Fenton's Street Experience begins tomorrow

■Meet the Author, DJ, Mobile Skate Park, Table Tennis and more

By Sharon Stone

Beginning tomorrow afternoon, Thursday, May 20, certain roads in downtown Fenton will shut down at 4 p.m. to make

way for this summer's Street Experience.

Implemented last summer to help struggling businesses because of the COVID restrictions set by the state, Fenton City is continuing the Street Experience this year based on the positive feedback it received. Fenton City Council unanimously approved an updated emergency regulation in April to allow for the Street Experience to happen this spring and summer.

With health, safety and welfare in mind, Michael Hart, assistant city manager and Downtown See **FENTON** on 10





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Two vaccine clinics coming to Linden and Fenton

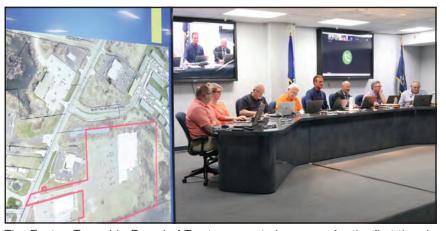
■Local pharmacist says fear of needles and side effects a hurdle to getting people vaccinated

By Hannah Ball

One local resident is partnering with multiple organizations to bring vaccine clinics to the Linden and Fenton area.

Linden High School is hosting a COVID vaccine clinic Saturday, May 29 from 3 to 7 p.m. Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation will host a vaccine clinic at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center on Saturday, June 5 from 3 to 6 p.m.

See **VACCINE** on 5



The Fenton Township Board of Trustees meets in person for the first time in more than a year on Monday, May 17. The previous in-person meeting was March 2, 2020. Photo: Hannah Ball

Township returns to in-person meetings

■Board will keep virtual access; new technology upgrades now in place

By Hannah Ball

On Monday, May 17, Fenton Township Supervisor Vince Lorraine wel-

comed the Board of Trustees and attendees to the first in-person meeting since the pandemic began in early 2020.

It also was Lorraine's first in-person meeting as supervisor. He was voted in November 2020.

See **IN-PERSON** on 11

Fenton approves FY 2022 budget

■ Projects represent \$4 million in road improvements, \$160,000 in building improvements and more

By Sharon Stone

Fenton City Council approved the city's Fiscal Year 2022 budget on Monday, May 17.

The budget was developed using the following assumptions:

- Revenues are calculated based upon a millage rate of 9.8822 mils.
- Constitutional state revenue sharing is calculated according to Michigan Department of Management and Budget projections.
- Interest rates will continue to be low.
- Services will remain the same or improved through efficiency.

See BUDGET on 8



In case you're

unaware, the city of Fenton does have a noise ordinance. To the drivers who cut through the resi-

dential areas playing the loud music numerous times a day and nights, turn it down and replace your blown car speakers. Honestly, a hearing aid would be a cheaper option."



CE Responding to the Hot-liner

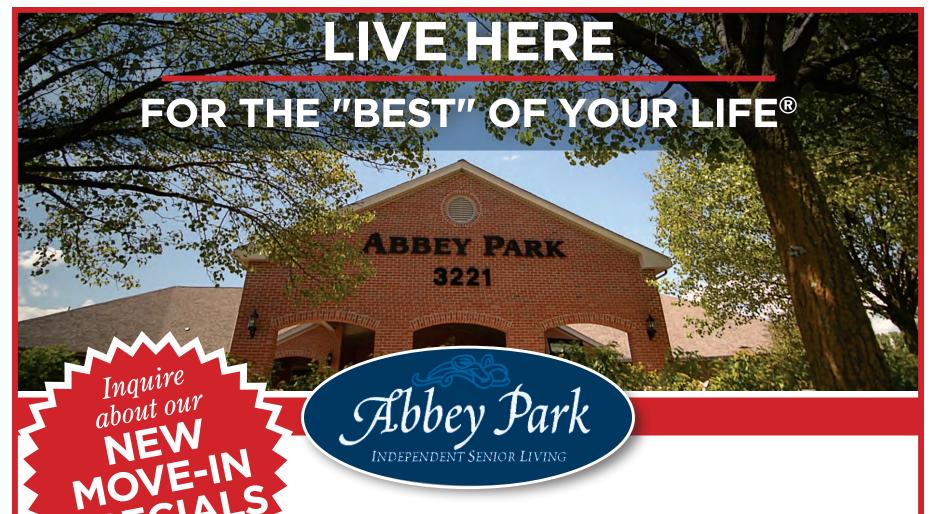
who commented about opening car window and waving when let into traffic.

That was probably me. I like to acknowledge a good deed when I experience one. My car windows are tinted so I use the open window to express my gratitude."

66 Silver Lake Road

to be rehabbed but no talks of improving traffic flow. Northbound U.S. 23 is impossible to turn. How about a roundabout?"





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Hometown Heroes celebrates marine leaving for boot camp

■ Forty-seven ribbons on tree symbolize Holly area residents serving in the military away from home

By Hannah Ball

The Holly Hometown Heroes program held a ceremony for a Rose Township resident before he left to join the U.S. Marines.

On Thursday, May, 13, Maximus McGee, 19, tied a ribbon with his name on it around the large tree in front of Holly Elementary School. There are currently 47 yellow ribbons, each representing a Holly area resident who's currently serving in one of the six branches of the military. They take the ribbons off when they return.

The U.S. Armed Forces are made up of the six military branches: Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy and, most recently, Space Force.

McGee, a Rose Township resident who graduated two years ago from Waterford Mott, said the ceremony was "pretty emotional. A lot of conflicting emotions. Just had so much going on through my head."

He received his degree in business management from Oakland Community College.

McGee decided to join the Marines for career opportunities, to better himself and to travel the world. He left Sunday,



Maximus McGee, 19, (second from right) stands with his two recruiters and Holly Police Chief Jerry Narsh after tying his ribbon on the tree in front of Holly Elementary School on Thursday, May 13. Photo: Hannah Ball

May 16 for a two-week quarantine period in Jacksonville, Florida, and then he leaves for Paris Island, South Carolina, where he will attend boot camp for 13 weeks.

After, he will join the infantry, and his enlistment is for eight years.

