

Joint meeting planned for Thompson Road water project

■ Planners expect to begin construction in early summer

By Hannah Ball

The Fenton Township Board of Trustees will have a joint meeting with the Fenton Township Planning Com-

mission on Thursday, Jan. 13, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss bringing municipal water to the Thompson Road Corridor and farther south.

This meeting will immediately follow that week's regular Planning Commission meeting.

"With water coming down Thompson Road, we have an opportunity to start a planning process to look at this Thomp-

son Road Corridor to make sure the development that comes in is consistent with what the township wants to see," said Zoning Administrator Michael Deem. "We are ready to kick off this planning process and it is imperative that we get the Planning Commission and the township board together at this very first kickoff meeting so that we can make sure that our goals are aligned."

He said they anticipate construction to begin in June. The board and planning commission will discuss land use, zoning, transportation, water and sewer issues, transportation and more. The meeting is open to the public.

On Nov. 15, the board approved an engineering agreement for the project, which would extend the Genesee

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Argentine church, food bank help feed families

By Hannah Ball

Argentine Twp. — Hundreds of people will have food for the next few weeks thanks to the Argentine Church of the Nazarene and the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan.

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Aubrey Campbell, 10, who's part of the American Heritage Girls Grand Blanc troop, volunteered at the Argentine Church of the Nazarene and helped load cars with food on Saturday, Dec. 18. Photo: Hannah Ball

Center of Hope gives gifts to more than 300 kids



A family greets Santa Claus at the Fenton Center of Hope on Sunday, Dec. 19. The organization is currently operating out of their old location off Shiawassee Avenue, and they plan to be in the new location off Fenton Road in January. See story on Page 18. Photo: Hannah Ball

Ambulance response times improving in township

■ Fenton Township asks that county recognize ambulance agreement

By Hannah Ball

Ambulance response times are improving in Fenton Township.

On Monday, Dec. 20, during the Fenton Township Board of Trustees meeting, Fire Chief Ryan Volz said since the township entered into an agreement with Medstar Inc. in early November, EMS has been able to respond to medical incidents faster.

"They're doing an excellent job. Our times are actually below the recommended time from the county times of 8:59," Volz said. Before the agreement, the average response time was about 12 minutes.

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“My sincerest thanks to all those who tried to help after my car slid off Rolston Road going into the S-curve. I’m heartened to know people in this area are more helpful than not. God bless you.”

“May God bless the Santo family. Prayers that their son, Brendan, who has been missing since the end of October, comes home. That would be the best Christmas gift.”



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The Vietnam Moving Wall coming to Holly

■ Local veterans groups fundraising to make historic event possible

By Sharon Stone

The Vietnam Moving Wall is coming to Holly August 3-8, 2022. The project is sponsored by the Holly American Legion Post 149 and the Holly Area Veterans Resource Center. The Moving Wall has never been to Holly.

They are holding a Dinner-Improv fundraiser Jan. 21, 2022, at The Vault in downtown Holly starting at 7 p.m. The cost of the dinner is \$40 per ticket and \$60 per couple. The Clarkston Village Players will provide the entertainment in terms of an improv program including some audience participation games. Cari Cucksey of The Vault and her staff will provide the dinner and there will be a cash bar.

Tickets can be purchased by contacting Joe Mishler (810) 348-9960, Rick Powers (248) 459-0058 or Amy Hillman (248) 240-1888. Tickets also can be purchased at Blumz of Holly, 114 S. Saginaw St., at (248) 532-0532.

The Moving Wall is a half-size replica of the original Vietnam Veterans Memorial on the Mall in Washington, D.C. The names of 58,281 of U.S. service personnel who were killed or



Visitors at a Vietnam Veteran memorial event in Tennessee peruse the 58,281 names of U.S. service personnel who were killed or died in Vietnam that are etched on the Moving Wall.

died in Vietnam are etched on the Wall.

The Moving Wall comes to Holly through Vietnam Combat Veterans, Ltd. They are located in Michigan and have been all over the United States. The Moving Wall is 252 feet long. The original is 493 feet, 6 inches.

The Moving Wall will be located west of the Richter Campus off East Street. The Opening Ceremony will take place Aug. 4, 2022 at 11 a.m. and the Closing Ceremony will be on Aug. 7, 2022 at 2 p.m. There will be a Welcome Home Reunion for all veterans Aug. 6, 2022, starting at 1 p.m. No matter when you served or where, you are welcome to attend.

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A man strolls past the Vietnam Moving Wall at a past memorial event. The Holly American Legion Post 149 and the Holly Area Veterans Resource Center are fundraising to bring the Wall to Holly in August 2022.

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David's dabbings

A look back at Facebook posts

I'm going to try something different with today's column.

For certain, it's going to be hit or miss, but if nothing else, I'm going to have fun. I'm going to look back at some of my past posts on Facebook that apparently Facebook wants me to repost.

10 years ago —
"You know you are in trouble when Beavis can challenge your intelligence." Of course, this is in reference to the cartoon Beavis and Butthead, which, yes, I enjoyed a bunch. What could've Beavis said that made me post this? He's clearly the dumber of the two. On a side note, one of my favorite episodes is when they fly a kite during a rainstorm because they had just watched a Benjamin Franklin documentary. Check it out.

Eight years ago — "Only the Lions, only the Lions." This post must have had something to do with the Lions losing to the Green Bay Packers on Dec. 9, 2012 by a 27-20 score. I really don't remember the game, but apparently they had a shot to win it. Unfortunately, after a 14-0 start they turned the ball over twice and ended up losing the contest.

Seven years ago — "The money



David Troppens
Sports Editor

is in the banana stand."

This is in reference to an old comedy show called 'Arrested Development.' It's about a family that was rich until their dad ends up in jail for illegal activities. One of his sons tries to keep the family afloat and asks his dad while he's in jail where he can find extra money. His dad replies, 'The money is in the banana stand.' It seems

that he's telling his son they can make money through this banana stand. The place looks like a glamorized children's lemonade stand so it makes little sense. Well, they end up blowing up the banana stand maybe for, I think, insurance money. I can't remember

exactly why, but it seems to be the right move at the time. It does them no good, and when the son talks to his dad after the incident, the dad tells him the family money was actually in the banana stand – inside the walls. Well, it's now gone. It's a pretty funny show. Watch it on DVD.

Four years ago — "I am Lions free in my life now." I started curling on Sundays and consequently missed good chunks of the Lions' games during those years I did curl on Sundays. That has made me less attached to this squad.

Monday's post — "Screw the draft pick position. Keep winning Lions." Apparently, I'm not as Lions free as I thought I was. It was the

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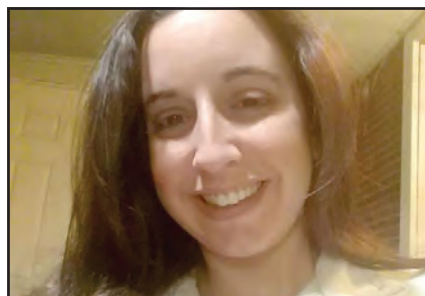
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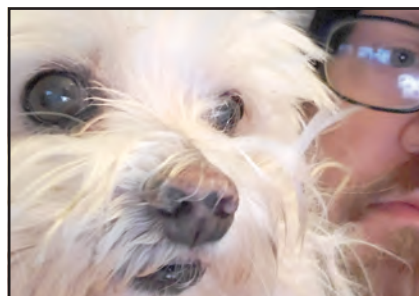
"I like receiving, especially from my sister. She always gets a gag gift for everyone. I once ended up with Oprah Winfrey's 20th anniversary DVD collection with a few of the DVDs missing. She found that at a garage sale."

Anna LeBlanc, Linden



"I love to give. It's more awkward for me to receive. Though I do appreciate when someone puts real thought into something for me not just grabs an easy gift."

Julie Ferris Drury
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"Giving. I love thinking of gifts with some measure of meaning, not just 'here, I bought something.' The whole point of the holiday is representative of the greatest gift for us all: redemption through Jesus Christ."

Jonathan Ettinger
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"I would like to take the gifting equation out of Christmas or at the very least tone it down. It's way out of hand."

Julie Hussar
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Parking is prohibited on all city streets and on the municipal parking lots in November to March, from the hours of 2 - 5 a.m. Since Fenton police are allowing people on Parallel Street to park in the street, does that mean it will not be plowed with the next snow?

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Here are some of the products the Procter & Gamble Company is voluntarily recalling due to the presence of benzene detected in some products.

Use dry shampoo?

■ Procter & Gamble recalling products due to presence of Benzene

By Sharon Stone

On Friday, Dec. 17, the Procter & Gamble Company issued a voluntary product recall to the consumer level of aerosol dry conditioner spray products and aerosol dry shampoo spray products.

The products are from Pantene, Aussie, Herbal Essences, and Waterless produced in the United States, in addition to previously discontinued

aerosol dry shampoo products from Old Spice and Hair Food, due to the presence of benzene detected in some products.

According to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Benzene is classified as a human carcinogen. Exposure to benzene can occur by inhalation, orally, and through the skin, and it can result in cancers including leukemia and blood cancer of the bone marrow and blood disorders, which can be life-threatening. Based on exposure modeling and the

See **DRY SHAMPOO** on 13

Bouchard names new undersheriff

■ Will replace Michael McCabe who is retiring after 44 years with sheriff's office

Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard has named a veteran of his senior command staff, Major Curtis D. Childs, as his new undersheriff.

Childs, who began with the sheriff's office as a deputy in 1992, is only the third undersheriff in Bouchard's tenure. He replaces Undersheriff Michael McCabe who is retiring at the end of December after 44 years with the sheriff's office, including more than 18 years as undersheriff.

Childs begins his new role on Jan. 1, 2022.

"The sheriff's office consists of a collection of talented people working in many different facets of law enforcement towards a common goal and I am very proud to be a part of this great organization," Childs said. "I appreciate the opportunity given to me by Sheriff Bouchard to continue serving and protecting the residents of Oakland County. I look forward to the challenges ahead."

Bouchard, who has been sheriff since 1999, said he felt it was important to select a candidate who knew the staff and was very familiar with the operation of the office. He announced the promotion to the staff Wednesday.

"I was looking for a person who was both eminently qualified and capable but also would be a source of calm and continuity for our team in one of the most challenging times to ever face law enforcement," Bouchard said. "Curtis Childs is that person. I am proud of his past work, given I have promoted him three times before this promotion, and I look forward to his work in this new role."

As undersheriff, Childs will oversee the day-to-day operations of the sheriff's office and aid in the oversight of the \$166 million annual budget, while managing 1,400 employees. Some of his duties will include overseeing labor



Curtis D.
Childs



Michael
McCabe

contracts and negotiations, new hires, disciplines, lawsuits, and act as a chief advisor to Bouchard. Childs is currently commander of Corrections and Court Services, which includes overseeing the operations at the main jail. He was a member of the sheriff's SWAT team and has worked in all areas of the sheriff's office.

He has had a steady rise though in the sheriff's office. He was promoted to sergeant in 1998, lieutenant in 2001, captain in 2013 and major in 2020.

