Tyrone Township seeks new clerk

■To fill vacancy left by resignation of Marcella Husted

By Sharon Stone

During the Tyrone Township Board of Trustees meeting Tuesday, Feb. 1, Clerk Marcella Husted submitted her resignation. The Board voted 6-0 to accept her resignation. Trustee David Walker was absent.

Supervisor Michael Cunningham said he hates to see good people go. He added that Husted has done a fantastic job



Marcella Husted

and that he wishes her well.

Following the meeting, Husted said that it has been an honor to serve the residents for the last six years.

"I have met so many wonderful people over this period of time and have made some lasting friendships," she said. "I

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know that not everyone agrees with some of the tough decisions the township board has had to make but I always try to do what is in the best interest of our residents. I think that sometimes people forget that we are also residents of the township and

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Holly Area Schools asks for \$97-million bond renewal

School board approves ballot item for May 3 election

By Sharon Stone

During a special meeting Monday, Jan. 31, the Holly Board of Education voted 6-0 to place a bond renewal on the May 3 election ballot. Trustee Teri Weisdorfer was absent from the meeting due to a scheduling conflict.

The resolution states: "In the opinion of this Board, it is necessary and expedient to ask voters whether to approve a bond proj-See BOND RENEWAL on 17

Ambulance response times in Fenton average 5½ minutes



Fenton City Dispatcher Susie Haney monitors calls coming in Thursday, Feb. 3. The city is the only municipality in Genesee County with its own dispatching system. Genesee County, and the entire nation, is grappling with an ambulance shortage. See story on Page 9. Photo: Hannah Ball

Recreational marihuana establishments considered

■Holly Village Council could take action Feb. 8 on proposed ordinance amendment

By Sharon Stone

Holly Village Council could take action on a proposed ordinance amendment during its meeting Tuesday, Feb. 8, which adds a new chapter titled "Recreational Marihuana Establishments."

The meeting takes place at the Holly Board of Education Room, 920 E. Baird St., Holly, at 7 p.m.

Ordinance 468 provides for the licensing and regulating of

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L Thank you to all of the road crews who have been working around the clock to clear

our roads and parking lots. I honestly thought the roads would be worse than they were on my way in to work Thursday morning. You all rock!"



€ I want to thank the wonderful young people from the Rock Church going house to

house in my neighborhood in Linden shoveling driveways. They refused any money and just did it out of kindness. It was very much appreciated."

661 want to thank the man from Kentucky who plowed my sister's driveway out on Cisco Drive in Linden/Argentine and refused any payment. Again, thank you so much. That was very kind of you."







Oldest George Washington Club to host annual luncheon

■Since 1893, only three luncheons canceled due to extreme circumstances in history

The oldest George Washington Club in the United States will hold its Annual Luncheon again this year Thursday, Feb. 17.

The Luncheon was founded in 1893 by the Reverend R.K. Devine in honor of the first president of the United States. It was held at the Hirst Hotel, now known as the Historic Holly Hotel. In the early days, the luncheon was by invitation only and required formal attire.

The luncheon has been held every year since its inception except for three years: 1918 because of World War I, 1920 with the flu pandemic, and 2021 due to COVID.

Through the years, the club has met in different locations around Holly. In recent years, the luncheon has been held at the Holly First Baptist Church.

Approximately 130-150 people attend the luncheons. The luncheon



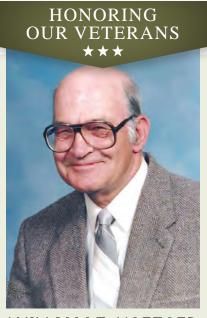
is open to the public but does require advance reservation by phone at (248) 634-7382 or (248) 245-0331. Reservations will be accepted through Wednesday, Feb. 9.

The lunch consists of ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, carrot medallion salad, and, of course, cherry pie. After lunch, a speech about George Washington is presented, the scholarship recipient reads their essay, and the Holly High School Jazz Band performs.

A brief meeting is held to present the officers for the next year. Currently, Richard Kinnamon is the president,

Laura Oldaugh is vice president, Kaye Thorsby is secretary and Pat Walls is the treasurer. Oldaugh will be the president for the upcoming year. There also is a board of advisors: Joe Mishler, Dale Smith, and Chester Koop.

In recent years, The Washington Club has offered a \$500 scholarship to a Holly High School senior. One of the requirements is the student must write a 300-word essay about the importance of George Washington, which they are invited to present at the luncheon. The Washington Club is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit and is always accepting gifts to the scholarship fund.



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David's Dabblings

ey, guess what everyone? **Ex-Detroit Lions** starting quarterback Matt Stafford will be playing in the Super Bowl for the Los Angeles Rams in a week.

Of course, you knew this. Everyone in the Detroit area **Troppens** knows this. I feel a little **Sports Editor** happy for Stafford, but that's about it — a fleeting glimpse of, 'Oh, good for Stafford' and that's about it.

David

However, if you were on social media in the last week, and you have just a couple of Detroit Lions' fans as friends, chances are you'll see reactions way more passionate than that.

I have seen long-time Lions fans go bonkers over this news. In fact, in what may have been the craziest passionate pro-Stafford post, one person said, "Our Matt Stafford" is going to the Super Bowl.

Our Matt Stafford? Isn't this the guy that about a year ago wanted out of Detroit, demanded a trade and was traded to the Rams? Good for Stafford. He got what he wanted. He joined a team with a roster talented and deep enough to compete for a Super Bowl title. I don't begrudge him that. Meanwhile, the Lions made out pretty good considering Stafford made it no



secret he wanted out.

Somehow, the Lions got two first-round draft picks, a third-round draft pick and the Rams starting quarterback Jared Goff for Stafford. He wanted out, he's gone and now he's not 'our' anything. He's a Ram.

Lions' fans are so starving for anything resembling success, they are now living

through the lives of people who used to be Lions. If the Rams win the Super Bowl, there isn't going to be a parade in Detroit. The Lions aren't going to open Ford Field so people can watch the game on the screens with 30,000 other Stafford fans as they passionately wear

their 'he used to be a Lions quarterback' shirts. He's gone.

It's time to move on. And, does Stafford playing in a Super Bowl mean Stafford was better than his critics suggested? I don't know. The Lions' current starting quarterback Jared Goff (someone Lions' fans have booed a few times last season) also led the Rams' deep and talented team to the Super Bowl just a couple of years ago. The team is so darned talented apparently any reasonably solid QB can do well with the Rams.

Don't go out purchasing Stafford Rams jerseys for the game. You can feel good for the guy, but let's not take it overboard.

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IT'S CRAZY TO read all these stories about celebrities pulling their stuff from Spotify just because Joe Rogan has the guts to question mRNA vaccine experts about COVID. The truth will eventually come out and some of you will have to finally accept what us common-sense people knew all along.

WHEN A TECH platform censors people, that's free market. When the White House asks them to do it, that's a violation of the first amendment. But then again, they don't care about the second. Why would they care about the first?

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

What was your reaction to learning that Matthew Stafford will play in the Super Bowl? | Street talk



"Finally, Lions fans have a rooting interest in the Super Bowl. Except for the Stafford haters."

Remi Hubach Fenton



"Absolutely fantastic! What a great way to show the Lions it was never about him. He just needed a 'whole team to help him. Go Matthew!"

