Fenton road improvement bond passes

Engineers expect to fix 90-95% of roads

By Hannah Ball

Fenton roads will be fixed. With the passing of the Fenton road improvement bond on Tuesday, Nov. 2, residents can expect a number of local roads to be redone and improved. Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn and the three city council members on the ballot won their races uncontested.

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Fenton mayor, council members win uncontested races

Council member says his priority for next four-year term is road work

By Hannah Ball

In all uncontested races, Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn and three council members were re-elected to their positions on the Fenton City Council.

Osborn received 1,322 votes and was re-elected to another two-year term. Council

See RACES on 10

Remembering Sergeant O’Rourke

Arlene and Dan O’Rourke, parents of Srg. Patrick O’Rourke, sit with photos of their son, who was killed on Sept. 9, 2012, nine years ago, in the line of duty. Despite a deep loss, the couple hasn’t stopped trying to help others.

See story on page 13. Photo: Hannah Ball

Township signs contract with ambulance service

‘At the end of the day, we don’t control the distribution of those ambulances’

By Hannah Ball

Fenton Township entered into an agreement with an ambulance service in an attempt to cut down on long wait times.

On Monday, Nov. 1, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees voted unanimously to enter into an emergency medical services agreement with Medstar Inc. The contract states the Medstar will provide advanced and basic life support ambulances as requested and as determined through the recognized emergency medical dispatch information provided, which comes from Genesee County 911.

The township will notify Genesee Central Dispatch Authority that Medstar has been selected as the township’s EMS provider and request that all 911 EMS requests for Fenton Township be directed to Medstar.

Fenton Township Fire Chief Ryan Volz said this was about what avenue they wanted to take with the protection of the residents. He highly recommended the agreement.

See AMBULANCE on 26

“I love Halloween and suggest, next year, trick or treating last three hours, not two. That would help spread out the trick or treaters. I found it difficult to even take a bathroom break. Just a thought.”

“I wish to thank Travis who works at Rite Aid. The money order printer was messing up and I was kind of in a hurry, and I did not get all my money orders, so Travis delivered them to me. A big thank you, Travis.”

“Thank you to the young lady who paid for my groceries at Alpine Monday, Nov 1. I will pass on your generosity to another. God bless you.”
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Sunday Service ........................................ 11:00 am
(Children’s Services available)
Monday Young Adults............................... 7:00 pm
Thursday Night Sermon Studies.................. 6:30 pm
(Children’s and Youth Services Available) ... 6:30 pm
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Sunday Worship Service.............................. 10:30 am
Sunday School (all ages).......................... 9:00 am
Wednesday Evening................................. 6:30 pm
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Youth Group 6th -12th grade
Adult Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

CATHOLIC

ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH
6481 Faussett Rd. • Howell • 517-546-9807
Father Gregg Pleiness, Pastor
Saturday Mass................................. 5:00 pm
Sunday Mass................................. 8:00 & 10:30 am
Weekday Mass Wed-Fri........................ 8:30 am
Conferences Saturday ...... 4 pm and upon request

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CATHOLIC CHURCH
600 N. Adelaide • Fenton • 810-629-2251
www.stjohnfenton.org
Father Robert Copeland, Pastor
Saturday:........................................ 5:00 pm
Sunday.................................. 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am
Daily Mass:.......................... Monday-Friday: 8:20 am
Holy Days: See Parish Bulletin or website
Confession............... Saturdays: 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Monday & Friday following morning Mass
Call for additional confession times.
Adoration....................... Fridays 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

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Saturday................................. 4 pm
Sunday.................................. 9am, 11am & 6pm
Masks are encouraged

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

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

EPISCOPAL

ST. JUDE’S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
106 E. Elizabeth St. • Fenton
810-629-5681
Holy Communion ...................... 8:00 am, 10:30 am
Children Program-Godly Play .......... 10:25 am
Youth Group................................. 11:45 am

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ARGENTINE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
16248 S. Seymour Rd. • Linden
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Sunday School................................. 9:45 am
Sunday Morning Worship............... 11:00 am
(Junior Church and Nursery Provided)
Sunday Evening Worship.................. 6:00 pm
Wed. Children & Teens..................... 7:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meeting....................... 7:00 pm

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2740 Grange Hall Rd. • Fenton
Corner of Fish Lake Rd.
248-328-9844
Pastor Bradley Teague 248-634-2195
Sunday Morning Service............... 11:00 am
Bread Pantry.............................. Wed. 1 pm - 3 pm

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Lead Pastor Chris Vitarelli
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Howell Campus - 4101 Clyde Rd....... 9:30 am
Fenton Campus - 303 E. South Holly Rd.. 11:30 am
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Sunday AM Service......................... 11:00 am

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Local scouts prepare for year’s largest food drive

Scouting for Food begins — Scouts picking up donations Saturday, Nov. 13

The Scouting for Food initiative calls on thousands of youth to collect essentials for local food banks. Scouts in the Michigan Crossroads Council were distributing flyers to homes in their communities Nov. 6, requesting that residents leave donations on their doorsteps for pickup in one week.

Scouts will then revisit those houses Saturday, Nov. 13 to retrieve bags filled with canned goods, cereal, pasta, peanut butter, juice and other items, according to project coordinator Bob DeWar of the Michigan Crossroads Council.

“Cheerful service is a keystone of the Scouting movement, and few service projects have such a profound impact on our youth as Scouting for Food,” DeWar said. “It is a cherished tradition in this council, and we only plan to expand it in the years to come.”

The drive is typically a massive undertaking, with flyers distributed to as many as half a million homes. The Michigan Crossroads Council will carry out this year’s efforts in partnership with Gleaners Community Food Bank, which will support drop

See FOOD DRIVE on 12
Words with Hannah

‘Maid’ is one of the best Netflix shows

The holiday season always gives me a mix of emotions, especially since I started working at the Tri-County Times and became more knowledgeable about how many people around here struggle financially simply to put food on the table.

According to the Census from 2019, 11% of Fenton residents live in poverty. Approximately 14% of Holly village residents, 11.6% of Holly Township residents, 5% of Fenton Township residents and 7.8% of Argentine Township residents live in poverty.

This makes me incredibly sad. These numbers show that there are thousands of students in the area who qualify for free and reduced lunch, and it’s a stark reminder that food insecurity is prevalent in our communities.

That’s why I love writing stories about the angels who run food pantries.

When I interviewed her for a story, Heather Melton, who runs the Holly Police Department Food Pantry, said there are many people surprised to learn that there are homeless people in our area. There seems to be a sad connotation that homeless people are a different kind of people than “us,” when in reality, people become homeless due to situations that can affect all of us. According to homelesslaw.org, the leading causes of homelessness are lack of affordable housing, unemployment, poverty, mental illness and a lack of needed services, and substance abuse and lack of services.

Providing for yourself is one thing, and it becomes much harder when you have kids to consider. Millions of Americans live paycheck to paycheck.

When I was interviewing Heather, I was reminded of one of my favorite Netflix shows of the year, called “Maid.”

The show is based on a nonfiction book, “Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay and a Mother’s Will to Survive,” written by a woman named who lived in about six different homes in the span of one year.

It begins with the main character, Alex, leaving her abusive, drunk boyfriend in the middle of the night with their daughter. She goes to her friends for help, but all of her friends were his friends first. She finds herself at a shelter for abused women and gets herself a job as a maid to get by.

The show is an honest and heart-breaking look at poverty. She tries to get back on her feet and care for her daughter, but how will she get a job without a car? How can she afford childcare so she can actually go to her job?

Her mother, who’s a free spirited artist, is trapped in her own abusive situation, and she’s not much help. Neither is Alex’s dad.

Despite the world seemingly working against her, the main character is able to pull herself out of a horrible situation with her determination and with the help of others. A friend lets her use his car. One of her clients becomes a friend who connects her with a lawyer.

Every episode is a roller coaster of emotions, not only for the main character, but for the surrounding cast of people that play a role in her life. No one in the show is entirely irredeemable, including her abusive ex. It shows how substance abuse makes monsters out of people. It also shows how many people don’t often realize, or they deny, that they’re in an abusive relationship.

It’s inherently empathetic, heart-warming and enraging at the same time.

