

NOCFA secretary censured

■ NOCFA chairman accuses secretary of opening mail meant for him and distributing to Board

By Sharon Stone

In an occasionally combative meeting, the Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA)

Board voted 3-1 during a special meeting Monday, Sept. 27 to censure Holly Township Clerk Karin Winchester who serves as secretary on the NOCFA Board.

According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, censure means to formally reprimand someone.

Voting to censure Winchester were NOCFA chairman and citizen-at-large Peter Stouffer of Rose Township, Rose Township Supervisor Dianne Scheib-Snyder and Rose Township Treasurer Paul Gambka. Voting against the censure was Holly Township Supervisor George Kullis. The NOCFA Board is comprised of Winchester, Kullis, Stouffer, Scheib-Snyder and Gambka, who represent Holly and Rose

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Karin Winchester

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'We should be grandfathered'

■ New no-fault auto insurance reform leaves some victims fighting for medical care, reimbursements

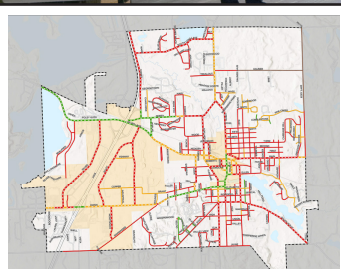
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A Gaines woman would like to make people aware of what Michigan's no-fault law reform, which went into effect July, could mean for injured victims of automobile crashes that occurred before the new law was passed in 2019.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signed the bipartisan no-fault auto insurance reform legislation (Public Acts 21 and 22 of 2019) May 30, 2019 to provide insurance coverage options, lower rates for Michigan drivers while maintaining the highest benefits in the country, and strengthen consumer protections.

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Questions answered on Fenton's road proposal



A 2021 Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating (PASER) study, which rates roads on a one to 10 scale with one being the worst, shows that the majority of local roads in Fenton, have a rating of one to four. Photo: Hannah Ball

■ First of three informational forums held, officials answer questions on \$24-million bond proposal

By Hannah Ball

Fenton — In November, Fenton residents will vote on a bond proposal to raise \$24 million over 10 years to fix local roads.

The city held the first of three informational forums Tuesday, Sept. 28, when officials and engineers answered questions.

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Local state rep holds hearing

■ Lays out plan to help recruit, retain good police officers to better support law enforcement

State Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Fenton Township), chair of the House Government Operations Committee, led a committee hearing Thursday, Sept. 30 on his plan to better support local law enforcement agencies and help police officers build even better relationships with the communities they serve.

Mueller, a retired sheriff's deputy, said the measures break down barriers for employment in law enforcement.

"Our local police departments

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“Shiawassee Shores is a great place to live. It's a beautiful setting, very safe, and the staff and residents

are friendly and warm. I'm a new resident in the park, and I couldn't be happier. It's a pleasure to live in such a wonderful place. A true gem in Linden.”



“To the person who doesn't care that I have lived here my entire life. I'm

sorry but you don't get to come into the small town I've lived in my entire life promoting growth or as you call it 'progress' and then tell me to leave.”



“It's so fun to see the Halloween decorations already. We especially love

the home on Adelaide Street that has gone all out with the Halloween spirit this year.”





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Local artists show work at ArtPrize

■ One piece inspired by the separation caused by pandemic

By Hannah Ball

Artwork by a few local residents was featured at ArtPrize in Grand Rapids, one of Michigan's largest art events.

From Sept. 16 to Oct. 3, the show featured hundreds of artists whose work was displayed around the city at different venues.

Deborah Simms, local artist who's on the Fenton Arts Council, said it was her first time entering ArtPrize.

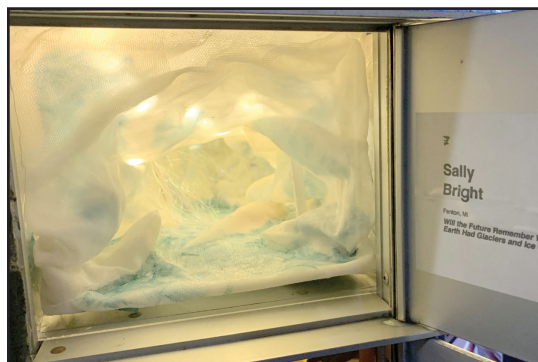
"I am so grateful to be included in an event that exhibits the work of extremely talented artists from across the world. This year seems even more profound because as we begin to emerge from the worst of the pandemic, I sense that artists and visitors alike appreciate being part of a positive community event," she said.

She described it as a "thrilling and humbling experience" to have her art work, titled "Together/Separate, Beauty in a Pandemic," in the show, located at Bitter End Coffee. It's a 6 – by 3-foot, two-panel painting on canvas.

"I chose to paint on two separate canvases as a way of depicting the separation from family and friends we



(Above) This piece, called "Together/Separate, Beauty in a Pandemic," was created by local artist Deborah Simms to show at ArtPrize in Grand Rapids. (Right) Fenton artist Sally Bright made "Will the Future Remember When Earth Had Glaciers and Ice Caves" for the show. **Submitted photos**



were encouraged to maintain during the peak of COVID-19," Simms said. "Very often, I had to remind myself that staying apart from my loved ones was a way of participating in the effort to stop the spread of the virus. The title, 'Together/

Separate, Beauty in a Pandemic,' illustrates these thoughts."

The painting is of a large glass bowl, which symbolizes fragility, but strength,

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David's dabbblings

For the most part, ever since the COVID pandemic began, we've all had to adjust our lives.

There's no denying that. One of the most influential parts of my life COVID has changed is my YouTube viewing. Yes, YouTube. Gosh, two years ago, most of my YouTube adventures were some political sites and commentators (won't bore you with which ones), some occasional music videos and maybe to watch the occasional sports video.

In February 2020, I'm guessing I may have been subscribed to about four channels. Today, I'd eyeball the number at about 70 channels. So what the heck have I been watching? Maybe they are some of the stuff you have as well.

1- Videos of people giving their impressions of some of my favorite music from the 1980s and 90s

Maybe you've seen these videos. They are usually someone ranging from as young as 12 to as old as maybe 30 suggesting they never heard Cyndi Lauper's "Girls Just Want to Have Fun" and then they watch it giving their impressions. I think I've seen every video anyone has ever done of Queensryche's videos (one of my favorite bands). When



David Troppens
Sports Editor

The pandemic has made me a YouTube junkie

the people like it you think, "Of course they love it, this is great stuff" and then suggest other songs from the artist they absolutely need to listen to. When they don't, you feel like leaving evil posts asking if they fell off a few too many ladders when they were kids.

2 – Dead mall videos

I hate malls, but these videos intrigue me. I guess it has to do with the fact there was

a time malls were cool to my generation and we all spent a bunch of time in them. My favorite is a mall in the Cincinnati area. It's huge and the only actual open store accessible through the hallways is an arcade that looks super

cool. People venture to check these places, video them and hope not to get kicked out by security guards before they are done. They are a cool part of our history, and it's cool that people take the time to do this actually.

A lot of them also do videos of closed iconic stores in the past like Kmart. With the last Kmart in Michigan expected to close later this year, I suspect we will be seeing some of these people make videos of that store soon.

3 – Chess videos

I played a lot of chess when I was a kid. Just like most people, I wasn't any good, but it was fun. At the start of the pandemic I tripped upon a channel called Coffee Chess. It's a channel

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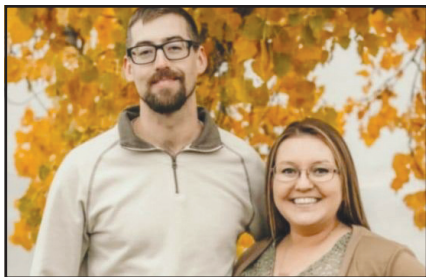
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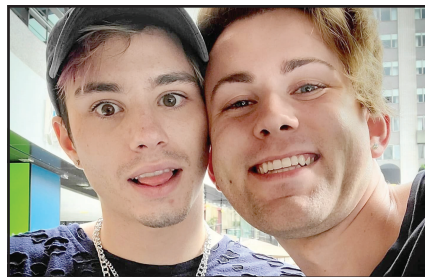
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What's your favorite Disney movie?



"'Inside Out' is definitely one my favorite Disney movies! It displays such a great message for children going through a difficult time and how emotions are involved in one's life. Plus, it gives adults lots of funny lines to enjoy as well!"

Jen Skorski, Oxford



"'Peter Pan!' It's a good reminder that we all still have a kid in us."

Kyle Austin Switala
Fenton



"'Moana.' I love the grandma/granddaughter relationship. It reminds me of my relationship with my grandma."

Amber Brown
Fenton



"'Thor Ragnarok.' Disney sucked before they bought Marvel."

Chris Hogan
Holly

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FOR THE HOT-LINER who stated I got vaccinated because the Bible says love thy neighbor. That's good but just because you've been vaccinated doesn't mean you can't get COVID. Wake up.

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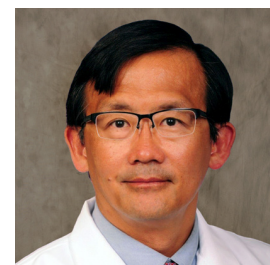
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GRANDFATHERED

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Jody Nagy's husband, William, was critically injured in 2017 while riding his trike motorcycle in North Carolina. Jody is 65 and William is 70.

