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■ Watch the full video about online predators on the Genesee County Sheriff's Office YouTube

By Hannah Ball

This is Part II of a two-part series. Part I was published Sunday, Feb. 14.

The third predator was a man in his 30s. In his confession, he told police that he watches porn in which a girl just turns 16 years old. Dwyre said generally, men are more stimulated in a visual way, and porn feeds that.

Women generally are not addicted to porn like men are, Dwyre said, and this is why men will send

women photos because they think it will excite them.

"The driving force is their own sexual desires that have consumed them in such a way that they're willing to commit crimes to meet their own sexual gratifications," Dwyre said.

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“He is essentially the worst sexual predator that we’ve had in our lifetime in the state of Michigan.”

Dave Dwyre

Former Genesee County deputy, former investigator into Michigan State University case of Larry Nassar



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Linden Planning Commission votes not to recommend gas station rezoning

■ Beacon & Bridge rezoning request goes to Linden City Council for vote

By Hannah Ball

The Linden Planning Commission voted not to recommend approval for a conditional rezoning request for Beacon & Bridge gas station and convenience store on Thursday, Feb. 11.

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“Aesthetically, it’s definitely not what we’re looking for in the master plan of our downtown.”

Daniel Cusson

Linden planning commissioner

SNOW MUCH FUN



Leslie Fantin (left) and Lia Goodell, both of Fraser, traveled approximately an hour with two other friends to go sledding on the hill at the Linden County Park on Monday, Feb. 15. On Monday night, the tri-county area received 6 to 8 inches of snow, with some areas receiving more. Photo: Hannah Ball

Water main breaks in Fenton

■ Boil water advisory was issued for area north of Dauner Road while water tested for bacteria

By Sharon Stone

Early Sunday morning, Feb. 14, Fenton Department of Public Works (DPW) workers responded to a water main break in the parking lot of VG's on N. LeRoy Street.

The water loss started around 10 p.m., Saturday. Stephen Guy, supervisor of the city's water plant, said there was a large rock next to the main and over time, it wore a hole in the side of the main until it gave way. He said these types of breaks are termed blowouts, and radial cracks are

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“I believe that all Democrats, Republicans and Independent voters of Tyrone Township, are united in their opposition to this rezoning proposal for the Capital Asphalt plant. If it passes, the entire Tyrone Township elected or appointed office holders will be recalled. We are a democracy, after all.”

“To the Fenton City water and police departments. Thank you for all your hard work and updates this past Sunday along North LeRoy. Thanks for bearing the freezing temperatures so we could have water.”

“Thank you city of Fenton for the plowed streets Tuesday morning following that big snowstorm. Township roads weren't really touched, but once you hit the city line, things improved.”





Mark McCabe
67th District Court
Ask the judge

Use of medical marijuana and probation

Defendants who have been convicted of criminal offenses and are placed on probation are subject to numerous conditions under Michigan's Probation Act.

One of the conditions can be not to use drugs.

In 2008, Michigan voters approved the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act (MMMA), which allows qualifying patients to be issued a medical marijuana card. They then may use marijuana legally and are not subject to being arrested, prosecuted, or penalized in any manner for such use.

Since the approval of this law, it has remained an open question as to whether sentencing judges may prohibit the use of medical marijuana by probationers who have cards or does the MMMA control?

In 2017, there was an unpublished non-precedential Michigan Court of Appeals decision, which held such a restriction was proper.

However, on Feb. 11, the Court of Appeals released its published precedent setting opinion in *People v Thue*, which gave a definitive answer.

In *Thue*, the defendant was placed on probation with one of the conditions being that he could not use marijuana, including medical

marijuana, even though he had a medical marijuana card. He sought to have this condition modified, was unsuccessful, and he appealed.

His argument was that this prohibition was in direct conflict with the MMMA and he potentially could be penalized for using medical marijuana by having his probation revoked.

The Appeals Court initially reviewed three prior Michigan Appellate Court decisions which held that the MMMA superseded or preempted other Michigan laws thus allowing cardholders: (1) to grow marijuana, (2) operate a motor vehicle with trace amounts of marijuana in their systems, and (3) to transport marijuana in a vehicle.

The court also observed that three other states (Arizona, Oregon and Pennsylvania) with laws similar to the MMMA, allow qualified probationers to use medical marijuana.

After considering everything, the court held that the MMMA preempted the Probation Act and a court may not prohibit the proper use of medical marijuana by probationers and revoking probation for such use is a "penalty."

The court also held that probation conditions may be imposed prohibiting the use of recreational marijuana and the improper use of medical marijuana.

Reportedly this decision will not be appealed.

This now is the law and judges will be guided accordingly.



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Center of Hope donates hundreds of coats to kids

■ Sheriff thanks directors of Fenton Center of Hope for work on Community Care Task Force

By Hannah Ball

Thanks to a grant and community support, the Fenton Center of Hope is donating hundreds of coats to children in need in and out of Genesee County.

During his weekly press briefing Wednesday, Feb. 10, Genesee County Sheriff Chris Swanson thanked Bob and Jennifer Strygulec, co-directors of Fenton Center of Hope (COH), for their work on the Community Care Task Force. He announced the COH applied for a grant and received \$11,000 to buy the coats, which will be given to kids at Flint schools, Richfield Academy and schools outside of Genesee County.

It's called Operation Warmth. Swanson said 600 coats in total will be donated.