The author of the book, Stephanie Land, is now a New York Times Best Selling author, and I hope she’s rolling in the cash because she absolutely deserves it.

Going into the holiday season, I hope everyone leads with empathy and remembers that all of us need help sometimes.

What would you put on your perfect sandwich?

“Shaved turkey breast, Swiss cheese, Hellman’s Mayo and summer fresh tomato’s on rye bread.”

“Amanda Marie
Fenton”

“Peanut butter, mustard and mayo on bread. Been eating it since I was little.”

“Kathy Kathleen Wade
Fenton”

“Ham, bologna, cotto salami, with cheddar, lettuce and mayo. I used to work at Mason’s Deli and that was one of my favorites.”

“Keith Butts
Gaines”

“Turkey with Swiss cheese, bacon, lettuce, tomato and mayo on toasted Italian bread.”

“Jimmy Alber
Fenton”
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**Common Surgical Procedures**
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- Sinus surgery
- Throat surgery
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- George Yoo, MD, FACS
- Jonathan Waxman, MD, PhD
ALL THIS PUSH for wind power. A single wind turbine can kill an estimated 100,000 birds in one year. These are birds that eat many times their weight in mosquitoes every day, plus numerous other pests including mice.

THOSE MICHIGAN FOOTBALL players jinxed themselves when they foolishly celebrated with a crazy photo op when they scored that first touchdown. No discipline under Harbaugh.

ONE VOLCANO SPEWS out as much greenhouse gas during an eruption as mankind has during its existence. Human beings aren’t the problem, nature and the maturation of the planet is. ‘You can’t fool Mother Nature.’

DROVE RIPLEY ROAD on Mon-
day. I’ve lived out that way for over 30 years and it has never been as bad it was yesterday. I don’t see how any vehicle other than a huge pickup truck could make it through the really deep potholes. Get it graded.

YOU MEAN TO TELL me that you’re measuring someone’s vehicle on their property each time they come home from work? Good for your diligence, but sheesh, find something else to complain about.

UNBELIEVABLE ENDING TO the Fenton/Linden varsity volleyball game. Multiple times watching the video show there was a scoring error. Officials knew it, coaches knew it, and crowd knew it. Fifth game needs to be replayed. How could you feel good about ‘winning’ a game that wasn’t accurately scored?

On Thursday, Nov. 4, Fenton High School student Skye Hodgkin (center), who plays Charlie Brown, along with the rest of the cast rehearse for the FHS production of “You’re A Good Man, Charlie Brown.” Photo: Hannah Ball

‘You’re A Good Man, Charlie Brown’

By Sharon Stone

Schroeder, Sally Brown, Linus van Pelt, Snoopy, Lucy van Pelt, Charlie Brown, and Patty will come to life in an upcoming theatrical performance.

The Fenton High School Theatre Department has been preparing for its upcoming “You’re A Good Man, Charlie Brown,” play, which will be presented Nov. 11-13. The play is based on the comic strip, “Peanuts” by Charles M. Schulz. The book, music and lyrics are by Clark M. Gesner. Performances will be Thursday, Nov. 11 at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 13 at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The play will be held in Fenton High School Ruby Zima Auditorium. Ticket information is available by calling (810) 591-2964.
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Plans for a Veteran’s Memorial at Freedom Park reignited

Buy a brick to honor a veteran

By Emily Caswell

Fenton — After a pause due to the pandemic, the committee working to secure a Veteran’s Memorial in Fenton’s Freedom Park is back in action.

“We have many pressing community needs throughout the past year and a half, it made sense for this committee to pause,” said City Councilwoman Pat Lockwood, who is also chair of the committee. “We are all happy to be back together to make our vision a reality.”

The idea for the Veteran’s Memorial has been in the works since about 2017 and an official committee was formed and began work in 2019. It was decided around that same time that the memorial would be placed in Fenton’s Freedom Park, bordered by Shiawassee Avenue, Elizabeth Street and Park Street.

The park was originally used for town meetings and Civil War troops mustered here before heading off to battle. The park has long been a place of remembrance to honor those who have served from our local community.

The new Veteran’s Memorial will consist of a Veteran’s pathway, filled with memorial bricks, a sponsor area, seven flags honoring each branch of the United States military, a statue and commemorative wall.

The committee had a conceptual drawing done before the pandemic and estimates the total project will cost $375,000.

Initial funding for the project has been made possible by the Fenton Fund of the Community Foundation of Greater Flint, with support from the City of Fenton. Other sponsors include City of Fenton Parks Board, Fenton Department of Public Works, Fenton & Linden Regional Chamber of Commerce, Fenton Memorials, Inc., Kernig Advertising, Tri-County Times, OHM Engineering and the VFW Post 3243.

The committee is currently working to secure community and business sponsors as well. Those interested can contact Lockwood at 810-516-9480 or lockwoodpa4@gmail.com.

Those wishing to purchase a brick and honor a veteran have an option for a regular brick (4” x 8”) for $100 or a large brick (8” x 8”) for $175. Bricks can be purchased at www.FentonVeteransMemorial.com.

“With the holidays quickly approaching, we believe these bricks would make the perfect gift for a veteran you know and love,” Lockwood added. “With the delay over, the entire committee is anxious to see the memorial come together and provide a long-lasting legacy for our area veterans and a beautiful space for the entire community to enjoy.”

Veteran’s Memorial in Fenton’s Freedom Park Committee

- Patricia Lockwood, Mayor Pro-Tem; Chairman
- Scott Grossmeyer, Council Representative
- Tracy Bottecelli, Council Representative
- Dawn Overmyer, Beautification Commission Chair
- Robert Carnes, Parks Board Representative
- Doug Tebo, Cemetery Board Chair
- Jennifer Wenzel, Parks Board Representative
- Dan Brisson, Dept. of Public Works Director
- John Parks, Business & Protocol Representative
- Ed Koledo, SLPR Director & Protocol Representative
- Ken Rodenbo, VFW & Protocol Representative
- Shelly Day, Fenton & Linden Chamber Executive Director
- Catherine Osentoski, City Administration Representative

Kids age 5-11 now eligible to get vaccinated

More than 42% of children ages 12-15 have received one dose

From the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), doctors and state public health leaders are urging Michigan parents to get their children ages 5 to 11 vaccinated.

On Nov. 2, Pfizer-BioNTech’s COVID-19 pediatric vaccine received emergency use authorization for this age group from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). It is also recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP).

MDHHS is recommending providers begin vaccinating children ages 5 to 11 years as soon as possible.

“Being able to vaccinate children ages 5 to 11 with the safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine brings us hope and also an additional opportunity to urge all eligible Michiganders to get vaccinated,” said Dr. Natasha Bagdasarian, MDHHS chief medical executive. “We know these vaccines work and protect our children and their families. Even healthy children can suffer serious effects from COVID-19.

In Michigan, there have been more than 201,000 confirmed COVID cases in those age 19 and younger, and 20 deaths have been reported in ages 10 to 19 as of Nov. 2. More than 450 children under the age of 12 become infected with the virus each day.

See VACCINATED on 15

WALLET TURNED IN, CASH MISSING

On Monday, Oct. 18, at 9 p.m., a Holly police officer was dispatched to a local business to speak with a Royal Oak man who reported that he had dropped his wallet in the parking lot, discovered it missing and returned to the store. An employee reported a regular customer had turned in the wallet, but it was missing the cash. The officer is investigating to determine the identity of the finder.

Tyrone Township Board Meeting Synopsis

HELD NOVEMBER 2, 2021

The following actions were taken:

1. Supervisor Cunningham called the Board meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. at the township hall.
2. Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Treasurer Jennifer Eden, Clerk Marcie Husted, Trustees Herman Ferguson, Kurt Schulze and Zach Tucker. Absent Trustee David Walker.
3. Approved the agenda as presented; approved the consent agenda as presented.
4. Received and placed on file Communication #1 as presented.
5. Adopted Resolution #211101 to remove the burn permit requirement from the Open Burning Ordinance and fee schedule.
7. Approved the office holiday schedule for 2021.
8. Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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

Police & Fire Report

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

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ROSE TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2021-20
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-Snider
Voting Nay: None

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

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RACES
Continued from Front Page
Member Tracy Bottecelli received 1,208 votes, Council Member Scott Grossmeyer received 1,186 votes and Council Member David McDermott received 1,148 votes.

