Fenton considers August ballot question

■ Minimum \$20 million bonding for road improvements to be discussed during April work session

By Sharon Stone

A November 2018 road millage increase proposal for the city of Fenton, which would have brought in \$2,050,000 per year, failed by a vote of 775 to 743. Had this millage passed, homeowners would have been levied

5 mills of their property's taxable federal aid. value for the next 10 years.

It's now March 2021 and roads designated as local, and many major streets/roads, have continued to deteriorate with the exception of streets that are classified as those eligible for

In a memo to Fenton City Council, Fenton City Manager Lynn Markland said he began last year working with the city's financial consultant, Paul Stauder, managing director of See BALLOT on 10

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Summary of proposed bonding alternatives can be found on page 31 of the PDF included online with this article.





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Fenton City considers water/ sewer increase

Study suggests rate increase necessary to keep pace with operating and capital expenditures

By Sharon Stone

Fenton City Council is considering a rate increase for water and sewer usage.

In a Feb. 24 memo from Jon Satkowiak Jr., city treasurer, to Lynn Markland, Fenton city manager, he said that in December 2020, they invited Paul Stauder, managing director of PFM Financial Advisors, LLC, to discuss the findings of the city's Water and Sewer Rate Study that was conducted.

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Pay It Forward helps local family



(Left) Denise Marks and Nicki Wildeman, members of Linden Pay It Forward, present the Hunter family with a check for \$5,000 on Thursday, March 4. Standing next to Wildeman is Sophia Hunter. Chris Hunter. Seth Hunter and Michele Dunham. See story on Page 3. Photo: Hannah Ball



G I fully agree and support grocery store workers being at the front of the line to receive COVID-19 vaccinations. Thank you

all; your continued service and professionalism on the front lines of the pandemic are admirable. Can't think of a more deserving profession to receive the vaccinations."



66 Many thanks to the sheriffs' deputies and medical person-

nel inoculating people at LFHS last Saturday Feb. 27. Great job by all, well done.

MDHHS expands capacity limits

\$1.00

Expanded visitation for residential care facilities restaurants can allow 50-percent capacity, 11 p.m. curfew

On Tuesday, March 2, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) updated two of its epidemic orders, allowing for increased capacity limits at various venues, larger residential and nonresidential gatherings and expanded visitation opportunities at residential care facilities.

"As we continue our vaccine rollout and make steady progress against the virus, we are taking additional incremental steps to re-engage to ensure we are protecting our families and frontline workers and saving lives," said See CAPACITY on 25



I love the Hot-liner's idea of a parking ramp in downtown Fenton. Just make it







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Pay It Forward helps local family

■Argentine Township family expects medical bills to reach \$50,000 for mom battling cancer

By Hannah Ball

Linden Pay It Forward is helping an Argentine Township family pay mounting medical bills while a wife and mother battles stage four stomach cancer.

The Hunter family, which consists of Jen and Chris Hunter and their three teenagers, are juggling school, medical issues and bills they expect to reach \$50,000. Linden Pay It Forward donated \$5,000 to the family, and the organization is hoping the community will help, too.

Jen Hunter worked at Ascension Genesys as a certified registered nurse anesthetist prior to being diagnosed with stage four stomach cancer August 2019. Her husband, Chris, said this was one month after moving into their house. Jen is also facing postoperative complications.

"It was devastating and scary at the same time. Not only were we facing the unknown in regards to Jen's health, we were also worried that we could lose our home," Chris said.

Jen has been in and out of the hospital



Denise Marks, president of Linden Pay It Forward, hugs Chris Hunter, an Argentine Township resident, after she presented him with a check for \$5,000 to help with medical bills. Photo: Hannah Ball

for more than a year and a half.

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"After a 44 day stay at the hospital, she is finally at home with nurse visits a few times a week," Chris said. "She is unable to eat or drink and is receiving her nutrition and antibiotics intravenously."

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4 Please continue to pray and know that we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. 77

> **Chris Hunter** Argentine Township resident



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A message from the superintendent

Russ Ciesielski

Linden

Community

Schools

What is Esports? Why would we encourage our students to play video games after school? Is there a benefit to having a school sponsored Esports team for students? These are questions Linden Community Schools asked last year when students began showing interest in creating a team. We soon found ourselves answering these questions and more as we ventured into the wide world of Esports.

Esports is a fast growing competitive video gaming profession involving a variety of careers. Players at the professional level are playing in front of sold out stadiums, generating millions of dollars for the Esports industry. At the high school level, Esports is a growing community of gamers looking for an opportunity to show their skills in a wide variety of games such as League of Legends, Rocket League and Smash Bros Ultimate. And, did you know that over 280 colleges feature Esports scholarship programs?

Why would we encourage students to join a team?

The number one reason Linden High School started its team is to

Esports

provide students with an opportunity to build new relationships with their peers and to promote collaboration and teamwork. Esports also has increased interest that students have in STEAM (Science, Tech, Engineering, Arts, Math) curriculums.

Through Esports, our players have been able to boost their strategic thinksuperintendent ing, teamwork, communication skills, leadership, and confidence.

> Other benefits of starting an Esports team included promoting a positive school connection and en

couraging our students to maintain a successful academic standard. Esports provides a safe environment for students to learn how to persevere through different levels of adversity, and has allowed our students the opportunity to explore a wider range of careers in engineering, computer sciences, aviation and more.

We are in our second year of running our Esports program, and it continues to grow as more students are getting involved. Linden is working with other schools in our area to help develop new programs and to create a safe community for our students to compete and learn.

If you would like more information on how to get involved with the Linden Eagles Esports team, please contact Linden High School at (810) 591-0410.



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

What's your favorite way to relax?



"To relax sitting on my bed and watching television. Enjoy watching 1980s movies on DVR and Netflix!"

Ann Rogulsky Fenton



"Raised garden evenings in spring and summer, or back road drives if it's not too crappy weather. Fishing is pretty relaxing too."

Carrie Bard Fenton



"A comfortable pair of pajamas, yummy snacks, and a few good movies!

Emma Ziraldo Fenton

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ONLY AN IDIOT would cut off oil from an ally and buy it from an enemy who calls for your death at their morning prayers.

I WOULD LOVE to see more coverage of the Fenton Linden hockey team. The coach and his team have been working so hard since the start of the season. They also have two juniors who are doing amazing and leading the team this season. Great job to the Griffins.

I CANNOT BELIEVE that I'm living in a world that is reassigning the gender of a plastic potato.

SO WHY DID the state of Michigan's ex-health director get a \$155,500 payout and four-page confidential agreement with Gov. Whitmer? Why? We taxpayers are paying for all of this and we demand to know what is going on. What are they covering up about their COVID orders?

REGARDING TURNING THE former Red Fox building into an event center and the problem with parking. What about a parking ramp/garage at an existing parking lot. Has that been researched?

street talk



"Studying eschotology and apologetics before dozing off each night. 'Be ready to give and answer for what you believe.""

Paul Anibal Fenton

Boil water advisory issued again

Water main break on N. LeRoy Street affects approximately 60 properties

By Sharon Stone

On Wednesday afternoon, March 3, some city of Fenton residents and businesses were affected by a water main break. The areas of N. LeRoy Street from address 1367 north to 1580, Glenwood Avenue, Glenwood condos and Pinewood Drive were advised to boil water before using.

Stephen Guy, water department supervisor, issued the boil water advisory for 48 hours. The break was fixed by 7 p.m. on Wednesday, but the city issued a boil water notice for a limited area.

Due to a drop in pressure in the Fenton water supply, bacterial contamination may have occurred in the water system. Bacteria are generally not harmful and are common throughout our environment. Approximately three hours of correction measures were undertaken to fix the break.

The Fenton water department



This map outlines the area of Fenton City that is affected by a water main break March 3. A boil water advisory was issued for 24 hours.

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

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Lakeland inmates raise \$2,000 for Genesee County

■IGNITE program allows Genesee County Jail inmates to learn while incarcerated

By Hannah Ball

Inmates of other Michigan jails are taking notice of the IGNITE Program in Genesee County.

IGNITE stands for Inmate Growth Naturally and Intentionally Through Education.

Genesee County Sheriff Chris Swanson announced Wednesday, March 3 that inmates at Lakeland Correctional Facility in Branch County raised \$2,000 for the IGNITE program.

In Coldwater, standing across the street from Lakeland Correctional Facility, Swanson said, "This gives me great pleasure. This has never been done in the state of Michigan,"

IGNITE, which began in Genesee County in September 2020, makes it possible for inmates to study and take different courses in dozens of different subjects, which will help them obtain employment after their sentence.

"It's a program that changes the culture of what we do inside our jail," Swanson said, adding that incarceration is a generational issue and giving them the tools to learn while incarcerated will help them once their sentence is complete.

The purpose of IGNITE is, "Not to make them better inmates, but better people so they don't go back and repeat," he said. "When that happens, all of us win."

In the county jail in Flint, more than 350 out of the 580 inmates are enrolled in the IGNITE program.

Standing with Swanson was Matt Saxton, former Calhoun County sheriff and current executive director of the Michigan Sheriffs Association.

"If we as chiefs aren't giving the opportunities within our 80 jails in the state of Michigan for those inmates to improve themselves while they're with us, we're not doing the right thing. This program is an amazing process to give everybody an opportunity to be successful within their communities. If we don't embrace that as sheriffs and as MSA, we're doing the wrong thing," Saxton said. The IGNITE Program also has the attention of the National Sheriffs Association, which represents more than 3,000 sheriff organizations across the country.

About two months ago, Swanson was contacted by Lakeland. At this correctional facility, there are 500 inmates, and each cell block has a representative that meets regularly with the warden.

"They've seen what we do in Genesee County. They saw what we're doing with IGNITE," Swanson said.

In the last two months, 14 people have left the Genesee County Jail and are now in full-time employment after going through the IGNITE program. Swanson said these people work at different places making more than minimum wage.

The inmates at Lakeland raised \$2,000 for the Genesee County IGNITE program, which was presented to the Genesee County Ambassadors.

Johnell Allen-Bey of the Genesee County Ambassadors, who served time at Lakeland more than a decade ago and attended on Wednesday, said, "this is surreal for me."

In 2005, he was in that jail, looking out, wondering if he'd ever get a chance to be out of jail. Allen said the \$2,000 the inmates raised is more like \$20,000 in jail.

"That's how impactful this moment is here," he said. "It's all about unifying a community. It's about coming together collectively."

They're working to make sure that these inmates know that they have support for the rest of their lives.

Percy Glover, another Genesee County Ambassador, said, "I am so excited to be a part of the culture change." Glover announced that this coming fall, Mott Community College will teach classes to Genesee County inmates virtually and in person.

"That is historic. For residents to be inside a jail, to improve themselves during their stay, to destroy that generational incarceration, to destroy recidivism is awesome," he said. "Being a part of that is incredible for me."

Starting this next week, Genesee County inmates can also take financial literacy classes.

COVID cases plummet in U.S. nursing homes

We must continue

to encourage folks

to get vaccinated.

especially caregivers

and staff. 77

Mark Parkinson

AHCA/NCAL president and CEO

■82 percent decline nationwide indicates vaccines are working

Nursing homes in the U.S. have seen the lowest number of new COVID cases since May 2020, suggesting that the vaccines are working.

The American Health Care Association and National Center for Assist-

ed Living (AHCA/ NCAL), representing more than 14,000 nursing homes and long term care facilities across the country that provide care to approximately five million people each year, released a report Wednesday,

March 3 showing nursing homes in the U.S. have seen the lowest number of new COVID cases since the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) started tracking back in May 2020.

According to Bridge Michigan article on Feb. 23, widespread vaccinations at Michigan's nursing homes and other long-term care facilities for senior citizens have helped cause a steep decline in coronavirus cases. Among Michigan nursing home residents, the drop is massive — a 91 percent decrease in weekly coronavirus cases from Dec. 28, 2020 until Monday, Feb. 22.

Recent CMS data shows that nursing homes have seen an 82-percent decline in new COVID cases among residents since the peak during the week of December 20, 2020 when there were more than 30,000 new resident cases. In the same period of time, community cases in the general population dropped by 46 percent, showcasing that vaccines are having an impact in protecting the elderly population in nursing homes.

"We still have a long road ahead, but these numbers are incredibly encouraging and a major morale booster for frontline caregivers who have been working tirelessly every day for

a year to protect our residents," said Mark Parkinson, president and CEO of AHCA/ NCAL.