William is currently in an electric wheelchair and requires 24-hour care due to his catastrophic injuries (spinal cord, brain injury, right leg amputation, right brachial plexus injury).

"I gave up a job that I was at for 25 years. I was forced to quit to take care of him," she said. "My income went from

\$24/hour plus benefits to \$12/hour."

The Nagys traveled to the capitol in Lansing on Tuesday, Sept. 28 to protest the outcome of the no-fault law that went into effect on July 1.

"This law has set my husband back by months. The insurance adjuster thinks he is God. In fact, he is a bully. In just a few months, they have taken away physical therapy, occupational therapy, massage therapy, care services, and reimbursement of

essential medical prescriptions just to name a few," Jody said. "All of these services have been ordered by his doctors and all have letters of necessity. They also

show how beneficial these services are and how they impact his everyday life."

While at the capitol, she said she was upset because they were unable to speak with State Sen. Ken Horn,

who was notified that they were there. They also were unable to speak with

“The insurance adjuster thinks he is God. In fact, he is a bully.”

Jody Nagy
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State. Sen. Mike Shirkey. She did send a letter expressing her concerns to the senators.

"These lawmakers must live in a box because they don't understand the anxiety, depression and uncertainty that they have created for all the people affected by this law," she said. "I agree that there needs to be a level of reform in the laws, but this is going too far. It is ridiculous. Shame on all the lawmakers that decided that this was going to fix a problem. They just caused many more."

There is no Michigan no-fault law grandfather clause for the new law. Auto insurers could take advantage of the lack of a clause by using the reform's coverage restrictions and its arbitrary medical fee schedule.

Jody said she was discouraged when conversations with legislators about the new law did not happen as she had hoped for. She admits that she and William will be okay with the reform, but she expressed concern and sadness for others who might not be as fortunate due to their

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POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

FIGHT SUSPECTS SOUGHT BY POLICE

The Fenton Police Department is seeking any information about a group of suspects, possibly four white males, who were involved in a fight against two males in a back parking lot in the 100 block of S. LeRoy Street at 1:20 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 12. Lt. Jeff Cross said the two victims, one from Linden and one from Fenton, were beaten pretty badly. One was transported to the hospital by ambulance. If anyone has knowledge of this fight or can identify anyone involved, they are asked to call Fenton police at (810) 629-5311.

GAS STATION BATHROOM VANDALIZED

Fenton police responded to a gas station on Owen Road at 10 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 24. A clerk went in to clean the men's restroom and saw that someone had smashed a porcelain sink into small pieces. Fenton police will review the store's surveillance video when available to see who went in and out of the restroom. Lt. Jeff Cross said this could have been a TikTok prank, where people are encouraged to destroy restrooms. Damage was estimated at \$500.

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pre-existing medical condition due to a previous auto accident.

She said at the time of her husband's crash, their insurance company told them that if they did not sue the other party, her husband would have medical care for life.

"We should be grandfathered," she said. "I'm sure a lot of people are up against this too."

The Nagys have been back and forth with insurance companies and medical care providers. She said medication reimbursement has been denied. "They don't care," she said.

New Michigan no-fault law, effective July 1, 2021

The following hypothetical situations illustrate how devastating the lack of a Michigan No-Fault law grandfather clause can be for victims, according to the legal experts at michiganautolaw.com.

Prior to the reform law that was passed in 2019, suppose that a catastrophically injured car accident victim was receiving doctor-prescribed 24/7 attendant care (168 hours per week), provided in-home by her husband. He was paid \$12.25 per hour (only slightly more than the Bureau of Labor statistics rate) which came out to \$294 per day.

Under the reform law, the fee schedule that took effect July 1, 2021, will slash the husband's attendant care hourly rates by 45% to \$6.74 per hour.

On top of that, the victim's husband would only be entitled to compensation for 8 hours per day because under the reform law, auto insurance companies are only required to pay for 56 hours per week of in-home, family provided attendant care. That comes out to just \$53.92 per day — down \$240.08 per day from pre-No-Fault reform.

The resulting scenarios include one or more of the following with the lack of a Michigan No-Fault Law grandfather clause:

- **The victim and her husband**

suffer financial ruin because he no longer works outside the home and because insurance will no longer pay him adequately or fully for the attendant care he provides to his wife.

- **A commercial nursing agency may be needed** to provide the remaining 111 hours per week of doctor-prescribed attendant care. The feasibility of this option is uncertain considering that once the fee schedule took effect July 1 many home health care agencies would no longer be providing in-home, attendant care. Additionally, given how low the reimbursement rates are being driven down under the fee schedule, it is likely that the quality of whatever attendant care is available will be lower than what is necessary — and what was available before the reform fee schedule.

- **The victim may be forced to leave her home** and enter a residential care facility (if any continue to operate once the fee schedule took effect July 1, 2021) if arrangements cannot be made to ensure that she is able to receive in her home the 24/7 attendant care that was prescribed by her doctor.

Source: michiganautolaw.com

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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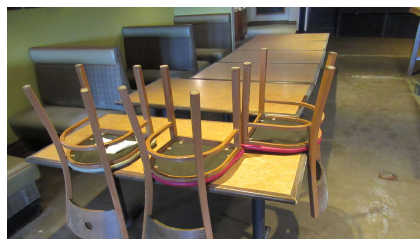


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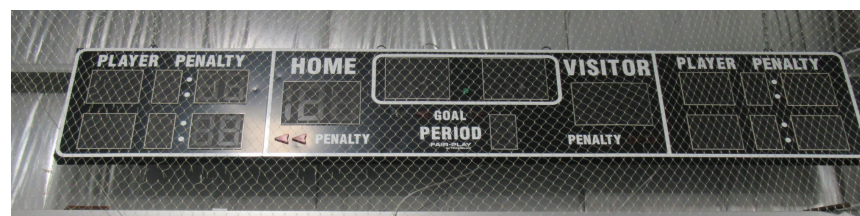
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By Hannah Ball

The Argentine Township Police Department will host its annual Trunk-or-Treat event Tuesday, Oct. 12 from 6-9 p.m. at Linden High School.

Along with the Argentine Township Fire Department, first responders will set up booths for children to come in costume and receive candy. Communities set up trunk-or-treat events as a safe way for kids and families to enjoy Halloween.

"We love being involved and building relationships with people in and around our community. It's always great to see the kids get dressed up and excited to see the police officers as well as our firefighters," said Becky Nemecheck, administrative assistant at the police department.

This year's special guests are K9

Officer Trinity and his handler Officer Tony Matthews.

"We have had a great response from the community, zoning board of appeals members and township board members with candy donations," Nemecheck said.

If anyone would like to donate candy or money to buy candy, they can drop it off at the Argentine Township Police Department, 8274 Silver Lake Rd.

Booth participants include Sen. Ken Horn, State Rep. Mike Mueller, Linden Pay It Forward, Fenton Adopt-A-pet, Genesee County 911, Linden police and fire departments, Desert Angels, DA Blue, MMR Ambulance, Medstar Ambulance, STAT EMS and Metro Parks.

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National memorial to honor fallen fire heroes

■ Nine Michigan fallen firefighters to be honored during Oct. 3 service

America's fallen fire heroes, who died in the line of duty, will be honored at the 40th annual National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend, Oct. 2-3. The names of 215 firefighters will become a permanent part of the National Memorial in honor of their sacrifices.

COVID-related line-of-duty deaths are now a factor in the tribute and will continue to be in the future.

On the evening of Saturday, Oct. 2, the families of America's fallen firefighters will gather for a Candlelight Service. During the ceremony, a plaque bearing the names of the fallen will be added to the National

Fallen Firefighters Memorial. The following morning, Fire Hero Families will participate in the Memorial Service where the nation will honor the sacrifices of their loved ones at the National Memorial.

Eighty-seven firefighters died in the line of duty in 2020. Eighty-two firefighters died in 2019. Forty-six firefighters who died in the line of duty in previous years also will be honored. The National Fallen

Firefighters Foundation will present each family with an American flag flown over the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial and the U.S.

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PROPOSAL

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“The current revenue we have will not pay for a road improvement program. It’s not been adequate for a number of years and I don’t see any change in that in the future. So the decision really needs to be made by the residents if you want to improve the streets,” said Lynn Markland, city manager. “We need to do something with our roads and if we don’t get started now, they’re going to get worse and it’s going to cost more money.”

How does the bond work?

Municipalities often use bonds, which function as a loan between an investor and entity, to raise funds for infrastructure. The bonding program would raise \$24 million over 10 years to pay for roads, with \$8 million being raised in the first three years. Each bond sale will occur in three-year increments, and each takes approximately 10 years to pay off.

The estimated millage to be levied in 2022 would be 3.50 mills (\$3.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value). Over 11 years, the average annual millage rate would be 3.03. The average homeowner with a taxable value of approximately \$76,000 would pay \$266 in the first year. The proposal includes receiving more money up front to be able to fix more streets.

“We’re trying to use all the money for roads, and I think with the interest rates being as low as they are right now, it’s a really good deal,” Markland said.

What roads will be a priority?

The city will use ratings from a PASER study and the condition of the existing utilities, such as water and sewer, to determine which roads will be done and the timeline.