Childs has been married for 22 years and has four children: two sons are in college; a third son is in high school, and he has a daughter in elementary school. He is a graduate of Oakland Community College and Columbia Southern University, with a degree in finance. He attended the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety Police Staff and Command in 2005. He was honored by the sheriff's office as Command Officer of the Year in 2010.

Bouchard announced the promotion of Major Christopher Wundrach to Chief of Staff. Wundrach currently oversees Law Enforcement Services, which includes oversight of the Road Patrol, Sheriff's Operations Center, Homeland Security, Training Unit, Civil Unit, and the Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) unit.

Bouchard recognized Captain Dale Miller, commander of the Patrol Services Division, who is retiring Dec. 31 after 43 years with the Sheriff's Office.

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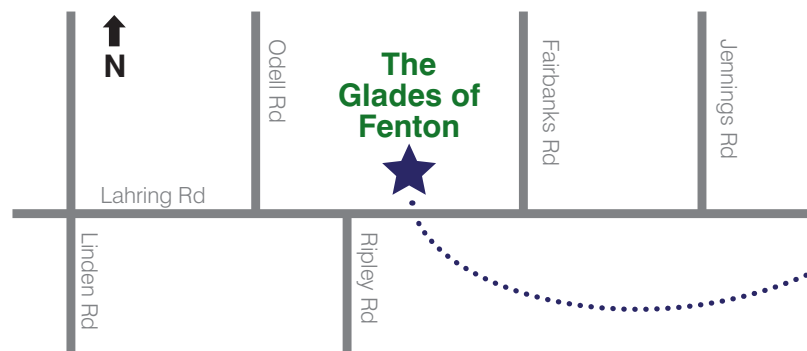
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HISTORY

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DEC. 26

1946: Mobster Benjamin “Bugsy” Siegel opens the glitzy Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. Well-known singer and comedian Jimmy Durante headlined the night’s entertainment, with music by Cuban band leader Xavier Cugat. Some of infamous gangster Bugsy Siegel’s Hollywood friends, including actors George Raft, George Sanders, Sonny Tufts and George Jessel were in attendance. The grand opening of the Flamingo Hotel, however, was a flop. Bad weather kept many other Hollywood guests from arriving. And because gamblers had no rooms at the hotel, they took their winnings and gambled elsewhere.

DEC. 27

1932: At the height of the Great Depression, thousands turn out for the opening of Radio City Music Hall, a magnificent Art Deco theater in New York City. Radio City Music Hall was designed as a palace for the people, a place of beauty where ordinary people could see high-quality entertainment. Since its 1932 opening, more than 300 million people have gone to Radio City to enjoy movies, stage shows, concerts and special events. Radio City Music Hall was the brainchild of the billionaire John D. Rockefeller Jr.

DEC. 28

1895: The world’s first commercial movie screening takes place at the Grand Café in Paris. The film was made by Louis and Auguste Lumiere, two French brothers who developed a camera-projector called the Cinematographe. The Lumiere brothers unveiled their invention to the public in March 1895 with a brief film showing workers leaving the Lumiere factory. On Dec. 28, the entrepreneurial siblings screened a series of short scenes from everyday French life and charged admission for the first time.

DEC. 29

1845: Six months after the congress of the Republic of Texas accepts U.S. annexation of the territory, Texas is admitted into the United States as the 28th state. After gaining independence from Spain in the 1820s, Mexico welcomed foreign settlers to sparsely populated Texas, and a large group of Americans led by Stephen F. Austin settled along the Brazos River. The Americans soon outnumbered the resident Mexicans, and by the 1830s, attempts by the Mexican government to regulate these semi-autonomous American communities led to rebellion. In March 1836, in the midst of armed conflict with the Mexican government, Texas declared its independence from Mexico.

DEC. 30

1936: At 8 p.m., in one of the first sit-down strikes in the United States, autoworkers occupy the General Motors Fisher Body Plant Number One in Flint, Michigan. The autoworkers were striking to win recognition of the United Auto Workers (UAW) as the only bargaining agent for GM’s workers; they also wanted to make the company stop sending work to non-union plants and to establish a fair minimum wage scale, a grievance system and a set of procedures that would help protect assembly-line workers from injury. In all, the strike lasted 44 days.

DEC. 31

1999: The United States, in accordance with the Torrijos-Carter Treaties, officially hands over control of the Panama Canal, putting the strategic waterway into Panamanian hands for the first time. Crowds of Panamanians celebrated the transfer of the 50-mile canal, which links the Atlantic and Pacific oceans and officially opened when the SS Arcon sailed through Aug. 15, 1914. Since then, more than one million ships have used the canal. In 1977, responding to nearly 20 years of Panamanian protest, U.S. President Jimmy Carter and Panama’s General Omar Torrijos signed two new treaties that replaced the original 1903 agreement and called for a transfer of canal control in 1999. The treaty, narrowly ratified by the U.S. Senate, gave America the ongoing right to defend the canal against any threats to its neutrality.

JAN. 1

2008: With snowflakes falling around him in Buffalo, Pittsburgh Penguins star Sidney Crosby slips a shot past Ryan Miller to win the NHL’s inaugural Winter Classic — the first regular-season game in league history played outdoors in the United States. The game is played before 71,127 fans at Ralph Wilson Stadium, home of the Buffalo Bills. Afterward, an elated Crosby, who is from Nova Scotia, told reporters: “Growing up, I played a lot outside ... When you see 70,000 people jammed into a stadium to watch hockey, it’s a good sign. The atmosphere and environment,

I don’t think you can beat that.” Since 2008, the NHL has played the Winter Classic each year, with games at Chicago’s Wrigley Field, Boston’s Fenway Park and other storied venues.

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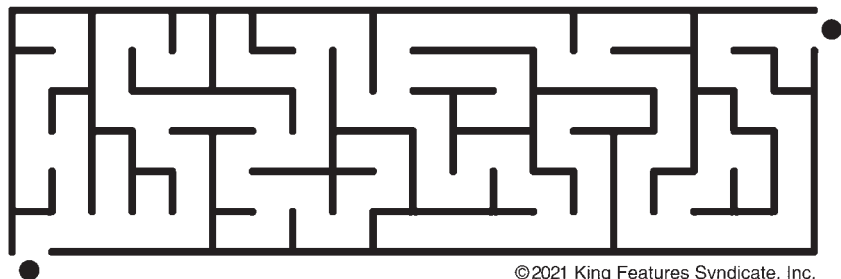
1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
2. Supervisor Lorraine led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
3. Approved the agenda as presented.
4. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$411,094.54.
5. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-41, formally requesting that the Genesee County 911 Dispatch Center recognize Medstar as the primary provider of EMS/ambulance services in Fenton Township.
6. Appointed Trustee Katrak as the elected representative, Andrew Marko as the citizen representative and Trustee Kesler as the alternate representative for Fenton Township on the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance for 2022.
7. Adopted amendments to the 2021 Fenton Township budget.
8. Reappointed Trustee Christine Reid and Trustee Robert Kesler as Fenton Township’s representatives on the Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation Commission for the term ending December 31, 2024.
9. Scheduled a joint special meeting of the Fenton Township Board and Fenton Township Planning Commission for Thursday January 13, 2022 to review and discuss the development of the Thompson Road Corridor.
10. Approved a motion to reject all offers for tax-reverted properties owned by Fenton Township in the Fenton Orchards condominium development and to advertise the properties for sale by sealed bid.
11. Adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and are available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

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Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times

5 lifestyle changes to consider

■ They could help prevent a cancer diagnosis

Submitted by Karen Meyerson

People panic when they hear the word cancer, but there are preventative steps you can take that could lower your chances of hearing that diagnosis.

Most people know someone who has been affected by cancer, whether through a personal experience or the suffering of a loved one. According to the American Cancer Society, there will be an estimated 1.9 million new cancer cases diagnosed in 2021.

While that statistic may seem alarming, there are proven steps that you can take to adjust your lifestyle and reduce your risk of being diagnosed with certain types of the disease.

1. STAY ACTIVE AND FIT.

Maintaining a healthy weight is key to lowering the risk of developing cancer. When you are regularly active, your body is more easily able to maintain its hormone levels. When you have high levels of certain hormones, your cancer risk increases. Aim for 30 minutes of activity daily to get your heart pumping and increase caloric burn.

2. STICK TO HEALTHY, PLANT-BASED FOODS.

Having a diet that is full of fruits and vegetables helps lower the risk of cancer. Research has shown that plant-

based foods can help to protect you from a range of cancers, including mouth, pharynx, larynx, esophagus and lung. Fruits and veggies are packed with vitamins and minerals, which strengthens your immune system and overall health.

The consumption of fiber rich foods is also associated with a reduced risk of cancer. This includes whole-grain breads and pastas, oats, as well as green leafy vegetables and raspberries, apples, strawberries, bananas and oranges. And it would be worthwhile to limit your consumption of red and processed meats as they have often been linked to an increased risk of cancer.

3. DON'T USE TOBACCO.

Smoking and/or chewing tobacco greatly increases your chances of developing lung, mouth and throat cancers. Tobacco is full of chemicals that are harmful to your body. Secondhand smoke increases your risk for developing cancer. If you are a current tobacco user, the sooner you quit the better. If you need help quitting, contact your doctor who can provide resources to make quitting easier.

4. MAKE USE OF SUNSCREEN.

Skin cancer is the most common of all cancers and one of the easiest to prevent if you take the proper precautions. You should wear sunscreen even if you See **CHANGES** on 16

NOTICE ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP

Please be notified that the Argentine Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Meeting on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lake Rd to consider the following Variance:

Appeal #2022-01

Steven Watson 12007 Seymour Rd, is requesting Variances for Size, Height and Use. He would like to build a barn larger than his home to store farm equipment in and the "Use" to run a manufacturing business in R1-Rural Residential district. Described as 01-11-100-006, 33.02 Acres

A complete copy of this application may be viewed at the Township office during regular office hours.

Joseph Graves, Clerk
Argentine Township

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

CHRISTMAS TREE AND MORE STOLEN FROM UNLOCKED CAR

The Fenton Police Department is investigating a larceny from auto complaint which was reported Tuesday, Dec. 7. Lt. Jeff Cross said a woman reported that sometime between 9:45 and 11 a.m. on Dec. 7, someone stole several items from her car, including a Christmas tree, Christmas tree topper, two sweatshirts, a heated sweatshirt, pop cans and approximately \$30 in cash. The woman said she left her car unlocked, which she routinely does. Cross said potential thieves, especially during the holidays, are looking inside vehicles in search of valuables to steal. Police advise everyone to keep the doors of their vehicles locked at all times and to remove or conceal any personal belongings.

TRUCK STOLEN FROM USED VEHICLE LOT, LATER FOUND

Fenton police received a stolen vehicle complaint from a used car lot in the 1500 block of N. LeRoy Street on Dec. 7. A person from the business said the theft occurred between Nov. 1 and Dec. 7. Stolen was a 1999 Dodge Ram pickup truck. It was a dually and white. The employee said it was parked in the back. Lt. Jeff Cross said through some investigation work, the truck was located.

