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Board discusses Cider Creek proposal

■Lot size issues, home values discussed at first reading for rezoning for subdivision behind Mueller's Orchard

By Hannah Ball

Fenton Twp. — The first reading and public hearing for the proposed rezoning

for the Cider Creek subdivision, which would be built behind Mueller's Orchard with access from Linden and Lobdell roads, mainly focused on lot size concerns and the potential value of the homes.

On Monday, June 21, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees heard from Zoning

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Churches host July 4 celebration

■Event to feature combined worship service, games, activities, pig roast and more

By Hannah Ball

On Sunday, July 4, the public is invited to attend an Independence Day Celebration, hosted by numerous churches and

faith-based organizations, with a worship service, pig roast, inflatables, yard games and more.

The worship service begins at 10:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Fenton at 860 N. LeRoy Street, before food and family activities.

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Multiple homes, garages and a motorhome were destroyed by fire in Fenton Township at approximately 3 a.m. Saturday, June 19. Photo: Sharon Stone

Multiple structures catch fire on Davis Street

■No injuries to people, however, four dogs died — fire appears to be electrical in nature and accidental

By Sharon Stone

Fenton Twp. — Several homes, garages, and a motorhome were destroyed by fire on Davis Street and Moffett Court in Fenton Township early in the morning of Saturday, June 19. There were no injuries to people, however, four dogs died.

See FIRE on 10



Intermittent roadwork began this week with lane closures on Silver Lake Road in Fenton City. The work is part of the 1.5 miles of road that will be worked on fully beginning the week of July 5 from Poplar Street to the western border of the city. **Photos: Hannah Ball**

Subcontractor gets early start on roadwork

■ Silver Lake Road in Fenton City congested with start of 1.5-mile project

By Sharon Stone

Motorists driving through Fenton were caught off guard when the subcontractor doing joint repair for the Silver Lake Road project needed to start this past week. This is according to Fenton Department of Public Works Director Dan Brisson. The original timeline indicated work on Silver

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HOMETOWN USA

Special section included with this edition





L Wishing everyone safe travels through Fenton. I know the

Fenton. I know the roads are a mess with reconstruction

but have patience and be the nice one out there. Remember, be polite and wave or acknowledge when someone lets you in. This too shall pass.'



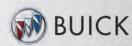
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City dedicates new flagpole

■ Erected in front of the Fenton-Winegarden Library

Fenton officials and citizens recently dedicated a new flagpole at the Fenton-Winegarden Library at 200 E. Caroline St.

Sam Levi and Zach Riedel, Eagle Scouts from Boy Scout Troop 219 (Fenton First Presbyterian Church), solemnly hoisted a new United States flag on the pole, which replaced one that was corroded and began leaning in 2020.

Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn and Library Board Member Adam Hazlett spoke about the significance of the flag and thanked the work of the Library Board and the Fenton City Council in funding and approving the work.

"The beautiful new flagpole provides the opportunity for Fenton to display our freedom and the cause for which our country was founded," Osborn said. "The colors of the flag are dedicated to all residents in our community. I hope when people see it, they will reflect upon it and rejuvenate the concept of why this nation was founded."



Eagle Scouts Zach Riedel (left) and Sam Levi hoist the flag at the dedication of the Winegarden Library's new flagpole. Submitted photo

City of Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn and Library Board Member Adam Hazlett say a few words at the flagpole dedication on June 14. **Submitted photo**

The pole will be lit at night from a spotlight on the roof of the library.

Mike Hart, Fenton's assistant city manager and Downtown Development Authority executive director, said that the project efficiently made use of equipment already being used in a nearby public parking lot project.

Representatives from the city of Fenton police and fire departments, as well as City Council members, were on hand for the ceremony and joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance under the new flag. people see it, they will reflect upon it and rejuvenate the concept of why this nation was founded. 77

Sue Osborn *Fenton mayor*



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A message from the director

Have a marvelous summer

ducators have just completed the most challenging school year of their careers. Students also have been challenged in ways we never thought they would have to face. On Tuesday, June 22, for the first time in 10 months, Holly Academy did not require students to wear masks in the classroom.

As I visited our summer school classrooms on Tuesday I asked our Huskies, "How does it feel not wearing masks?" I received many interesting responses, "I feel like I'm breaking the law," "When I got in the building after recess, I automatically reached into my pocket to get my mask," "It feels like I actually have my mask on my face." Prior to school starting last August, we wondered how our students would react and adapt to wearing masks. We had all sorts of unfounded ideas that they would rebel (especially our middle school students) or end up using them as sling shots, etc. We were pleasantly surprised that our students stepped up to the plate and wore them correctly and did not complain.

As educators, we knew that children are resilient and they proved us right. For 10 long months, five

days per week, our Huskies — adults and students, followed health and safety guidelines to minimize risk for the greater good. We hope that when

school resumes for the 2021-22 school year we will not be required to wear masks or follow the strict protocols that we adhered to this past year. However, doing so kept us safe and enabled us to provide inperson teaching and learning while



Julie Kildee Holly Academy director

other districts limited hours, weeks, and months of face-to-face instruction.

As Huskies, we will do what we must to make education first and foremost. I thank our students and families for following the rules we set forth. It was hard, but as usual, we "dared to be remarkable" and it paid off in a significant way. To all those educators out there —

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a consultation.

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have a marvelous summer, you've definitely earned it!



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WHY DOES FENTON Township board continue to reward Republic with trash contracts? Their equipment is dated, spreading trash all over as they drive down the roads, can't manage to pick up lawn bags, etc. Time to rebid the contract.

WHY CAN'T THEY re-do Owen Road in front of Panera Bread?

PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY some of the Tyrone Township board is against moving the original historical town hall to the new location, especially when local residents have some funding and donations to offset the cost to relocate it. The original Tyrone Township Hall needs to be saved.

I AM SO glad that most of the Linden school board is finally coming around to realize the damage that was done to our kids last year. The Linden community will be watching board decisions closely. I hope they continue to represent the reasonable majority and not the fearful fringe.

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

What do you like best about your hometown?



"The best part of living in a smaller town is no traffic and the wild animal sightings daily, even in our own backyard."



"My mom."



"I love that all of my family lives close by and that i have great neighbors."

- Glenda Burnett Crandell

 Amy Adams Fenton Kathy Green

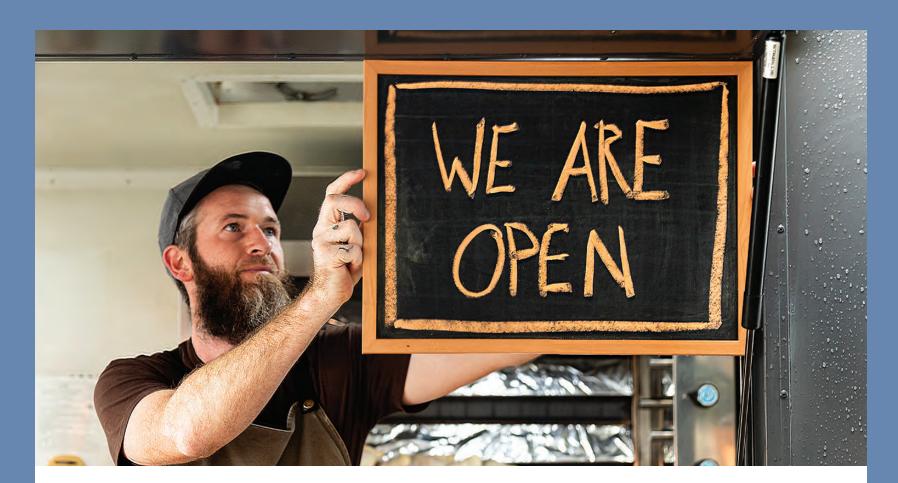
Linden

street talk



"I love our tight-knit community. I also love that we have easy access to good food right her in Fenton. My family loves going out to eat and supporting local restaurants and business."

- Laura Constable, Fenton Twp.



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How many cremated remains in one plot?

■Township discusses cemeteries ordinance; couple requests to have cremated remains buried together

By Hannah Ball

Fenton Twp. — How many cremated remains can be buried in one cemetery plot?

The Fenton Township Board of Trustees discussed this question at the Monday, June 21 meeting during the first reading for a possible amendment to the cemeteries ordinance.

Fenton Township has one cemetery, Gage Cemetery, on N. Fenton Road between Thompson and N. Long Lake roads. It was originally established in 1856.

The current ordinance states that, "Only one person may be buried in a cemetery plot, except for a mother and infant or two children buried at the same time."

Thomas Broecker, operations manager/deputy clerk, said a couple approached the township to inquire about having both their cremated remains interred in the same plot. Broecker said it was a reasonable request, but the township ordinance currently restricts it to one person, with the exception for a mother and infant or two children buried at the same time.

The amendment proposed on Monday, June 21 would allow more exceptions: A, a mother and an infant may be buried together; B, two children can be buried at the same time; C, the non-cremated remains of one person and the cremated remains of a second person; D, the cremated remains of two people.

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restrictive than this, actually. Why just two cremated remains in one plot? 77

Mark Goupil
Fenton Township trustee

It's Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week

■Boating, fishing outreach events to teach impacts of harmful, nonnative aquatic plants and animals

Compiled by Sharon Stone

More than 64 boat landing events are planned across the state to mark this year's Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week, June 27 to July 4. Public awareness about the impacts of harmful, nonnative aquatic plants and animals is critical to protecting Michigan's ecosystems, tourism and economy.

According to the Michigan Department of Energy, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE), the boat landing events are part of the eighth annual Landing Blitz in which representatives of state departments and local partners such as lake associations and cooperative invasive species management areas give boaters tips to prevent the spread of harmful species and comply with recently-updated laws. The Landing Blitz website allows you to search for an event near you. Similar AIS Landing Blitz events will be held in each of the Great Lakes states and Canadian provinces.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has issued a proclamation to mark Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week and raise awareness about this important issue to help prevent the spread of invasive aquatic plants and organisms.

Follow these simple steps to avoid the proliferation of aquatic invasive species:

Required actions — it's the law in Michigan

- Remove all aquatic organisms, including plants, from watercraft and trailers before launching or transporting.
- Remove all drain plugs and drain all water from bilges, ballast tanks and live wells before transporting a watercraft.
- Dispose of unused bait in the trash, not in the water.

