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## Fenton residents will vote on road funding proposal

■ City staff say bond would fix 90-95% of local roads

By Hannah Ball

On Tuesday, Nov. 2, Fenton City residents will vote on a bond proposal that would raise \$24 million to fix Fenton roads. Fenton administrators held three public forums to discuss the proposal.

What residents need to know:

### What roads would be fixed?

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.

See **ROAD FUNDING** on 15



Cars pass by on State Road in Fenton on Thursday, Oct. 28. Due to the potholes and wear and tear, this road is in the red category in a study evaluating the condition of local streets. Photo: Hannah Ball

## Living with Multiple Sclerosis

See Page 8



Fenton resident Adam Powell, 39, sits on a fence at Sequoia National Park in May while taking a break from hiking. Years ago, he planned to go out west, but had to delay it after he was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. This past spring, after months of treatment, he was finally able to take the trip. His story will be featured in the Virtual Holistic Health and Wellness Forum for MS on Saturday, Nov. 6. Submitted photo

## Five motorists transported to hospital

■ Semi rear-ends SUV, causing four-vehicle crash on U.S. 23 in Fenton Township

By Sharon Stone

Five people were transported to area hospitals following a four-vehicle crash on southbound U.S. 23, near Lahring Road in Fenton Township at 5:50 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 26.

Det. Sgt. Andrew Snyder of the Genesee County Sheriff's Office said a semi-truck was traveling southbound at approximately 55-60 mph when the driver, a 52-year-old

See **CRASH** on 10

## Council agrees on water up-charge fee for non-responsive residents

■ One resident raises health concerns over radio frequency systems

By Hannah Ball

**Linden** — Linden City Council approved charging certain residents 20% above their average quarterly usage water rate until they get their water meters changed.

See **WATER** on 9

### Regarding NOCFA, perhaps

Rose Township and Holly Township residents need to band together and demand that the current NOCFA Board members be completely replaced with other representatives from their respective township boards who could work in a cooperative, reasonable adult manner. No one benefits if NOCFA dissolves."

### City ordinance

**19.02A2** states: 'No parking shall be permitted on a regular basis on lawns or unpaved areas on residential lots.' Maybe Fenton can ticket people on Parallel Street for violating and use the fines to fix the roads instead of a millage."

### Congratulations to the

boys soccer teams at Fenton and Powers Catholic."







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# Fenton High School homecoming 2021



■ Downtown Fenton abuzz with festive parade prior to exciting football game, dance

By Sharon Stone

Fenton Area Public Schools homecoming 2021 is in the books.

The schools, students and parents pulled out all the stops to create a festive homecoming with traditional in-person activities.

Despite the Fenton varsity boys football team losing 31-28 to Walled Lake Northern, the weather cooperated for the parade through downtown Fenton. Kylie Schramke was crowned queen and Chase Gibson was crowned king.

Downtown Fenton and family homes became backdrops to the groups of students who were out taking photos before the homecoming dance.

Fenton High School Principal Laura Lemke said, "What was so great about homecoming this year was that it was the first time we conducted the pep assembly and dance outside."

Lemke credits a wonderful crew of parents, including the Lapas, McDermotts, Lucks, Dowlings and others such as the Gerych's. "That helped create the best dance ever," she

said. "We also need to give Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation a shout out for supplying corn holes boards. It was so nice to see kids enjoying the fun activities that homecoming brings."

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## David's dabblings

**D**arn it. I didn't want to do this column, but for a week it has been driving me crazy, so it's going to get done.

Teams with losing records should never qualify for the Michigan High School Athletic Association's (MHSAA) prep football playoffs.

Last Friday night after the Fenton Tigers lost a heartbreaking contest. Still, at 4-5 it seemed the Tigers still had a chance to qualify for the Division 2 state playoffs. Anyone who opened the MHSAA's playoff point summary page on their website around midnight after the Tigers' loss to Walled Lake Northern, noticed that the Tigers were still holding on to the No. 32 position entering Saturday's contests. It excited me enough to actually text Fenton varsity football coach Jeff Setzke to make him realize there was still a shot at qualifying with a 4-5 mark, as if he probably hadn't checked the rankings himself yet.

As exciting as that was, there was a huge part of me thinking should a 4-5 team ever earn a spot in a state



**David Troppens**  
Sports Editor

## Get rid of these teams with losing records from the playoffs, or just finally include everyone

playoff series when the field is limited to about the top half of the teams in each division? Fenton didn't qualify, but came mighty close.

And then there was another local team, Linden, that despite holding a 3-5 record entering its last game of the season, still had a chance to possibly sneak into the Division 3 playoffs with a victory. Linden lost as well on Friday night, but a look at the final rankings in Division 3 and it appears if the Eagles did win their final game of the season against North Branch and finished 4-5 they probably would've qualified for the state playoffs. That would've been exciting for the Eagles, but, really? A team that was 3-5 entering the ninth week really could've still qualified for the playoffs. That's just strange. But guess what? Seventeen prep playoff football teams hold 4-5 records, while four with 6-3 marks are stuck at home after not qualifying for the playoffs. Another 18 schools are out of the playoffs despite 5-4 marks.

But I think the schools that really make me shake my head are Powers

and South Lyon East. These teams are 3-6, yet their seasons aren't over. They were preparing for playoff games this week. Now, I don't care if you played a schedule with eight returning state champions on it. If a squad can only muster a 3-6 record, their season should be over. If these teams win a regional championship, they'll finally be at 6-6. They could follow up that title, lose in the state semifinals and still finish the season with a losing record. That's embarrassing. Teams that lost twice as many games as they won shouldn't be invited to the playoffs.

Really, there's only one way I'm okay with losing squads making the playoffs, and that's to go back to what the MHSAA did during last season's COVID-abbreviated season. Like is the case for most head-to-head team sports tournaments, invite everyone to the tourney. The ninth week of the season should be the opening round of the playoffs around the state, and by 10<sup>th</sup> week we'd be down to our normal schedule of games that we are used to having during the 10<sup>th</sup> week. It worked last year. There's no reason it can't work on a year-to-year basis. It's the obvious next step. Why it hasn't been taken yet, remains a mystery.

## Hotlines

Submit Hot lines online at [myfenton.com](http://myfenton.com) or text to 810-771-8398

All submissions, if approved for publication, must be 50 words or less and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Tri-County Times. We reserve the right to edit for clarity, length and liability.

**THANKFUL WE HAVE** a city council in Linden who can make the right, but difficult decisions. The school-project mural had its time in history. It was time to move on to celebrate our 150 years. We can't wait to see what the artists come up with.

**COMPUTER CHIPS IN** our vehicles? Our cars used to run just fine without them, so why do they need them now? There's an old saying that goes 'If it ain't broke, don't fix it,' which is truer than ever today with all the fixing going on in every aspect of our lives.

**READING THE TCTIMES,** it appears Rose Township representatives are trying to destroy the North Oakland County Fire Authority over personal issues. The Fire Authority is more valuable than them. Get professional, Rose Township, or we will elect someone who can.

**DEAR SPECTRUM: I'M** not paying your bill until you bring back Kelly & Ryan at 9 a.m.

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

## On a scale of 1-10, how strict were your parents?

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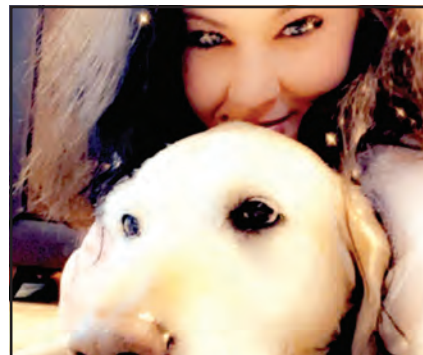
"7. We had a curfew but were allowed to do things with friends and attend school events. We got our licenses when we were 16. We were expected to do well in school, make good choices and follow the rules."

**Lauren Talley-Woychowski**  
Hartland



"1. I was an easy/great kid! They had no reason to be strict!"

**Courtney Herter Roark**  
Linden



"My momma did an amazing job, but being one of the last of 8 kids and her only daughter, I was spoiled. 10/10 for her love and compassion."

**Monica Pinkerton**  
Fenton



"12."

**Tyler Vandenberghe**  
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## POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

### SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP MAN ARRESTED AFTER ALLEGEDLY POINTING GUN AT ROOMMATE

At 3:40 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 23, Oakland County sheriff's deputies responded to a report of a felonious assault, suicidal subject, barricaded gunman at a home in the 5000 block of Hillsboro Road

in Springfield Township. Deputies responded to the home on the report of a suicidal 30-year-old man who had pointed a shotgun at his 66-year-old roommate's chest. The roommate fled the residence. No injuries were reported. Upon arrival, deputies established a perimeter around the residence. Deputies gave loud and clear verbal commands for the 30-year-old man to exit the residence. He did not comply. The OCSO SWAT team was activated. After repeated commands to exit the residence, the man complied. The man was taken into custody without incident. Deputies located a loaded shotgun inside of the residence and secured it. The OCSO SWAT team was canceled prior to its arrival on the scene. An OCSO Evidence Technician processed the scene. The arrestee was lodged at the Oakland County Jail pending the issuance of charges.

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# No charges for suspect who stole elderly woman's purse

■ Sheriff says victim wants to move on after thief pens apology and returns \$100

An 80-year-old woman whose purse was stolen after she accidentally left it behind in a Kroger store Sunday declined to press charges after the culprit provided a written apology and returned the stolen \$100.

Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard said in a press release Wednesday, Oct. 27 that the culprit, a 63-year-old woman who is a resident of Independence Township, called sheriff's detectives Tuesday night a short time after a surveillance video which clearly identified her as having taken the victim's purse was released to the media. Several other tips were called in.

"The victim is grateful to the Sheriff's Office for resolving this matter," Bouchard said. "She didn't want to press charges and simply wanted to move on after the culprit apologized and returned the stolen money. While I am saddened this individual won't face full responsibility for her intentional act, I appreciate the public's attention which I am sure is why the perpetrator decided

to turn herself in."

The incident happened Sunday, Oct. 24 at the Kroger grocery store in Independence Township. After shopping, the victim placed her purse on a window ledge in the store vestibule, waited for her daughter and then took her groceries to the car. The victim, who is from Chicago but is staying with her daughter in Springfield Township, realized minutes later she had forgotten her purse. Her daughter went to retrieve it, only to find it was gone. Store surveillance video captured the thief entering the store, spy the bag, and grab it. She was later seen entering a bathroom with the bag and leaving several minutes later without it. The bag was found in the bathroom, minus the \$100.

The suspect met with a detective Wednesday and admitted taking the purse but initially claimed she left it at customer service. She later conceded taking the money. Bouchard said she has a prior retail fraud conviction in 2019 in Troy and was arrested for retail fraud 25 years ago. Officials from the Sashabaw Road Kroger said the woman is permanently banned from shopping there.

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

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**YOU CANNOT MULTIPLY** wealth by dividing it.

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**INCOME TAX EVASION** is one of the few crimes I know about that you are not entitled to a trial by a jury of your peers. It ended up being the only crime they could make stick on Al Capone. Does that tell you anything?

■ ■ ■  
**THE ONLY THING** more effective and dangerous than a virus at killing humans is other humans; especially humans in power. I fully support the vigorous questioning and challenging of all information, decisions, and policies coming from government, academic, and medical leaders.

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**TO VAX MANDATERS** claiming 'kids already have to be vaccinated to go to school.' The closest proxy of the COVID-19 vaccination is the flu shot.

And that's not required for school. Therefore, no flu shots for school, equals no COVID-19 vaccination for school. Try again.

■ ■ ■  
**QUICK QUESTION FOR** the vaccine advocates: At what point do you suspend belief in COVID vaccinations and start to question their use? Seriously, what would it take to change your point of view?

■ ■ ■  
**I DISAGREE: MAYOR** Pete taking three months paternity leave is not fine. Paternity leave is a joke. As another example of the ever-expanding welfare state, paternity leave perfectly exemplifies America's moral and social decline.

■ ■ ■  
**WHEN THERE ARE** no consequences to wrong actions, we end up with our current societal troubles. If my kids become criminals, I will love and support them all I can, but they would face their consequences.

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# Yoga forum for MS to feature Fenton resident

## ■39-year-old details three-year long journey with Multiple Sclerosis

By Hannah Ball

Two years ago, a 39-year-old Fenton resident was trying to get the medical attention he needed after being diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, Adam Powell's story will be featured in the Virtual Holistic Health and Wellness Forum for MS, hosted by national MS experts. Presented by Yoga Moves MS, from noon to 4 p.m., the forum will cover coping with MS symptoms, self-care practices, medical care, new research and more.

"It's an amazing thing for people with MS and also an amazing thing for people without MS to learn what people with MS go through," Powell said. "I'm excited about it just to hear the latest and greatest research."

MS is a disease of the central nervous system that disrupts the flow of infor-



Adam Powell of Fenton attends Anytime Fitness approximately six days a week to stay active. (Right) He visited seven national parks this past spring. Submitted photo



mation between the body and brain, according to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. It can cause permanent damage or deterioration of nerves.

Powell first realized something was

different with his body in September 2018, when he worked as an on-road supervisor for UPS in Livonia. He brushed off the symptoms until January 2019, when doctors thought he had a sports hernia. He was eventually diagnosed with MS in June 2019. He was planning to take a trip out west to get a tattoo completed and to see his cousin. The changes to his body put a halt to those plans. He lost feeling in his feet and legs and decided it was no longer safe for him to drive.

Powell would go to physical therapy on his lunch break. He was a 13-year employee of UPS and never missed a day of work, but had to leave his job once he was diagnosed.

The first neurologist he went to wasn't helpful and made mistakes with his insurance. In fall of 2019, Powell lost his insurance and couldn't get a prescription for Ocrevus, which is what he requested to be on. Ocrevus is a medicine used to treat adults with relapsing or primary progressive multiple sclerosis, which is what Powell has.

For the first six months with this disease, Powell said he didn't have time to actually deal with MS because he was so busy fighting with insurance, work and disability. During this time, Powell

said he was rapidly deteriorating. He couldn't drive for a year and couldn't walk for six to eight months. He often used a wheelchair.

Powell finally received the help he needed at the University of Michigan Multiple Sclerosis Center. He noticed a difference fast once he was able to take Ocrevus in January 2020. "Once I got on that, it stopped me from my rapid decline. It kind of gave me a new starting point," he said. "Everything I do now is at U of M and I love it."

Doing yoga and staying active has helped a lot.

"It's helped me to calm myself and center myself and just focus on breathing," he said. He also goes to Anytime Fitness in Fenton, which is where he can be found working out six days a week. In September, he was the top user at the gym.

When he first started yoga, he didn't have much core strength and it was hard for him to sit upright. "All this yoga, therapy, and going to the gym is keeping me on my own two feet," he said. "I will do whatever it takes to keep walking."

He learned to walk again last June, which he said was tough and interesting.

"I would basically throw my leg in front of me and hope for the best. My brain still doesn't know where my legs are," Powell said. He uses walking sticks.

"I just refuse to let it get the best of me. It's me being stubborn and resilient," he said.

He has insurance through the UPS retirement plan. He's switching to Medicare in January. Without insurance, Ocrevus would cost \$91,000 per infusion every six months. Powell gets an MRI every year and sees a neurologist every six months.

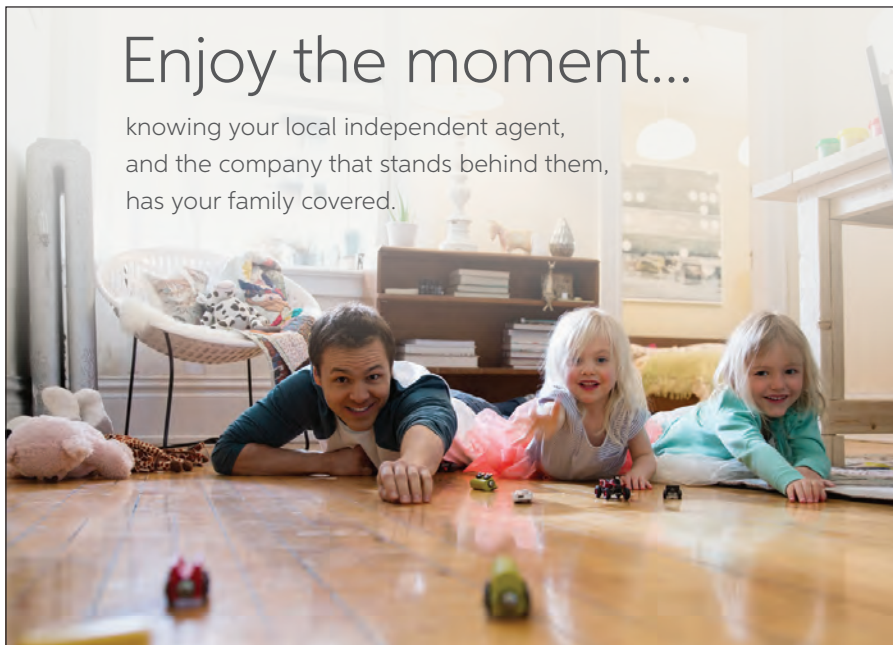
He deals with pain from MS every day in his chest and legs, and he also has a torn ACL and knee problems. Yet, he only takes medication that he absolutely has to.

"I don't deal with any medication to get rid of pain. I use it for fuel," he said, adding that the pain in his legs helps him figure out where they are. He's focused

See **JOURNEY** on 10

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## WATER

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These are residents who have not responded to city staff's requests to upgrade their water meters. After hearing feedback from a resident who said she wanted to opt out permanently due to health concerns, the city decided to establish a flat fee for those who wish to opt out entirely.

The council discussed this and voted during the Monday, Oct. 25 meeting. Interim Department of Public Works Director Thomas Trice made the recommendation to City Manager Ellen Glass and the council.

Linden has been working with Ferguson Water Works to conduct a citywide water meter upgrade program beginning Sept. 14. The project, which costs approximately \$520,735, entails replacing about 900 old water meters in Linden buildings with upgraded and more efficient Neptune water meters, along with using Neptune 360 software.

In June when the project was approved, Trice said the water system was relying on equipment from the 1970s and much of it needed to be replaced. With the updated software, the information can be read on command. They'll be able to use handheld devices so they don't have to go into homes to obtain the readings.

"This program will improve revenue stream into the water system. At the start of the program, the city identified 875 obsolete meters in the system. The obsolete meters would need to be replaced with a new advanced meter with the capability to transmit usage information to the three placed collectors throughout the city," Trice wrote in a report.

As of Oct. 21, Utility Metering Solutions successfully upgraded 778 obsolete meters, or have made appointments to do so, and 97 remain. This is 89% completion. Of these, 63 are listed as non-responsive. City staff have attempted to reach the non-responsive accounts through various means.

"Staff is recommending estimated billing as a solution to encourage customers to upgrade their meter. The process of this would involve Treasury department staff identifying non-responsive accounts each quarter, at that point staff would estimate the usage 20% above the average usage for each account," Trice wrote.