McGee said he experienced "bouts of nervousness and excitement" before he left. His family is "excited" for him, but they're also sad.

His mother, Rochelle McGee, said the event was "amazing" and it helped her come to terms with the fact that her son was leaving.

"I am absolutely impressed. I always see this tree when I drive by it. I've always given it my little prayers ... but I never thought it would be my kid putting a ribbon around this tree," she said. "I encourage everyone to actually come and look at the tree. I see the Air Force, I see Marines, I see the Army, I see the Navy, I see everything. These are all people that are leaving us and they're going to come back."

She said joining the Marines will help him figure out what he wants to do for the rest of his life.

Hometown Heroes also sends care packages to service members and helps veterans when they return.

Michelle Senton, co-chair of Home-



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town Heroes with Katrina Berger, said her son is going into his sixth year into the service as a U.S. Marine. Not only are they supporting and sending care packages to service members who are away from home, they're also focused on supporting the family.

"What was important to me was that I had my Hometown Hero family," she said.

Senton gave flowers to Rochelle McGee, "from one military mom to another."

when I drive by it. I've always given it my little prayers ... but I never thought it would be my kid putting a ribbon around this tree. 77

Rochelle McGee Rose Township resident

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Building Brands

Consumers are ready to spend, will it be with your brand?

We've needed a new deck for a few years, but put off the expense last year because of the financial uncertainty brought on by the COVID-19 pandem-

ic. While it stunk living with the old deck one more year, there were perks.

We were able to save and pay cash for most of the project, plus it gave us lots of time to think about the design, meaning I've looked at every form of outdoor living advertising I could get my eyes on.

Confident this spring was the right time to move forward, we had plans in place to build a new deck before the snow melted. It was finished recently, and we love it.

Emily Caswell

Of course, the spending wasn't over when the last nail was hammered. A bigger deck meant we had room for more outdoor furniture and were in need of new landscaping. Cha-Ching!

I share this because after years of writing this column and doing research on consumers for various clients, I've learned that I'm not very unique. My personality? Yes. My spending habits? No.

McKinsey & Company, an American management consulting firm,

confirms my lack of uniqueness. From one of their recent reports published in March:

"Since October, about 40 percent of

US consumers are consistently optimistic, while just under 15 percent remain pessimistic ... Discretionary spending has accelerated since summer 2020 in CO-VID-19 'essentials' categories (home furnishings for example)."

It doesn't end with essen-

"More than 50 percent of US consumers expect to spend extra by splurging or treating themselves, with higher-income millennials intending to spend the most."

(Hi! It's me.) And that's just things. Fully vaccinated, we are now also spending money on dining out and travel. We're not alone. From the report:

"Thirty-percent of consumers say they will spend more on in-person restaurant dining, out-of-home entertainment, and travel."

So, what does all of this mean to your brand? If you at all slowed your marketing efforts in the last year, it's time to ramp them back up.

See SPEND on 19

Submit Hot lines online at myfenton.con or text to 810-771-8398

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I REALLY LOVE seeing all the students walking home on the new LAFF lanes on Silver Lake Road in Linden.

WHOEVER IS IN charge of Fenton's 'Street Experience' needs to re-think it. COVID restrictions are lifting so why gridlock the city two nights a week? Traffic is already a mess because of construction. If you still think it is a valuable event, then do it one night a week.

I AM VERY proud of our Fenton girls soccer team, no matter what happens you still laugh, dance, and have more fun than anyone else. It's the time you spend together that counts. We'll be back next year.

READERS

Letters, 150 words or less, must be signed and include a phone number. We reserve the right to edit for clarity and liability. Letters must be written exclusively for the Times.

Damaged wetlands

Dear Editor,

Thank you for publishing the very well written article by Hannah Ball about the lake resident who damaged the wetlands and ultimately the health of Bennett, Lobdell lakes. As a member of the Lobdell Bennett Lake Association, I am very pleased that EGLE has stepped up to issue the violation of wetlands law. We as a board are following closely the actions and remediation because of the importance of the wetlands for the health of our lakes. By publishing this article, you have helped us to spread the word that the wetlands provide a valuable asset for our waterways.

Thank you, Paul D McEwen, LBLA board member

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

What do you think about the Fenton Street Experience? | **street talk**



"I'm not looking forward to it. I just moved downtown in January, and traffic coming home from work is a headache enough, now I have to find alternate routes every Thursday and Friday until October. I would be a little more optimistic if they didn't have the construction projects already making our commutes problematic."

CJ Karow, Fenton



"We love it! It's wonderful for people of all ages to gather and have fun while supporting local businesses. It reminds me of the pedestrian zones in European cities."

> Sonya Frieden Linden



Much against popular consent, I think it's a great idea! With the construction going on in the area I can understand frustration but. that would happen with or without the Street Experience. Sometimes, you have to just take time to enjoy what the city has to offer without driving past it!

Michele Hornung, Holly



"The idea is cool, but with the loss of Shiawassee and, soon, Silver Lake Road, getting around town will be tough."

> Jon Yinger Fenton

Attention Lake Fenton grads

Families asked to be flexible to hold outdoor commencement on football field weekend of June 6

By Sharon Stone

Lake Fenton Community Schools Superintendent Julie Williams said the district has updated its plans for graduation. Williams sent the following letter to parents to inform them of the update.

"Parents, now that the weather has begun to clear up and warm up, we have walked through all the possibilities for commencement and can make a more accurate determination. It

is important to keep an eve on the weather the weekend of June 6 and be flexible with our plans. At this time, our plan is to hold commencement at 11 a.m. if the weather the morning of June 6 is good. If it is not, we will then reassess for the next best timeframe. Thus, graduation could be held anywhere starting from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. As a last resort, we will move to Monday, June 7. Standing on the turf field in the afternoon of a 70-degree day is very hot. If we can alleviate some of this impact on graduates by holding commencement at 11 a.m., then we will. Please be flexible as we work to accommodate the weather both good and bad."

HOT LINE CONTINUED

WHO WILL LOSE their job over this traffic snafu?

DOESN'T ANYONE AT Fenton city staff have what it takes to stand up to whomever pushes this self-serving street event? I thought the test last year was a total failure. Time to take a close look at elected leaders.