The report also shows cases have dropped to the lowest level since CMS started tracking weekly COVID casmes last May

es in nursing homes last May.

Along with the lowest number of new COVID cases, new data also shows COVID related deaths in nursing homes declined by 63 percent since Dec. 20, 2020.

"Though this report brings hope, we cannot let our guard down. We must continue to encourage folks to get vaccinated, especially caregivers and staff," Parkinson said. "Public health officials must also continue to ensure that long term care residents and staff remain the highest priority for accessing the vaccine, as the on-site clinics with CVS, Walgreens and other pharmacy partners are coming to a close."

Last week, AHCA/NCAL announced the nationwide goal of getting 75 percent of all long term staff vaccinated by June 30, 2021.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

BLOWING OUT SOMEONE'S candle doesn't make yours shine any brighter. Be kind. We don't all have to agree with each other, but be kind.

WHITMER IS FINALLY being investigated for all the nursing home deaths. She needs to be arrested and thrown in prison.

WHAT IS THERE to have buyer's remorse over? Biden is so far the best president we've had in a long time. Vaccines are being delivered ahead of schedule, the economy is rebounding, and we're no longer the laughingstock of the world.

JUST BECAUSE YOU don't get the spot you want is no reason to build a parking structure. There is plenty of parking available in downtown Fenton for those willing to walk a couple of extra steps.

I LIKED WHAT Trump did for us; a lot more than what Biden is doing to us.

WHERE IS THE investigation on Whitmer's \$150,000 hush money

payment to ex-MDHSS director? When she is found guilty, she must be forced to resign or removed from office.

GOOD FOR TEXAS and Mississippi to end the face mask mandate. The state of Michigan needs to do this too, immediately. If you want to wear one, go ahead. No one will stop you. The government works for us, not the other way around.

THE 2022 ELECTIONS cannot get here quick enough. People, wake up and get these socialists out of our government.

I THINK A congressman in session at the capitol should have the same level of safety as anyone walking the streets of the largest city in his district. You can bet he doesn't live there.

WHO WILL WORK until 4 a.m. and even later? Healthcare workers, EMTs/paramedics, police and fire, pilots, train operators, truck drivers, etc. Without the graveyard shift, the world stops.







Traveling I-75 in Oakland County?

Take note of lane and ramp closures beginning Monday, March 8

By Sharon Stone

For any tri-county area residents planning to travel on I-75 through Oakland County, take note of some lane and ramp closures, which begin Monday, March 8.

According to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), northbound I-75 will have lane closures from Big Beaver to Wattles roads, and all ramps at the I-75/Big Beaver Road interchange will close for two weeks.

Weather permitting, lane and ramp closures will begin at 7 a.m. Monday, March 8, on I-75 for punch list items and sound wall construction in the city of Troy. Beginning at 7 a.m., the following restrictions will be in place: • Only the left lane will be open on northbound I-75 at Big Beaver Road as crews work on repairing a drainage



connection. The double-lane closures are expected to remain in place until sunset on March 15.

• Pavement work will require closing all ramps at the I-75/Big Beaver Road interchange for two weeks. Northbound ramp traffic will be detoured to the Crooks Road/Corporate Drive interchange while southbound ramp traffic will be directed to Rochester Road.

• Northbound I-75 will have two lanes open near Wattles Road as crews build a new sound wall. The lane closures are expected to remain in place until mid-April.

Follow I-75 modernization progress at Modernize75.com, or follow on Facebook or Twitter.



Township will upgrade financial services software

■BS&A Software is widely used in Genesee County

By Hannah Ball

On Monday, March 1, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees voted to upgrade its financial software system.

The township, which is currently using two financial softwares for different purposes, will consolidate and contract with BS&A Software for all financial services. It's expected to cost \$59,090.

Thomas Broecker, operations manager and deputy clerk, said the fund balance software they use is several years old, and they're running on an old server. Currently, the township BS&A Software for assessing, property taxes, and permits. They use Tyler Technologies for accounts, cash receipts, general ledger, and utility billing.

Broecker recommended they accept the bid from BS&A.

"BS&A has a really good track record for support," he said, adding that it's a move in the right direction to take advantage of BS&A efficiencies.

The initial BS&A cost is higher than the other bid, Broecker said, but the annual cost is "significantly" lower. Converting to BS&A will result in lower cumulative costs after two years.

In a letter to the board, Broecker said BS&A, which is a Michigan

based company, is "the preferred financial software throughout the state. Fenton Township is one of only two Genesee County local units not fully on the BS&A platform."

The township already uses BS&A software for assessing, property taxes and permits, and converting the remaining applications will let them fully integrate township processes, which will eliminate several manual tasks.

"We'll be able to upgrade our banking process," he said.

The upgraded software will allow the township to use remote deposit for banks, and employees will not have to drive to the bank to deposit money. That alone saves 2-3 hours per week, Broecker said.

"At a minimum, it is estimated that converting to BS&A would initially save an average of 4-7 hours per week. While that alone wouldn't necessarily result in an actual staff reduction, it would improve overall efficiency and free up resources to be allocated to other tasks and responsibilities. In discussions with other communities, BS&A also has much simpler and more flexible report writing capabilities, and their technical support services are outstanding," Broecker said.

Supervisor Vince Lorraine said it's a good idea to use one software instead of two, and he thanked Broecker for his work.



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HOLLY POLICE OFFER HELP TO DEPRESSED MAN

On Monday, Feb. 22, at 4:47 p.m., a Holly man called Holly police to assist a family member who was depressed and may be contemplating self-harm. The officer arrived and spoke to the young man who was very disoriented and wanted help. The officer was able to calm him and encouraged him to seek help with managing his medication and depression. The man voluntarily agreed to be transported to a health facility for an evaluation.

JUVENILES HANGING OUT BY THE OLD TRAIN DEPOT IN HOLLY

On Friday, Feb. 26, at 5:02 p.m., Holly police officers responded to the Holly Train Depot on a report that a witness observed about eight juveniles hanging around the south side of the building. The caller reported seeing a male subject push open a window. The man yelled at the group which ran away. An officer responded to the scene and was able to secure the window while another officer searched for the juveniles. The officer could not locate anyone matching the descriptions provided. There was no damage to the building.

INTOXICATED MAN TRANSPORTED TO MEDICAL FACILITY

On Saturday, Feb. 27, at 11:23 p.m., Holly police officers were called to a residence to assist in removing an intoxicated man who was causing problems and would not leave the home. Upon arrival, officers determined the man was extremely intoxicated and unable to walk properly or care for himself. The man was transported to a medical facility for detoxification.

SOMEONE CUT THEIR TETHER OFF AND DISCARDED IT IN HOLLY

On Sunday, Feb. 28, at 3:19 p.m., a Holly man found an electronic device in a snow bank at the end of his driveway and brought it to the Holly Police Department. The device was determined to be an ankle tether that had been cut off and discarded. The officer verified the serial number with the issuing agency and has identified the responsible individual. The issuing court has been advised with new charges pending a result of this action.

ONGOING HARRASSMENT IN HOLLY

On Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 12:19 p.m., the Holly Police Department was asked to assist with an ongoing harassment complaint. The complainant said someone has been repeatedly driving past their house blowing their horn, and for several days trash has been dumped in their yard. The victim provided a name of a person they believed was responsible. The officer was able to locate and speak with the person, who admitted blowing their horn but denied the trash dumping. The officer cautioned the man to cease his contact with the complainant before escalating into criminal behavior.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

SAYING THAT IF not for Trump a vaccine would not be available for several years is just false. Any president facing a major pandemic would have expedited the process. In fact, other countries had the vaccine approved before the United States.

IN 2020, WE learned that we should not buy our medical supplies from countries like China. Both Elissa Slotkin and Gary Peters spoke out against this practice during their election campaigns. Now they are silent.

IT AMAZES ME that we as a society allow individuals whom have absolutely no formal training or experience in the education of children, be allowed to serve as school board trustees?

SO GLAD THAT 99.9 percent of our country was able to survive the pandemic. Also hopeful that Texas can set an example for the rest of the country to return to normal.





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That study indicates that a rate increase is necessary to keep pace with current operating and capital expenditures.

The last rate increase for the city's water and sewer operations took place in 2009.

According to the study, the average residential user uses between 13,000 and 15,000 gallons per quarter. The following are samples of what an increase could look like.

Properties that use 17,000 gallons per quarter

A proposed 20-percent rate increase for water for a property that uses 17,000 gallons per quarter would raise the rate

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from \$146.40 to \$175.

A proposed 20-percent rate increase for sewer would for a property that uses 17,000 gallons of water per quarter would raise the rate from \$101.37 to \$121.35.

Combining water and sewer usage, a 20-percent increase would raise the total rate from \$247.77 to \$296.35 per quarter.

Properties that use 10,000 gallons per quarter

A proposed 20-percent rate increase for water for a property that uses 10,000 gallons per quarter would raise the rate from \$110 to \$131.60.

A proposed 8 percent rate increase for sewer for a property that uses 10,000 gallons of water per quarter would raise

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS MARCH 1, 2021

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday March 1, 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 `\$43,464.70.
- 4. Accepted and approved a computer network upgrade project proposal from Center for Computer Resources.
- 5. Accepted and approved a financial software upgrade project proposal from BS&A Software.
- Authorized the distribution of a Revised Future Land Use Map for review and comment by neighboring municipalities, County Agencies, utility companies, and railroad companies as required under Section 125.3845 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act.
- 7. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-06, a memorial resolution for former Deputy Fire Chief Christopher Toot.
- 8. Adjourned at 8:03 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. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

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the rate from \$75.40 to \$81.80.

Combining water and sewer usage, the total rate would go from \$185.40 to \$213.40 per quarter, an increase of 15 percent.

These proposed increases include commodity, capital charge and meter charge.

During the work session Monday, March 1, council members discussed the proposed water/sewer usage rate increase.

Councilman Dave McDermott said right now the proposed 20-percent increase seemed "excessive," and that he didn't know if he could agree to this.

Councilman Sean Sage said they need a better plan to move forward.

Satkowiak said the city will be sending out water bills in April and the council needs to bring this back for discussion before a rate increase is reflected on the bill.

Sage said there is no way to inform the residents of this type of increase by an April billing.

Lynn Markland, city manager, said Stauder will be presenting his five-year forecast for the city at next month's work session and this rate increase could be discussed further at that time. He said the increase does not have to go on the April billing cycle, but a decision needs to be made for the next quarter.

Councilwoman Tracy Bottecelli

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PFM Financial Advisors LLC, to obtain information for bonding for road improvements.

The bond issue would be decided by the voters as a ballot issue. Markland said he requested that Stauder prepare three different alternatives that would provide the city with funding.

Markland wrote that the most recent millage question on the ballot was for 5 mills each year for 10 years. The plan was to invest \$2 million per year in street/road improvements for 10 years.

The city is looking at a bond from \$20 million to possibly \$27 million through three different options.

The projected millage is less than was requested in the previous ballot request. There are several reasons for this millage difference, including:

• Using "table 1a" as an example, the funding results in the investment of

expressed her concern with helping residents to understand the costs involved with replacing lead and copper pipes. She said there are good reasons for an increase but these reasons need to be explained to the residents.

Markland said the city has done much to save money, however, new state mandates affect costs locally, as well as every community in the state. "The public needs to understand that," he said.

Markland added that if infrastructure is not taken care of, disasters could happen, such as what happened last month in Texas with the winter storm and power outages.

Pat Lockwood, mayor pro tem, said she would like to see city council come up with a plan to bring residents into the loop on why the rate increases are necessary.

Mayor Sue Osborn asked Markland if rates would need to be raised by the April bill. Markland said the city could start changing rates after the April bill, but the city would need to set the rates prior to that.

Osborn suggested Stauder could take questions on this at the next work session, which is Monday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held via Zoom and instructions to login to that meeting will be posted on the city's website, cityoffenton.org.

\$20,250,000 over the 10-year period. However, the total payback periods is 15 years. This spreads out the payback period resulting in less millage. After the end of the 10-year period, the millage will continue to be levied to pay for the street/road improvements for another five years.

• The millage for the bonds is calculated using the entire taxable value of the city of Fenton.

• The bonding interest rate is currently historically low. The assumed interest rates are explained in the "assumptions" section of the study.