All three were re-elected to four-year terms.

Osborn, 73, has served in city government for 35 years and as mayor for the last 23.

Grossmeyer, who will now go into this third four-year term, said running unopposed was “very different.”

“I normally enjoy being out knocking on doors and talking with people but I suppose that with COVID, it was probably best that we didn’t have the need to do that. I wouldn’t want to make anyone uncomfortable answering the door,” he said.

He is pleased with the outcome.

“I think that we have a great group of people on council and I am happy that we will be able to continue working together. Most of all, I am very happy that the bond proposal passed, and by a wide margin,” Grossmeyer said.

He said they’ll be able to give neighborhood streets the attention they need.

“I have enjoyed serving for my first two terms and would like to think that I have made a difference. As I go into my third term, I hope that I can continue to be a productive member of City Council. I have always tried to be accessible to anyone who wants to talk and hope to continue to be. I think that we have a wonderful community and I am humbled to be one of the people selected to serve it,” Grossmeyer said.

His goals for the next four years will be roads and infrastructure issues.

“It will be good to finally be able to take care of those problems. The roads, water and sewer will require a lot of time but I would also like to see some improvements in some of our parks. There are a couple that we have been working on and I hope that we can get some of that work done as well. It will also be nice to see some of our community events getting back to normal,” Grossmeyer said.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

RUNAWAY LOCATED, DETAINED
On Saturday, Oct. 23, at 2:33 p.m., a Holly police officer was investigating a juvenile runaway report taken the day earlier regarding a 16-year-old female who had a family member’s vehicle and would not come home or return it. The officer spotted the vehicle and recognized the driver as the missing juvenile. The officer activated his emergency lights and siren. The juvenile refused to stop and increased speed. The officer notified police agencies in the direction she was heading and discontinued pursuit due to the high speed the juvenile was driving. The vehicle was found abandoned in Waterford. Later that same evening, another Holly officer investigating the case spotted the juvenile in a different vehicle in the Holly area and was able to make the stop and safely take her into custody. She was lodged at Children’s Village and a petition was obtained from the Oakland County Prosecutor’s office for fleeing police. She remains in the detention facility pending court action.

HOT LINE

SILVER PARKWAY IS not a three-way intersection, as it continues on into a busy shopping center just like at Owen Road. The volume of traffic you mention is precisely why the lights should be removed at the three-way spots to allow traffic to flow.

ONE YEAR AGO, President Trump had Arab peace deals, Afghanistan quiet, China in check, USA was feared/respected, Southern border controlled, cheap gasoline and we were the number one producer of oil and gas. My, how things have changed.

IT REALLY WAS shameful the way the blood thirsty mob tainted the Laundrie family as if they too aren’t victims of their son’s terrible actions. We love our kids unconditionally, no matter how deep the pain we feel from their actions.
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12:00 PM Sat. & Sun.

Violent Universe
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sites in Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb counties. The Salvation Army will run a drop-site in Flint for Genesee County units.

Scouts also are given the option to select a beneficiary of their choice, allowing youth leaders to consider options and make their own informed decisions. Volunteers with Pack 43, Troop 43B and Troop 43G in Holly said their units will support the food pantry at the First Baptist Church in Holly with their collection, as they have in years past.

According to studies sponsored by Feeding America, one in seven children living in Michigan faces hunger, and the ongoing pandemic is believed to have only exacerbated this situation. Jacob Clapp, Scouting’s executive for the Fenton area, said the drive is an example of Scouting’s commitment to the community.

“Scouting for Food represents an incredible opportunity to teach our youth invaluable life lessons,” Clapp said.

The council has set a goal to collect and distribute over 100,000 pounds of food in 2021. DeWar said he is confident that, with the community’s support, they will undoubtedly exceed that figure.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

NOW THAT WE know that the Whitmer kidnapping plot was an orchestrated act by FBI, we need to learn if Whitmer was part of the plot.

WE ARE ALL too smart to be fooled by the media. Staff shortages, supply chain issues, airline flights cancelled. It’s the vaccine mandates imposed by this administration. Remember with only 58% of Americans with one dose of the vaccine, many still choose to be unvaccinated no matter what the consequences.

Congratulations!
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Thank you for helping so many Fenton residents over the past 11 years!
The fundraiser and the retreat

Part one in a series on Dan and Arlene O’Rourke, the parents of Srg. Patrick O’Rourke, who was killed in the line of duty

By Hannah Ball

On Wednesday, Nov. 3, Dan and Arlene O’Rourke presented three $2,500 awards to three graduates of the Wayne County Regional Police Training Center, which is the alma mater of their son, Srg. Patrick O’Rourke.

Patrick, 39, who worked for the West Bloomfield Township Police Department, was killed more than nine years ago on Sept. 9, 2012, by a lone gunman who had barricaded himself inside his West Bloomfield home. He shot Patrick through a bedroom door.

The Tyrone Township resident left behind a wife, Amy, three daughters Eileen, Mary, Andrea, who were 10, 8, and 5 at the time, and a son, Stephen, who was eight months old. He was survived by three brothers, Rick, Scott and Dan, and his parents.

Arlene and Dan remember specific details from that night, such as the helicopters overhead and how police ran out of tear gas. Losing a son in a way that attracted national media attention can test relationships and communities, and despite the deep loss, Arlene and Dan have worked these last nine years to help those in similar situations.

The couple created a golf outing fundraiser, called Patrick O’Rourke Memorial Scholarship Fund, that raises funds for an endowment with the Wayne County Regional Police Training Center. They raise enough funds in the late summer event, held at the Hartland Glen Golf Club, for them to present six $2,500 awards each year. The first year, they presented the award to an officer who was later hired by West Bloomfield. They’ve given out an estimated $350,000, from the endowment so far.

Initially, they had to be convinced to hold it.

Arlene was working as a deputy clerk for Livingston County in 2012. When she wanted to ease out of the job, they had lunch with the Livingston County Sheriff, who suggested a golf outing fundraiser in Patrick’s name. “We knew nothing about golf,” Arlene said. “We both looked at him like he was crazy.”

Srg. Patrick O’Rourke, who worked for the West Bloomfield Township Police Department, was killed by a gunman nine years ago. Photo: Hannah Ball

He eventually convinced them. They were able to have an event three months later in June. “It’ll always be creating money for these students. As long as we can do it and we have a lot of money that we’re making, we would like to personally give them big chunks,” Arlene said. “This year, we cleared $15,000 in our golf outing.”

They also received money from a European pheasant hunt up north, which raised $5,000.

In a way, they’re paying it forward. After Patrick was killed, Arlene said the world was “totally upside down,” especially in that first year. It defined their life.

Both are very thankful to Michigan Concerns of Police Survivors (MICOPS), the Michigan chapter of the non-profit organization that provides resources to help surviving families of law enforcement. Every year, the organization pays for these families, from couples to spouses to children, to attend a retreat and receive counseling.

They started going to the retreats the year Patrick was killed. In October, they attended the five-day retreat in Arkansas.

“The way I look at it, it’s like a crystal ball. You see these people that are actually functioning. They can speak in sentences and they don’t cry every five minutes. You see that there’s hope that we can go on and live productive lives without totally shriveling up,” Arlene said. “The beauty of this organization is that after that first year, maybe a year and a half when it’s all fog, when it starts to clear and you get back to reality- you realize that there are others coming unfortunately and you want to pay it forward. We want to be there for survivors.”

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Arlene is the treasurer of the Michigan chapter and Dan is a trustee.
The retreats have sessions on a wide range of topics, from dealing with anger to preparing for upcoming trials. Dan said it’s really therapeutic. “You can’t know what that’s like unless you’ve been there,” Dan said. The retreats have outdoor activities and free time so the couples can meet each other.
Arlene said they’ve made a lot of friends over the years and the events feel like reunions. Now that nine years have passed, they know more about how to handle the new couples, who wear a special color name tag. Arlene said you have to let them talk.
“My theory I tell people is that there is light at the end of the tunnel but it’s a million miles away and you’ll never quite get there. But when all this happens, you learn things about your son or daughter that you had no idea they were capable of doing,” Dan said. “I say you’re standing at an intersection where grief and pride collide and you’re right in the middle of it. You learn things that makes you so proud.”