LINDEN ROAD IS closed at Grand Blanc. Torrey Road is being resurfaced and U.S. 23 is down to one lane in each direction. Try getting anywhere.

VACCINE

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Local resident Rob Rossow, pharmacist/owner of the Clio Road Pharmacy in Flint, said they're partnering with Linden school's Community Education and Food Service Director Debbie Brindle for the Linden schools clinic.

This event will offer the Pfizer CO-VID-19 vaccine for anyone 12 years old and older and the Johnson & Johnson vaccine for those 18 and older.

The clinic is open to anyone. The public can make an appointment at vaccine.as.me/LHS.

Rossow is partnering with Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation for the vaccine clinic at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center. They will offer the same vaccines. Go to vaccine.as.me/ Fenton to make an appointment.

Those receiving the Pfizer vaccine can return to the same location three weeks later for their second dose.

"It's what a community center is all about," said Ed Koledo, director at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center and SLPR. "Providing local accessibility and getting the word out to interested people in our community via our city and schools is what this is about. We are a community support."

Rossow has owned the pharmacy for 19 years, and he worked for various chains before. He's spent more than 60 hours volunteering at different vaccine clinics for the Genesee County Health Department at Lake Fenton High School, Grand Blanc High School, Flushing High School, Flint Northwestern High School and Bishop Airport.

Having an adequate supply of vaccines is no longer an issue in getting people vaccinated. Rossow said one hurdle is fear of needles.

"I totally understand that. The needles we are using are very fine — most people feel just slight pressure at the time of injection. Potential side effects is another hurdle. Most people don't experience anything more than soreness for a day or two at the site of injection," he said. "Shots are free. We can bill insurance for an administrative fee, which varies depending on the insurer. I will be donating a portion of these fees that are collected to SLPR and Linden Community Education."

Rossow has lived in either Fenton or Linden for the last 26 years. He's a former school board member and coach at Linden.



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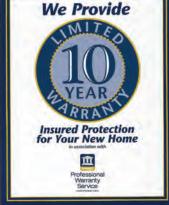
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POLICE & FIRE

REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

FRAUD UNDER INVESTIGATION IN FENTON TOWNSHIP

On Thursday, April 29, deputies from the Genesee County Sheriff's Office responded to the 16000 block of Hi Land Trail in Fenton Township reference a fraud complaint. Upon arrival, deputies made contact with the victim, a 63-year-old Fenton Township man, who said he placed an ad on Craigslist to sell some furniture. The victim said he received an inquiry on the ad and the person advised him they would send him a certified check and have movers come pick up the furniture. The victim said he received the check in the mail and became suspicious. He called the sheriff's office because the check was from out of state and found to be void. Sqt. Andrew Snyder said residents need to be aware of scams involving checks of money orders being sent to them.

IDENTITY THEFT REPORTED

On Friday, May 7, Genesee County sheriff's deputies responded to Light House Point in Fenton Township regarding an identity theft complaint. Upon arrival, deputies met the victim, a 58-year-old Fenton Township woman, who said she had received multiple letters from the State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity reference pandemic unemployment assistance. The victim said she never filed for unemployment. The State of Michigan was made aware and this incident and it remains under investigation.

FENTON TOWNSHIP TEEN CRASHES CAR, ARRESTED FOR OWI

On Saturday, May 15, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies responded to an unknown crash at Linden and Thompson roads in Fenton Township at approximately 3 a.m. Upon arrival, deputies observed a red Pontiac G6 in the ditch. Contact was made with the driver, an 18-vear-old Fenton Township female. She told deputies she was driving northbound on Linden Road and lost control of her vehicle. She said she drove through

the ditch and ultimately hit a tree. The driver admitted to drinking liquor and beer and was unable to successfully pass a Standard Field Sobriety Test. A preliminary breath test was conducted on the driver and the results were 0.17 blood alcohol content. The driver was taken to the hospital for observation and to have a blood draw performed. She was then taken to the Genesee County Jail and lodged for operating while intoxicated. She was issued a citation and will have a future court date.

BUDGET

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Revenues in the general fund are expected to show a decrease of \$145,765 in FY2022 from the current year's amended budget. This is mostly due to COVID Relief Funds that were received in FY 2021.

Total revenues in FY 2022 are expected to be \$6,469,493.

Budgeted expenditures from the general fund for FY 2022 are expected to be \$6,837,414. Out of the \$6,837,414 of general fund revenue over \$835,000 or approximately 12 percent of the general fund expenditures will be transferred to other funds to finance or subsidize their budget.

Significant new expenditures for the coming year include:

- Silver Lake Road Improvement - \$684,000
- Main Street Improvement -\$212,929
- City Hall HVAC \$120,000
- **DPW Pickup** \$28,000
- Fire Hall building maintenance - \$40,000
- Fire Department vehicle -\$45,000
- Police vehicle and appurtenances - \$50,000

These projects represent \$4,008,686 in road improvements, \$160,000 in building improvements/maintenance and \$123,000 in vehicle purchases. The expected grant funding for the road projects is anticipated to be approximately \$2,730,345 for the Silver Lake Road and the Main Street Project.

City approves amendments

■ Applies to Fiscal Year 2021 budget

By Sharon Stone

On Monday, May 17, Fenton City Council approved Resolution 21-07, approving amendments to the Fiscal Year 2021 budget.

Below is a breakdown of the city's overall budget. To review a detailed list by department, go to cityoffenton. org and click on the "council packet" of city council special meeting of May 17.

REVENUE

laxes:	\$4,158,723
Intergovernmental:	\$1,428,630
Charges for services:	\$500,000
Fines and forfeits:	\$60,000
Licenses and permits:	\$416,800
Interest:	\$12,000
Miscellaneous:	\$11,000
Refunds and reimbursement:	
Transfers in:	\$0
TOTAL REVENUE:	\$6,616,248
FUND BALANCE JULY 1:	\$4,332,050
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE: .	\$10,947,308

EXPENDITURES	
Legislative and Executive:	\$185,800
General services:	\$1,763,143
Police:	\$2,739,368
Fire:	\$759,650
Protective inspection:	\$430,650
Public service:	\$198,205
Community service:	\$229,450
Operating transfers out:	
TOTAL APPROPRIATED:	\$6,757,266



THE DOCTRINE OF **QUALIFIED IMMUNITY**

Even though the Derek Chauvin trial has now ended by his being convicted of murdering George Floyd, there continues to be a national discussion as to whether a special legal defense, which is used in civil rights violation lawsuits against public officials should now be abolished.