This would prevent underestimating during high use periods, according to the letter.

"Staff considers this to be the most efficient solution for handling opt outs and non-responsive accounts. Once the customer upgrades the meter, actual reads would then be received and the account adjusted accordingly. Staff anticipates the estimating process to be an additional \$25 to \$50 per quarter depending on the home's average usage," Trice wrote.

Attorney Mike Gildner said he doesn't see any legal problems.

Glass said they've had staffing issues and they're dealing with water loss in the system. During housing inspections during a change of ownership, these meters would be changed out. Credit will be given or they will compensate these residents with a check.

When she talked with employees at Ferguson about this, they said it was "absolutely genius," she said, and that it solves issues in other communities. "Ultimately, we don't want to charge people for this, right? But we do want compliance and we do want efficiency," Glass said.

During the June meeting, Steve Berra with Ferguson said there are people who have reservations with radio signals going through their house, and in these situations, usually the municipality will allow an exception.

Treasurer Brooke Card said two residents are opting out due to health concerns and two others are temporarily opting out due to personal health situations.

During the Monday, Oct. 25 meeting, one resident, Margo Kaminska, said she wants to opt out of the program over health and safety concerns. She said she doesn't have Wi-Fi. She can shut off her cell phone, but she can't shut off the meter.

Kaminska asked if anyone from the health department had input on this. "So because I'm a minority, we have to be punished for not putting myself in danger, my family," she said.

Radio frequency (RF) systems are included in the electromagnetic

spectrum, which is subdivided into categories — ionizing radiation and non-ionizing radiation.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, ionizing radiation has enough energy to remove tightly bound electrons, which creates ions. This is a type of radiation.

Non-ionizing radiation does not have enough energy to remove electrons.

Councilor Pam Howd, a scientist who works for the state, said any radio or sound waves are non-ionizing and that people receive more radiation from the sun.

The councilors agreed that the city should establish an opt-out fee.

The motion to approve the 20% above average usage fee for non-responsive residents passed 5-0. Mayor Pro-Tem Brenda Simons was absent.

Mayor Danielle Cusson requested that staff establish an opt-out fee that they will discuss at a future meeting.

**Staff is recommending estimated billing as a solution to encourage customers to upgrade their meter.**

**Thomas Trice**  
*Linden Department of Public Works interim director*

## NEWS BRIEFS

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### FAIRBANKS ROAD CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC IN FENTON TOWNSHIP

The Genesee County Road Commission will close Fairbanks Road from Lahring Road to Thompson Road in Fenton Township on **Monday, Nov. 1, from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m.**, for limestone resurfacing, weather permitting. Motorists are advised to seek an alternate route.

### HOT LINE CONTINUED

#### FALSE EQUIVALENCY BETWEEN

Kyrie Irving and Colin Kaepernick.

1) Irving simply responded to a reporter's question; no protest involved. 2) Irving's position reflects personal matters; not an ill-informed condemnation of society. 3) Irving's position is based on fact and logic; not delusional fantasies of oppression.

### VILLAGE OF HOLLY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF SITE PLAN REVIEW

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, in accordance with Article 21, Section 2106 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance, that the Village of Holly Planning Commission will consider a request for a Site Plan Review on November 17, 2021 at 7:00 PM (or as soon thereafter as possible) in the Village of Holly Council Chambers located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, Michigan.

An application for site plan review was filed by Robert Montgomery, Holly, MI 48442. The proposal is for the site plan for the property located at 610 N. Saginaw Street, Holly, MI, IH-01-34-101-007

Written comments may be submitted to the Village Clerk/Treasurer, Karl Richter Center, 300 East Street, Holly, Michigan 48442 prior to the review at [dbigger@hollyvillage.org](mailto:dbigger@hollyvillage.org).

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

Deborah J. Bigger  
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Village of Holly





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RESOLUTION SCHEDULING HEARING  
ON ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR  
OTTIEWAY COURT MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT  
DISTRICT #012**

**WHEREAS,**

the Township Supervisor has, in accordance with Rose Township Board Resolution and the laws and statutes pertinent thereto, prepared a special assessment roll in the total amount of \$ 2,700.00 for the first year and the total amount of \$ 2,700.00 in the second and subsequent years covering all parcels of land in the Ottieway Court. Road Maintenance Assessment District #012, according to the relation of the benefit to each parcel of land to the total benefit to all parcels of land in such Special Assessment District and has affixed thereto her Certification as required by said Resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That said special assessment roll shall be filed with the Township Clerk and shall be available for public examination during regular business hours from the present date until the public hearing upon the same and shall further be examined at such public hearing.
2. That the Township Board shall hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. or soon after on November 10, 2021 at the Township Hall, 9080 Mason Street., Holly, Michigan, to review such special assessment roll and hear any objections thereto.
3. That the Township Clerk shall give Notice of such hearing and the filing of such assessment roll to be published twice in the Tri-County Times, a paper of general circulation prior to the date of the hearing with the first publication being not less than ten (10) days prior to the hearing and shall further cause Notice of such hearing to be mailed by First Class Mail to all owners of property within the Ottieway Court Maintenance Assessment District #012 as shown on the current assessment roll of the Township at least ten (10) days prior to said hearing, all in accordance with law and statute provided.

Moved by: Noble  
Seconded by: Miller  
Voting Yea: Walls, Gambka, Miller, Noble, Scheib-Snyder  
Voting Nay: None

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

**TRI-COUNTY  
FUNDRAISER**

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

**CRUSHIN' IT FORE  
#AWESOMEAUTUMN**

A four-person golf scramble will be held Sunday, Nov. 7, beginning at 10 a.m. at Tyrone Hills Golf Club in Tyrone Township. Cost is \$60 golfer, which includes golf and cart, hot dog at the turn, first and last place prizes, skins and games and 50/50 raffles. The outing will be held rain, snow or shine. If anyone has questions, they can contact Erin Lucas at (810) 923-2061 or erin.d.lucas@gmail.com.

All proceeds will be donated to assisting with Autumn Waack's care. Find more information at [gofundme.com/awesome/f/-autumn-vs-cancer](https://gofundme.com/awesome/f/-autumn-vs-cancer). A few weeks ago, Autumn, 18, of Hartland, was diagnosed with poorly differentiated small cell carcinoma with neuroendocrine features unknown primary, according to her father, Travis Waack. He said doctors told them that this is a rare form of cancer and does not typically affect someone as young as Autumn. She graduated from Charyl Stockwell Academy High School in Brighton and had just started playing college volleyball when she received the diagnosis. She was forced to drop out due to starting chemo last week.

**JOURNEY**

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on keeping the muscles in his ankles and knees strong before he gets surgery.

Getting tattoos is also a form of therapy for him. Powell describes it as a "real tangible pain that there's a reason for." Approximately 70% of his body is covered in ink. He originally wanted to go Montana to have a specific artist finish his tattoo because that same artist did a tattoo on Powell at a Detroit convention.

This past spring, Powell was finally able to take a trip out west for a month. He had plans to get work done on his tattoo and see his cousin, but the trip "turned into so much more," he said.

He drove himself — he now uses hand controls — and was able to go to seven different national parks and see people he knew from years past. "It was a soul-cleansing journey. It was so great to be able to go out

there on the open road," he said.

He'd like to return to work at some point, but right now he's focused on his health. Powell had to move back in with his parents in Fenton after being diagnosed. He said his family has been amazing, especially when he couldn't drive. He lost a few friends, but he's thankful for the ones that stayed.

Despite hating social media, Powell often posts updates on Facebook, mainly to give others with MS inspiration and spread information.

"If I can do this, there's no reason you can't. Just keep pushing forward. You'd be amazed at the results," he said. "I learned so much in two years of having this disease that I feel like I can help a lot of people."

*Register for the yoga MS forum at [www.yogamovesms.org/holistichealthandwellness/](https://www.yogamovesms.org/holistichealthandwellness/)*

**CRASH**

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Tennessee man, began sneezing. The sneezes caused his eyeglasses to fall off. He told the responders that he looked down to reach his eyeglasses and when he looked up, he saw that traffic had slowed due to the road construction farther ahead in Fenton. He said he braked, however, he could not stop his rig before striking a GMC Acadia in front of him.

From that initial impact, the Acadia hit two more vehicles.

Snyder said they do not believe alcohol or drugs were a factor in the crash.

The driver of the semi was transported by ambulance to Ascension Genesys in Grand Blanc Township for his injuries.

A 42-year-old Saline man and a 41-year-old Commerce Township woman in the GMC Acadia also were transported to Ascension Genesys. Two other drivers, a 24-year-old Clarkston man and a 56-year-old Saline man, were transported by ambulance to Hurley Medical Center in Flint.



## BUSINESS BRIEFS

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

### 'WINTER STARTS NOW'

Schussmeisters' Ski & Snowboard Club of Michigan present the 72nd Warren Miller film, "Winter Starts Now." Join the Schussmeisters' Ski & Snowboard Club of Michigan for the only showing of this film in the area, Saturday, Nov. 6 at the Flint Institute of Arts, 1120 E. Kearsley St, Flint. Doors open at 1 p.m. and the movie starts at 2 p.m. Ski vendors will be on hand. There will be giveaways. Drinks will be available for purchase. Tickets are \$17 at the door and also available online at skimich.com. Schussmeisters' Ski & Board Club of Michigan, founded in Flint in 1961, is celebrating their 60th anniversary. Its purpose it to encourage participation in the sport of skiing, improve individual skiing proficiency, and to promote the social aspects of a ski group.