Markland told city council that the bonding would have to be a ballot issue and decided by the electors of the city.

Funding for road improvements will be discussed further at the Monday, April 5 Fenton City Council work session, beginning at 7:30 p.m. A link to login into the public Zoom meeting will be provided on the city's website at cityoffenton.org.

TRI-COUNTY TIMES **CHURCH DIRECTORY**

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| Thursday Night Service | |
| (Youth & Elementary available) | . 6:30 pm |
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| FreedomCenter.Church | |

BAPTIST

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HOLLY

15030 N. Holly Rd. • Holly 248-634-8772 • www.fbchollv.org Pastor Phil Martyn Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am Sunday School (all ages)9:00 am Wednesday Evening.....6:30 pm Awana Club Pre-school - 5th grade Youth Group 6th -12th grade Adult Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

CATHOLIC

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| 6481 Faussett Rd. • Ho | well • 517-546-9807 |
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| Weekday Mass Wed-Fri | 8:30 am |
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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

600 N. Adelaide • Fenton • 810-629-2251 www.stjohnfenton.org Father Robert Copeland, Pastor Father Ryan Riley, Associate Pastor Saturday:.....5:00 pm Daily Mass: Monday-Friday: 8:20 am First Saturday of the month......8:20 am Holy DaysSee Parish Bulletin or website Confession Saturdays: 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Monday & Friday following morning Mass Adoration Fridays 9:00 am - 8:00 pm In the Activity Center Grand Hall.

ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH

309 E. Maple St. • Holly • 248-634-4841 Fr. David Blazek, Pastor

| Sunday: | 10am and 12noon |
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| Monday: | No Mass |
| Tuesday: | 7pm |
| Wednesday: | 7pm |
| Thursday: | No Mass |
| Friday: | No Mass |
| Saturday: | 4pm |
| Face coverings are required | to be worn over the |
| nose and mouth, at all times | while in the Church. |

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

| FIRST CHURCH OF CHRI | ST, SCIENTIST |
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| 204 E. Rockwell • Fenton • | 810-730-2830 |
| Church Service | 11:00 am |
| Sunday School | 11:00 am |
| Wednesday Evening | 7:00 pm |

EPISCOPAL

ST. JUDE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH 106 E. Elizabeth St. • Fenton

810-629-5681

| Holy Communion | 8:00 am, 10:30 an | n |
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| Children Program-Godly Play | / 10:25 an | n |
| Youth Group | 11:45 an | n |

LUTHERAN

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1025 Main St. • Fenton 810-629-7861 Fax 810-354-8923 www.trinitvlcmsfenton.com Onsite Worship Services Sunday.....8:30 am Sunday (livestreamed)..... 11:00 am Livestream service at:

http://www.trinitylcmsfenton.com/

SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES **LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Our new church is now open -16214 Linden Road (corner of Owen Road) Pastor David Krueger Livestreaming at : www.myshepherdchurch.com 810-240-2358 Sunday Worship Service in Main Hall ... 10:30 am

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Call Kathleen at 810-433-6787

METHODIST

FENTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

119 S. Leroy St. • Fenton 810-629-2132 www.fentonumc.com Jeff Jaggers - Lead Pastor Kate Glasson - Director of Children's Ministry Stacey Highfield -Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries Worship with us in person or online Sundays at 9:30 or 11:05am. www.fentonumc.com For our Food Pantry call the church office at 810-629-2132

HOLLY CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

15010 N. Holly Rd. • Holly 248-634-9711 www.hollycalvary.org Pastor Cliff Schroeder Sunday Worship (in-person & online) 10 am Sunday Worship 11:30 am Wednesday Worship.....6:30 pm

LAKE FENTON **UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

2581 N. Long Lake Rd. • Fenton 810-629-5161 Minister Vincent Slocum Sunday Worship9:30 am

LINDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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| Sunday School | .9:30 am |
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NAZARENE

ARGENTINE CHURCH

OF THE NAZARENE 16248 S. Seymour Rd. • Linden 810-735-7118 Pastor Robert Lindsay Sunday School.....9:45 am Sunday Morning Worship..... 11:00 am (Junior Church and Nursery Provided) Sunday Evening Worship6:00 pm Wed. Children & Teens......7:00 pm Wed. Prayer Meeting7:00 pm

FENTON CHURCH

OF THE NAZARENE 11075 Runyan Lake Rd. • Fenton 810-750-6544 Pastor Ron Sharpe Sunday Worship Services 10:45 am Sunday School for all ages9:30 am Nursery provided for Sunday services.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

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THE ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH

810-922-2088 Lead Pastor Chris Vitarelli www.theroadcommunitychurch.com Howell Campus - 4101 Clyde Rd......9:30 am Fenton Campus - 301 E. South Holly Rd...11:30 am Coat Closet and Food Pantry available on Sundays or by appointment (810) 348-4286

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| Sunday AM Service9am |
| Sunday AM Service 11am |
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| Tuesdays: |
| Mens Ministry7pm |
| Womens Ministry7pm |
| Addiction and Recovery7pm |
| Wednesdays: |
| Rock Youth 6:30pm |
| Thursdays: |
| 55+ (Elderly Ministry)10am |
| Young Adult Ministry 6.30nm |

Young Adult Ministry6:30pm Marriage Ministry 6:30pm

PRESBYTERIAN

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FENTON

503 S. LeRoy St. • Fenton 810-629-7801 • www.ffpc.org Pastor Lindsey Carnes Pastor Robbie Carnes 10:00 am Sunday Worship

LINDEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

119 W. Broad St. • Linden • 810-735-5755 Pastor Dawn Russell Sunday Drive-In Worship...... 10:00 am Tune to 87.9 FM or follow the link on LPCMi.org to join us for worship.

TYRONE COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9141 Hartland Rd. • Fenton 810-750-0350 Sunday Worship Schedule Celebratory Worship...... 10:00 am Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Fellowship 11:30 am

TYRONE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA) Pastor Lawrence Bowlin 10235 White Lake Rd. • Fenton 810-629-1261 • Tyronepca.org Sunday at 9:00 am - Masks Required Sunday at 11:00 am - Masks Optional

FENTON PLANNING COMMISSION CITY OF FENTON GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF SPECIAL LAND USE

THURSDAY, March 25, 2021

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fenton Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Thursday, March 25, 2021, for the purpose of considering a Special Land Use request to allow the placement of outdoor retail sales on the property located at 1110 N. Leroy Street. Section 14.08(y), Fenton Zoning Ordinance regulates outdoor sales, display and storage. The Applicant has requested permission to place a farmer's market outside the meat market. The property is located at 1110 N. Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan Tax ID #53-25-100-084. The property is zoned GBD, General Business District.

The public hearing will be held during the meeting via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

<u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84891016710?pwd=T0JnQTkwbzY1Vj</u> <u>NiSFUyRmRkSW5SZz09</u>

Meeting ID: 848 9101 6710 Passcode: 953923 Dial-in: +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799

A copy of Special Land Use is available for public inspection at the City of Fenton offices, 301 South Leroy Street, by appointment only by calling (810) 629-2261 during regular business hours. Written comments concerning the variance may be submitted at the above address prior to the hearing and will be made part of the official record. All minutes of meetings are available at the City Clerk's office.

Comments and questions may be directed to the City of Fenton Zoning and Building Administrator, Michael Reilly, at 810-629-2261.

PLEASE CONTACT THE FENTON CITY CLERK'S OFFICE IF ANY ACCOM-MODATIONS ARE NEEDED DUE TO A DISABILITY.





COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

DRIVING TOO SLOW LEADS TO CITATION

On Friday, Feb. 12, a Genesee County Sheriff's deputy observed a Chevrolet HHR traveling southbound on U.S. 23 in Fenton Township below the posted minimum speed. The registration plate was checked and it was discovered that the vehicle did not have valid insurance. Contact was made with the female driver. a 41-year-old Flint resident. The driver was unable to produce a valid driver's license. The driver was cited for driving while her license was suspended with a future court date. The vehicle was turned over to a licensed driver.

DEFECTIVE BRAKE LIGHT LEADS TO CITATION FOR SUSPENDED LICENSE

On Friday, Feb. 12, a deputy of the Genesee County Sheriff's Office observed a Dodge Caravan on Thompson Road near Torrey Road in Fenton Township. A traffic stop was initiated due to the vehicle having a defective brake light. Contact was made with the male driver, a 32-yearold Fenton Township resident. The driver was unable to produce a valid driver's license and the registration plate on the vehicle was improper. The driver was cited for driving while his license was suspended and having an improper plate. The vehicle was impounded and the driver was released from the scene.

LINDEN WOMAN FACES OWI CHARGE IN FENTON TOWNSHIP

On Monday, Feb. 15, a Genesee County Sheriff's deputy responded to Beacon and Bridge located on Thompson and Torrey roads in Fenton Township for a report of an intoxicated female driver. Upon arrival, deputies made contact with the driver, a 38-year-old Linden resident. The deputies performed a series of field sobriety tests on the driver. The driver was unable to successfully pass the tests and was placed under arrest for operating while intoxicated (OWI). The vehicle was impounded and the driver was transported and lodged

at the Genesee County Jail. Due to previous OWI convictions, this incident will be submitted to the Genesee County Prosecutor's Office for further review.

MISSED TURN CATCHES DEPUTY'S ATTENTION

On Tuesday, Feb. 16, a Genesee County Sheriff's deputy while on routine patrol observed a Dodge Ram truck traveling on Thompson Road near Torrey Road in Fenton Township. A traffic stop was initiated due to the vehicle stopping on Thompson Road and driving in reverse due to missing his turn. Contact was made with the male driver, a 40-year-old Owosso resident. A records check was performed and it was discovered the driver did not have a valid driver's license. The driver was cited for driving while license his was suspended. The vehicle was released to the passenger, who possessed a valid driver's license.

MONEY STOLEN FROM UNLOCKED VEHICLE IN FENTON TOWNSHIP

On Wednesday, Feb. 17, a deputy from the Genesee County Sheriff's Office responded to the 11000 block of Fenton Road for a larceny from an automobile report. Upon arrival, contact was made with the female victim, a 26-year-old Fenton Township resident. The victim stated when she went to get into the vehicle it appeared that something was off. The victim stated she noticed her wallet lying on the passenger floor. The victim stated she had \$200 in her wallet and it was missing. The victim did leave the vehicle unlocked overnight. This incident remains under investigation.

IDENTITY THEFT IN FENTON TOWNSHIP

On Saturday, Feb. 20, a Genesee County Sheriff's deputy responded to the 1300 block of Lake Valley Drive in Fenton Township for an identity theft report. Upon arrival, contact was made with the female victim, a 29-year-old Fenton Township resident. The victim said when she had her taxes prepared she was advised that the unemployment numbers were not matching up. The victim later discovered that someone had used her identity to collect unemployment. This incident remains under investigation.

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Looking for longtime Linden residents, families

Linden Mills Historical Society putting together book of photos, information for Linden's 150th birthday

By Hannah Ball

The Linden Mills Historical Society is looking for Linden residents whose ancestors lived in the area and date back several generations. Pete Mass, a member of the Linden Mills Historical Society, said they're looking for old stories about life in Linden.

The organization is putting together a souvenir book in celebration of the city's sesquicentennial in 2021, which means Linden is 150 years old. The society is hoping to find old photos of homes, farms and scenes that show life in the city throughout the years. This souvenir book will be available later this year, and it will make a good keepsake for future generations, Maas said.

People may send their stories or contact Maas at pbmaas@charter.net or by writing to Linden Mills Historical Society, PO Box 823, Linden, MI 48451.



Anytime Fitness of Fenton under new ownership

Anytime Fitness of Fenton has opened under new ownership. The new owners, Josh and Joanna Schofield, are excited to welcome members and they have plans to continue to update the gym with new equipment throughout the year. Anytime Fitness of Fenton has partnered with the local Area 13 Special Olympics for their March promotion and hope you will stop in for a tour at 1145 N. LeRoy St., Fenton. The Schofields look forward to being a part of the Fenton community.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE 2021 CITIZENSHIP Act provides a pathway to immigration; it doesn't just 'give' it to 11 million illegal immigrants. Biden has been pushing for the COVID-19 stimulus bill, which includes unemployment relief. Biden also has a plan to transform the economy. Sounds like he is fighting for all of us.