The more pride they have for their son, the more grief they feel.
Arlene is on the website called Officer Down Memorial Page (ODMP) that sends her an email every time an officer is killed. She sends sympathy cards to their spouses and parents.
They met a couple at a retreat who received one of Arlene’s letters and said it really helped them. “My heart is just melting. I’m thinking, ‘boy, am I glad I did that,’” she said. “They’ve been sending out sympathy cards. That kind of gave them a purpose.”

Along with multiple memorials that honor Srg. Patrick O’Rourke, Arlene and Dan also have his work vehicle, which was outfitted with lights, decals and Patrick’s car number, 318. Photo: Hannah Ball

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“It is important to get children ages five and up vaccinated as quickly as possible to save even more lives and reduce serious illness,” said MDHHS director Elizabeth Hertel. “Working together, we can help some of our youngest Michiganders get back to more normal activities with friends, sports teams, classmates and more.”

Based on data provided by Pfizer, the vaccine was shown to be nearly 91% effective at preventing symptomatic disease from COVID-19 in this age group. The pediatric formulation of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is administered as a series of two doses, 21 days apart, at one-third the amount of the adult dosage.

Clinical trial participants demonstrated a strong immune response one month after the second dose. The most commonly reported side effects, typically lasting one to three days, were pain at the injection site, tiredness, headache, chills, muscle pain, fever and joint pain. With the exception of pain at the injection site, more children reported these side effects after the second dose than after the first dose.

More than 825,000 Michigan children will now be eligible to receive the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine. With more than 4,000 vaccine providers across the state, including family physicians and pediatricians, urgent cares, local health departments, federally qualified health centers and pharmacies, there are plenty of providers and vaccines available for eligible children.

MDHHS has ordered 287,700 doses for the initial rollout, which is the full allocation provided by CDC for the launch of vaccination efforts. Vaccines will be available immediately beginning Nov. 3, and parents can find a vaccine by visiting Vaccines.gov or by calling 211.

Vaccination is the best protection against COVID-19. To date, more than 42% of children ages 12 to 15 have received their first dose of the safe and effective Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine.

Data from the FDA and CDC show that children 5 to 11 years of age account for approximately 9% of COVID-19 cases in the U.S. overall, and approximately 40% of pediatric cases. COVID-19 has infected 1.9 million children ages 5 to 11 nationwide and hospitalized 8,300. About one-third of hospitalized children required treatment in the ICU. 146 children have died, and more than 5,000 have developed Multisystem Inflammatory Disorder (MIS-C).

From January to October, unvaccinated Michiganders accounted for 93.1% of COVID cases, 90.7% of hospitalizations and 90.5% of deaths.

WHERE TO GET VACCINATED
The Genesee County Health Department does not require that people make appointments. COVID-19 vaccinations will be available for children aged 5 to 11 beginning Tuesday, Nov. 9. Call the COVID-19 Call Center at (810) 344-4800 for more information.

ONGOING VACCINE CLINICS

- **Tuesdays 12 - 2 pm**
  - Our Lady of Guadalupe
  - 2316 W. Coldwater Rd, Flint, MI
  - Vaccines offered:
    - Pfizer (12+), and Moderna (18+)

- **Wednesdays 10 am - 12 pm**
  - Central Church of the Nazarene
  - 1261 W. Bristol Rd, Flint, MI
  - Vaccines offered:
    - Pfizer (12+), Moderna (18+), and Janssen (18+)

- **Thursdays 3 - 6 pm**
  - Shiloh Missionary Baptist
  - 2120 N. Saginaw St, Flint, MI
  - Vaccines offered:
    - Pfizer (12+) and Moderna (18+)

**HOT LINE CONTINUED**

SELFISH, ADJECTIVE: THE behavior of requiring others to act in accordance with one’s own hysterical beliefs. Example: The endless rants of COVID-19 militants that ‘everyone must get vaccinated.’

I DON’T UNDERSTAND the vaccine fetish that’s all the rage these days. The fanatical obedience to vaccinations is worrisome. Just for the record, vaccines do not equal salvation for humanity.

**YOUNGKIN, SEARS ELECTED**

I HAVE A question of the democrats that say voter ID requirements will ‘disenfranchise’ black voters. How? Every adult in this country has some form of government identification. You simply can’t function without it. If you don’t have one, are you legally here? If you’re here illegally, you aren’t eligible to vote anyway.
As the holidays approach, the colder weather does, too. A cozy, safe and warm home is the perfect place to enjoy a Michigan winter, sadly that’s not a reality for some area senior citizens. That’s where Tri-County’s Christmas in Action comes in. The nonprofit serves low-income and/or handicapped senior citizens in the Fenton and Linden area with free house repairs.

According to Christmas in Action, 20% of elderly Americans are shelter-poor, meaning they don’t have the means to afford standard necessities such as modern housing renovations.

Without the proper structure of a building, a cold house can be threatening to one’s quality of life and overall health. Christmas in Action understands that a reliable roof over one’s head is the first step to ensuring safety. Cold conditions in an uncomfortable living situation for a prolonged period of time can increase the risk of viral infection and exposure to mold.

To prevent health problems, Christmas in Action is making a difference. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, Christmas in Action depends on volunteerism and community partnerships, including local businesses, civic groups, churches and schools. Together, they can become part of the solution.

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Christmas in Action is always accepting donations, whether that be time, money, materials or expertise. In addition to dedicating a Saturday in April to get your hands dirty at a home repair, community members can make a difference by visiting http://www.ciageneseeco.org/wish-list.html.

So, the next time you’re going through your garage and stumble across tools you no longer use, consider giving back to Christmas in Action. To offset material costs, Christmas in Action is always accepting new or gently used paintbrushes, painter’s tape, trash bags, work gloves, safety glasses and more.

To make home repairs possible, they rely on the community’s help. If you or someone you know has experience in licensed contracting, that expertise is invaluable in making their goals a reality.

Low-income and/or disabled senior citizens can apply for home renovations at ciageneseeco.org. To qualify, one must live in a single-family residence (no trailers, mobile homes, condominiums, or rental homes). Visit the website to review the homeowner application; all information provided is confidential. For assistance, call 810-714-3986.

Christmas in Action is here to serve citizens in a positive way, and you can be a part of the difference! To stay in the loop with Christmas in Action’s events and special announcements, email volunteercia@gmail.com or sign up for their newsletter today: http://www.ciageneseeco.org/newsletter.html.
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CHARACTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCES

At their meeting of November 1, 2021, the Fenton Township Board adopted the following ordinances:

1. Ordinance No. 834, an updated Littering Ordinance.
2. Ordinance No. 835, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to add design standards for fuel tanks.

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

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The city issued a press release to thank voters.

“For a long time, the state of our streets has been the number one complaint from our residents,” she said. “We greatly appreciate the voters’ trust and the mandate they’ve given us to move forward to make Fenton even better than it is.”

The plan calls for the city to borrow an amount not to exceed $24 million via bonds sold in three series. Each series would be paid back over no more than 10 years and 3 months. The estimated millage to be levied in 2022 would be 3.50 mills ($3.50 per $1,000 of taxable value). Over the life of the program, the average annual millage rate would be 3.03. The average homeowner with a taxable value of about $76,000 would pay $266 more in the first year.

OHM, the city’s engineering consultants, said during a public forum that the proposal would result in fixing 90% to 95% of the city’s streets that are rated as “poor,” according to road evaluation studies.

“At three community informational meetings and in mailings sent to every Fenton household, City Manager Lynn Markland stressed that the program is front-loaded, generating more money earlier than in previous proposals. That means more streets can be improved earlier also,” according to the press release.

Markland said due to state funding limitations, millages are how many Michigan cities are maintaining and improving streets. As of 2021, 73 cities in Michigan either renewed millages that were already in place or approved new millages for street repairs.

“The voters’ approval, OHM will begin to work with Fenton’s Department of Public Works to plan the schedule of work, which will include taking care of sewer and water line improvements at the same time as a street is improved,” according to the release.