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

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**COMPLAINER ABOUT SILVER** Lake Road lights. Timing might be off. You're wrong on lights at three-way intersections. Any idea how much traffic moves through Fenway Drive and Silver Lake Road three-way intersection out of industrial park? Silver Parkway and Silver Lake Road? The problem is construction.

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**THE ROSE TOWNSHIP** supervisor needs to put down that dang pen. She clicks it way too much right next to her microphone.

■■■■  
**WHY WOULD THE** City Council in Linden waste time and money on a useless mural when Main Street in front of City Hall and the Post Office has totally fallen apart and the landmark historic Mill is falling into disarray before our eyes.

■■■■  
**PARKING ON THE** parkway or front lawn needs to be ticketed and towed if it persists. It's trashy, period.

## TRI-COUNTY FUNDRAISER

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

### Bowling to support the village of Holly Fire Department

Lucas for LUCAS is hosting a fun filled afternoon of bowling while supporting local firefighters. Lucas Vetter, the Holly Academy student behind Lucas for LUCAS and his family, invite community members to join them Sunday, Nov. 7, from 1:30 to 4 p.m., at Holly Lanes, 2430 Grange Hall Rd., Holly. Lucas has been fundraising for more than two years to purchase LUCAS chest compression systems for area fire departments. The devices are portable CPR machines and cost approximately \$16,000 each. He's taking the financial burden off fire departments by doing his own fundraising. The Nov. 7 event costs \$25 per bowler and they need at least 104 bowlers signed up by Nov. 4 to proceed with the event. Each ticket includes two hours of bowling, pizza and pop and a chance to win prizes. To pre-register and purchase tickets online: PayPal – vetterfamilyorg@gmail.com. Tickets also are available at Holly Lanes, the fire department or by calling the Vetter family at (248) 767-0511. The Vetter Family Organization is a registered 501 (c ) non-profit.



## Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting October 25, 2021

Call to order @ 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Saad.

Present: Schmidt, James, Saad, Graves. Absent: Conner.

Approved: Minutes as printed of Regular Board Meeting September 27, 2021

Approved: Payment of expenditures.

Issued: 9, building Permits which totaled \$10,240.40, & 20 Zoning Permits which totaled \$4,470.00.

Approved: Budget Amendments of \$1,500.00 for K9 Supplies.

Approved: The cancelling of Fire Department contract with Craft Electrical.

Approved: Township survey to be added to the quarterly sewer bills.

Approved: New petitions for Peninsular & Belfast Drives to combine as one district.

Approved: Supervisor to sign school resource officer agreement with Linden Schools.

Approved: Resolutions 2021-18 & 2021-19, to increase sewer rates \$10.00 monthly for districts 3 & 7, due to county increases.

Approved: Quote from Allied Home Restoration for mold mitigation.

Approved: Snow plowing agreement with Royalty Landscaping.

Approved: Peninsular & Belfast Drives Needs Hearing for November 22, 2021.

Approved: Seymour Drain Needs hearing for November 22, 2021.

Adjourned: 8:22 p.m.

Submitted by Joseph Graves  
Argentine Township Clerk

Save the Date!

# Ladies' Night Out



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## CITY OF LINDEN NOTICE OF HYDRANT FLUSHING

The City of Linden will conduct Fire Hydrant Flushing for the Fall Season beginning on Monday, November 1, 2021. Hydrant flushing is expected to conclude on Saturday, November 6, 2021. Hydrant Flushing will take place during the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. these days.

The flushing of Fire Hydrants is an important part of system maintenance and is necessary to wash iron and other sediment out of the water mains. This sediment does not affect water quality, but can cause water to become discolored. The water is safe to drink and discoloration often disappears within a short time. Residents are advised not to wash clothing while lines are being flushed in or around their neighborhoods. In addition, it is always advisable to check the color of the water before doing any laundry. If your water appears to be discolored, it is suggested to run a cold-water tap at the lowest point in your home closest to the water meter until the water is clear, prior to doing any laundry or cleaning. Additionally, you may experience a temporary decrease in water pressure during the flushing process.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact City Offices by phone at (810) 735-7980. The City of Linden Department of Public Works thanks you for your understanding and cooperation!



## That's What She Shed event in Linden Nov. 6

■ Ladies night out event will feature beer/wine tent

By Hannah Ball

Ladies Night Out is coming back to Linden on Saturday, Nov. 6, and it's not only about shopping this year.

The event, called That's What She Shed, encourages people to shop at local stores, and it will also feature a beer/wine/seltzer tent in the VFW Hall parking lot, along with a DJ. More than a dozen businesses are participating.

Shopping takes place from 5-8 p.m. The beer tent is open until 11 p.m.

Karen Stroud, event organizer on the ladies night out committee, said this is a rebranded ladies night out event. Happening in Linden wanted to do something special. Stroud thought of the That's What She Shed idea and other organizers liked it. Stroud, Michelle Robbins and Annette Murphy are planning it with the support of Happening in Linden. Stroud is co-owner of the Linden Hotel and Crow's Nest.

The businesses will have giveaways, discounts and more, Stroud said, and the event itself is giving out 300 bags. Inside the bags will be goodies from local stores, event swag and coupons. Vendors will be set up at the Masonic Lodge and the VFW Hall. They will sell jewelry, clothes, Mary Kay, Street Color and more.

The event bags will contain some "ladies night money" Stroud said, and the more people shop at local stores, the more ladies night money they receive. This money will help them gain entries to win a gift basket made by local businesses.

See **SPRAY** on 22

## Improving mental health in Genesee County

■ Several community forums on tap to gain input from residents

The Genesee County community mental health millage is expected to bring in about \$9.4 million each year. The millage was approved by voters in May by 23,636 yes votes compared with 19,508 no votes.

Genesee Health System wants to know what you think are the most important mental health needs and services for our community. Attend a community forum to share your thoughts and guide our future.

### COMMUNITY FORUMS

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#### Wednesday, Nov. 3

Clio Area Senior Center  
2136 W. Vienna Rd., Clio  
6:30-8 p.m.

#### Wednesday, Nov. 10

Grand Blanc Senior Activity Center  
12632 Pagels Dr., Grand Blanc  
6:30-8 p.m.

#### Wednesday, Nov. 17

House of Prayer Missionary Baptist Church  
1851 W. Carpenter Rd., Flint  
6:30-8 p.m.

#### Thursday, Nov. 18

Virtual Option: Register at [publicsectorconsultants.com/help-us-improve-mental-health-in-genesee-county/](https://publicsectorconsultants.com/help-us-improve-mental-health-in-genesee-county/)  
6:30-8 p.m.

If you can't attend one of these sessions, provide your thoughts by filling out a short survey. Allow your camera on your smartphone to scan the QR Code below.



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## GUEST VIEWPOINT

Lynn Markland  
Fenton City Manager



### Hotline callers mangle facts on local- street-improvement bond proposal

When it comes to things like our local street-improvement bond proposal, the city's administration and staff have a responsibility – not just legal, but ethical – to not advocate for such measures to pass. Instead, we are here to ensure that the voters have a source of accurate information with which to make their decision.

It is in that spirit that we are compelled to correct the record with regard to the false statements made in the Hot lines of Oct. 27.

We appreciate the opportunity the Tri-County Times has given us to correct the record with this submission.

A series of six false statements related to the city's local street bond proposal appeared in a Hot lines feature in the Oct. 27 edition of the Tri County Times and on

TCTimes.com.

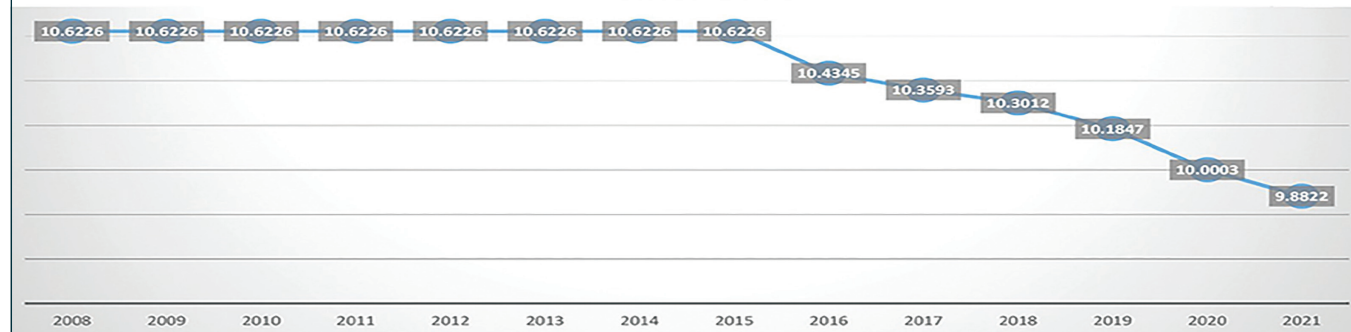
On Tuesday, Nov. 2, whether the bond proposal passes will be up to the voters, as it always has been. The following is the factual information in response to the statements.