JUST READ THE story about Mrs. Norton speaking at the rally in Lansing on Saturday. As one of our favorite Fenton teachers, we wish her good luck. Open up all of our schools and universities now.

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PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY MARCH 23, 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:

ZBA21-004 Kirk Stucky 1261 W. Ray Road: Requesting a 3-foot height variance for a new accessory building at 1261 W. Ray Road, parcel 06-01-100-017.

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 March 23, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. by ZOOM Meeting. The public may participate in the meeting via the following web link:

http://bit.ly/FentonZBA

Or by telephone by calling into the following number: Phone Number: (312)626-6799 Meeting ID: 962 5043 4561 Passcode: 918527

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

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.

Robert E. Krug Fenton Township Clerk 12060 Mantawauka Drive Fenton, MI 48430-8817 Phone: (810) 629-1537 x6 Email: info@fentontownship.org

ROBERT KRUG, FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK



- Compiled by Sharon Stone -

MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, non-partisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. This report was released Friday, Feb. 26.

Senate Bill 114: Allocate coronavirus epidemic relief dollars

To appropriate \$672.7 million federal dollars and \$55 million collected from state taxpayers for various coronavirus response activities including \$390.1 million more for vaccine distribution and virus tests, \$282.5 million more for rental subsidies, and \$55 million state dollars to give a \$2.25 hourly raise to certain social welfare direct care workers through September.

Passed 19 to 15 in the Senate

| Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) | YES |
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| Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15) | YES |
| Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22) | YES |
| Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) | NO |
| Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) | YES |
| | |

Senate Bill 29: Authorize more school spending in current fiscal year

To appropriate an additional \$1.246 billion for Michigan's public school system in the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Of this, \$932 million is federal money and the rest comes from state taxpayers. A



total of \$807 million would be allocated to school districts based on the number of children from lower income households they enroll. Another \$90 million would go to K-8 summer school programs and \$45.0 million for high school credit recovery programs, with smaller amounts for other purposes.

Passed 20 to 15 in the Senate

| Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) | YES |
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| Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15) | YES |
| Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22) | YES |
| Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) | NO |
| Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) | YES |

House Bill 4015: Authorize sanctions for offering faux-government services

To add to the dozens of violations specified in a state consumer protection act a new one that applies to a private third party who offers "online services that are performed by a state agency, department, or division" without "conspicuously" indicating that the operation is not a government entity, and without disclosing the prices and terms. **Passed 102 to 7 in the House** *Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)* **YES**

House Joint Resolution A: Require two-thirds vote on "lame duck" session bills

To place before voters in the next general election a constitutional amendment to require that bills passed in a "lame duck" legislative session held after the election in an even year must get a two-thirds House and Senate majority vote to become law. To be placed on the ballot, a House or Senate Joint Resolution proposing a constitutional amendment must get at least a twothirds majority in both the House and Senate. Approval by the governor is not required.

Passed 102 to 7 in the House Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)

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YES YES



PAY IT FORWARD

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Chris said with three teenagers, they're "as good as we can be." It's hectic some days, but they manage. Their parents, siblings and friends have been "extremely helpful and available," he said.

"Hope, love and admiration keeps us strong and together for Jen," he said.

Their kids have been learning with a mix of virtual and face-to-face instruction.

"I know it's tough for them to see Jen in her weakened state. We still have expectations but are not enforcing them like before due to the situation. There might be a C or two this year. My heart aches to see them struggle with this," he said.

Chris was a sales development manager for a chemical company, but he recently lost his position due to a corporate restructure generated by C-19. He's actively looking for employment and said "he knows" he will land on his feet somewhere.

Their medical bills are piling up with Jen being in and out of the hospital since October 2019. Hermostrecent stay was due to complications that arose after a 12-hour surgery she had November 2020. Chris rushed her to the emergency room Jan. 2, and she was there until February 13.

"I still haven't seen all of the bills yet, but they are north of \$15,000 at the moment. I expect it to be around \$50,000 in the next month or two and increasing each month after," Chris said.

Linden Pay It Forward wanted to help. They presented the \$5,000 check to the family Thursday, March 4.

"We are more than blessed to have an organization like the Pay It Forward Linden Project in our corner," Chris said. "Our humbled gratitude is shadowed by everyone's generosity and support.

"We have a wonderful support system from our community, neighbors, friends and family," Chris said. "The meal train has been a blessing and extremely helpful. We have felt the warm hands of the community several years ago when our son (Seth) suffered a stroke. There is no other community like this one and we should all be so grateful to be a part of it."

"We would like to thank everyone that has sent their prayers, well wishes, healing thoughts and tender words. We have gazed upon your tokens of love and sympathy for which we are ever grateful.

HOW TO HELP THE HUNTER FAMILY

Linden Pay It Forward is a 501(c)3 non-profit charity organization. Money gifted to the Hunter Family Medical Fund is tax-deductible when donated through Linden Pay It Forward, said Denise Marks, founder of the organization.

The public can donate to the Hunter Family Medical Fund by using the Venmo @LindenPayItForward or by going to this website, payitforwardlinden.com/hunterfamily-medical-expenses.

Checks can be made payable to Linden Pay It Forward, with the indication that the donation is for the Hunter Family Medical Fund. 16263 Whitehead Drive, Linden, MI 48451

Humbled and amazed by this overwhelming gracious gift is appreciated and accepted in so many ways. Please continue to pray and know that we thank you from the bottom of our hearts," Chris said.



COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

NEW PEDIATRIC OFFICE IN LINDEN

Positively Pediatrics has opened a full service primary care pediatric office in downtown Linden in the Union Block building at 120 N. Bridge St., Suite D. Dr. T. Garrett Purman, MD and his nurse practitioner Amanda Stolen, NP-C, bring 33 years of experience with them. They see newborns all the way through the teenagers and offer same day appointments. They accept most commercial insurances and are accepting new patients. Call the office at (810) 287-4643.





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Brady Ericson (left), president of Morse Systems at BorgWarner, presents a \$1,025,000 check to Susan Davies, vice president of university advancement and external relations at Kettering University, and Ricky Brown, director of multicultural student initiatives at Kettering University, officially establishing the BorgWarner Scholars Program Endowment for the University.

BorgWarner donates \$1,025,000 to Kettering

To establish Scholars Program, other initiatives to support opportunities for minorities

BorgWarner is taking further action in its commitment to diversity through a donation of \$925,000 for scholarships for Kettering University students. The BorgWarner Scholars Program will aim to distribute annual scholarships to students in financial need, with a primary focus on African American and Hispanic students who have an interest in participating in an engineering co-op at BorgWarner.

Kettering University and BorgWarner will work together to identify students in underserved communities through various recruitment efforts. Through the endowment, Kettering University will be able to award scholarships, with nearly \$40,000 earmarked annually. Students will be on-site, full-time at BorgWarner during their paid co-op rotations, which start freshmen year.

Separately, BorgWarner donated \$100,000 to support a new Kettering University initiative and help expand it to more corporate sponsors.

"At BorgWarner, we're dedicated to cultivating a diverse workforce and in order to do so, we need to take action at the student level and help talented, bright, diverse minds overcome the barriers they are facing," said Felecia

Pryor, executive vice president and chief human resources officer at Borg-Warner Inc.

Though science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) employment is surging, African American and Hispanic professionals are significantly under-represented in the field. This is in part because many underrepresented students lack the resources and vision to realize STEM success is achievable for them. Kettering University is working with BorgWarner, among other industry partners, to provide gateway opportunities that foster and promote curiosity, provide and leverage educational resources and focus on career transition into STEM fields for the long-term.

"We are grateful to BorgWarner for investing in experiential, as well as financial, opportunities for students," said Sue Davies, vice president of university advancement and external relations at Kettering. "I'm most excited about how this will complement and further enhance our existing Office of Multicultural Students Initiatives (OMSI) which provides tutoring, mentorship and other support services to ensure our students' success."

BorgWarner presented the \$1,025,000 check to Kettering University on Feb. 25, fortifying the partnership.

Township honors former deputy fire chief

Christopher Toot served Fenton Township Fire Department for 20 years

By Hannah Ball

The Fenton Township Board of Trustees unanimously passed a resolution to honor former fire department deputy chief Christopher Toot, who died on Feb. 17.

Toot was with the Fenton Township Fire Department for 20 years. He retired in 2017.

During the Zoom meeting Monday, March 1, Fire Chief Ryan Volz said Toot was one of the smartest people he met, and that his death is a "big loss."

"He was like a brother to me. He's going to be one of those ones you remember," he said. "We're going to miss him."

The resolution states that Toot was a valued member of the community, and he "contributed greatly to the progress and welfare of the Township."

The township honors him for his contributions made from 1997 to 2017 and "expressed profound sadness at his passing," according to the resolution.

His obituary, which can be read in full at tetimes.com, states, "Over his 20-year career with the Fire Department, Chris obtained his Officer 1, 2 and 3 certifica-

tions. He became a certified Emergency Medical Technician, Fire Inspector and Hazmat Technician, and was certified by Michigan



Christopher Toot

Urban Search and Rescue.

"Chris rose through the ranks at the Fire Department, starting as a firefighter and earning the ranks of Sergeant, Lieu-

tenant, Captain, Battalion Chief, and Deputy Chief. He was a member of the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs and the International Association of Fire Chiefs. He truly enjoyed helping people and giving back to his community.

"After 20 years of service, Chris retired from the fire service in 2017. Chris was al-

ways proud to represent the Department wherever he went," the obituary states.

Toot also worked as a lineman for AT&T.

"In honor of Chris's dedication to the Fenton Township Fire Department and to continue Chris's commitment to giving back to his community, his family asks that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made in Chris' name to: Fenton Township Fire Department Smoke Detector/Carbon Monoxide Detector Fund 12060 Mantawauka Drive Fenton, MI 48430.

"Chris will be missed by family, friends and the countless people he supported who never knew his name. His fire department colleagues said it best; "Rest easy, Chief, we've got it from here."

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Fenton City approves ordinance that updates water cross connection regulation and compliance

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) requirements for a water cross connection program have changed and Fenton City's water cross connection ordinance requires updating to meet current requirements. City staff has worked with EGLE and the city attorney to revise the code of ordinances' water cross-connection control amendment. A water supply cross connection is a connection or arrangement of piping or appurtenances through which a backflow of non-potable water could flow into the public drinking water supply. This amendment was drafted to avoid backflow into the city's water supply by preventing future cross connection. The updates will be submitted to EGLE to meet compliance requirements.



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4-H empowers young people to be true leaders

Life-long skills are built through the help of 4-H programs in areas like science, health, agriculture and civic engagement. The benefits of being part of a 4-H program, however, go far beyond that.

4-H empowers young people to be true leaders, who have confidence; know how to work well with others; can endure through challenges; and will stick with a job until it gets done. 4-H believe true leaders aren't born – they're grown. Students who participate in 4-H programs are four times more likely to give back to their communities, two times more likely to make healthier choices and two times more likely to participate in STEM activities, according to 4-h.org.

Since 1902, 4-H has been delivered by Cooperative Extension — a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation that provide experiences where young people learn by doing. In Michigan, 4-H Youth Development is delivered locally and operated through a partnership between the county government, Michigan State University Extension, and the U.S Department of Agriculture.

4-H allows students to complete hands-on projects in a positive environment where they receive guidance from adult mentors and are encouraged to take on proactive leadership roles.

The Oakland County 4-H chapter offers a number of opportunities for youth through various clubs and membership options. Clubs include aerospace, agribusiness, blacksmithing, dogs, horses, general animal, therapeutic riding programs, leadership development, livestock, robotics, poultry, rabbits, shooting sports and more.

If families don't see a club that appeals to them, new clubs are always welcome. All it takes to start a club is five youth ages 5-19 from two families and one or two adults willing and able to complete the Michigan 4-H Volunteer Selection Process. Clubs typically meet a minimum of six times per year through a variety of service models including: Community or General Club; Project Club; School or Home School Club; SPIN Club; Independent 4-H Member.

Oakland County 4-H hosts a number of events throughout the year including 4-H Discovery



Day, Horse Shows, Dog Shows, Camps, Animal Shows, the 4-H Tack Sale and more including events at the Michigan State Fair and Oakland County Fair.

4-H is always looking for volunteers. Adults aged 21 and older are encouraged to help our clubs. Volunteers receive support, guidance, and help making ideas into reality from 4-H staff members. Other perks include access to 4-H curriculums, workshops, trainings, and other resources from Michigan State University Extension. Some volunteers choose to volunteer on a regular basis by starting their own clubs, volunteering with an existing club, or mentoring through the Tech Wizards program. Others help out on a short-term or annual schedule with special events or running short programs.