The defense is called "qualified immunity" and is a judicially created doctrine first announced in the 1967 United States Supreme Court case of Pierson v Roy and expanded in subsequent decisions.

This defense protects public officials (such as police officers) from individual liability unless the official violated a "clearly established" constitutional right or law.

Clearly established means that, at the time of the official's conduct, the law was sufficiently clear that every reasonable official would understand that what they were doing was unconstitutional. This requires a showing by the plaintiff that existing precedent has placed the statutory or constitutional question beyond debate.

The rationale behind the defense is a balancing of two important interests

— the need to hold public officials accountable when they exercise power irresponsibly and the need to shield officials from harassment, distraction, and liability when they perform their duties responsibly.

It has been claimed by some that this defense is too hard for plaintiffs to overcome and over the last few years there has been a call from various groups and individuals for it to be abolished. Since Mr. Floyd's death, at least 25 states (including Michigan) have reviewed the issue with two states (Colorado and New Mexico) abolishing the defense and two states (Connecticut and Massachusetts) modifying it.

On March 3, 2021, the United States House of Representatives passed "The George Floyd Justice in Policing Act of 2021" which, if approved by the Senate, abolishes the defense nationally.

There are also a number of opponents to ending the defense including law enforcement.

Last week southeast Michigan law enforcement leaders met at the Oakland County Sheriff's Office for a press conference to voice their opposition with the consensus being summed up by Sheriff Michael Bouchard: "Qualified immunity is to protect the deputy, the officer, the individual, in those splitsecond decisions when they're inside all the protocols and all the policies, but there may be a tragic outcome.'

There is no easy answer here and no one can tell when or if additional changes will be made.



& entertainment COUNTY







FENTON

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Development Authority (DDA) executive director, said they have created a number of mini events to supplement the Fenton Street Experience during the four months of operation — from May 20 and 21 to Oct. 14 and 15, in addition to the Farmers Market on Thursdays.

STREET CLOSURES

Every Thursday and Friday afternoon, residents and visitors are invited to come downtown between 5 and 9 p.m. to take advantage of expanded retail and restaurant space as participating businesses are allowed to spread out into street space in front of their place.

In partnership with Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation (SLPR.net), mini outdoor events and themes will be taking place this time around.

Ed Koledo, executive director of SLPR said they are excited with the number of new attractions this summer for Street Experience. As an example of a new activity, a Mobile Skate Park every Thursday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the tennis courts will welcome skateboard enthusiasts.

IMPACTED STREETS

Shiawassee Avenue from Adelaide Street to LeRoy Street and LeRoy Street from Shiawassee Avenue to Caroline Street, and any other city streets designated by the city's police chief.

During the street closures, no parking will be allowed on the closed streets. A 12-foot safety lane will be maintained for emergency vehicles at all times.

All businesses using expanded outdoor seating and retail space are responsible for the nightly removal of all trash and debris from the outdoor location they occupied.

Businesses applying for expanded outdoor seating or retail space must possess a valid certificate of occupancy from the city's building department.

To qualify for expanded seating or retail space, businesses must submit an application to the city of Fenton on a form available on the city's website cityoffenton.org and abide by all requirements.

Regarding the farmers markets and COVID protocols related to face masks, the Fenton Farmers Market is part of the Michigan Farmers Market Association (mifma.org) and follows their guidelines. Koledo said face masks are currently required at the farmers market, however, that could change.

Go to fentonlinden.com for a complete schedule of events and their locations for this year's Street Experience.

May 20 and 21

THURSDAY

- Meet the Author Brenda Hasse
- DJ Service
- Kids Street Chalk "Chalk the Walk"
- Kids Corn Hole & Giant Connect 4
- Mobile Skate Park

FRIDAY

- Meet the Author Brenda Hasse
- Street Music
- DJ Entertainment
- Corn Hole Tournament
- Table Tennis
- Kids Street Chalk "Chalk the Walk"
- Kids Corn Hole & Giant Connect 4

HOT LINE CONTINUED

MASK MANDATES LIFTED. I bet if Fenton really wanted to hold the Fenton Freedom Festival, they could. We need leaders who are bold enough to do the right thing.

THE ARTICLE ABOUT Shawn Morway filling in a wetland area was well written. We can't have people destroying our lakes. I fully support EGLE stepping in and making him fix it.

AS FAR AS hotel rooms are concerned, I understand that people who have service animals have rights, but what about people who have animal allergies? There must be some kind of compromise that can be worked out.

EVEN THOUGH I had both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, I will still be wearing a mask in stores and other indoor gatherings since 10 percent of people can still get the virus, but with less severe symptoms. Get vaccinated.

I HAD TO laugh at the Hot line about 'The first amendment being only for the government.' If you're implying the government cannot limit your first amendment right to free speech, you are correct. The first amendment is an individual right guaranteed to every American and limits what government can do.

IN-PERSON

Continued from Front Page

"I love it. I felt very comfortable," he said. "I'm having a lot of fun."

The last in-person board meeting at the township was March 2, 2020.

The meeting room, in the lower level of the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, doesn't look like it did pre-pandemic. Fewer chairs are placed around the room. However, six large screens show how the board is committed to maintaining virtual access for anyone who wishes to attend a meeting.

Meetings will take place on Zoom and in person. Two large monitors are

placed behind the township board, which show the audience who's talking on Zoom, and two screens are placed to the side of the board. These large monitors display the agenda and information from the meeting packet.

The last two TVs are placed in the audience, allowing the board to see the

displayed agenda and who's on Zoom.

During the pandemic, the board invested in more technology. In March 2021, the board approved spending approximately \$38,000 to buy new LED TVs, microphones, laptops, cables, audio extractors and more.

Lorraine said no taxpayer money was used for these upgrades. The money comes from restricted PEG (Public Education Grant) funds, which can only be used for PEG channel and programming.



Fenton Township Supervisor Vince Lorraine presides over the Board of Trustees meeting on Monday, May 17. It was his first in-person meeting as supervisor. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

Some of this technology also can be used by people who rent the hall for weddings and other events.

