

Fenton adopts new master plan

■ Lack of middle-income housing, redevelopment opportunities along U.S. 23/Owen Road addressed in new plan

By Hannah Ball

This is the first in a series detailing development, income and poverty levels, land usage and more.

Fenton City has a new master plan.

A few of the main priorities identified include redevelopment along U.S. 23/Owen

Road, encouraging development in the North LeRoy Street corridor and bringing in more middle-income housing. The new master plan, developed over multiple years, was approved Monday, Jan. 10.

“The city is faring quite well with one

of the big issues of our time: the loss of ‘brick and mortar’ retail to online shopping. Fenton, however, has seen a low vacancy rate with retail space and significant new investment in both Silver Lake Village See **MASTER PLAN** on 7



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Old Sunoco gas station to be redeveloped

■ Owen Road property near U.S. 23 to be store, gas station, fast food drive-thru

By Hannah Ball

The closed Sunoco site on Owen Road will be redeveloped into a new gas station, convenience store, and fast food restaurant with drive-through.

Barrels & Vines, which owns multiple mini-mart facilities in Michigan, has plans to redevelop the site at 3325 Owen Road in spring 2022.

The gas station and convenience store has been closed for months. It's located next to the

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Annual Onesie Pub Crawl



A group of people in onesies take photos at The Barn on Saturday, Jan. 15 during the annual Fenton Onesie Pub Crawl, which raises funds for scholarships and local nonprofits. See story on page 3. Photo: Hannah Ball

Millage request on August ballot

■ Rose Township approves 4 mills for fire and EMS coverage in split vote

By Sharon Stone

By a vote of 3-2, the Rose Township Board of Trustees approved a motion during its meeting Jan. 12, to place a millage request on the ballot for the August election for fire and EMS coverage.

Clerk Debbie Miller and Trustee Glen Noble voted against the motion.

The township will be asking voters to approve 4 mills for the next six years to cover the township's portion of costs for coverage from the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA). Property owners have been paying 2.1 mills for approximately the past 12 years.

Noble said he would have preferred a millage of 3.28 mills. “I don't like my taxes going up 100%,” he said.

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Permitting issues cause delays for Beacon & Bridge

■ Quick-Sav VP anticipates a March completion date for Linden building, gas station

By Hannah Ball

The view of downtown Linden is changing. The new Dr. Wax Union Block building on the northeast corner of Bridge and Broad streets reinvigorated downtown Linden with an enhanced aesthetic and more businesses.

Now the Beacon & Bridge redevelopment is altering the other side of the road. Work continues on the southeast corner of the intersection for the gas station and convenience store.

“We have been fortunate to have had as much

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“Kudos to Beacon and Bridge gas station in Linden. Though I would prefer a retail store to a gas station in the center of town, they have done everything possible to make the building beautiful and fit in with the Union Block building across the street. Well done.”



“Thank you to Brick Street. I left my purse at the restaurant. It was turned in and put in the safe until I was able to pick it up. Thank you to your honest staff. Refreshing to know there are still good people out there.”

“I drove by the Heritage Farmstead Barn on N. Holly Road today. The new doors look terrific. They have been a long time coming. It was worth the wait. Nice job.”

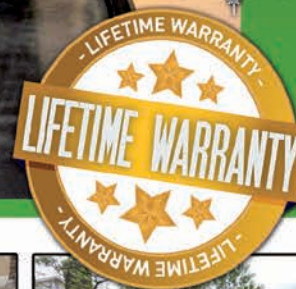


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Annual Onesie Pub Crawl enjoyed by hundreds

■ Event fundraises for college scholarships for Lake Fenton students and local non-profit

By Hannah Ball

Fenton — The fifth annual Fenton Onesie Pub Crawl on Saturday, Jan. 15 raised approximately \$2,500 for a local scholarship and non-profit organization.

Hosted and organized by local Realtor Ed Constable of Fenton Township, this event encourages people to dress in a onesie and ride buses around Fenton to different bars and restaurants to enjoy food and drinks. Proceeds go to the Brad Stone Scholarship, which benefits graduates of Lake Fenton High School. He is splitting the proceeds with another local non-profit, Fenton Center of Hope, which is in the process of moving to its new location on N. Fenton Road near Camp Copneconic.

"It was probably the smoothest one we have done," Constable said. "We used a new software to run it this year and check-in went faster." He added that they implemented a figure eight style bus route, which helped decrease the wait time between pick up and drop off times for buses.

Fenton resident Annie Flynn cel-



Hundreds of people enjoyed drinks and food at multiple Fenton businesses during the Fenton Onesie Pub Crawl on Saturday, Jan. 15 to raise money for the Brad Stone Scholarship Fund and the Center of Hope. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

brated her 60th birthday on Saturday at the pub crawl with her two daughters. They attended the first year and were excited for this year's event. They did curling at The Barn and went to the half dozen other bars that participated.

"We're having a blast right now. It's more organized because they've been doing it for a few years. The bus drivers are amazing. We're having a great

time," she said.

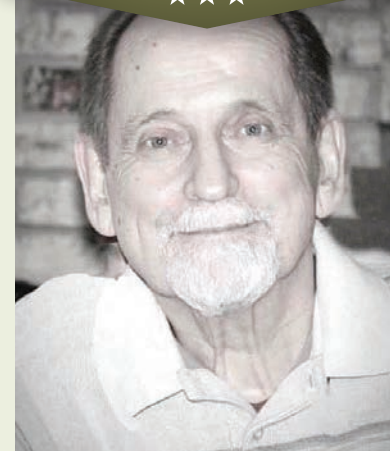
They love that the event is a fundraiser to help people attend college.

"It's going to a good cause so that makes us happy," she said, adding that they bought extra tickets in case more of their friends wanted to come.

"It's just a beautiful day in Fenton. We're having a blast. It's just fun," she said.

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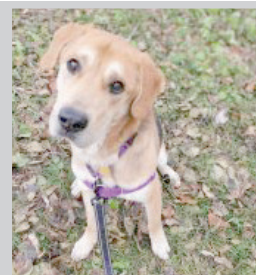
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Sharin' the spotlight

The Fenton Onesie Pub Crawl

By Editor Sharon Stone

It's hard for me to believe that we are already in the second half of January. Christmas and New Year's Eve seem like ages ago.