Those attending 4-H events and activities can't help but notice the contagious laughter and smiles everywhere. When youth join 4-H they are joining a family. The 4-H's stand for Head, Heart, Hands and Health. They represent the four values members work on through fun and engaging programs.

HEAD = Managing & Thinking HEART = Relating & Caring HANDS = Giving & Working HEALTH = Being & Living

For more information on the Oakland County 4-H chapter, their clubs or to volunteer visit www.oakgov.com or contact them by phone, 248-858-0889 or email us 4hOakland@anr. msu.edu.



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BOIL WATER

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Guy said that a hole had worn through the bottom of the water main, which was installed in 1978. The hole was about 40 feet north of the last break and caused by the same thing. At the point of the break, the main deflects from under the road and runs closer to the sidewalk so there was not road damage like the last time.

Early Sunday morning, Feb. 14, Fenton Department of Public Works (DPW) workers also responded to a water main break near this same location.

In most cases, in the city, the water mains are looped so that the water comes in or is fed from two directions. Guy said when a main is throttled, not shut all the way off, where there are two feed points the pressure will stay up across the affected area.

The water mains are usually fixed under positive pressure so that there is no chance that contamination can enter the main, which is why most main breaks do not need a boil water notice to be issued.

On N. LeRoy Street north of Dauner Road, the main is fed from only one



chance for dirt to get into the main, as there is when there is a hole, two sets of samples are taken. After the break is fixed, the main is flushed so that fresh water with plenty of chlorine residual runs to the end ensuring the whole line is disinfected. The samples are then taken to see if bacteria grows and if not, either contamination did not get into the main or if it did, it was adequately disinfected.

When the samples come back absent for bacteria, the order is lifted.

Community water systems are required to contact the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) and the health department when a boil notice is given so that they are aware of the notice how many people are affected and for how long.





A crew works Thursday, March 4 to clean the area of the water main break on N. LeRoy Street on the edge of the parking lot in front of VG's grocery store that occurred the day prior. **Photo: Sharon Stone**

direction, south. So even though there is still positive pressure where the break is, it's not enough to keep water flowing continuously to the end of the line. As a precaution, a boil notice was issued.

Guy said if there is only a crack and the main is not "opened up" one set of samples can be taken but if there is a





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CAPACITY Continued from Front Page

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer in a Tuesday 2 p.m. press conference. "Michigan is a national leader in the fight against CO-VID-19, and our fact-based, data-driven approach will help our state rebuild our economy and resume normal day-to-day activities."

"More than 2 million doses of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine have been administered and a third vaccine will soon be arriving here in Michigan to help us end the pandemic in our state," said Elizabeth Hertel, MDHHS director. "We continue to monitor the data closely, and based on current trends we are taking another step toward normalcy. We urge Michiganders to continue doing what works and wearing a mask, washing their hands and avoiding crowds."

MDHHS says it has been closely monitoring three metrics for stabilization or declines over the past several weeks. As with other states, Michigan's metrics are mixed. The presence of more infectious variants, such as the B 1.1.7 variant, threatens our progress in control of the epidemic and MDHHS will be monitoring data closely.

IN RECENT DAYS:

• **Hospital capacity** dedicated to COVID-19 is now at 3.9 percent. This metric peaked at 19.6 percent on Tuesday, Dec. 4.

• Overall case rates: After declining for six weeks, this metric is plateauing at 91.2 cases per million. The rate is similar to what Michigan was at the beginning of October.

• **Positivity rate:** Positivity rate is now at 3.7 percent having increased slightly from last week (3.5 percent). This metric is similar to where Michigan was at

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Scott Ellis

Michigan Licensed Beverage Association

(MLBA) executive director

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Visitation is al-

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ment when required by the facility at all

times. In general, visitors will need to

maintain six feet from residents.

Visitors will be required to wear face

order encourages communal dining

the 100-person cap will carry over.

"Larger establishments with greater capacity limits have more space to spread patrons out. If people are abiding by social distancing rules, there's no need for an arbitrary cap for any establishment regardless of size."

Throughout the pandemic, many bar and restaurant owners have felt their industry has been unfairly targeted by shutdowns and other restric-

tions without sufficient evidence to justify these actions.

"Bars and restaurant have now been open for more than a month at 25 percent capacity, and in that time, COVID numbers across the board have continued to fall,"Ellis said. "Our industry is not a significant contributor to the spread of the virus and we look

forward to expanding dine-in service safely and continuing to prove our establishments are safe."

The new MDHHS order carries over previous restrictions and safety measures that bars and restaurants must continue to abide by — including mask wearing until seated, social distancing restrictions and gathering size limits.

"It has been tough for places to survive at 25 percent capacity and as we move to 50 percent, it's important that the public knows we aren't in full operation and to be respectful of that," Ellis said. "Establishments are still operating with reduced staff and limited seating, so be mindful of wait times and don't linger when you're finished eating and drinking."

Changes to the Gatherings and Mask Order went into effect Friday, March 5 and remain in effect through Monday, April 19.

CAPACITY CHANGES INCLUDE:

• **Restaurants and bars** are allowed to be at 50-percent capacity up to 100 people. Tables must be 6 feet apart with no more than six people per table. There is now an 11 p.m. curfew.

• **Indoor non-residential** gatherings where people interact across households are permitted up to 25 people, allowing public meetings and other small indoor gatherings to resume.

• **Outdoor non-residential** gatherings where people interact across households are permitted up to 300, allowing larger outdoor events to resume.

• **Indoor entertainment venues** are allowed to be at 50-percent capacity, up to 300 people.

• Exercise facilities are allowed to be at 30-percent capacity with restrictions on distancing and mask requirements.

• **Retail is allowed** to be at 50-percent capacity.

• Casinos are allowed to be at 30-percent capacity.

• **Indoor stadiums and** arenas are allowed have 375 if seating capacity is under 10,000; 750 if seating capacity is over 10,000.

• **Outdoor entertainment and** recreational facilities may host up to 1,000 patrons.

• **Indoor residential gatherings** are now limited to 15 people from three households, while outdoor residential gatherings can include up to 50 people.

t Following the press conference, Scott Ellis, the Michigan Licensed Beverage Now Association (MLBA) executive director, htly said, "Moving the capacity limit from 25 staff and limi percent to 50 percent is a step in the right is at direction, but we are truly disappointed that finished eatin

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Lake Fenton's Reid Shumaker drives the baseline during a recent Blue Devils' game. Photo: **Christopher Summers**

Blue Devils capture first victory of season, beat Owosso

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Tyler Szczepanski did something that coaches can only do once in their careers.

He won his first-ever contest as a varsity coach.

Szczepanski and his Blue Devils, who have had to deal with a recent two-week COVID protocol quarantine, won their first game of the season Wednesday night, defeating Owosso 47-37, in a contest that wasn't as close as the final score possibly may indicate. The win came a day after the Blue Devils lost their first game back from the COVID break against Corunna 53-47.

"I was happy for our team and our guys as one group to have our first collective win." Szczepanski said. "Carter Foerster made a point to congratulate me in the locker room and I appreciated that, but beyond that having our first win was something special.

"Even though we are all juniors and seniors we have a lot of new faces going out there playing varsity ball for the first time. ... You'd never think your first win would come in March, but we will take it."

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Sports Times

Holly wrestling finally gets a chance to compete

By David Troppens

Ortonville — The Holly varsity wrestling team has been struck the hardest of all area teams when it comes to the COVID pandemic.

Before the squad was able to start their abbreviated season, the Bronchos were forced to go on a two-week COVID quarantine, cutting their season even shorter.

However, it has had another negative impact. The Bronchos are now behind the rest of the state's wrestling programs when it comes to training and matches. The Bronchos had their first chance to do something about that Wednesday when Holly, Lake Fenton and Swartz Creek travelled to Ortonville-Brandon High School for a four-team league meet.

Holly finished the event with a 1-2 mark, the same record Lake Fenton posted. The most competitive match of the day came when the two tri-county schools faced off against each other. It ended in a 42-42 tie score, but Holly ended up winning on the 11th criteria tiebreaker — most takedown points. Holly also lost to Swartz Creek 54-24 and Brandon 46-25, while the Blue Devils defeated Brandon 48-34 and Swartz Creek 44-36.

Only eight matches were actually fought on the mat when the two area teams faced off, and each one of the victors were decisive pinfall or injury default winners. Lake Fenton's four winners against Holly were Clay Cook (103), Noah Hall (140) and Jack Conley





(145) by pinfall, and Ty Johnson (125) by injury default.

Meanwhile, Holly's pinfall winners were Jacob DeVary (130), Jacob Gonzales (152), Jeff Preston (160) and Scotty Hermann (171). The bout that decided the winner was Gonzales's victory against Jaden Ketchum. Prior to the pinfall, Gonzales earned many takedowns, which ended up breaking the team score tie.

Holly had two wrestlers finish their first action of the season with 3-0 records. One was Holly's defending individual state champion, Gonzales. He went 3-0 with

Lake Fenton's Jack Conley (above) works on getting a pin against Holly's Mason Forsythe. (Left) Holly's Scotty Hermann is taken to the ground by Lake Fenton's Gavin Lawrence. but Hermann won the bout. Photos: David Troppens

three pinfall wins. Kolten Steele (185/215) also went 3-0, recording two pins.

Two others recorded 2-1 records. They were Hermann and Landon Avery (103). Others recording one win were Preston, • Sean Murray (119), DeVary, Mason Forsythe (145) and Ryan Sernick (152).

Lake Fenton was suffering some line- • up losses for the meet, but still had five wrestlers finish with 3-0 marks. Hall and Conley each went 3-0 with three pinfall • outscored the Bronchos by one point in wins while Johnson was 3-0 with two pinfall wins.

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Linden's Reichen Lund (right) drives to the lane by Holly's Andrew Simmons. Photo: Mark Bolen

Eagles remain perfect in Stripes Division, defeat Holly

By Dale Smith

Linden — The Linden varsity boys basketball team suffered a heart-breaking overtime road loss on Saturday to a talented Goodrich team. But, on Tuesday night at home, they were able to bounce back and come away with a victory against a feisty Holly squad, 63-47.

The Eagles jumped out to a quick 8-0 lead only a minute and one half into the game. They led 13-3 with 3:10 left in the first quarter and then went on a 8-2 run to close it out, leading 21-5.

Things didn't look very good for the visiting Bronchos at this point, but a three from Holly senior Samuel Fleisher cut the Linden lead to 23-12. The Eagles only the second quarter and took a 39-22 lead into the locker room at the half.



Holly's Shane Valerio placed third in the 100 freestyle in the Bronchos' 90-79 victory against the Brandon/Goodrich co-op squad. Photo: Christopher Summers

Bronchos end Metro dual season with victory vs. Brandon/Goodrich, 90-79

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity boys swim team capped the Metro League's dual portion of the season with a 90-79 victory against the Brandon/Goodrich co-op squad.

The meet's victor wasn't decided until the final event. The Bronchos entered the 400 freestyle relay with an 80-75 lead. The relay team of Zachary Rockafellow, Brandon Strickert, Drew Hignite and Quinton Monty made sure the victory happened winning the event by a large gap with a time of 3:59.79.

The same four swimmers also started the meet with a first-place finish, winning the 200 medley relay with a time of 1:53.69.

Hignite, a senior, won two individual events. He took first in the 200 individu-

al medley (2:27.90) and the 100 breaststroke (1:10.29). Monty earned his individual firsts in the won the 50 freestyle (24.20) and the 100 freestyle (58.67).

Rockafellow earned the Bronchos' final first, taking it in the 100 backstroke (1:10.98). He also earned an individual second in the 100 butterfly (1:08.06). Others earning individual seconds were senior Shane Valerio in the 100 freestyle (1:06.17), Strickert in the 500 freestyle (6:24.93) and Nathan Costigan in the 100 backstroke (1:23.22).

Individual third-place finishers for Holly included Collin Wilczak in the 200 freestyle (2:23.09), Kade Kivari in the 200 individual medley (2:45.35) and the 100 breaststroke (1:20.97), Strickert in the 50 freestyle (26.51), and Collin Wilczak (1:21.16).