Recommended additional actions — protect our waters by following these steps

• Clean boats, trailers and equipment by removing plants, debris, and mud before leaving the access area. Dispose



Watercraft owners are urged to remove all aquatic organisms, including plants, from watercraft and trailers before launching or transporting to protect Michigan's ecosystems, tourism and economy. Photo: Michigan.gov

of the material in a trash receptacle or otherwise away from the water body, if possible.

• Wash boats and trailers before leaving the access area, if possible, or at a nearby car wash or at home.

- Dry boats and equipment for five days before launching into a different water body.
- Disinfect live wells and bilges with a bleach solution (1/2 cup of bleach to 5 gallons of water.)
- A short EGLE video from a past Landing Blitz shows how easy it is to clean, drain and dry boats and trailers.

"Everyone has a part to play in helping prevent the spread of invasive species," said Kevin Walters, aquatic biologist with EGLE. "Education is key to protecting Michigan's incredible natural resources."

Events at boat launches are contingent on weather and volunteer availability.

AIS Awareness Week is sponsored by EGLE's Water Resources Division, in partnership with the departments of Natural Resources and Agriculture and Rural Development, federal agencies and private and nonprofit organizations. For more information about AIS Awareness Week or the AIS Landing Blitz visit Michigan's invasive species web site at Michigan.gov/Invasives.



ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP 2021 JULY BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING NOTICE

The Argentine Township Board of Review will convene on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm inside the Argentine Township Hall located at 9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden Michigan.

This meeting is held for the purpose of correcting qualified errors, clerical errors or mutual mistakes of fact, pursuant to MCL 211.53b of the General Property Tax Act. The board will also have authority to act upon principal residence exemptions, agricultural exemptions, hardship exemptions, and veteran exemptions.

Lori Judson, MAAO Township Assessor

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2021 TYRONE TOWNSHIP, LIVINGSTON COUNTY

To the qualified electors of Tyrone Township:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any qualified elector of Tyrone Township who is not already registered, may register to vote at the office of the Township Clerk; the office of the County Clerk; a Secretary of State branch office, or other designated state agency. Registration forms can be obtained at mi.gov/vote and mailed to the Township Clerk. Voters who are already registered may update their registration at www.expressSOS.com.

The last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk is Monday, July 19, 2021.

After this date, anyone who qualifies as an elector may register to vote in person with proof of residency (MCL 168.492) at the Tyrone Township Clerk's office, located at 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton, MI 48430 at the following times:

- Regular business hours: Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, July 31, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Election Day, Tuesday, August 3, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following offices and proposals will be voted on as presented and listed below:

Proposal Section: Linden Community Schools Operating Millage Renewal Proposal (Precinct 1).

Proposal Section: Fenton Area Public Schools Operating Millage Renewal Proposal (Precincts 2 and 3)

The sample ballot may be viewed at www.tyronetownship.us/Services/Elections.

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations should contact the clerk's office.

Marcella Husted Tyrone Township Clerk

Consumers Energy announces proposal to end coal use by 2025

■If approved by Michigan Public Service Commission, would lead Michigan's clean energy transformation

Consumers Energy announced Wednesday, June 23 a sweeping proposal to stop using coal as a fuel source for electricity by 2025—15 years faster than currently planned. The plan would make the company one of the first in the nation to go coal-free and provide a 20-year blueprint to meet Michigan's energy needs while protecting the environment for future generations.

"We are proud to lead Michigan's clean energy transformation and be one of the first utilities in the country to end coal use," President and CEO Garrick Rochow said. "We are committed to being a force of change and good stewards of our environment, producing reliable, affordable energy for our customers while caring for our communities during this transition."

The plan, which requires regulatory approval, ensures Consumers Energy will be:

• Be among the first utilities in the nation to go coal-free by 2025;

- Use 90 percent clean energy resources by 2040;
- Build nearly 8,000 megawatts of solar energy to power Michigan's homes and businesses by 2040;
- Stay on the path to achieve net zero carbon emissions, and
- Save customers about \$650 million through 2040.

If approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission, the updated plan would speed closure of our three coalfired units at the Campbell generating complex near Holland.

- Campbell 1 and 2, collectively capable of producing more than 600 megawatts of electricity, would retire in 2025 roughly six years sooner than their scheduled design lives.
- Campbell 3, capable of generating 840 MW, would also retire in 2025 roughly 15 years sooner than its scheduled design life.

The updated proposal also calls for moving up closure of Karn 3 and 4, units that run on natural gas and fuel oil and can generate more than 1,100 MW to meet peak demand, to 2023—about eight years sooner than their design lives.

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TYRONE TOWNSHIP SPECIAL BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS HELD JUNE 21, 2021

The following actions were taken:

- Supervisor Cunningham called the Board meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. at the township hall.
- Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Clerk Marcie Husted, Treasurer Jennifer Eden, Trustees Herman Ferguson, Kurt Schulze, Zach Tucker and David Walker.
- Approved the agenda as presented.
- Approved the draft of the historic townhall survey with revisions.
- Authorized the purchase of additional equipment to expand electronic meeting capabilities.
- 6. Authorized the purchase of five replacement computers.
- Adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

After they are approved, the minutes of all regular and special Tyrone Township Board Meetings are on file and may be reviewed at the Tyrone Township Clerk's Office, 8420 Runyan Lake Rd., Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and are also posted online at www.tyronetownship.us.

REMAINS

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Treasurer John Tucker asked if it included restrictions on the relationship between the two people, and Broecker said no. The board spoke in favor of not having restrictions on this.

Trustee Mark Goupil said, "I would be less restrictive than this, actually. Why just two cremated remains in one plot? Knowing what I've done in my career, I've had several times where there's been more than two people perish at the same time in the same family."

Broecker said two people seemed to be the standard, but they can change it.

Supervisor Vince Lorraine, and more members of the board, agreed with Goupil and spoke in favor of not restricting it to two people.

However, Clerk Robert Krug said there could be a state law that limits the number of remains that can be buried in one plot to two people.

RJ Sharp, president of business operations/funeral director, at Sharp Funeral Homes, said there's no state law he's aware of that limits the number of cremated remains being placed in one grave.

"Every cemetery that we have worked with has their own individual restrictions. The most common is two cremated remains being allowed to be placed in one grave however I have heard of some cemeteries that will allow as many as four," he said. A resident asked if the cremated remains have to be put in something, and Broecker said any remains have to be contained in a vault, which can be plastic or concrete.

The second reading will take place at the Tuesday, July 6 meeting.

Cemeteries Ordinance, Section 7 of Ordinance No. 453

The ordinance states that "not less than 36 hours' notice shall be given in advance of any time of any funeral to allow for the opening of the cemetery plot(s)."

Appropriate permits and the appropriate identification of the person(s) to be buried there shall be presented to either the Cemetery Sexton or the Township Clerk prior to interment.

"Where such permit has been lost or destroyed, the Township Clerk shall be satisfied, from his or her records, that the person to be buried in the cemetery plot is an authorized and appropriate one before any interment is commenced or completed. All graves shall be located in an orderly and neat appearing manner within the confines of the cemetery plot involved," the ordinance states.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given the Tyrone Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 13, 2021, beginning at 7:30 pm at the Tyrone Township Hall, 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430. The purpose for the Public Hearing is:

To receive public comments regarding proposed amendments to Zoning Ordinance #36:

Planned Unit Development: Article 11, Section 11.02, Table 11.1 – to revise the table used to correspond Master Plan Future Land Use Map designations with current zoning districts to resolve discrepancies between Table 11.1 in the Zoning Ordinance and Table 20 in the Master Plan.

Additional information is available at the Tyrone Township Clerk's Office, 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Tyrone Township Clerk, at (810) 629-8631, at least seven days prior to the meeting.

Dan Stickel, Chairman
Tyrone Township Planning Commission

HOLLY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES JUNE 16, 2021 REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

Roll Call: G. Kullis, K. Winchester, M. Freeman, D. Burton and S. Ruth.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 2021-2022 Holly Township Proposed Budget and for

the Annual Redetermination Confirming Special Assessment District for the Purpose of Fire and Emergency Service and Supporting Millages.

Approved: Amendment to Employee Policies and Procedures

Manual – Proposed Resolution 2021-12.

Approved: 2021-2022 Holly Township Proposed Budget –

Proposed Resolution 2021-13.

Approved: 2020-2021 Holly Township Budget Amendments –

Proposed Resolution 2021-14.
Building Department Lease.

Karin S. Winchester, MMC

Holly Township Clerk

Approved:

George A. Kullis

Holly Township Supervisor

NOTICE ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP

Please be notified that the Argentine Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Meeting on Monday July 12, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lake Rd to consider the following Variances:

Appeal #2021-7

Heather MacIntosh, 16362 Waterview Lane is requesting a Variance for Placement. She wants to build a 12 x 10 shed in her front yard, lake side, Described as 01-36-400-050, A Parcel Of Land Beg At Ne Cor Of Lot 18 Lakeview Hill Sub 'N' Th N 89 Deg 48 Min 30 Sec W 84.94 Ft Th N 15 Deg 49 Min 20 Sec W 53.14 Ft Th S 89 Deg 22 Min 47 Sec W 9.95 Ft & S 85 Deg 51 Min 14 Sec W 90.22 Ft Th N 7 De 49 Min 18 Sec E 76.42 Ft Th S 89 Deg 48 Min 30 Sec E 194.8 Ft Th S 3 Deg W 120 Ft To Pl Of Beg.

TABLED ITEMS:

Appeal #2021-4 TABLED ITEM

Richard St. Louis, 16377 Whitehead Dr. is requesting Variances for a Side Yard and Rear Yard to provide garage space for 2 cars and storage workspace for tools and projects. Described as 01-35-526-167, Lots 302 And 303 Argentine Park Lobdell Lake.

Appeal #2021-6

Tim & Barb Purman, 7249 Island Ct, are requesting a Rear Yard and Side Yard setback. They would like to add a 2 story addition (main level garage & upper level storage) to the existing home. Described as 01-36-577-016. Lot 20 Pleasant View Park Lobdell Lake.

A complete copy of these tax descriptions may be viewed at the Township office during regular office hours.

Joseph Graves, Clerk Argentine Township

FIRE

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Fenton Township Fire Chief Ryan Volz said the fire department responded to a report of a motorhome that had caught fire on the north side of the road in the 2400 block of Davis Street at 2:58 a.m. The motorhome was close to a garage, which also caught fire. Volz said he arrived on scene at 3:06 a.m. and the structure was 50% involved.

In all, two homes on the lakeside

of Davis Street caught fire, the 37-foot motorhome, three vehicles and a garage with the home on Moffett Court had extensive damage.