Police are still searching for suspect information.

POKÉMON CARDS STOLEN FROM STORE

On Dec. 8, at 2 p.m. Fenton police responded to a game store on Silver Parkway to investigate a larceny complaint. An employee told police that a white male, approximately 30 year old, 6-feet tall, 210 pounds, wearing a hooded sweatshirt and mask had been behaving suspiciously in the store. The suspect had been looking at several trading cards, including Pokémon cards. After the shopper left, they viewed the surveillance footage and observed the man steal approximately \$80 worth of Pokémon cards and a \$120 computer hard drive. Due to the hooded sweatshirt and face mask, they were unable to produce a clear photo of the suspect.

NAVIGATION SYSTEMS STOLEN FROM NEW VEHICLES

On Dec. 9, an employee of a auto dealership on Silver Parkway reported to Fenton police that eight Dodge Ram pickup trucks had been broken into. The suspect(s) smashed the back window, entered the cab and stole the navigation systems from the trucks. The trucks were parked in a business lot next to the auto dealership. Between the damage to the trucks and the stolen items, police estimate total damage is \$24,000. If anyone has information about this crime, they are asked to call Fenton police at (810) 629-5311.

JUMBLE KIDS

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By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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Jumbles: GET
Answer: When she saw her favorite omelet on her plate, she
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST FOR VARIANCE CITY OF LINDEN – ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE The City of Linden's Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing as part of a regular meeting agenda on **Tuesday, January 11, 2022**, at 7:00 p.m. **within Council Chambers** on the lower level of the Mill Building located at 201 North Main Street, Linden, Michigan, 48451.

The purpose of the hearing is to hear citizens' comments on a request for a variance from Section 154.158, (A), (3) of the City of Linden Zoning Ordinance to allow a ground sign to be located closer than 10 feet from the front property line.

Petitioner: Mary Mitchell/Lexington Oaks Development Group
Property Address: 1215 North Bridge Street
Property Tax ID Number: 61-17-300-010 & 61-17-300-011

Legal Description:

61-17-300-010: A PARCEL OF LAND BEG S 0 DEG 51 MIN 30 SEC E 1052.98 FT FROM NW COR OF SPRING MEADOWS SUB TH CONT S 0 DEG 51 MIN 30 SEC E 210 FT TH S 89 DEG 31 MIN 15 SEC W 395.43 FT TH N 0 DEG 50 MIN 30 SEC W 210 FT TH N 89 DEG 31 MIN 15 SEC E 395.36 FT TO PL OF BEG SEC 17 T5N R6E 1.91 A (97) FR 61-17-300-009

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Applications and supporting documentation are available for public review at City Offices. Persons wishing to comment may do so at the hearing. Written comments may also be submitted **prior to 4:00 p.m. on January 11, 2022**, and should be addressed to:

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HARTLAND BREAK-IN SUSPECT CAUGHT

Michigan State Police Brighton Post troopers were dispatched to an alarm at Belle Tire store in Hartland Township in Livingston County early Sunday, Dec. 19. A responding trooper observed a suspect inside the closed business. While waiting for additional officers, the suspect fled the scene in a vehicle. A short pursuit ensued and ultimately the suspect was arrested for breaking and entering, resisting and obstructing an officer and fleeing and eluding police. In the suspect's vehicle, troopers located stolen items from the business, including burglary too. No injuries occurred. The suspect, a 47-year-old White Lake man, was lodged at the Livingston County Jail. Troopers were assisted by Livingston County Sheriff's Office.



FOOD

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On Saturday, Dec. 18, a dozen volunteers handed out fruit, bread, bagels, vegetables, potatoes, onions and more, including non-food items such as diapers, at the church.

Volunteer Julie St. John of Linden said it helps people "big time," especially around the holidays.

"It went really well. People are really nice and grateful, and we were just hustling to fill up the cars," she said. "They were super appreciative."

This is the second time the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan has partnered with the Argentine Church of the Nazarene.

In March 2021, Feeding America, an organization dedicated to supporting food pantries and ending food insecurity, projected that 42 million people (one in eight), including 13 million children (one in six), would experience food insecurity in 2021.

This is a slight improvement from their 2020 projections, which stated that 45 million people and 15 million children would experience insecurity



A volunteer with the Argentine Church of the Nazarene carries a box of supplies during the food drive on Saturday, Dec. 18. Photo: Hannah Ball

in 2020.

In the U.S., food insecurity was at an all-time low in 2019 before the pandemic. Approximately one in nine individuals (10.9%) and one in seven children (14.6%) lived in a food-insecure household. This means

approximately 35 million people and nearly 11 million children were food insecure.

Unemployment and poverty are the two biggest factors that cause food insecurity, both of which were at recent lows before the pandemic.

DRY SHAMPOO

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cancer risk assessments published by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (IRIS database), daily exposure to benzene in the recalled products at the levels detected in testing would not be expected to cause adverse health consequences. Benzene is ubiquitous in the environment. Humans around the world have daily exposures to it indoors and outdoors from multiple sources.

To date, The Procter & Gamble Company has not received any reports of adverse events related to this recall and is conducting this recall out of an abundance of caution.

The affected products are packaged in aerosol cans. Consumers can visit pantene.com, aussie.com, herbalessences.com, hairfood.com, oldspice.com or waterlesshaircare.com for more information about the impacted products and to learn how to receive reimbursement for eligible products. If consumers have further questions, they can also seek more information via the Consumer Care team at 1-888-674-3631 from Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. EST.

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REVIEW

DEAR CITIZENS OF THE SOUTHERN LAKES REGIONAL METROPOLITAN PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT,

Beginning Monday, December 20th, 2021, the public is invited to take part in a 30-day review of the DRAFT SLPR 5-year Recreation Master Plan for 2022-2027. The plan will be available for public review and comment through Tuesday, January 18th, 2022. Copies are available online at www.SLPR.net, through an email request to contact_us@slpr.net, at the SLPR office in the Fenton Community and Cultural Center, the Fenton Township Office, Linden City Hall, and at Fenton City Hall. We look forward to your input and finalizing our master plan!

Ed Koledo

Executive Director, SLPR

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Pain or Numbness in Your Hands or Feet?

By Erica Rainer

Pain and Numbness in your hands or feet, a feeling of burning, extreme cold, tingling, electrical shock like pain, even the feeling of walking on bubble wrap or like there is a sock balled up under your foot... these are all symptoms experienced by those suffering with **Peripheral Neuropathy**. Unfortunately drugs and injections only mask the pain and there is no surgery, other than amputation, that will heal/stop neuropathy from progressing.

Neuropathy is a term used to describe damaged nerves, primarily in the hands and/or feet, that are progressively breaking down due to a lack of blood supply, nutrients and oxygen reaching the nerves along with a lack of communication from the brain. Since the nerves are what the brain uses to communicate with the area and they are breaking down, the brain's ability to communicate with the area lessens over time, allowing for the progression of more breakdown and worse symptoms. It can be caused by Diabetes, Poor Circulation, Poor Nutrition, Chemotherapy, Agent Orange, Misaligned Spinal Bones Placing Pressure on the Nerves, along with over 100 other causes. "Patients experience extreme sensations, loss of feeling, even No Feelings in their Hands and/or Feet along with muscles spasms, pain, weakness, numbness, tingling and burning and may have a very hard time with balance" says Dr. James Ide, clinic director at Painless Chiropractic & Neuropathy Treatment Center.

This condition can eventually lead to further nerve damage, causing complete loss of legs or arms leading to amputation, death or brain injury due to falls, burns or other injuries that will not heal, along with organ failure in some cases.

Are you or someone you love suffering with loss of balance, numbness or pain in your hands and/or feet that just won't heal?

You are not alone.

More than 20 Million people in the U.S. are dealing with some form of Neuropathy. Most commonly noticed first in the hands or feet, causing weakness, numbness, tingling pain and debilitating balance problems, often frustrated with no place to turn and no hope of recovery. "By the time they come to see us, they feel like they have tried everything. Their MD put them on Anti-Seizure or Epilepsy meds like Gabapentin, Neurontin, Cymbalta or Lyrica and told them they will just have to live with the pain," said Dr. Ide.

That is until now...

With recent advancements in nerve regeneration technology and treatment options, clinics all over are seeing larger success rates and faster results with their neuropathy patients.

New Medical Breakthrough for Neuropathy

The development and success of the new Neuropathy Protocols by Dr. Ide and his team at Painless Chiropractic & Neuropathy Treatment Center have been the talk of the town in recent months. "This new technology paired with our multifaceted approach, has been life altering for our patients and our clinic. There has been an increase in Neuropathy patients and the results that they are getting is truly amazing, we have 95% or higher Success Rate" said, the Patient Coordinator at the clinic. There are some things people can do at home to aide in the healing process of their neuropathy however, **healing neuropathy is an all-encompassing process that will require lifestyle changes, home care and -may or may not - include chiropractic, (varying from patient to patient) along with guidance from a medical professional that is experienced, skilled and board certified in neuropathy.**

Dr. James Ide and his skilled care team, board certified in the treatment of Neuropathy, have been treating patients for almost a decade now and judging by their reviews, they have been doing a very good job providing excellent patient care.

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or feet to stop the pain and start living life again! "Our Neuropathy Protocol is a multifaceted approach to heal neuropathy by nurturing the nervous system, increasing circulation, blood & oxygen, working to rebuild, strengthen & balance the body, all while stimulating the damaged nerves. Revitalizing and healing the damaged areas

"I started noticing improvements very quickly! Now the pain in my feet is gone and my balance is much better already!" ~Jon P. Linden MI

But hurry, due to the number of patients the office can see, this is a limited time offer, with only 25 Appointments available at this exclusively discounted rate. These will be on a first come, first serve basis, messages left will count.

My advice, don't suffer any longer, waiting around for it to get worse... If you or your loved one is experiencing pain, numbness, tingling, pins and needle sensations, cramps and burning in your feet, or hands, along with the many other bodily symptoms this horrible condition plagues people with, take action because it will progress. Find out if their Painless Neuropathy Protocols can help you regain the feeling in your hands and

enabling them to reactivate and function at an increasingly higher rate over time, all while increasing the patients quality of life dramatically". said Dr. Ide

The clinic has a large care team of 3 doctors and a large supportive staff. Over the years they have treated thousands of patients with chronic conditions of Neuropathy, Sciatic Nerve Pain, Back & Neck problems, Whiplash along with Migraines and much more. The office is well known and has a good reputation. The vast majority of their patients enjoy superior, lasting relief. In fact, many who have suffered and tried other treatment options with no luck, only to have been told that they are just stuck with their pain and discomfort, have credited the care team at Dr. Ide's office for giving them their lives back!

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

■■■
I AGREE WITH the Hot-liner who said we need to research our school board candidates better. When they're asked basic questions by the media, they give basic answers. We must make sure the men and women we choose have our youngsters' best interest at heart, not the unions.