The PASER study, which stands for Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rat-

A Fenton resident waits to ask a question during the Tuesday, Sept. 28 forum on the bond proposal that would fund road improvement projects. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

ing, was conducted by the city’s engineering firm OHM Advisors this summer. They rated every road in Fenton and assigned them a number from 1-10, with 10 being the best. The majority of local roads in Fenton are between one and four. They are shown in red on the maps.

The roads that are green, with a rating from about eight to 10, might have a few cracks. The ones in yellow are rated from five to seven, and these might need some top work to extend usability. The red roads, rated one to four, have failing pavements and structural defects.

Andrew Cousino, civil engineer with OHM, said it’s difficult to determine which roads would be done first without further evaluation. “In order to determine which of those roads go first, there is physical inspection work that has to be paid for that’s part of this bond,” Cousino said.

The red roads that don’t need as much utility work will most likely be done first, Markland said.

What is the total quantity of miles in red?

The city has 37 miles of local roads. Cousino said by the next public meeting, they can have a determination on what percentage of city streets are in red and how many could be fixed if the proposal passes.

Is this \$24 million proposal enough to take care of all those roads?

One resident said he wouldn’t be happy if this proposal passed and engineers realized they only had enough money to fix 50 percent of the roads.

Another resident said, “If we keep denying these proposals and these millages, these roads are never going to get fixed. Whether we get 50% done now and 50% done in four years, we need to get these roads done...if the roads get fixed, the property values go up. These roads are horrible.”

Markland said, “I think that it will make a major improvement to the roads. It’s really difficult to tell because I don’t know what the cost for asphalt is going to continue to be. I think that it will take care of the majority of the roads, if not all.”

He said he’s spoken with financial consultants about potentially borrowing money for infrastructure projects such as water. “We don’t want to pave a road and then come back five years later and have to dig up a water main,” he said. They’re looking at doing a bond sale for that, too.

How much money does the city receive from the state gas tax?

Act 51, which created the Michigan Transportation Fund, collects revenues through highway user taxes, such as gas taxes, registration fees and other miscellaneous vehicle taxes. Fenton City receives approximately \$330,000 from Act 51 annually.

Markland said in a perfect world, the

state would have levied enough gas tax to fix all the roads. He does not believe there will be an increase in the gas tax or a change in Act 51 to help municipalities fix their roads.

“We’re not going to be able to get our road funds to do what we need to do with our roads from Lansing. We’re not going to be able to get our road funds from Genesee County, the federal government or any other entity,” Markland said.

He anticipates the federal government will pass an infrastructure bill, but he doesn’t think funding for roads will be able to be used on local roads.

How does this proposal compare to the proposal that failed in 2018?

The last proposal was to raise 5 mills over a 10 year period. It included a charter amendment because the city’s charter does not allow them to levy millages for more than three years.

“The difference between those 5 mills and 3.5 mills, or a part of it, is none of the money goes to the Local Development of Finance Authority (LDFA) or the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) because they don’t capture debt. So all the taxable money goes to pay these bonds,” Markland said. “I think it’s a lot simpler proposal to consider. It doesn’t require a charter amendment. It’s less mills. It’s going to cost taxpayers less money. In my opinion, this is a better proposal.”

Officials offered to come speak at gatherings and spread information about the proposal. More information is available at cityoffenton.org, along with a tool lets residents look up the taxable value of their homes.

The next two meetings are planned for Wednesday, Oct. 6 — 6 p.m. and Thursday, Oct. 13 — 6 p.m. in the Van Gilder Room of the Fenton Community and Cultural Center.

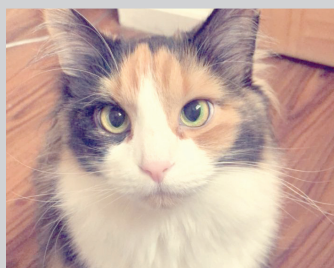
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RETAIL FRAUD OF MORE THAN \$1,000 AT LOCAL HOME IMPROVEMENT STORE

The Fenton Police Department is investigating a retail fraud complaint from a home improvement store on Silver Parkway. It occurred Sept. 8 and was reported to police Sept. 22. A customer, described as a Black male, loaded his shopping cart with more than \$1,000 worth of tools and miscellaneous items. He also asked the clerk to put \$550 on 11 gift cards. When checking out, he told the clerk he wanted to use a cash card. The clerk said the store doesn't accept those. He reached over to the register and hit the cash button, which completed the transaction. He exited the store. Lt. Jeff Cross said this remains under investigation. He added that it's an ongoing problem and it has happened in Grand Blanc too. Because the stolen merchandise is more than \$1,000, this crime is a felony. If anyone has information, they are asked to call Fenton police at (810) 629-5311.

TWO BEARDED MEN STEAL LIQUOR FROM FENTON STORE

Fenton police are investigating a retail fraud complaint from a grocery/liquor store on Silver Parkway, which occurred at 1:53 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 21. Store management told police that two white males, between the ages of 30-35, both with beards and mustaches, walked into the liquor aisle and selected several bottles of liquor. Store surveillance video caught the men walking to the next aisle and concealing the bottles in their pants. They exited the store. One male re-entered the store and concealed one more bottle of liquor and exited the store. The crime was detected when inventory was checked and store surveillance was reviewed. The two males left in a silver Dodge Charger. Police have possibly identified two suspects after posting their photos on social media for a short time. Merchandise stolen was valued at approximately \$150.

LARCENY FROM AUTO AT LOCAL STORE PARKING LOT

The Fenton Police Department is investigating a larceny from automobile (LFA) which occurred Thursday, Sept. 23 in the Target parking lot. An individual driving a Chevrolet Equinox went into the store to shop.

When they returned to their vehicle at 6:30 p.m., they noticed that their backpack containing a \$2,000 laptop and a \$20,000 Vector Box, which was company-owned, as well as another electronic device, was missing. Total value of stolen property is approximately \$23,000. After reviewing parking lot surveillance video, police are seeking the identity of three individuals who had parked next to the Equinox, which was left unlocked. Police are continuing to investigate. If anyone has information, they are asked to call Fenton police at (810) 629-5311.

TIRES FLAT, WINDOW SMASHED ON EAGLE DRIVE

Fenton police are investigating a malicious destruction of property complaint, which occurred overnight between Friday, Sept. 24 and Saturday, Sept. 25 in the 800 block of Eagle Drive. Lt. Jeff Cross said a homeowner woke up Saturday and saw that his GMC Acadia parked outside had two flat tires and a window had been smashed. Police have no suspects and no motives. Nothing was stolen. If anyone has information, they are asked to call Fenton police at (810) 629-5311.

CATALYTIC CONVERTER THIEF CAUGHT IN THE ACT OF STEALING

At 1:29 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 24, a Fenton police officer on routine patrol observed a suspicious individual walking around businesses in the 1400 block of Torrey Road. The officer approached the man to investigate. The officer determined that the male had been removing catalytic converters from vehicles in the parking lot and the suspect was caught in the act. Police believe the suspect had been working with others. In total, police recovered seven catalytic converters in the suspect's possession, as well as tools to cut the catalytic converters from the vehicles. Police located five of the seven victimized vehicles. If anyone is missing a catalytic converter from this date, call Fenton police at (810) 629-5311. Lt. Jeff Cross said several vehicles in the city have been hit by catalytic converter thieves and this suspect was caught through good police work. The Genesee Auto-theft Investigative Network (GAIN) is investigating a recent rash of similar thefts. The 28-year-old suspect from Flint was arrested and transported to the Genesee County Jail. The suspect, on probation, has not yet been arraigned on this incident.



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Lake Fenton High School plans homecoming events

School districts returning to in-person homecoming activities

By Hannah Ball

Lake Fenton High School is preparing for traditional homecoming ceremonies and events for this fall.

The homecoming parade will take place Friday, Oct. 8 and the dance is planned for Saturday, Oct. 9. Most LFHS homecoming festivities will take place the week of Oct. 3.

"This year, our student council is already hard at work planning spirit week festivities, parade floats and court nominations," said Principal Kate VanHouten. "It will be a welcome return to our Lake Fenton High School traditions. As with all activities, we will follow any state or county guidelines required of us."

On Monday, Aug. 16, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to authorize Lake Fenton Community Schools to apply for a permit from the Genesee County Road Commission to conduct the annual homecoming parade along Torrey Road between N. Long Lake Road and Lahring Road on Oct. 8.

In 2020, most schools held scaled back homecoming festivities or did not have them at all due to the COVID-19 pandemic and state restrictions.

LHFS did not have a traditional

homecoming in 2020, but the school did have a student court ceremony. High school sports were closed to the general public, and they had the court ceremony on the same traditional weekend inside the gym.

"It was a good thing, too, because we had a terrible storm that day. It was a wonderful ceremony and all our freshman through senior representatives participated and our senior king and queen were crowned," VanHouten said.

UPCOMING HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES:

Powderpuff Game:

Monday, Oct. 4 at 6 p.m.
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Parade:

Friday, Oct. 8 at 5 p.m.,
starts at Lake Fenton Middle School, ends at West Shore Elementary

Homecoming Game:

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ARTPRIZE

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Simms said, and it's filled with Peonies.

