wonderful cooking skills, family meals, artistic and needlework abilities. Helen was a wonderful woman and will be deeply missed. Surviving are four children, Joan Horcha and husband, Jerry Haddad of Fenton, Jerry (Paula) Horcha of Fenton, John (Zoe) Horcha of Grand Blanc and Janice (Mike) Richards of Hawthorn Woods, IL; seven



grandchildren, Dawn (Mark) Nelson, Lisa Taylor, Matt (Brenda) Horcha, Kate Bishop, Stacey Horcha, Bart (Karina) Horcha, and Patrick Richards; nine great-grandchildren, Eric Nelson, Rachel Taylor, Luke Taylor, Hannah Horcha, Isabella Horcha, Boden Bishop, Benjamin Bishop, Jonathan Horcha and Kaelyn Horcha, and several step grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Helen was also preceded in death by her parents and all siblings. Helen lived the last few years of her life at Tanglewood Assisted Living Facility. The family would like to thank the staff at Tanglewood for their loving and dedicated care of our Mother. “When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure.” – Unknown. Arrangements by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



View obituaries at
myfenton.com

Tresa Ostrander

Tresa Ostrander - age 60, died December 28, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Vila Irwin

Vila Irwin - age 82, died December 29, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Mildred E. Davis
1920 – 2020

Mildred E. Davis – age 100 passed away peacefully on Monday, December 28, 2020. She was born February 18, 1920 in Alpena, to Charles and Mildred McKenzie. She was later adopted by the Woodards then went to live with her mother’s parents, the Smiths at age 8. She married Arthur Wicks in 1937 and had two children including her beloved daughter Gail (M. Herb) Kern. Millie loved to travel, her sewing, painting, and her collection of dolls and Joseph Original mice. Over her lifetime she lived in Michigan, South Dakota and her favorite, Florida. She had many employment adventures in her lifetime, which gave her great stories. Listening to her tell her stories was a favorite pastime of her family. She had many interesting pets



over the years. Millie returned to Michigan in 2008 and never quite embraced the Michigan winters. She was lucky enough to return to Florida for a visit for her 100th birthday. She lived at the Holly Woodlands apartments and made many friends there. She was very social and loved being the center of attention. She volunteered at Meals on Wheels until she was 97. She later moved to Fenton Health Care, where she spent the rest of her life. Family was very important to Millie. She was the proud grandma of seven grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and 13 great-great-grandchildren. She kept all the letters and pictures her grandchildren sent to her and loved to send letters to them. A celebration of Millie’s life will be held at a later date. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

Frances H. Simpson-Rose
1934 – 2021



Frances H. Simpson-Rose - age 86, of Holly, passed away peacefully at home on January 2, 2021. She was born in Lansing on February 8, 1934 to Frank and Eva Redman. She enjoyed life to it’s fullest and worked until the age of 85. Her children remember her by her quick wit, her punctuality, sassiness, spunk, great sense of humor, and rides with the grandchildren looking for deer. She is survived by six children, Joni Risto, Mike Simpson, Lori (John) Albright, Chuck (Charlene) Simpson, Stephanie (Steve) Brewer, and Greg Simpson; 17 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by husbands, Charles (Joe) Simpson and Merle Rose; and daughter, Sue (Rich) Marshbanks. There will be no viewing as the family has requested immediate family only. Her children will celebrate her life at a later date. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

Yolanda Flory

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Beatrice Lizotte

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Betty Hoose

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Bobby Fowler Jr.

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Carl Peterson

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Carol Meagher

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Carolyn Hall

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Charles Williams

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Crystal Palmers

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Danny Akers

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Herbert Hein

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James Goble

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Joanne Fisher

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Larry Mariott

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Larry Peters

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Lawrence Jozwiak

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Linda Root

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Linda Washington

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Lonnie Bassham

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Marion Wallace

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Michael Gaffey

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Phyllis Hayes

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Robert C. and Sharon L. Reigle

Robert C. Reigle passed away on December 26, 2017 and Sharon L. Reigle, passed away on Tuesday, December 22, 2020. Robert was born in Flint, the son of Charles and Lucille Reigle. Sharon



loved spending time in Tawas and New Smyrna Beach, FL. They are survived by their children, Cynthia R. (Frank) Banta, Gregory S. (Linda) Reigle, Leslie A. (Marlene) Reigle and Robert F.

was born in Washington, IN, the daughter of William and Lois Brady. They were married on May 15, 1964 in Flint. They lived in Holly for many years while raising their family.. Robert was an avid sportsman and both Robert and Sharon were involved with their family's high school activities as well as 4-H horse club leaders. Robert and Sharon both retired from General Motors and then moved to Fenton. Following retirement, they

Reigle; grandchildren, Shannon (Jim) Wood, Lucy Reigle and Nash Reigle; great-grandchildren, Kyle, Valerie and Morghanne Wood; brother, Thomas E. Reigle. Memorial Services will be privately held per their wishes. Donations in their name can be made to Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Ralph Compton Sr.

Ralph Compton Sr. - age 88, died December 31, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Rhonda Schumacher

Rhonda Schumacher - age 56, died December 31, 2020. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Susan Morey

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Terry Flowers

Terry Flowers - age 76, died January 5, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Kevin James House

1956 - 2020

Kevin James House - age 64, of Byron, died Wednesday, December 30, 2020 at his home. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Kidney Fund. Kevin was born May 29, 1956 in Flint, the son of Miles Howard and Shirley Ann (Little) House. He is survived by his brother, Miles Kenneth (Terri) House of Byron; sisters, Carey Lea Green of Dodge City and Lisa Kay (Bruce) Lovett of Linden; son, Corey; special friends, John Nelson and Kim Messenger. He was preceded in death by his parents and niece, Jamie Lynn House. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Thomas Purcell

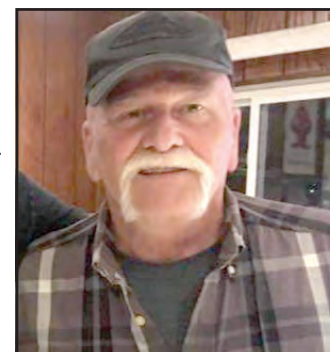
Thomas Purcell - age 72, died January 3, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Kenneth R. Church

1951 - 2021

Kenneth R. Church - age 69, of Holly, died Wednesday, January 6, 2021. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM Friday, January 15, 2021 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly with Rev.



James Garfield officiating. Due to Covid restrictions, immediate family only. Burial will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Holly. Visitation with social distancing will be from 4 - 8 PM Thursday, January 14. Mr. Church was born in Flint on August 31, 1951 to Landon and Ann (Bukosky) Church. He was a Vietnam War veteran, serving in the US Marine Corp. He was the former owner of Church's Insulation and was a member of the Holly Masonic Lodge,

Holly Moose, Eagles, and MIRC. Ken had a giving heart, loved his family and friends, going up north, and riding motorcycles. He was preceded in death by his wife Janet and is survived by two children, Cheri (Rick) Roberts and Kenneth (Melissa) Church Jr.; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; three brothers, Jerry (Marie) Church, Ron (Sandy) Church, and Jim Church; two sisters, Sherry Lynn Church and Shirley Jeffrey; and step- sister, Ethel Bukosky; many nieces and nephews. Special Thanks to Sheila at Absolute Hospice. Memorial donations may be given to the family. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.


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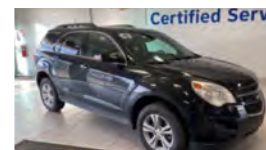
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