Bob Strygulec, standing behind a pile of coats during the live stream, said, "We're truly honored to be here as part of this Community Care Task Force. It's showing the unity and the togetherness that we have here as roots in Genesee County."

He and Jennifer started Center of Hope four years ago. Their goal was to help people beyond only giving them food and physical resources.



Bob Strygulec, co-director of the Fenton Center of Hope, speaks during Sheriff Chris Swanson's weekly press briefing on Wednesday, Feb. 10 to announce that the Center of Hope is donating hundreds of coats to kids in need. Submitted photo

"People need jobs. People need encouragement. People need mentoring and life skills, all those kinds of things," Strygulec said. "We're trying to figure out the underlying root cause of this need ... we don't know how to solve everything. That's the cool thing about this Community Care Task Force. We've built relationships with people all around the county, other states."

"These coats sitting in front of me, that's a physical need we're taking care of. When we're able to give a coat to a young boy or a young girl in need ... they don't care where it came from, all they know is they are being loved. Our residents deserve it."

They should expect it. We serve a great community," he said. "We're looking forward to a great 2021 and See **COATS** on 5

“When we’re able to give a coat to a young boy or a young girl in need...they don’t care where it came from, all they know is they are being loved.”

Bob Strygulec
Fenton Center of Hope co-director

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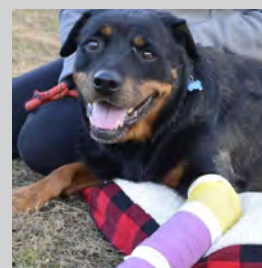


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Sharin' the spotlight It is really cold outside

By Editor Sharon Stone

Now that we are no longer carting young hockey players all across Michigan and the entire Great Lakes region, I've gotten soft — to the cold.

My 90-year-old mom asks me every time it snows, "Why does it have to snow?" And every time I tell her it's Michigan and it's winter. For years, we sat in freezing cold ice rinks watching youth hockey, drove through blizzards and relied on hot coffee to keep our hands warm. But those days are over, at least until our grandkids possibly play hockey and then the fun will start over again.

But now, I find myself using my remote car starter so that it's toasty warm when I get in.

With it being single digits outdoors right now, I give kudos to those whose jobs require them to be outside for extended periods of time. I wrote about postal delivery workers a few weeks ago and I'm sure they're accustomed to the weather. Yesterday, on Valentine's Day, city of Fenton workers responded to a water main break near Dauner Road, at the north end of the city. They worked through the bitter cold to repair the line so that residents and businesses

could use their tap water. The Times will have an update in this issue as to what happened and the subsequent boil water alert for 48 hours to ensure bacteria is gone from the water.

Thinking about others who work outdoors this time of year include utility workers who might have to restore power to an area. It also includes our police officers, firefighters, EMTs and paramedics, tow truck drivers, all who respond to any emergency regardless of weather conditions.

While we bundle up just to roll our recycle or trash bins to the road, remember to drive cautiously past crews that are out picking up our discarded items. My

hands feel frozen just thinking about it. Most of the time, the drivers can use the automated lifter to dump your bins into the truck, but there's those times when they are forced to be in the snow to lift extra trash and throw it in the truck.

There's also the snow plow drivers who work around the clock to keep our roads and parking lots clear of snow. It's unfortunate that when it's too cold, salt doesn't melt the snow and ice.

While the kids are having fun sledding down hills or snowboarding over at Mt. Holly, I'll be joyfully watching from inside as my neighbors' kids are playing on their ice rink on the lake.

Stay warm everyone, and thank you to all our workers who are providing services for us during a Michigan winter.



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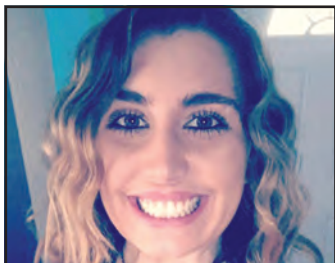
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THE ANTI-TRUMP Republicans sure showed their true colors in the latest farce of an impeachment trial. The seven who voted to impeach him need to change parties as they are clearly Democrats in Republican clothing. Shame on all of them.

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WAKE UP. FENTON Township (GCRC) if no houses are on the left side of a street push the snow to that side, why throw it in the driveways.

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

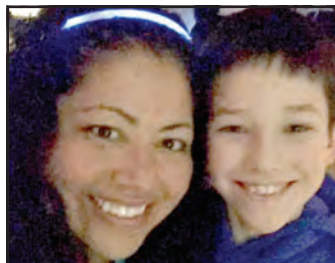
What's your best advice for driving in winter weather?

streettalk



"Take your time and keep it slow. Getting anywhere in a hurry is not worth anyone's life. Do not pay attention to fast drivers or people trying to break your concentration because they are in a hurry. Slow and steady wins the race."

Chelsea Lizzet, Waterford



"Stay off U.S. 23 between Center Road and I-69 during any kind of precipitation."

Becky Duncan
Swartz Creek



"Go into an empty parking lot and do some donuts to get used to sliding and practice."

Michele Hornung
Holly



"Never slam on the brakes, lightly tap on them. Stay calm and distraction free."

Amanda Wickard
Fenton



"Arrive alive! Take your time, turn your hazards...or drive under the limit. Four-wheel drive does not mean four-wheel stop. Tap breaks lightly, never slam. Pull off somewhere safe and breathe. You should never drive when stressed, crying, etc."