"The composition breaks the number one rule of not placing the focus in the middle of a painting and I took a big risk dividing the image right through the middle. Two oversized strawberries sit in the foreground on one panel and one on the other, reinforcing that idea of separation," Simms said. "Even though this painting was done during very dark and uncertain times for our entire world, I needed to find beauty and express that beauty as a sign of hope."

Simms has been creating art for more than 25 years in graphics, interior design, teaching and painting. Her favorite art medium is acrylic paints because they dry quickly and allow her to make "bold" color choices, she said, but they also help her create a softness by adding layers of glaze.

One thing new at ArtPrize this year was using QR codes as a way to encourage visitors to learn more about each art piece and gift them awards.

"Sometimes the award was monetary, and other times the award was

a way of telling the artist you enjoyed their work. My family and friends were able to go to Grand Rapids and see my work in place, with the added fun bonus of sending an award to someone," Simms said.

Fenton resident Sally Bright, who's also on the Fenton Arts Council, showed her piece, "Will the Future Remember When Earth Had Glaciers and Ice Caves," at the post office at Monroe Circle. She was one of 15 artists to be at this exhibit and create a piece to fit in a mailbox. The dimensions are 5 – x 6 – x 12-inches.

This is her second year at ArtPrize. Her art was inspired by the changing climate.

"It was completely different because I was part of a group. We each worked completely independently from each other. I was happy to be back," she said, adding that she did art shows for 33 years and retired three years ago. "I was missing my friends and the people so much. I was excited to go back and be around other artists I've known for years, and at such a cool venue and event."

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We want to thank you for the extraordinary patience you've shown. We believe the change in refuse and recycling service provider will result in better service. We also appreciate your calling us with concerns about cart parts left behind, what was done with trash already in carts and questions about GFL's delivery.

I also want to thank our dedicated city employees who have worked very hard to make this transition as smooth as possible and have done a difficult job navigating a challenging process.

We're working every day to ensure an efficient completion to the transition process.

As a reminder, here are some key dates:

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 6:
GFL begins its regular Wednesday citywide pickup.
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NOV. 17:
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Again, thank you.

FIRE HEROES

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Their names will be added to the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial on the Academy grounds.

In addition, communities across the U.S. will light up landmarks in "RED," including buildings, bridges, fire stations,

and homes as part of the Light the Night for Fallen Firefighters program. On Sunday, the National Memorial Service begins with bells ringing across the land through our Bells Across America for Fallen Firefighters program. For more information on how you can take part in these programs, visit firehero.org.



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JUNKIE

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that a bunch of decent quality chess playing friends meet up, play chess each week and some of their games are put on YouTube. They trash talk and show their personalities and you get to feel like you know these people. You end up with your favorite players and in 15 minutes you see a match, are entertained and are then given a nice analysis of the match. I now have about five chess channels I check out from GMHikaru, to the Botez sisters to some guy that critiques the greatest matches of all time. I remain stupid about the game, but for some reason these dang stations are addicting. Some of my favorite games are on the GMHikaru station when he faces off against opponents with nothing but knights or some strange set up, and then he figures a way to win anyway.

4 – Channels including old sports broadcasts

As a Detroit Tigers' history buff, I love these stations. It's cool to find a random 1974 Detroit Lions' game and watch it or a 1972 Detroit Red Wings game. Of course, there are a ton of Tigers and Pistons games as well. Plus, I'll find old Central Michigan Chippewa contests. It's fun watching the past to see how the games have changed and to see the players you didn't really get to see prior to your lifetime or prior to you being old enough to really understand those players.

5 – People who explore abandoned places

These are cool. I've seen people break into abandoned old nuclear power plants, old schools and old insane asylums. The asylums are the most interesting. There are quite a few and it's amazing what they find in those places. Plus, for some odd reason it seems all the asylums still have electrical power despite being closed for 20 years. You will see people exploring assembly plants and power plants from the 1920s and it's actually a great history lesson. What adds to the fun is that in almost all of these places, if they get caught, they can (and sometimes do) get arrested.

There are a few other themes, but those are the biggies. I'd write more about the others, but I think someone just posted a video about a mall I've been to in Kentucky twice. It's must-watch viewing.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

HOLLY MAN ARRESTED FOR DOMESTIC ASSAULT

On Monday, Sept. 20, at 2:33 a.m., Holly police officers were dispatched to a residence for a report of a domestic assault in progress. Upon arrival, officers interviewed a male and female at the home. The female reported that they had been arguing and she called a friend to pick her up to escape the argument. She

reported the male was upset and slapped her across the face and then held her on the ground to prevent her from leaving. Officers saw visible redness and swelling to her face. The male was interviewed and could not explain the female's injury. The 51-year-old Holly man was arrested and lodged pending domestic assault charges.

WARRANT ARREST

On Friday, Sept. 24, at 12:45 p.m., Holly police were requested to assist another police agency in making an arrest on a Holly man who had an open felony warrant. Holly officers responded to the arrest and met with the warrant holding officers. The 53-year-old man

was taken into custody without incident.

PURSE OF WEDDING ATTENDANT RETURNED

On Friday, Sept. 24, at 6:09 p.m., a citizen reported to Holly police that they found a woman's purse on a table in Battle Alley in downtown Holly. An officer arrived and inspected the contents, discovering the purse belonged to 22-year-old woman from Clinton Township. The officer was aware there was a wedding in progress at the Vault and contacted them to determine if the person was at that location. The owner was part of the ceremony and was happy to have her purse returned intact.

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With programs like "TNR" (Trap, Neuter, Return) or "Animals with Special Needs," Adopt-A-Pet benefits the lives of homeless, abused or neglected cats and dogs. TNR's mission is to obtain stray cats and neuter them as a humane and effective solution to overpopulation. Animals with Special Needs allow animals to be rehabilitated for future adoptions. All programs conducted by the facility rely on support from community partners, donations and volunteers.

There are various generous partners around the community such as Target, Wal-Mart, Fenton Veterinary Clinic, Pet Supplies Plus, and more, who lend their financial support to ensure Adopt-A-Pet has access to resources. Still, Adopt-A-Pet counts on donations from community members and animal lovers alike. To see how you can make a difference, visit www.adoptapetfenton.com/how-you-can-help.

Apart from community partners and donations, Adopt-A-Pet will host a special Halloween event to raise additional funds to maximize the efficiency of their programs. Starting at \$20 per person, "The Howling Haunted Trail and Halloween Party" is a 6-day event taking place for three weekends starting Oct. 8 and 9 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. To start your fall festivities off on the right note, make your way to thehowlinghauntedtrail.com.

Adopting a pet is no simple task, it's a full-time job. It can be a difficult, time-consuming, even smelly, endeavor. Because of that, Adopt-A-Pet wants to ensure that applicants are the right match before adopting a pet. But fear not, Adopt-A-Pet always welcomes volunteers to walk the dogs, pick up after the cats, work special events and donate their hearts and souls to animals.

Although their mission is to offer animals a safe home, relieve the stress of homeless animals, and provide medical care to animals in their care, Adopt-A-Pet's overall vision is that their services will no longer be needed. The long-term hope is that animals will always have a safe home anywhere they turn and that they will no longer need the advocacy of facilities.

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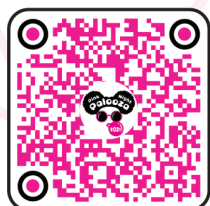


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The reason for censuring Winchester, according to Stouffer, is because she opened a piece of mail addressed to him that she received at the Holly Township office. Inside the envelope was an anonymous letter, the contents of which were not disclosed at the meeting. The Times later received a copy of the letter through the Freedom of Information Act (read the letter below).

Stouffer told the Board that he filed a complaint with the U.S. Postal Service and has a case number for the investigation. He accused Winchester of embezzling and distributing a letter meant for him. Citing Robert’s Rules of Order, he said Winchester, who he was motioning to censure, would not be able to partake in the vote, but could partake in the discussion.

Winchester said during the meeting that she accidentally opened the envelope. She said the letter stated it should be given to the NOCFA Board and that no personal mail of Stouffer’s arrives at the Holly Township office.

“I am the NOCFA secretary. I accidentally opened it because I get a pile of mail. I turn it over and I rip up the, you know rip them down. I didn’t even know it was addressed to Peter until I showed it to George (Kullis). Clearly, this letter was to be given to the NOCFA Board. It was addressed to Holly Township. There’s no personal mail sent to Mr. Stouffer. This is a public unit of government and Holly Township is a public unit and so is Rose Township so it is public information. I just disseminated it. It’s coming to me. I opened it. It was nothing intentional. And for you to sweep this under the rug by this tyrannical behavior is unacceptable.

“We do not go under the Robert’s Rules of Order, the strict Robert’s Rules of Order. You have no right to censure me. There’s no such fact. I’m a public official and you can’t censure me.”

Stouffer said his name was clearly on the envelope and that it was a federal offense to open. He said if it’s opened in error, what is done afterward is telling. “She decided to distribute,” he said.

Gambka said if the letter was addressed to Stouffer, it should have been given to Stouffer.

Winchester said the contents of the letter should be investigated.

Kullis said he believed a motion to censure should be done after the USPS investigation is complete.

Winchester said the letter belonged to the Board, not to the chairman. “The NOCFA Board needed to know,” she said.

“It’s embezzlement of my property,” Stouffer said. “It’s mail theft.”