Lorraine said he and Thomas Broecker, operations manager and deputy clerk, have been working hard to upgrade this equipment.

"Ithink that we'll end up having more people join our meetings because they'll be able to stay in the comfort of our own homes, and those that want

to be a part of it will come," he said. "I hope all of you will find this, and especially the residents, part of the future."

He adjusted to Zoom and virtual meetings but believes the future of municipal meetings is a combination of in-person and virtual.

"When you're here and you want to talk to a board member, especially let's say on a special assessment district or road, you're here with your neighbors, you can talk. It's not the same on Zoom," he said.

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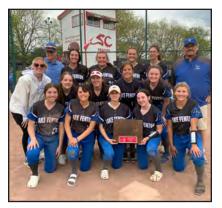
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The Blue Devils celebrate their Swartz Creek Tournament title.

Lake Fenton softball earns Swartz Creek Tournament title

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity softball team are champions.

The Blue Devils outscored their three opponents 40-9, earning the Swartz Creek

Tournament championship on pionship. Saturday.

The Blue Devils defeated Byron 16-5, Durand 12-2 and the tourney hosts Swartz Creek 12-2 to earn the cham-

Lake Fenton captured an 8-0 lead against Byron with a seven-run second. The Blue Devils earned the 10-run mercy rule victory by scoring six

in the sixth. The biggest runproducing hit in the second was a two-run single by Caleigh MacNeill. Kaylie Terburgh also provided an RBI-

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Sports Times

Eagles edge Devils, capture outright league crown

By David Troppens

Linden — For the Linden varsity girls soccer team, it was a season of perfection in Flint Metro League action.

The Eagles soared against league foes, finishing a perfect 11-0 season by defeating area rivals Lake Fenton in a battle for the league crown Monday. The Eagles scored the game's first two goals, but Lake Fenton scored a goal to make the contest interesting down the stretch. However, the Eagles won the contest by a 2-1 verdict.

The Eagles needed just a tie to earn the championship outright and the Blue Devils could've won a share of their first Metro crown with a victory. The Blue Devils gave it a valiant fight, and gave the Eagles their toughest battle of the league season. Lake Fenton scored one of the two league goals the Eagles allowed all season long and were the only team in league play to be closer than three goals against Linden. However, it wasn't enough. Meanwhile, the team that dominated the league all season long by outscoring foes 63-2, were given a chance to celebrate their first league championship since 2015. And they were able to do it with a senior-dominated team during senior day.

"It just means so much because in the past years we didn't get to a point like this," senior Melanea Strauss said. "I think our team is really strong so I'm really happy with the way we played and the battle we fought. I'm proud of everybody and it's exciting to see."

"It feels great," Linden sophomore Maryn Rettenmund said. "I'm really excited. We are getting better."

The Blue Devils enjoyed some progress through the



Linden's Maryn Rettenmund attempts a shot against Lake Fenton keeper Savannah Fellenbaum. The Eagles won the game 2-1 and earned the outright Flint Metro League title. Photo: Mark Bolen

midfield during the early potions of the first half, but it was Linden that had the best chances to score early on some thru balls to the Blue Devils' goal box. However, both times Lake Fenton's keeper Savannah Fellenbaum made dives to collect the ball before the shot could be taken. One came on a

potential breakaway.

As the half continued, the Eagles started to dominate. They scored their first goal on a long pass downfield by Molly James to Rettenmund. She collected the ball and drove to the net for a shot and a goal. Linden led 1-0 with 15:21 left in the first half.

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Nolan Jenkinson hit a home run in the Bronchos' sweep against Brandon. Photo: David Troppens

Bronchos sweep **Brandon Blackhawks**

The Holly varsity baseball team enjoyed its doubleheader against Brandon on Monday.

The Bronchos swept the twinbill, winning the first game 10-0 and then winning the second game 9-6.

The Bronchos' Noah Jenkinson tossed a two-hitter and also hit the game's only home run in the 10-0 victory. Jenkinson only needed 62 pitches (43 were strikes) to complete the five-inning contest. He walked no one and struck out eight. Offensively, he hit his home run in Holly's four-run second inning.

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Linden softball continues to win, sweeps Mustangs

By David Troppens

Only three Flint Metro League varsity softball teams entered Monday's action with 10 or more victories in league play.

Two of them were at Linden High School.

Desperately needing a twinbill sweep to maintain any hopes of a Metro title this spring, the Linden Eagles accomplished their task, sweeping the Clio Mustangs. Linden won the first game 4-3 and then won the second 10-0. Linden (18-2) remained no worse than one game behind Owosso in the loss column with the victories. Owosso played Kearsley on Monday, but the results of that twinbill were not known at press time.

In the opener, Linden never trailed. The Eagles took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the third when Megan Widner singled with one out, Jordyn Hobson reached base on an error and Maddie Morse plated the first run with a single. Hannah Bollinger followed with an RBI-ground out, making it a 2-0 lead.

Clio scored a run in the fourth on a solo home run by Taryn Murphy, but the Eagles scored two more runs in the fifth. With one out, Widner singled. After a second out, Morse singled as did Bollinger, loading the bases with two out. Emma Mossing made Clio pay with a two-out two-run single. Linden led 4-1.

The Eagles needed those insurance runs as Clio scored two runs in the top of the seventh. Both runs were plated with Murphy's second home run, a two-out two-run shot. However, Linden relief pitcher Haley Ludwig got the next batter to fly out, earning the Eagles the win.

Hobson started on the mound and allowed three hits



Linden's Haley Ludwig slides into a base during the Eagles' doubleheader sweep against Clio. Photo: Mark Bolen

over 4 2/3 innings. She allowed just one run and struck out 10. She earned the win. Ludwig got the save.

The Eagles made sure the second game wasn't much of a contest, winning 10-0.

Linden scored three runs in the second inning with Liv Burke providing an RBI-double and Widner providing a two-run double in that stanza. Linden led 3-0.

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Fenton pitchingstaff tosses no-hitter

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity baseball team recorded the ultimate result on the mound against Oakland Christian on Friday.