Davis Street is a narrow road with one entrance from N. Long Lake Road. Moffett Court also is off N. Long Lake Road, near the far west dead end of Davis Street, but the two roads do not connect.

Assisting through mutual aid were Fenton City, Linden City, Mundy Township, Argentine Township and Atlas. Fire crews set up on Davis Street and Moffett Court to battle the multiple blazes.

Volz said all of the homeowners were insured. He said five different insurance agencies, the fire marshal and an engineering firm would continue sorting through all the damage. The fire chief said the fire appears to be electrical in nature and accidental. The investigation will continue and likely last past the upcoming holiday.



COAL USE

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"Consumers Energy is committed to a just transition away from coal as a fuel source for electricity," said Brandon Hofmeister, senior vice president for governmental, regulatory and public affairs. "We supported employees and communities impacted by our 2016 coal retirements by finding new roles for workers who wanted to stay, fulfilling our environmental responsibilities at the sites and helping local leaders pursue new economic possibilities. We plan to follow the same philosophy to help those affected by the proposed Campbell and Karn retirements."

To ensure continued reliable, affordable energy for Michigan and the Midwest during this historic transition away from coal generation, Consumers Energy proposes buying four existing natural gas-fired power plants in the state: Covert Generating Station in Van Buren County; Dearborn Industrial Generation in Wayne County; Kalamazoo River Generating Station in Kalamazoo County; and Livingston Generating Station in Otsego County. The proposed purchases require state and federal regulatory approvals. The Kalamazoo River and Livingston plants are smaller and used primarily to meet peak demand.

These natural gas plants — along with Consumers Energy's current natural gas-fired power plants in Zeeland and Jackson — would supply steady, reliable electricity for homes and businesses as the company invests more heavily in renewable energy and continues to explore emerging technology to minimize impact on the environment.

Consumers Energy's proposal creates price stability and, by using natural gas as a fuel source to generate baseload power, will save customers about \$650 million through 2040 compared to its current plan. Further, the increased use of demand management tools such as energy waste reduction programs will give customers more control over their monthly energy bills, equipping them to save energy and money over the long term.

Fenton gazebo to undergo \$65,000 restoration

■DDA approves Dibbleville Woodworks to do project; structure is one component of whole area renovation

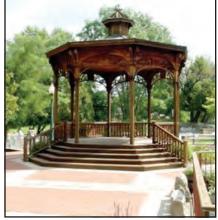
By Sharon Stone

The gazebo in downtown Fenton will undergo a nearly \$65,000 restoration.

The Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) approved the expenditure at its Tuesday, June 15 meeting at the recommendation of Michael Hart, assistant city manager and DDA executive director.

The gazebo was constructed in the late 1970s over a couple of years and funds were raised from various sources and included volunteer build efforts from community members. Since that time, there have been several efforts to do upkeep work and related maintenance on the gazebo.

Hart, in a memo to the DDA Board of Directors, said currently, the gazebo is in need of significant repair and upgrades in order to keep it a viable, safe, and aesthetically pleasing structure in



Dibbleville Woodworks will begin restoration work on the gazebo near Fenton City Hall this summer. Submitted photo

the heart of downtown.

Due to the specialized and complex nature of the restoration work, the city's architectural firm, The Spicer Group, reached out to Dibbleville Woodworks, to obtain an estimate for the restoration project. Dibbleville Woodworks had performed repairs and replacement work for the gazebo in the past and had the tooling necessary to perform the restoration.

Hart said Terry Steffey owns Dibbleville Woodworks and serves on the DDA board. Since Steffey has had so much history with the gazebo he offered a \$20,000 discount to the city bringing the original cost from \$84,998 down to \$64,998. As a DDA board member, Steffey abstained from voting on the expenditure.

Restoration includes:

- Small repairs on cupola
- Removal and replacement of crown molding at roof eaves with new mahogany crown to match existing
- · Sanding facia around roof
- Remove, sand, repair and reinstall existing brackets and large flat panels
- Remove, fabricate, and istall new large decorative mahogany fretwork panels
- Fabricate and install new small decorative mahogany moldings on large columns
- Sand existing redwood columns
- · Remove and fabricate all new ma-

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- Sand existing floor
- Remove and replace front steps with Ipe boards
- Replace lattice panels with black Starboard with mahogany frame and inset mahogany lattice
- Removal and disposal of debris Work on the gazebo is expected to be done this summer and fall.

Future plans

Hart said as big as this restoration project is, it is just one component of the entire project which includes the redoing the plaza surrounding the gazebo, reconstructing the foot bridge over the Shiawassee River, and making the area wheelchair accessible and Americans with Disabilities (ADA) compliant.

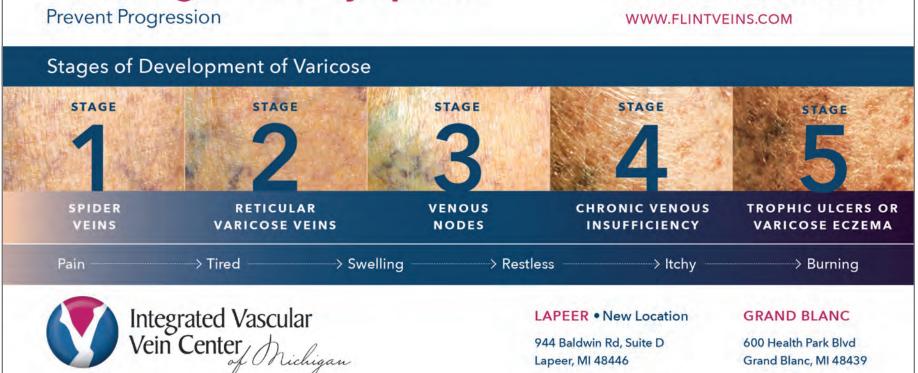
Hart said, "The whole area will be renovated and reinvented."

The gazebo area is a popular spot for weddings and photo shoots, however, Hart said the city is not taking any bookings until these projects are complete.

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NEWS BRIEF

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VILLAGE OF HOLLY OFFICES AND PUBLIC MEETINGS RETURN TO NORMAL TUESDAY, JULY 6

With the announcement that Governor Gretchen Whitmer lifted most COVID protocols June 22, the offices and public meetings will return to normal. The current meeting room was not large enough to provide 6-foot separation from other council/ commission/board members or meeting attendees during the meeting. The meetings could have been moved to the cafeteria/commons area, but that space was not ideal either due to logistics of providing appropriate sound and recording equipment. The other factor that was considered is that meeting attendance and participation was actually higher during electronic meetings than it had been during prior in-person meetings. The offices and meeting rooms are scheduled to be sanitized at the end of June in preparation for opening July 6.

A small piece of Linden's early history

■Linden's 150 birthday celebration planned for July 16-18

Submitted by Peter Maas, president of the Linden Mills Historical Society

The following article appeared in the Fenton Independent, Thursday, May 4, 1971 to commemorate the upcoming Centennial Celebration. It tells of the early history of Linden. Now, 50 years later we again bring attention to Linden's early history as we prepare for our Sesquicentennial Celebrations. (The following is a partial account of the 1971 story)

The first recorded marriage performed in Linden was that of Jared Ball and a Miss Sage. It was solemnized in 1841. Lafayette Fairbank and Almeda Hunt were among others who also married during those years, as were Walter Davenport and Lucinda Hunt and Alden Tupper and Louisa Lamb.

The first school in Linden was taught in a long, low-roofed shanty, which stood in front of the Linden Mill site. The first teacher was the daughter of Abel D. Hunt during the summer of 1839. Hunt and his family had settled in Linden that very year. The building had served as a boarding house for the men who worked on the saw mill and grist mill.

The following winter, Walter Brown taught school in a building three-quarter miles east of Linden, later referred to as Traphagen Corners. A frame structure was built on the street running south from the hotel and "Union Block." Louisa Hillman and John Morris were the early teachers. The building was used for about two years or until a framed building could be erected.

North of Linden, the first school was taught in the summer of 1840 in a small frame schoolhouse built on the north end of the Morris Ripley farm.

The school was taught by a woman whose name has been lost in history. Shortly thereafter, the school was moved farther east.

The Linden post office was established in the fall of 1850, partially through the efforts of Seth Sadler. The first postmaster was Claudius Thompson. The first brick store in Linden was built by James Fairbank about 1865-66, and he opened a hardware store in it. The brick Union Block on the north side of the main street, opposite the hotel, was built in 1868-69, with I. B. Hyatt as superintendent.

The group which built the building includes William Middlesworth, James Moshier, J. J. Johnson, Charles Brown, W. H. Cook and Allen Leonard, beginning in the west end. Later Moshier took charge of the hotel, which had been built in 1840 and today has the distinction of being the longest continuous business in Genesee County.

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GOODRICH MAN ARRESTED FOR OWI AFTER RANGE ROVER SPOTTED IN DITCH

On Tuesday, June 1, a Genesee County Sheriff's deputy observed a white Range Rover in the ditch at North and Lahring roads in Fenton Township. Deputies observed a 55-year-old male from Goodrich stagger while exiting the vehicle. The driver appeared intoxicated and standard field sobriety tests were administered. The driver was unable to successfully complete the tests. The vehicle was impounded and the driver was transported to the Genesee County Jail. Once at the jail, a breath test was performed on the driver. The results indicated the driver had a blood alcohol content of 0.16%. The driver was lodged at the Genesee County Jail and issued an appearance ticket with a future court date.

CONSTRUCTION TOOLS STOLEN IN LIBERTY SHORES

On Friday, June 4, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies responded to Liberty Shores subdivision for a larceny from a building report. Deputies made contact with the male victim, a 38-year-old Fenton resident. The victim, who is a builder, working on a new home, said when he arrived he noticed several tools missing from the job site. There was an estimated \$2,500 worth of tools taken. This incident remains under investigation. Anyone with information is asked to contact Sgt. Snyder directly at (810) 424-4326.