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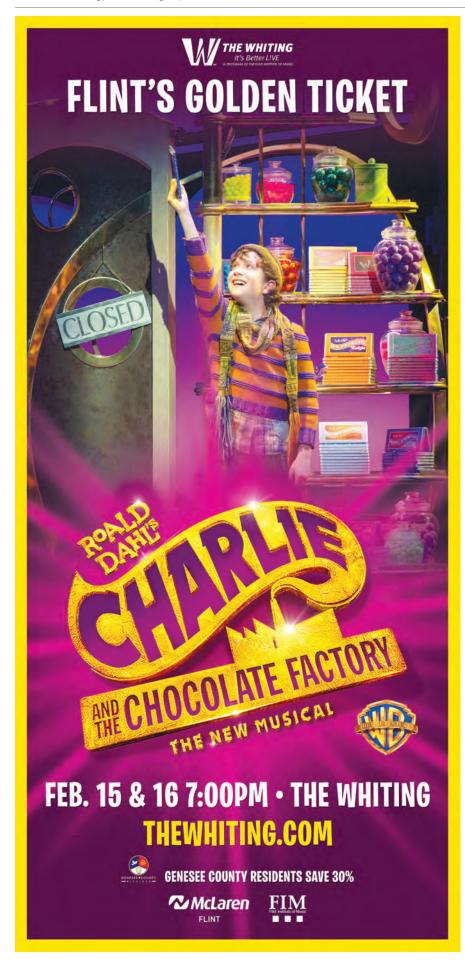
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Local school districts receive millions in federal aid

■Schools will spend COVID-19 funds on staffing, technology, expanded schooling

By Hannah Ball

Local school districts are expecting millions in funds from federal relief packages passed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds are tied to Title I guidelines, which gives funds to help lower income districts.

Superintendents said they plan to spend this money on hiring more counselors, expanding school courses and updated technology.

Congress allocated approximately \$13.2 billion of the \$30.75 billion earmarked to the Education Stabilization Fund through the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER Fund), according to the Office of Elementary & Secondary Education.

Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS)

ESSER I - \$208,450 ESSER II - \$1,011,189 ESSER III - \$2,274,178 This totals \$3,493,817.

Superintendent Adam Hartley said, "We are using these funds to help achieve short term goals and to help us achieve long term goals if the financial landscape changes over time. A stakeholder survey went out to our school community last month that helped us prioritize these funds."

The district's main focus with this money is hiring and retaining quality staff, updating facilities, building on the district's Multi-Tiered System of

Supports and Technology integration. FAPS purchased personal protection equipment, hired more custodial and mental health certified staff such as elementary social workers. They also plan to implement a 1:1 Chromebook initiative next year for the students in grades 6 to 12.

Hartley said at least 20% of these funds will specifically be used to help students that need extra support due to the inconsistencies in how the education was provided the last two years due to the pandemic.

"I am confident that the Board of Education and the FAPS leadership will work with the school community to utilize these funds in an intentional, thoughtful manner. History tends to repeat itself and over the course of the last 25 years, education has seen its highs and lows when it comes to state funding. Planning for the next low will place us in a great position to maintain our staffing levels and programming," he said.

FAPS is considered 33.6% economically disadvantaged by the Michigan Senate Fiscal Agency.

Holly Area Schools (HAS)

ESSER II - \$338,942 ESSER III - \$2,079,823 ESSER III - \$4,670,989

This totals more than \$7 million.

Superintendent Scott Roper said, "At Holly Area Schools, we were proud to be among the first Michigan school districts to return to in-person learning last school year. Our safe return to

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Median household income decreases in Fenton

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quite well with one of

the big issues of our

time: the loss of 'brick

and mortar' retail to

online shopping. 77

Carmine Avantini

CIB Planning president and

Fenton's city planner

■ Poverty level nearly doubles over a decade, according to master plan

By Hannah Ball

Fenton has seen a "significant decrease" in median household income since 2010, according to the recently adopted master plan.

The median household income decreased from \$50,622 to \$44,776 adjusted for infla-

tion. The poverty level almost doubled in this same time period, from 8.5% to 15.2%.

The new master plan was adopted Monday, Jan. 10. It contains the history of the growth of Fenton, desired future land uses, housing issues, redevelopment opportunities for the North LeRoy district, and it identifies certain intersections and roadways that are in need of redevelopment due to traffic volumes.

The entire plan can be viewed at cityoffenton.org. The majority of the plan paints a positive picture of the growth and opportunities in the city with business and jobs.

Fenton has an unemployment rate of 4.1%, which is lower than Genesee Coun-

ty at 4.8% and the United States at 5%.

"That is not to say though that the economy of Fenton is as good as it could be," the plan states.

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Ambulance response times in Fenton average 5½ minutes

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Bob Cairnduff

Fenton fire chief

City is only municipality in Genesee County to operate its own dispatching center

By Hannah Ball

While most of Genesee County is struggling with long ambulance wait times, Fenton is averaging wait times of 5 and a half minutes, thanks to the city having its own dispatching center.

The city of Fenton has contracted with STAT EMS to provide ambulance services for 12 years.

Joseph Karlichek, vice president of STAT, said the contract is primarily engineered to ensure Fenton has coverage 24/4, every day of the year with dedicated crews and backup procedures available. He said STAT has maintained an average response time of 5 minutes and 26 seconds with an average of 92-93% of 9-1-1 medical calls they respond to when dispatched by Fenton 911.

Fenton is the only municipality in the county that has its own 911 dispatch center, which Karlichek said does help the city. "Fenton City having its own 9-1-1 dispatch center enables the city to choose who their provider is and allows for improved communication and coordination with all resources such as police, fire and of course EMS," he said.

Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff said they're the only entity in the county to function this way because County 911 does not recognize agreements between municipalities and specific ambulance services.

"We have a great system in place that has provided us excellent response times," Cairnduff said. "The County 911 is currently working on the contracts issue, but I foresee issues and legal battles ahead before that is worked out."

The ambulance shortage is nation-wide.

"We have experienced about a 35% decline in the number of ambulances working on the road in Genesee County in the last five years. All while the call volume increases," Cairnduff said. "The turnaround time at a hospital used to be about 15 minutes and is now pushing an hour. This is an issue."

Due to long wait times, more and more municipalities in the county are contracting with specific ambulance providers. Karlichek said STAT's position has always been that individual municipalities should be able to contract with a provider.

However, Genesee County 911 is the county-wide dispatch system adopted by resolution of the Genesee County Board of Commissioners in 2012, with the exception of Fenton. Genesee County 911, by law, is required to dispatch the closest unit available to the emergency call, Karlichek said. This is indicated in the State Law of the Emergency 9-1-1

Enabling Act, Michigan Public Act 32 of 1986 Sections(s) 204 and 102, System Design and Direct Dispatch Method, respectively.

In the STAT Emergency Medical Services v Genesee County 9-1-1 (2014) in the Michigan Court of Appeals, the

court stated that it "would be dangerous indeed in situations where plaintiff's units (STAT) were located farther from an emergency than another appropriate unit."

The court also stated that a county consortium does not have to comply with the terms of a contract between a municipality and specific ambulance provider.

In Sept. 10, 2021, 9-1-1 Consortium Attorney Anthony Chubb wrote to general membership consortium communities that 9-1-1 could "recognize contracts between municipalities and EMS providers, but only to the extent it continues to dispatch the closest unit available to the request."

Fenton Township entered into an agreement with Medstar Inc in early November 2021. Since the agreement began, response times have improved in Fenton Township. At a later meeting, Fenton Township Fire Chief Ryan Volz said average response times were down from 12 minutes to 6:50-7 minutes.

Volz said Medstar and other ambu-

lance providers have been increasing their presence in the township, which improves response times.

However, Karlichek does not believe that the agreement has any affect on response times.

"It is known and the data shows that STAT, MedStar (primarily) and other providers such as Swartz Ambulance Service, have equally shared 9-1-1

medical responses to the township of Fenton in 2021," Karlichek said. "STAT's response times, when dispatched, were on average less than 8 minutes and in some cases under 3 minutes depending on the location of the call located closest to our

ambulance unit."

He said exclusivity excludes other resources, and when ambulance providers demand exclusivity, it can pose legal risks and legal challenges if adopted by the County 911 Consortium.

The agreements also offer no guaranteed response times for tier two medical calls, which Karlichek said are approximately half of the calls. He described it as a "shotgun" approach and a "very dangerous" situation for Genesee County that could lead to significant delays and result in no backup ambulance services under mutual aid.

"This is a much larger and greater issue. If the Genesee County Consortium begins to carve out high affluent areas, the low income and disadvantaged areas of Genesee County will undoubtedly suffer. This is a county system and should be treated as such," he said, adding that in the past, STAT has advocated dividing the county in half and bidding out under contract.