The bond proposal vote was 1,041 yes votes (60%) to 694 no votes (40%). Fenton has 10,116 registered voters. With 1,735 ballots issued, there was a 17.33% voter turnout on this bond proposal.

Osborn received 1,322 votes and was re-elected to another two-year term. Council Member Tracy Bottecelli received 1,208 votes, Council Member Scott Grossmeyer received 1,186 votes and Council Member David McDermott received 1,148 votes.

All three were re-elected to four-year terms.

Markland thanked the residents that voted, and he thanked city council and the administration who helped inform residents of the proposal.

“I’m happy to see the voters approved the proposal. This is a necessary investment in our local streets infrastructure that will improve our community and housing values. The next steps will be working with our financial consultant and bond counsel to sell the bonds,” Markland said. They will meet with OHM, the Department of Public Works and administration to prepare a street improvement plan.

“The planning will take into consideration the current condition of the street, soil borings to determine the current condition of the street’s base and the type of treatment (mill and resurfacing, total reconstruction or other treatment),” Markland said. “We will also look at underground utilities to see what may need repairing or replacement and plan for that during the construction. We have a lot of work to do and we look forward to starting construction next Spring/Summer.”
Eagles’ season ends in district semifinals vs. Davison

By David Troppens

Linden — Cori Mason remembers what her Linden varsity volleyball team looked like during the summer sessions very well.

“Anyone who watched us play last summer was super surprised what we accomplished this season,” Mason said. “We didn’t play very well at all this summer. I think we were in last place in our summer league which has never happened before, never.”

A pretty strong volleyball campaign with a young roster of players came to an end for the Linden Eagles on Wednesday night. Facing a tough Davison squad at home in a Division 1 district semifinal contest, the Eagles ended up falling 21-25, 25-7, 25-7, 25-10. The loss meant the Eagles finished their season with a 22-12-3 mark which included a run for the Flint Metro League Stripes Division, a run that was cut short due to a controversial scoring decision in a match with Fenton that if Linden won would’ve earned the Eagles a share of the league crown.

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Tigers show progress, lose to Grand Blanc in district semis

By David Troppens

Linden — There was a time when the Fenton varsity volleyball team was 3-3 in the Flint Metro League Stripes Division.

But as the season continued, the squad improved and steadily got better.

Now, at the end of the season, the Tigers finished the Stripes Division season in third place with a four-match win streak. The Tigers finished the league season with a 7-3 record and a 16-13-4 overall helping show that progress.

However, against a strong Grand Blanc squad, the Tigers had a hard time putting that progress on display as Fenton lost a 25-12, 25-23, 25-12 district semifinal battle with the Bobcats.

“We didn’t play the best we needed to play,” Fenton varsity volleyball coach Jenna Long said. “We had some moments, but they had some big hitters. Our blocking was a little bit slower on them, but I don’t think we’ve seen powerful hitters like that enough to be necessarily be prepared for it.

“My team came a long way though. Maybe we didn’t show it in this last match, but I’m proud of them. Overall, we had a good season. We had some ups and downs. We came together as a team.”

The Tigers struggled with Grand Blanc’s powerful offense in the first set. The strongest offensive player was junior outside hitter Remi Madison, who created headaches for the Fenton defense all match long. Grand Blanc jumped to a 6-1 lead, collecting kills on five of those points. The Tigers were able to cut the gap to 7-4 with a kill by Grace Pierle, but Grand Blanc followed it with six straight points. The Tigers were unable to get back into the set. However, the story was different in the second set. The Tigers’ block started to work and Fenton gave the Bobcats a very spirited battle. Fenton jumped to an 8-2 lead with four of those points coming from four different players with kills (Sienna Sahr, Lily Turkowski, Pierle and Paige Bakker). The large lead didn’t last long, as Grand Blanc whittled its gap to 9-7 after a Fenton hitting error. The lead was cut to 13-12 after a kill by Madison and then tied at 13-all on a block kill by Kendal Inman. The run didn’t stop as Grand Blanc scored four more consecutive points, giving the Bobcats an 17-14 lead.

The Grand Blanc lead grew to as many as 20-14 before the Tigers tried to battle back. Fenton tied the match at 23-all on an Adrie Staib service point, but a service error followed and Grand Blanc’s Lyla Huffman provided a kill, clinching the Bobcats the 25-23 second-set victory.

The ‘Tigers’ energy seemed to be spent after the second game. Grand Blanc jumped out to a quick 4-1 lead. The Tigers cut the gap to 4-2 after a Grand Blanc service error and never were any closer than three after that point. The last time Fenton was within three was at 8-5 after a Grand Blanc hitting error. However, the Bobcats responded with four straight points, raising the lead to 12-5. From there, the Tigers never were able to get back into the contest.

Rebuilding Bronchos lose district opener vs. Walled Lake Northern

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity volleyball team experienced a rebuilding season this year.

The players who made last season’s perfect Flint Metro League Stripes Division title possible had graduated and the Bronchos had a varsity program that included just one senior. In fact, the roster included a majority of sophomores (seven) who were just starting their tour of varsity play.

So it was a learning season in many ways. The year ended Monday with a 25-15, 25-11, 25-5 loss to Walled Lake Northern in the Division 1 district held at LakeLand High School.

The Bronchos displayed their most promise in the first set, taking the early lead. Holly led 4-2 after a service point by Annabelle Basham, but the Knights followed that point with a kill, and then scored the next point to take the squad’s first lead at 5-4. Holly tied it up at 5-all after a Northern service error, but Holly’s foes followed that up with a kill and then went on a three-point run to take an 8-5 lead.

Holly cut the gap to one. A kill by Amanda Welch cut the gap to 8-6 and gave Welch the service. She scored the service point when Isabella Smith pounded a kill, making it an 8-7 deficit. However, Walled Lake Northern went on another run after that kill, scoring five straight points.

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Holly’s
Lily Parsons
By David Troppens

The week between regional and state cross country competition has become a time for “post a personal record type” of races for area runners trying to record a personal best time before the season ends.

All four area schools competed at the Post a PR meet held at Huron Meadows Metropark Tuesday. This story will detail the women’s teams from the tri-county area. The event was split up into three races, trying to encourage runners to compete against equal-level competition. Team scores were kept, but it’s the athletes’ pursuit of a personal best that is of primary importance.

The Fenton girls had 10 runners in the top 30 percent race, with three earning top-10 finishes, while Lake Fenton and Linden had four. The area’s top finisher was Lake Fenton senior Claire Hunt, who ran a 19:59.90, one of just three runners to finish with a time less than 20 minutes. Fenton’s Nina Frost just missed getting less than 20 minutes, taking fourth in 20:00.40. Fenton had two other runners finish in the top 10. They were Taylor Huntoon in sixth (20:11.40) and Emily Grob in seventh (20:12.10). The rest of the Fenton runners in this event were Emma Dubie in 13th (20:41.70), Ella Cox in 17th (21:06.70), Maty Temrowski in 41st (21:35.70), Taryn Craven in 43rd (21:41.10), Allie Michewicz in 66th (22:27.10) and Lauren Gadola in 74th (22:47.60).

Lake Fenton’s other runners in the top 30% race were Katily Hatfield in 27th (21:23.10), Marielle Hatfield in 29th (21:25.10) and Evelyn Riley in 85th (23:43.50).

Linden’s runners were Colleen Blackwood in 22nd (21:11.90), Alyson Kelly in 26th (21:22.60), Stellah Strauss in 52nd (21:54.50) and Reagan Brooks in 55th (22:03.70).

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Tri-county male runners earn strong times at Post a PR event

With the prep cross country season quickly coming to an end, this week is traditionally the time that many squads compete in “post a personal best” races.

The tri-county area teams all competed at the Post a PR race hosted at Huron Meadows Metropark. This story details the male runners.

The three races are broken down to talent levels with the top 30% of the runners competing in the top-tier race. The tri-county area had 14 male athletes in this event. The area’s top runner was Holly’s Zachary Rockafellow who took ninth in 17:20.50. The Bronchos had four other runners in the race. They were Mason Rosa in 17th (17:27.20), Benjamin Baxter in 48th (18:16.30), Grant Hoffman in 55th (18:24.20) and Adam Booher in 110th (19:17.50).