With every new year, there are new hopes, dreams and goals. It's all about attitude and staying busy. I love being busy and visiting with family and friends. I've still got a little bit of color on my cheeks after a week-long vacation in Florida with the kids and grandkids. We rented a home in Pompano Beach that was big enough for everyone and our dog. The warm sunshine and fresh air was good for all of us. We even ran into friends from our neighborhood here in Fenton. What a small world.

My husband and I drove and our daughter, Laura, and son-in-law, Ed, along with their little two boys flew. Our son, Jake, drove up from Miami to join us. It was a great time and I highly recommend family vacations whenever possible. Unwinding with no TV and lots of walking and activities is refreshing.

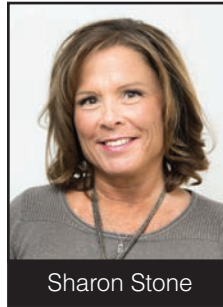
Hours after we walked into our house Saturday and unloaded the car, we grabbed our adorable onesies and headed out the door to take part

in the fifth annual Fenton Onesie Pub Crawl, hosted by our son-in-law. It's a lot of work pulling off such a popular event where hundreds of adults wearing an array of adult-sized onesies pay to eat, drink and socialize at our local restaurants. Buses cart the pub crawlers around town so that several businesses will benefit from the generosity of the attendees. The event raises thousands of dollars.

Our son-in-law, Ed Constable of Fenton Township, and his team of volunteers do all the planning

Proceeds from his annual fundraiser are shared between two local charities. Each year, Ed has donated half to the Brad Stone Scholarship Fund, which is near and dear to my heart. He's doing this in memory of his brother-in-law, Brad, who he never had a chance to meet. This portion of the proceeds is then combined with the other scholarship money we've been raising for the last 20 years for graduates of Lake Fenton High School, the school Brad would have graduated from had he not passed away when he was 12 in 2000.

The other half of this year's proceeds are being donated to the Fenton



Sharon Stone

Center of Hope (COH), which does so much for this community. The organization is moving to its new location on N. Fenton Road near Camp Copneconic. Most recently, COH provided Christmas bags filled with gifts to more than 300 children. The Genesee County Sheriff's Office helped with that

project.

With their move to the new location, Fenton COH will now be able to provide short-term emergency housing and transitional housing. Mothers will be able to take their children there to escape a bad situation, along with other people who fall on hard times and need help.

The final dollar amount hasn't been tallied just yet, but whatever was raised in one day of fun for a good cause means the world to us.

To Ed and our daughter, Laura, we thank you for your commitment to our family's mission of carrying on Brad's legacy and providing college scholarships in his memory.

Since I've been wearing my Eeyore onesie for the past four years, I think I'll start looking for a new one for next year. Any suggestions?

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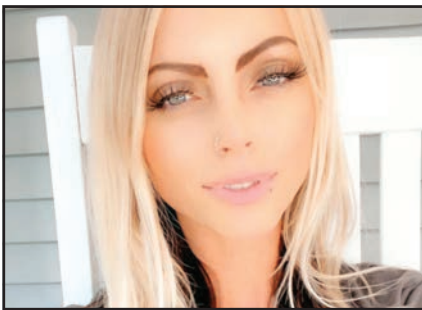
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Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter — Question asked to Tri-County Times' Facebook followers

Do you prefer to dine in, get take out, or eat at a restaurant? | streettalk



"Eating at a restaurant is preferred — makes me happier because I'm then supporting a server, the restaurant & myself by enjoying a break with little to no clean up!"

Dana Ahrenberg
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"Take out! We're homebodies and it's easier to wrangle our toddler in our living room!"

Chelsea Flowers
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"I'm a dine in and sit at the bar person. Unless it's Thai, Chinese or sushi that is take out for sure."

Brian Moriarity
Gaines



"Eating at a restaurant because the food is still good & hot and no cleanup!"

Dan Stickel
Fenton

LAFF Pathway continues in new year

■ Non-motorized pathway will connect areas from Argentine to Fenton

By Sharon Stone

A non-motorized path connecting areas from Argentine Township through Fenton are progressing and organizers are working tirelessly to promote the healthy lifestyle project and raise funds to cover the costs.

People of all ages are already taking the opportunity to walk, bicycle and run along the completed portion in the Argentine/Linden area.

In July, Fenton City Council approved an agreement with The State Bank, which offered \$500,000 for the construction of Phase Two of the LAFF Pathway and naming rights. The State Bank Trail will be a two-mile long, 10-foot wide paved trail that will be built along the south side of Silver Lake Road from Jennings Road in Fenton west to Triangle Park in Linden, where Phase One ends.

Phase One, the Silver Lake Road Trail, was completed in October 2020 and goes

from Argentine Township to the city of Linden.

With financial support from Argentine Township, Fenton Township, Fenton City, and Linden City, the LAFF Pathway is expected to continue expanding.

Phase 1 is called the Argentine Trail. Phase 2 is called The State Bank Trail. Phases 3 and 4 will run along Owen and Fenton roads.

An initial attempt to complete the four-phased, approximately 10-mile plan using a millage did not pass. Polling after the vote showed support for the pathways, but not with an increase in taxes. Local municipalities along with LAFF and Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation (SLPR) have continued the effort leveraging grants and fundraising, which takes time.

At this time, organizers have secured more than \$2.5 million in funding commitments, toward a total of just over \$2.9 million. Additional grants and private donations are pending.

To view the map of what's completed and what is pending, see the LAFF Pathway trail flyer in this issue of the Times.

Worst blood shortage in decade

■ Holly Calvary Church hosting blood drive Jan. 29 — sign up now

By Sharon Stone

Michigan hospitals are in "dire" need of life-saving blood supplies, according to Versiti Blood Center of Michigan.

Donate blood if you can Saturday, Jan. 29, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Holly Calvary Church, 15010 N. Holly Rd. in Holly, near Holly Middle School.

To make an appointment, go to versity.org and follow the directions.

Call the Versiti Blood Center of Michigan if you have any questions at

866-642-5663.

Walk-in donors are accepted from 11:30 a.m. to 12:55 p.m.

Those wishing to donate blood also can call or text message Holly volunteer Ellen Pease at (810) 265-4224 to schedule an appointment or to ask questions.

Other local Versiti blood drives:

Jan. 21: Ascension Genesys Hospital 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Jan. 30: St. Augustine-Knights of Columbus 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Feb. 3: Milford High School 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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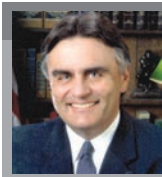


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Identification of defendants in criminal cases - Part I

Whenever a criminal case goes to trial, the prosecutor has two essential elements to prove beyond a reasonable doubt: (1) that a crime was committed and (2) that the defendant committed the crime. I will leave detailing the first element for a future column.