FENTON MAN CHARGED WITH RESISTING POLICE

On Friday, June 4, a Genesee County Sheriff's deputy observed a Ford pickup run the stop sign at McCully Lane and N. Fenton Road in Fenton Township. The vehicle was traveling at excessive speeds. Deputies attempted to make a traffic stop on the vehicle. The vehicle ultimately pulled into a driveway on Butcher Road. The male driver immediately exited the vehicle and fled from the scene ignoring the deputy's orders to stop. Deputies were assisted by Grand Blanc Township K-9 unit to perform a track. The track was unsuccessful. Approximately two hours later, several prank phone calls came into Fenton City Police Dispatch. The caller, who was determined to be the driver who fled earlier, was identified as Antonio Webster, 23, of Fenton, and he taunted sheriff's deputies. The phone number was traced to a home on

Riggs Street in the city of Fenton. Deputies were assisted by Fenton police to make contact. Contact was made with the homeowner and Webster was seen inside the house. Deputies attempted to take Webster into custody and he resisted all verbal orders given. Webster was ultimately taken into custody and transported to the Genesee County Jail and lodged. Webster was arraigned June 7 on two counts of resisting arrest. He was released on personal recognizance bond. A preliminary exam is set for Aug. 19.

FLINT WOMAN CITED FOR DRIVING WITH SUSPENDED LICENSE

On Sunday, June 6, a deputy from the Genesee County Sheriff's Office observed a GMC Terrain driving north-bound on Torrey Road near Thompson Road in Fenton Township with an expired registration plate. Deputies initiated a traffic stop and made contact with the driver, a 33-year-old Flint woman. A records check showed a suspended driver license. The vehicle was impounded and the driver was issued a citation for driving while license suspended with a future court date.

FENTON TOWNSHIP MAN REPORTS FRAUD

On Tuesday, June 8, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies responded to Stepping Stone Lane for a fraud complaint. Upon arrival, deputies made contact with the victim a 33-year-old Fenton Township man who said he was reviewing his credit report and noticed an unfamiliar charge from Verizon Wireless. The man said the bill was sent to collection in the amount of \$2,400. The victim stated he has never purchased anything for that amount through Verizon. This incident remains under investigation.

HOLLY POLICE ARREST FLINT WOMAN

On Monday, June 14, at 3:40 a.m., Holly police officers were at a gas station on N. Holly Road when they were dispatched to look for a red Dodge Journey that had driven through a lawn at the corner of Oakland and Michigan. The officers noticed a red Dodge Journey pull to a gas pump at the gas station. They also noted the vehicle had fresh damage to the passenger side. The front grill was damaged, and it had fresh grass underneath the vehicle. The driver was asked for ID and questioned about the damage. The 30-year-old Flint woman became argumentative with the officers and a records check showed she was driving on a suspended license. One of the officers went to the reported crash location but could not find damage that matched her vehicle. She was arrested for driving on a suspended license.



ROADWORK

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Lake Road would begin the week of July 5.

Brisson said the subcontractor agreed to lessen the impact of their work by beginning repairs between Jennings and Silver Parkway. "The contractor moved to the east side of Silver Parkway and I was notified after the fact," he said. "Now, they are almost done with joint repairs and expect to be out of the area by Thursday (Friday latest)."

To save re-mobilization to finish joint repairs, and most importantly, keep the project on schedule, Brisson said he agreed to allow the joint repair work to continue. The work on Silver Lake Road between Jennings and Silver Parkway was to be completed Wednesday, June 23. The remaining work east of Silver Parkway will be done in a manner that one lane in each direction will remain open.

Brisson said he met with the engineering team and the project manager for Ace Saginaw Paving Tuesday morning and they agreed that Ace will not start the next stage of roadwork on



Road construction crews make spot repairs this past week on Silver Lake Road near Fenway Drive in Fenton in preparation for a larger road project slated to begin the week of July 5. Photos: Hannah Ball

Silver Lake Road until the Owen Road bridge is open to all lanes of traffic or the week of July 5. Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) reports the Owen Road bridge is expected to be re-opened to all lanes of traffic by the end of June.

"Overall, there are a lot of road projects being performed by various road agencies in our area," Brisson said. "Seeing these important infrastructure improvements go from planning to actual construction is exciting and a good for our community.

"I believe as road agencies, we make an effort to coordinate projects to lessen the impact on the traveling public. It was my plan to hold Silver Lake Road until the Owen bridge work was completed, but we did have a week of overlap that was unavoidable."

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Funding for the projects beyond the gazebo restoration will be covered by the DDA, grants and other avenues, said Hart. The city will have its architect and a general contractor put together a list of the projects and estimated costs and bring back their plans to the DDA at an upcoming meeting. Once approved, projects could begin this year and likely finish next year.

Hart said it will probably be expensive, but the city expects it to last for many years to come and also take care of any ADA access issues.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

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FOUR JUVENILES DAMAGE BUSINESS IN DOWNTOWN HOLLY

On Tuesday, June 15, at 12:04 a.m., Holly police were called to the downtown area for a report of damage to a private business window by juveniles who were observed in the area. Officers located the damage and the juveniles nearby. Detained were a group of four juveniles ages 14 and 15. They told the officers they snuck out of the home of the friend they were staying with, and did not have parental knowledge or consent to be out. One of the juveniles did admit to breaking the glass window. Officers took the juveniles to the home they were staying at and advised the parents of the detainment. Officers will be pursuing charges under juvenile law with restitution for damages.

BREAKING AND ENTERING SUSPECT CHARGED

Lane VanAvery, 25, of Holly Township, was arraigned on one count of breaking and entering (illegal entry without owners' consent) on Friday, June 18 in Oakland County 52-2 District Court. According to Michigan



Lane VanAvery

State Police Metro North Post, on Wednesday, June 16, troopers were dispatched to the 2300 block of S. Fenton Road in Holly Township

for a home invasion in progress. Photos posted on social media led to a quick identification of the suspect, who was subsequently located, arrested and transported to the Oakland County Jail pending arraignment. He was released on personal bond. A pretrial has been scheduled for July 1 at 8:35 a.m. before Judge Kelley Kostin.

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE

The family of Roger Renwick is hosting a celebration of life for him on July 31. Renwick died Dec. 28, 2020. He was an accountant in Fenton for 60 years after taking over his father's accounting business. His mother was the librarian in town for 30 years

(Margaret E. Renwick). He was recognized by many in town by wearing his Hawaiian themed shirts and patronizing the local restaurants daily. Renwick served with Holly Volunteer Ambulance for 25 years. At the time of his death, he had served on the Genesee County Board for 20 years and was still serving on it. He was an active member of the community. Renwick's family invites his many former clients and friends to join them for a Hawaiian-themed Ice Cream Social to celebrate his life on Saturday, July 31, from 2 – 4 p.m. at Benchmark Church, 5530 Runyan Lake Rd., Fenton. They will have a butterfly release at 3 p.m.



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Dort Financial Credit Union announces 2021 Student Scholarship Winners

Grand Blanc — Dort Financial Credit Union has selected the recipients of the 2020-2021 \$1,000 Student Scholarship Award.

"We were thrilled to receive 49 submissions for this scholarship," said Beverly Kittle, Board Director and Chairperson of the Community Involvement Committee.

These 10 students were selected based on a variety of criteria. All applicants were asked to submit transcripts, letters of recommendation, and a brief essay describing what "Being Financially Responsible" means to them.

"The essays that were selected were very thoughtful and exceptionally well written," said Wayne

Natzke, chairperson of the Board. He added, "These students were grateful and excited to receive this scholarship."

Dort Financial congratulates all the students on their scholastic achievements and wishes them much success in achieving their future goals and dreams. — G.G.



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The main churches and organizations involved are The Fenton Center of Hope, First Baptist Church of Fenton, Faith Church of Linden, First Baptist Church of Holly, Heritage Baptist Church of Grand Blanc, and The Road Community Church in Fenton.

James Bell, pastor of First Baptist Church of Fenton, said this event is an example of churches in the county working together. Besides the churches listed above, there are more from around the county who are involved in the July 4 event.

"There's a growing sense of cooperation in our community" between the churches, he said. This began during the pandemic when these faith-based organizations formed a coalition and worked together to deliver food to people in need. For Easter, they delivered more than 9,000 Easter

baskets to children in foster care and in hospitals. These organizations also delivered more than 11,000 gift boxes to healthcare workers.

"A lot of our churches are working together," Bell said, adding that they're working on more future projects.

On Sunday, a combined worship service with several churches will begin at 10:30 a.m. Pastors from multiple churches will be involved in the service.

"It's kind of a unique thing. We're kind of pioneering this. It's across denominations too, which is a very unique thing to do," Bell said.

After the worship service ends at ap-

proximately 11:45 a.m., the event will also feature family activities, food, a 125-foot slip and slide with a foam machine, water balloons, live music and more. The event is free. This is the fourth year for the pig roast but the first year partnering with several local churches and community leaders.

"We live in a very divided world with many broken relationships with seemingly no end in sight. If anyone is going to lead the charge in restoring peace and unity in the world, it should be through those who are called to love their neighbor as themselves," Bell said. "We sim-

ply desire to show our city true love and the power of people coming together despite their differences. This has never been done historically in our area but it's time for age-old barriers to be broken down and the love of Jesus to be seen by our city."

They're expecting 800-1,000 people be-

tween the congregations, but there could be more depending on how many people from the community attend.

Bell said it's been a difficult year-anda-half for many people, and their goal is to provide a sense of normalcy with family activities and a message of hope.

"Our churches just don't want to always talk about love and unity and cooperation without any actual display of those things, and we're hoping this can be a display of how Jesus can unite us despite our differences. I think it's a strong message to send in our world. If no one works to end those divisions, it's going to get worse," he said.



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PROPOSAL

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Administrator Michael Deem, a representative from Lombardo Homes and from residents. On May 13, the Fenton Township Planning Commission made a recommendation of approval for the rezoning request for the Cider Creek subdivision development.

However, John Tucker, treasurer and planning commissioner, said he missed those two meetings and disagreed with Deem on what lot sizes are allowed under township ordinances.

Lombardo Homes is requesting to rezone the property, which is currently farmland, from R-3, single family residential, to planned unit development (PUD). They are requesting to build 122 homesites, a decrease from 142, which was the original plan.

Deem said Lombardo presented three plans. The first plan followed rules under the R-3 zoning district. The second plan is an open space plan with 23 percent open space. Deem said with open space plans, developers are given a bonus in regards to density over what they'd be allowed to do under traditional zoning. He said a 23 percent open space allows them 122 lots.

The third plan, which the board discussed Monday, June 21, is a 44-percent open space plan. With more open space, they're proposing smaller lot sizes under R-3 zoning. Deem said one goal of the master plan is to provide more open space.

Based on the 43 percent open space plan in R-3, they'd typically be allowed a lot width of 75 feet and minimum lot size of 12,000 square feet. What Lombardo proposed is a minimum lot width of 70 feet and a minimum lot size of 9,100 square feet.