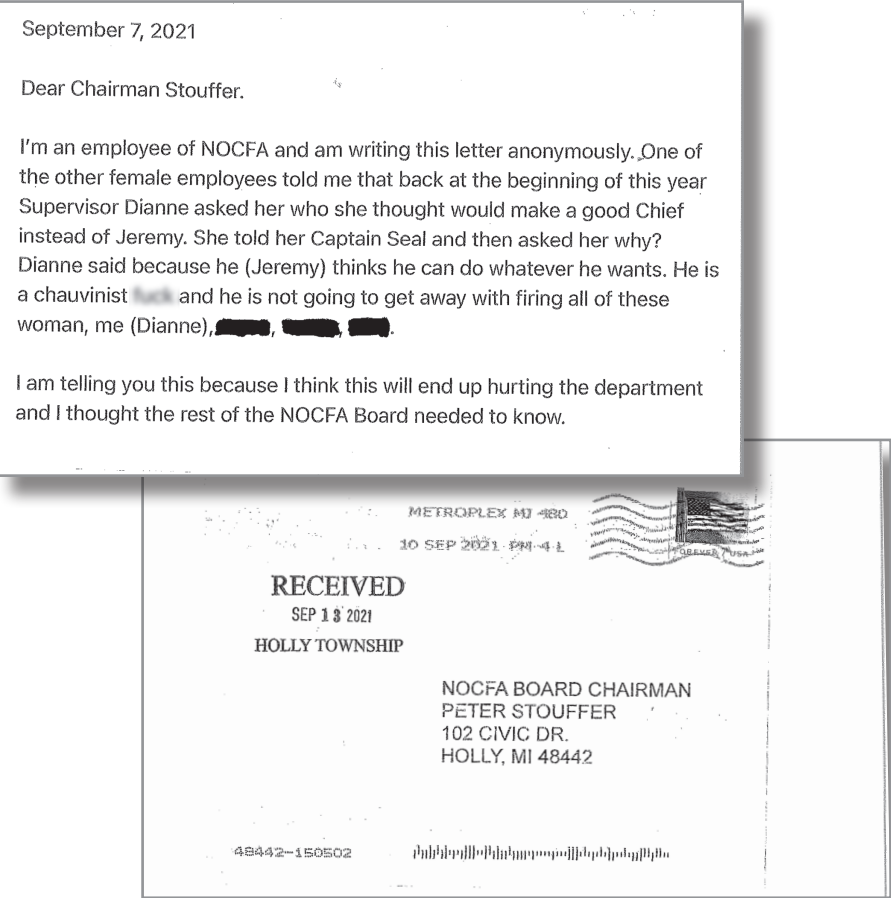
Kullis again said with the issue of censuring, the Board should wait for the USPS investigation. “There could be nothing here,” he said.

Winchester said the main issue is the content of the letter. “It’s a public document. What do we do with it? Trust me, it was accidental. It belonged with the Board. I’m not a thief.”

Kullis said the motion for censorship alleges that something illegal occurred before an investigation could make a determination. “We need their information before censure.”

Kullis’ motion to postpone a vote on censuring Winchester failed by a vote of 3-2 with Kullis and Winchester voting to postpone action. Stouffer said as chairman of the Board it was his decision to not use Winchester’s vote citing the Robert’s Rules of Order, thus making it 3-1 for not postponing a motion to censure.

Following the 3-1 vote to censure her, Winchester said, “Unbelievable.”



This copy of an anonymous letter and envelope that was sent to the Holly Township offices was obtained through a Freedom of Information Act request. The opening and distributing of this letter by the NOCFA secretary to the NOCFA Board prompted the NOCFA chair to call for the censuring of the secretary.

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HEARING

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are losing officers at an alarming rate," Mueller said. "We must do more to break down the barriers that prevent good candidates from answering the call to serve. The changes I'm proposing will make sure qualified people have access to the training and support they need to hone their skills, protect the public, and build trust and respect in the communities they serve."

House Bills 5130-33 would:

- Offer communities new tools to recruit good officers. Local law enforcement agencies could pay for a new recruit's academy tuition and enter into a five-year employment contract with them. If the recruit leaves within that period, they would be required to reimburse the agency for a portion of the training costs based on the amount of time spent with the department after their training is complete.

- Provide resources for specially trained, part-time public service assistants. A grant program will help fund public assistant positions to perform non-criminal law-enforcement tasks.

- Expand the pool of qualified recruits. No one with at least a high-school diploma or equivalent will be excluded from applying for a law-enforcement training academy based solely on their education level.

- Remove hurdles for returning officers. Experienced police officers who retire or leave the force will be allowed to return to duty without starting from scratch or jumping through unnecessary hoops.

The proposal remains under consideration by the House Government Operations Committee.

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Award winning Linden American Legion Family 119 may disband

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Both the Linden American Legion and its family auxiliary are struggling to stay active.

Patricia (Pat) Lozano of the American Legion Family 119 Linden said over recent years they have spent generously on scholarships to local students, to local community events, supplies to schools and provided support to local fire and police units. This in addition to sending hundreds of care packages to troops and spending thousands of dollars to provide critical assistance to local veterans.

The work of the auxiliary (veteran family members) has received several best in the state awards for the work they performed.

Lozano said reduced active membership in both the Post and the Auxiliary due to aging, moving and other member challenges have left each group with single digit member participation. They have had occurrences where there were not enough members available to hold a meeting or approve of assistance expenditures.

If you are a veteran who served anywhere and honorably discharged or a current troop, you are eligible to join the American Legion under new eligibility rules.

If you are the spouse, sister, mother, grandmother, daughter, granddaughter, son or grandson of an American Legion member, or a deceased veteran who would have been

eligible, you are eligible to join the American Legion Auxiliary or the Sons of the Legion.

Email AmericanLegionAuxiliary119Linden@aol.com or text or call (770) 778-8225 or mail to 4459 Harp Dr., Linden MI 48451 for information.

Anyone interested also could come to one of their meetings to see if they are a fit for you. Veterans meet at 7 p.m., on the fourth Tuesday of each month and Family members meet at 6:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month.

The Linden Masons graciously allow them to meet at the Linden Masonic Lodge, 119 N. Bridge St., Linden, MI



YOUR SMILE MATTERS!

By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

CHILDREN'S DENTISTRY FIRST DENTAL VISIT

Parents of young children often ask me at what age they should bring their son or daughter into the dental office for the first time. When I was in dental school at the University of Michigan we were taught that the best time to see kids for the first time was age 3. By age 3 the child was usually mature enough to "cooperate" with the dental team and he or she could have regular preventative dental cleaning. The problem has always been that sometimes by age 3 major dental problems

have already developed necessitating major dental treatment. With this in mind, The American Pediatric Dental Association recently came out with new recommendations. The new recommended age for a child's first dental visit is age 1. Age 1 dental visits are what we in our office like to call "well-baby check-ups", and are very important. Realistically, we are not going to be able to do a full dental cleaning with x-rays on a 1 year old. But I'm able to determine that all the teeth are developing normally and can catch problems very early well before any major trouble. Just as importantly, this gives me and my team an opportunity to educate mom and dad about proper dental care for their child. Dental office fears and phobias in adults are very common and can be so extreme that a person will avoid going to the dentist all together. This can lead to major dental problems and poor oral and overall health. When I question these people about their dental fears they almost always relate some traumatic childhood experience that has scarred them for life. I am committed to ensure that the children I see will not suffer this same fate. By seeing kids early in their life before major dental problems; I am helping them to maintain good dental health and avoid dental fears. Age 1 dental visits are key to a long and healthy life with good teeth.

I welcome your questions and comments.
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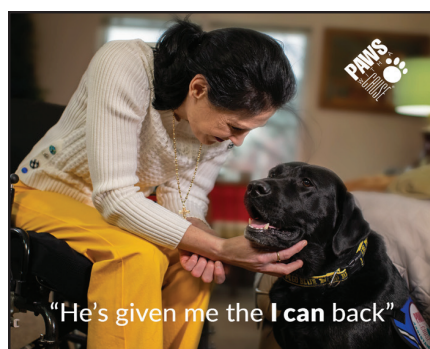
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BUSINESS BRIEFS

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GREG GORTON RECOGNIZED AS NATIONAL CAREGIVER AWARD NOMINEE

Right At Home Genesee County is proud to announce that the Home Care Association of America (HCAOA) is recognizing their very own Greg Gorton as a nominee for the 2021 Caregiver of the Year Award. This national program recognizes the top caregivers across the country who provide care and services at home.

"Greg goes into homes and can create a bond with our clients and their families that puts them all at ease, which in turn fosters an atmosphere to provide exceptional care almost effortlessly. We are so proud of him and the great care he provides our clients. We have always felt that we have the best staff anywhere, and to have this type of recognition at a national level demonstrates that," said Right At Home Genesee franchise owner Scott Hill.

"Caregiving is not an easy job, it requires compassion, patience, and dedication," said Vicki Hoak, HCAOA executive director. "Being a caregiver during the COVID

pandemic has proven to be even more challenging. However, all of the nominees for this caregiver award demonstrate their commitment to their clients and to keeping them safe at home every day, often going above and beyond with a song, a surprise outing, or a client's favorite meal to ensure they are cared for."