As to the second, what I'm referring to is simply called "identifying the

defendant" as the person who did it.

Generally speaking, there are two ways that a defendant can be identified at a trial. These are by eyewitness testimony and scientific evidence testimony by an expert witness.

Eyewitness testimony is from a person who has firsthand knowledge of an event from seeing the defendant allegedly commit a crime.

In most trials, it's as simple as that, but sometimes things are done before trial to ensure that the right person has been arrested and can be accurately identified in court.

Among these procedures is the "one person show up." This describes what happens immediately after a crime is

committed and the arrest of a suspect at or near the scene. The eyewitness is promptly taken by the police to view the in custody suspect to determine if he or she is the responsible person. If the answer is yes, the witness thereafter testifies at trial as to the identification. Another method is a "corporeal or body lineup."

Here the police have the suspect and four or five other individuals stand side by side in front of the witness (who is hidden) to determine if the suspect can be "picked out."

The other individuals must be of similar age, weight, height and race and the same sex. If they are not and the suspect is identified, the

subsequent testimony might be barred as "impermissibly suggestive" lineups are prohibited.

There is also a police lineup procedure called the "six pack photo array."

This is when the witness is shown the suspect's picture and those of five other similar looking individuals to see if the suspect can be identified.

Finally, when no one is in custody, a composite drawing can be made by a police artist based upon a witness's description. This is then distributed to the general public in the hope that someone recognizes a possible suspect.

Next week — scientific evidence.

MILLAGE

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Miller had motioned the board to look into the possibility of allowing NOCFA to be its own taxing authority, similar to a school district when asking for funding from the residents. Her motion failed by a vote of 3-2. She and Treasurer Paul

Gambka voted in favor of researching the possibility of NOCFA being its own taxing authority.

"I'm willing to look at a tax authority," Gambka said.

Noble said if NOCFA became its own taxing authority, Rose Township residents would pay more than Holly Township residents since Rose Township's current

taxable value is higher than Holly Township.

Trustee Patricia Walls said costs for everything keep going up and the fire department is always in need of new equipment. She was in favor of 4 mills. She said if the millage generates more money, it would go into the fire fund.

Miller told the board that the fire department would have to handle its budget and that Rose Township residents would pay less money. She also said the move would take politics out of it with the NOCFA Board.

The NOCFA Board is comprised of two Rose Township Board of Trustee members, two Holly Township Board of Trustee members and one citizen at large. Representing Rose Township are Supervisor Dianne Scheib-Snyder and Treasurer Paul Gambka. Representing Holly Township are Clerk Karin Winchester and Supervisor George Kullis. The citizen at large is Peter

Stouffer of Rose Township.

Currently, Rose Township and Holly Township contribute the same amount, \$849,926, annually for coverage from NOCFA through their own millages. Rose Township has two NOCFA millages, 1.3096 and 0.7229 for a total of 2.0325 mills. They expire Dec. 31, 2021.

Holly township has a NOCFA millage of 4 mills for its property owners.

The board discussed whether the millage request should go on the August or November ballot. Consensus was that if the request failed, there would be time to put another request on the November ballot.

Scheib-Snyder was in favor of 4 mills for six years and acknowledged that this would be the first increase in 12 years.

Following the vote, Scheib-Snyder said they would vote on the language of the millage request at the February meeting for placement on the ballot.

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MASTER PLAN

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and downtown,” said Carmine Avantini, president of CIB Planning and Fenton’s city planner.

The city’s new master plan reaffirms officials’ desires to maintain the long-term viability of the downtown area. It also addresses land use issues, housing issues, and it identifies certain intersections and roadways that are in need of redevelopment due to traffic volumes.

The entire plan can be viewed at cityof-fenton.org.

Growth

The population of Fenton increased from 10,582 to 11,756 between 2000 and 2010. According to the 2020 Census, that number is now 12,050. The median age of the city is 36.

“The growth in Fenton has been well-planned and most of what we hear about the community is positive. Since I have been here such a long time, I am obviously of the opinion that growth has been handled properly and the city is doing great,” Avantini said.

A growing population means more retail and traffic, especially with Fenton’s location and proximity to U.S. 23 and I-75, which allow people to commute to Detroit, Southfield and other metropolitan areas.

“The primary pressure is increased traffic levels. This is normal for a successful, growing community and requires that drivers be more patient and courteous,” Avantini said.

Land use

The city has 3,671 acres, and approximately 650 (17.7%) are vacant. More than 28% of the land in the municipality is single-family residential, the most common use, and other residential uses account for more than 20% of acres. Approximately 10% of land is commercial, 7% is industrial, nearly 9% is civic/institutional, parks and open space is 5.1% and 1.2% is office space.

“I consider the most significant goals to be ensuring that remaining vacant parcels are developed according to the Master Plan and maintaining the mixed-use character of Silver Lake Village,” Avantini said. The plan aims to eliminate or minimize existing land use conflicts through sound planning and zoning.

The city also wants to prevent commercial intrusion into the residential areas along North Leroy, north of the

Commercial Business District (CBD), by maintaining the commercial district boundaries identified in the North Leroy Street Subarea Plan. The plan lays out future zoning patterns.

Redevelopment opportunities along Owen Road

The master plan identifies ways to fix congestion and traffic flow near U.S. 23 by constructing more access driveways and promoting good driveway spacing. The city has a subarea plan for land near U.S. 23/Owen Road.

“The U.S. 23/Owen Road area has seen a considerable amount of growth and new development over the past 20 years. Much of this has been the redevelopment of existing sites. Spillover market demand from Silver Lake Village, Walmart, and the Shoppes of Fenton (planned unit development (PUD) has led to the upgrade of existing sites and buildings such as Speedway, BP/Tim Hortons, Taco Bell, Arby’s and KFC,” according to the plan.

The city plans to identify necessary infrastructure improvements, determine the appropriate combination of land uses and provide a strategy for the safe flow of traffic. The four quadrants include the four corners of U.S. 23/Owen Road.