In addition to the open space, they've also been in talks with the LAFF (Linden, Argentine Township, Fenton, Fenton Township) Pathway group to construct an 8-foot wide pathway through the subdivision.

The main concerns from residents are noise, the value of homes, density, sewer management, stormwater management, groundwater management and more. Deem said they also heard concerns about traffic on Linden and Lobdell roads, especially with the Deer Run Soccer Park so close and on Sundays around church time.

Lyle Winn, development compli-

ance manager at Lombardo Homes, said after the Planning Commission meetings, they addressed the two issues of density and lot sizes.

"The positives that came out of the meeting is that the Planning Commission was very encouraging and very encouraged by the large park area that we proposed in the middle of the subdivision, maintaining the perimeter buffers, and coming to the community with a moderately priced housing product," he said.

Lot size concerns

Tucker doesn't believe township ordinances allow the plan they are presenting.

"I don't think there's any provision in our ordinance that allows you to reduce

the minimum lot width below 75 feet. I don't believe there's anything in our ordinance that allows minimum lot sizes of less than 12,000 square feet," he said.

He said he's a "huge fan" of bike paths, but he doesn't believe the ordinance allows developers to ignore the ordinance requirements in exchange for things like bike paths. Under straight R-3 zoning, the minimum lot width allowed is 100 feet and they're allowed 20,000 square feet minimum lot size if you have sanitary sewer. This

area does not. With no sanitary sewer installed, they're allowed one lot per acre. Since the area is approximately 67 acres, they would be allowed that many lots. Using net acreage, they would be allowed 65 one-acre lots.

With a 20 percent or more open space plan,

the minimum lot width can be reduced from 100 to 75 feet and they are allowed 12,000 square foot lots. Based on the density bonus and the minimum lot size set under R-3 zoning, a 67.5-65.65 acre property with 43 percent open space would be allowed 94 lots. The minimum lot size for a development with 43 percent open space would be 12,000 square feet.

However, with 75-foot wide lots with a minimum of 12,000 square feet, they would no longer have 43 percent

open space because more land would be used for the plots.

Tucker said there's still no provision that allows for anything less than a 12,000 square foot minimum lot size in any of the residential zoning ordinances.

"Our ordinance is pretty clear on this," he said. "I'm not going to be voting in favor of proposal three." Tucker said he would support the other two plans.

> Deem said he and Tucker have a difference of opinion in what a PUD can allow. The purpose of PUD zoning is to provide flexibility.

"It's sort of like a super variance. It allows give and take," he said. "That open space

David Goldstein
Area resident

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is a benefit."

Jack Belzer said the ordinance needs specific parameters, and he believes it's too vague. The PUD ordinance does not provide parameters for density, which Belzer said is a problem.

"The circumstance here is there's no standards," he said, adding that this could cause issues with future developments.

Tucker agreed with him.

While lot size issues are normally worked out during the site plan approval process, Tucker said if they

approve the rezoning to PUD, they'd also be approving the lot sizes.

You got to stop somewhere with these subdivisions. 77

Chris Ward *Linden resident*

Home value concerns and public input

At an earlier meeting, Deem said a goal of the master plan is to "provide a variety of housing types to meet the needs of each

stage of life, whether they are first time home owners, looking to start a family, or seeking a place for retirement."

At one Planning Commission meeting, commissioner Mark Mustola said during the master plan process, they found that Fenton Township has a lack of affordable home inventory.

On Monday, June 21, multiple residents expressed concerns with the proposed size of the homes.

Chris Ward, who grew up on Lobdell Road, said he thinks it's a "bad idea."

"You got to stop somewhere with these subdivisions. Owen Road is all subdivided. There's too many people... we're right at the breaking point now. It's going to end up being like Novi," he said.

David Goldstein, with RE/MAX Platinum in Fenton, said speaking as a resident of the area, "what's happening now with someone who'd like to move to Fenton and buy a home, it is absolutely uncanny and unrealistic. You cannot get a bid in on a house without having to pay a premium...We don't have affordable housing in this township that's available right now. This is the first subdivision that's being developed since the housing boom crash in 2008 and that's 13 years ago."

Trudy Starrs, who lives next to the proposed entrance to Cider Creek, said they're not against the development, but they disapprove of it because it's not a "forever home" development.

"We don't need more...underserved development in our area. We're surrounded by it. We don't need it to be squeezing us out anymore than it already is. We need nicer homes, well-cared for homes, forever homes for people," she said. "It's farmland. It should be embraced as such."

"Not everyone needs a 150,000-\$200,000 home. I'm sorry. If you build that kind of home there, there's going to be transient people that are just that. Coming and going. Not taking care of their places... Build fewer homes on big lots."

She also said traffic is "horrific" on Linden Road already.

John Starrs said they need to look more at the Linden and Owen roads intersection. "Sooner or later, someone needs to address it. That intersection now is ridiculous. At 5 at night, cars are lined up close to Whitaker because there's stop and go and people can't get through," he said.

The board spoke briefly about requesting a traffic study be done.

On June 22, Lombardo Homes requested that its rezoning request be removed from the Tuesday, July 6 meeting agenda. Due to the number of traffic complaints from residents, the company will have a traffic impact study done to determine the impact of the subdivision on the area. This is estimated to take four to six weeks.



— Compiled by Sharon Stone —

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Passed 69 to 41 in the House Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)

House Bill 4561: Waive some state license fees in epidemic

To make restaurants and other food service establishments and vendors afflicted by government epidemic lockdowns eligible for refunds on the fees they pay under various state license regimes. The House also passed related bills applying similar provisions to other occupational or business licensing regimes.

Passed 97 to 10 in the House

Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) **YES YES**

House Bill 4434: Cancel delivery of \$300 weekly federal unemployment bonus payments

To end further state participation in the \$300 per week "supplemental" federal unemployment benefits authorized by congress in epidemic "stimulus" bills. News reports indicate 25 other states have refused the benefits as of the date of this vote, due to concerns they incentivize people not to work when jobs are plentiful. The bill would also require the state unemployment agency to use clear and concise plain language in communications to

employers and benefit claimants, with vocabulary based on a fourth-grade reading level.

Passed 60 to 49 in the House Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47)

Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51)

YES YES

Senate Bill 285: Require ID to vote, authorize exceptions

To require a person to show an original or a copy of identification when requesting an absentee ballot in person or by mail, with those unable to do so getting a "provisional" ballot. Also passed were Senate Bills 303 and 304 to authorize the provisional ballots, which require a voter to show documents within six days that verify his or her identity and address for the vote to be counted.

Passed 19 to 16 in the Senate

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

Senate Bill 362: Authorize certain developer tax breaks, and housing subsidies

To authorize a new form of property tax break for developers who refurbish or build rental housing and rent out at least 30 percent of the proposed units at below-market prices to households with incomes less than 120 percent of the median for their county (dubbed "attainable housing"). The bill would authorize a 50 percent property tax cut on the structures. Also passed was the related Senate Bill 360, to grant income tax breaks to these developers, which the Senate Fiscal Agency reports would bring "unknown and potentially significant" costs.

Passed 28 to 7 in the Senate

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

Senate Bill 422: Authorize additional subsidies for developers

To create another type of selective property tax break that local elected officials can give to certain developers, this one granting a 50 percent cut for up to 12 years for residential developments.

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

House Bill 4541: Expand Detroit transit police powers, 'rules of the

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

GRAND BLANC TOWNSHIP MAN KILLED IN MOTORCYCLE **CRASH**

On Saturday, June 19 at 8:47 p.m., Oakland County Sheriff's deputies responded to a personal injury crash on northbound Dixie Highway at Rattalee Lake Road in Springfield Township. The Crash Reconstruction Unit assisted deputies from the Springfield Township substation with what turned out to be a fatal crash. The preliminary investigation revealed that a 50-year-old Clarkston man and a 49-year-old passenger were exiting left out of a parking lot onto northbound Dixie Highway in a 2019 Ford Explorer when they collided with a northbound 1997 Harley Davidson Motorcycle. The operator of the Harley Davidson motorcycle. a 44-year-old Grand Blanc Township man, and his passenger, a 38-year-old Grand Blanc Township woman, were transported to Ascension Genesys by the Groveland Township Fire Department. The operator of the motorcycle died from his injuries and the passenger is being treated for minor injuries. The occupants of the Ford Explorer were not injured. The operator of the motorcycle and the passenger were both wearing helmets at the time of the crash and the operator had a cycle endorsement. Both occupants of the Ford Explorer were wearing seatbelts. Alcohol does not appear to have been a factor in this crash. The crash remains under investigation.

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Passed 28 to 7 in the Senate

road' for streetcars

To establish that Detroit "Q-Line"

streetcar transit police are considered full law enforcement officers: House Bill 4540 does the same for the Detroit "People Mover" monorail. The bill would also amend the state vehicle code to add rules of the road for "streetcars" and regular vehicles that share the road with them, and also prescribes personal behavior rules for individuals who ride them (no smoking or spitting, etc.) Passed 33 to 2 in the Senate

Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15) Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22) Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)

NO NO **YES YES YES**

Linden's Lund is our four-time Boys Basketball Player of the Year

By David Troppens

Editor's Note: Due to COVID-19 and the limited time between the winter and spring sports seasons, the sports staff decided to hold on our winter player of the year stories after the spring season. Here's the first of those stories.

Blake Lund accomplished something no tri-county basketball player has ever done this season. He became our publications four-time Tri-County Boys Basketball Player of the Year.

Lund deserves it. From the first minute he walked on the court as a varsity player for the Linden Eagles, he's been the team's star player. He's the player every team fears and is the player they worry about beating them any given Tuesday or Friday night. The First-Team All-BCAM (All-State) performer finished his senior season by averaging 17.4 points, 5.1 rebounds, 4.3 assists and 3.8 steals. He ended his career as the school's all-time leading scorer as well. His final game of his career was memorable as well.

The Eagles trailed in a Divison 1 district semifinal contest against the Howell

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Linden's Blake Lund (right) is our fourtime Tri-County Boys Basketball Player of the Year. Photo: Christopher Summers

Wednesday Night Races at the Park record high numbers







The Wednesday Night Races at the Park had a successful first week on Wednesday as 65 runners competed at Linden County Park. (Top) The 1/2-mile race had the most competitors and the youngest field. (Left) Clara Fowler runs down a hill with a few runners following her. (Immediately above) The two-mile and three-mile race has just begun. Photos: David Troppens

By David Troppens

Flint Twp. — When it comes to extreme runners at Linden County Park, it's hard to beat Clara Fowler, 5, and her younger sister Arden Fowler, 3.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the annual Wednesday Night Races at the Park weren't held last year for the first time since they became a fixture at Linden County Park during the summer of 2002, but that didn't stop the sisters.