The top caregiver will be announced in November to kick off National Home Care Recognition Month and will receive a cash award of \$1,000.



SEND THE LIGHT FAMILY CHURCH

Send The Light Family Church, which has been in Fenton for the past 20 years has moved to a new location. It is now in the old Tyrone Township building at 10408 Center Rd., south of Fenton. The church would like to welcome the community to its new location to join them in celebration and worship. Opening day for Send The Light is Sunday, Oct. 10 at 10 a.m. They would love for you to join them.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

FENTON MAN ARRESTED FOR DRUNK DRIVING IN HOLLY

On Saturday, Sept. 25, at 2:01 a.m., a Holly police officer on patrol on Grange Hall Road was traveling behind a vehicle that was weaving in and out of its lane. The vehicle crossed the center lane divider and was stopped. The driver was identified as a 41-year-old Fenton man. The officer detected signs of intoxication and tested the driver. The man was over the legal limit and was also determined to be operating with a suspended driver's license. The driver was arrested and charged with drunk driving and driving on a suspended license.

HOLLY MAN ARRESTED FOR OWI THIRD OFFENSE

On Saturday, Sept. 25, at 9:33 p.m., a Holly police officer observed a vehicle southbound on N. Holly Road at Grange Hall Road commit a traffic violation. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, identified as a 54-year-old Holly man, had a strong odor of intoxicants and signs of intoxication. In addition, the man's driver's license was revoked. Testing revealed the man was over the legal limit and has two previous convictions for drunk driving. This arrest became a felony charge of third offense drunk driving. The man was arrested with a warrant requested from the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office on the charges.



After looking at their scorecards, Linden's Ella LaMothe, Emma Lurvey and Kaitlyn Straub start to realize the Eagles won the Flint Metro League Tournament and the season championship.

Four-year mission complete — Eagles capture Metro golf title

By David Troppens

Four years ago a group of freshmen joined the Linden varsity girls golf team.

Linden varsity girls golf coach Jon Hamilton remembered what the team shot the first time they faced off against the Fenton Tigers. It was a 257 (an average

of 64 strokes a player) in a nine-hole dual.

Move forward to four years later. While competing at the Flint Metro League Tournament at Springfield Oaks, those same girls were seniors and now fighting for a league championship. And while doing so, they accomplished their goal with

a team score of 348 for 18 holes, earning the Eagles the league tournament victory and the outright Metro League championship. It was Linden's first league championship since the 2008-09 school year.

"When I started competing freshman
See YEARS on 28

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Sports Times

Linden volleyball finally has their day vs. Fenton :

By David Troppens

Linden — Entering Wednesday's Flint Metro League battle between Linden and Fenton, no one in Linden High School's gym really was sure the last time the Eagles defeated the Tigers in a regular season league match.

Everyone knew the last time it happened after Wednesday's match ended.

The Eagles posted the victory that may have been decades in the making, earning a 26-28, 25-19, 25-15, 25-19 victory against the Fenton Tigers.

"It means so much," Linden senior setter Kendall Miller said. "It's my senior year and it's been absolutely amazing. This team is absolutely the best team I've ever had. It's been so much fun."

"The kids wanted this one so bad," Linden varsity volleyball coach Cori Mason said. "We played tough to-night. Our serve reception stepped up

for us. That was big. I thought Hannah Wasilewski did a great job in the back row for us, covered well and got some great ups for us to keep us alive. That was fun."

The Eagles pretty much dominated the start of all four sets, and only didn't win it in three sets due the fact the Tigers made a pretty amazing come back in the first game. Linden led by as many as 17-10 after a block kill by Brooke Durkac and Kara Bigelow, but Fenton quickly got back into the match scoring four quick points. The Linden lead was still 23-18 after an ace by Ava Siegwald, but Fenton started cutting into the gap. A kill by Sienna Sahr was followed by two Linden hitting errors, cutting the gap to 23-21. Later, Fenton's Paige Bakker provided a kill on a Linden overpass, tying the set at 24-all. Both teams had set points, with

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Fenton's Adrie Staib and Linden's Gracie Pierscinski have a joust during the Eagles' four-set victory against the Tigers. **Photo: David Troppens**



Linden's Kyle Eberhard (left) and River Meckstroth finished 1-2 at the most recent Metro jamboree. **Photo: David Troppens**

Eagles edge Fenton in second Metro jamboree

By David Troppens

There's a good ol' Fenton-Linden rivalry brewing in the Flint Metro League boys cross country race this fall.

Fenton won the first jamboree despite both teams tying with 52 points based on the sixth-place runner's placing. This time, the Eagles made sure it didn't get to the sixth runner, winning the second

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Holly boys tennis wins two of three recent meets

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity boys tennis team played three Metro duals in two days and went 2-1 in those three matches.

The Bronchos defeated Clio and Ortonville-Brandon by 6-2 scores. Meanwhile, Flushing defeated Holly 8-0.

Against Clio, the Bronchos won three singles matches. Walker Glass (No. 1), Jacob Denman (No. 2) and Jake Distel (No. 3) won matches while

in doubles action Parker Monty and Quintin Monty (No. 1), Ethan Tillier and Ben Kittle (No. 2) and Ryan Tiell and Aaron Crain (No. 4) won matches.

Against Brandon, Kittle (No. 3) and Tiell (No. 4) won singles flights. In doubles flights, Wyatt Randall and Nate Costigan (No. 1), Eric Ranck and Crain (No. 2), Denman and Tillier (No. 3) and Parker Monty and Andrew Van-Hese (No. 4) won matches.



Linden's Nolan Fahrenkopf (far right) tries to work his way through Fenton players Calvin Curtis (right) and Evan Katzenberger (left). Photo: David Troppens

Tigers knocking on door of Metro crown after wins vs. Linden, Lake Fenton

By David Troppens

Fenton — The countdown is on. In what can be termed a battle of rivals week, the fourth-ranked in Division 2 Fenton varsity boys soccer team had another pretty convincing week against its Flint Metro League foes.

The Tigers defeated Linden 4-0 on Monday and then defeated Lake Fenton 5-0, placing the Tigers just one tie away from assuring at least a co-league title and two points away from winning the outright league crown for the first time since 2018. The Tigers shared the league crown the last two seasons with Goodrich and Linden. Linden also faced Clio on Wednesday and tied the Mustangs 2-2.

"It's a great feeling," Fenton senior defense player Evan Watts said about being on the squad. "We are all tight. We are all like best friends. We are all just having fun and enjoying every moment."

Beating your biggest rival will make a team feel that way. And considering the Linden Eagles are very young and have had to deal with injuries and time off due to COVID protocol, Linden was going to find it a tough go against the Tigers. Fenton scored four first-half goals to capture a 4-0 lead and didn't need to do much else in the second half. Just 3:56 into the contest, William Dickens scored his first of two goals off an assist from Calvin Curtis. It stayed at 1-0 for almost 10 minutes until Gibson Lehman sent a cross to Patrick Hamilton who scored the second goal with 26:37 left in the first half.

The third was a poor clearing attempt that went right to Dickens. He decided to take the shot from about 30 yards out and scored the Tigers' third goal. The final goal was provided by Evan Katzenberger with 9:37 left in the half on a cor-

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Linden staying off one at 26-25 with a kill by Bigelow. However, back-to-back Linden hitting errors helped the Tigers earn the 28-26 first-game victory.

"We just encourage each other every point," Miller said about how the Eagles got over the first-game loss. Everybody is involved on the team and we just never let each other down.

"Everyone encourages everyone. Everyone is hard driven in practice. Everyone gives 110 percent every practice and it's been amazing."

In each of the final three sets the Eagles took the early lead and eliminated the mistakes. Linden jumped to a 9-2 lead in the second set with the final two of those points coming on a Pierscinski ace and a Bigelow kill.

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Fenton girls XC stretches Metro lead : Tigers defeat Milford, tie Goodrich

By David Troppens

Nothing changed much on top the Flint Metro League girls cross country standings during the second jamboree.

And that's good news for the Fenton Tigers.

After winning the first jamboree by 20 points against second-place Goodrich, the Tigers only became more dominant in the second jamboree at Brandon Township Park, posting a first-place score of 38 points, 37 points better than second-place Owosso. The second straight victory places the Tigers in a strong position to capture their sixth straight league crown when the teams face off at the final league meet on Oct. 13 at Flushing Valley Golf Course.

The Linden Eagles placed fifth, just nine points ahead of sixth-place Lake Fenton. Holly took ninth among the 10 league squads that had enough runners

to earn a team score.

In order to score just 37 points, a team has to have a lot of strong runners, and the Tigers certainly had that. Four of the top nine runners were from Fenton and the Tigers had their top seven all finish within the top 20.

Holly freshman Ashley Sobczynski dominated the race, winning the 5K event in 19:15.60. It was her second straight victory. But after her, Fenton's Nina Frost was third (20:11.70), Taylor Huntoon was fourth (20:13.10), Emma Dubie was seventh (20:37.00), Emily Grob placed ninth (20:59.40) and Izzy MacCaughan finished 16th (21:23.90). The Tigers two other runners to complete their top seven were Landis Canada in 17th (21:28.90) and Sophia Resa in 19th (21:33.70).