Linden wrestling continues to impress in Metro League action

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity wrestling team continued its winning ways, Wednesday.

The Eagles improved to 11-1 in Metro action (and are still undefeated in the Stripes Division) by beating Clio 57-15 and Kearsley 60-16 at Goodrich High School. The Eagles also had several individual matches against Goodrich, but not for an official team score.

The Eagles' top performer was probably Jimmy Roti (171). He won both of

his matches in the actual duals and then faced Goodrich's state-ranked Cameron Macklem in a bout at 189. Roti won 8-7.

In the varsity duals, the Eagles had six others finish with 2-0 records. Luke Haney (140) and Brenden Shingleton (125/130) earned 2-0 marks with a pinfall win. Meanwhile, Ben Wingblad (112), Tyler McCabe (119) and Bryce Shingleton (125/130) had 2-0 marks as well. Wyatt Gocha (215) won his match as well.

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Fenton wrestlers post perfect Metro outing

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity wrestling team has had its share of three-match events this season

The Tigers (13-5 overall) have finished some with winning records in them. However, something happened for the first time Wednesday night.

The Tigers went a perfect 3-0 in the four-team event at Owosso High School.

Fenton crushed all three of its foes, beating Flushing 58-13, Corunna 57-21 and Owosso 61-9.

Fenton had seven wrestlers finish with perfect 3-0 marks and the Tigers had 14 pinfall wins during the meet. No one had a stronger performance than Ben Triola (160) who won all three of his matches by pinfall.

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Tigers crush Dragons during Senior Night, 47-15

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity girls basketball . team gave its fans a good game to watch during Senior Night.

The Tigers celebrated by improving to 5-3 overall and to 4-2 in the Flint • Metro League's Stripes Division by crushing the Swartz Creek Dragons 47-15.

The win represented the Tigers' best • defensive effort of the season, marking the second time this year the squad has held Swartz Creek to less than 20 points. In the Tigers' season opening • contest Fenton crushed the Dragons 61-19 at Swartz Creek's home gym.

The win also represented the end of . the Tigers' current seven-game home- • stand. Fenton will play four of their • next five contests on the road.

Mallory Lehmann led the Tigers . with eight points while Korryn Smith and Kaleigh Shaker each had seven points. Lauren Gangwer chipped in six points.

Eagles start slow, finish strong in win vs. Holly

By David Troppens

The first time the Linden and Holly varsity girls basketball teams faced off, the squads competed in a triple-overtime thriller, won by the Eagles at Holly High School.

Tuesday night's rematch at Linden High School wasn't that close, but both teams did have their moments.

The Bronchos jumped out to a 10-3 first-quarter lead, but the Eagles scored at least 12 points in each of the final three quarters, eventually earning a pretty comfortable 46-27 victory, completing the season sweep against the Bronchos.

Linden (6-2 overall and 4-2 in the Metro League) has as many victories as they had a year ago (6-15 in 2019-20)and are tied for second place in the Flint Metro League Stripes Division with area rival Fenton. The Eagles are also riding their second three-game winning streak of the season entering Friday's contest at Flushing. The last time the Eagles finished a season with a winning record was in 2011-12 when Linden posted a 12-11 record, and with six regular season games and the postseason



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still remaining the Eagles have a chance to

post their first doubledigit win season since going 10-11 during the 2012-13 season.

At the start of the game, it looked like that sixth win wouldn't come. The Bronchos (2-6) dominated the first quarter with Alyssa Johnson leading the way. Johnson had five first-quarter

10-3 after one quar-

ter. The only field goal Linden had in the opening quarter was provided by Olivia Mawhinney.

The game's momentum started shifting to the Eagles in the second quarter, with Linden scoring 12 points during the stanza. Jordan Peterson hit two three-pointers to lead the surge. Meanwhile, Holly managed just six second-quarter points with Hunter

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points Linden's defense makes life hard for Holly's Hunter Weeder and the Bronchos led in the Eagles' victory against the Bronchos. Photo: Mark Bolen

> Weeder leading the way with four points during the stanza. Holly still enjoyed a 16-15 halftime lead.

> In the second half, the Eagles dominated, holding the Bronchos to just 11 points after halftime. Meanwhile, the Eagles exploded for 19 third-quarter points with Paige Leedle leading the way.

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Time out changes Fenton Tigers' fortunes, defeat Swartz Creek, 60-47

By David Troppens

After losing four straight games, the Fenton varsity boys basketball team wasn't off to the greatest start against Swartz Creek Tuesday night.

The Tigers trailed 32-18 and if anyone was thinking a fifth straight loss may be in the squad's future, it was a fair thought.

But, then the Tigers called a time out and the game changed after that break.

Fenton outscored Swartz Creek 42-15 the rest of the contest, resulting in a pretty impressive 60-47 victory at Fenton High School.

"They made six threes by a variety of guys and we helped them a bit when we gave them five situations where we had turnovers and they had transition buckets with layups," Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Chad Logan said. "Then we called a time out and we played better. We were smoother with the ball. We were better protecting the ball, better de-

fending the ball. It was night and day, and it all changed after that time out."

During the run the Tigers also saw something else happen — their offense started to come to life. The team got some buckets from players who had been struggling, helping make the comeback happen.

"Players like Connor Luck and Brendan Alvord had been struggling but they saw some shots go through the net in the second half. That helped us get some momentum," Logan said.

Seth Logan had another big game, leading the Tigers with 22 points. Noah Sage had nine points and Luck finished with six points. Jake Stewart and Decarri Gill led the Dragons with 10 points each.

Despite the four-game losing streak, the Tigers have had a pretty solid season. While only 4-5 overall, Fenton is 4-2 in the Metro League and just completed a sweep of Swartz Creek with the win.

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Blue Devils return from COVID quarantine, lose tight game vs. Corunna

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton — Carter Foerster and the rest of the Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team has had a challenging season to say the least.

The team got two games into its season when the squad was forced to deal with a COVID quarantine, keeping them not only away from competition but from practices for two weeks. Finally, on Saturday the squad was able to start practicing again. And on Tuesday, for the first time since Feb. 16, the Blue Devils took to the court facing the Corunna Cavaliers at home.

The Blue Devils were competitive throughout the contest and led for most of the first half. However, maybe the time off cost the Blue Devils as the game went on, resulting in a close 53-47 loss to Corunna. The Blue Devils opened the season with a 55-44 loss to Corunna at Corunna High School on Feb. 12.

"It's definitely a relief to be back after two weeks, but, of course, this wasn't the outcome we wanted," Foerster said. "We missed just the every day experience with the hoop. We got to do some zoom workouts and stuff like that to help with the conditioning, but the shooting portion and the flow of the game (was impacted by the two week quarantine)."

"I give the guys all the credit in the world, hitting some shots and playing hard, playing with some energy," Lake Fenton's varsity boys basketball coach Tyler Szczepanski said. "As a team we were just grateful to be out on the court today and have an opportunity to play. It's something in the world that we are playing in today you have to appreciate every moment you get. At least we are playing tonight. You kind of feel the adrenaline and the emotion and just being a part of the game we are playing.



Lake Fenton's Francis Senter scored 16 points in the Blue Devils' 53-47 loss to Corunna. **Photo: Mark Bolen**

I'm so happy our guys were fortunate enough to get on the court tonight."

The game started a tad on the scary side. Corunna scored eight of the first 10 points, and led 8-2 after a driving layup by Corunna's Wyatt Bower. However, an official's time out was called after that bucket, and the Blue Devils took over after that. Immediately after the time out, Dylan Hammis assisted a Francis Senter three-pointer, sparking a 14-2 Lake Fenton run over the rest of the first quarter. Senter did most of the damage, scoring 11 points, with nine coming on treys.

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PREP REPORT

BOYS SWIMMING

▶ Fenton 107, Corunna 64: The Tigers will enter the Metro League's final meet with a perfect dual record after beating Corunna. The Tigers earned nine of the 12 firsts. Max Haney had two individual firsts, winning the 200 individual medley (2:04.84) and the 100 butterfly (54.60). Other Tigers earning

individual firsts were Braden Falvo in the 200 freestyle (1:57.47), Zach Michelson in the 500 freestyle (5:29.48), Tristan Bakker in the 100 backstroke (1:06.90) and Hawk Tietema in the 100 breaststroke (1:18.87). The Tigers also won the 200 medley relay (1:46.16), the 200 freestyle relay (1:33.70) and the 400 freestyle relay (3:31.43).

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Foerster had a strong start to the game, scoring eight of the Blue Devils' first 10 points against Owosso. The first six came on two three-pointers and the third on a traditional two-point bucket. In between the two treys, Carter Smith also hit a bucket. By the time the first quarter was over, Lake Fenton led 14-9.

The Blue Devils increased the lead in the second quarter. Jake Helms hit an early three-pointer in the stanza and Foerster finished the period with seven more points. Three came on a conventional three-point play. The Blue Devils led at halftime 32-19.

Any chances of an Owosso comeback were crushed by a strong defensive effort by Lake Fenton in the third quarter. Owosso managed just six points during the stanza (a three-pointer by Ben Welz and Corbin Thompson), while Lake Fenton enjoyed a 13-point quarter.

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ZONING BOARD of APPEALS CITY OF FENTON GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF VARIANCE REQUEST

TUESDAY, March 23, 2021

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fenton Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Tuesday, March 23, 2021, for the purpose of considering a variance request to permit the placement of a third detached accessory building on the property located at 715 Torrey Road. Section 2.01(j), Fenton Zoning Ordinance restricts a property to no more than two detached accessory buildings. The Applicant has placed the third accessory building on the property is located at 715 Torrey Road, Fenton, Michigan Tax ID #53-26-100-019. The proposed request will allow the third accessory building to remain on site. The property is zoned GBD, General Business District.

The public hearing will be held during the meeting via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87638940004?pwd=Z3ZwTUprM2t4eH F1WXA1c2ltSkd3QT09

Meeting ID: 876 3894 0004 Passcode: 621904 Dial-in: +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799

The purpose of the public hearing is to describe the proposed variance request and receive public comment on the proposal. All interested parties are welcome to attend and present their comments.

A copy of the variance request is available for public inspection at the City of Fenton offices, 301 South Leroy Street, by appointment only by calling (810) 629-2261 during regular business hours. Written comments concerning the variance may be submitted at the above address prior to the hearing and will be made part of the official record. All minutes of meetings are available at the City Clerk's office.

Comments and questions may be directed to the City of Fenton Zoning and Building Administrator, Michael Reilly, at 810-629-2261.

PLEASE CONTACT THE FENTON CITY CLERK'S OFFICE IF ANY ACCOM-MODATIONS ARE NEEDED DUE TO A DISABILITY.

EAGLES

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Playing without forward Matthew Wisniewski, who was out with an ankle injury, Linden needed help on the boards. Junior Brandon Green came off the bench and was instrumental in helping the Eagles to a 25-22 edge in rebounds.

"I think we could have come out and played a little better in the second and third quarter," said Green. "Played a little bit more like ourselves. But we still pulled through."

Green had nine points along with 10 rebounds.

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Blue Devils' defense sparks win vs. Corunna

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton — It's been a great start for the Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team.

Well, there have been the issues everyone else has gone through. There was the CO-VID delay to the season, and the squad actually lost its first game of the season 60-46. And with only eight players on the varsity squad, maybe the result created some early season concern for the squad.

But since those issues, the

Blue Devils have had a lot of reasons to smile. Lake Fenton won its seventh straight contest, defeating the team that beat them to start the season Tuesday night. Despite playing their first game without injured starting point guard Kerrigan Howdeshell, the Blue Devils cruised to a 54-30 victory at home against Corunna.

"It was definitely a slow start but we all wanted to have a big season," Lake Fenton senior Christina Lamb said. "All the setbacks to start the season were disappointing, but we all have had a goal to go out and just do our best, so that's what's pushing us.

"We have had confidence throughout the whole season. Even with the downfalls we just want to keep a positive mindset and I think that's showing too."

The victory has the Blue Devils (5-1 in Metro Stars Division) suddenly with control of their own destiny to earn at least a co-division crown.

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during a recent contest. Photo: Christopher Summers

2021 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW **MEETING SCHEDULE** Fenton Township, Genesee County

The Fenton Township Board of Review for March 2021 will be held both in person and by electronic remote access, Electronic remote access, in accordance with Michigan law, will be implemented in response to COVID-19 social distancing requirements and limitations on the number of individuals in a meeting hall.