The Tigers recorded a nohitter. However, how Fenton posted it was rather intersting. Four Fenton pitchers teamed up to toss the no-hitter, leading the Tigers to a 5-1 victory.

Brady Tallman tossed the first three innings and earned the win. He struck out four batters and walked two. Lance Barkholz tossed the next two innings and struck out one. He allowed an unearned run. Nolan Alvord and Eddie Briand finished with a no-hit inning each as well. Alvord struck out two and walked one. Meanwhile, Briand needed just five pitches to earn the save and get each of the three batters he faced out.

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Holly tennis soars by Brandon Blackhawks

By David Troppens

It's been one of the craziest Flint Metro League races for the varsity boys tennis title.

The Holly Bronchos will enter the league meet with a 6-1-1 league record, after defeating Ortonville-Brandon 7-0.

The Bronchos won all even flights in straight sets. The closest battle was a 6-4, 6-0 victory by Holly's No. 1 singles player Reagan Murton. The biggest blowout was provided by Mary Grace McAninch who won her match at No 2 singles 6-0, 6-0.

Also winning a singles flight match was Stella Fairless, who won a 6-0, 6-1 verdict.

In doubles action, Paige Weeder and Kendal Stilwell won at No. 1 doubles, Kaitalyn Allison and Bella Smith won at No. 2 doubles, Lauren Lesch and Makena McGee in No. 3 doubles and Annelisees Thisse and Avery Lesch at No. 4 doubles.



Holly's Mary Grace McAninch returns a ball during a recent match. McAninch won her match against her Brandon foe 6-0, 6-0. Photo: David Troppens



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Lake Fenton's Cameron Wright collides into Fenton first baseman Colin Lawrence. Photo: David Troppens

Fenton sweeps Blue Devils

By David Troppens

Fenton — The Fenton varsity baseball team has seen its pitching staff perform well in recent weeks.

That trend continued during the Tigers' doubleheader sweep at home against the Lake Fenton Blue Devils.

The Tigers earned a 10-2 win in the opening game and a 9-2 victory in the second game.

The Tigers also had four pitchers combine to toss a nohitter against Oakland Christian on Friday in a 4-1 victory and also held Flushing to just six runs in a doubleheader split against the Raiders on Thursday.

In Monday's opening game, Eddie Briand tossed an eighthit complete-game. He walked just one while striking 13. He tossed 101 pitches, throwing 75 strikes. He threw first-pitch strikes to 22 of the 32 batters he faced.

Fenton took a 1-0 lead in the opening inning. Lance Barkholz doubled and scored on Connor Luck's sacrifice fly. The Tigers scored another run in the second. Kyle Crow singled and Seth Logan was hit by a pitch with two out, Crow and Logan stole second and third and Crow scored on a balk. Fenton led 2-0.

Lake Fenton answered back with two runs in the top of the third. With one out, Carson Wright reached base on a dropped ball third strike and he moved to third on Noah Schatzley's double Zach Hempsall followed with a two-run single, tying the game at 2-al.

However Fenton scored three more runs in the bottom of the third and five in the bottom of the sixth. The key hit in the third was an RBI-single by Crow. Another run scored on a batted ball by Crow which was booted. Another scored on Logan Angel's RBI-ground out. The run-producing hits in Fenton's sixth were an RBI-double by Angel and a two-run home run by Brendon Alvord.

The game's top hitter was Lake Fenton's Hempsall who had four hits. Lake Fenton's Kenny Wright and Fenton's Crow had two hits each.

In the second game, Fenton starting pitcher Barkholz tossed three innings of two-run ball while allowing three hits. He also struck out five. He was followed by Peyton Jackson's three innings of shutout relief, allowing no hits and striking out three. Nolan Alvord tossed the seventh inning, striking out the side.

The Blue Devils scored the game's first run when Wright hit a single, scoring Schatzley. Schatzley began the rally with a one-out single.

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Linden's pitching solid, but Eagles still swept in twinbill vs. Mustangs

By David Troppens

If one looks back at the Linden varsity baseball season and tries to pinpoint the reasons for the team's 6-14-1 overall record, one thing probably stands out more than anything.

The Eagles have had trouble scoring runs most of this season. The lack of run production cost the Eagles again on Monday. Linden lost a pair of one-run games against the Clio Mustangs, losing the first game 3-2 and losing the second 5-4.

In the opener, Gavin Wildeman pitched well enough to earn a victory on many days. He tossed 56 of his 88 pitches for strikes and got first-pitch strikes on 17 of the 27 batters he faced. That helped Wildeman walk just one batter while allowing six hits. He also struck out four batters.

However, Linden's offense only managed four hits. Both Linden runs in the opening game were scored in the second inning. Ty Blackburn reached base on an error as did Austin Alflen. With two out, Wildeman reached base on an error, with the boot allowing both runs to score.

Clio scored a run in the fourth and then added two more in the fifth. The big blow was a two-run single by Clio's Trevor Smith.

One of Linden's best chances to score came in the sixth. Brandon Green singled and was bunted to second by Blackburn. Alflen walked, putting runners on first and second with one out. With two out, Danny Roti added more suspense for Linden fans with a walk, loading the bases, but a ground out ended the contest.

The second contest lasted eight innings. Linden trailed 4-0 until the Eagles scored three runs in the fifth. Green provided a two-run single to cut the lead to just 4-3.

Linden tied it up in the bottom of the seventh.

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Tigers, Blue Devils earn softball split

By David Troppens

Fenton — When two neighborhood rivals face off, just about anything can

That's what happened when the Lake Fenton varsity softball team visited the Fenton Tigers on Monday.

The two teams combined for 37 runs in the twinbill with both squads winning a game. The Blue Devils scored four runs in the first inning and second inning of the first contest, and then scored five more runs in the fourth to spark a 15-10 victory. In the nightcap, Fenton pitcher Jordyn Bommersbach held the Blue Devils' offense in check a little bit by throwing 70 of her 98 pitches for strikes, leading the Tigers to a 9-3 victory.

No one was going to stop the bats in the opener. Lake Fenton scored four runs in the first inning with a three-run triple by Breann Shively being the key shot. Fenton responded with two runs in its first with Sophie Collins hitting an RBI-single, but the Blue Devils added four more in the second. The run-producing hits were an RBI-single by Cam-

ryn McMillan and a two-run double by Christina Lamb. The Blue Devils led 8-2.