Egged by their uncle and aunt, the two came to the park last summer competing for prizes on a course personally marked for their age and ability. That continued earlier this spring as well and, finally, on Wednesday the sisters were rewarded. They were actually able to run with peers their age at the first Wednesday Night Races at the Park held during the 2021 season at Linden County Park.

"I like running and I like the prizes," Clara said, referring to the awards she won during her personal races and to the ribbon she won Wednesday for completing her half-mile race.

Like many young runners

who compete in the half-mile race, Arden had some help, running with her mom, Linda Lampi, during her lap around the park. Clara, who competed in her first Wednesday Night Races at the Park when she was only 2, ran most of her first lap among her peers and then was joined by her uncle during while he tried to keep up with her and take photos of her run. Both had cheering sections — their father David Fowler and grandmother Sharon Lampi.

"It's good for them to be out here with other kids running," father David Fowler said. "They enjoy it."

The first of four scheduled races at Linden County Park was a pretty big success. The ages of the 65 runners competing in the events ranged from 2 to competitors in their 70s. Perhaps the oldest competitor was Gary Mundy, 76, who has been attending the races annually for years. The races are as short as a half-mile for the younger ages and the longest distance is three miles. In between there is a one-mile race and a two-mile event. The two-mile event is run in

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Sports staff struggles with placing of teams in middle of Top 10 poll

By David Troppens

Many times when the sports staff does these top team polls, most of the squads fall into place really well.

But it seems there are always a time or two in each poll where that isn't the case.

This installment of the 2021 Tri-County Spring Terrific Top 10 is a classic example when it gets hard.

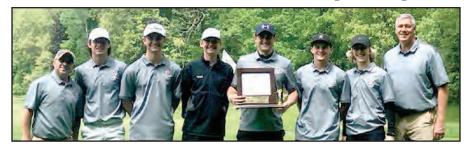
We have a league championship team that dominated during regular season play, but when it came to the postseason, struggled. And we also had some pretty strong teams competing in relatively established sports who didn't win league crowns and none really advanced terribly far in the postseason tournaments either, but even with that said were respected squads. How the heck do you rank these teams? Well, today we rank our No. 8 to No. 5 teams, and this is the date we have to deal with these questions. Let's see how we deal with it. It's very likely if we did this poll each week for the next four weeks, the order may be different depending on the sports staff's current mood.

No. 8 - Holly baseball: The Bronchos were one of the toughest teams to rank in

this poll. Holly had a senior dominated team and had an outstanding season. The Bronchos finished the season with an overall record of 25-10-2, playing games seemingly every moment there was a chance. They flirted early on with possibly contending for the league crown with a solid start, but finished a distant second with a 16-4-2 league record. It's a strong record, but Goodrich ended up running way with the title with a 21-1 mark. Holly had a nice sweep against Fenton to earn its second-place league finish, but when the postseason came they lost a tight 4-2 district opening contest against the Tigers.

So where do the Bronchos rank? We have them at No. 8. They possibly could've gone lower but probably could be argued another position higher as well. They were a really tough team to figure out for this poll.

No. 7 - Lake Fenton girls soccer: The Blue Devils were a challenge to figure out just as well. They were a great story. They were a team of mostly freshmen and sophomores trying to navigate the Flint Metro League, and did so impressively. Lake Fenton was





The Fenton boys golf team (above) is No. 5 on our Terrific 10 poll, while the Fenton boys baseball team was placed at the No. 6 spot.

in the title hunt for at least a co-championship right until the Blue Devils' final Metro contest of the year, a tight 2-1 loss to eventual league champion and state-ranked Linden. The Blue Devils were the only real team to give the Eagles a challenge in league play.

The Blue Devils were supposedly go-

ing to get their rematch with Linden in district play, and they did their part by beating Fenton 2-0 in the district semifinal. However, once Linden lost to Clio in the other semifinal game, it looked like the district was the Blue Devils' to win. However, Clio continued its amazing

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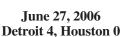
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Tigers' Robertson wins his duel with Roger Clemens during 2006

Editor's Note: Sports editor David Troppens has been a Detroit Tigers' fan from his earliest memories during his childhood. Through the years he's collected historical radio and television broadcasts of Detroit Tigers games. During the summer, he'll be featuring some of these games through his collection based on the actual date of our current publication.



Network/Announcers: Dan Dickerson and Jim Price on WDFN-FM.

Background: In 2006, the Tigers ended more than a decade of poor and mediocre baseball, suddenly becoming pennant contenders. The Tigers were leading the AL Central with a 52-25 record and were hosting the Houston Astros (38-39) who were pitching Roger Clemens for just his second



"Tiger baseball is on the air."

start of the season.

Game summary: It was an outstanding pitchers' duel against Clemens and Detroit starter Nate Robertson. The game remained scoreless until the seventh. In Houtson's seventh the Astros had a runner on third with no out after Preston Wilson singled and went to third on a bad pickoff throw by Robertson. Hous-

ton was unable to score. Robertson got ex-Tiger Brad Ausmus to strike out, got Adam Everett to pop out to Chris Sheldon at first and then got Willie Taveras to ground out to Ramon Santiago at second to end the threat.

Detroit responded with three runs in its seventh against Clemens, the only time Clemens ever struggled in the contest. With one out, Magglio Ordonez and Carlos Guillen walked, chasing Clemens from the game. The Tiger fans gave him an ova-

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district run by winning a 2-1 verdict by shootout against the Blue Devils. Clio ended up losing decisively in the regional semifinals.

Lake Fenton ended with a strong 10-4 overall record, actually finished third in league play and weren't able to win a district. But at the same time, the Blue Devils did finish ahead of a state ranked team.

The future is filled with promise for this young team.

No. 6 - Fenton baseball: They only finished third in the Metro League, but posted a strong 17-5 league mark while doing so. They also finished with a solid 24-10-1 record overall.

However, the Tigers saw their postseason run end short of what they had hoped. Fenton defeated Holly 4-2 and Swartz Creek 7-3 in their first two district contests, but then faced tourney hosts Grand Blanc in the finals.



The Lake Fenton varsity girls soccer team was No. 7 in our Terrific 10 poll. Photo: David Troppens

The Bobcats led throughout and looked poised to win comfortably entering the seventh inning. However, the Tigers got the game-tying run on the basepaths and ended up losing a 5-2 verdict in the district title game.

It didn't seem to mean too much at the time in terms of improving Fenton's resume, but Grand Blanc ended up winning a state championship and the Tigers had a chance to beat them. In fact, the Tigers gave Grand Blanc one of their best battles in their trip to a D1 state championship. For that reason we placed them at sixth. And this also helps Holly's credentials considering the Bronchos went 2-1 against the Tigers during the season.

No. 5 - Fenton boys golf: The Tigers were a tough one to initially figure out where to place, but it became evident that they should be ahead of each of the other teams for one simple reason — they dominated their Flint Metro League foes. The Tigers went 11-0 in dual action, usually crushing their Metro opponents and also won the league tournament by a comfortable 25 strokes. Their Metro dominance was on display the first day of the season right to the end of the season with state qualifier Dylan Davidson leading the way. However, the Tigers didn't stack up so well against their regional foes. They shot a 349 at regionals and finished 13th in the 18team field.

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conjunction with those who run the three-mile race through the park and wide open paths through the woods.

"They are close to home," Mundy said. "The only race I ran last year was the Crim and that was by myself. I missed it."

Another regular is Holly resident Brian Burnell, 55. While he's been attending the races for many years, two seasons ago was the first time he earned the Extreme Runner medal — an award given to all the runners who attend all four events.

"I like coming out here because it's very casual. It's an enjoyable family atmosphere.

"I missed this last year. If there was one thing I missed it was this. I have different agendas each time I run, getting ready for something. This time it's just to get back in shape af-



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Arden Fowler, 3, runs with her mom, Linda Lampi, during Wednesday's race. Photo: David Troppens

ter letting it go the last year."

Apparently a lot of people missed the races. Attendance was the highest it's been in years with participants and family bringing more than 100 people to the park.

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tion as he left. Dan Wheeler relieved Clemens and Craig Monroe followed with a double to left enabling both runners to score. Monroe moved to third on an error. Sheldon grounded out for the second out but then Brandon Inge reached on an error, enabling Monroe to score. The Tigers suddenly led 3-0 in front of 39,852 enthusiastic fans at Comerica Park. Alexis Gomez added a solo home run in the eighth.

Joel Zumaya and Doug Jones each tossed one inning of shutout relief, finishing off the shutout of Houston.

Looking back: Dickerson and Price spent a lot of time talking about the last time the Tigers faced Clemens during the lousy 2003 season. Actually, it was the second-last time they faced Clemens, but it was worth remembering the contest. Then with the Yankees, New York led 7-1 in the fifth inning as Clemens was pursuing his 300th victory. It seemed like he was destined to earn it. But the 2003 Tigers, who held a 43-119 record fought back, tied the game at 8 and forced Clemens to no decision. The game remained tied at 7-all until the 17th inning when

New York scored two runs in the top of the inning. Detroit scored a run in the bottom of the 17th, but ended up losing 10-9.

Tigers vs. Clemens: Detroit would face Clemens one more time in 2007. In 48 starts against the Tigers, Clemens posted a 26-11 record, tossing three shutouts.

So how did some of the Tiger greats do against Clemens? Alan Trammell held a .364 batting average (24-for-66) against the Rocket, hitting two home runs. Trammell's long-time double play partner, Lou Whitaker, also had success against Clemens, batting .338 (22-for-65) with three home runs.

On the other side of the spectrum, Cecil Fielder had no success against Clemens, collecting just two hits in 46 at bats (.043). He never homered against the Rocket.

Detroit manager Jim Leyland on Roger Clemens: "He will out-compete you. He has that mean-streak and I say that in a good way."