■■■
THE HOT-LINER WHO said we need to be better at picking school members is correct. We also need to dig deeper into how all of our

local candidates think about things. What do they like and what do they comment? Snoop on their social media posts and you will see who they truly are.

■■■
GENESEE COUNTY HAS lost 20,000 K-12 students since 2010, yet still has 21 districts and 150 school buildings. Fenton and Lake Fenton should have merged years ago.

■■■
GOT MY TRUMP Operation Warp Speed vaccine over the weekend. Happy now?

CHANGES

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are only spending a short period of time outdoors. If you're going to be spending a prolonged amount of time in the sun, make sure you use a high SPF and regularly reapply. It's important to avoid using tanning beds as the concentrated exposure to UV rays has proven to increase risk of skin cancer.

5. SEE YOUR DOCTOR REGULARLY.

It is important to make sure you don't skip doctor recommended screenings. These are often paid for by insurance

as a preventative measure so it will cost you little or nothing to do so. If something doesn't feel right, make sure you have it checked out. Regular screenings will help to detect cancerous cells sooner, which may lead to a more effective treatment.

HERE ARE SOME SCREENINGS TO BE AWARE OF:

- **Mammograms** — This is the best way to test for breast cancer early, and the earlier you find it, the easier it is to treat.
- **Pap test** — Pap tests will uncover abnormal cells in the cervix and detect cervical cancer.
- **Colorectal (colon) cancer screening** — Regular colon screenings should begin at age 45 for people at average risk for colorectal cancer.
- **Low-dose computed tomography (low-dose CT scan)** — This test is used to detect lung cancer and is only recommended for people who are considered to have a high risk of developing lung cancer.
- **Skin exam** — If you notice a suspicious mole or spot, it is important to let your doctor know. A biopsy can then be taken by your doctor to test for skin cancer.

Immunizations can also help lower your chances of developing cancers such as HPV or a viral infection such as Hepatitis B, which has been linked to liver cancer.

If you're a cancer survivor, these cancer prevention tips are still relevant and important changes to incorporate into your lifestyle. Maintaining a healthy diet and daily exercise, avoiding tobacco, and seeing your doctor regularly can prevent cancer recurrence.

Let's face it; cancer is scary. But by taking control of your health and lifestyle, you can decrease your risk of developing cancer, or catch it early, and live a full and healthy life.

About the Author: Karen Meyerson, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, AE-C is the director of commercial care management at Priority Health. In this role, she is responsible for developing and executing strategies related to population health management, utilization management and care management delivery and outcomes.

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Linden approves buying CPR device

■ **LUCAS device performs automated chest compressions**

By Hannah Ball

The Linden Fire Department will soon have an automated CPR device that does chest compressions to help people during medical emergencies.

On Monday, Dec. 13, the Linden City Council approved buying a Lund University Cardiopulmonary Assist System (LUCAS) device. First responders use this equipment by strapping it around someone's chest when they are in cardiac arrest. It delivers automatic chest compressions, which leaves the first responders available to respond to other medical needs.

The community also helped buy this device. The Linden Fire Department raised approximately \$4,500 from fundraisers and a donation from the Women of the Moose #2364. However, the system costs \$17,000.

"This device is needed to better perform CPR on patients, which will work at a constant rhythm for effectiveness and allow our staff to do other things

when a patient is in need," said Fire Chief Brian Will. "We have found that we are on scene longer doing CPR due to the ongoing shortage of ambulances in the county and their delayed responses from time to time to our city."

He said the population in Linden is generally older, which means the need for CPR is higher than most areas.

"I was very appreciative of the support of our council to move forward sooner than later with this purchase. It may have taken a while to raise the large amount of money needed so now we can put it to use hopefully sometime in January when it's delivered to us," he said.

They may have another private donation coming soon.

City Manager Ellen Glass also commented on the long wait times for ambulances in the county.

"Just the recent calls we've had, I think most of the medics have been 20 minutes out or more. Scary. So having this device is only going to help our fire department be able to respond to those medical calls and provide immediate first aid during cardiac arrests," Glass said.

Jobes Technology Solutions celebrates expansion with ribbon-cutting



On Friday, Dec. 10, the Holly Chamber of Commerce, Bill Jobes of Jobes Technology Solutions, State Sen. Ruth Johnson of Holly and other local dignitaries celebrate the expansion and recent move of its headquarters to a larger space at 3043 Grange Hall Rd., Suite 10, Holly. Using proven leadership development and project management techniques, Jobes Technology Solutions helps your business navigate the murky waters of delivering projects on time and on budget. Call (248) 355-5100 to reach Jobes Technology Solutions.



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Center of Hope gives gifts to more than 300 kids

■ Community support helps organization bring Christmas cheer to families

By Hannah Ball

Fenton — Christmas is here, and thanks to the Fenton Center of Hope (COH) and community support, more than 300 children will have gifts to open Christmas Day.

On Sunday, Dec. 19, COH volunteers and deputies from the Genesee County Sheriff's Office gave out bags of personalized presents to families who requested help this holiday season. Santa was on scene to greet the children and a live nativity added to the holiday spirit.

"We're so blessed to be able to bless them," said volunteer Christina Clark, who runs the program. In 2020, they helped approximately 240 children.

In November, they sent out forms to find families who wished to sponsor a child and buy Christmas presents for them. They also solicited information



Deputies from the Genesee County Sheriff's Office place bags of Christmas gifts in the back of a car Sunday, Dec. 19. Photo: Hannah Ball

from families who requested help and asked what presents their children wanted. About 40 people signed up to sponsor families and children. Many of them sponsored more than one child.

"They are so generous. It's just amazing," Clark said.

One sponsor originally signed up to sponsor four children. She called Clark and said she wanted to sponsor 10 more. In a few cases, a sponsor would tell their place of employment about the program, and entire companies wanted to get involved and buy Christmas gifts for children.

Approximately 70 children did not have sponsors this year, so Clark and another volunteer used monetary donations and bought presents. Many of the requests from families in need are household things that people take for granted, Clark said.

"We're able to give them everything on their lists. I can't even explain to you the joy that you feel being able to do that," she said.



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If there are more applicants to enroll in a specific grade than there are spaces available, students shall be selected using a public lottery process.

The lottery, if necessary, is scheduled to occur on Friday, March 18, 2022 at 9:00am.

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WATER PROJECT

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County Water Supply System Southern Loop to include the Thompson Road Corridor, Fenton Road, Baldwin Road and to eventually come south to Lahring Road, Torrey Road, N. Long Lake Road and Fenton Road.

Thompson Road, near the U.S. 23 overpass, is zoned a mix of manufacturing, commercial, residential and planned unit development, mainly populated with manufacturers and businesses that retrieve water from wells. Genesee County has high amounts of arsenic in groundwater, forcing businesses and individuals to pay for remediation efforts.

Design plans include a 16-inch transmission main along Fenton Road and Thompson Road, as well as a 16-inch transmission main extension along Baldwin Road, until the Shadyhill Lane subdivision in Grand Blanc Township.

In a letter to the Genesee County Drain Commission Division of Water and Waste Services (GCDC-WWS), Wade Trim outlined plans for 25,000 lineal feet of 16-inch ductile iron water main, a tunneled crossing below U.S. 23, a master meter to be constructed at the township line between Mundy Township and Fenton Township, and a master meter pit at the end of the Baldwin Road transmission main extension.

The project will be done in phases. In Phase 1A, a water tower would be placed at the northeast corner of Fenton

and Thompson roads, and the Phase 1B water tower would be located just east of northbound U.S. 23 near the Thompson Road ramps.

Engineers will be able to loop the water line in Mundy and Grand Blanc townships, which results in better water quality for residents. Engineering costs for the design for the Phase 1 water main and a 0.5 MG elevated water tank is expected to cost \$382,000. Costs will be split between three municipalities. Fenton Township will pay 69% (\$263,580), Mundy Township will pay 25% (\$95,500) and Grand Blanc Township would pay 6% (\$22,920). The majority of these lines would be located in Fenton Township.

Wade Trim services will not exceed the fee of \$252,000 for the proposed transmission main and will not exceed \$130,000 for the elevated storage tank.

On Wednesday, Oct. 13, Fenton Township Supervisor Vince Lorraine spoke at the Genesee County Board of Commissioners meeting to discuss the issues surrounding the high arsenic levels found in the Fenton Township area. He secured \$6.5 million from the county. The funds will come from the county's \$78.6 million allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act.

The entire project is expected to cost approximately \$23.5 million. Lorraine's goal is to use grant money and other federal funds to fund the majority of the project.

The Polar Express' message



Linden's Hyatt Elementary School Principal John Strickert dresses as the Polar Express conductor to help students usher in the start of Christmas break Wednesday, Dec. 22. Strickert gave each student a train ticket and talked about being a believer... a believer in oneself, in respect, in kindness and in forgiveness. Submitted photo

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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Genisys Credit union president and CEO receives award

■ Distinguished Walsh College Alumni Award presented at annual dinner

At the recent 20th annual Leadership Awards Dinner presented by Walsh College, Genisys Credit Union President and CEO Jackie Buchanan received the 2021 Distinguished Alumni Award.

"My sincerest thank you to Walsh College for this recognition. I am proud



Jackie Buchanan

to have graduated from Walsh and remain an active alumnus supporting their various efforts to continually give back," Buchanan said.

This prestigious award recognizes business leaders who have shared their expertise and talent in their commitment to Walsh. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in accounting

and has remained a proud, actively involved alumni along with being a Walsh College Board Trustee.

"Jackie's educational and professional journey and her generous spirit are extraordinary," said Michael Levens, Ph.D., Walsh College president and CEO. "We are so proud to have Jackie as part of the Walsh family and it is a privilege to present

her with the 2021 Distinguished Alumni Award."

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AMBULANCE

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Now the response times are around 6:50 to 7 minutes. Long wait times for ambulances is an issue across Genesee County.

During this meeting, the board passed a resolution to request that Genesee County 911 Dispatch Center recognize the agreement between the township and Medstar for ambulance services.

The resolution states, "...in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the resi-

dents of Fenton Township, it is imperative that this agreement be recognized by the Genesee County 911 Center."

On Nov. 1, the township entered into an agreement with Medstar, which designated the company as the primary provider of EMS/ambulance services in Fenton Township. It requested that the Genesee County 911 Dispatch Center dispatch Medstar to calls in the municipality.

Even with the agreement in place, the Genesee County 911 is still the autho-

rized agency that actually controls the handling and assignment of 911 calls in the county.

Clerk Robert Krug asked Volz if he believed the township was "stepping" on the 911 Consortium's toes. Volz said no and that the township is a part of the consortium.

"I think as a township, we've got a pretty good grasp on the direction we're going to go with it," Volz said. "We have an obligation to take care of our residents and I think we're going to do

our best at it."

Supervisor Vince Lorraine said they started this process eight or nine months ago when he asked Volz to find the best solution, and he did.

"I think it was a great move by this board, and I just want to personally thank you for putting your time and effort and coming up with the best solution," he said.

Medstar has entered into similar agreements with 22-25 other municipalities in Genesee County.