The Tigers tried to fight back, and scored three runs in the bottom of the third. Lily Turkowski drove in one of the runs with an RBI-single. Fenton trailed just 8-5 with more than half the game remaining. However, the Blue Devils' fiverun fourth was the key stanza. Caleigh MacNeill and Alayna White had RBI-singles during the inning, followed by a tworun single by Gracie Kaye. The Blue Devils led 13-5, and from there the Tigers never really got the score close enough to put the contest in danger.

Fenton did score three runs in the sixth with Lauren Miller and Chloe Lefever having RBI-singles during the inning. That cut the gap

to 13-8, but an RBI-single by McMillan and an RBI-ground out by MacNeill for Lake Fenton in the top of the seventh made it a 15-8 lead. The Tigers scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh



Fenton's Jessica Dunkel tries to slide under the tag provided by Lake Fenton's Addison Fitzgerald. **Photo: David Troppens**

> with Miller's single being the run-producing hit of the inning.

McMillan and Shively had three hits each for Lake Fenton, while Turkowski • game against Owosso, allowing just and Miller had three each for Fenton.

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: Holly girls soccer loses Metro contest vs. Swartz Creek

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity girls soccer team had a solid start in its game against the Swartz Creek Dragons.

However, the second half was a different story.

The Bronchos finished the first half tied with the Dragons 1-1, but were outscored 5-1 in the second half, resulting in a 6-2 loss, on Thursday.

A day later, the Bronchos played a complete game, earning a strong 6-0 victory against Owosso.

Holly's Kendall Scribner scored Holly's first-half goal off an assist from fellow senior Marina Mascorro.

In the second half, the Bronchos had shots, but were able to score just once when Morgan Dudley scored. However, Swartz Creek collected five

Holly's defense played a strong two shots. Meanwhile, the Bronchos

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single. In the sixth, Terburgh plated three runs with a single.

Terburgh led the Blue Devils with three hits and four RBI while Christina Lamb and MacNeill each had two hits and drove in two RBI. Breann Shivley also collected two hits.

Shively provided the mound work

as well and recorded the victory. She tossed a nine-hitter over six innings, striking out four batters.

The Blue Devils only led 2-1 entering the bottom of the fifth inning against Durand, but then scored four runs in the fifth and six more in the sixth. In the four-run fifth, Lamb hit an RBI-triple and Shivley and Macy Phillips each had RBI-doubles.

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PREP REPORT

BOYS GOLF

► Linden 169, Lake Fenton 184:

Linden's Andrew Skellenger earned medalist honors by shooting a 36 at Spring Meadows Country Club, improving the Eagles' record to 9-1 in league play.

Aiden Krueger followed with a 38 while Connor Skelleger shot a 55 and Ethan Acker shot a 51.

Lake Fenton's Avery Schall led the Blue Devils (6-4) with a 37. Ryan Pibble shot a 46 followed by Gavin Dolliver's 50 and Gabe Jackson's 51.

GIRLS LACROSSE

► Midland 27, Fenton/Linden 8:

Lara Kemp scored six goals to pace the Fenton/Linden (10-4). Midland scored on 27 of 49 shots.

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▶ Brandon 13-25, Holly 10-8: Delaney Jenkinson led the Bronchos in the opening game, hitting a two-run home run in the first and seventh innings. Danielle Lannon had three hits and two RBI for Holly while Nora Kreft and Hunter Weeder (three RBI) had two hits each.

In the second game, Kreft had two hits and two RBI while Autumn Lewis had two hits and an RBI.



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Glenda Nell Stark

1937 - 2021

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W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Interment followed at Tyrone Memory Gardens. Visitation was held from 11 AM - 1 PM Monday at the funeral home. Contributions may be made to Rochester College, Rochester Hills, MI (https:// rochesteru.edu/). Glenda was born February 13, 1937 in Imboden, AR, the daughter of Clyde Eakers and Lille Mabel (Wells) Hippensteel. She married William H. Stark on March 31, 1958 in Grand Blanc and he preceded her in death on September 2, 2016. Glenda was a well known self-employed caterer with the motto that if you provide good food, you don't need to advertise. She resided



in the Fenton area for over 50 years. Church was an important aspect of Glenda's life and she was an active member of Bristol Road Church of Christ. Surviving are

five children, Carol (Don) Miller of Holland; Teresa Stark of CO; Carrie Conly of Fenton: Steven Stark of Holland, and Nathan Stark of Holland: two sons-in-law. Rick Shelton and William Toburen; 20 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; siblings, Dale (Kaye) Hippensteel of Gaines and Arizona and Marilyn Findley of Clio. She was preceded in death by her husband, William; son, Rick Sloan; two daughters, Sher Toburen and Davette Shelton. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Janice Roberta (Hollingshead) Oliver

1946 - 2021

Janice Roberta (Hollingshead) Oliver - age 74 of Byron, passed away on Sunday, May 16, 2021 in her home surrounded by her family. Her husband of 55 years was by her side until death did they part. Janice was born in Flint, to Don & Gracie Hollingshead on December 4, 1946. She graduated from Byron High School in 1965. She married Robert Oliver of Fowlerville, on August 14, 1965. Janice was a woman who had a heart for serving others. Those who entered her home were always welcomed with open arms, good food and great fellowship. She was a woman with great faith who had a passion for sharing the love of Jesus with all those around her. While she had a gentle spirit she had a



fierce determination to stand up for those she loved and what she believed in. Janice is preceded in death by her mother; father; brother, Jerry Hollingshead; sister, Gladys Carpenter. Janice is survived by her husband, Robert; daughter, Kim (Jeff) Knaggs, daughter Sonya (Jody) Embury; and son, Robert (Dana) Oliver. Sister, Donna Hengy and sister, Ruth/ Pokey (John) VanderMeer. Grandchildren. Ashlev Coselman, Dustin (Jade) Hemenway, Lee (Hannah) Embury, Alesha (Austin) Heap, Breanna (Patricio) Carrasco, Alexis (Brett) Eberle, Autumn Oliver, Geoffrey Knaggs, Hunter Knaggs, Robbie Oliver. Great-grandchildren, Lena Coselman, AnnaLee Embury, Rohan Heap, Trenten Embury, Tucker Hemenway, Avalynn Embury, Reagan Hemenway, Westen Embury. A celebration of life will be planned in the upcoming months with the details being release at a later date. The family requests that memorial donations be made to The Village Church of Byron, P.O. Box 327, Byron, MI 48418 in lieu of flowers.