“This interchange is the primary gateway into the city of Fenton and it has been the desire of the Planning Commission to see this study area improved. Over time, we have accomplished much of that with the Shoppes of Fenton development, the rebuild of McDonald’s/mini-marts, and the soon to be redeveloped Sunoco station. A look back at this area some 20 years ago indicates just how far we have come along with our redevelopment efforts,” Avantini said.

Another issue identified in the plan is how pedestrians and students lack crosswalks over the U.S. 23 bridge and sidewalks in front of Sunoco, the Mega Coney Island site and the Fenton Area Public Schools property on Owen Road.

Downtown

The plan lays out objectives for the six districts in downtown Fenton: the rail district, the river overlay district, the downtown district, the government/civic district, the Dibleville district, and the North LeRoy District.

“Now that downtown has had significant public and private investment, the opportunity to capitalize on further redevelopment potential lies in the North Leroy Street corridor,” according to the plan.

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National Blood Crisis

The American Red Cross is experiencing the worst blood shortage in over a decade. The dangerously low blood supply levels have forced some hospitals to defer patients from major surgery, including organ transplants. Your donation is desperately needed.

What is causing the blood shortage crisis?

- 10% overall blood donation decline since March 2020.
- 62% drop in college and high school blood drives due to the pandemic. Student donors accounted for approximately 25% of donors in 2019 accounted for just approximately 10% during the pandemic.
- Ongoing blood drive cancellations due to illness, weather-related closures and staffing limitations.
- Additional factors like a surge of COVID-19 cases and an active flu season may compound the already bad situation.

According to the Red Cross, at

a time when many businesses and organizations across the country are experiencing pandemic challenges, the Red Cross is no different.

The Red Cross, which supplies 40% of the nation’s blood supply, has had to limit blood product distributions to hospitals as a result of the shortage. In fact, some hospitals may not receive 1 in 4 blood products they need.

Blood cannot be manufactured or stockpiled and can only be made available through the kindness of volunteer donors. Less than a one-day supply of critical blood types in recent weeks.

The Red Cross asks that you consider booking additional appointments further out due to the fact that while availability of drives may be impacted, the need for blood remains constant.

The Linden Presbyterian Church, 119 W. Broad St. in Linden is hosting a blood drive tomorrow, Thursday, Jan. 20 from 12 to 5:45 p.m. Appointments for this blood drive are full, however, to schedule an appointment through the Red Cross, go to redcrossblood.org.



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southbound entrance ramp to U.S. 23.

City planner Carmine Avantini said this property had been owned by the same people since the early 1990s, and the city was unable to get them to make improvements to the building or site. This owner has since passed away.

Owen Road Fenton LLC bought the 1.36-acre property in December 2020.

"They proposed redevelopment of the site with a plan very similar to what was shown in the Master Plan. They obtained special land use and site plan approval at the August 2021 Planning Commission meeting and then variance approval at the October 2021 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting," Avantini said.

The site is zoned general business

district. Avantini said building plans have not yet been submitted to the city, but he anticipates a spring 2022 construction start date.

The special land use application states there will be four pump islands and a drive-thru for fast food. The site will utilize the existing water main and sewage systems, and it will include improved stormwater drainage and storage systems.

"As the proposed use of the site is a reconstruction of a similar use, there will be little change to the proposed site functions ... There has also been an agreement that allows the use of the overflow parking lot to the adjacent property to the south that will help mitigate parking congestion," according to the application.

The recently approved Fenton master plan identified this site as an area in need

of redevelopment.

"Although a functioning business, this site is poorly maintained and underutilized. Part of the building is vacant, and redevelopment of the site could benefit both the property owner and the community," according to the plan.

It also identifies the land as a potential brownfield site, which is "a property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant," according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

The rear portion of the property, which city officials originally thought might be utilized for expansion, contains a steep slope that prohibits full use.

"This rear portion is part of the 3401 Owen Road site to the west, but it is still

a large parcel nonetheless and could be used for shared parking at some point in the future," according to the plan.

Master plan recommendations for this area include:

- Encourage full redevelopment of the site and incorporate usable portions of the undeveloped land to the rear. This would allow the station to potentially double the number of pump islands and incorporate a fast food tenant.
- Restrict the number of driveways to Owen Road. Provide cross-access to the adjacent 3401 Owen Road site and use directional driveways if needed.
- Maintain a positive image from the U.S. 23 highway. All sides of the new building should present an attractive facade and use landscaping to enhance the site design, according to the plan.

PERMITS

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fair weather as we have. The rainy fall set us back a bit but the permitting has really been the main delay," said Scott Nelson,

vice president of Quick-Sav Food Stores/Beacon & Bridge Markets.

A couple contractors are on site every week. They're doing work on the exterior of the convenience store, which is now on the north end of the property. Before

redevelopment, it was 2,240 square feet. After, it will be 2,592 square feet.

PM Environmental also is on site working on the remediation system that will extract contaminated groundwater from an underground gasoline leak. The fuel contractor is finalizing the piping from the tanks to the dispensers on the gas station side, which is now located on the southern portion of the property. There will be eight pumps.

Waiting on state approval for permits is one of the biggest, and longest, obstacles.

In October 2021, Kevin Berry, owner of Berry Custom Homes and contractor for the project, told Linden City Council that they were waiting on permits from the state for underground plumbing and electrical work.

Nelson said they're still waiting for the state inspector to issue permits for me-

chanical, electrical and plumbing work.

"Since the pandemic, commercial approvals have been very delayed. We have had recent discussions and it sounds like we are within a week or two of getting the permits," Nelson said. "This is the major hold up. We have been waiting since just before October for the permits to be issued from the state. We are getting close, the pandemic just has things taking a little more time than normal. We have been doing as much as possible on the exterior waiting for the interior permits."

Once they secure the permits, they can finalize the plumbing on the interior of the building, install a vapor barrier, and do additional work inside.

In the fall of 2021, their goal was to open by December 2021. However, due to the setbacks with state permitting, they're now hoping to open in late March.



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Griffins lead early, hold on for home 5-2 victory vs. Tri-Valley Titans

By David Troppens

The Fenton/Linden varsity hockey team gave the fans something to cheer about during alumni night.

The squad faced off against the Tri-Valley Titans and captured a 5-2 victory.

The Griffins never trailed. Jace Dumeah scored the game's first goal on assists by Caden Crandall and Keegan McNamara, and the lead grew to 2-0 with two minutes left in the first period. The second goal was scored by McNamara on an as-

sist by Crandall.