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Junior Leadership team wins Golden Spatula award



Boy Scout Troop 219's Junior Leadership team shows off the Golden Spatula award they won for their Buffalo Burger entrée. From left are Brice Edmonds, 1st Class Scout; Owen Baize, 1st Class Scout; Jimmy Appleton, Life Scout; and Samuel Levi, Eagle Scout

■ They 'wow' cooking contest judges with their Buffalo Burger entrée

By Sharon Stone

One or all of the members of Boy Scout Troop 219's Junior Leadership team just might be the next Bobby Flay or Gordon Ramsey. This claim to fame is a result of their contribution for a cooking contest and winning the Golden Spatula award.

Boy Scout Troop 219 divided up by patrols or small groups of four to eight Scouts to come up with a delicious entrée to be entered into the cooking contest.

The requirement was their dish had to have "ground meat." Other than that, the Boy Scouts had the freedom to come up with a dish that would "wow" the judges and earn their names on the Golden Spatula.

One thing Boy Scouts teach young adults is how to plan, budget, prepare, prep and cook meals, one basic life skill that we all use every day.

Scoutmaster Vince Levi said, "This competition got the boys excited about cooking and what creations they could come up with, how could they tweak something to hopefully beat out the competition."

Levi said each group of boys had two weeks to work as a group and come up with their ideas on what they would like to prepare. They had to decide on which ingredients they needed, and then go shopping for those ingredients.

One group had a combination of ground beef and venison infused with cheese put between two hamburger buns with homemade fries. Another group tried a pancake taco, which had ground sausage, bacon, potatoes, cheese, and onions held together by a pancake. Their third group of younger Scouts (11- to 12-year-olds) boiled potatoes, and sandwiched in hamburger, cheese and sour cream.

Three judges had the tough task to decide which entrée was the best. As the judges tried everything, they took notes so they could give constructive feedback on how the Boy Scouts might improve on future cook-offs.

Levi said the group of older Scouts in the Junior Leadership team won the



Shown at a past memorial event is the West Vietnam Moving Wall looking east.

WALL

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It costs \$10,000 to bring the wall to Holly. Additional costs include a platform for the wall, walkway, tents, benches, flagpole, tables and chairs, and more. If you would like to donate, please make checks payable to the American Legion Post 149 and indicate that it is for the wall. You can drop off donations at the Holly Area Veterans Resource Center or you can mail donations to the Holly American Legion Post 149, P.O. Box #159, Holly MI 48442.

We are also looking for volunteers to work on the project. To volunteer contact one of the co-chairs.

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Golden Spatula. They made "Buffalo Burgers," on a pretzel bun with caramelized onions, cheddar cheese and a homemade special secret sauce.

The Boy Scouts are always looking for and accepting new members. If you'd like to join in on the adventure, Troop 219 meets every Monday night at the Fenton First Presbyterian Church from 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Scoutmaster Levi at vlevi@umich.edu.

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Tigers dominate Lady Bronchos in Metro action

By David Troppens

Holly — The Fenton varsity girls basketball team has taken a few lumps in their non-Flint Metro League Stripes Division contests this season.

However, in the games that matter the most, the Tigers have been pretty good,

earning two victories.

A week after opening the Metro Stripes Division season with a 50-43 victory against the Swartz Creek Dragons, the Tigers improved to 2-0 against Division foes by using unselfish basketball to earn a 53-14 road victory against

area rival Holly on Dec. 17.

The Tigers (2-2 overall) also used an outstanding defensive effort to make this victory come together. They held Holly scoreless in the opening quarter while scoring 20 points themselves. Kaleigh See **TIGERS** on 28



Fenton's Tammy Craven attempts a shot against Holly's Morgan Flukey.

Photo: Christopher Summers

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Sports Times

Bronchos win thriller vs. Tigers, 62-59

By David Troppens

Holly — It was a great battle between two area rivals Dec. 17 at Holly High School.

It was a varsity boys basketball game that featured many lead changes and many ebbs and flows throughout the 32 minute contest.

But when the game ended, the Holly Bronchos earned a much deserved 62-59 victory with sophomore Antonio Simmons leading the way.

Fenton's final lead of the contest came at 59-58 after a putback hoop by Seth Logan with 56.6 seconds left. However, that's when Simmons came up with the first of two pivotal field goals in the final minute of the contest. The first came with 30 seconds left on a six-foot hoop, giving the Bronchos a 60-59 lead. The second came after the Tigers suffered an offensive

foul. On the ensuing inbounds play, Simmons received a base-ball pass downcourt and scored the layup. The Bronchos led 62-59 with just 3.3 seconds left. The Tigers did get off a potential game-tying shot by Connor Luck, but it was no good, setting off the Holly crowd into a celebration courtside.

"I couldn't do it without my team," Simmons said after the game. "Without their help, there wouldn't be a game. We just had to have the intensity. We had to work together and come together to win, and we all came together and worked together. We ran the plays together and we got the 'W.' It feels great to beat our rivals."

"The biggest thing is we knew Fenton was going to fight hard," Holly varsity boys basketball coach Steve DeHart See **BRONCHOS** on 28



Holly's Antonio Simmons (left) attempts a shot over Fenton's Austin Pedlar. Photo: Christopher Summers

Eagles win defensive struggle vs. Flushing, 24-23

By David Troppens

Without the fast-paced offensive scorers they had last year, Linden varsity boys basketball coach Lance Belill has said his team will have to find new ways to win games this season.

He wasn't kidding. The Eagles played a grind-it-out de-

fensive battle on the road with Flushing on Dec. 17 and came away with a 24-23 win.

"Last week I said we had to find different ways to win," Belill said. "The kids did what we needed them to do. We had a hard time scoring but we scored one more point than them and

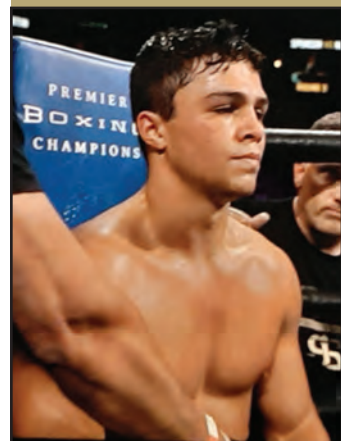
that was the game."

The Eagles jumped to a 24-20 lead on a putback hoop by Brandon Green with 3:06 left in the contest, and tried to play strong defense while milking the clock the rest of the way. Flushing missed a three-pointer on their next shot with 2:40 remaining.

The Eagles didn't take a shot until there was 1:58 left in the contest, but missed that shot.

On Flushing's next possession, the Raiders missed a shot and then River Meckstroth earned a steal with 1:42 remaining. He was fouled with 1:01

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Linden's Joey Spencer will be competing in his 14th professional boxing match Christmas night. Photo: David Troppens

Spencer fighting Christmas night

By David Troppens

Life is changing for Joey Spencer.

Now 21, he's still a young man, but in the ring he's become a veteran.

Since starting his pro career when he was 18, Spencer has gotten married and now his wife, Tabitha, is expecting the young couple's first baby in May. The happy couple's future is maturing by the minute.

The same can be said about Spencer's boxing career. Spencer will put his 13-0 record on the line when he faces what may be his best opponent when it comes to a mix of experience and talent when he battles Limberth Ponce on Christmas Day.

The live on FOX Network broadcast begins at 8 p.m. at the Prudential Center in See **SPENCER** on 26

LF wrestlers capture another tourney title

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity wrestling team is building for a positive future.

Right now, the Blue Devils' present looks pretty good as well. The Blue Devils won their second weekend tournament of the young season, earning five victories at the Pinckney Season Beatings Team Tournament.

"The kids wrestled well, again," Lake Fenton varsity wrestling coach Vance Corcoran said. "We worked on some things after the Fenton dual and they executed it all very well."

"We had guys step up and get some big wins when our hammers just came up short, which is exactly what we work toward every day in practice. They are understanding the team concept and the importance of every single wrestler and every single match. We didn't give up the bonus points and we got the bonus



Lake Fenton's Jack Conley (right) finished a perfect 5-0 day at the Pinckney Seasons Beatings Tournament. He is pictured here facing Fenton's Phillip Lamka in a recent match. Photo: David Troppens

points when needed. Our conditioning looks good and our work ethic was there."

The Blue Devils had four 5-0 wrestlers. They were Jorge Marvin (103), Clay Cook (112), Ty

Johnson (135) and Jack Conley (160). Johnson had four pins among his wins while Marvin and Conley had three and two pins, respectfully. Robbie Moore (119), Jackson Ketchum, Zack

Hall (140) and Drew Corcoran (145) went 4-1 with three pinfalls while Karson Crist (171) earned a 3-2 record with three pinfall wins.

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Holly bowling splits with Clio Mustangs

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity boys bowling team is off to a fast start.

The Bronchos improved to 3-0 in league play by defeating the Clio Mustangs 22-8. The Lady Bronchos lost their match 26-4.

The Holly boys set the tone by winning both Baker matches, 163-146 and 196-153, setting up a dominating 10-0 start.

From there, the Bronchos locked up the win during the singles matches. Drew Mascorro, Ryan Sparklin and Sean Dankert won both of their singles matches to spark the win. Dankert bowled a 190-192-382 two-game series while Ryan Dalton and Mascorro each bowled 192 games as well. Sparklin posted a 186-178-364 series.

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Linden wrestlers compete at Fowlerville Round Robin Tournament

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity wrestling team competed at the Fowlerville Round Robin Tournament and had four athletes compete in the championship match of the tournament.

One earned a first-place finish. Bryce Shingleton (125) remained undefeated during the season by winning all five of his matches at the tourney. Shingleton won two of his matches by pinfall and the three others on technical fall. Shingleton defeated Fowlerville's Hannah Arledge-Teran by technical fall in the finals to earn the title.

Three others earned runner-up finishes — Lucas Carr (152), Michael Bush (171) and Jase Gundry (189).

Carr won his first four matches by pinfall, including earning one in just 23 seconds. Bush won his first three matches by pinfall, including one in 38 seconds. He also earned a decision win. His only



Linden's Michael Bush competes in a recent match. He placed second at the Fowlerville Round Robin Tournament. Photo: David Troppens

loss was a 4-2 decision in what was the match that decided first place. Gundry earned pinfall wins in three rounds, including one in 28 seconds, but a pinfall loss to Homer's Harley Robinson kept him from the championship.

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Fenton wrestlers compete at Loren Memorial



Fenton's Phillip Lamka (top) works on trying to pin Lake Fenton's Jack Conley (right) during a recent match. Lamka took first in his weight class at the Joe Loren Memorial Invitational. **Photo: David Troppens**

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity wrestling team competed at the Joe Loren Memorial Invitational and placed eighth overall with four wrestlers earning top-four efforts.

The top performance was posted by Philip Lamka, who won the 152 pound class.

Lamka (13-0) earned pinfall wins in each of his four matches. He defeated Bullock Creek's Gerrit Barth by pinfall in 1:25 in his final match.