The Genesee County Board of Com-

missioners decided not to touch the issue.

STAT EMS is facing the same problems as other ambulance providers, and staffing is the main issue. Karlichek said this is why there's an ambulance shortage across the nation. "If EMS had the people or human capital, our county would not be suffering from ambulance shortages. Second, poor or inadequate insurance reimbursement is the catalyst of the issues," he said.

COVID-19 restrictions have also made worse ambulance availability. The increased need to decontaminate ambulances and have additional PPE has "dramatically increased" the out of service times for ambulances companies by nearly 80%, Karlichek said



YOUR SMILE

By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

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Wed. Prayer Meeting	7:00	pn
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LINDEN COMMUNITY ICE FISHING TOURNAMENT

Calling all anglers — the Linden Community Ice Fishing Tournament featuring a chili cook-off, raffles, prizes and fun, is Saturday, Feb. 12 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fish at Lobdell, Byram, Ponemah, Pine, Squaw, Tupper or Loon lakes for pike, crappie, bluegill and perch. Early registration is available at The Stain Shop in Linden and ELGA Credit Union in Linden. Admission is \$20 for adults, kids 12 and under are \$5. Register the day of the tournament between 7 and 10 a.m. at Linden High school. Fish weigh-in at LHS is between 3 and 5 p.m. The event has more than \$5,000 in cash and prizes. For more details call (810) 735-8600 or email steve@thestainshop.com.

SUPER BOWL

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But, hey, Detroit has a history of doing this. We saw this with ex-Detroit Tigers pitcher Justin Verlander as well. I wonder what it is that makes Detroit fans become so attached that even after a guy leaves? Some fans almost seemingly want to see that guy do better than the Detroit franchise he left. Maybe an exaggeration, but not a huge one — certainly when it comes to Stafford.

Curling during the Winter Olympics

It's that time of year when people see the same three to four silly curling videos and send them to my social media sites, like I haven't seen them 20,000 times over the last 10 years.

The most common would be the cats substituting the curling stones as they are thrown down the ice as cat curling stones. Most of the time I just pretend like I never saw them to make the people feel good.

But that's what happens when you are the only person everyone knows that is passionate about a quirky game like curling. When the sport comes up, you are the only person anyone knows that plays the game so your name pops up

and you get all the goofy clips. I should be honored people take the time to send the videos and I am. Actually, it is pretty cool they do it.

Oh, as I type this, the U.S. mixed doubles curling team (a two-person team made up of one woman and one man) is off to a slow start, going 1-2 in their first three games. A lot of the U.S. curling games (men's, women's and mixed doubles curling) are going to be televised. For those people who love to scoff the sport but secretly find it interesting, here's your chance to watch a lot of curling over the next couple of weeks. And if you want to try the sport, I'm sure the Midland Curling Club (the place I do my league curling) will have a Learn to Curl date in the next couple of weeks. Try the sport out.

Oh, and the sport is growing in the country. With the US men's national team, led by John Shuster, earning the gold medal four years ago, there is more interest than ever. Guess who will be holding the U.S. flag during the opening ceremony? You guessed it, Shuster.

Question of the day

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PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2022 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AT 12060 MANTAWAUKA DR. FENTON MI AND ELECTRONICALLY. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

NEW BUSINESS:

ZBA22-004 Tim McCotter, McCotter Architecture and Design: Requesting a 14.3-foot sight line variance and a 658 square foot accessory building size to construct a new home and detached garage at 13464 Enid Blvd, parcel # 06-14-577-003.

ZBA22-005 Aaron Clark, AC Contracting Services: Requesting a 25-foot front yard setback, a 26-foot sight line variance and a 3.5-foot side yard variance to construct a new home at 15085 Marl Dr., parcel # 06-28-527-036.

ZBA22-006 Mark Knight, 13242 Enid Blvd: Requesting 6.9-foot sight line variance and a 386.6 square foot accessory building variance to construct a new home at 13242 Enid Blvd, parcel #06-14-577-047.

ZBA22-007 Jay Lasco. 2485 Margaret Drive: Requesting a determination of sight line and sight line variance to place a row of trees on the baby island at 2485 Margaret Drive, parcel #06-11-552-006.

To the residents and property owners of Fenton Township, Genesee County, Michigan, and any other interested parties. Please take notice that a regular meeting of the Fenton Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Tuesday February 22, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. IN PERSON and by ZOOM Meeting. The public may participate in the meeting in person or via the following web link:

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

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

Robert E. Krug Fenton Township Clerk 12060 Mantawauka Drive Fenton, MI 48430-8817

Phone: (810) 629-1537 x6 Email: info@fentontownship.org

LOOKING BACK

at this week in **HISTORY**

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FEB. 6

1952: After a long illness, King George VI of Great Britain and Northern Ireland dies in his sleep at the royal estate at Sandringham. Princess Elizabeth, the oldest of the king's two daughters and next in line to succeed him, was in Kenya at the time of her father's death; she was crowned Queen Elizabeth II on June 2, 1953, at age 27. From the start of her reign, Elizabeth understood the value of public relations and allowed her 1953 coronation to be televised, despite objections from Prime Minister Winston Churchill and others who felt it would cheapen the ceremony.

FEB. 7

1812: The most violent of a series of earthquakes near Missouri causes a so-called fluvial tsunami in the Mississippi River, actually making the river run backward for several hours.

The series of tremors, which took place between December 1811 and March 1812, were the most powerful in the history of the United States. This series of large earthquakes ended in March, although there were aftershocks for a few more years. In all, it is believed that approximately 1,000 people died because of the earthquakes, though an accurate count is difficult to determine because of a lack of an accurate record of the Native American population in the area at the time.

FEB. 8

1968: On this night, police officers in Orangeburg, South Carolina open fire on a crowd of young people during a protest against racial segregation, killing three and wounding approximately 30 others. The killing of three young African Americans by state officials, four years after racial discrimination had been outlawed by federal law, has gone down in history as the Orangeburg Massacre. The police barrage claimed the lives of two SCSU students, Samuel Hammond Jr. and Henry Smith, as well as a local high school student, Delano Middleton, who had been sitting near the protest waiting for his mother to get off work.

Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting January 31, 2022

Call to order @ 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Saad.

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

Approved: Minutes as printed of Regular Board Meeting December, 20, 2021.

Approved: Payment of expenditures.

Issued: 3 Building permits totaling \$ 4,051.00, & 2 Zoning Permit totaling

\$400.00

Approved: Fire Department Fire and EMS training for a total of \$1900.00.

Approved: Aquest service proposal for Lobdell Lake.

Approved: Contract with Aquatic Services for Lobdell Lake.

Closed Session at @ 7:28 p.m. to consult with legal counsel, Reconvened @ 7:50 p.m.

Approved: Resolution 2022-1, 2022 -2, for Board of Appeals and resident tax

exemptions.

Approved: Resolution 202-23, for Peninsular/Belfast Dr. in the amount of

\$463,000.00, road improvements.

Approved: Lodging for employee Leslie Renckly to attend MTA conference in

Lansing.

Approved: Sale of time clocks which were not in use.

Adjourned: 8:17 p.m.

Submitted by Joseph Graves Argentine Township Clerk

FEB. 9

1825: As no presidential candidate received a majority of electoral votes in the election of 1824, the U.S. House of Representatives votes to elect John Quincy Adams, who won fewer votes than Andrew Jackson in the popular election, as president of the United States. Adams was the son of John Adams. the second president of the United States. In the 1824 election, 131 electoral votes, just over half of the 261 total, were necessary to elect a candidate president. Although it had no bearing on the outcome of the election, popular votes were counted for the first time in this election. On Dec. 1. 1824, the results were announced. Andrew Jackson of Tennessee won 99 electoral and 153,544 popular votes; John Quincy Adams of Massachusetts received 84 electoral and 108,740 popular votes; Secretary of State William H. Crawford, who had suffered a stroke before the election. received 41 electoral votes; and Representative Henry Clay of Kentucky won 37 electoral votes.