Jim Price mentioning "the art of pitching": Maybe I missed it, but I didn't recall Price making one of his most famous comments even once during the contest. Hard to believe considering it was a pitchers' duel involving Clemens.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTED AND PROPOSED ORDINANCES

At their meeting of June 21, 2021, the Fenton Township Board took the following actions relative to ordinances:

- Adopted Ordinance No. 825, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone part of parcel 06-03-400-011, (11394 Torrey Road) from R-3 to C-3, with the subject property to be split off and combined with 11428 Torrey Road.
- Introduced a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone parcel 06-31-200-008 (near Lobell & Linden Roads) from R-3 to PUD.
- Introduced a proposed amendment to the Cemeteries Ordinance to revise language regarding the number of persons than may be buried in a single plot

The second reading and a vote on the adoption of the proposed ordinances will be conducted at the July 6, 2021 Fenton Township Board meeting.

Complete copies of the adopted and proposed ordinances may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The ordinance is also available on Fenton Township's website at www.fentontownship.org.

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Highlanders 33-18 at halftime with Lund being held scoreless in the opening half.

The second half was a different story. Lund scored 33 second-half points and Linden had a great chance to earn the victory before falling 66-62 at Howell High School.

"At halftime I got a lot of encouragement," Lund said after the contest. "I was told to (take) my shot, and in the second half when it came time, my teammates got me open.

"I think confidence is the best thing you can have in any sport, and knowing that a shot is going to go in just helps you that much more. I thought that from an early age — to be confident with every shot I take."

It was just one of many great moments in the 2021 graduate's four-year varsity career. As a freshman he averaged 16 points a game, leading the Eagles to a 13-8 overall record. His sophomore season he led the Eagles to a Flint Metro League championship by averaging 15.8 points a game and 3.4 assists a contest. That was just the halfway point.

In his junior season, his talent skyrocketed from a statistical standpoint. He averaged 23 points a game while dishing four assist a game. He also grabbed 4.5 rebounds and had 2.5 steals a contest. He led the Eagles to an 18-2 regular season record and a perfect 10-0 Metro League Stripes Division record.

His senior season ended with another league crown, a Stripes Divison title, earning a 7-0 record. The squad finished the season with an 8-5 overall record.

The one thing that hurt was the Ea-



Linden's Blake Lund (right) is our four-time Tri-County Boys Basketball Player of the Year. He finished his career as Linden's all-time leading scorer. Photo: Christopher Summers

gles never earned a district crown during his tenure with the squad. Some of that wasn't his fault. Lund was hurt his sophomore season, and during his junior season, COVID-19 ended the district tourney after a semifinal victory against Holly.

Lund was happy he was able to have a senior season.

"First, I want to say I'm thankful we had the chance to play," Lund said. "That's the first thing that has to go through anyone's mind. CO-VID definitely made it interesting but in some aspects it made it more fun. I remember every game. That was a source of joy and a curse not knowing if you were going to play again It just made you want to go into that next game playing that much harder."

ALL TRI-COUNTY BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

Player of the Year Blake Lund Class Senior • Team Linden

Comment:

It has never happened before. Blake Lund is our four-time Tri-County Boys Basketball Player of the Year. He won it this season, leading the Eagles to a Metro League Stripes Division title by averaging 17.4 points, 5.1 rebounds, 4.3 assists and 3.8 steals a team. The Lawrence Tech player ended his career as Linden's all-time leading scorer.

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Celebrating 61 years of Silver Lake Ski Club

■Ski shows and competitions resume for local team

By Sharon Stone

Fenton City has been home to the Silver Lake Ski Club since 1960. That means the club is in its 61st year of practices, shows and competitions.

The club practices and performs weekly shows Tuesday evenings in June through August on Silver Lake for spectators at Silver Lake Park Beach. Following a year of no performances their first show this past Tuesday.

The community is invited to attend these shows and are encouraged to bring a lawn chair, a picnic and their camera to witness the tournament style ski show featuring skiers of all ages. The pre show

due to COVID-19, the skiers performed begins at 6:15 p.m. and the main show begins at 7 p.m.

> Jeremy Ameen, president of Silver Lake Ski Club since last fall, said everyone was excited to be back performing. All of their shows were canceled in 2020

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The community is invited to watch the Silver Lake Ski Club perform its ski shows on Silver Lake on Tuesday evenings throughout the summer. After a year of no shows because of the pandemic, Jeremy Ameen, the club's president, said the dozens of skiers are excited to be back performing. Submitted photo



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because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but skiers were still able to work out and practice.

When asked how Tuesday's performance went, Ameen said, "It went well. It's early in the season and it's been a long time since we've done shows. It takes a bit, but they've had lots of practice."

The ski show team has approximately 40 skiers of all ages, but the majority are high school and college age. Ameen said they've also got their older seasoned skiers, as well.

Last weekend, the Silver Lake Ski Club's team competed at a tournament hosted by another ski club in Warsaw, Indiana. It was a small tournament and the team took third place, which prepares them for regionals in a few weeks.

Today, Sunday, June 27, the ski club hosts its "Flaunt It Swivel Ski Tour" competition. The club welcomed "amazing swivel ladies" to Silver Lake to compete in the Knotty Girl Flaunt It Swivel Ski Competition.

Ameen said individual skiers compete behind the boat by performing tricks and spinning using special skis. This show is open to the public and set to begin at 8 a.m. at the Silver Lake Park beach. He added that there are only eight to 10 of these competitions in the U.S. and Silver Lake Ski Club was privileged to be host. "It's been quite a few years since we've hosted a major event," he said.

Despite there being no Fenton Free-

dom Festival this year to celebrate the Fourth of July, the Silver Lake Ski Club will be putting on a patriotic themed ski show Saturday, July 3, beginning at 10 a.m. Ameen said Fenton City and the park board gave approval to the ski club to perform its customary Fourth of July show.

During the weekend of July 10 and 11, the ski club will compete in its central regional tournament in Rock Island, Illinois. After that, if the ski club qualifies at regional tournament, they will advance to the Division 2 National Show Ski Tournament in Shawano, Wisconsin, the weekend of Aug. 7 and 8.

Ameen said when he joined the Silver Lake Ski Club five years ago, he had not known much about the club and learned about it by accident. He said he believes there are others who don't realize Fenton has a ski club on Silver Lake, which is celebrating 61 years. He wants everyone to know about the club

and invites anyone out who wants to watch the performances and competitions or to join the ski club.

BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE SILVER LAKE SKI CLUB

First off, you don't need to know how to ski to join. There are many things you can do as part of the team. Competing and putting on shows is a big job and takes the coordinated efforts of many people. But, if you want to learn how to ski, you'll have the opportunity to learn from some of the best.

During the summer months (and even before) there are many practices, both on and off the water. They also regularly compete in tournaments that take the team out of state.

Individuals of any age are welcome. They have had members as young as 4.

For more details on becoming a member, go to silverlakeskiclub.com or follow them at Silver Lake Ski Club on Facebook.

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS JUNE 21, 2021

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday June 21, 2021 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan, and took the following actions.

- 1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
- 2. Supervisor Lorraine led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- 3. Approved the agenda as presented.
- Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$452,041.54.
- Conducted a public hearing on and introduce a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone parcel 06-31-200-008 (near Lobell & Linden Roads) from R-3 to PUD.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 85, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone part of parcel 06-03-400-011, (to be split and combined with 11428 Torrey Road) from R-3 to C-3.
- Conducted the first reading of a proposed amendment to the Cemeteries
 Ordinance to revise language regarding the number of persons than
 may be buried in a single plot.
- Approved a Website Redesign, Hosting and Support proposal from Municode.
- Adopted revisions to the 2021 Fenton Township Meeting Schedule to change the starting time for Planning Commission meetings to 6:00 p.m.
- 10. Adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and are 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.

ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS JUNE 7, 2021

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday June 7, 2021 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan, and took the following actions.

- Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
- 2. Supervisor Lorraine led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- 3. Approved the agenda as presented.
- Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$338,306.88.
- Introduced a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone part of parcel 06-03-400-011, (to be split off and combined with 11428 Torrey Road) from R-3 to C-3.
- Postponed to 6/21/21 a decision on website redesign proposals.
- Approved a Genesee County Road Commission cost proposal for the repair of a storm drain catch basin on Dollar Lake Drive.
- 8. Adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

Weekend Crossword **PUZZLE CLUE:** KING **FEATURES UNTHEMED #1; MASSIVE MIDDLE ACROSS** 8 Thrust out 52 Homer 89 Resembling a 44 With 84 — Lingus 115 16 18 19 9 As of now 1 City in Simpson hornet, say 46-Down, (carrier to 22 91 "Republic" 10 Model 3 car Orange voicer Dan held together Dublin) County, 56 Opiate, e.g. philosopher 11 Former Sonv with a 87 Announce 23 24 California 58 Johnson of 93 Largest parts record label plumbing 90 One of the 25 11 Extended of brains 12 Where lions old comedy adhesive 26 28 Ewings on 97 Memo start **46** See 44-Down animal 59 Some rupee lie "Dallas" 30 shelter spenders 99 "Dream on!" 13 Makes a 47 Fill with love 92 Even choice 103 Bk. after initiative **60** Most tranquil selection 48 Consign to 35 36 39 43 94 One on **61** Ring around Exodus an inferior **21** Regular guy 14 Be guilty of in-line skates 45 the collar? 49 22 Well-**104** Send 15 Waiters' rank 95 Acting king practiced **62** Cellars cyberjunk to loads 50 "Glass half 53 54 55 96 Heads off 64 "Mercy me!" **107** Kind 16 24-hr. cash full" outlook pieces 98 Rio -58 59 60 **23** Good 65 Ring around 109 Took illegally cache 52 Announce (mining the collar? snorkeling 110 Electric 17 Certain wig 53 Sector company) sites 67 Diet for a resistance 18 Put to work 54 Uses a 100 Fishing bait 65 24 Within a measure 19 Verbal boxer wok 70 **101** Of a pelvis single school 69 Get a move 113 Long-life-**20** Tony-winning 55 Bowl over 73 75 bone 25 Have a brawl cycle plants Carter 57 Alero's make 102 Three-time 26 — liver (dish **72** Discussion 116 Cabal boss 27 Method 62 — Center 78 (Brooklyn of valuing Grand Prix rich in iron) venue **118** "Way to go, 28 Secret agent 74 Ponchos' kin hero!" inventories arena) champion 76 — Fernando 119 Field of a **31** Sedimentary 63 World Cup 29 — -mell Ayrton 85 86 87 (confused) Valley retail boss rocks sport 104 Roast rod 90 93 94 95 96 30 Frozen water 77 Major U.S. 120 Gazpacho. 32 She's part of 66 Electrojet **105** Colombian 31 Narrow sea field yield basically the fam particles cash 98 99 100 101 102 103 80 Soft, knit 121 Warnings 34 North Pole 68 Lorna of routes 106 William 33 Title girl in a fabrics about shady wife literature 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 Saroyan's 81 Herr von J.D. Salinger deals 36 One-named 70 Sol followers "My Name Is 113 115 116 Art Deco Bismarck 71 Hydroxyl story 35 Swift feline 82 She admired DOWN artist compound 118 119 **108** Deck in a 1 Milk-derived **39** "Have a the Man of 37 Summer 73 Corners on boxing ring 120 121 Heart" singer Steel 2 Affirm as true the market top 110 Korbut on 83 Perfume Bonnie 3 Olympian 38 Free of 75 Hook up (to) CROSSWORD PUZZLE SPONSORED BY a balance 41 Total up ingredient Jackie artificial 77 Hawk's nail beam again 85 Suffix with Joyner- ingredients 78 "Game of FENTON **FENCING** 111 Loaf end 45 People meth-4 Distinctive 40 XXX. Thrones" 112 Musical FOR ALL YOUR NEEDS 86 Soothing giving stretches mavbe actress "Auntie" additives 5 Descend 42 Affirms as Chaplin accounts CALL 810-735-7967 79 Lime discard 114 Rabid fan 88 Like needles 49 Many 6 Horrid giant true 7 "Riddle me, 43 Oration 115 Hitter Gehrig Bosnians with fibers 81 Bygone, 51 Socratic "T" through them riddle me quaintly 117 Whale pod ©2021 King Features Synd., Inc. • Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times station