Two other Fenton wrestlers came home with third-place performances. Kyle Dunfield (160) won his first two matches by pinfall and major decision, but was pinned in the semifinal

round. He bounced back to defeat Whitehall's Darnell Mack by a 10-5 decision in the third-place match.

Evan Firby (215) also earned a third, recording two pinfall wins in his first two matches. However, he lost by pin in the semifinal, but then defeated Kearsley's Cayden Lewis by pinfall in 1:15 in the third place match.

Dylan Beverly (145) earned a fourth-place effort. He won his first two matches.

Owen Freeman (119) placed sixth by going 2-2 during the day. Jamal Horne (112) went 3-1 in his four matches as did Garrett Clark (125). However, neither placed.

Blue Devils remain perfect in Metro League Stripes Division, defeat Mustangs, 63-44

By David Troppens

Can the Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team compete for a Flint Metro League Stars Division title this winter?

Two games into the season, the Blue Devils are trying to prove to the rest of the division they can do just that.

The Blue Devils competed in their first road contest of the season at Clio and defeated the Mustangs by a pretty convincing 63-44 margin. The win has the Blue Devils at 3-1 overall, but more importantly at 2-0 in Stars Division action.

The Blue Devils jumped out to a

quick first-quarter lead and they never trailed beyond the opening stanza. Six players scored points for Lake Fenton in the opening quarter, led by Max Muenzer's five points. Brandon Bossert had a trey and Reid Shumaker, Ashton Hunter Francis Senter and Deven Colter had a two-point bucket each, leading the Blue Devils to a 16-6 lead after one quarter.

The Blue Devils' offense remained hot in the second quarter. Dylan Hammis scored six second-quarter points while Bossert and Muenzer scored four points each, helping Lake Fenton to a 19-point quarter. The Blue Devils led 35-18 at halftime.

The Mustangs made a run in the third quarter, scoring 14 points. Meanwhile, the Blue Devils didn't have a single player score more than two points in the third quarter, helping Clio cut the gap to 41-32 after three periods.

However, in the fourth quarter, the Blue Devils effectively iced the victory, scoring 22 points. Senter had an outstanding fourth quarter, netting 13 points in the final eight minutes.

Senter led all scorers with 19 points while Muenzer netted 15 points. Hammis had 12 points while Bossert chipped in seven points. Nine players scored for Lake Fenton.



Lake Fenton's Dylan Hammis attempts a shot in a recent game. **Photo: David Troppens**

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SPENCER

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Newark, New Jersey.

Spencer has a lot of personal and professional reasons to feel blessed this holiday season.

"Tabitha is due in May and we are so excited," Spencer said. "Her stomach is getting bigger and we're getting to watch her grow every day. It's like Christmas Eve every night. It feels like it's going to happen tomorrow, but it's happening in May. Me and my wife are enjoying each

other so much. It's an amazing blessing.

"I can't wait to step back into the ring. Everything is going according to plan. I can't wait to see what he is made of. It's hard to say (if Ponce represents a clear step up in competition). I think my last fight may have been that. He has a pretty good record and is more experienced. Still, I have to see it. He has to prove it."

Spencer said his maturation through his marriage and growth of his family is already making him a better boxer.

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Lake Fenton's Emerson Baker attempts a shot in a recent Blue Devils' contest. Photo: David Troppens

Lady Blue Devils remain perfect in league play, crush Clio 64-37

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team just keeps on winning.

The Blue Devils improved to 4-0 overall by defeating the Clio Lady Mustangs 64-37 in a road contest on Dec. 17.

The Blue Devils did what they usually do — jumped out to an early first-quarter lead. Savannah Fellenbaum scored 11 first-quarter points, leading the Blue Devils to a 17-point quarter. Ella Prevost added four points off the bench while Cola Sisk had three. Lake Fenton led 17-4 after one quarter.

Clio provided some stronger resistance in the second quarter, and actually won the stanza 16-14. Sisk had six points in the quarter to spark

Lake Fenton, while Clio's Amelia Thompson and Delaney Dimert scored five points each. The Mustangs trailed 31-20 at halftime.

Any thoughts Clio had of a comeback in the second half ended quickly as the Blue Devils had five girls score in the third quarter en route to a 23-point period. Emerson Baker scored all seven of her points in the third quarter while Fellenbaum and Amaya Smith had five points each. Clio scored just four points and trailed 54-24 entering the final quarter. The competitive phase of the game was basically over by that time.

The Blue Devils were led by Fellenbaum's 18 points. She hit eight field goals, including one three-pointer.

Sisk had another strong game, scoring 17 points. Smith finished with nine points while Baker and Kerrigan Howdeshell had seven points each.

Lake Fenton improved to 2-0 in Flint Metro League Stars Division action with the win. The Blue Devils have a non-conference contest at home against Imlay City, a squad that has become a semi-rival for Lake Fenton. The last time the two teams were scheduled to face off was in the regional championship game in 2020, but the COVID-19 pandemic cancelled the game. The results of that game can be found at tctimes.com.

"I'm sure the rivalry is much more intense than anyone realizes," Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball coach

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity girls basketball team found themselves in a tight defensive battle at halftime in a road contest with Flushing on Dec. 17.

When the game was defensive, the Eagles led 14-9 at halftime. However, the contest changed into more of an offensive game in the second half. Flushing scored 30 second-half points and were able to edge the Eagles 39-35 in a Flint Metro League Stripes Division contest.

Linden led just 10-9 with 3:09 left in the first half, but Paige Leedle took over in the final minute before the break. She converted two free throws with 57.6 seconds left, and then scored two more free throws with 18.4 seconds left, setting up the Eagles' 14-9 halftime lead.

The Eagles' lead grew to 17-9 early in the third on a Leedle trey, and still led 23-15 after an Olivia Mahwinney trey, but the Raiders made their move after that.

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Holly's Gonzales captures Oakland County Championship title

The Holly varsity wrestling team competed at the Oakland County Championship and Jacob Gonzales left with a county title.

The Bronchos finished the event in 28th place.

Gonzales (160) remained undefeated with four wins. He won his first match by no contest and followed

with pinfall wins against Bloomfield Hills's Garrett Jansen and Rochester's Emilio Donato. In the title match, he defeated Pontiac's Julius Polk by a 10-2 major decision.

Holly's only other placer in the championship brackets was Kendall Drake (171).

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PREP REPORT

GIRLS BOWLING

► **Fenton 21, Owosso 9:** Jena Fijolek led the Tigers with a 158-159-317 two-game series, while Bree Soule recorded a team-high 172 game. Fenton defeated Owosso 148-88 in the first Baker game.

► **Flushing 30, Linden 0:** Desiree Lane led the Eagles with a 108-155-263 two-game series. Alyssa Brooks had a 122-132-254 series.

BOYS BOWLING

► **Owosso 27, Fenton 3:** Fenton

had a 213 Baker game, but lost it 226-213. From there the Tigers couldn't come back. Curtis Aussicker had a two-game series of 178-163-341, while Brady Mitchell had a 149-157-306 series. Nick Clark also bowled a 175 game.

► **Corunna 27, Linden 3:** Brendyn Sinn led the Eagles with a 187-159-346 two-game series while Austin Huyck had a 157-158-315 series. Ian Patterson had a 184 game.

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BRONCHOS

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said. "They play tough all of the time and we knew they were going to be tough. ... One of the things I preached before the game and at halftime was we have to value the basketball and as the time went on in the second half, we valued it a little more. We valued the basketball and started taking the right type of shots. ... I was proud of their efforts. The kids fought hard."

The Broncos probably deserved the victory based on their fourth-quarter performance. After turning the ball over 18 times and hitting on just 13-of-33 shots during the first 24 minutes, Holly was a different team during the final eight minutes. Sparked initially by Michael Stevens II to start the fourth and then led by Simmons the rest of the quarter after Stevens fouled out, the Broncos hit on 10-of-16 shots from the field and turned the ball over just one time during those final eight minutes.

Trailing 47-39 entering the fourth quarter, they quickly erased that deficit with a 12-0 run. Stevens started the run with six straight points, while Simmons hit the next two and Mason Clark scored



Fenton's Ja'Hion Bond drives the lane against Holly's Mason Clark and the rest of the Broncos' defense.

Photo: Christopher Summers

the final three with a three-pointer. Suddenly, it was the Tigers who trailed by a 51-47 margin with 5:08 left.

Fenton fought back, tying the game at 31-all after back-to-back hoops by Justin Banura and Sam Dillard II, but couldn't take the lead at the time as Holly answered back with four straight points.

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Players on the Fenton and Holly varsity girls basketball teams fight for loose ball. Photo: Christopher Summers

TIGERS

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Shaker led the charge on both sides of the court with seven first-quarter points and four first-period steals, but she was just one of six Tigers to score in the opening eight minutes. Also, five other Tigers earned steals in the first quarter as the Tigers forced the Broncos into 14 first-stanza turnovers.

"We've been working really hard at practice — running a lot and working on stuff," Shaker said. "We just had a tough loss on Tuesday against Owosso and we worked really hard on Wednesday and Thursday to get this win, and our hard work really showed in this game."

Holly (0-3 overall) scored their first points of the game with 6:42 left in the first half on to converted free throws by Alana Simmons, cutting Fenton's lead to 20-2, but Lauren Gadola, Shaker and Adrie Staib would spark a 6-0 Fenton run that raised the Tigers' lead to 26-2. Holly was never within 20 points again. A Staib trey with 1:38

left in the opening half gave Fenton its biggest lead of the game at 31-4, but Holly's Makena McGee hit a free throw, cutting the margin to 33-5 at halftime.

The Broncos were able to have more success in the second half, collecting three second-half field goals. McGee and Morgan Fluckey had a field goal each for Holly in the third quarter, but Fenton hit six field goals in the period, including two each by Adrie Staib and Shaker. Fenton led 47-10 after three quarters. In the fourth, Annabelle Basham had Holly's only trey of the game.

Fenton had everyone contribute to the victory in some fashion. Shaker and Staib led the Tigers with 13 points each. Shaker also had four steals and three rebounds while Staib had 11 rebounds to go with her points. Abby Logan had five points while Grace MacCaughan, Lauren Gangwer and Tammy Craven had four points each. Gangwer added six rebounds.

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EAGLES

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left but missed the free throw. In fact, the Eagles (2-0 in the Stripes Division and 3-2 overall) missed three straight front ends of one-and-the-bonus situations, allowing the Raiders to have another chance to close the gap. They eventually did cut it to 24-23 with a trey with eight

seconds remaining, but Linden's defense held, earning the Eagles the Flint Metro Stripes Division victory.

Defense has been key to the Eagles' success. They have yet to score more than 47 points this season, but have held opponents to 43 or less in four of their contests.

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Buckle up...

■Race to Sloan Museum at Courtland Center for 'Hot Wheels: Race to Win' exhibit

All roads lead to Burton as Sloan Museum at Courtland Center opens "Hot Wheels: Race to Win."

This new family exhibit will get you revved up with immersive activities for three generations of Hot Wheels fans. There is something for mom, dad, grandparents and, of course, today's youngest Hot Wheels fans as visitors learn about the science, technology, engineering, and math that goes into making cars go faster.