*(All statements appear as printed.)*

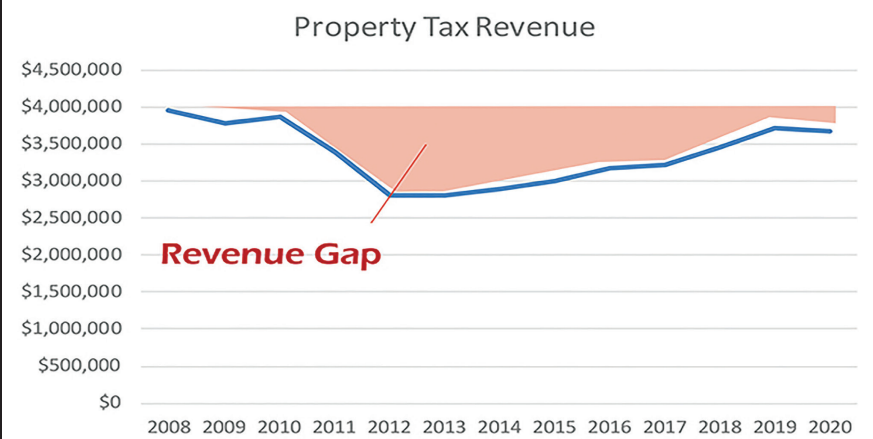
**Statement:** I want our roads fixed – and maybe I'll support the bond – but our population, property assessments and tax collections for 2020, 2021, 2022 are all-time highs. What exactly are they doing with that money?

**Facts:** This was covered in three public meetings the city held to discuss the proposal. As both charts above show, city

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property tax revenue has still not recovered from the dip initiated by the 2008 recession. While the city's taxable values are still behind pre-2008 values, state law requires reduction of the city's tax rate each year. You can see the funding gap (estimated to be at least \$10 million cumulatively which will never be recovered) that the city dealt with by cutting jobs, outsourcing some services, and other methods.

**Statement:** It is totally disingenuous for Fenton leaders to keep pushing the same ol' streets millage again, again and again.

**Facts:** As discussed in the three community conversation sessions and written about in mailings sent to every household in the city, this proposal is not the same as previous proposals. The main differences from the 2018 proposal are that the millage rate is much lower (3.5 vs. 5), and the proposal would get more money up front, improving more streets earlier in the plan before material and labor costs go up.

**Statement:** Get your 'NO' votes ready. Lacking any thought or effort to fix the roads, Fenton leaders are simply offering another millage proposal to put before voters. Guess they didn't get the message last go around.

**Facts:** Again, as discussed in public meetings and mailings, the state gas tax simply

does not provide enough revenue to do more than current maintenance, which includes snow removal and the filling of potholes. Federal money is not eligible to be used for neighborhood streets. Millages are how Michigan's cities have been improving their streets.

**Statement:** From the folks who turned smooth Shiawassee Avenue into a wash-board, 'Give us money to fix your streets.'

**Facts:** Shiawassee was not smooth by any measure before it was repaired in 2021. A 2018 PASER rating conducted by OHM, the city's engineering consultants, rated the street mostly as poor, or having a rating of 1-4 on a scale of 10. Also, since federal money was used for this main artery, it was done by an MDOT contractor whose contract was overseen by MDOT, not the city.

**Statement:** Anybody that votes for the new road tax deserves to pay higher property tax. You might be buying another \$85,000 butterfly.

**Facts:** As previously reported by the Tri-County Times on May 4, 2018, the butterfly sculpture was purchased and the mini-park around it was developed with a private donation of \$17,000 combined with funds from the Downtown Development Authority.



## ROAD FUNDING

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The PASER study, which stands for Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating, 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 PASER maps.

### The proposal

If passed, the city would borrow an amount not to exceed \$24 million via bonds sold at three different times over a maximum of 10 years, according to cityoffenton.org. Each set of bonds would be paid back over no more than 10 years and three months. The estimated millage to be levied in 2022 would be 3.50 mills, which is \$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 about \$76,000 would pay \$266 in the first year. City Manager Lynn Markland said the taxable value of a house will only go up 5% or the rate of inflation, whichever is less.

### How many roads will get fixed?

At the Oct. 6 public forum, city officials and OHM agreed they'll be able to improve 90 to 95% of the streets that are in red if the proposal passes.

"I think that we'll actually be able to do more than that," Markland said.

### How many years will it take to fix the roads?

Tim Juidici from OHM Advisors said there's approximately 34 miles of local roads that could be improved. If they do three to four miles a year, it will take approximately 10 years. Markland said it also depends on the sewer and water infrastructure under these roads.

### Will the city ask for another millage?

Markland said down the road, they might ask for a maintenance millage to have a constant revenue source like other municipalities have, but said he can't predict the future.

### Which roads will be done first?

City officials will meet with OHM to discuss that if the proposal passes. Markland said one factor will be what

type of improvements need to be done underneath the roads.

### Will the taxable value of my home increase?

Due to Proposal A, which Michigan voters approved in 1994, increases in taxable value only go up 5% or the rate of inflation, whichever is less.

### Will an infrastructure bill passed by the federal government fund road improvements?

Yes, but that money is likely to be earmarked for major roads, not local roads. The city's revenue has not come back to the higher numbers they had a decade ago. Millages are now how local streets are getting improved in Michigan. Markland said 72 Michigan municipalities recently have used millages to pay for 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 at the Sept. 28 public forum. "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."

More information is available at cityoffenton.org, along with a tool that lets residents look up the taxable value of their homes.

### How to vote in person

Fenton residents vote in-person at 600 N Adelaide Street, which is St. John's Activity Center.

Voters will be asked to show a photo identification card, such as a driver's license. If a resident does not have photo ID, an 'Affidavit of Voter Not in Possession of Picture Identification' form must be completed.

### How to vote via absentee ballot

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Voters can also physically go to Fenton City Hall for an application. After receiving your absent voter ballot, residents have until 8 p.m. on election day to complete the ballot and return it to the clerk's office. The ballot will not be counted unless the signature is on the return envelope and matches the signature on file.

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# Olsen keeps breaking pool records, leads Tigers to dominating victory vs. Owosso

By David Troppens

When someone is as dominant as a swimmer as Gracie Olsen has been during her career with the Fenton varsity girls swimming and diving team, one can expect she would hold a lot of the records on Fenton's High School pool board.

However, that's not where it ends.

Olsen's name is on every single Flint Metro League team's pool record list at least once. However, there is no opposing school where her name is more than

at Owosso's pools.

Fenton varsity girls swim coach Brad Jones said Olsen's name is on Owosso's board at least seven times. That trend continued Tuesday when she broke two Owosso pool records in the Tigers' 119-57 victory against the Trojans.

Olsen broke the pool records in the 200 freestyle and the 500 freestyle. Olsen won the 200 with a time of 1:57.92, and also recorded the top spot in the 500 with a time of 5:23.76. She wasn't the only one to break a pool record. Tess

Heavner won two events, breaking the Owosso pool record in the 100 breaststroke with a first-place time of 1:08.96. She also won the 50 freestyle (25.55).

The Tigers also had four other individual event firsts and two more relay firsts. Among the individual firsts, Lilah Falvo won the 100 butterfly (1:07.18) while Ella Koch won diving (204.40). Sophie Stefanac recorded a first in the 100 backstroke (1:03.90) and

Molly Blanchard won the 200 individual medley (2:28.04).

The Tigers also started the meet by winning the 200 medley relay with the squad of Abby Carrigan, Heavner, Halee

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## Sports Times

Fenton's  
Gracie Olsen



# Tigers headed to Saturday's regional championship game

## ■ Fenton experiences few problems in 4-1 win vs. Chelsea

By David Troppens

**Mason** — It was obvious that the officiating crew at Mason High School on Wednesday night had never worked a Fenton varsity boys soccer game before.

There was a throw-in near the Fenton bench and the players were dancing and making a few moves — just having the normal fun they usually do during a game. It obviously upset the main referee who then stopped action for a second and asked if the team thought this was a dance party. Fenton varsity boys soccer coach Matt Sullivan's response was a classic — "I don't think you'd like to know their answer," he said.

Why? Because for both Fenton soccer programs (boys in the fall and girls in the spring) the seasons are all about themselves and about having fun. If that means dancing during a tight game, so be it. Wins matter, but why they matter most is due to the

fact if you do win, there will be more time together with your teammates.

The Tigers extended their season to at least Saturday on Wednesday night while having fun, earning a 4-1 Division 2 regional semifinal victory against Chelsea. The win means the fourth-ranked Tigers will face 12th-ranked DeWitt in the regional title game Saturday (Oct. 30) at Mason High School at 11 a.m. The winner of that contest will advance to the D2 state semifinal game hosted by Fenton High School on Wednesday.

The Tigers' win was a bit more relaxing than their last two contests in district action. Fenton had to fight for a 2-1 victory against Goodrich in the district semifinal and then battle Brandon to a 3-2 victory in the district title game.

"We played a bunch of good teams in the district and that just got us ready for regionals and states if we make it to states," Fenton's Patrick

Hamilton said. "I thought we played as a team. We had some great ball movement and we were finishing our shots."

Against Brandon we had some struggles with staying calm and playing our game," Fenton's Calvin Curtis said. "This time we came out and just played normal. We

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Patrick Hamilton (left) scored two goals in the Fenton Tigers' 4-1 Division 2 regional semifinal contest against Chelsea Wednesday night. (Above) The Tigers battle to get a ball by the Chelsea keeper but were unable to do so during this series of play. The Tigers played DeWitt in the regional championship game at Mason High School on Saturday. Results of that contest will be in the Wednesday edition. **Photos: David Troppens**



# Bronchos' seniors cap home career with win vs. Kearsley/Lake Fenton

■ Althaver breaks school record in 500  
By David Troppens

**Holly** — For four years Ella Althaver saw the 500 freestyle record on the Holly High School record board and she had one goal involving it — she wanted to break it.

The senior's dream came true Tuesday night.

On senior night during her final dual meet of her career at Holly's pool, Althaver broke the school's 500 freestyle record (5:32.07). It was a night for the entire team to shine as the Bronchos defeated Kearsley/Lake Fenton 110-73.