The meetings will be held in person, (by appointment only) at:

Fenton Township Civic Community Center 12060 Mantawauka Drive Fenton, MI 48430

The meetings will also be held by electronic remote access via **Zoom**, (also by appointment only). The public may participate in the meeting via Zoom by computer, smart phone/device using the following link:

www.zoom.us/join Meeting ID: 927 6256 2841 **Password: 428255**

The public may also participate by landline phone or cell phone by calling into this number:

(312) 626-6799

Scheduled appointments are required for Board of Review appeals. Petitions and support information must be received prior to appointments. Fenton Township encourages protests to be submitted by letter by attaching support and detailed protest explanation.

The Fenton Township March Board of Review will meet on the following dates:

- Tuesday March 2, 2021, 3:00pm Organizational Meeting (No appeals)
- Monday March 8, 2021, 9:00am to 6:00pm Appeal Hearing (lunch break 12:00pm - 1:00pm)
- Tuesday March 9, 2021, 1:00pm to 9:00pm Appeal Hearing (dinner break 5:00pm to 6:00pm)

- Wednesday March 10, 2021, 1:00pm to 9:00pm Appeal Hearing (dinner break 5:00pm to 6:00pm)
- Thursday March 11, 2021, 12:00pm to 6:00pm Appeal Hearing
- Friday March 12, 2021, 10:00am to 2:00pm Work session only (No appeals)

Taxpayers are able to submit protests in writing, provided that protests are received no later than March 10, 2021. Scheduled appointments are required and written protests are recommended this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. To schedule an appointment please contact the Fenton Township Assessing office at 810-629-3445. Appeal letters and supporting documentation may be submitted as follows:

US Mail: Fenton Township Board of Review, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430 please mail early enough so it is received by March 10th) Email: BOR@fentontownship.org

Drop Box: Located at the front entrance of the Fenton Township Office Fax: 810-629-9736

All written protests must be received no later than March 10, 2021.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2021 are as follows:

| Commercial | 48.37%. | 1.0336 |
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| Residential | 47.10%. | 1.0615 |
| Industrial | 48.94%. | 1.0216 |
| Personal Property | 50.00%. | 1.0000 |

Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon three (3) days' notice. Contact: Assessor Julia Wilson, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430; 810-629-3445

Board of Review Members:

Beverly McKenna, Chair John Brancheau, Member Scott "Randy" Laue, Member Vince Lorraine, Secretary of Board of Review

Social Security and Women's History Month

Submitted By Vonda Van Til

In March, we celebrate Women's History Month. Social Security has served a vital role in the lives of women for more than 80 years.

Women have longer life expectancies than men, which means they live more years in retirement and have a greater chance of exhausting other sources of income. It's important for women to plan early and wisely for retirement.

Our benefits portal at ssa.gov/ benefits/retirement provides detailed information about how life events can affect your Social Security retirement benefits. These events may include marriage, widowhood, divorce, selfemployment, government service, and other life or career changes.

Your earnings history will determine your benefits, so we encourage you to verify that this information is correct. You can create your personal my Social Security account at ssa. gov/myaccount and view your earnings history. If you find an error with your earnings, it is important to get it corrected so you receive the benefits you earned. Our publication, How to Correct Your Social Security Earnings Record at ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10081.pdf, provides you with details on making a correction.



March is Women's History Month. Your earnings history will determine your benefits, so the Social Security Administration encourages you to verify that your information is correct.

If you would like to learn more about how we can help women plan for retirement, check out our online booklet, Social Security: What Every Woman Should Know. You can find it at ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10127.pdf. Please consider sharing it with family and friends. It could change their lives for the better.

Vonda Van Til is the Public Affairs Specialist for West Michigan. You can write her c/o Social Security Administration, 3045 Knapp NE, Grand Rapids MI 49525 or via email at vonda. vantil@ssa.gov.

VILLAGE OF HOLLY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF A ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, of consideration of amending chapter 154: Sign Ordinance of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance. The Village of Holly Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on March 24, 2021 at 7:00 pm. The hearing will be held electronically as authorized under PA 228 of 2020. Members of the public body and members of the public may participate electronically as described below.

Access the meeting at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83962204817

Or go to zoom.us. At the top, right corner, select 'join a meeting'. Enter the meeting ID # 839 6220 4817. The bottom left corner is used to start the video and audio feeds. Or you can call in using the following numbers:

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 646 558 8656 US (New York) +1 253 215 8782 US +1 301 715 8592 US +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

Written comments may be submitted to the Village Clerk/Treasurer at <u>dbigger@hollyvillage.org</u> prior to the hearing. The documents pertinent to the hearing will be posted on line at <u>www.hollyvillage.org</u>.

Interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting. Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend are asked to contact the Village offices at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (248) 634-9571 during regular business hours.

Deborah J. Bigger Clerk/Treasurer Village of Holly

TYRONE TOWNSHIP 2021 BOARD OF REVIEW PUBLIC NOTICE

The 2021 March Board of Review will meet at Tyrone Township Hall, located at 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton, MI 48430 on the following dates and times:

TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2021

Organizational Meeting 9:00 am

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021 THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2021 9:00 am -12:00 pm. 1:00 pm - 4:0

9:00 am -12:00 pm. 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. 6:00 pm - 9:00pm

Please call (810) 629-8631 for a recommended appointment. Letters of appeal are encouraged and must be received by 9:00 pm. on March 11, 2021. No faxes or emails will be accepted.

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Puzzle Answers

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

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Super foods

By Sharon Stone

With so much emphasis on better eating habits to live a healthier life, some people turn to supplements while other people turn to foods that boost the immune system. These food items are nothing new — they have been around forever.

With the COVID-19 pandemic, it's important to understand that no supplement, diet, or other lifestyle modification other than physical distancing and proper hygiene practices can protect you from CO-VID-19, but you could feel healthier.

A recent healthline.com article lists several foods that boost the body's immune system.

Citrus fruits

Citrus fruits contain Vitamin C, which helps build up your immune system. Vitamin C is thought to increase the production of white blood cells, which are key to fighting infections.

Popular citrus fruits include grapefruit,

oranges, clementines, tangerines, lemons and limes. Because your body doesn't produce or store it, you need daily vitamin C for continued health. The recommended daily amount for most adults is 75 mg for women and 90 mg for men.

Red bell peppers Ounce for ounce, red bell pep-

Ounce for ounce, red bell peppers contain almost three times as much vitamin C (127 mg) as an orange (45 mg). They're also a rich source of beta carotene. Besides boosting your immune system, vitamin C may help you maintain

healthy skin. Beta carotene, which your body converts into vitamin A, helps keep your eyes and skin healthy.



Delicious options that can boost your body's immune system

Broccoli

Broccoli contains vitamins and minerals. Packed with vitamins A, C, and E, as well as fiber and many other antioxidants, broccoli is one of the healthiest vegetables you can put



on your plate. Research has shown

that lightly steaming is the best way to keep more nutrients in the food.

Garlic

Garlic is found in almost every cuisine in the world. It adds a little zing to food and it's a must-have for your health. Its immune-boosting properties seem to come from a heavy concentration of sulfur-containing compounds, such as allicin.



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Obituaries



Bonnie Sue Yoder

1943 - 2021

Bonnie Sue Yoder - age 77, of Sarasota, FL passed away on Wednesday, March 3, 2021. She was born April 19, 1943 in Holly, to the late Chauncey and Luella Senter. Bonnie was a 1961 graduate of Holly High School. She spent most of her working life in Baltimore, MD. Bonnie proudly served as an Executive Assistant to the C.E.O. of AAI Corporation in Cockeysville, MD. Survivors include her son, William "Bill" Tabeling Jr. (Polly); and grandchildren, Andrew "Andy" and Katherine "Kate" Tabeling. all of Peachtree Corners, GA. Bonnie is also survived by her close companion, Woody Parshall; and of course her fur baby, "Henry;" and many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband. Paul E. Yoder; and sisters, Peggy Mikonis and Mary Lou Maus. Services will be private. She will be laid to rest at Columbia Memorial Park in Columbia, MD at a later date. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.palmsmemorial.com for the Yoder family.

ClaraBelle Casey

ClaraBelle Casey - age 83, died February 25, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Steve W. Langley

1959 - 2021

Steve W. Langley - age 61 of Fenton, passed peacefully Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at his home. Services will be held 5 PM Sunday, March 7, 2021 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton (A live stream of the service may be viewed on Steve's obituary page at www.sharpfuneralhomes. com). Dawn Shapiro officiating. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Sunday from 3 PM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to Ascension Hospice or the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Steven was born September 23, 1959 in Pontiac, the son David and Virginia (Hayes) Langley. He married Teri (Theresa Poli) Langley on August 7, 1987. Steve had an interest in history, especially WWII in which his father fought. That influence was apparent by the way he faced and fought so long and hard on the front lines of the war against multiple myeloma. Through that fight he never lost his quick wit and sense of humor. He put up the most incredible fight. Steve worked for the City of Fenton for 21

Anthony Maranowski

Anthony Maranowski - age 74, died February 28, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Barbara Colwell Barbara Colwell - age 79, died March 2, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



years. He was an amazing, loving husband and father. He enjoyed woodworking (known for making personalized birdhouses for all that retired from the City of Fenton), cooking and living in a warm and loving neighborhood named after him, "Mr. Langley's Neighborhood". Steve was preceded in death by his parents; and brother, Jerry Langley. He leaves behind his wife, Teri; son, Tommy (Tayler Nelson); brother, Larry (Terrilee) Langley; Poli brothers and sisters, along with several nieces and nephews. It was truly a village with too many people to name individually, that have accompanied us on his long, traveled journey. Steve was in awe of how many people volunteered to help in any way. Great appreciation to all our family, friends, neighbors, UM doctors and nurses, especially Dr. Campagnaro along with the Hospice workers. We could not have made it through without this army. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Billie Oroark

Billie Oroark - age 62, died February 27, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Christopher Gillmore

Christopher Gillmore - age 59, died February 28, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Lloyd L. "Pete" Bigham Jr.

1928 - 2021

Lloyd L. "Pete" Bigham Jr. - age 92, of Fenton, passed away on Saturday, February 27, 2021. Lloyd was born August 7, 1928 in Pontiac, the son of Lloyd L. & Edna (Jamison) Bigham. He

was a graduate of Pontiac High School and a Korean War Veteran of the U.S. Army. Lloyd married Joyce (Miller) Shaw on October 21, 1982 and she preceded him in death on January 18, 2016. He drove a semi truck for General Motors (Chevrolet) and retired in 1984 after 35 years of service. Lloyd enjoyed golfing and bowling for many years and family get-togethers. He was a life member of Fenton VFW Post #3243 and a member of U.A.W. Local #659. Surviving are son, Lloyd "Topper" Bigham III of Fenton; daughter, Lori Kowalski of Walled Lake/Novi; step-sons, Don (Lora) Shaw of Grand Blanc, Tim Shaw and Cathy of White Lake: daughter-inlaw, Marilyn Shaw of Flint; brother, Harry (Glenys) Bigham; sister, Marilyn Vanderworp; grandchildren, Jamie Shaw of Cary, ID, Jennifer (Brett) Wardrop of Grand Rapids, Michelle (Neil) Wendt of Goodrich,



TJ (Jessica) Shaw of Milan, Kristin (Todd) Ragsdale of Grand Blanc, Curtis Shaw of Rifle, CO, Jorden (Mario) Varela of Parachute, CO; greatgrandchildren, Connor and Devin Wardrop,

Elizabeth and William Wendt. Mackenzie, Madeline and Anna Shaw, Katie and Kyle Ragsdale, Isaac, Mariah, Joey Varela. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Joyce; step-son, Lee Shaw; great-granddaughter, Hayleigh Shaw; and daughter. Jennifer Williams, A memorial service will be held 11 AM Thursday, March 25, 2021 at Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Rd., Holly. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to Fenton VFW Post # 3243. 1148 N Leroy St, Fenton, MI 48430. The family wishes to express their thanks and gratitude to the staff of Ascension Genesys for their care and compassion. Arrangements by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton, MI 48430. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Priscilla Knapp

Priscilla Knapp - age 92, died February 25, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Joyce Lahar Joyce Lahar - age 89, died February 25, 2021. Services provided by Sharp





Obituaries



Stanley Samuel Butynski

1924 - 2021

Stanley Samuel Butynski - age 96, of Gaines, died Tuesday, March 2, 2021. Private services will be held. Those desiring may make contributions to Fenton United Methodist Church. Stanley was born June 7, 1924 in Hamtramck, the son of Samuel and Bernice (Banash) Butynski. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in WWII. He was married to Margie J. O'Key on May 25, 1946; she preceded him in death on February 13, 2014. Mr. Butynski retired from Genesee County in 1985. He is survived by his sons, Donald (Ann) Butynski and David (Tina) Butynski; five grandchildren; sister, Agnes Rogers; brother, Samuel (Vickie) Butvnski. He was also preceded in death by his parents; two brothers and three sisters. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes. com.