One of the reasons for the Tigers' dramatic larger jump on



Fenton's Taylor Huntoon (right) leads Holly's Ashley Sobczynski (left) and Emily Grob (middle) during a recent Metro race. Photo: David Troppens

the league was Huntoon. In the opening race, she contended for first until suffering an injury late in the race. Still, the Tigers won by 20.

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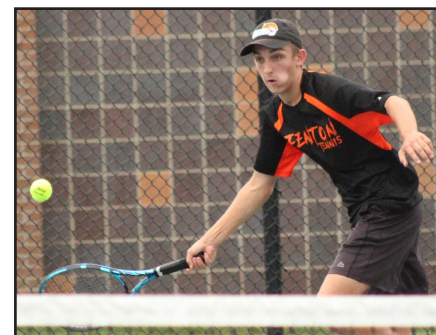
By David Troppens

In recent action, the Fenton varsity boys tennis team had some good and bad news.

The good news was Fenton defeated Milford 8-0. The bad news was the Tigers fought to a 4-4 tie with the Martians.

The Tigers were too tough for Milford with all the matches being won in straight sets. The singles winners were Sheldon Hand (No. 1), Josh Brott (No. 2), Remy Book (No. 3) and Camryn Ruiz (No. 4). The doubles victors were Nate Dymond and Gavin Stuber (No. 1), Joe McCarthy and Trey Hajec (No. 2), Noah Gurnsey and Isaac Gurnsey (No. 3) and Zach Michelson and Tate Webb (No. 4).

The battle with Goodrich was a tight one and could've been the contest which decided which team competed in the



Remy Book returns a shot in a recent match. Photo: David Troppens

league meet as the outright second-place team. Instead, both teams entered the event with 6-1-1 league marks and tied for second.

Fenton won three of the four doubles matches. Dymond and Stuber (No. 1), McCarthy and Hajec (No. 2) and Michelson and Webb (No. 4) were Fenton's victors. In singles action, Book (No. 3) won his match.

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Holly volleyball gets closer to Metro victory, but falls to Kearsley Hornets

Holly's rebuilding varsity volleyball team is still looking for its first Flint Metro League victory of the season.

The Bronchos came reasonably close on Wednesday, playing three tight sets with the Kearsley Hornets.

Holly lost a 25-20, 25-23, 26-24 verdict against the Hornets.

Offensively, the Bronchos were paced by Annabelle Basham. She led the squad with five kills, performing a .150 hitting percentage. Angelina Azbell and Addison Basinger also chipped in three kills each. Basinger was a perfect 3-for-3 on her hit attempts.

Defensively, Azbell and Basham had a 1 1/2 blocks each while Lily Parsons had one. Miranda Miller led the squad with 10 digs while Isabella Smith had nine. Parsons chipped in eight digs with Amanda Welch and Basinger having seven each. Smith led the team with a service reception rating of 1.58. On the service line, Smith had two aces.

Holly returns to Metro action with a match versus Swartz Creek on Wednesday.



Holly's Annabelle Basham attempts to get a dig during a recent match. Photo: Christopher Summers



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jamboree at Brandon Township Park with a score of 41 points, seven less than Fenton's second-place total of 48 points. Holly placed fifth in this event as the Bronchos did in the first race, while Lake Fenton fell from sixth to seventh place among the 12-team field.

The Eagles had their entire scoring five finish within the top 18 placings, including the squad having the top two finishers. Kyle Eberhard, who finished third at the first jamboree, won the event with a time of 16:26.1. His biggest competition was his teammate River Meckstroth, who placed second (16:27.27).

The rest of the Eagles' scoring five were Clayton Ackerman in sixth (17:08.35), Hayden Bradfield in 14th (17:34.52) and Ryan Blackwood in 18th (17:40.83).

Fenton had three runners in the top 10 and its entire scoring five within the top 17, but each of Linden's top three runners beat out Fenton's runner in their position.



Holly's Mason Rosa placed 11th at the second Metro jamboree. Photo: David Troppens

Michael Crane led the Tigers by taking fourth (16:38.39) while Nathan Katic was fifth (17:03.61). The rest of Fenton's scoring five were Josh Maier in ninth (17:15.56), Aidan Brzezinski in 13th (17:32.61) and Gavin Thomas in 17th (17:38.22).

The Bronchos were led by Mason Rosa who took 11th (17:30.58).

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ner attempt. Curtis collected his second assist on the goal.

Meanwhile, the Eagles struggled getting off any shots. In fact, they had just one (it was on target) in the opening 40 minutes compared to Fenton's 21 shot attempts (14 on target). The Tigers weren't as interested in scoring goals in the second half, but the defense certainly wanted to preserve the shutout. Linden had more success on offense in the second half, but was unable to score on Fenton keeper Jasper Bakker, who made four saves. It was the Tigers' fifth clean sheet of the Metro League season. Of course, the shutout against Lake Fenton made it six in nine league contests.

"Going into the year we had no idea the defense was going to look the way it is," Watts said. "No, just everybody plays their role perfect and we all flow super well together. We just always have each other's back and we are always getting every ball."

"We are asking a lot of young kids that probably need to be seasoned a little bit and unfortunately they aren't going to get seasoned and are learning under fire," Linden varsity boys soccer coach Kevin Fiebert said. "That's 15 seniors over there (on Fenton's team). That's a seasoned group and they exploit that."

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year, I remember being bewildered hearing the other teams' scores from other schools," senior Kaitlyn Straub said. "It was a sort of amazement, and back then I could have never guessed that we would be part of one of the teams shooting those low scores."

"I remember starting freshman year excited for the season but nervous," fellow senior teammate Ella LaMothe said. "It was so cool to be playing, but it was intimidating seeing these senior girls I was playing against shooting under 50 (for nine holes), which I couldn't believe was possible at the time. I had hoped I would be able to get to that level and



Fenton's Tyler Hahn heads a ball during the Tigers' 4-0 victory against the Linden Eagles on Monday.

Photo: David Troppens

"I was really happy with our keeper (Luke Haney). He made five to six point-blank saves and did a great job."

Against Lake Fenton, the Tigers (9-0-0 in the Metro) scored five minutes into the game on a rebound shot by Dickens. Sam Katsef got the rebound and scored. Later, Chase Coleman, Curtis, Dickens and Caleb Miller scored goals off assists by Hamilton, Lucash White, Curtis and Zach Jones. Sawyer Miller played in net and got the shutout. The starting defenders are Watts, Peyton Jackson, Ryan Stocker and White.

Linden (1-3-2 in the Metro) trailed Clio 2-0 entering the second half, Brendan Shingleton scored off an assist from Donovan Miller and Nolan Fahernkopf scored on a penalty kick attempt.

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now I'm glad I did."

Linden, defending champions Fenton and Goodrich entered the meet tied for first place during the dual portion of the season. That meant the league tournament would decide the victor, and the Eagles were the tourney champs with a 348 team score. Goodrich was second with a 354 while Fenton was third with a 376. Holly was eighth with a 465 and Lake Fenton was 12th with a 545.

"Winning the league meant so much to me because this has been our goal since the first day we started our freshman year," Linden senior and match medalist Emma Lurvey said.

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'It's really becoming a dream'

■ Area residents take on 4,700-mile hike spanning eight states

By Hannah Ball

Marit Janse of Fenton had an idea for her 60th birthday last November that wasn't like most other birthday ideas.

She wanted to hike the North Country National Scenic Trail. It's a 4,700-mile hike spanning eight states from North Dakota to Vermont.

Janse asked two other friends if they wanted to do it with her, and they said yes. Janse, Steve Ruggirello and his daughter Kristie Wheeler set off on New Year's Day in 2021, starting at the Michigan/Ohio border and the Lower Peninsula. The Lower Peninsula trail is approximately 612 miles.

"It started out with me wanting to do the 600 miles for my 60th birthday but what happened was we fell in love with the North Country Trail and the community. There are Facebook groups," she said. People cheer for them in these groups and share tips and information.

They took day trips to different spots on the trail. Their longest trek was 27 miles in one day, and it took them 30 days to hike the 612 miles in the LP. They waited to do

the Mackinac Bridge Walk over the Labor Day weekend because the bridge is marked as the connector to the Upper Peninsula on the North Country Trail. They've hiked about 30 miles in the UP so far.

"It was really nice. We really liked it. We had hiked 612 miles already so we're kind of in shape," she said. "We all fell in love with hiking."

It's approximately 550 miles from the Mackinac Bridge to the Wisconsin border.

"That's our goal for next year to finish, and then we're done with the North Country Trail in Michigan. It's a lot of walking but it's been a lot of fun," Janse said.

The entire trail takes hikers over roads, paved pathways, around swamps and through many popular county and state trails, like the Manistee National Forest, the Buckeye Trail, the Allegheny National Forest and more. They had to use snow-



shoes in the winter. In the UP, they expect mostly forest walking.

One of Janse's favorite things is visiting the towns along the trail.

"You go through all these villages. I didn't realize it was this cool," she said.

On their weekend trips, they bring water, hiking sticks, a water filter if needed, rain gear, bug spray, waterproof socks and

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Fenton area residents Marit Janse, Steve Ruggirello and Kristie Wheeler are on a trek to hike the entire North Country National Scenic Trail, which is 4,700 miles long. They finished the portion in Michigan's Lower Peninsula in July, and they did the Mackinac Bridge Walk on Labor Day. **Submitted Photo**

more. Her husband goes with them and drives the car to their ending destination so they don't have to walk back. During the 2021 winter, weather was "really bad," she said. They encountered an ice storm and closed roads, forcing them to traverse shorter distances than they hoped.