The Tigers had four runners in the top race. They were Aidan Brzezinski in 21st (17:32.10), Jake Lesher in 26th (17:36.70), Gavin Thomas in 29th (17:42.90) and Evan Koch in 65th (18:32.50). Lake Fenton had four runners compete. They were Matt Fletcher in 42nd (18:05.10), Brady Smith in 97th (18:56.10), Cooper Hnilica in 129th (22:03.6) and Jamison Chenett in 130th (22:30.20). Linden had one runner in the top race. Spencer Dicks took 93rd in 18:51.90.

The second tier race had many tri-county runners involved with two earning a spot in the top 10. Holly’s Christien Douthitt placed second with a time of 18:41.70. That time would’ve placed him in the middle of the pack of the top tier race. The other was Lake Fenton’s Nick Learman, who placed 10th (18:52.80).
Blue Devils open district tourney with sweep of Railroaders

By David Troppens

All district title runs must start somewhere.

For the Lake Fenton varsity volleyball team it started with a district opening contest in the D2 Fowlerville district against Durand. The Blue Devils were successful in that contest, earning a 31-29, 25-22, 25-13 victory versus the Railroaders. However, as some of the set scores suggest, there was some drama.

Most of the drama came in the first set. The Railroaders came out on fire, scoring the first five points of the match. That put the Blue Devils in a position of playing catch-up.

Lake Fenton cut the Durand gap to one several times during the early portions of the set. An ace by Ava Reese and two kills by Cola Sisk cut the Railroaders lead to just one point three times during the first set. However, a Durand block kill gave Durand the lead again, but each time couldn’t maintain the lead.

Lake Fenton took its first lead on another McMillan set for a kill to Sisk, but Durand responded with a kill of its own. They also scored the next point on a Lake Fenton hitting error, tying the set at 23-all. Lake Fenton took its first lead on another McMillan set for a kill to Sisk, but Durand responded with a kill of its own. They also scored the next point on a Lake Fenton hitting error, putting the Devils down 26-25.

The Blue Devils stayed off set point with a tip kill by Luci Kamischke, but a Lake Fenton violation gave Durand another set point seconds later. Again, the Blue Devils fought it off. This time a Sophia Zalac kill stopped it. Lake Fenton followed with a service point by Addison Fitzgerald, earning the Blue Devils’ first set point at 28-27. However, a block kill by Durand tied it up again, and a Durand block kill gave Durand its third set point. Once again, Lake Fenton fought it off with a Sisk kill, and then earned their own set point attempt after a kill by Kelsey Corkran. With Mia Bicego at the service line, Lake Fenton earned set point on a Durand violation. The Devils squeezed out a 31-29 win.

In the second set, Durand led by four as late as 12-8 before the Blue Devils made a run. A kill by Corkran cut Durand’s lead to 12-10 and gave Ruby Todd the service. Todd served two service points with Corkran earning a kill on the second, tying the set at 12-all. The teams bounced the lead around and it was tied 17-all when Zalac earned a kill, giving Lake Fenton the lead for good. Shelby DeRidder served out two points (the second earned on a Zalac kill) raising Lake Fenton’s lead to 20-17. Durand fought back to cut the margin to 20-19, but the Blue Devils kept the lead after a Corkran kill. A block kill by McMillan was followed up by a Bicego ace, giving the Blue Devils a 23-19 lead they wouldn’t lose.

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Lake Fenton’s Mia Bicego makes a diving dig of a ball in the Blue Devils’ loss to Williamston on Tuesday. Lake Fenton won matches against Durand and Fowlerville in district action as well.

Photo: David Troppens

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good as Linden looked in that set, they struggled in the final three sets. The Eagles’ serve receive fell apart. Linden had 23 service reception errors in the last three sets resulting in just a combined 24 points in those three losses.

“We didn’t pass at all,” Mason said. “We had one really great set and then we couldn’t pass again. We used it up all in the first set.”

The first set was mighty entertaining. Linden scored the match’s first point on a Kendall Miller set assist on Gracie Pierscinski’s kill and the Eagles were looking primed to give Davison, an honorable mention top 10 team in the final regular season poll, a great challenge. The Eagles led by as many as three early in the contest.

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times. Early on, it looked like the Blue Devils had control of the contest, leading by as many as seven points three times. The final time came at 15-8 after a kill by Kelsey Corkran. However, the Gladiators whittled at that lead, and eventually took the lead. Fowlerville had some set points, but the Blue Devils battled each of them away. Once they were eliminated, the Blue Devils ended the first set with a kill by Corkran, a kill by Cola Sisk and then another by Corkran to earn the Blue Devils the 28-26 victory.

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on a Luci Kamischke kill, but Williamston quickly battled back. Back-to-back aces later in the set enabled Williamston to tie the contest at 4-all. From there, the first set featured 11 ties and seven lead changes. Lake Fenton had a chance to win the first set when the Blue Devils led 26-25, but they suffered a hitting error.

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Three vessels recently found near Grand Marais

The Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society (GLSHS) recently discovered three 1800s-era shipwrecks in the vicinity of Grand Marais (Lake Superior). A number of additional shipwrecks also have been located and await positive identification.

Using a combination of historical research, technology and teamwork, See SHIPWRECK on 24

Photos A and B show the wreckage of the Frank W Wheeler ship. Photo C shows the window of a cabin on the Frank W Wheeler. The Wheeler sunk in 1885. Photos E and D show the shipwreck of the schooner Dot. Her remains rest under more than 350 feet of water.

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I welcome your questions and comments. Feel free to e-mail me drsulfaro@comcast.net

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members of the Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society’s Underwater Research team have mapped areas where ships were reported lost, then searched those areas using the organization’s 50-foot research vessel, David Boyd.

Marine Sonic Technology side-scan sonar was employed to analyze the lake bottom and identify submerged wrecks. The new shipwreck discoveries and their stories are listed below:

**SHIPWRECK 1: THE SCHOONER, DOT**
August 25, 1883 — The steamship M.M. Drake was towing the schooner Dot, downbound from Marquette with a load of iron ore, when the Dot started taking on water. Capt. Jones of the Dot hailed the M.M. Drake, which came alongside his sinking ship and took his crew off before it dove for the bottom.

All crew were rescued. The Dot, formerly the Canadian schooner, Mary Merritt, was built in St. Catharines, Ontario in 1865. Her remains rest under more than 350 feet of water.

**SHIPWRECK 2: THE SCHOONER-BARGE, FRANK W. WHEELER**
September 29, 1885 — The relatively new schooner-barge, Frank W. Wheeler, was being towed by the steamer Kittie M. Forbes, when a gale swept across the lake. The ships struggled in the worsening conditions for hours and soon the Wheeler’s crew realized that their ship was sinking. Capt. William Forbes, owner and captain of the Frank W. Wheeler, signaled his predicament to the Kittie M. Forbes, and the pair of vessels then tried to reach the safety of Grand Island, near present day Munising. Capt. Forbes soon ordered his men into the lifeboat, and 15 minutes later his ship sank, bow first. A number of explosions were heard as the ship slipped beneath the waves. The Frank W. Wheeler was built in West Bay City (West Bay City Shipbuilding Co.) and today her wreckage lies under more than 600 feet of water.

**SHIPWRECK 3: THE SCHOONER, BARGE, MICHIGAN**
October 2, 1901 — The steamer M.M. Drake (same vessel which towed the Dot, as noted above) was towing the schooner-barge Michigan in the vicinity of Vermilion Point, 12 miles west of Whitefish Point. Both vessels were struggling in rough weather, when suddenly the Michigan’s hold begins filling with water. Capt. J.W. Nicholson maneuvered the M.M. Drake alongside the Michigan, with the latter ship’s crew jumping from their sinking ship onto the Drake. Within minutes, a massive wave smashes the two vessels together, destroying the M.M. Drake’s smokestack, leaving the ship without steam-pressure. Without power, the Drake soon lost headway and waves swept over her decks. Both ship’s crews were now in danger, but two large steel steamers, the Crescent City and Northern Wave, were close by and maneuvered in to rescue the combined crews. Harry Brown, the Michigan’s cook, was the only casualty in this unusual double sinking. The remains of the M.M. Drake were discovered in 1978 by the Shipwreck Society, and her rudder is on exhibit at Whitefish Point. The Michigan’s hull is in 650 feet of water.