Madison Van Wolde, Linden

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE



'BODY' IS OLD HALLOWEEN DECORATION

At 1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 13, Fenton police responded to the 11000 block of Whispering Pines Trail in Tyrone Township for a possible medical emergency. A caller told police that they saw a body, possibly, in a tree. There was no rope and they thought they saw blood. Livingston County Sheriff's Office also was alerted. It turns out, the "body" was an old Halloween decoration from last fall. There were no injuries or medical situation.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

DO YOU THINK the U.S. should continue to be energy dependent, or should we return to relying on other countries?

THE LAST FIVE years or so have brought me to one clear conclusion — we could eliminate at least half of the U.S. House of Representatives and never miss them.

WE KNOW TRUTH still matters to the majority.

IF THE WIND turbines can freeze in Texas, cutting off power to millions of people, don't you think that same scenario could happen in Michigan? Plus, they are ugly and kill birds, which fall dead to the ground.

PREDATOR

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Dallas said the more they see porn, the more they want to act out these things, but they often don't want to do it with their loved ones. That can lead them to finding someone online.

The fourth predator they discussed was Larry Nassar, former USA Gymnastics national team doctor, former osteopathic physician, and former professor at Michigan State University, who sexually abused more than 260 young women.

He's a convicted serial rapist and child sex offender.

Dwyre, who was the chief of investigations at the attorney general's office and was in charge of the investigation into Michigan State University, interviewed Nassar.

"He is essentially the worst sexual predator that we've had in our lifetime in the state of Michigan," Dwyre said. "He horrifically sexually assaulted so so many."

Nassar was a narcissist, tried to control the room, and tried to minimize what he did by saying they were medical procedures.

"He's justifying his sexual misconduct by creating a unique, only-he-can-do, medical procedure," Dwyre said. Nassar was the same as the other predators except he had the ability to manipulate a large group of people through his position, and that he used hope to exploit people.

"Every one of those girls had dreams of being a Michigan State University gymnast, an Olympic gymnast. They had hope and he was a master at manipulating hope," Dwyre said. "He did it for his own sexual gratification. And he's where he belongs. Life in prison."

Nassar was sentenced to 300 years in state prison and 60 years in federal prison.

WHAT TO DO

Dwyre said one thing that can help young girls and other victims tell their parents if someone older sexually abuses them is mothers, aunts and older women being open about their own sexual assault experiences.

Dallas encouraged victims to seek therapy even if years have passed since the incident. She also said to teach kids that it's okay to be rude to people who request inappropriate things from them.

"Stop telling your children 'be nice, be polite,'" she said. "Everybody should have boundaries. Respect your child's boundaries. If a child tells you 'I don't feel right,' or 'I don't like being around this person,' respect it. Listen to it."

Swanson said they want these victims to feel like they have a voice. He encouraged people to listen to people around them, and to seek help if needed.

"Every day that predators aren't held accountable, they win," Swanson said. "That's why we're here. We're here to give you a voice and to protect people."

COATS

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doing even more this year."

The Community Care Task Force has delivered more than one million pounds of food to Genesee County residents during the pandemic. The COH has been a part of the task force since it began.

"It was because of their leadership that my own son Jordan delivered hundreds and hundreds bags of food in the north end without me asking him to do it. He saw the heart of the people, he's from the area, and as a father, as a dad, Jordan, if you're watching man, I love you for doing it," Swanson said.

On Wednesday, Feb. 10, Swanson also deputized dozens of more people into the Community Care Task Force, which is comprised of the security ministry, faith-based organizations, support services, and reserve uniform deputies.



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WATER MAIN

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caused by ground movement. “The cold was not the cause but cold usually causes ground movement, which aids in causing breaks,” he said.

The city of Fenton lost pressure in all area of the city north of Dauner Road. Contamination may have occurred.

The city issued a “boil water” advisory. A rescind order will be given after two consecutive test periods, 24 hours apart of negative bacteria, results have been received.

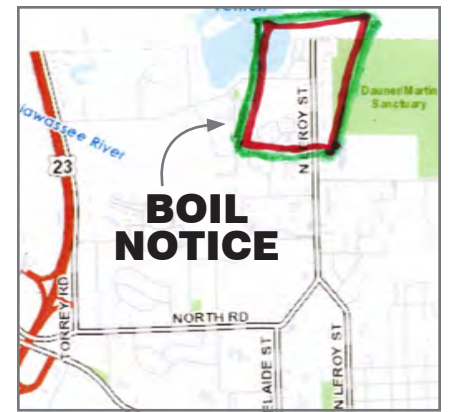
The boil water advisory urged residents to boil water before using it for drinking water. Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for one minute and let it cool before using — or use bottled water. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes, and preparing food. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water. Continue using boiled or bottled water until further notice.

The precautionary actions were being taken due to the loss of water pressure in the water distribution system caused by a water main break on Feb. 14. Whenever a water system loses pressure for any significant length of time, precautionary measures are recommended.

The Fenton water department worked to get pressure restored, and water staff took other remedial actions such as flushing and collecting bacteriological samples from around the system.

The repair was completed about 4:30 Sunday, Feb. 14, but rescind orders would take at least 48 hours.

Guy said a situation causing low pressure in the water pipes can potentially cause contamination due to backflow. The treated water carries a chlorine residual to allow disinfection



The map shows the area affected by a water main break Sunday, Feb. 14. Water loss began at approximately 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13. A boil water advisory was issued for this area while water was tested for bacteria.

of water that may enter the main during events such as a water main break. When breaks are repaired, the main is not shut down completely to keep positive pressure flowing so that a backflow situation does not take place.