FEB. 10

1971: Four journalists, including photographer Larry Burrows of Life magazine, Kent Potter of United Press International Nenri Huett of the Associated Press and Keisaburo Shimamoto of Newsweek, die in a South Vietnamese helicopter operating in Laos. The journalists had been covering Operation Lam Son 719, a limited attack into Laos by South Vietnamese forces, when their helicopter crashed. Vietnam was one of the most reported conflicts in the history of warfare. American journalists are among the 42 U.S. civilians still missing in action and unaccounted for in Southeast Asia, including NBC News correspondent Welles Hangen and Time photographer Sean Flynn, both of whom disappeared while covering the war in Cambodia.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

ARMED HOME INVASION IN HOLLY TOWNSHIP

The Michigan State Police Metro Detroit Post is requesting assistance from the public to seek any information about an armed home invasion in Holly Township. On Wednesday, Feb. 2, at approximately 2 a.m., three suspects entered an unlocked door of a home located on Fish Lake Road in Holly Township. They confronted the homeowner at gunpoint. The victim was held at gunpoint by one suspect while the others stole a firearm from the home. The suspects were wearing ski masks and gloves and were armed with an AK style pistol. The suspects fled the scene in the victim's vehicle, a 2014 red Chevrolet Silverado. It has black stripes on the hood and tailgate. The truck also has a tonneau cover, black rims with a white "C" sticker on back window. driver's side. A black landscaping trailer was attached. The victim was unhurt. The investigation is continuing. Anyone with information or knows where the victim's vehicle is can call Trooper S. Williams at the Metro North Post at (248) 584-5740 or leave a tip on MSP's mobile app.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

WHO ELSE IS holding off going to the doctor for any ailment because they're going to require you to take a COVID test, which may or may not be accurate. Other conditions, such as cancer, might not get detected because of this unnecessary requirement.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP CLERK VACANCY

Tyrone Township is seeking a qualified person to fill the vacancy of the Clerk's position. Applicants must be a Tyrone Township resident. The application found on our website and resume should be sent to Tyrone Township Clerk, 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton, MI 48430, fax (810) 629-0047 or email clerk@tyronetownship.us by February 21, 2022. Salary & health ins. Please visit our website at www.tyronetownship.us for more information.

FEDERAL AID

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school has also been aided by just over \$7 million in allocated federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) COVID-19 funding to help address health, safety and educational needs."

HAS plans to spend the money on hiring more counselors, family school liaisons and social workers, mental health services, educational technology, reading, math and literacy materials, behavior intervention supports, staff training, expanded Leader in Me training and programming and expanded online and summer school programs.

"As required by law, some of the funding allocated to the district will be used to provide new classroom ventilators to improve air quality," Roper said.

HAS is considered 44.4% economically disadvantaged by the Michigan Senate Fiscal Agency.

Lake Fenton Community Schools

ESSER I - \$95,508 ESSER II - \$414,097 ESSER III - \$930,002

This totals approximately \$3.2 million. Superintendent Julie Williams said, "We are using these funds to help ad-

dress short term goals, which will help as we work toward achieving long term goals, especially as the financial landscape changes over time. A stakeholder survey went out to our school community in December that helped us prioritize these funds."

A significant portion of the funding is required to be used for targeted intervention work with specific subgroups as defined by the Michigan Department of Education.

The district will also spend these funds on hiring and retaining additional staff to provide targeted interventions, building upon and improving the Multi-Tiered System of Support

Technology, air filtration at the high school, air filters for each building, cleaning supplies specifically for COVID-19, personal protection equipment, hiring two nurses and a school social worker, summer credit recovery and additional classroom resources to assist students dealing with learning loss.

"We will continue to evaluate our student's needs and provide additional supports where needed," Williams said.

CLERK

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that the decisions we make as a board, affect us as well. I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to serve and truly hope that I have made a positive difference."

As for the timing of her resignation, Husted said she has recently faced some life changing events and feels now is the time to reevaluate her priorities.

"I look forward to spending more

time with my family and traveling with my husband," she said. "I will also become more involved with the Historical Society and work with them in their efforts to relocate the historic town house. I would like to thank all of the residents for their support and kindness shown to me while serving them as their clerk."

Tyrone Township is now seeking applicants to fill the vacancy. Clerk duties would include record keeping, writing and managing contracts, accounting and budgeting, elections

and more. Applicants must submit an application and resume by Feb. 21. Applicants must agree to run for office in the August 2022 election.

Go to tyronetownship.us for details.

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Marcella Husted Former Tyrone Township clerk



Township reimburses drain commission

■ North Long Lake broken drain required fixing

By Hannah Ball

On Tuesday, Feb. 1, The Fenton Township Board of Trustees approved a resolution allocating \$8,000 to the Genesee County Drain Commissioner for work that was done to repair a failed broken drain.

Tom O'Hara, deputy drain commissioner in surface water management of the Genesee County Drain Commissioner's Office, wrote to the board that they recently performed emergency work on a failed broken drain at the lake seawall located between 12004 Brown St. and the Fenton Harbor Condos off Bowles St. to restore proper flow in late 2021.

With this work, the drain commission exceeded its statutory limits for maintenance to the North Long Lake Road drain, under its construction contract, and requested to be reimbursed by the township.

Thomas Broecker, Fenton Township operations manager and deputy clerk, said the drain commissioner's office had to spend more than its statutory amount and needed a resolution from the township.

"We are asking for a resolution from Fenton Township in the amount of \$26,552.43 total and the Township's at-large to not exceed \$8,000," according to O'Hara's letter. It also states that Fenton Township's at-large share is 30% of the total.



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INCOME

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the State of Michigan and 19% lower than the national average, according to the plan. The majority of city residents earn between \$10,000 and \$50,000.

Nearly 92% of Fenton's adult population (25 years and older) are high school graduates and more than 28.2% have a bachelor's degree or higher.

"Much of what happens in Fenton economically is due to the business climate in the greater Flint and Detroit areas. Many Fenton residents work in these metropolitan areas and several Fenton industries subcontract work with companies located there," the plan states.

Fenton shares a border with Holly and Oakland County, and there's significant traffic along Silver Lake Road while people head to work. Many Fenton residents work in neighboring counties.

The plan cites "tremendous" job growth moving along the I-75 corridor heading to Oakland County. Genesee and Lapeer Counties will benefit from the housing production along this route. This growth in residential development has increased demand for retail services, including in Fenton.

"The city of Fenton has developed at a much faster rate than previously predicted, partially due to the success of Silver Lake Village. Originally thought to be fully developed after 20 years, this area was near full capacity less than 10 years later," according to the plan.

Continued interest in Fenton can be attributed to accessibility to major transportation routes, recreational opportunities, high-quality public amenities, a small town atmosphere and affordability.

"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 and downtown," said Carmine Avantini, president of CIB Planning and Fenton's city planner, in a previous Times story.

MARIHUANA

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recreational marihuana establishments within the village of Holly and provides penalties for violations.

The new chapter 158 – Recreational Marihuana Establishments – will be known as the Village of Holly Regulation of Recreation Marihuana Ordinance. The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate recreational marihuana establishments, which includes growers, safety compliance facilities, processers, retailers, secure transporters or any other type of recreational marihuana-related business licensed by the state of Michigan.

A 22-page draft of the proposed amendment is included with the Holly Village Council packet for the Feb. 8, meeting, which was expected to be posted Friday, Feb. 4 on the village's website, hollyvillage.org. The draft of the entire ordinance also is available with this online story at tetimes.com.

When the proposed ordinance is approved by Holly Village Council, the final version will be posted on the village's website.

Marihuana establishments will not be permitted in the R1A (single-

family residential), R1B (single-family residential), RM (moderate-density residential), MHP (mobile home park) or CBD (central business district) zoning districts.

The proposed ordinance amendment states that marihuana establishments must be a minimum of 500 feet from any public or private elementary, secondary or vocational school. Retail marijuana establishments would have to be a minimum of 500 feet from any church or religious institution.