It has been a banner year for the Shipwreck Society. GLSHS Director of Marine Operations, Darryl Ertel, said much of the success is because he can search wider and faster this year. “We have well over 2,500 miles of searching this year alone. We’re searching 100 miles a day. We’re travelling at over 9 miles an hour as we’re searching and we’re seeing great detail on the bottom, it’s amazing,” he said.

Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum Executive Director Bruce Lynn said, “This has been a great year for us at the Shipwreck Museum, and we have never located so many new wrecks in one season. Each shipwreck has its own story … and the drama of the Drake and the Michigan, and the rescue of both crews … these are fantastic, true stories that we can tell in the museum someday.”

**ABOUT THE GREAT LAKES SHIPWRECK HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society was founded in 1978 by a group of divers, teachers, and educators to commence exploration of historic shipwrecks in eastern Lake Superior, near Whitefish Point in Michigan’s scenic Upper Peninsula. Today, this non-profit organization operates two museum sites on historic properties: The Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum, Whitefish Point Light Station, Whitefish Point; and the U.S. Weather Bureau Building, Soo Locks Park, Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan. The Shipwreck Museum is open to the public seasonally from May 1 to October 31.
WEEKEND TIMES

Puzzle Answers

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

**Weekend Crossword**

Solution Time: 24 min.

**PUZZLE CLUE:**

**CELEBRITY DOINGS**

1. Ample, in dialect 8. The same, in French
2. Cut (off) 9. Brand of luxury Swiss watches
3. In — surgery 10. Be behind schedule
4. Less than 11. Grand Ole —
5. 15-season CBS show 12. Male tyke
8. Midweek Sudoku
9. Crossword Puzzle and Jumbles

**WEEKEND CROSSWORD ANSWERS**

1. 24
2. 20
3. 26
4. 32
5. 38
6. 43
7. 49
8. 55
9. 61
10. 67
11. 73
12. 79
13. 85
14. 91
15. 97
16. 103
17. 109
18. 115
19. 121
20. 127

**MIDWEEK CROSSWORD ANSWERS**

3. A Legend of the Miami discharge 4. An Oasis
5. A Scene with a surprise 6. A Star doing for Vendetta
7. A Time author 8. A Legend of the Miami discharge
9. A Moving object 10. A Miner's device

**WEEKEND SCRABLE ANSWERS:**

1. ARTISAN, DETOUR, PAMPER, DIAPER
2. MARRIED

**MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS:**

1. GANUT, CABIN, SHRANK, CELERY
2. Answer: For safety’s sake, the coal company owners agreed to make some — “MINER” CHANGES

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“It’s something we need to do to protect our residents of the township and get on top of this horrible ambulance problem we have in the county right now. I think this is going to be our first step to making this work out and getting the county on board with us to move forward to make it a better service for the residents,” Volz said.

Supervisor Vince Lorraine said they’ve been talking about this topic since February. The township held a special meeting. He confirmed with Volz that for some tier one medical calls, such as calls for a heart attack, an ambulance may take anywhere from 14 to 22 minutes to arrive.

“As I sit here as a supervisor, my most important concern is the safety of our residents,” Lorraine said. “I worry. One fatality to me is one too many.”

Volz, the chair of the Genesee County 911 Advisory Committee, said this is the beginning of a solution to the problem.

“It will be working with our elected officials, and the Genesee County 911 Consortium, to make sure our agreement is honored. This task of coming up with a solution for our broken EMS system in Genesee County that has been ongoing for the past year,” Volz said. “Next, we need to figure out the dispatching process and how ambulances will be sent to the emergencies.”

The contract states that Medstar understands that Genesee County 911 is the authorized agency that actually controls the handling and assignment of 911 calls in the county.

“Consequently, the township has no ability to control the actual assignment of 911 calls and makes no guaranties or representations with respect to the assignment of 911 call to Medstar by the controlling authorities,” according to the contract.

Fenton Township will participate in advocacy efforts on behalf of the recognition of community based EMS agreements by the Central Dispatch Authority, and vote in favor of such agreements if the issue is to be voted on at the county.

Medstar may also make arrangements with health systems, accountable care organizations, or other third-party arrangements designed to improve health, prevent hospitalization, provide prospective or follow-up care or perform in-home assessments or other treatments, according to the contract.

“At the end of the day, we don’t control the distribution of those ambulances. That’s a County 911 thing. Maybe they’ll call Medstar, maybe they’ll call the ones closest,” said Treasurer John Tucker.

The contract states that the ambulance service will respond to calls in a “reasonable time.” Tier one calls will be monitored to ensure a “collective, fifty-nine second (8:59:00) or less ambulance response, 90% of the time,” according to the contract.

Medstar will also provide the township with quarterly reports. The township is not required to pay Medstar any ambulance fees that are not paid by responsible parties.

Kolby Miller from Medstar said they have about 22-25 contracts with other municipalities.

In Genesee County, Medstar contracts with Gaines Township, Forest Township, Davidson Township, Richfield Township, the city of Davidson, Atlas Township, the village of Goodrich, the city of Burton, and they’re talking with Mundy Township. At least one other municipality is waiting for the 91 Authority to recognize the dispatch system and they have communicated that they will contract with Medstar as well.

“I have to say that none of our other service areas operate the way that Genesee County does. So the oddities of this current system exist only here,” Miller said.

Attorney Jack Belzer suggested amending the contract to say that Medstar will protect the township from any and all liability under this agreement. A few people on the board expressed worries about other ambulance agencies suing the township or Medstar over the agreement.

Lorraine said he was sympathetic to the legal worries, but he wanted to pass the agreement that night. They can revisit the language in the future as needed. He said he believes Medstar will do a good job.

The board passed the agreement contingent upon ensuring that Medstar will defend and indemnify the township from liability.
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Puzzles4Kids by Helene Hovanec
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WHAT EXERCISE DO FROGS LIKE?
JESTER ___ TREES JOSHEES ___ SHOES
MUESLI ___ SLIME ALISSA ___ SAILS
MOWERS ___ WORSE CASTER ___ STARE
SNAPPY ___ PANSY KIDDER ___ DRIED
ASPIRE ___ SPEAR TUSCLE ___ LUTES
PLANET ___ PETAL GARGLE ___ REGAL

Puzzles4Kids
Answer
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ASPIRE I SPEAR TUSSEL S LUTES
SNAPPY P ANSER KIDDER K DRIFZ
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**Obituaries**

**Norman J. Pfeiffer, Sr.**
1952 - 2021

Norman J. Pfeiffer, Sr. - age 69, of Fenton, died Monday, October 25, 2021. Private services will be held. Norman was born April 14, 1952 in Flint, the son of William and Martha (Johnson) Pfeiffer. He retired from General Motors. Surviving are son, Norman Pfeiffer, Jr.; step-daughter, Tonya (Mark) Tietema; two grandchildren, Hawk and Kylie; brother, Arnold Pfeiffer; sister, Linda Kuhens. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother; and two wives, Pamela (Hall) Pfeiffer in 1993 and Mary (Dexter) Pfeiffer in 2001. Arrangements by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

**Alec Michael Thomas**
1997 - 2021

Alec Michael Thomas of Newport Beach, CA passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at the young age of 24. Alec was born in Katy, TX to Michael and Marie Thomas. Alec grew up in Fenton, with his older brother Damon. They were inseparable. They especially loved being outside, playing basketball and rooting for the Pistons. Alec graduated from Fenton High School, class of 2015, and went on to play football at Ashland University in Ohio. Alec was a tremendous athlete and developed a deep fondness of music and the outdoors, especially fishing. If there was a body of water around, Alec was figuring out how to get his line wet. Alec moved to Southern California in 2018 and shortly thereafter met the love of his life, Julia Franzese. They were a perfect match. Alec was very creative and loved to learn. While in California, he immersed himself in the video production field and went on to work, and produce, many amazing projects. Alec also was able to participate in some incredible experiences, most notably hiking 14,500 ft in the dark with headlamps to watch the sunrise from the summit of Mt. Whitney. He said it was one of the most beautiful things he’s ever experienced. Alec was preceded in death by his grandfather, John Thomas. He will be deeply missed by his son, Boston Thomas; parents, Marie Thomas and Michael (Amber) Thomas; brothers, Damon Thomas and Izaak Simons; sisters, Mariyah Saucier and Gabriella Thomas; grandmother, Mary Thomas; grandparents, David and Mary Thomas; and many more grandchildren; aunts; uncles; nieces; nephews; and the Franzese family. Also many cousins and other extended family and friends. Services will be held at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Fenton, on Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 11 AM, with family visitation from 9 - 11. In lieu of flowers, the family welcomes donations to an educational fund set up for Alec’s son, Boston. Please make checks payable to ‘MI 529 Plan’.