"It means a lot. I've worked really hard these past four years," Althaver said. "Seeing that up every day for four years has really motivated me. It helped me push through to where I want. Especially after not being in the pool for three months last year — that was really frustrating to go through.

But, I think I overcame it really well and my teammates really helped support me and push me, and my coaches have been amazing."

"This is my third year with Ella and the team and I've seen them all work really hard the last three years," Holly varsity girls swim coach Jessica Droge-muller said. "Ella has been trying to get as many records as

she can. She got the fly last year and has broke it a couple of times this year. The 500, we tried to get it at MISCA but it just wasn't in the cards, but it worked for her tonight. I cried. She cried. The whole team cried."

Crying is always a part of all senior nights, but the Bronchos had a lot of reasons to have tears of happiness at the

meet. The squad earned their first win of the season and many swimmers had strong times. Holly earned firsts in five of the nine individual events and won two of the three relays. The other seniors competing for the last time in their home pool were Eryn Bayer, Liberty Parry, Ryleigh Rose, and Katie Sanders.

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Holly's seniors (above) celebrate their final home dual meet during a break. Ella Althaver (left) broke the school's 500 freestyle record at the meet against Kearsley/Lake Fenton. **Photos: David Troppens**

## Linden Eagles set up Flint Metro league title match vs. Fenton, defeat Swartz Creek

By David Troppens

The last time the Linden varsity volleyball team had a strong chance to win at least a share of the Flint Metro League title was ended against the Fenton Tigers during one of the most controversial Metro League matches of the 21st century.

In October 2016, the Eagles were playing a five-set thriller against the Fenton Tigers. The squads were tied at two games each and it appeared the Eagles had won the fifth game 18-16 after Fenton kill flew out of bounds.

The Eagles celebrated. The Tigers were dejected on their bench. The stands were clearing. Then, about five seconds after everyone had assumed the match was over, the officials called a touch on the block attempt. Just seconds after celebrating on the floor, the Eagles had to mentally collect themselves in what was now a 17-17 tie. Linden wasn't able to do so, and the Tigers ended up winning the fifth set 19-17 and earned the outright league crown. In postgame comments, even the

Tigers' players admitted they thought the match was over. That play still stings Linden varsity volleyball coach Cori Mason.

"We were in this situation a couple of years ago with the mysterious 'touch' call," Mason said. "I'm just hoping this time it goes a little different."

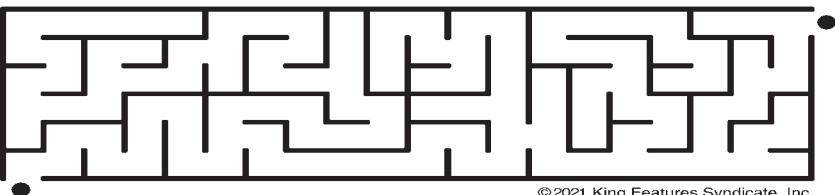
The Eagles set themselves up for at least a co-FML Stripes Division title by defeating Swartz Creek, Monday. The Eagles won easily 25-15, 25-16, 25-9. The win set up a contest against Fenton, which the Eagles could earn at least a share of the league crown with a victory. Results of that contest will appear in Wednesday's edition

"I am extremely thankful for this opportunity and super proud of the girls for all of their hard work," Mason said. "We have overcome some obstacles to be here and they are just a great group of kids. I am so honored to be their coach."

Linden (8-1 in the Metro) dominated the match.

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### Kids' Maze



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### Weekend Sudoku

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## Fenton-Linden volleyball teams could clash again in Linden D2 district tourney

By David Troppens

There could be a third Fenton-Linden volleyball rivalry match this week.

The Linden varsity volleyball team is hosting a Division 1 district this week, which included Fenton.

The district opener is Monday pitting Lapeer and Grand Blanc at Linden High School at 6 p.m.

Wednesday's semifinal battles will feature Linden hosting Davison at 5:30 p.m. and Fenton playing the winner of the Lapeer-Grand Blanc match at approximately 7 p.m. The district title match will be Thursday at 6 p.m.

Lake Fenton will be doing battle at the Fowlerville Division 2 district. Lake Fenton opens with a match

against Durand on Monday at 7 p.m. If the Blue Devils win that match, they face Fowlerville in Wednesday's semifinal contest at approximately 7 p.m. The district title game is Thursday at 6 p.m.

The Holly Bronchos compete in Division 1 tourney action at White Lake Lakeland High School. The Bronchos' opener will be Monday at 6 p.m. against Walled Lake Northern. If Holly wins that game, the Bronchos face tourney hosts Lakeland in Wednesday's 7 p.m. semifinal contest. The winner of that match will face either Waterford Kettering or Clarkston in the district championship match Thursday at 6 p.m.



Fenton's Lucash White (left photo) battles for a ball against Chelsea's Johnathan Gregory during the Tigers' 4-1 Division 2 regional semifinal victory against Chelsea Wednesday night. (Below photo) Fenton's Zack Jones battles Chelsea's Beck Elandt for a loose ball.

Photos: David Troppens

### TIGERS

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played our style and everything played out."

It became apparent quickly the Tigers were the dominant team, controlling the ball the majority of the contest. If that wasn't the indicator, then the first goal was. The Tigers scored during the 10th minute of play off a direct kick. Curtis took the initial shot which was saved by the Chelsea keeper, but he wasn't able to catch it. The loose rebound went to Hamilton who scored. Fenton led 1-0.

It remained a 1-0 score until there was just 2:23 left in the opening half. This one came on a shot from about 35 yards out by Tyler Hahn. It looked like it was directly headed to the open part of the Chelsea net, giving the keeper no chance at a save. Hamilton assisted the goal. Fenton led 2-0 at the half.

Any chance of a Chelsea comeback probably ended in the first minute of the second half. Unlike in the district title game where the Tigers allowed Brandon two second-half goals to tie the contest, the Tigers immediately scored on a Curtis goal just 49 seconds into the second half. He dribbled a bit, found an open shot and scored from about 20 yards out. If that goal didn't end



the competitive phase of the game, then Hamilton's second goal of the game off a rebound (coming off a Curtis shot) iced it. Fenton led 4-0 with 33:11 remaining.

The Tigers were able to play their depth and they did well. However, Chelsea did finally score a goal when Beck Elandt scored with 9:21 remaining in the contest. DeWitt is up next.

"We definitely have stuff we can work on, but we definitely have the work ethic to do everything we need to do to win and that's all that matters," Curtis said.

"I thought we played great as a team," Hamilton said. "We had some great ball movement and we were finishing our shots."

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# Tigers assure winning record in Metro with victory vs. Kearsley Hornets

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity volleyball team have locked up third place in the Flint Metro League Stripes Division. The Tigers did it by defeating Kearsley in four games in a Stripes Division contest on Monday. The Tigers are 6-3 in Metro action. Fenton was strong on the service

line against the Hornets. Emily Starr went a perfect 8-for-8 on the service line while Sienna Sahr was a perfect 7-for-7. Evelyn Krusniak was 10-for-11 on the service line. Offensively, Lily Turkowski was almost perfect. She had no errors and had kills on 10 of her 11 hitting attempts.

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"We had a lot of personal-best times and a lot of them were from the seniors," Drogemuller said. "Erin has been doing an amazing job getting her breaststroke. She's been trying to get under 1:35 for some time. She did that today with a 1:31.70. That was fantastic. They are so incredibly happy. They are a really close team that supports each other, and seeing them happy for each other is amazing."

Althaver took part in four victories. She also won the 200 freestyle (2:06.85) and was a member of two winning relays. She teamed with Sanders, Allison Rockafellow, and Evelyn Wollesen to win the 200 medley relay (2:11.30) and with Sanders, Megan Hollopeter, Wollesen to win the 400 relay (4:20.50). Obviously, Althaver's highlight was the 500 swim.

"That race really hurt (physically)," Althaver said. "That last 100, I thought I was going to throw up, but I got through it."

Three other individuals earned individual event firsts. They were Sanders in the 100 backstroke (1:15.51), Meghan Dahlin in diving (194.36) and Caelie MacDougall in the 100 butterfly (1:19.52).

The Bronchos also had athletes earn six individual seconds. They were Hollopeter in the 200 individual medley (2:53.75), Sanders in the 50 freestyle (27.76), Parry in diving (146.45), Wollesen in the 100 freestyle (1:04.13), Emma Coggins in the 500 freestyle (6:49.42) and Rockafellow in the 100



Liberty Parry was one of the seniors on this season's Holly girls swimming and diving team. She placed second in diving against Kearsley/Lake Fenton. Photo: David Troppens

breaststroke (1:29.65). The Bronchos had one event they particularly dominated — the 500 freestyle. Holly took all three of the top places in the event with Trinity Klempp earning third with a time of 6:53.13. Drogemuller enjoyed the influence of her senior class on the program.

"They are all very dedicated and they all want to see others do well," Drogemuller said. "They kind of put others before themselves a lot. But this year they realized they can focus on themselves as well as everyone else and have pushed a little harder in practice this year. They did some intervals this year they didn't think they can make. Even though last year was very hard on them, it was a little motivation to make this year the best year. They made the most of every minute."

"Swimming has taught me so much about being driven," Althaver said. "No matter what is happening, to just get through it and keep going. I don't think I'd be where I am today without swimming."

## OLSEN

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Alexander and Sana Saab (2:00.39). Fenton also ended the meet with a first in the 400 freestyle relay with the team of Olsen, Stephanac, Saab and Rose Haney (4:00.84).