During repair of the N. LeRoy Street water main, Guy said water did not stop flowing out during the repair but because there were calls of no water, the decision to issue a boil water alert was made.

The break that occurred was just north of the VG's south parking lot entrance. Anyone on the city of Fenton public water system north of that area on North Leroy St. and including, Glenwood Avenue and Pineview Drive were affected.

Those north of the break that were not affected are Fenton Estates, Fenton Commons Lane, the subdivision off S. Long Lake Road, Swanee Beach, Orchard Lake Drive and Appletree Lane. The water main for these areas comes from N. LeRoy St. but south of the break area.



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TYRONE TOWNSHIP AND nearby residents: Contact planning chair tyronetownship.us to voice your opinion on the proposed heavy industrial M2 permanent asphalt plant that was proposed last week.

WHY ARE MICHIGAN National Guard troops deployed to Washington D.C.? They could better serve the state back home, supporting COVID-19 vaccination

efforts. Why are they in D.C.?

EVER WONDER WHY only the Democrat-run states have mask mandates? People are moving out of Michigan at a faster rate than ever before. Look it up, it's true.

SHAME ON THE Senators who voted not to convict. Spineless. Playing politics instead of doing what's right for our country.

REZONING

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The request was to rezone the gas station and convenience store from CBD (central business district) zoning to GC (general commercial). CBD zoning does not allow gas stations, and GC does as a special land use. The gas station has been allowed to operate as a nonconforming structure under certain conditions.

The majority of the speakers, including members from the Planning Commission, Linden City Council and residents had issues with preliminary site plans submitted Dec. 31, 2020.

In these plans, the small building south of Beacon & Bridge would be demolished and the gas station, which is currently 2,240 square feet, would be 2,880 square feet and would be placed farther south on the property. They would have eight pump stations instead of four.

Beacon & Bridge previously submitted plans that were approved that would place the store in the northern part of the lot, and the gas pumps would be on the south portion.

Bob Eastman, owner of Beacon & Bridge, spoke at the meeting and said they changed the plans for safety reasons. Truck drivers told them it would be difficult to pull out onto the street if their vision was blocked by the convenience store.

"I have an obligation to my people, to the residents of Linden to conduct a safe operation. That's number one," he said, adding that they want the building on the south portion to give drivers more space to pull out onto the street.

Scott Nelson from Beacon & Bridge said they also wanted to add public bathrooms. Tom Taylor of Linden, who does CPA services for Beacon & Bridge, said numerous people who work for the company live in Linden and have a vested interest in making the building look good for downtown.

Multiple citizens said they preferred the original May 2020 plans that included the building on the north portion of the lot because currently, pulling in and out of the gas station can be difficult with the traffic at the intersection.

Mayor Danielle Cusson said she's been working with Beacon & Bridge and Eastman for several years in trying to get the underground gasoline leak remediated. She said that she helped

Beacon & Bridge secure a reduction in fines from the state because the cost would make it harder to do redevelopment. Cusson said it's disingenuous.

The proposed plan would also place a remediation trailer in front of the Linden Hotel, which would be there for five years. Multiple people said this would be an eyesore and not fair to the Linden Hotel.

City Planner Adam Young reviewed the plan through four criteria set in Section 154.030 of the City Zoning ordinance.

1. Whether the proposed rezoning is consistent with the goals, policies, and future land use map of the city's Master Plan. Young said the proposed plans did not meet this standard.

2. The compatibility of all the potential uses allowed in the proposed zoning district with surrounding land uses and zoning districts in terms of land suitability, impacts on the environment, density, and influence on property values. Young said the plans did not meet this standard.

Young said the previous plan approved in May 2020 was a "compromising approach," but these new plans don't make an attempt to conform to Linden's downtown character.

3. Whether any public services and facilities would be significantly adversely impacted by a development or use allowed under the requested rezoning. Consideration of impact on drains and roads is specifically required. Young said the plans met this standard. The new plans would result in the elimination of one driveway, which he thinks would be an improvement, and the onsite stormwater can be appropriately managed.

4. Whether the uses allowed under the proposed rezoning would be equally or better suited to the area than uses allowed under the current zoning of the land. Young said the plans did not meet this standard. He said allowing the expansion of an auto centric use is not consistent with the downtown character.

Young recommended the request be denied.

Planning Commissioner and City Councilor Brad Dick said safety concerns were addressed in the site plan layout, and they required Beacon & Bridge demonstrate that they can maneuver tanker trucks and semis in and

out of the site safely. They restricted fuel delivery to off hours, and allowed them to make left turns onto East Broad Street, which other vehicles are not permitted to do.

Dick said the Michigan Department of Transportation specifies that there should be no driveway within 130 feet of an intersection, and that it's safer to have the building on the north portion so the driveways can be farther away from the intersection. He's not in favor of putting the remediation trailer in front of the Linden Hotel, because it could block views and inhibit fire trucks coming and going.

Ray Culbert, planning commissioner and city councilor, agreed with Dick and said it's a "safety disaster waiting to happen" with the driveways and traffic flow at the gas station.

"It's not like safety was not on our minds originally ... There's no doubt in my mind that this does not meet current ordinance requirements," Culbert said.

Planning Commissioner Daniel Cusson said, "Aesthetically, it's definitely not what we're looking for in the master plan of our downtown," and that if

Eastman is about safety, then he would have made more of an effort to clean up the underground gas leak.