The Griffins upped their lead in the second period with a goal by Max Wright, giving the squad a comfortable lead entering the third period. Tri-Valley tried to make it a contest in the third period. They cut the gap to

two goals twice. The first time was at 3-1, but McNamara responded with his second goal of the contest. Tri-Valley quickly cut the gap to 4-2 after McNamara's goal, but the Griffins iced the game away with just 2:52 remaining in the third.

That's when Grayson McKenzie scored on assists by Jacob Florida and Nick Temple.

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Griffins'
Keegan McNamara



Eagles' teams soar against Fenton

■ Linden boys win thriller vs. rivals

By David Troppens

Linden — It had appeared the Linden varsity boys basketball team was preparing to take control of its contest against its greatest rivals, the Fenton Tigers, during the third quarter.

Linden enjoyed a 27-18 halftime lead against the Tigers and the lead remained as many as 30-22 after a three-pointer by Joe Miller.

The Linden lead was still 32-27 after a putback baby hook shot by Jase Becher, but only a few seconds later a whistle blew and Linden's leading scorer Reichen Lund was called for his fourth foul.

The result was the Eagles had to play without their scoring leader for a handful of minutes, enabling the Fenton Tigers to begin the fourth quarter on a 7-0 run and take a 35-32 lead.

However, Lund returned to action and scored eight fourth-quarter points, helping lead the Linden Eagles to a tight 45-42 victory against Fenton on Friday.

"The guys took care of the ball pretty well and we played pretty well on defense," Lund said about the period he had to sit out. "Teams have been throwing two guys at me this year and trying to take the ball out of my hands. My team is doing really well taking care of the ball and keeping the pressure off me."

"I'm not one to talk about myself like this, but when the guys get me open and create shots for me, I feel like I can take over."

A layup by Ja'Hion Bond enabled the Tigers to take a 35-32 lead with 5:30 left in the fourth, but once Lund came in, the Eagles retook control. First, he assisted a three-pointer by Miller, tying it at 35-all. Fenton answered with a driving layup by Seth Logan, but Lund hit consecutive jumpers, giving the Eagles a 39-37 lead with 2:12 remaining.

Fenton took back a 40-39 lead on a three-pointer by Logan, but a driving four-foot jumper by Lund gave the Eagles the lead for good, leading at the time 41-40. Two converted free throws by Monte Keener upped the Linden edge to 43-40. Fenton cut the gap back to 43-42 on two converted free throws by Lance Barkholz with 57.5 seconds left, but two converted free



(Above) Linden's Reichen Lund (left) and Fenton's Seth Logan battle for the ball. (Left photo) Linden's Kaya Widner dribbles away from many Fenton defensive players. Linden won both varsity basketball games. Photos: Christopher Summers

throws by Lund with 17.3 seconds left, gave Linden a 45-42 lead. Fenton did See **LINDEN** on 12

■ Linden girls take lead, hold on to earn victory

By David Troppens

Linden — If you are a Linden Eagle, there's no better game than one against your area rival to play one of your best games of the season.

That's what the Linden varsity girls basketball team did on Friday night when the Eagles faced area rivals Fenton.

The Eagles nailed 12-of-23 shots from the field in the opening half, earning them a 36-22 halftime lead, and then held on in the second half to earn a 63-45 home victory against the Tigers.

The Eagles' offense was effective in two ways. They pressured the Tigers defensively and it resulted in many transition points. The Eagles scored 23 points off Fenton steals during the contest. And when the Eagles were forced to play a halfcourt offensive game, they were unselfish and passed the ball for several well earned assists.

"I loved the teamwork," Linden senior Paige Leedle said. "We've been struggling sometimes to work as a team, just like being a whole unit, but tonight, we really worked well as a unit and got it together."

"That was definitely our mindset going in," Linden varsity girls basketball coach Zack Darling said. "We want to be an uptempo team. We want to be a pressuring team and then we want to run. See **VICTORY** on 12

Holly wrestlers go 3-2 at Varner Memorial tourney

The Holly varsity wrestling team hosted its annual Varner Memorial Tournament and finished with a 3-2 mark.

The Bronchos defeated East Lansing 54-24, St. Clair Shores Lake Shore 51-27 and Notre Dame Prep 58-18. They lost to Freeland 42-36 and Algonac 53-24.

Three Bronchos finished the tournament with perfect 5-0 marks. The top showing was by Jacob Gonzales (160/171) who recorded four pinfall wins among his five victories. Kendall Drake (160/171) and Jayden Higgins (189) also earned 5-0 marks with three pinfall wins.

Three other Holly wrestlers finished with 4-1 marks. Hunter Hummel (152) was one of the wrestlers to earn that record, and he did so with four pinfall victories. Gabe Soja (112) also went 4-1, earning three pinfall wins. Meanwhile, Christian Preston (119) also recorded a 4-1 record and had one pinfall victory.

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LF wrestling wins fourth weekend tourney title

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity wrestling team keeps on winning.

The Blue Devils are 21-0 and have now won four weekend tournament titles. The fourth title came at the Flushing Team Tournament on Saturday.

Lake Fenton defeated Gabriel Richard 78-6, Flushing 50-27, Midland Dow 78-6, DeWitt 51-30 and Jackson County Western 45-24.

"The kids wrestled like a team this weekend," Lake Fenton varsity wrestling coach Vance Corcoran said. "It was one of the best overall weekends I've had as a coach as far as these boys coming together for one common goal. We've got our work cut out for us this week against a very tough Linden team."

Seven Blue Devils recorded perfect 5-0 records at the tournament. Only one posted the perfect of perfect 5-0 marks though, earning five pinfall wins among those victories. That was Karson Crist (171), who improved to 22-7 with the wins. Zack Hall (135/140) came close to that mark as well, going 5-0 with four pinfall wins. Jack Conley (160)



Lake Fenton's Robbie Moore went 5-0 with three pins at the Flushing Team Tournament. **Photo: David Troppens**

and Robbie Moore (119) were 5-0 wrestlers with three pinfall wins while Noah Hall (145/152) had two pins among his five wins. Jorge Marvin (103) and Clay Cook (112) also had 5-0 marks with

one pin. Finally, Josh Ezel (189/215) also had a perfect day, but only competed in four matches (4-0), getting two pinfall wins.

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Linden wrestlers post 4-1 record at Imlay City tournament

The Linden varsity wrestling team won its first four matches at the Imlay City Team Tournament, but fell one match short of the tourney title.