The Tigers also recorded five individual event seconds. Saab had two of them, earning runner-up positions in the 200 individual medley (2:30.28) and the 500 freestyle (5:49.43). Others earning one second-place finish each were Falvo in the 200 freestyle (2:12.86), Alexander in the 100 butterfly (1:07.58) and Addison Dolliver in the 100 breaststroke (1:17.70).

The Tigers completely dominated the meet, taking the top three positions in five individual events. The third-place finishers in these events were Julia Jensen in the 200 freestyle (2:28.64), Leigh Stafford in the 200 individual medley (2:31.61), Carrigan in the 100 butterfly (1:09.15), Stafford in the 500 freestyle (5:53.84) and



Fenton's Leigh Stafford took third in the 500 freestyle and the 200 individual medley against Owosso. Fenton won the meet 119-57. Photo: David Troppens

Libby Maier in the 100 breaststroke (1:24.70).

With the victory, the Tigers finished the dual portion of the Metro season with a perfect record and are overwhelming favorites to earn an outright championship at the Metro League Meet. That meet begins Thursday with diving prelims and continues through Friday and Saturday. All the events will be at Ortonville-Brandon High School.

### TOWNSHIP OF HOLLY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### 2022 PY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

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Eligible Project List will be available for public viewing at the Clerk's Office, 102 Civic Dr., Holly MI 48442 or online at [www.hollytownship.org/community/legal/publicnotices](http://www.hollytownship.org/community/legal/publicnotices)

The hearing is open to the public to voice their views or to submit written comment. Citizens are encouraged to attend and participate in the hearing. The Holly Township Board will consider any public comments received at this time. Written comments may be submitted prior to the hearing by writing to: Clerk at 102 Civic Dr., Holly, Michigan 48442.

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105 Vital conduit

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MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS:

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Answer: HUSBAND

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## 'A Night at the Library'

■Holly Township's program welcomes the autism spectrum disorder community

"A Night at the Library" is an after-hours event held monthly at the Holly Township Library for the autism spectrum disorder (ASD) community. The event is open to anyone in the southeast Michigan area.

This next month's program, Wednesday, Nov. 10, will feature an author signing as well as an area special services director.

The concept originated from a conversation between Library Director Gregory Hayes and Angelina Ciaravino-Mayer, a caregiver and active member of the ASD community in Genesee County.

Hayes said, "The mission of any library is to serve its community through inclusion, equity, and ac-

cess to information. We felt that if we could bring resources to this underserved group in the form of a welcoming, warm, and inclusive environment, it could benefit the entire community."

An added benefit to the program is the opportunity for caregivers to network.

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**Gregory Hayes**

*Holly Township Library director*

"Many of the caregivers I meet are happy to be able to talk to their peers, to share ideas and information or strategies," Mayer said.

At the library, participants can read books, play on the computers, do puzzles, and just have fun. Last month, representatives from Oakland University's OU Cares program had information on their camps and programs.

On Nov. 10, noted author Ron Sandison, founder of Spectrum Inclusion will be signing books.

According to the Centers for Disease



The Holly Township Library welcomes the autism spectrum disorder community to its "A Night at the Library" event held monthly. The next event takes place from 6 to 8 p.m., on Wednesday, Nov. 10. **Submitted photo**

Control and Prevention (CDC), one in 54 children is diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder. Early intervention can improve learning, communication and social skills, as well as underlying brain development.

According to autismspeaks.org, on average, autism costs an estimated \$60,000 a year through childhood, with the bulk of the costs in special services and lost wages related to increased demands on one or both parents. Costs

increase with the occurrence of intellectual disability.

Mothers of children with ASD, who tend to serve as the child's case manager and advocate, are less likely to work outside the home. On average, they work fewer hours per week and earn 56 percent less than mothers of children with no health limitations and 35 percent less than mothers of children with other disabilities or disorders.

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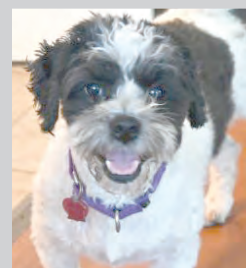
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## POLICE & FIRE REPORT

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### BRASS KNUCKLES FOUND DURING TRAFFIC STOP

At 10:50 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 19, a Fenton police officer on patrol ran the plates of a vehicle on Torrey Road. Records showed there was no insurance on the vehicle. A traffic stop was initiated. The driver,

a 37-year-old Fenton man, told the officer that his license had been suspended. The man was arrested. During a search, the officer found a set of brass knuckles, which are considered a weapon, in the man's pocket. A search of the vehicle revealed an open container of alcohol underneath the driver's seat. The man was transported to the police station for processing and was given a court date. Police are seeking charges including having a concealed weapon.

### FENTON RESIDENT VICTIM OF IDENTITY THEFT

On Thursday, Oct. 21, a resident who lives on Swanee Beach in Fenton City reported to Fenton police that they had been notified by the IRS that they owed over \$2,000 in back taxes due to him working at business in Massachusetts. The resident told police that he has never worked in Massachusetts. Someone apparently stole his Social Security number and used it in the other state. The resident plans to file complaints with the IRS and Social Security. Lt. Jeff Cross said these identity theft cases can be very difficult for victims to resolve and they can affect credit scores and more.

## NEWS BRIEFS

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### FENTON CITY: OVERNIGHT PARKING RESTRICTIONS TAKE EFFECT MONDAY, NOV. 1

The Fenton Police Department is reminding residents and visitors that overnight parking restrictions go into effect Monday, Nov. 1. If anyone has questions, call the station at (810) 629-5311. As stated in city ordinance, parking is prohibited on all city streets and in the municipal parking lots for snow removal, from Nov. 1 to March 31 of each year, between 2 and 5 a.m., except for the following: emergency services personnel (police and fire) in the vicinity of the police station and fire station and properly registered vehicles, if special permits have been issued by the city.

## ROSE TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2021-19 RESOLUTION SCHEDULING HEARING ON ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR WILLIAMS DRIVE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT #008

### WHEREAS,

the Township Supervisor has, in accordance with Rose Township Board Resolution and the laws and statutes pertinent thereto, prepared a special assessment roll in the total amount of \$ 3,800.00 for the first year and the total amount of \$ 3,800.00 in the second and subsequent years covering all parcels of land in the Williams Dr. Road Maintenance Assessment District #008, according to the relation of the benefit to each parcel of land to the total benefit to all parcels of land in such Special Assessment District and has affixed thereto her Certification as required by said Resolution.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That said special assessment roll shall be filed with the Township Clerk and shall be available for public examination during regular business hours from the present date until the public hearing upon the same and shall further be examined at such public hearing.
2. That the Township Board shall hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. or soon after on November 10, 2021 at the Township Hall, 9080 Mason Street., Holly, Michigan, to review such special assessment roll and hear any objections thereto.
3. That the Township Clerk shall give Notice of such hearing and the filing of such assessment roll to be published twice in the Tri-County Times, a paper of general circulation prior to the date of the hearing with the first publication being not less than ten (10) days prior to the hearing and shall further cause Notice of such hearing to be mailed by First Class Mail to all owners of property within the Williams Dr. Maintenance Assessment District #008 as shown on the current assessment roll of the Township at least ten (10) days prior to said hearing, all in accordance with law and statute provided.

Moved by: Noble  
Seconded by: Walls  
Voting Yea: Noble, Walls, Gambka, Miller, Scheib-Snider  
Voting Nay: None

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

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The Holly Township Library is at 1116 N. Saginaw St. in Holly. For more information call the library at (248) 634-1754, visit [hollylibrary.org](http://hollylibrary.org), or email the director at [ghayes@hollylibrary.org](mailto:ghayes@hollylibrary.org)

### WHAT CAUSES AUTISM?

- Research indicates that genetics are involved in the vast majority of cases.
- Children born to older parents are at a higher risk for having autism.
- Parents who have a child with ASD have a 2 to 18% chance of having a second child who is also

affected.

- Studies have shown that among identical twins, if one child has autism, the other will be affected about 36 to 95 percent of the time. In non-identical twins, if one child has autism, then the other is affected about 31 percent of the time.
- Over the last two decades, extensive research has asked whether there is any link between childhood vaccinations and autism. The results of this research are clear: vaccines do not cause autism.

Source: [autismspeaks.org](http://autismspeaks.org)

## SPRAY

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"Everyone is really generous with those," Stroud said, adding that they also have a few businesses from Fenton participating.

The drawings for these gift baskets will take place at the VFW Hall at 8:30 p.m. Stroud said some of

“Everyone is  
really generous  
with those.”

**Karen Stroud**  
Linden Hotel and  
Crow's Nest co-owner

these baskets have a value more than \$100.

Hundreds of people have attended ladies night out events in Linden in the past.

"I feel like it's going to be pretty good," she said. "We have a few new businesses that opened in Linden. It'll be good to get their names out there."