He doesn't want the remediation trailer placed in front of the Linden Hotel, and he doesn't like the way cars and trucks have to pull into the gas station.

The majority of the commission voted to deny the request, and Dick abstained. He said it can be appealed to the Linden Zoning Board of Appeals. Young said the decision will go before the Linden City Council at the next regular meeting on Monday, Feb. 22.

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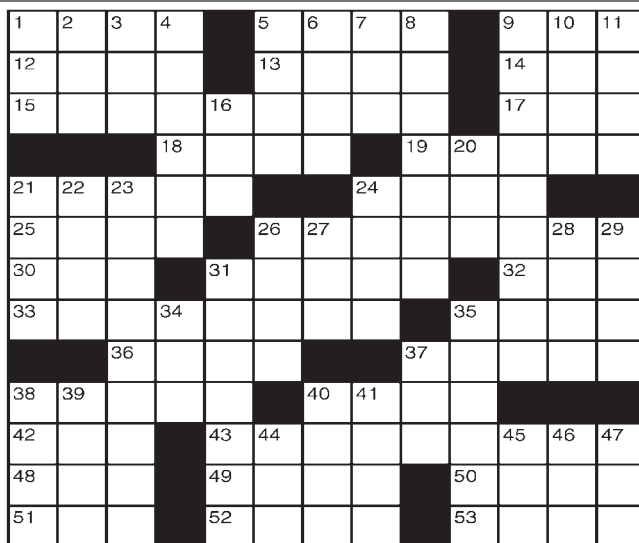
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- 30 Small battery
31 All better
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36 Seeing things
37 Tubular pasta
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40 Coffee, slangily
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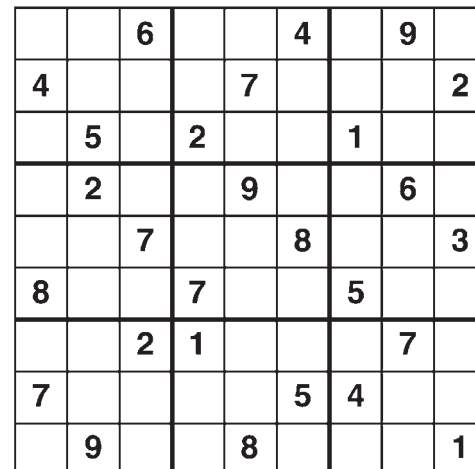
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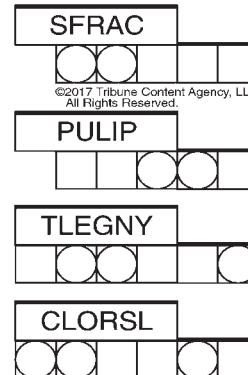
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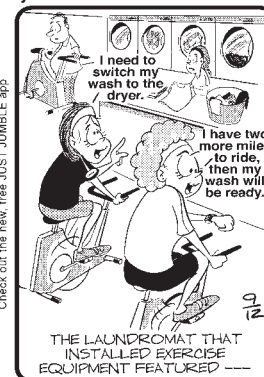
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Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, you are feeling ambitious this week, so it might be time to try a new hobby or other interest. Write down your goals and see if any align with potential hobbies.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, some nice surprises are likely to come your way, especially in your private life. Enjoy every moment as it unfolds and express your appreciation when applicable.

GEMINI

May 22/June 21

Gemini, you are likely to upstage everyone else this week because people simply cannot get enough of your magnetic personality. If you grow weary of the limelight, take a break.

CANCER

June 22/July 22

Cancer, clear your social schedule in favor of some quiet time at home. Such a respite can provide a great opportunity to reflect and make a new plan.

LEO

July 23/Aug 23

Leo, you have a goal to meet someone new and there's a good chance you will discover that person in the days to come. Accept the possibility that hopes and dreams can come true.

VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, friends often end up filling familial roles. Even though a person may not be related by blood, certain friends can be relied upon through thick and thin.

LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23

Even though the holidays are over you may still want to continue the celebration, Libra. Find a way to socialize with friends or family in a responsible manner.

SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you may be finished with the business that made last month hectic. Now you are ready to start a new chapter. A calm period is ahead.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, a potentially lucrative opportunity may present itself in the days to come. Consider all of your options and give equal thought to all of them.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, even if you don't say much, there is a lot of chatter going on in your head. Take some time to find a quiet place and meditate for a while.

AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18

Sometimes you just have to take a risk without vetting all of the possible outcomes, Aquarius. If it feels like it's a good time to make a change, embrace the opportunity.

PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20

This week is the ideal opportunity to show strength and exhibit your organizational skills, Pisces. Don't be afraid to think big.

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Mary Baker-Bauroth

1934 – 2021

Mary Baker-Bauroth – age 86, Shelby Township resident, passed away peacefully in her sleep Monday, February 8, 2021. Mary was born May 10, 1934 in Holly, to Claude and Cecelia Baker. She is preceded in death by her parents; and brothers, Stan and Jack Baker. Surviving Mary are her children, Cindy (Tony) Morales -AZ, Randy Bauroth – MI, Terri (Bill) Maham – IL, Linda Bauroth – CA and Cherry (Tom) Ebi – MI; her 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. Mary enjoyed crocheting, music, animals and the Detroit Tigers. A private ceremony will be held at a later date.



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Lake Fenton's Aubrey Fray drives to the bucket during the Blue Devils' win against Lapeer.