The Eagles defeated Harper Woods 66-7, Anchor Bay 40-29, Brandon 57-22 and Imlay City 36-31 to start 4-0. However, the Eagles lost to Pontiac 48-36 in their final match.

The Eagles had three wrestlers record perfect 5-0 days. Bryce Shingleton (125/130) and Jase Gundry (189) each went 5-0 with three pinfall wins. The other wrestler to go 5-0 was Luke Haney (135/140), who earned his perfect mark with one pinfall win.

Four wrestlers recorded 4-1 marks. Brenden Shingleton (125/130) and Brady Makela (152) earned two pinfall wins to go with their four victories, while Michael Bush (171) and Tyler McCabe (135/140) each went 4-1 with

one pinfall victory.

Ben Wingblad (119) and Lucas Carr (160) recorded 3-2 records with one pinfall win while Aiden Haney (145) and Bryce Eliuk (215/285) earned 2-3 records. Adelia Carr also had one victory.



Linden's Michael Bush (top) went 4-1 with one pin victory at the Imlay City Team Tournament. **Photo: David Troppens**

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Fenton swimmers place second at county

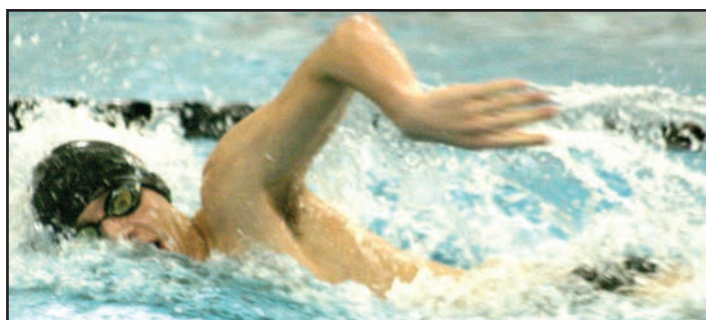
By David Troppens

No team had more first-place finishes than the Fenton varsity boys swim team at last weekend's county meet.

No squad had more first- and second-place finishes combined than the Tigers either.

However, Grand Blanc's superior depth prevailed at the county meet as the Tigers had to settle for a runner-up finish despite the great performances. Grand Blanc had three firsts, five seconds and collected 478 team points. Fenton had six firsts and four seconds and had 334 team points.

Max Haney and Jack Fries took part in four of those firsts each. The Tigers opened Saturday's final with a first-place finish in the 200 medley relay. Haney and Fries teamed with Kaz Sieja and Evan Koch to earn a first-place time of 1:39.41. The same four swimmers also assured the Tigers



Max Haney swims in a past meet. Haney was a county champion in four events. The Tigers took second at the county meet. **File photo: David Troppens**

won the last race of the day when they took first in the 400 freestyle relay (3:18.55).

Haney and Fries also won two individual county event championships as well. Haney took the top spot in the 200 freestyle (1:44.12) and the 100 butterfly (50.93), while Fries took the top spot in the 100 freestyle (48.73) and the 100 backstroke (53.87).

The Tigers had three individual event seconds. They

were earned by diver Owen Cox (358.45), Braden Falvo (100 butterfly in 55.57) and Kaz Sieja (100 freestyle in 51.02). The 200 freestyle relay team of Jacob Shanahan, Falvo, Isaac Gurnsey and Luke DeFina placed second as well (1:38.14).

Other Fenton individuals to earn top-five event finishes were Koch, fourth in the 200 freestyle (1:56.66) and fifth in the 100 freestyle (52.52); and Sieja, fifth in the 50 freestyle (23.18).

FLLF ski program sweeps Powers Catholic

By David Troppens

The Fenton/Linden/Lake Fenton co-op ski program earned a sweep against Powers last week at Mt. Holly.

The Fenton boys won 20-63, while the girls meet was won by a much closer 34-40 margin.

In the girls meet, Fenton won both the slalom and giant slalom portions by 17-20 margins.

In the slalom, FLLF's Da-isey Horne won the event with a two-run combined time of 1:04.01. Powers had the next two best times with Gracie Spezia finishing second (1:05.24), but the next two finishers were from the FLLF team. Sonia Arnst took fourth (1:10.05) and Averi Fairbanks took fifth (1:15.31). Emersyn Sprague was seventh (1:16.59), completing the FLLF team's sla-

lom scoring.

In the giant slalom, Powers had Ella Wentworth win (48.45) and Spezia take fourth (50.55), but FLLF had five of the top eight places to earn the win. Fairbanks was second (49.15) while Anna Heimb-berger was third (50.32) and Horne was fifth (52.46). Arnst finished seventh (53.82).

The FLLF boys were pretty dominant, taking the top five positions in each race. In the slalom, Ryland Fairbanks (54.48) won while Brooks Funke (55.98) and Nate Hiscock (57.68) were second and third, respectively. Jack Antonishek placed fourth (1:00.60).

In the giant slalom, Funke led the way (47.24) while Fairbanks was second (47.94) and Antonishek was third (48.07). Hiscock was fourth (48.15).

PREP REPORT

GIRLS BOWLING

► **Fenton 24, Goodrich 6:** Fenton won the first Bakers game 170-146 and had the better two-game series, 310-293, helping lead the squad to the win.

Jena Fijolek led the Tigers with a 143-184-327 series while Katelyn Burkett had a 308 series, improving upon her season scoring average by 21 pins.

► **Kearsley 30, Fenton 0:** Bree Soule had a 110-161-271 two-game series against a tough Kearsley squad.

► **Clio 29, Linden 1:** The Eagles were down to two bowlers and lost the match. Alyssa Brooks had a 239 two-game series while Desiree Lane had a 233 series.

BOYS BOWLING

► **Holly at Oakland County Championship:** The Bronchos placed fifth at the event. had a 3,364 team pinfall earning them the 13th place and a spot in the top 16 single-elimination tournament.

Holly defeated South Lyon 316-280, advancing to the quarterfinal. In it, Holly lost to Oxford 368-344.

In singles competition, Sean Dankert led the Bronchos with an 18th-place finish with a 605 three-game series. Ryan Dalton placed 23rd with a 599 series.

► **Kearsley 27, Fenton 2:** Curtis Aus-

sicker had a 191-158-349 two-game series to pace the Tigers. Nate Dymond also bowled a 191 game.

► **Clio 28.5, Linden 1.5:** Austin Huyck led the Eagles with a 212-181-393 two-game series. Brendyn Sinn had a 180-185-365 series.