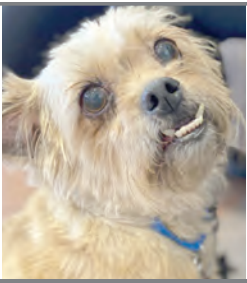


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BEAGLE	P	Z	T	I	P	S	G	S	C	A
BOXER	I	T	R	B	L	P	A	E	H	C
CHOW CHOW	L	E	E	O	U	U	E	T	O	H
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CORGI	O	S	N	D	T	I	L	A	C	H
DACHSHUND	N	A	I	H	O	I	U	M	H	U
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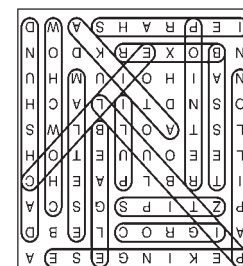
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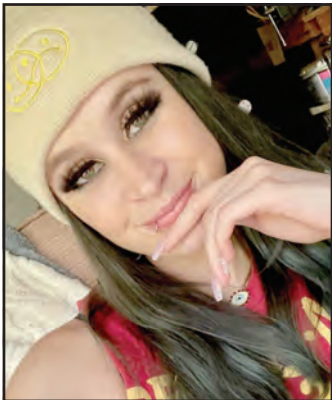


# Obituaries

Times

## Vanessa Nicole Bayer 1993 - 2021

Vanessa Nicole Bayer - age 28, of Byron, passed away Sunday, October 24, 2021. Funeral services will be held 1 PM Sunday, October 31, 2021 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Pastor Scott Henry will officiate. Visitation will be held 4 - 8 PM Saturday, October 30 and from 11 AM until the time of service Sunday. Those desiring may make contributions to ToWrite Love on Her Arms (<https://twloha.com/>). Vanessa was born August 24, 1993 in Southfield, the daughter of Bradley and Tammy (Baxter) Bayer. She was a 2011 graduate of Byron High School and attended University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Vanessa was employed at Rite Aid in



Fenton, where she was a Pharmacy Tech. She loved music, collecting rocks and football; especially University of Michigan and Green Bay Packers. She is survived by her mother, Tammy Lynn Bayer of Fenton; father, Bradley Scott Bayer of Byron; sister, Tara Bayer (Weston Thayer) of Pleasant Hills, CA; grandfather, George L. (Doris) Baxter of Elkhart, IN; grandmother, Judith Bayer of Brighton; several aunts; uncles; and cousins. She was preceded in death by her sister, Ashley Bayer; grandmother, Patsy Baxter; grandfather, Robert Bayer. Tributes may be shared at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Claudia Leslie Merrill 1944 - 2021

Claudia Leslie Merrill - age 77, of Fenton, died Wednesday, October 13, 2021. Services will be 11 AM Tuesday, November 30 at The Rock Church, 11400 Linden Road, Fenton. Visitation will be 10 AM until the time of service Tuesday, November 30 at church. Private interment in Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. In lieu of flowers those desiring may make contributions to American Cancer Society. Claudia was born on August 29, 1944 in Flint, the daughter of Clyde and Annie (Walters) White. She was a devoted member of The Rock Church. Claudia attended beauty school and was a hairdresser for many years. She worked as an EMT for Holly Village Ambulance and worked as a dispatcher for Fenton



Police Department. Claudia is survived by sister, Nancy Selden of Swartz Creek; daughters, Kimberly (Reginald) Hoskins of Redford, Christine (Steve) Grzemkowski of Davison; grandsons, Stephen Grzemkowski, Joshua Hoskins; nephews, Mike Pluta, Jeffrey Pluta; niece, Jennifer Grimes; and several great-nieces; and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Bertrand Merrill; and former husband and father of her daughters, Bruce E. Coverdill. The family extends a special thank you to Claudia's caregiver Kelly Vliet. Tributes may be shared at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



**Kathryn Vaughn**  
Kathryn Vaughn - age 101, died October 25, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



**Larry Welsch**  
Larry Welsch - age 79, died October 21, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



**Lyle Fish**  
Lyle Fish - age 89, died October 22, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



**Michael Black**  
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**Lawrence "Larry" Dimmig**  
Lawrence "Larry" Dimmig - age 78, died October 25, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



**Gerald "Gerry" Pobocik**  
Gerald "Gerry" Pobocik - age 47, died October 26, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



**Patricia "Patti" Kapanowski**  
Patricia "Patti" Kapanowski - age 80, died October 22, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



**Robert "Bubba" Hackney**  
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Source: [Thefuneralsource.org](http://Thefuneralsource.org)



# Obituaries

Times

## Anna Swartz

Anna Swartz - age 79, died October 21, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Betty Carlisle

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## David O'Brien

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## Dr. Clair Snook, Jr.

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## George Kelch

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## James Cook

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## Jessie Reyna

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## Joanne Leoni

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## Patricia Ann (Falerios) Sincok

1933 - 2021



Patricia Ann (Falerios) Sincok - age 88, of Fenton, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 20, 2021. Honoring her wishes, burial has taken place and no services are planned. Patricia was born March 7, 1933 in Lake Linden, to the late Edward and Irene (Garon) Falerios. Shortly after her birth, her father seeking employment, moved the family to Flint where she grew up and graduated from Flint Technical High School in 1951. After graduation, she worked at Flint Osteopathic Hospital in switchboard and admissions. This is where she met the love of her life, William E. Sincok Jr. He was assisting his father painting the hospital. On June 21, 1952 she married William (Bill). Patricia worked as a legal secretary while Bill served our country from 1952 - 1955 in the Korean War. They lived in the Berry Patch in Flint, in 1970 they built a home in Grand Blanc where Patricia resided until she moved to Fenton in 1996. Bill preceded Patricia in death November 16, 1976. Patricia

was a devout Catholic and a parishioner of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church of Fenton. Prior to, she was a member of Holy Redeemer in Burton. Patricia retired as a legal secretary; loved art and was a docent at the Flint Institute of Arts for many years; knit hats for chemo patients; tap danced with senior groups; and in 2004 at age 71 she proudly received an Associate in Arts from Mott Community College. She was a member of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America since 1968. For 41 years she was the proud owner of "Amanda" a 1931 Chevrolet Independence Coach. A "Genuine Chevrolet Woman", she shared Amanda at car shows with the help of "Pat's Pit Crew". When the time came, Patricia felt blessed when a family in Linden became Amanda's new caretakers and love her as much as she did. Patricia leaves to cherish her memory children, Robert Sincok of Grand Blanc, Susan Thomas and husband Craig of Durand, Bradley Sincok and wife Laura of Gaylord; grandson, Ryan Sincok of Gaylord; brother, James (Kathryn) Falerios of CA; nephews, Kenton (Patricia) Falerios of TX, Keith (Wendy) Falerios of CA, Kevin (Kim) Falerios of CA; and many loving and cherished friends. Patricia's wish was no service or contributions. Her family requests you honor her in the way she lived her life, through her love of God, family, and friends. She was a remarkable, vibrant woman with a flair for style, and always had a kind word and smile for everyone. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Richard Hansel

Richard Hansel - age 55, died October 27, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Roger Wilhelm

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Times

## William Gilbert Stiff Jr.

1942 - 2021

William Gilbert Stiff Jr. - age 79, of Fenton, died Wednesday, October 21, 2021. A graveside service will be held 11 AM Saturday, November 6, 2021



the Flint Olympian Games Weight Lifting for 61 years. Bill was a coach and trainer of numerous state, national and world champions in several sports.

He enjoyed listening and participating in music, reading, and oil painting. Surviving are his fiancée, Sharon Helmer of Clarkston; son, William Gilbert Stiff III (Nichole) of Grand Blanc; daughter, Shanda Richardson (John) of Black Mountain, NC; grandchildren, Anais, Ainsley (Michael), Emily, and Laura James; great-grandchildren, Jax, Jayce, Emmery, and Rivers; brother, Michael Stiff (Anne) of IN; and several nieces; nephews; and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Harold Hoose and John Stiff; sisters, Delores Wallace, Jo Anne Deville, and Marjorie Leuneberg. Tributes may be shared at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Donald James Wheeler

1947 - 2021

Donald James Wheeler - age 74, of Fenton, died Thursday, October 28, 2021. Funeral services will be held 11:30 AM Monday, November 1, 2021 at



Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton (A live stream of the service will be available on Donald's obituary page at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com)). Fr. John Wheeler officiating. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Sunday, October 31 from 4 - 8 PM. Those desiring may make contributions to Adopt-A-Pet, 13575 Fenton Road, Fenton, MI 48430. Donald was born June 5, 1947 in Detroit, the son of Raymond Everett and Elaine Dorothy (Julian) Wheeler. He was a 1965 graduate of Redford High School. He married Susan Kay Bellinger April 21, 1978 in Garden City. He had resided in Fenton since 1989 coming from Canton/Redford. Donald retired in 2010 from the Pipefitters Local #636 after 42 years of service. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus in Livonia. He was a

classic car enthusiast and had owned a 1967 Malibu Chevelle. He also loved to golf. Surviving are his wife of 43 years, Susan Kay Wheeler; children, Christopher (Virginia "Ginny") Wheeler of WI, Raymond (Deana) Wheeler of TX, Stephanie Wheeler of Waterford, and Connie (Brian) Romska of Fenton; grandchildren, Brittany (Joey) Morgon, Brent Wheeler, Benjamin Wheeler, Becca Wheeler, Delaney Sacia, Rex Sacia, Jacob Parko, Robert Parko, Xander Romska, and Alex Wheeler; siblings, Frederick (Marilyn) Wheeler of Spring Lake, Elaine (Michael Thompson) Wheeler of CA, and Matthew (Ursula) Wheeler of Germany; and several nieces; nephews; and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Leslie, Kenneth, and Douglas Wheeler; sister, Monica Wheeler; nephew, Douglas Wheeler. Tributes may be shared at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Michael Lozon

Michael Lozon - age 72, died October 22, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Philip Thomas

Philip Thomas - age 64, died October 20, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Sharon Woods

Sharon Woods - age 82, died October 23, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Travis Carlson

Travis Carlson - age 27, died October 23, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Virginia Walton

Virginia Walton - age 75, died October 23, 2021. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



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