A marihuana grower or an agent acting on behalf of a marihuana grower must be 21 or older.

To obtain a license from the state of Michigan, a marihuana establishment must first obtain a license from Holly Village. Any person violating this will be punished by a fine of up to \$500 or by imprisonment for up to 90 days, or both. Each day that a violation continues would be considered a separate and distinct offense. Village licenses must be renewed annually.

Changes to the proposed ordinance amendment could be made during the village council meeting Feb. 8. It becomes effective immediately upon approval.





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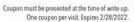
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BOND RENEWAL

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ect consisting of erecting, furnishing, and equipping a new middle school building, a new construction trades building, and a new athletic restroom/ concession/storage building; remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and re-equipping school facilities; acquiring and installing instructional technology and instructional technology equipment for school facilities; and remodeling, preparing, developing, improving, and equipping playgrounds, athletic fields, athletic facilities, and sites.

"The Board estimates the necessary cost of the project to be \$97,058,995. It will be necessary for the school district to borrow \$97 million and issue the bonds of the district therefor, the remaining funds to be derived from the investment of the bond proceeds."

On May 3, residents in the Holly Area Schools district will vote on a Holly Area Schools bond proposal. If approved, this bond proposal would provide \$97 million for district-wide improvements, with no tax rate increase to property owners. This bond proposal was developed and prioritized as Phase 2 of the Master Plan for district facilities. Buildings, sites, and educational programs were assessed to determine and prioritize a list of facility needs throughout the district.

According to the Holly Area Schools bond proposal fact sheet, available at hask12.org, the bond proposal addresses the highest priority projects and focuses on three key areas — a new middle school, learning environments and building and site improvements.

Superintendent Scott Roper addressed the Board about the bond renewal. He said after a successful bond election. bond projects will typically go through a design phase, state approval phase, bidding phase, site work phase, and construction phase. A large project, such as the replacement of a septic system, would take several months to complete. For new construction, such as the new proposed middle school, the design phase portion alone could take at least 12 months before moving into state approval, bidding, site work, and construction.

"It is important to keep in mind that the timeline for bond project site work and construction cannot disrupt the students' schedule and therefore must be coordinated with the district's calendar."

Holly Board of Education

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Roper said.

Roper said that moving the current bond election to August 2022 or November 2022 would significantly upset the timing of the proposed bond projects. As noted above regarding bond project phases, this move would delay the start of construction for several projects including the construction of the new middle school. The opening of the proposed new middle school would be delayed up to a year, from the Fall of 2025 to the Fall of 2026, by moving the proposed election to August 2022 or November 2022.

"Based on current and historic trends regarding construction costs, it would likely be more expensive to our taxpayers (assuming a successful bond election that is approved by the voters) to postpone the election to August 2022 or November 2022, as the delayed bond election would impact the bond construction timeline," Roper said. "The impact of delaying the bond construction timeline would likely result in increased construction costs due to inflation. This would include increased labor and material costs. As a result, the total scope of the bond would likely need to be reduced.

"Further, by postponing the bond, the school district would extend the financial burden on the general fund to pay the costs of facility repairs and improvements that would be addressed by bond projects as replacements or upgrades. For example, the longer the wait, the higher chance of failure of the septic systems at Davisburg Elementary and Rose Pioneer Elementary. The septic system at Rose Pioneer Elementary is original to the site and over 25 years old. The septic system at Davisburg Elementary is over 46 years old. These are the only two building sites in the district that operate on a sophisticated septic system.

"Without bonds in place from a successful election, the district expects that it will need to spend approximately \$1.5 million from the general fund to design

and replace both septic systems, which would divert funds from student programs and other operating costs. The delay of putting improvements into service would extend the general fund's financial burden. These added general fund expenses are projected to exceed the cost of conducting a May 2022 bond election."

LOCAL CLERKS SHARE OPINIONS OF ELECTION DATE

Prior to the school board voting to place the non-homestead renewal on the May ballot, several area clerks spoke during public comment time to question the board as to why they wouldn't place the item on the August or November ballot to save taxpayer money.

Rose Township Clerk Debbie Miller

told the school board that a special election in May in Rose Township would cost \$11,652 and would be paid for by Holly

Springfield Township Clerk Sean Miller (no relation to Debbie Miller) told the Board that it would cost Springfield Township \$9,311 to hold the special election in May.

Holly Township Clerk Karin Winchester asked that the Board place the item on the August ballot to save money and to have a transparent discussion.

Rose Township Deputy Clerk Renee Kraft spoke on behalf of the Groveland Township clerk saying August would result in higher voter turnout and that a May election would cost Groveland Township approximately \$7,000.





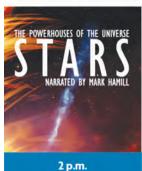
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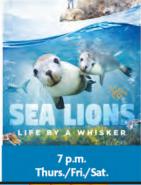
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Township approves technology grant funds for local schools

■Money goes to video, media equipment for students

By Hannah Ball

On Tuesday, Feb. 1, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees approved allocating \$58,610 in funding for technology that benefits area schools.

Lake Fenton, Linden, Fenton and Hartland school districts submitted a combined Public Education Grant (PEG) through the Fenton Area Cable Television (F.A.C.T.) consortium. The communities represented by the F.A.C.T. board are Linden, Fenton, Fenton Township and Tyrone Township. These agencies can apply for funding to receive the PEG monies from Charter Communications.

The funds are funneled through local municipalities and distributed to schools for video equipment, media equipment and other technology. The money will go toward upgrading and replacing video equipment for creation of PEG Channel video content, according to Fenton Township meeting minutes.

"The FACT Consortium has reviewed and approved the applications, and recommended approval of funding up to a maximum of \$142,880.46. The allocation of the costs is based on annual PEG fee receipts for each community," the minutes state.

The proposed funding is allocated as follows:

Fenton Township: 44.2067%, \$58,610.31

City of Fenton: 26.8507%, \$35,599.34 Tyrone Township: 16.6435%, \$32,364.31

(Tyrone Township funds 100% of the Hartland Schools application.) City of Linden: 12.2991%, \$16,306.50

Thomas Broecker, Fenton Township operations manager and deputy clerk, said the program is in good shape. He wrote to the board that final costs are typically lower than what is approved due to price reductions between the time the proposal is developed and the equipment is ordered.

It's requested that municipalities provide an "up to" amount and payments to the funding recipients will occur after costs are finalized.

These funds are from the Township's restricted fund balance. PEG fees can only be used to support PEG television programming



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Official certification has been received from the Michigan Secretary of State that the Township of Holly has a population of 2,000 or more, making it eligible to incorporate as a charter township. The township board may choose to exercise options concerning incorporation as a charter township under the provisions of the Charter Township Act, Public Act 359 of 1947, MCL 42.1, et seq. (MCL 42.3a):

- Adopt by majority vote a resolution opposed to incorporation as a charter township.
- Adopt by majority vote a resolution of intent to approve incorporation as a charter township by resolution. At least 60 days after the adoption of the resolution of intent, the township board may adopt the resolution to incorporate as a charter township.
- Adopt by majority vote a resolution to place before the electorate at the next regular or special township election the question of incorporation as a charter township.

A township board may also choose to take no action.

If Option 2 is adopted by the township board, the citizens of the township have the right to file a "Right to Referendum Petition." This petition must be filed before the final adoption of the resolution to incorporate as a charter township.

The petition must follow, in general form, the nominating petition form as prescribed in the Michigan Election Law (MCL 168.488), and the heading must indicate "Disagreement of Intent to Incorporate as a Charter Township." The petition must be signed by not less than 10% of the number of electors of the township voting for township supervisor at the last election in which a supervisor was elected.

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Funds from these classes, such as charcuterie workshops, tea parties and more, go to helping those affected by food insecurity. The Halls share tips and recipes with people less fortunate than their supporters through local food pantries, support groups, foster care groups and senior groups. They post recipes on the website at grace2graze.