► **Flushing 26, Holly 4:** Ryan Sparklin had a 189-184-373 series and earned two points for the Bronchos. Matt Allen (193) and Ryan Dalton (210) earned the Bronchos' other two points.

► **Goodrich 22.5, Fenton 7.5:** Nate Dymond had a 176-235-411 two-game series, leading the Tigers. His games bested his old average by 38 pins. Curtis Aussicker bowled a 232 game.

BOYS SKI

► **Holly/Oxford 21, Everest Collegiate:** Holly/Oxford was led by Jacob Denman in both races. He won the giant slalom with a time of 48.18 seconds and the slalom with a time of 55.13 seconds. Finishing second in the giant slalom was Eric Ranck (46.88) followed by Cody Musial in third (50.19) and Olle Sellen in fourth (50.53).

In the slalom, Ranck was second (57.86), Ethan Crosby was third (1:04.63) and Sellen was fifth (1:20.63).



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Tri-county swimmers, divers do well at county meet

By David Troppens

The county swim meet had many area athletes post fine performances.

Powers recorded a third-place team finish. The Kearsley/Lake Fenton team placed ninth and the Holly Bronchos took 11th.

Powers had several athletes earn top-three efforts. The Kearsley/Lake Fenton program also had a swimmer earn a first.

Powers diver Chris Jones dominated. The Linden resident won the

event by nearly 120 points with a score of 477.35. The other first was recorded by Lake Fenton's David Rampy, who competes for the Kearsley/Lake Fenton co-op. Rampy was the county champion in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:04.49.

The Powers squad had plenty of other strong efforts by area swimmers. Liam Siefert took part in four top-three events. The Holly resident teamed with Will Gross, Avery McCarthy and Fenton's

Nicholas Wujciak to earn a third-place finish in the 200 medley relay (1:49.23). He also teamed with Wujciak, Nate Fisher and Gross to take third in the 400 freestyle relay (3:34.44).

Wujciak also had his own individual top-three event. He took third in the 500 freestyle (5:18.95).

The Holly Bronchos were paced by Zachary Rockafellow. He took fifth in the 100 backstroke (1:02.56).

Fenton wrestlers place seventh at Adams tournament

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity wrestling team competed at the Rochester Adams Invitational and came home with a seventh-place team finish.

The Tigers had five wrestlers place at the event with one winning a championship.

The champion was Philip Lamka (160) who destroyed his competition, earning pinfall wins in each match. He won the title by defeating Woodhaven's Nathan Lundgren by pinfall in 2:46.

Garrett Clark (125) also made it to the title match, after winning each

of his first four matches by pinfall, including one in 21 seconds against Eisenhower's Tyler Girard. The championship match was against Adams's Dakota Quinlan, and Clark lost by a 9-2 decision.

Evan Firby (215) placed third.

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Holly boys basketball starts slow, falls to Kearsley

By David Troppens

If he could, Steve DeHart would eliminate the first quarter of Holly's varsity boys basketball game against Kearsley from his brain.

But the first quarter counts, and it hurt the Bronchos quite a bit Friday night. Kearsley outscored Holly

21-5 in the opening quarter and never trailed en route to a 50-26 home victory against the Bronchos.

"It was awful," DeHart said. "We lost the game in the first quarter. They came out and had a lot of energy. We weren't taking care of the ball. Not to diminish what they did, but they hit a

couple of shots that our guys totally lost their guy defensively. They started the game with a three, we turned it over, they came down hit a three and I called time out immediately. I told them we had to wake up. We burned three time outs in the first quarter."

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Holly girls basketball plays two solid quarters vs. Hornets

The Holly varsity girls basketball team is starting to put good portions of the game together.

Now, it's a matter of extending that stronger play closer to 32 minutes so that a victory can be possible.

Unfortunately, the start of the

game wasn't one of those stronger moments of play when the Bronchos played Kearsley Friday night.

Kearsley jumped out to an 18-0 lead, eventually earning a 50-20 home victory against Holly.

After falling down by the 18-0

margin, the Bronchos played well the rest of the second quarter, going on a 9-2 run and cutting the halftime deficit to 20-9. However, Holly was shut out in the third quarter as well, ending the chance of a comeback.

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LINDEN

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have two three-point shots in the final 13 seconds trying to tie the game, but both shots missed.

The win keeps the Eagles (5-0) atop the Flint Metro League Stripes. But, more importantly, the Eagles continued their recent

Linden's River Meckstroth tries to drive for a potential shot.

Photo: Christopher Summers

domination of Fenton.

"It's pretty big," Lund said about the rivalry. "This is my senior year. We have four seniors on the team and three returning players from last year. It's pretty big for us, and we are looking to get our fourth Metro League championship in a row."

Linden's second-year head coach Lance Belill is starting to learn the importance of this battle.

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Linden's Kelsey McLennan (right) attempts to block Lauren Gangwer's shot in the Eagles' 63-45 victory. Photo: Christopher Summers

VICTORY

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We would rather get all of our buckets on transition baskets and not have to set up an offense. Obviously, that doesn't happen, but when we were setting up our offense, we were making good passes, and we were looking for the right shot at the right time."

Linden was on fire from the start, netting 7-of-16 shots in the opening quarter. The game opened with an Olivia Mawhinney steal and a three-pointer just 35 seconds into the game. Linden never trailed. The lead grew to double-digits quickly. It happened for the first time at 18-6 when Leedle was fouled taking a three-point shot. She made all three free throws and the Eagles led 18-6 with 48.6 seconds left in the contest. Leedle scored 12 points in the opening quarter and the Eagles led 20-8 entering the second period.

In the second quarter, the lead grew to as many as 33-13 on a inside hoop by Mawhinney with 3:11 in the half, but the Tigers started to fight back. The Tigers ended the half on a 9-1 run, capped by two converted free throws by Tammy Craven. The Tigers cut the gap to 36-22 entering the break.

Linden entered the second half with some foul trouble, and Fenton took advantage, cutting Linden's lead to as little as 43-33 on a three-pointer by Allison Bartholomew with 1:58 left in the third quarter. However, the Eagles were able to pump their lead back to 48-36 at the end of the third quarter on a Leedle jumper.