"I actually think the summer was

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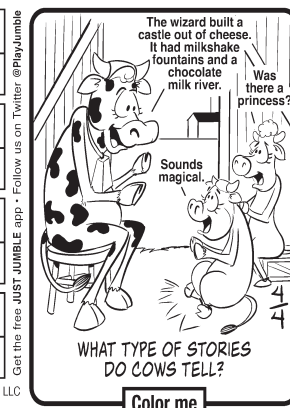
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A DREAM

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harder. The bugs started coming, the ticks and heat,” she said. “It’s something that keeps your body and mind strong because it’s easy to do nothing in the winter.”

In the UP, they’re expecting worse cell service, or none at all. They rely on maps and preplanning.

The North Country National Scenic Trail is the longest in the National Trails System. Northcountrytrail.org has trail information with maps, different challenges, the National Park Service, trail towns and more. In the LP, the trail takes them from the southern boundary to Kalamazoo to Grand Rapids to Petoskey and farther north.

The driving distance to get to the trail heads in the UP is getting longer and all three of them have been busy lately, which makes it harder to make their weekend trips. Janse said they hope to finish the UP next year.

“We would like to do the whole thing eventually. It’s over 4,000 miles,” Janse said. “It’s really becoming a dream. Of course it will be a long term dream for us, but it is nice to dream and have a goal especially because we’re all getting older and this keeps us busy.”

Steve Ruggirello of Fenton Township is retired and said he has more time to do things.

“It’s something I’ve always wanted to do as far as getting into hiking. I really enjoy it. It’s nice not having the everyday worries of bills and this and that. It’s fun to be out in nature,” he said. “Every time we go out is an experience on its own. Everyday’s been fun. We’ve not had a bad day hiking.”

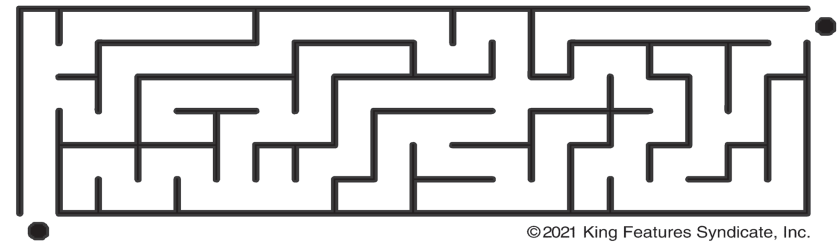
He enjoyed the Red Pine Forest and the Manistee Trail. This is the largest hike he’s done, and it’s helped his endurance while running.

“You’re thinking in your mind, how can we go this far? Before you know it, you’ve walked 20 miles. We never run out of things to talk about,” he said. “You enjoy the atmosphere you’re in. You just enjoy being where you’re at. I wouldn’t want to do it with anyone else but these two. It’s a really good experience. I’m glad I was able to have the health to do it.”

They’re active on the North Country Trail Facebook group, in which they’ve made friends and share information. Ruggirello said smaller, local groups maintain the North Country National Scenic Trail.

“It’s amazing how many people are involved in it,” he said.

Kids' Maze



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CITY OF LINDEN

NOTICE OF ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 402

Linden City Council adopted Ordinance No. 402, an ordinance to repeal and replace Sections 31.055 through 31.058 of Chapter 31; Sections 31.070 through 31.073 of Chapter 31; and Chapter 153 of Article XV of the Code of Ordinances regarding the Historic District Study Commission, Historic District Commission and Historic Sites and Structures. This ordinance will take full effect 10 days after publication. A complete copy of the ordinance is available to the public for inspection and distribution during regular business hours at the City Clerk’s office located at 132 East Broad Street, Linden, MI 48451.

Obituaries

Robert E. Zientek

Robert E. Zientek - age 88, of Fenton, passed away Tuesday, September 28, 2021. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11 AM Friday, October 8, 2021 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton. The family will receive friends from 10 AM until the time of service. Burial will follow in New Calvary Catholic Cemetery. Those desiring may make contributions to the Padre Pio Foundation of America (www.padrepio.com). Tributes may be shared at www.sharp-funeralhomes.com.



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Obituaries

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René Marie (Jameyson) Carlson

1957 - 2021

René Marie (Jameyson) Carlson - age 63, of Gulf Shores, AL passed away Wednesday, September 15, 2021. Cremation has taken place and the family are planning



employed for many title companies as a Closer. René was an avid sports fan and would watch the games on the weekends with Mark. They also enjoyed golf-

a memorial service at a later date. René was born November 10, 1957, the daughter of Ken and Grace (Rose) Jameyson. She was born and raised in Fenton and was a 1975 graduate of Fenton High School. During her school years she acquired the nickname "Squirrel" and it stuck ever since. She met the love of her life, Mark Carlson at Western Michigan University. They were married on June 16, 1979 at Fenton United Methodist Church. Mark and René were married for 42 years, but best of friends for 45 years. She was independent and self-

ing. Surviving are her husband, Mark; two sons, Erik (Alanna) Carlson and Darin Carlson; four grandchildren, Callie, Jake, Maddie, and Jameyson; mother, Grace Jameyson; two brothers, Rick Jameyson and Robin Jameyson; niece, Murphy Jameyson (Matt); nephew, Spencer Jameyson (Alex); great-nephews, Everett, Roman, and Harrison. She was preceded in death by her father, Ken Jameyson. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Noah Ryan Kerridge

2001 - 2021

Noah Ryan Kerridge - age 20, of Linden, passed away April 19, 2021. Memorial service were held 1 PM Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at Sharp Funeral Homes,



of humor and loved making people laugh. Noah loved his family, was a great brother, was a thrill seeker and loved animals. He is survived by his mother, Sarah (Josh)

Linden Chapel, 209 East Broad Street, Linden. Visitation was 4 - 8 PM Tuesday, September 28 and from 11 AM until the time of service Wednesday. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to National Alliance on Mental Health Genesee County (namigenesee.org). Noah was born March 23, 2001 the son of Keith R. Kerridge and Sarah J. (Jackson) Whitson. He was a 2019 graduate of Linden High School where he was involved in cross country, robotics, and track and field. He had a great sense

Whitson; his father, Keith Kerridge; siblings, Tyler (Payton) Jones, Caitlyn Kerridge, and Alexander Whitson; grandparents, Barry and Terry Jackson, Deena (Sue Pickens) Kerridge, Charles and Donna Kerridge, Sherry Bechtel and Sheri Jones; great-grandparents, Carl and Carol Jackson, and Barnalene Frost; many aunts; uncles; cousins; and friends. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



James Jordan

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Dan Jablonski

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Glen Massey

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Obituaries

Times

Joseph Alan "Joe" Walsh 1953 - 2021

Joseph Alan "Joe" Walsh - age 67, of Fenton, died Sunday, September 26, 2021. Services will be held 3 PM Friday, October 8, 2021 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St. Linden. Pastor Chris Vitarelli officiating.



Visitation will be held at the funeral home Friday, October 8, 2021 from 1 PM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to a charity of your choice. Joe was born October 31, 1953 in Holly, the son of John Rodger and Gladys Irene (Green) Walsh. He attended Linden Community School. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He retired in 2010 from D and R Earth Movers. Joe had resided in the Fenton area his entire life. He was a member of the Operating

Engineers Local 324 in Howell. He enjoyed lawn tractors, chainsaw's, being on the water, and the outdoors. Surviving are daughter, Kristi (John) Swanson of South Lyon; son, Joe (Misty) Walsh of Holly; grandchildren, Nathan Estep, Kora

Estep, Josh Estep, Logan Bock, and Madisyn Elliott; great-grandchildren, Blaine and Sawyer; siblings, Tom (JoAnn) Walsh of Fenton, Nancy Dillon of Davison, Beverly (Bob) McWain of Grand Blanc, John (Deb) Walsh of Linden, and Jim (Pat) Walsh of OH; and several nieces; nephews; and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



William Lurvey

William Lurvey - age 78, died September 27, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Ellen White

Ellen White - age 83, died September 27, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Gerald "Bud" Cox 1930 - 2021

Gerald (Bud) Cox of Holly entered eternal life on Sunday, September 26, 2021, surrounded by the love of his life Patricia and his family at home. Born on September 27, 1930 in Lake City, Michigan. Bud is survived by his wife of 66 years, Patricia; his daughter, Ruthanne (Bill) Andrews; his grandchildren, Amber (Tim) Rowen, Andy (Dolly) Hellow, Ash (Brandon) Darling, Gerry Andrews, Billy Andrews and Alyssa (Trevor) Emery. Bud has four great-grand-



children; his brother, Richard (Phyllis) Cox; and many nieces; nephews; and a community that loved and adored him. Visitation was held Wednesday, September

29 at Dryer Funeral Home in Holly from 3 - 7 and funeral services were held Thursday, September 30 at 2 PM also at Dryer Funeral Home. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

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Roger Ritchie

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Bernice Thornson

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Dr. Velma Stone

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Larry Dady

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Allan Steinley

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