"It's great that SNAP food assistance is available. It's awesome we have so many free food distribution locations in every city. The caveat is people receiving these mostly perishable goods didn't choose these items on their own," said Hall. "It's what the government has subsidized for them, and we have witnessed first-hand, people having no idea how to prepare these foods. We want to be there to help make a difference."

Along with Grace 2 Graze's fun and educational fundraising efforts, Hall's own communication style is one of the major reasons the organization is successful. They started this organization because of their passion for food knowledge and sharing that knowledge with everyone, including the under-resourced.

Faith is integral to her purpose, and proper communication ensures her messages are heard and disseminated.

"I love sharing how we can all make a difference," she said.

The nonprofit's second anniversary is in August, and the pandemic and inflation have made things a bit difficult. They're dealing with a higher cost of commodities, and Hall said it's been more challenging than ever before to fundraise. They're currently working

on a campaign that would include crowdfunding.

While they've loved their time in Fenton, the nonprofit will soon have a new home in Lake Orion.

"I'd say the biggest challenge will be taking our vision and mission from one county to the next," said Hall. "Awareness will be our biggest challenge and integrating our mission in a new community. It's been a whirlwind of learning and growing, and we are looking forward to working with additional charities and businesses to further educate."

Along with attending classes and spreading the word, Grace 2 Graze is also looking for volunteers.

Hall also shared a few tips for people wishing to start their own nonprofit.

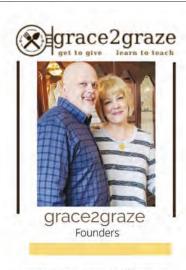
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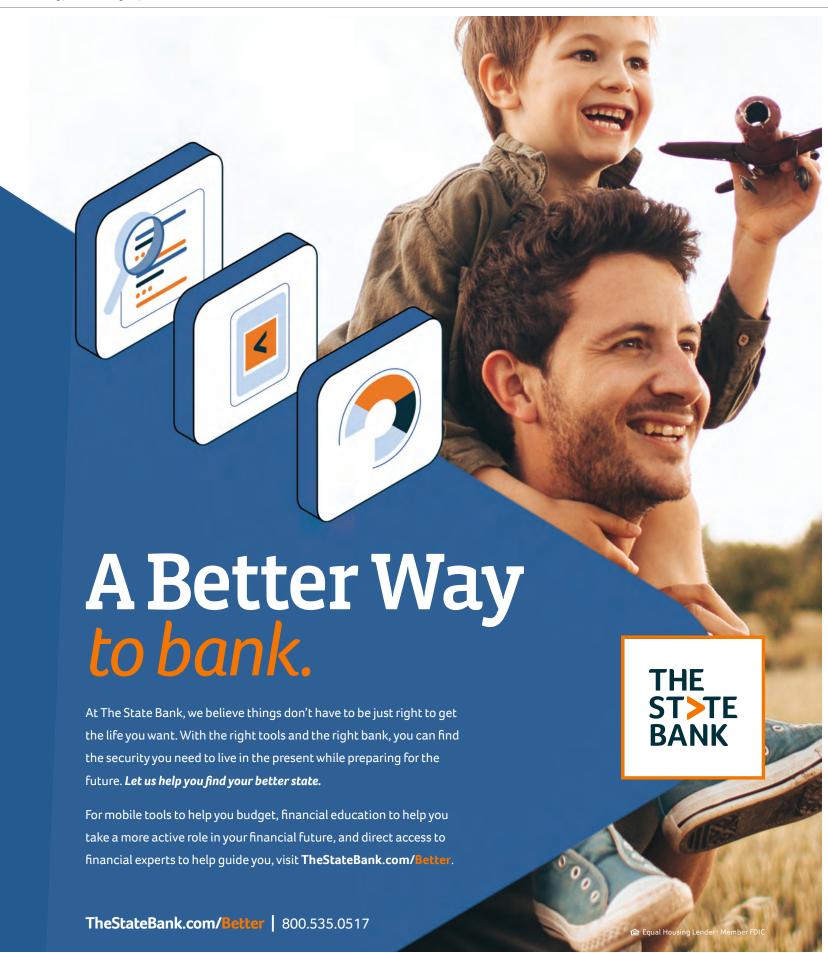
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The Fenton area received nearly 10 inches of snow Wednesday, Feb. 2. Most of southeast Michigan had continuous snowfall that day. Snow plow drivers were hard at work. (Left) Fenton Department of Public Works employees were busy shoveling sidewalks. According to the National Weather Service, Flint received 11 inches of snow, which is the highest ever recorded at this location on Wednesday, Feb. 2, which was also Groundhog Day. Photos: Hannah Ball





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> Source: Fenton Historical Society and the A.J. Phillips Museum

Record number of organ donors save lives in 2021

■Organ and tissue donation trending upward across the U.S.

Gift of Life Michigan again honored the generosity of a record number of organ donors in 2021, saving thousands of lives and healing thousands more despite the continuing challenge of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In total, 1,089 organs were transplanted from 429 donors, which represents about a 14% increase in donors over 2021. Also, 1,464 people donated tissue and more than 250,000 names were added to the Organ Donor Registry.

"This is a testament to the dedication of our hard-working staff, our hospital partners and, of course, our selfless donors and their families they are the true heroes," said Dorrie Dils, president and CEO of Gift of Life Michigan. "It is inspiring to see so many people choose this final act of incredible generosity to save and help improve the lives of people they never met."

The state trend reflects an overall increase in organ donation and transplantations across the country. According to the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS), 41,354 organ transplants were performed in the United States last year, an increase of 5.9% over 2020. It was the first time the annual total of transplantations topped 40,000. UNOS figures indicate there were 24,669 kidney transplants, 9,236 liver transplants and 3,817 heart transplants in the U.S., all new records.

Dils said she is pleased more people are signing up as donors and acknowledged there is still more work to do. As of Feb. 1, there were 2,513 people waiting for transplants in Michigan, with about 106,000 waiting nationwide. Twenty people die every day waiting for a life-saving transplant in the U.S., and someone is added to the national list, on average, approximately every 10 minutes.

While the number of Michigan organ donors jumped significantly in 2021, the number of organs transplanted did not. In 2020, 1,048 organs were transplanted from 374 donors, compared to 1,089 transplanted from 429 donors

last year. Dils said the increased utili- derway to hire more staff at Gift of zation of gifted organs remains a chal- Life to increase outreach efforts, work lenge throughout

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the country.

"We are investing in new technology to keep organs viable longer," she said. "We have streamlined the donation process from referral to transplant and expanded our team so that no opportunity for donation is missed."

Gift of Life remains committed

to increasing the number of registered donors, as well as improving processes that will make those precious gifts more viable.

Last year, Gift of Life Michigan joined the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations (AOPO) in its commitment to help facilitate 50,000 transplants by 2026. Plans are un-

more seamlessly with Michigan's 175 hospitals and ensure all possibilities for organ and tissue donation are pursued.

"We will work hard, every day, to push for One More: one more person registered, one more life saved, one more donor honored," Dils said. "Our ultimate goal is that no one

will die while waiting for a life-saving transplant. With our dedicated staff, hospital and transplant center partners, the support of the community and, most of all, the incredible generosity of our donors and their families, I know we

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Chad Williams (right, hugging a Davison player) is Linden's new varsity football coach. He has held a variety of coaching positions at Davison High School over the last eight years.

Chad Williams era begins for Linden football

By David Troppens

Since the day he graduated from Davison High School in 2014, Chad Williams knew what he wanted to do.

He wanted to be a varsity head football coach.

And just about eight years later, Williams has made his dream come true.

Williams, 26, was announced the new Linden varsity football coach Tuesday, replacing long-time and legendary coach Denny Hopkins, who resigned the position about a month ago. Williams has spent the last eight years coaching a variety of positions within the Davison football program.

"I'm excited to get going," Williams said. "I am young, but I've been coaching almost a decade. ... I didn't have the opportunity to play college sports so I've spent all my time coaching. A lot of coaches have poured (their knowledge) into me. I made it clear from day one I See **WILLIAMS** on 31

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Sports Times

Eagles end losing skid, defeat Blackhawks

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity boys basketball team needed that one.