Mary Ellen Ferguson - age 82, of Fenton passed away Tuesday, March 2. 2021. Funeral Services will be conducted 11 AM Saturday, March 13. 2021 at Fenton United Methodist Church, 119

S. Leroy Street, Fenton (A live stream of the service may be viewed on Mary Ellen's obituary page at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com). Mr. John Ferguson will officiate. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Linden. Visitation will be 2 - 8 PM Friday, March 12 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton and 10 - 11 AM Saturday at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation or Sharp Funeral Home for funeral expenses. Mary Ellen was born September 17, 1938, the daughter of Clarence J. and Violet (McVittie) Olson. She grew up in the Detroit area and moved to Fenton in 1980. Before retiring, Mary Ellen was an accomplished Realtor for over 40 years, specializing in the development of vacant land. She was known as "The Land Lady" and often said: "Land is where dreams are built!" She helped numerous people find the perfect spot for their dream home or commercial property in which to build a business. But her

Edward Hoort

Edward Hoort - age 70, died February 23, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Mary Ellen Ferguson

1938 - 2021



greatest joy in life was found in raising her children that she affectionately referred to as her "magnificent seven." Mary Ellen had a deep respect for military personnel, law enforcement

Harold "Al"

Dahl – age

peacefully

on Sunday,

February 28,

2021. Al was

born on June

20, 1940 to the

late Reverend

Bertha (Olson)

Morris, IL. He

graduated from New Trier High

School and went on to earn

his bachelors from Simpson

College and then his masters

from University of Minnesota.

and hospital administration for

He worked in medical sales

58 years until his retirement.

Al was a hardworking man

humor and a kindness that

endeared him to everyone he

met. He enjoyed golfing and

fishing and spending time with

family on the water at Woman

enjoyed watching the freighters

Lake, Dollar Lake, and Lake

Michigan. He most recently

pass by on Lake Superior.

Proudly known as "Boompa"

to his grandkids, he also loved

with a wonderful sense of

Birger and

Dahl in

80, of Fenton,

passed away

and first responders, praying for them daily. Her patriotism ran deep and she could often be found waving a flag during parades or attending the funerals of fallen officers. Surviving are her children, D. Scott (Dee) Ferguson of Arlington, TX, Dena (Daren) Scully of Fenton, John (Diana) Ferguson of Idaho Falls, ID, Donna (Matthew) Steffey of Linden, Robert (Annette) Ferguson of Ann Arbor, Daniel (Jennifer) Ferguson of Linden; 21 grandchildren, Chance, Scott, Tyler, Heydon, Collette, Whitney, Ryan, Dugan, Maisie, Elizabeth Anne, Ian, Owen, William, Reagan, Jack, Calan, Nolan, Anton, Maris, Wren, and Lynde; and greatgrandchildren; Levi, Emmylou, Roman, Emerson; and a great grandson due in May. Mary Ellen was preceded in death by her daughter, Dawn Marie Ferguson; grandson, Daniel Llovd Steffev: her parents and siblings. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Gloria Tourangeau

Gloria Tourangeau - age 93, died February 25, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Harold "Al" Dahl

1940 - 2021



being "Big Al" and "Uncle Al" and a friend to all who needed one. Family meant everything to him, and he was fond of exclaiming what his father had always said at annual Dahl family reunions; "We

are a wonderful family!" He was preceded in death by his parents; and his loving wife, of 54 years, Karen Dahl in 2016. He is survived by his three children, Jeff (Trish Thomas) Dahl, Mike (Angie) Dahl, and Susi (Tim) Elkins; his grandchildren, Carolyn Dahl, Katie Dahl, Kelsea Dahl, Tanner Gibson, Amelia Elkins and Alex Elkins; a brother, Rev. Dr. Stephen (Sharon) Dahl; nieces, Carolyn (Scott) Harvey, Lindsey (Robert) Harris, and Wendy Dahl, and his companion, Kathy Dwyer. There will be a celebration of Al's life when family and friends can gather safely. www.palmerbush.com

Donald Condon

Donald Condon - age 89, died February 28, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Dorothy Allman

Dorothy Allman - age 78, died February 26, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.





Dorothy Hutchins Dorothy Hutchins - age 85, died February 25, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.



sharpfuneralhomes.com.

George Angell

George Angell - age 88, died February 26, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Paul Dean

Burt – age

March 2,

memorial

service will

be held. The

service will be

live-streamed

viewed at 2 PM,

March 17, 2021 on Paul's

sharpfuneralhomes.com. Public

visitation will be held 12 - 2 PM

Wednesday, March 17 at Sharp

Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel,

1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton,

Cancer Society. Paul was born

July 20, 1954 in Oskaloosa, IA

Margaret Ann Benscoter. He

is survived by his loving bride

Bender; grandchildren, Olivia

Bender and Joshua Bender;

of 17 plus years, Maureen;

dear father of Lisa (Dan)

the son of Paul Delano Burt and

obituary page at www.

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died Tuesday,

2021. A private

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Obituaries

Charleene Mae Kromer

1935 - 2021

1935 - 2021 Charleene Mae Kromer - age 85, of Linden, formerly of Muskegon, Hazel Park, Flint and Fenton, passed away Saturday, February 27, 2021 surrounded by family. Private

services were held at Sharp Funeral Home. The family plans a memorial service at a later date. Charleene was born July 26, 1935 in Muskegon, the daughter of Raymond C. and Isabel (Cross) Squires. She married William F. Kromer on August 17, 1957 in Muskegon. She was a graduate of Muskegon Community College, Central Michigan University, and earned her master's degree at the University of Michigan. She began her career as an elementary school teacher at Hazel Park Community Schools. She loved all children and she and her husband assisted in starting schools and teaching in three African countries: Swaziland, Liberia, and Uganda. She was devoted to her beloved family and any young person within range. Char made a decision to be a follower of Jesus as a teenager and lived her faith. She shared His love everywhere she went. She was a loving example for family and everyone she came into contact with. She was a longtime, devoted member of the Fenton

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United Methodist Church and was known for her work with the Logos children's program. She was actively involved in getting the word of God to the world through

Gideons International. Char held the firm belief that parents are the child's first and most important teacher and lived that belief so well. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Bill; four children, William B. (Jane) Kromer, Kelley L. Raymond Squires; many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; and her granddaughter, Clara KromerThe family thanks all those who were in prayer and who gave assistance during our time of need. So grateful for family, friends, The Medical Team hospice, neighbors, and others who assisted. In lieu of flowers please consider sending donations to Gideons International, P.O. Box 7064, Flint MI 48507. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



MI 48430. The family will also (Mike) Dietz, David B. (Tami) have a celebration of life in the Kromer, and Cynthia A. (Scott) summer of 2021 at Paul and LaFave; 13 grandchildren; Maureen's home. In lieu of 40 foster grandchildren; four flowers, memorial contributions great-grandchildren; brother, may be made to Reverence Hospice or the American

Paul Dean Burt 1954 - 2021

dear brother

Simetz, June

(John) Grimm,

and Glen (Jo)

Burt; brother

in law, James

Kratz; sister-in-

law, Carmen

Kratz; father

and mother-

in-law, Walter

(Pamela)

of Merrillyn



and Mary Kratz. He is also survived by so many nieces and nephews that will miss him dearly. Paul retired from GM Truck and Bus after 36 years of service as an electrician. Paul loved river floats and fishing with his best friend. Paul Heineman and his brother. Glen. He also enjoyed a good game of pickle ball, especially at the Hartland Senior Center, golf, gardening and living life. He did antique clock restoration, and collected antiques and antique toys. He was preceded in death by his parents; and best friend, Paul Heineman. Online tribute may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Roger Hamilton

Roger Hamilton - age 72, died March 1, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Stanley Kourt

Stanlev Kourt - age 73. died February 26, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Thomas Skrobasinski

Thomas Skrobasinski - age 81, died February 27, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



William Pellett

William Pellett - age 90. died February 28, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.





Obituaries

Marty Dee Pollard

1970 - 2021

Marty Dee Pollard - age 51. of Swartz Creek, died Wednesday. March 3, 2021 Per Marty's reauest cremation has taken place and no public services will be held. Marty was born

February 19, 1970 in Flint the son of David Alan and Arlene Marie (Zoll) Pollard. He was a 1988 graduate of Lake Fenton High School. He had resided in Swartz Creek for the past 36 years coming from Fenton. Marty was a self employed tile mason. He enjoyed hunting and fishing. Surviving are his children, DeeAnn Marie

Pollard of Swartz Creek and Brandon David Pollard of Swartz Creek: arandchildren. Ashton Deihl Pollard and Harlev Marie Chalker: mother, Arlene M. Pollard

(Gary Suszek) of Fenton; father, David Pollard (Julie) of Swartz Creek; brother, Matthew Deihl Pollard of Linden; sister, Megan Lowder (John) of Swartz Creek; and nieces and nephews. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Ina Wears

Ina Wears - age 78, died February 27, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Lois Durish

Lois Durish - age 79, died February 27, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Margaret Dolan

Margaret Dolan - age

Funeral Homes. www.

sharpfuneralhomes.com.

88, died March 2, 2021.

Services provided by Sharp

Mason Walters

Mason Walters - age 3 months, died February 25, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Priscilla Shearer Priscilla Shearer - age 67, died February 26, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Rade Beslach

Rade Beslach - age 82, died February 26, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com



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In the days and months to come, the family will continue to need your support. Try to write or call on a regular basis. Continue

to include them in your social plans, they will let you know when they are ready to participate. It is also nice to remember the family on special occasions during the first year following the death. Don't worry about bringing up the pain and emotion of the loss, they are well aware

of that. By remembering such occasions as wedding anniversaries and birthdays, you are not remembering the death, but reaffirming that a life was lived.

Source: Thefuneralsource.org

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Ginger

Ginger is an ingredient many turn to after getting sick. It may help decrease inflammation, which can help reduce a sore

throat and inflammatory illnesses. It may help with nausea as well. It packs some heat in the form of gingerol, a relative of capsaicin. I may decrease chronic pain and might possess cholesterol-lowering properties.

Spinach

Spinach is rich in vitamin C and packed with numerous antioxidants and beta carotene, which may both increase the infection-fighting ability of our immune systems. Spinach is healthiest when it's cooked

as little as possible. However, light cooking makes it easier to absorb the vitamin A and allows other nutrients to be released from oxalic acid. an antinutrient.





Look for yogurts that have the phrase "live and active cultures" printed on the label, such as Greek yogurt. These cultures may stimulate your im-

ter. Sweeten with fresh fruit or honey. Yogurt is a great source of vitamin D. Vitamin D helps regulate the immune system and is thought to boost our body's natural defenses against diseases.

Almonds

Nuts, such as almonds, are packed with vitamin E and also have healthy fats. Adults only need about 15 mg of vitamin E each day. A half-cup serving of almonds, which is about 46

approximately 100 percent of the recom- mended daily amount.



Sunflower seeds

Sunflower seeds contain phosphorous, magnesium, and vitamins B-6 and E. Vitamin E is important in regulating and maintaining immune system function. Other foods with high amounts of vitamin E include avo-



cados and dark leafy greens. Sunflower seeds also are high in selenium.

Turmeric

This bright yellow, bitter spice has been used for years as an anti-inflammatory in treating both osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis. Research has shown high concentrations of curcumin, which give turmeric its color, can help decrease exercised-induced muscle damage.



OTHER IMMUNE-BOOSTING FOODS

• Green Tea • Papaya • Kiwi • Poultry • Shellfish, such as oysters, crab, lobster and mussels



mune system to help fight diseases. Plain or varieties without sugar are bet-

whole, shelled almonds, provides