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Mar 21/Apr 20 Aries, altruism is a noble trait, but remember to also devote some time to your own interests. There is a way to find a balance between all of your actions.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21 Travel plans may be on your mind, Taurus. Weigh all of the pros and cons of traveling before purchasing your plane ticket or booking that hotel.

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21
When opportunities spring up sometime this week, you may need to grab that golden ring quickly or it is bound to pass you by in a flash. Then regrets may sink in.

CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22 It is easy to miss the forest for the tree. Making decisions based on one detail will not do you justice. You have to look at the bigger picture before making a decision.

LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23
After a few amendments to your plan, you will have some good options to go on. Scorpio can give a look as well and offer some advice on how to proceed this week.

VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22
If each day seems like a mental marathon, then you definitely need to find some "me" time to unwind and disconnect. Schedule time each day to devote to yourself.

LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23 It may seem productive to look at the world through rosecolored glasses, Libra. However, repeatedly guarding others from anything unpleasant can be a disservice.

SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22

Continue to stay on top of all the nuts and bolts of your daily life. You have been a champ at managing schedules and deadlines for yourself and others.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21 Health news may bring a scare, Sagittarius. If anyone can whittle down the facts and get on a solid course, it is you. You'll get through this challenge.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, it is time to start looking for new hobbies to pass the time, especially if you've been spending a lot of time at home. You could transition into a new career.

May 17, 2021 AQUARIUS

For the week of

Jan 21/Feb 18

Big changes are in store for you this week, Aquarius. You could get the news that you have been waiting for. This may mean you will have to quickly rise to action.

PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20 Pisces, while others are taking in the scenery this week, you are getting down to business. This can set you on a productive path.

Midweek Crossword KING FEATURES **ACROSS** Green shade 12 13 14 5 Police officer 8 Achv 17 15 16 12 Last writes? 13 Coach 18 19 20 Parseghian 14 Bard's river 15 Besides 25 26 28 30 23 29 17 Hatchling's 32 34 home 33 35 18 Bagel choice 36 39 40 19 Aquarium favorites 42 43 21 Weir 47 46 49 50 22 Mediocre 48 23 Fan's cry 52 53 26 '60s war zone 28 Entrap 55 56 31 Coup d' -57 58 59 "The Voice" network 35 Own" leyball serve 37 Shoe width "My Way" 58 Sailor 10 Activist Parks 39 Malaria sympcomposer 36 Event location 59 Grit 11 Tolkien creatom 38 "Eureka!" tures 42 Map within a 40 Speck **DOWN** 16 Muscat's land map 41 Zwei follower 1 May honorees 20 Overhead 44 London 2 Bassoon's kin 43 Literary rep trains newspaper 3 Round Table 23 Speed (up) 45 Move fast 45 Hawaiian city 47 Wiped out titles 24 Devoured 46 Tennis score 51 Teen fave 4 Lieu 25 Good-looking 48 Asta's feeder 52 Oliver Twist's 5 Neanderthal 27 CEO's deg. 49 Ireland 6 Raw mineral 29 "Top Hat" stu- 50 Monopoly request 54 Margarita gar-7 Medicare secdio card 30 Chow down 53 Eggs nish tion "Evil Ways" 32 Swimming 55 Leading lady? reptiles 56 Buffalo's lake band 9 Type of vol-34 Smooth talker "A Room of

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

MASK, NO MASK, vaccine, no vaccine, it's an individual choice. Don't judge those who choose to mask up if you don't want to be judged for not masking up. We are all individually responsible for our own choices.

AS FAR AS the vaccine is concerned...I don't want a politician telling me what to do medically, and I don't want my doctor to influence me politically.

I'M SURE THERE are large corporations that don't pay any taxes but I couldn't possibly name any of the 1-percenters that pay 40 percent of all income tax collected as I don't know them. And it is not my 'claim,' it is a fact which can be easily verified.

YES, EVERYONE DIES but many people needlessly died before their time. You can only speak for yourself. Many have died before they were able to enjoy their retirements, grandchildren, etc. So dying of COVID is a waste of life because they didn't have to.

REGARDING SPECTRUM LEASES

to the private sector by the government. No contracts include a government 'freedom of speech' clause.

INTERESTING HOT LINE on May 16. Move National Guard from D.C. to south side of Chicago to stop the killing. Sad thing is it wouldn't stop the killing. National Guard members would be killed or jailed protecting others and themselves for shooting criminals. Killing won't stop until all gang members are dead.

I REJECT PALESTINIAN terror and support Israel's right to self-defense.

Midweek Sudoku

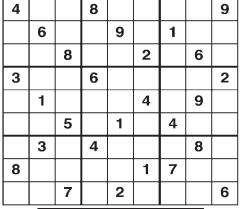
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

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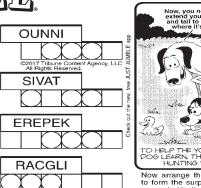


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As a reader recently pointed out, our advertising clients are already doing that. The reader emailed to comment about the amount of advertising in one of our papers. He wondered why if people only buy a car or furniture every few years, he must see ads for these items weekly. He wondered if we were doing right by our clients and our readers.

I assured him we are doing our job by keeping those marketing messages front and center in our newspaper. One of a community newspaper's roles is to connect businesses with potential customers. Businesses are smart. They know that people are not always in the market for a car or furniture, but they

advertise those items consistently to stay top-of-mind, so that when a person is in the market, they know where to go. Our paper helps businesses do just that - stay top-of-mind.

There is a lot of advertising out there right now. Not just in our papers. That's because brands know what's coming. They know there are consumers, just like me, who've spent the last year waiting to spend, paying attention to marketing messages and are ready to pounce.

Ready to connect with consumers? We can help. Email me at ecaswell@ mihomepaper.com to discuss your marketing strategy.

Emily Caswell is the brand manager for VIEW Group, the branding division of View Newspaper Group.

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