Photo: David Troppens

Blue Devils look in mid-season form vs. Lightning, 74-16

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton — One day can make all the difference in basketball sometimes.

It did for the Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team on Saturday.

After struggling to perfect their press and breaking offense in a 60-46 loss to Corunna on Friday night, about 18 hours later the Blue Devils scored 45 points in the first half and played the entire second half with the mercy

continuous clock in a 74-16 blowout of Lapeer at Lake Fenton High School.

"We recovered from yesterday," Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball coach Brian VanBuren said. "The difference between last night and today was night and day. We just fought a little bit more for the loose balls, for the jump balls and it makes a big difference. We were able to push the ball consistently. We did last night but we weren't able to get

easier shots. We pushed and got plenty of jump shots last night. Tonight we attacked the basket. We put 46 on the board yesterday. Was it great offense today compared to yesterday? No, it was just a little bit more made shots and we were getting into the paint."

The Blue Devils' pressing defense was a pain in Lapeer's side all night long. With Kerrigan Howdeshell leading the break after

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Sports Times

Eagles win season opener in 3 OT thriller vs. Holly

By David Troppens

Holly — No matter what may happen during this COVID-19 era of prep winter sports the rest of this young season, one thing is certain.

That thing is the Linden and Holly varsity girls basketball teams already have had a game they'll most likely never forget.

In what was the first game of the season for both teams, the tri-county rivals battled three overtimes before Linden eventually left Holly High School with a 75-69 victory Friday night.

In a game that had its share of thrilling moments, the final pivotal play of the competition came about 45 seconds after Holly's Paige Weeder cut Linden's lead to just 67-66 during the third extra session. After that both teams turned the ball over before Linden's Paige Leedle hit the most defining bucket of the game, a three-pointer with 1:10 left in the third OT giving the Eagles a 70-66 lead. If that bucket didn't do it then it was Olivia Mawhinney's steal that resulted in her own layup, giving Linden a 72-66 lead with less than a minute remaining. From that point, Holly was never within a possession of tying the contest.

"It was like a weight lifted off my body," Leedle said after making the trey. "I was so happy and it was really exciting."

"She's a captain now," Linden varsity girls basketball coach Zack Darling said. "She's a great player when

she plays within herself. She's going to be a big-time player for us and she showed it tonight. She had an awesome game tonight."

Obviously, the three overtime sessions made it a memorable contest for all involved.

"I have never been part of one," Darling said. "It was an experience like none other. I commend our girls for gutting it out and Holly's girls for gutting it out. ... Both teams came out after a super long break before the season and seeing both teams able to gut it out like that was amazing."

"We learned we are going to fight like crazy," Holly varsity girls basketball coach Ben Varner said. "They played hard. That's my main thing, as long as these kids play hard like that we can win."

It also was special for the Eagles because it was the first time any varsity player in Linden's program had ever beat the Bronchos.

"We came out really confident and being tied made us work harder," Leedle said. "Having a great bench made



Holly's Makenna McGee (left) tries to dribble by Linden's Mallory Ross. Photo: Christopher Summers

us work harder. We haven't been in a triple overtime game before and we haven't beat Holly in such a long time so the feeling was so rewarding when we won."

"For us to get a win like that, it's a turning point for the program," Darling said. "And that's one of the things I preach to them is we are not the same

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Fenton's Kendra Ryan (right) won her 100th match on Friday.

Ryan wins 100th match of career in first Fenton event

By David Troppens

It was a solid start for the Fenton varsity wrestling team and a day to remember for Kendra Ryan.

The Tigers won two of their three duals in Fenton's first event of the season. Meanwhile, Ryan captured her 100th career win during the event as well.

Fenton edged out Croswell-Lexington 37-35, crushed Groves 67-12 and lost to Romeo 51-21

The Tigers had two wrestlers finish with 3-0 days. They were Phillip Lamka (152) and Login Fuller (189). Lamka earned three pinfall wins with one being completed in just 18 seconds. Fuller earned his wins in the opposite direction. All of his wins were rough decision victories. Six Tigers ended the day with 2-1 records. One of them was Ryan (112) who recorded her 100th win during the day.

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Tigers fall to Kettering in home opener, 64-52

By Dale Smith

Fenton — On a cold and snowy Saturday afternoon, the Fenton boys basketball team played its home opener less than 24 hours after beating the Swartz Creek Dragons Friday night in Swartz Creek, 61-49. Though tired, they played hard and held serve with the visiting Waterford Kettering Captains before falling, 64-52.

Kettering opened the game with two quick threes in the first couple minutes while also employing a full-court press. The Tigers were successful in beating the press and bounced back to lead 10-9 with 3:54 left in the quarter. The Captains then used a mini 4-0 run to lead 13-10 at the end of the quarter.

Five quick Kettering points in the second stanza made it 18-10 at the 7:05 mark. Fenton's Seth Logan was fouled on a 3-point attempt. He made all three of the markers to close it to 26-20 with just under two minutes left in the half. A late steal by the Tigers'

Brendan Alvord then led to a layup from Ja'Hion Bond. Fenton trailed 31-25 at the break.

Kettering led 41-29 late in the third before an "and one" courtesy of Gavin Shepherd with 20.8 seconds left cut the lead to nine at 41-32 before a last second basket from the Captains made the lead 11 with eight minutes to go.

Two free throws from Fenton sophomore, Justin Banura, cut the lead to 49-42 at the 4:10 mark of the period. Bond then fouled out with 3:49 left and the Tigers would pull no closer.