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The Holly Traveling Wall Committee has changed the date of its dinner fundraiser to March 5. The dinner was moved because of COVID. It was originally scheduled for Jan. 21. The dinner will start at The Vault in downtown Holly, 202 S. Saginaw St. The dinner will begin at 7 p.m. and will include a buffet dinner, appetizers, cash bar, coffee and tea are free, and a dessert. The program will include a 50-50 raffle, and an auction. Entertainment will be provided by Clarkston Village Players Improv Troupe. Tickets are \$40 per person and \$60 per couple. The Traveling Wall is a half scale of the actual Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. The Traveling Wall is a Michigan owned company Veterans Combat, Ltd. The Traveling Wall is scheduled for Aug. 3-8. The Wall will be located on the west side of the Karl Richter Campus on East Street. Contact information: Joe Mishler – (810) 348-9960, Rick Powers – (248) 459-0055. Tickets can also purchased at Blumz (downtown Holly).

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Donna Marie Zdanowicz

1934 – 2022

Donna Marie Zdanowicz - age 87, of Fenton, passed away peacefully on Friday, January 14, 2022. She was born May 11, 1934 to Etienne and Audrey Dionne in River Rouge, MI. Donna attended Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and School in River Rouge. She was a loving and cherished wife, mother, sister, grandmother, great grandmother, aunt, cousin and friend. She grew up down river before being blessed with her loving second husband Michael and moving onto Taylor Lake in Rose Township in the early 70s. Donna and Mike loved to entertain on the lake, hosting parties with over a hundred family and friends many times throughout the summer and even on the ice in the winter. Their home was always open for anyone, always offering something to eat or drink and even a place to stay. She would buy extra gifts at Christmas time just in case someone happened to come by unexpectedly. Donna made everyone feel at home and fed many, a trait her and her siblings passed on to all of their children. Donna will be sorely missed by all whom she has touched and would want you all to know she loved you. A wonderful tribute to her would be to help anyone in need, any way you are able, in her honor, as her passion was caring for others. She was a very faithful parishioner of St. John



the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton for 45 plus years, even attending daily mass as much as she could. Surviving are her sister, Millie Costa; children, Charles Stidham, James Stidham, Thomas Zdanowicz (Rachel), Michele Morrow (Paul), Nancy Hirsch and Steven Zdanowicz; 16 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and many wonderful

nieces and nephews. Special thanks to her daughter-in-law, Rachel Zdanowicz and granddaughter, Morgan Morrow for their care as her health was declining. Donna is preceded in death by her loving husband, Michael Zdanowicz; brothers, Donald and Russell Dionne; sister, Peggy Sparks; sons, Steven, Russel and David Stidham; daughters-in-law, Karin and Marie Stidham; son-in-law, Thomas Hirsch; and grandson, David Stidham; as well as several nephews; and sisters-in-law, keeping her faith and loving spirit through many losses. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 AM Thursday, January 20, 2022 at St John the Evangelist Catholic Church of Fenton, with Father David Harvey, Celebrant. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be from 2 – 9 PM (Rosary at 7 PM) Wednesday, January 19 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

James Donald Flannery

1945 – 2022

James Donald Flannery - age 76, of Holly (formerly of Ubly) passed away Thursday, January 13, 2022 at his home, under hospice care. He was born on June 11, 1945 in Bad Axe to the late Martin and Vernetta (Peters) Flannery. He lived on the family farm until he was drafted into the Army. After being discharged, he married Donna Conat on December 18, 1970 at St. Raymond's Catholic Church in Detroit. He was widowed seven years later. Jim worked in construction until his retirement in 2006. Jim enjoyed hunting, spending time at the family farm, and watching the Tigers and the Lions. But most of all he enjoyed spending time with family and friends, and especially his two beloved grandchildren. Jim, the appointed mayor of the neighborhood, enjoyed, in his younger years, hosting neighborhood parties and pig roasts. He coordinated the mowing and maintenance of his and his neighbors' lawns and much to the chagrin of the road commission, maintained

his ditches to his specifications. Jim loved to socialize and made friends wherever he went, including stopping in Nebraska and spending hours talking to a farmer about his irrigation system. Jim is survived by Roxanne (LaMontaine); children, Rebecca Flannery of Charleston, S.C., and Denise Flannery (Dale Frank) of Lansing; grandchildren, Abby and Alex Frank; step-son, Jason LaMontaine; siblings, Celestine (Ralph) Mungle and Bernice (Andy) Bleeda; and many beloved nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brother, Harold (Cynthia) Flannery. Visitation was held Monday, January 17, from 3 – 9 PM at Dryer Funeral Home in Holly, with the Rosary at 4 PM. Funeral services were held at St. Rita Catholic Church in Holly on Tuesday, January 18 at Noon. Another visitation will be held on Thursday, January 20, from 3 – 8 PM at Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly, MI. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

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14 Fork prong

15 The National Pastime

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21 Mexican money

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29 Grade-school

31 Flushed

33 Hang loose?

34 Diva

36 Kismet

37 Bleak

38 Baby's father

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Horoscopes

For the week of January 17, 2022

ARIES

May 21/Apr 20

Aries, you may be tempted to overspend this week, as you have a mind to remodel or re-decorate your home in a major way. Try not to get carried away.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21

You are ready to pour a huge investment of time and resources into a creative project that is dear to your heart, Taurus. Let the ideas flow organically instead of pushing too hard.

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21

Phone calls and emails keep coming in, to the point where you may want to turn off your devices for the rest of the week. Find opportunities for peace and quiet.

CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, you may feel like you have all of the answers. But you can still heed advice from those who came before you especially in the work setting.

LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, you have high hopes for a productive week, but you may not check off everything on your to-do list. It's fine to let one or two things slide.

VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, why make things difficult for yourself when others are willing to lend a helping hand? You don't have to chart the course alone, so accept any offers of help that come along.

LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, if you are feeling immense pressure to make an important decision, take all the time you need to work through every scenario. This way you're confident in your choice.

SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, this week will feel like a lot of hurrying up and waiting. For a go-getter like you, this can be very frustrating. Use the down time you have productively.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21

This is a good week to pursue dreams that have been put on the back burner, Sagittarius. Don't tell yourself things are impossible. Find ways to make things happen.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20

It's fine to be goofy and playful once in a while, Capricorn. This is the week to let loose and have fun for a while. Others may join in on your antics.

AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18

Intense dreams may crop up in the evenings this week, Aquarius. Jot down things as you remember the details so you can better reflect on their meaning.

PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20

Consider giving yourself a little rest from work, Pisces. You've been working hard and now you need to restore your energy levels.

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