After losing two straight, the defending Flint Metro League Stripes Division champions improved their defense a little and found another scoring option offensively, helping lead the Eagles (5-1 in the Metro League Stripes Division and 9-4 overall) to a 42-39 road victory against the Brandon Blackhawks Tuesday night.

The Eagles got off to a slow offensive start with just six first-quarter points, but scored 27 points among six different scorers during the middle quarters, helping the squad pull out the victory.

Freshman Jase Becher had a strong game, netting a game-high 15 points. Linden outscored Brandon 13-9 during the second quarter and Becher had four of those points. Reichen Lund also netted four points during the quarter while River Meckstroth and Tyler Willard had three points and two points, respectively. Linden led 19-14 at the half.

In the third quarter, Becher and Lund each had four points while three other players (Monte Keener, Meckstroth and Jack Kenney) had a field goal each. Those 14 points coupled

with holding Brandon to single-digits for the third straight quarter enabled the Eagles to lead 33-23 entering the fourth quarter

Brandon's Brad Mitchell had a big fourth quarter, netting nine of his 11 points during it while putting the Blackhawks back in the game. However, the Eagles iced the game from the freethrow line. Becher hit 4-for-6 free throws and Willard hit two, helping Linden earn the victory.

After Becher's 15 points, Lund netted 11 points. Meckstroth had seven points while Willard had five points. Noah Gillespie led the Blackhawks with 14 points.



Linden's Jase Becher (right) takes a shot in a recent game. Becher scored 15 points in the Eagles' win against Brandon. **Photo: Christopher Summers**

FLLF ski programs continue to win, defeat Grand Blanc The Fenton/Linden/Lake Fenton varsity seconds to lead 35 area varsity competitors The FLLF girls were pretty strong as well.

The Fenton/Linden/Lake Fenton varsity boys ski team has been the dominant squad on Mt. Holly all winter long.

That trend continued when the FLLF squad defeated Grand Blanc 21-55 earlier this week. The FLLF girls also won a nice match, defeating Grand Blanc 31-42.

The Fenton boys had the top four times in the giant slalom of all competitors on the mountain. Brooks Funke had a time of 45.09

seconds to lead 35 area varsity competitors while Ryland Fairbanks (45.54) followed in second and Jack Antonishek earned third (45.90). Nate Hiscock placed fourth (45.97).

The squad was almost as dominant in the slalom with the Tigers taking the top three times on the mountain in that event as well. Funke won (56.82), followed by Hiscock (57.48) and Antonishek (58.76) Chase Gibwas sixth overall (1:02.18).

The FLLF girls were pretty strong as well. Averi Fairbanks won both events, earning a time of 58.91 seconds in the slalom and a time of 47.58 seconds on the giant slalom. Anna Heimberger was third in both events against Grand Blanc (1:05.21 in the slalom and 48.82 on the giant slalom). while Emersyn Sprague was fourth against Grand Blanc in the giant slalom (50.14).

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Linden's Allison Maienbrook (left) attacks the bucket in a recent game. Maienbrook scored 11 points in a win versus Brandon. Photo: Christopher Summers

Eagles use balance to defeat Brandon, 66-40

By David Troppens

It ended up being a very good game for a team that is steadily improving.

The Linden varsity girls basketball team was unexpectedly pushed by Brandon on Tuesday, but then pushed back and cruised to a pretty convincing 66-40 road win.

The Eagles dominated the first quarter. Allison Maienbrook scored six points during the stanza and the defense held Brandon to just two points, resulting in a 14-2 lead after eight minutes.

Brandon fought back, and closed the gap to four during the second quarter, but Paige Leedle netted nine second-quarter points and Olivia Mawhinney and Kelsey McLennan had four points

See **EAGLES** on 30

Blue Devils moving ahead, defeat Kearsley Hornets, 71-20

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton — Every team needs their trials and adversity during a season.

It's during the challenging times that a team learns about themselves and from those lessons begin to get better for the games later in the season.

The state-ranked Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team had one of those challenging moments a week ago, playing their two toughest opponents of the season within 24 hours of each other.

During those two road contests, the Blue Devils suffered their first loss of the season during a 43-35 verdict against Flushing. A night later, the Blue Devils rebounded to lead Goodrich most of the night in a 52-46 road win.

On Tuesday, the Blue Devils had a chance to return to normal programing when Kearsley came to Lake Fenton. The Blue Devils looked as impressive as they have at any time during this season, defeating the Hornets 71-20. Lake Fenton's stifling press and halfcourt defense resulted in numerous steals and transition hoops. In fact, at one time, Lake Fenton scored points on 12 of its first 13 possessions of the game with six of those scores being set up by turnovers or steals.

Lake Fenton ended up scoring the game's first 26 points and finished the first quarter ahead by an eye-popping 33-2 margin. Cola Sisk netted 10 of those points while Amaya Smith had eight and Kerrigan Howdeshell netted seven. From there, the Blue Devils



Lake Fenton's Cola Sisk (left) scored 18 points in the Blue Devils' 71-20 loss to the Kearsley Hornets. Photo: David Troppens

cruised to victory.

"We just learned to not let our mistakes drag us down," Howdeshell said about the lessons learned about the Flushing and Goodrich games. "We didn't have much time to prepare after Flushing, so we came out stronger (the next day against Goodrich). We just came out ready to play (today). We were aggressive, going for the loose balls and that helped us a lot."

"We talked about (Flushing and Goodrich) being a kind of midseason evaluation of who we are and a good lesson to learn what we want to do," Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball coach Brian Van-See BLUE DEVILS on 30

owlers defeat Owosso

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity boys bowling team ended its three-match losing streak, cruising past Owosso 22-8 Saturday at Colonial Lanes.

The event didn't start out well. The Bronchos (4-3) lost the first Baker match 219-204, but bounced back to win the second 175-116.

In singles action, the Bronchos won three of the five contests and earned their season-high game (993) and sea-

son-high match total (2,270). Every Holly bowler won at least one of his two matches in the two-game series.

Matt Allen had a 236-198-434 twogame series, 126 pins better than his average. Sean Dankert led the team with the highest series — a 210-226-436 series. Ryan Sparklin had a 181-232-413 series.

"It was a great team effort all around," Holly varsity boys bowling coach Dan Yoder said.

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Allie Browne scored eight points against Lapeer. **Photo: David Troppens**

Fenton defeats Lapeer, 58-48

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity girls basketball team had a game to remake from earlier this season on Monday.

The Tigers made it a memorable one, earning a 58-48 road victory against Lapeer.

The Tigers had one of their best quarters of the season in the first stanza. Kaleigh Shaker scored eight points (including hitting two treys) to lead the Tigers to a 25-point first quarter. Maddie Slezinski and Adrie Staib had six points each in the stanza, while Abby Logan netted five points. The Tigers scored four three-pointers in the

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Tigers' fourth quarter sparks win vs. Corunna, 50-47

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity boys basketball team wasn't having one of its best games.

The Tigers are a squad that typically scores 60-plus points a game and that wasn't happening at Corunna High School against the Cavaliers. At halftime, the Tigers had just 18 points, and trailed 24-18 at the break.

Even after three quarters life looked bleak for the Tigers. After Corunna's Jaden Edington hit a mid-range jumper near the end of the third, Fenton trailed 38-29 entering the fourth.

But that's when the Tigers, (10-4 overall) led by Seth Logan, got their offense going. Fenton scored 21 fourth-quarter points, earning a tight 50-47 come-from-behind Flint Metro League crossover victory against Corunna Tuesday night.

"Corunna coach John Buscemi) does a really good job, and his kids are pretty athletic," Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Chad Logan said. "We were coming off a big win on Saturday (against Detroit Country Day) and we were a little out of synch. But we have good leadership and we showed some composure to be able to score 21 points in the last quarter. And we had some really good quality minutes from a few guys. (Seniors) Sam Claborn and Calvin Curtis gave us some really valuable minutes in the fourth quarter and late in the game. They played well."