Starting only two seniors, Dylan Davidson and Noah Sage, Fenton will experience a few bumps in the road early on as can be expected with such a young squad. Fellow starters Seth Logan and Connor Luck are juniors and Bond is only a freshman.

Bond had a good game to begin his career at the Jungle. The lanky guard had nine points, including one from behind the arc. "We

were kinda' tired from the game yesterday. We have to pick it up more on defense and on offense move the ball more," Bond said. He also added six rebounds and a steal.

Logan led the Tigers on the scoreboard with 14 points. He hit three 3-pointers and was a perfect 3 for 3 at the charity stripe. Logan gave appropriate kudos to Kettering's outstanding guard, Bennie Crenshaw, who led all scorers with 34 points.

"Crenshaw is a great player. We came into the game and thought we had a pretty good chance to win the game. We played hard. We had a lot of effort. We are a young team and we will keep getting better and better. We learned that we just got to keep playing hard. Shots aren't going to fall every day," said Logan.

Tigers' coach Chad Logan noted the problems that Crenshaw caused his team defensively.

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Fenton's Ja'Hion Bond attempts a shot against Lapeer. Bond scored 10 points in the loss against Waterford Kettering, 64-53. Photo: Dale Smith

Blue Devils begin Szczepanski era, Lake Fenton falls to Corunna, 55-44

By David Troppens

The start of the Tyler Szczepanski era for the Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team started out pretty well Friday.

The Blue Devils led 30-27 at halftime during a road contest against Corunna.

The Cavaliers made sure the second half wasn't quite as bright as Corunna held Lake Fenton to 14 second-half points, including just four in the third quarter, resulting in a 55-44 loss.

Despite the loss, in this COVID era, Szczepanski couldn't be too upset. Just getting to finally play felt like a victory.

"Obviously this was our first game

together as a team, and Corunna played two games earlier this week so they had a little experience," Szczepanski said. "For us it was a matter of getting back out there for the first time in a long time. But I was just so glad and thankful to see our guys on the floor because they've been working and we've been trying to do this for a long time. Just seeing them on the floor was a very good feeling."

Lake Fenton started out well. Francis Senter scored six first-quarter points, helping the Blue Devils earn a 13-10 first-quarter lead.

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Linden team. We are a team that has to be confident. We are a team that is not going to go out and learn to lose. We are learning to win. We are changing the culture like we said last year and it's really starting to set. We are more of a family than

ever."

Linden never trailed during regulation, but Holly was always competitive despite not having the lead. Linden never led by more than eight points, but that did happen in the fourth quarter at 42-34 after Jordan Peterson converted two free throws with 7:19 remaining in regulation.

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Tigers capture victory in opener vs. Creek

It was a great start for the Fenton varsity boys basketball team Friday night.

The Tigers were able to travel to Swartz Creek and pull off a pretty impressive 61-49 road league victory in

their first game of the season.

"We were incredibly inexperienced at the varsity level and I didn't know what to expect," Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Chad Logan said.

LF girls start slow, fall to Corunna, 60-46

The Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team had a cold start in the first quarter of the squad's first game.

That slow start may have cost the

Blue Devils the victory.

Lake Fenton was outscored 17-6 in the first quarter and lost a 60-46 road verdict against Corunna.

Griffins split weekend hockey contests

It was a busy first week of the regular season for the Fenton/Linden co-op hockey squad. The Griffins ended up playing three games in four days.

After losing a tough 4-3 verdict to

Oxford/Avondale in the team's season opener, the squad lost a 5-3 contest against the FNV Griffins on Friday but then bounced back to earn a 4-3 victory against Troy United on Saturday.

Linden wrestlers win dual under the spotlight

The long wait ended for the Linden varsity wrestling team Friday.

The Eagles' wait for the start of the season ended when Linden hosted Tra-

verse City Central in a dual under the spotlight.

The Eagles defeated Traverse City Central 39-33.

Kutchey era begins with impressive victory vs. Swartz Creek Dragons

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity girls basketball team gave its first-year head coach Don Kutchey a first-game to remember.

The Tigers dominated Swartz Creek, earning an overwhelming 61-19 road victory against the Dragons.

Kutchey has been a part of the girls basketball program at various levels for the last 20 years and has actually coached two varsity games in emergency situations in the past. He held a 2-0 record in those games, so now he has his first official victory as the permanent head coach.

Fenton scored the game's first 20 points, and those 20 points were enough to already earn the victory since the Dragons only scored 19 in the contest.

Any chance of Swartz Creek making a comeback of any sort ended in the second quarter as the Tigers took a 33-12 lead into halftime. That lead grew to 52-15 entering the final eight minutes.

Korryn Smith had a big game for the Tigers, netting a game-high 15 points on 7-of-10 shooting. She also had eight steals and seven assists. Kaleigh Shaker had 11 points and three assists. Many others had big games. Maggie Lutz provided eight points and two assists while Sophia Hense netted seven points and three rebounds. Kyla Lynch netted six points while Mallory Lehmann and Allie Brown had four points each. Brooklyn Turner netted nine points to pace the Dragons.

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steals off the press, Lake Fenton made smart decisions consistently. And when they had to go to their halfcourt offense, they got great shots as well. The results were Lake Fenton converting 17-of-39 shots in the first half, with six of those field goals being three-pointers while only turning the ball over

twice during the first 16 minutes.