Hot Wheels: Race to Win will make a pit stop Feb. 5, 2022, at Sloan Museum. The exhibition will be on display through May 15, 2022, before it continues on its tour throughout North America.

Tickets to see the exhibit and the rest of the museum are \$9 adults, \$8 seniors 60+, and \$7 youth ages 2-11. Thanks to the Arts and Culture Millage, Genesee County residents can see this exhibit for \$3 per person. Get more details at SloanLongway.org/HotWheels.

Be part of a dynamic race team working together to build and test the fastest (and safest) speed machines on the planet, using Hot Wheels die-cast cars to experiment and play. This behind-the-scenes look at the thrilling world of racing investigates the scientific process for designing super-fast cars and helps families who have the need for speed understand how it is achieved.

The exhibit was created by The Children's Museum of Indianapolis and Mattel. The Children's Museum of Indianapolis is a nonprofit institution committed to creating extraordinary family learning experiences across the arts, sciences, and humanities that have the power to transform the lives of children and families

FACEBOOK POSTS

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first game I've been to in two years, and I actually forgot I had a ticket. I went with my sister's family and she contacted me Saturday to remind me I had a ticket. Initially, I regretted even the thought of going. But, hey, I'm glad I went. It was a great game.

Seven years ago — "Who doesn't want a Charlie in the box for Christmas." This is an obvious reference to the old classic Christmas special "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer." Those puppet Christmas

specials from the 1960s/70s are still the best ones. Where else do you see a place called Sombertown who bans toys for Christmas or see Heat Miser and Snow Miser battle it out? By the way, Snow Miser is much cooler (no pun intended) than Heat Miser. Heat Miser is the whining sibling that tells on you to your parents for everything you possibly did wrong when you were kids.

Six years ago — "Help, they finally caught me." That post included a photo of me in Muscular Dystrophy Association jail. MDA put

me in jail to raise money. Thank you again to the people that helped me raise \$570 that day.

Four years ago — "Where are all those stupid extra boxes I see around the house 364 days of the year? I need them now." We seemingly have 10 empty shoe boxes at all times of the year except the day I plan on wrapping Christmas presents. What happens to them?

One year ago — "Why do so many people give knives for wedding gifts?" I wonder if they are usually gifts from married couples.

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9 Smart — (know-it-all)

14 Alphas' opposites

20 All across the region

21 Indian city on the Yamuna River

22 "Gil Blas" novelist Alain-René —

23 Blemish-resistant bar seat?

25 Male flower part

26 Earth lighter

27 Autumn chill

28 Sentry allowing nobody to nap?

30 Monet, say

34 Interstices

36 — roll (hot)

37 Shoulder-hugging, horn-honking driver?

42 Thin and supple

47 Duck cousin

48 Actress Messing

49 More plucky

50 Lt.'s inferior

53 "I see mice!"

56 Ear-related

58 Indian city on the Yamuna River

59 Vehicle in a chase scene

63 Decorative pins worn by jockeys?

67 Yellow-and-black bird

68 16-Down, to Jacob

69 Flagged auto

70 Mao — -tung

71 Bit of pasta that's really hard to find?

77 Bodily pouch

79 Spanish for "that"

80 Big pet food brand

81 "Infinite" rapper

84 Have pain from bending forward too sharply?

89 Tire type

90 Tolkien terrorizers

91 Up — (stymied)

92 — Lanka

94 Butter holder

95 More hideous

97 — liver (meat product)

100 Harvestable

104 Work layoff, slangily

105 Dive to attack with perfect form?

111 Texter's "I think ..."

113 Neeson of "Darkman"

114 GMC pickup

115 Decide on Domino's for dinner?

122 Taylor of "Cleopatra," for short

124 Los Angeles' Playa — Rey

125 Regular practices

126 Botching an April 1 prank?

131 Crops up

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133 Enlarge

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135 In any way

136 Power-supplying socket

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2 Maestro Toscanini

3 Simple shed

4 — gow (casino option)

5 Grain beard

6 Up to, informally

7 Paradise

8 Blueprint

9 TV spots

10 "Show me"

11 College town in North Carolina

12 Toy train, when doubled

13 Quantity in a narc's bust

14 Former NFLer Merlin

15 Annual ritzy NYC fundraising event

16 Biblical birthright seller

17 Explorer Vasco da —

18 Antiquing aid

19 Ship off, say

24 Petty quarrel

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31 "— so you!"

32 Hem, e.g.

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43 Apple option

44 Close, as a community

45 "— to you!"

46 Rub out

49 Person rubbing it in

50 Prefix with warrior

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52 Final washer phase

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55 Furry fruit

57 Rocket paths

60 Pigeon noise

61 Balm plants

62 Betelgeuse or Antares

64 Clangor

65 How balloons float

66 Trump replaced him

72 Thief's bagful

73 "Bali —"

74 Autos such as Gremlins and Pacers

75 Belgian river

76 Spain's El —

77 Teapot part

78 "I'm so frustrated!"

82 Water, to Gigi

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106 Film score composer Schifrin

107 Iago's wife

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110 Warehouse platform

112 Hardly tidy

115 Cartoonist Addams

116 Celestial instrument

117 Off-Broadway prize

118 French river or department

119 TV actress Swenson

120 — suit (1940s duds)

121 Reverse alphabetical order

123 Bronze metal

127 Olive of "Popeye"

128 Lt.'s inferior

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Midweek Jumble

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answer tomorrow)

Horoscopes

For the week of December 20, 2021

ARIES
Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, the stars have been keeping you on your toes lately. There has been much going on but somehow you have been able to wade through it all like a rock star.

TAURUS
Apr 21/May 21
Others are asking you to stretch yourself beyond normal limits, Taurus. Do your best, but weigh the effects that this could have on your overall well-being.

GEMINI
May 22/Jun 21
Aim to be honest and direct with others as much as you can this week, Gemini. If you can prove you are trustworthy, then more people are likely to follow you.

CANCER
Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, you may be introduced to someone who is the ideal partner for you at work. This pairing can lead to the successful completion of projects new and old.

LEO
Jul 23/Aug 23
Prioritize your actions to maximize peace and quiet, Leo. You have been under pressure lately, so take every opportunity to enjoy some quiet time.

VIRGO
Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, your intuition is telling you that there are tensions growing at home or at the office. You will have to find ways to diffuse any situations that may grow out of control.

LIBRA
Sept 23/Oct 23
Continue to lean into an optimistic mindset, Libra. It will enable you to be a bright light when others are feeling a little down. Boost good moods.

SCORPIO
Oct 24/Nov 22
You are naturally compelled to look deeper into any circumstance you find yourself in, Scorpio. Always dig below the surface to unveil the truth, even if it takes work.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov 23/Dec 21
Be direct about any frustrations you may be harboring, Sagittarius. Share your feelings with others who are willing and able to help. Releasing this burden will prove liberating.

CAPRICORN
Dec 22/Jan 20
This week is packed with cosmic action, Capricorn. All of this energy has you a bit restless. Rest easy, as you will soon figure out how to juggle your personal and professional lives.

AQUARIUS
Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you're on a truth-seeking mission and you're ready to question everything you see. Take a step back and figure out your strategy, which will require finesse.

PISCES
Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, try to smooth over something that has been a thorn in your side for some time. Keep at it and you'll persevere.

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Sloan Museum of Discovery to reopen

■ New building is world class, fully interactive museum of science, history and hands-on learning for the community

After nearly four years of planning and construction, the new Sloan Museum of Discovery announced that it will re-open to the public Saturday, July 16, 2022, featuring brand new science, history and hands-on learning exhibits. The \$30 million expansion and renovation of the museum was re-imagined as an inclusive center for the entire community.

“This new museum is literally being built from the ideas of our members, guests, and the community at large,” said Todd Slisher, CEO of Flint Institute of Science and History (FISH), the nonprofit organization that oversees Sloan Museum, as well as the Longway Planetarium. “They are asking for a more inclusive and interactive museum that reflects the people who have lived in Genesee County and who are important to its foundation. That input helped us design and build a world-class museum that’s fully accessible to all.”

For example, inside the museum is a space called The Community Gallery. This space will be co-curated with local organizations on a rotating basis to showcase community-based exhibits.

The museum will also feature a new hands-on science gallery, Discovery Hall, that will engage visitors in earth and physical science exploration, featuring the multi-story Spaceship Earth exhibit, a Maker Space, and a large interactive water table that will teach visitors about the Great Lakes. The water table will be the first of the new hands-on science exhibits to arrive for installation in early January 2022.

An all-new auto exhibition area, the Vehicle City Gallery, will be located



inside the new Sloan Museum of Discovery. The Vehicle City Gallery is 11,000 square feet and will feature rotating vehicles showcasing the history and future of the automobile.

Hagerman Street will prepare kids for Kindergarten through play-centric exploration. New History Gallery spaces will showcase stories of Flint and Genesee County, as well as artifacts collected from the community.

Most exhibits will be custom made and installed by Grand Rapids-based Xibitz. “We have been extremely mindful to make galleries inclusive and flexible so that displays can change frequently,” said Curator of Collections Geoff Woodcox.

Over 95% of the \$30 million goal has been supported by grants and donations from foundations, businesses, individuals, and state government. Major supporters include the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, State of Michigan, GM Corporate Giving, and the Hagerman Foundation. Millage funding helps support operating and program expenses and allows free general admission for all Genesee County residents.

To help close the gap to their fundraising goal and finish installing new exhibits, the new Sloan Museum of Discovery has partnered with Patronicity, a crowdfunding platform with Michigan roots. Those wishing to contribute to the capital campaign through Patronicity can learn more at Patronicity.com/Sloan or call Development Director Debbie Campbell at (810) 237-7331. To learn more, visit SloanLongway.org/DiscoverSloan.

MICHIGAN VOTES

LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

— Compiled by Sharon Stone —

MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, non-partisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. This report was released Friday, Nov. 12.

House Bill 4703: Revise animal cruelty procedures

To revise requirements and procedures for an animal control agency taking possession of an abused animal seized by police, and its ultimate disposition, including forfeiture and humane euthanization. Under this and House Bill 4704, the owner would be responsible for all related costs, including euthanization if ordered. The bills are intended to provide uniformity in several sections of state animal cruelty law.

Passed 91 to 14 in the House
Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) YES
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) YES

House Bill 4033: Extend certain state prison policies to private prison

To extend to a private Michigan prison that contracts with a federal agency to hold inmates the same penalties for giving a prisoner a cell phone or certain other contraband that applies to state-run prisons. The bill comes after activists who oppose prison privatization have been caught tossing potentially dangerous contraband over the fence to prisoners.

Passed 75 to 29 in the House
Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) YES
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) YES

House Bill 4853: Prescribe record keeping for invasive medical exams

To require medical records referencing treatment of an individual that involves vaginal or anal penetration by a health professional to be retained for 15 years by the health professional and health facility or agency, with violations subject to criminal sanctions. Also, to require the licensure boards for different medical specialties to produce “guidance to licensees on generally accepted standards of medical practice for medical

services involving vaginal or anal penetration, including internal pelvic floor treatments.” Steve Carra (R-Dist. 59) cast the lone dissenting vote.