**Jerry Hnilica**
1946 - 2021

Jerry Hnilica - age 75, of Linden, passed away Monday, November 1, 2021. Jerry was born February 6, 1946 in Flint, the son of Tony and Emma (Hasman) Hnilica. He married Sally J. Runyon on July 1, 1978. Jerry loved sports. He was an avid Detroit Lions, Detroit Tigers and University of Michigan fan. Jerry was a tremendous athlete and developed a deep fondness of music and the outdoors. He enjoyed spending time outdoors and was dedicated to his family. He is survived by his wife, Sally; children, Andrea (Jason) Brooks, Todd (Pam) Davis, Kevin (Zia) Williams and Tiffany (Pat); grandchildren, Curtis Hnilica, Alyssa Brooks and many more grandchildren; brother, Fred Hnilica and many more grandchildren; sister, Diane. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

**Alan Inman**


**Bethany Pollard**


**Clinton Crum**


**Dennis Pelky**


**George Kelch**


**James Cook**


**Jerry Hnilica**

Jerry Hnilica - age 75, of Linden, passed away Monday, November 1, 2021. Funeral services were held 3 PM Friday, November 5, 2021 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Visitation was held from 1 PM until the time of service Friday. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to the family c/o Sharp Funeral Homes. Jerry was born February 6, 1946 in Flint, the son of Tony and Emma (Hasman) Hnilica. He married Sally J. Runyon on July 1, 1978. Jerry loved sports. He was an avid Detroit Lions, Detroit Tigers and University of Michigan fan.

He enjoyed spending time outdoors and was dedicated to his family. He is survived by his wife, Sally; children, Andrea (Jason) Brooks, Todd (Pam) Davis, Kevin (Zia) Williams and Tiffany (Pat); grandchildren, Curtis Hnilica, Alyssa Brooks and many more grandchildren; brother, Fred Hnilica and many more grandchildren; sister, Diane. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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Obituaries

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Opal Smith

Patricia Morse

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Philip Tatus

Russell Simms

Thelma McKeller

William Sprague

Johnnie Allen Hill
Johnnie Allen Hill - age 77, our teacher, mentor, friend and Papa Bear – has returned to his heavenly home on Wednesday, November 3, 2021. Son of Otis and Lillie Faye, brother to James, Ray (d), Danny, Mary (d), and Betty. John was a loving husband of Patricia’s for 60 years. A devoted father to Mark (Alison), Kevin (Amy), Robin (Jeff) and Wendy (Rich). If you knew John, you knew his grandchildren were the light of his life, Melanie, Mackenzie, Brandon, Cuyler, Alexis, Erika, Chloe, Dalton and Sophia. The newest sparkles in his eyes were the addition of two great-granddaughters this past year, Lyla and Hattie. When forced by a time like this, to adequately describe the man that John was and what he meant to our family, how do you describe our “everything”? There are no words for the warmest of smiles and the best bear hugs a person could give. Our great comfort during this time is the undeniable truth that John was welcomed home by Jesus and that his body and mind are whole again. We will, one day, see John (Dad, Papa) again – we await our bear hugs! “Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live” ~John 11:25. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton or St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. There will be visitation and service held at The Rock Church in Linden on Saturday, November 13, 2021 at 1 PM. A luncheon will follow the service. The service can be livestreamed through Facebook at https://m.facebook.com/events/302396848376748/. Arrangements provided by Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Visitation will be held from 10:30 AM until the time of service. Burial will follow in Mt. Forest Twp. Cemetery, Pinconning. Patricia was born July 13, 1943 in Oil City, the daughter of Cal Herman and Correne Elizabeth (Harless) Morgan. She was married to Eugene Foco on September 24, 1951 in Pinconning; he preceded her in death on September 15, 2013. She is survived by her children, Robert (Paulette) Foco, Danial (Sarah) Foco, Sheryl (Ronald) Post, Timothy Foco, Angela (Ty) Overly; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; sister, Selena (Bernie) O’Laughlin; many nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her brothers, Cecil Morgan and Robert Morgan; sister, Mary Yost. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.
Weekend Scrambler

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

**Builder**

ASTRAIN

Diver

ROUTED

S Oak

MAPPER

Baby

REPAID

**TODAY’S WORD**

*Save it, Mac... We’re _________ ?*

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Weekend Sudoku

**FUN BY THE NUMBERS**

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**
**TOWNSHIP OF ARGENTINE**
**(Genesee County, Michigan)**

**Seymour Road Drainage Outlet Special Assessment District**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Board of the Township of Argentine, Genesee County, Michigan, has received petitions from property owners to make certain public improvements (the “Public Improvements”) consisting of:

The repair of the Drainage Outlet on Seymour Rd in the Township.

The petitions have been received from record owners of land constituting more than fifty percent of the total frontage of the public roads road in the proposed special assessment district described below.

The Township Board has resolved its intention to proceed on the petitions and pursuant to Act 188, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended, to make the Public Improvements in the Township. The Township Board has tentatively determined that some or all of the cost of the Public Improvements shall be specially assessed against each of the following described lots and parcels of land, which together comprise the proposed Special Assessment District:

Property located in the Township of Argentine, Genesee County, Michigan, and described by the following parcel numbers:

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**FIRST PUBLIC HEARING**

TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Township of Argentine will hold a public hearing on November 22, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Argentine Township Hall located at 9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden, Michigan, to hear and consider any objections to the petition, the proposed Public Improvements, the proposed Special Assessment District, and all other matters relating to the Public Improvements.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the plans and current cost estimate of $65,000.00 for the Public Improvements are on file with the Township Clerk for public examination.

PROPERTY SHALL NOT BE ADDED TO THE PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING AND THE ORIGINAL COST WILL NOT BE INCREASED BY MORE THAN 10% WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING.

Appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal

TAKE NOTICE that a property owner of record or a party having an interest in the property must appear and protest at the second public hearing in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

Township Supervisor, Township of Argentine
9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden, Michigan 48058
Telephone: (810) 735-5050
Joseph Graves, Clerk
Township of Argentine

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**
**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY NOVEMBER 23, 2021 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AT 12060 MANTAWAUKA DR. FENTON MI AND ELECTRONICALLY. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

**OLD BUSINESS:**

HO21-004 Leigh Bauder, 12265 Dollar Lake Dr: Requesting a Home Occupation Permit for in home fitness instruction, parcel # 06-12-502-007.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

ZBA21-034 Jeff Collins, 16508 W. Horseshoe Trail: Requesting a sight line variance to place a 16’x24’ addition to 16508 W. Horseshoe Trail, parcel # 06-31-651-018

ZBA21-035 Charles Mueller, 6036 Lobdell Road: Requesting a 90-foot lot width variance and 1.72-acre lot size variance to create a new parcel for the Genesee County Drain Commission to construct a public utility structure.

**HOME OCCUPATION RENEWAL:**

HO10-004 Amy Gatena, 13256 Crane Ridge Drive: Requesting a renewal for a home occupation permit to allow a home salon business at 13256 Crane Ridge Drive, parcel # 06-14-554-023.

To the residents and property owners of Fenton Township, Genesee County, Michigan, and any other interested parties. Please take notice that a regular meeting of the Fenton Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Tuesday November 23, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. IN PERSON and by ZOOM Meeting. The public may participate in the meeting in person or via the following web link:


Or by telephone by calling into the following number:

**Phone Number:** (312)826-6799
**Meeting ID:** 962 5043 4561
**Passcode:** 918527

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

The Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 72-hour advance notice by contacting Robert Krug, Township Clerk, by email, phone, or mail at the below.

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

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