Lake Fenton scored the first 13 points of the game and did it in less than three minutes. Four different Blue Devils (Christina Lamb hit a trey and Howdeshell, Savanah Fellenbaum and Macy Phillips hit two-point buckets) scored Lake Fenton's first four buckets.

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Lake Fenton's Amaya Smith drives to the bucket during the Blue Devils' win against Lapeer. Photo: David Troppens

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lead the LFLF squad to the victory. Temrowski's score counted for all four events. She also had a 9.0 on the floor and a 9.075 on the vault.

Apryl Smith had a big day, posting a 9.20 on the vault, a 9.275 on the floor while also having scoring performances in the other two events.

Lauren Hayden recorded a 9.0 on the vault, a 9.1 on the floor and a 9.2 on the beam. She also had a counting score on the bars.

Avery Miller recorded an 8.925 on the vault and also had counting scores in two other events. Natasha Dudin had a team scoring performance on the floor.

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BOYS BOWLING

► **Kearsley 25, Fenton 5:** Tate Temrowski had a 226-288-514 series. He entered the 10th frame with a potential perfect game. Nathan Dymond had a 202 game. The Tigers won the second Baker Game 236-135.

► **Flushing 28, Holly 2:** Sean Dankert led the Bronchos with a 172-225-397 series while Ryan Sparklin had a 202 game.

► **Kearsley 29, Linden 1:** Brendyn Sinn led the Eagles with a 169-134-303 series.

► **Fenton 22, Goodrich 8:** The Tigers were paced by Tate Temrowski's 183-

233-416. Jake Durant (213) and Peyton Jackson (200) also had 200 games. The Tigers won the first Baker Game 193-150.

► **Clio 21, Holly 9:** Justin Mallory bowled a 245-165-410 two-game series while Ryan Sparklin had a 184-177-361 series. The Bronchos also won the first Baker game 201-177.

► **Goodrich 23, Linden 7:** Austin Huych led the Eagles with a 179-166-345 series.

► **Corunna 16, Fenton 14:** Tate Temrowski led the Tigers with a 216-158-374 series. Nathan Dymond had a 182 game while Peyton Jackson bowled a 180 game. The Tigers won

the second Baker game 158-143.

GIRLS BOWLING

► **Kearsley 29, Linden 1:** Cassie Most had a two-game series of 145-149-294, while Lilly Herbst had the team's best game, rolling a 156.

► **Goodrich 20, Fenton 10:** Bree Soule led the Tigers with a 123-168-291. The team also won one of the Baker games 123-117.

► **Clio 18, Holly 12:** Emily Sorter led the Bronchos with a 199-159-358 two-game series. Kaitlyn Allison had the team's top game, bowling a 165. Holly tied the first Baker game 127-127 and won the second 117-113.

► **Goodrich 23, Linden 7:** Cassie Most led the Eagles with a 182-137-319 two-game series while Desiree Lane bowled a 159 game. The Eagles also won the first Baker game 111-109.

► **Corunna 22, Fenton 8:** Jena Fijolek led Fenton with a 131-174-305 series while Bree Soule had a 156 game.

► **Kearsley 30, Fenton 0:** Bree Soule bowled a 176 game for the Tigers.

► **Flushing 28, Holly 2:** Emily Sorter bowled a 214 game for the Bronchos.

► **Owosso 17, Linden 13:** Cassie Most led the Eagles with a 127-173-300 series. The Eagles also won the second Baker Game 126-119.

CITY OF FENTON

NOTICE OF MARCH 2021 BOARD OF REVIEW

301 South Leroy Street,
Fenton, Michigan 48430-2196 .
(810) 629-2261, FAX (810) 629-2004

Please take notice that the City of Fenton 2021 March Board of Review will be held **electronically** at the dates and times provided in this Notice. This meeting is being held electronically, pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Act 267 of 1976, et seq. The 2021 March Board of Review is being held electronically to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and protect the public health. All members are attending remotely.

1. The purpose of the 2021 March Board of Review is to review the assessment roll and make changes thereto, to hear taxpayer appeals, and to conduct any other minimum basic operations within its authority.

2. The public may participate in the meeting through electronic participation using Zoom, including providing public comment, by online electronic conferencing and telephone. To download Zoom, go to the following link: <https://zoom.us/support/download>. On a computer or laptop you may also choose to join the meeting through a web browser without downloading the Zoom app. For more help on signing in and joining a meeting, please view the following: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-Meeting>. Joining the meeting via telephone does not require a smartphone or downloading the Zoom application.

3. The 2021 March Board of Review will meet at the following dates and times. The public can access any meeting through its corresponding link and access code/password.

PLEASE BE ADVISED EACH MEETING HAS A DISTINCTIVE LINK, MEETING ID AND CODE/PASSWORD

March 1st • 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
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Meeting ID: 872 8477 5648
Access Code/Passcode: 415123

March 2nd • 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
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March 3rd • 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
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Meeting ID: 810 1261 7060
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March 15th • 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Zoom Link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88058343918?pwd=alp6MWdrblBpZ29jamZOb0Jrem1GZz09>

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4. Members of the public may ask questions or provide input or comments prior to the meeting by submitting such questions, input, or comments to the City Clerk by email or by calling, at jkienast@cityoffenton.org or (810) 629-2261. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Clerk at the email or telephone number provided herein at least six (6) hours in advance of the meeting to request such assistance, or by using the Michigan Relay Center at 7-1-1 (TDD) before the meeting.

5. Further information and materials related to this meeting can be found on the City's website at www.cityoffenton.org.

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