Passed 104 to 1 in the House
Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) YES
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) YES

House Bill 5294: Expand ban on offering faux-government services

To expand a provision of a state consumer protection act that restricts third parties from offering online services that are similar to ones performed by a governmental agency, by requiring them to “conspicuously” indicate that the operation is not a government entity, plus disclosing the prices and terms.

Passed 98 to 7 in the House
Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) YES
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) YES

House Bill 5291: Extend port subsidies to private and public developers

To authorize state grants equal to 80% of the amount spent by developers and owners on shipping ports and improvements. As introduced, the bill would have required the developer to permit public use of the port for at least 10 years, but this was deleted from the House-passed version.

Passed 94 to 11 in the House
Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) YES
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) YES

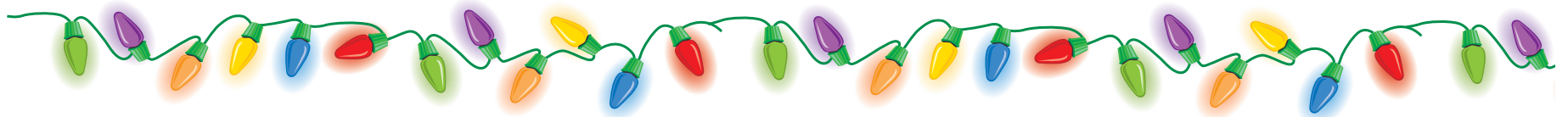
Senate Bill 671: Repeal requirement that corporate subsidy scheme benefit state economy

To revise a 2017 “Good Jobs For Michigan” law that authorized the state to give ongoing cash subsidies to Detroit developer Dan Gilbert and potentially other business owners, by stripping-out provisions requiring business subsidies to “result in an overall positive fiscal impact to this state.” Unlike the other corporate and developer subsidy schemes enacted in the name of “economic development,” this law’s revenue transfers appeared to create incentives for businesses in other Michigan communities to move to Detroit, rather than grow the state economy as a whole. The bill would also increase an annual cap on how much a subsidized company could get.

Passed 28 to 7 in the Senate
Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) YES
Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15) NO
Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22) NO
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) YES

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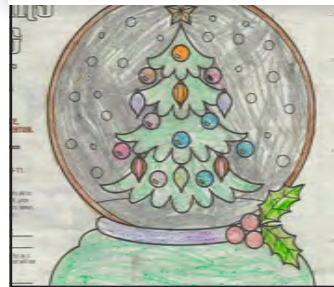
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AGE 5 WINNER:

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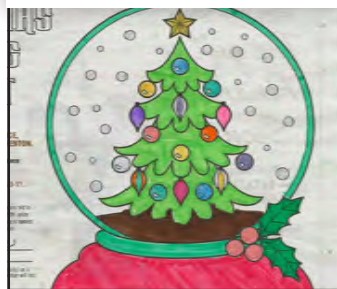
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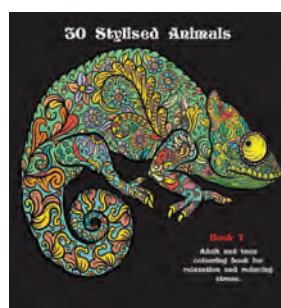
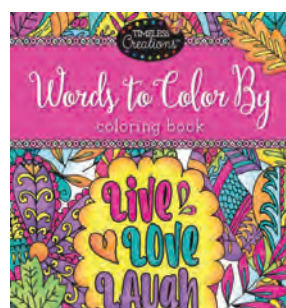
By Sharon Stone

Coloring books. Who didn't have one as a child? Kids love to color and if you enjoyed coloring as a child, you'll likely enjoy it as an adult.

The popularity of coloring is apparent from the number of entries the Times receives with the annual Christmas coloring contest, which just finished. Winners are published Sunday, Dec. 26.

Aside from channeling your inner artist, de-stressing and bringing a sense of peace, coloring has everything to do with refocusing our attention, according to clinical psychologist Scott M. Bea, PsyD, in a report by the Cleveland Clinic.

"Adult coloring requires modest atten-



tion focused outside of self-awareness," Bea said. "It's a simple activity that takes us outside ourselves in the same way, cutting the lawn, knitting or taking a Sunday drive can all be relaxing."

Bea cited three reasons adult coloring can be calming.

- Attention flows away from ourselves. A simple act, such as coloring, takes your attention away from yourself (and those things that are stressing you out) and onto the present-moment event.

- It relaxes the brain. When thoughts are focused on this simple activity, your brain tends to relax.

- Low stakes make it pleasurable. Go ahead: color outside the lines. The outcome of coloring isn't predictable or prescriptive. It can be as neat — or as messy — as you choose, and this is one of its relaxing perks.

Studies on adult coloring has been limited as its rise in popularity has been recent, however, art therapy has been around for many years with success. A



2006 study found that mindfulness art therapy for women with cancer helped to significantly decrease the symptoms of physical emotional distress during their treatment. A more recent study showed a decrease in anxiety levels for students.

Bea compared coloring's benefits to listening to one's favorite music.

Karen Piacentini, owner of Fenton's Open Book, said they carry swear word coloring books and added, "We sell a lot of them." She said other books can be ordered.

Target and Walmart also offer a variety of adult coloring books, ranging from animals, floral to fantasy.

Even thought you can color with the same Crayola crayons you used as a kid, there are other options, such as colored pencils and colored pencils that work like watercolor paints when wet. Once you're more experienced, you could even expand your options to acrylic paint or any type of craft paint.



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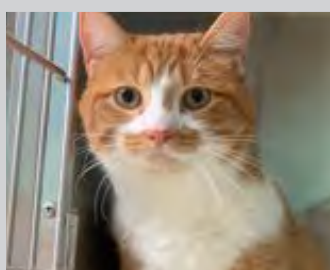


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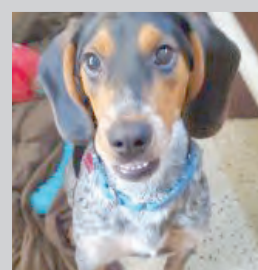
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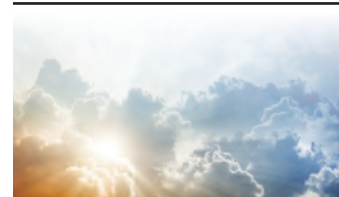
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Michael Barber

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Rick (Ricky) A. Howd

Rick (Ricky) A. Howd - age 63, of Linden, died Sunday, December 19, 2021. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 12 PM Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at St.



Mark Evangelist Catholic Church, 7296 Gale Rd, Grand Blanc, MI 48439 with Fr. David Howell celebrant. Visitation will be held at 2 - 4 and 6 - 8 PM Monday, December 27, 2021 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton, MI 48430 where a rosary will be prayed at 7 PM Monday at the funeral home. Visitation will also be held 11 AM - 12 PM Tuesday, at the church. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers that donations are made, in his name, to the American Cancer Society or St. Mark Evangelist church. Donation envelopes will be available at visitation or online at www.cancer.org or www.stmarkgoodrich.org. Rick was born at St. Joseph hospital, Flint, to Richard and Erma Howd. He married his love, Pamela Carter, on June 2, 1984. He was overjoyed by the birth of his son, Jon-Claude. Rick was a very active volunteer, Reserve Deputy, for the Genesee County Sheriff Office, 1982 - 2018. He was a devoted Christian and

part of the St. Johns Fenton Catholic church, Christ Renews His Parish group. A large portion of his life was devoted to restoring antique autos,

organizing car shows, and teaching others auto repair. At age 13, Rick began working on cars. Throughout his life, he fixed a thousand plus cars for business, family, and friends, and restored over 61 vintage antique autos. His favorite renovated vehicle was the 1923 Ford C Cab which placed first at the 2000 Detroit Autorama for the Riddler Award, and 2001 Detroit Autorama for the Altered Rod Truck award. Rick's love of auto's was only exceeded by his devotion to family. Surviving is his wife; son; father, Richard Howd; three siblings, Sandra Howd (Rex McIntyre), Brian Howd, and Lori Howd; many aunts; uncles; cousins; nephews; nieces; and spiritual brothers, Dan Holifield (Robin), Dan Devereaux (Linda), and Charley Creelman. He was preceded in death by his beloved mother, Erma Mary Howd. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Robert Walter Foguth

1963 - 2021

Robert Walter Foguth - age 58, of Fenton, died Monday, December 20, 2021. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated 12 PM Thursday, December



23, 2021 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton, MI 48430 with Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Interment will follow at St. John Cemetery. Visitation will be held 10 AM - 12 PM Thursday at the church. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to ALS Foundation(www.als.org) or Gift of Life Bone Marrow Registry (www.giftoflife.org). Robert was born March 8, 1963 in Flint, the son of Melvin and Lucy (Burt) Foguth. He was a life-long resident of Fenton, attending Lake Fenton High School and ultimately graduating from Fenton High School in 1981. He owned and operated Pneumatic Restoration, Inc with business partner and family member, Clark Senter. Robert enjoyed fishing, golfing, and collecting. He especially loved spending time on the lake with his family

and friends. Surviving are two daughters, Josephine Foguth (Danny O'Toole) and Lucy Foguth; fiancée, Jody Denning; her son, Jack

Denning; and her parents and brother, Jan and Bud Junker and Jim Junker; siblings, Christine Cole, Sharon (Paul) Moggach, Beverly Foguth, Catherine Brouwers, John (Shari) Foguth, Mary Smith, Paul (Karen) Foguth, Michael (Marie) Foguth, Thomas (Sandy) Foguth, Robert, David (Jaimee) Foguth, and Keith (Natalie) Foguth; parents-in-law, Nancy and Les Jones; many nieces; nephews; cousins; friends and employees. He was preceded in death by wife, Joanna; parents, Melvin and Lucy Foguth; brother, Curtis Foguth; nephews, Loopy Foguth, Dexter Foguth and Spencer Foguth; brother-in-law, Bob Cole; and great aunt, Hannah. Arrangements by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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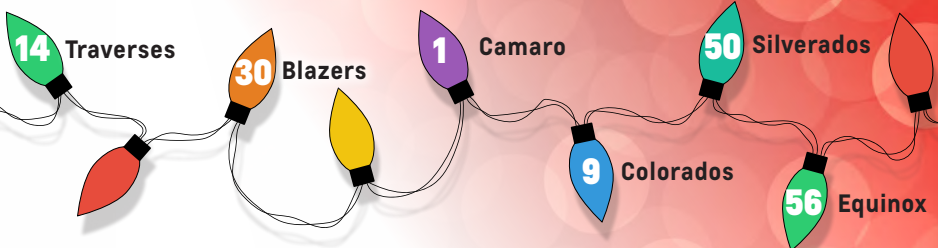
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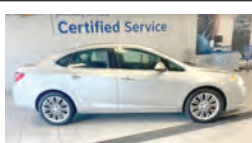


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