Puzzle Answers

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MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS: GRUNT, BASIS, EFFECT, DAINTY

Answer: The home run didn't surprise the hitter one bit. He did it without

ANSWERS: PIRATE, LOVELY, SERENE, ELATED **BATTING AN EYE** Answer: NERVE



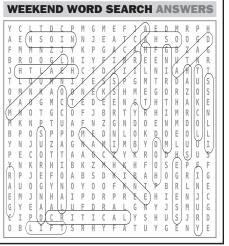
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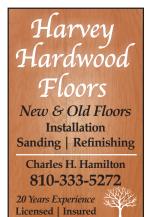
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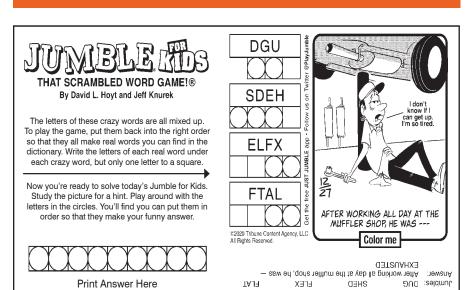
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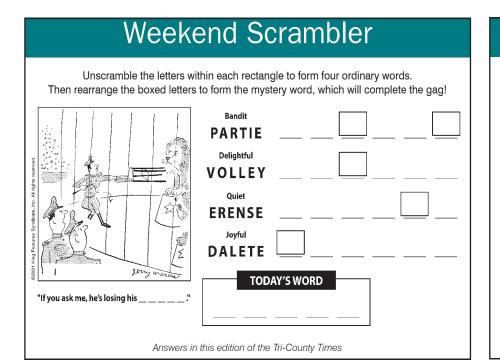
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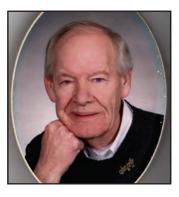
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James Oran Reid

1938 - 2021

James Oran
Reid – age
83, of Holly,
passed away
Tuesday, June
22, surrounded
by his loving
family. He was
born in Rock
Hill, SC, to
William Macklin
and Maggie
(Rainey) Reid.
Deeply loved
husband of





covers of several Chet Atkins' masterpieces. The childhoods of his children and grandchildren were permeated by the sound of Jim playing Black Mountain Rag, Cannonball, In the Mood. Via

Con Dios, and other melodies that kept him challenged. His wife, Sharron, recalls that when he was in his 20s, they saw the movie Dr. Zhivago and he went home and immediately began to teach himself "Lara's Theme "; he persisted until he could play it flawlessly. Jim was an abundantly skilled man who could arrange a piece of music, solve a complex engineering problem, and build or fix about anything. In his later years he was most proud of his long marriage, his daughters, and his exceptionally close and loving relationships with his grandchildren. Visitation was held from 1 - 4 PM with a Memorial Service that followed at 4 PM on Friday, June 25, 2021 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. www. dryerfuneralhomeholly.com

Guy Ritchie

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Jimmie Gibson

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Lawrence "Larry" Shoup

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William Gordon "Reload" Wentz, Sr.

1949 - 2021

William Gordon "Reload" Wentz, Sr. - age 71, of Fenton, died Friday, June 18. 2021 at his home after a courageous battle with Leukemia. Funeral services were held 1 PM Tuesday, June 22. 2021 at

Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton (A live stream of the service can be viewed on William's obituary page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com). Pastor Brad Foster officiating. Visitation was held at the funeral home Tuesday from 11 AM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to Great Lakes National Cemetery (Avenue of Flags) or Michigan Bikers Helping Veterans. William was born October 6. 1949 in Braddock, PA, the son of Stanford and Helen (Gordon) Wentz. He was a 1967 graduate of Turtle Creek High School in Pennsylvania. He retired from GM Lake Orion after 34 years of service. He was a member of the Fenton Masonic Lodge #109 F&A.M.; he also was a member of the Highlanders-Elf Khurafeh Shrine. William served on the Advisor Council at Great Lakes National Cemetery and was also the Chairman of the



Avenue of Flags. He also was a volunteer at Tomek Elementary School in Fenton for many years. He enjoyed golfing and bowling: but had a real passion riding with the Patriot Guard and the Michigan Biker Helping

Veterans. But most of all he loved and cherished his family. Surviving are his wife 45 years, Bonnie; daughter, Dawn (John) Small of Byron; son, William Gordon "Billy" (Mary Stephens) Wentz, Jr. of Fenton; grandchildren, Sydney, Sam, Jaxon, and Caitlyn; sisters-inlaw, Jolene Wentz of GA, Penny (John) Lucia of Grosse Ile. Terry (Walter) McCurdy of Harrisville, and Laurie Thomas of Fenton; brothers-in-law. Kenneth Landers of Fenton, Thomas (Diane) Landers of Byron. Robert Landers of Davison, and John (Diane) Landers of OH; and several nieces; nephews; and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Bessie Reed and Stanette Wentz; and brothers, Rick and Mark Wentz. The family wishes to extend special thanks to Pam. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Norman Crain

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Joseph Husocki

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Vicki Sue Martin

1945 - 2021

Vicki Sue Martin - age 76, of Linden, went to be with her Lord Jesus on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at Woodhaven Assisted Living in Livonia. Vicki was born February 5, 1945, in Alma, a daughter of





accompanied school choirs and band instrumentalists. Vicki was a great cook and had a wonderful gift of hospitality, welcoming family and friends to their home. In 1994, Bruce and Vicki moved

to Michigan for Bruce's work, and enjoyed many years living close to her children and grandchildren. She loved her family deeply and prayed for them continuously. Vicki was a devoted wife, mother, arandmother, sister, and friend to all. Vicki is survived by her loving husband of 54 years, Bruce Martin; son, Bruce (Monica) of Clio; and daughter. Kerri (Mike) Burba of Farmington Hills; grandchildren, Jacob Martin, Luke (Jordyn) Martin, Emily Martin, and Meghan Burba; sisters, Carole McCutcheon, Conni Skinner, and Kathy (Dale) Kronk. Vicki is reunited in Heaven with her parents, Bob and Dorothy Orndoff; and her sister, Patricia Ann. Vicki will be laid to rest in Ridgelawn Cemetery in Breckenridge, Michigan. A memorial service will be held at Davison Missionary Church on Sunday, July 18 at 1PM with a meal following. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that gifts be made in Vicki's honor to the Arthritis Foundation. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Kenneth "KC" Croft

Kenneth "KC" Croft - age 39, died June 20, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Richard Cole

Richard Cole - age 67, died June 20, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Warren Walter Hein

1944 - 2021

Warren Walter Hein - age 77, of Fenton, passed away suddenly on Friday, June 11, 2021. A memorial service will be held 10 AM Friday, August 20, 2021 at Fenton United Methodist Church, 119 S. Leroy St, Fenton. Visitation will be held from 9 AM until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Habitat for Humanity or Fenton United Methodist Church. Warren was born May 13, 1944 in Plymouth, WI, the son of Roosevelt and Adele (Schlichting) Hein. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and Iowa State University, earning degrees in Physics, Math and a PhD in Nuclear Physics. Warren retired as Department Head & Professor of Physics, South Dakota State University (27 years) and Executive Officer, American Association of Physics Teachers (13 years). Additionally, he held positions at Northern State University, the National Science Foundation, and Kettering University. He

married Melanie Nicholson on November 24, 2001 in Springfield, VA. He lived in Fenton since 2010, previously residing in Aberdeen and Brookings, SD, and Alexandria, VA. He had been a member of the Fenton Lions Club. American Association of Physics Teachers, American Physical Society and Sigma Xi. Warren is survived by his wife, Melanie; children, Bénjamin Hein, Elizabeth Hein, and Suzyn Daniel; five grandchildren; a great-grandchild; fatherin-law, Thomas Nicholson; daughter-in-law Neva Hein. He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Josef Hein; grandchild, Wesley Hein; brother. Norbert Hein: sister. Lorraine Wassink; motherin-law. Donna Nicholson. Tributes may be shared (see Ecclesiastes 3:1-13) at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Camille Thornton

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Carissa Winberg

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Mary Akerley

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Eldon "Pete" Larson

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France Kister

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June Moyle

June Moyle - age 97, died June 23, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.





Stephen Harrison Lyttle

1956 - 2021

Stephen Harrison Lyttle - age 64, of Holly, died Tuesday, Jun 22, 2021. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Stephen was born September 8, 1956 in Flint, the son of Sydney Norman and Kathleen (McCallum) Lyttle. He married Karen Anné Utterback on May 2, 1981 and retired from General Motors. Surviving are wife, Karen; daughter, Amanda Lewis-Lyttle and husband, Michael Lewis: grandson. Alexander Lyttle; son, Sydney Robert Lyttle; brother, George Lyttle and wife, Bobbie; many other family members and friends. Arrangements handled by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Larry Fogelberg

Larry Fogelberg - age 70, died June 23, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Sara Shelby

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