Fenton quickly cut the gap to 40-35 in the fourth quarter after a Seth Logan three-pointer with 6:08 left in the contest. Corunna answered back with two con-



The Fenton Tigers improved to 10-4 with a 50-47 road victory against Corunna. **Photo: Christopher Summers**

verted free throws by Peyton TerMeer, raising the gap back to 42-35. However, the Tigers wouldn't be restrained. Logan hit a 22-foot three-pointer, giving the Tigers their first lead in the second half at 45-44. From there, it was a battle. With Fenton leading 48-47, Corunna had a three-pointer by TerMeer not sink, and the Tigers ended up

with a 50-47 lead after two converted free throws by Connor Luck. Those free throws pretty much iced the victory.

"We've had several close games this season. We lost a close one to Linden and a close one to Holly. The Country Day game was close," Chad Logan said.

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Lady Tigers share the ball, defeat Corunna, 58-47

By David Troppens

best quarters of the season in the first stanza. Kaleigh Shaker has had some thrillers within the Flint Metscored eight points (including ro League recently.

It probably felt nice to be able to breathe a little against Corunna in a road crossover contest Tuesday night.

Fenton took the early lead and never trailed in what was one of the squad's strongest performances of the season, earning a 58-47 victory.

The last two league contests were one-

point victories against Stripes Division foe Swartz Creek (42-41) and crossover foe Clio (43-42).

"Our team plays better when we share the ball on offense and talk on defense," Fenton varsity girls basketball coach Don Kutchey said. "We have been able to string some wins together because of embracing the team ball mentality. It was great to see us come out tough against a very good and well coached Corunna team."

Winners of four straight contests, the

Tigers were balanced and very unselfish offensively. Five players scored at least eight points and many had assists. Perhaps the strongest performance may have come from Abby Logan who finished the night with 12 points (four treys) on limited shot attempts and with four assists.

Fenton jumped to the early lead, netting the first five points on a three-pointer by Logan and a breaking layup by Kaleigh Shaker.

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Bronchos push Goodrich but fall 50-45

By David Troppens

Even in Holly's losses, it's apparent the Holly varsity boys basketball team is steadily improving this season.

Life didn't start out well for the Bronchos in a road contest at Goodrich, resulting in an early deficit, but Holly fought with the Martians all night long before finally falling in a competitive 50-45 Flint Metro League crossover contest on Tuesday night. The loss ended what was a four-game winning streak for Holly.

Holly trailed 8-0 early, and never led the entire contest. However, the Bronchos had their share of chances to threaten the lead as the Goodrich lead was usually in single-digits after the first quarter.

Holly got on the scoreboard for the first time with a three-pointer by Mason Clark, with 3:14 left in the first quarter. The only other Holly hoop in the first quarter was a Michael Stevens II assist on a Bryce Goings trey, cutting Goodrich's lead to 11-6 at the time. However, Goodrich scored the final five points of the stanza and led 16-6 after one quarter.

In the second quarter the Bronchos (6-6) trailed by as many as 26-11, but back-to-back three-pointers by Goings cut the gap to 26-17.

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Lake Fenton's Jake Helms attempts a shot during the Blue Devils' 59-48 loss to Kearsley on Tuesday. Photo: David Troppens

Blue Devils' offense cools off vs. Kearsley

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton — The game started with the Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team, missing five of its first six shots and four straight free throws.

As the game progressed, the offense found the bucket at a little better frequency than that, but not terribly much better.

The Blue Devils hit on just 19of-67 shots from the field against the Kearsley Hornets, resulting in a tough 59-48 Flint Metro League crossover home loss Tuesday night.

The loss is the Blue Devils' fourth in five games, the streak starting when Lake Fenton returned from a COVID pause within the program. Since then, the Blue Devils are averaging 58 points a contest, including netting less than 50 twice. Prior to the COVID break, the Blue Devils were 5-1 and scored at least 56

points in each of those six contests.

"You have to hit shots, make layups and make free throws — the fundamental things you need to do to win basketball games, and we didn't do them tonight," Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Tyler Szczepanski said. "That's not a reflection on who this team is, but it was on this night. Now we have a decision to make — are we going to get back to who we are and be committed to those things? Things like working hard and playing a little better on defense? They were able to score a high percentage on some of those possessions late in the game."

The Blue Devils made just 4-of-15 shots in the first quarter, but it didn't hurt them too much. Kearsley made just 4-of-16 themsevles. And when Francis Senter hit his first field goal of the contest with 1:22 left in the first quarter, the Blue Devils led

10-6. However, the Hornets raced back and tied the game at 10-all before the end of the first quarter on a bucket by Lucas Groulx.

From that point, the Blue Devils (6-5) enjoyed just one more lead in the contest. It came at 13-10 on a three-point hoop hit by Jake Helms. However, Kearsley ran off a quick 8-0 run after that trey with three-point buckets by Tyler Czintyan and Da'Kari Neely and a short jumper by Dylan Ruhstorfer. The Hornets led 18-13.

A putback by Lake Fenton's Matt Muenzer cut the Kearsley lead to 18-15, but the Hornets finished the second quarter on a 13-5 run, giving Kearsley a 28-20 halftime lead. Kearsley nailed 7-of-15 shots from the field with four being three-pointers while Lake Fenton made just 4-of-17 shots for the quarter.

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Lady Bronchos play one of their strongest contests in loss vs. Martians

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity girls basketball team played some of its best ball of the season on Tuesday night at Goodrich.

The Bronchos were playing one of the league's elite and had a season-high 29 points in a 62-29 crossover contest.

"That was some of the best stuff we've done," Holly varsity girls basketball coach Ben Varner said. "I told them that when the game was over. It was one of our best games all year."

Holly did something it has rarely done this season. At times, the Bronchos put together some modest scoring runs. However, one issue that has hit them almost every game this season remained — scoring in the first quarter.

Holly was held to just two points in the opening quarter, and trailed 19-2 after

the first eight minutes. The only bucket was a 10-foot jumper by Makenna Mc-Gee with 2:30 left in the opening quarter. By then, the Bronchos trailed 12-2. After the first quarter, the Bronchos averaged nine points a quarter.

And in the second quarter, the Bronchos put some nice offensive spurts together. One started with 6:43 left in the half, when McGee was fouled and nailed two free throws. Over the next three minutes, the Bronchos would score six more points. The next four came on layups by Alana Simmons and the final two came on converted free throws by Mollina Adams. Holly trailed 31-10 with 3:35 left in the first half. Simmons ended the quarter by hitting two more layups (the first off an assist by McGee).

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period. Fenton led 25-9 entering the break.

Lapeer played tougher defense in the second quarter and actually held the Tigers to just four points. The team's only field goal in the eight-minute period was a Logan trey. However, the Tigers still went into halftime with a nice 29-19 lead.

The squads matched each in the final two quarters. Grace MacCaughan had five points to lead Fenton in the third stanza. In the fourth quarter, Allie Brown came up big with eight points.

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BLUE DEVILS

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Buren said. "We were looking at those games as they would be a big-time challenge not just because of who they were but because we didn't have much time to practice. ... It worked out. We are hoping to learn from it down the stretch of the season, and now we are focusing on this week and what we are doing this week."

The Blue Devils showed little mercy against Kearsley. After scoring 33 points in the opening quarter Lake Fenton added 19 in the second quarter, taking a 52-8 halftime lead. In the second quarter seven Blue Devils scored points. Anna Prevost led the way with five.

The second half was played with the continuous clock due to the mercy rule. Still, even with a running clock the Blue Devils scored 17 third-quarter points with Savannah Fellenbaum netting five points and Sisk and Smith netting four • each. The fourth quarter was quite a bit different. The Blue Devils held on to the ball the majority of the quarter.

while Smith netted 14 and Howdeshell * (171) his season domination with one of had 11 points.

Eagles remain perfect in Stripes Division, defeat Holly

By David Troppens

Two area wrestling squads battled it out on Monday at Owosso in a rescheduled wrestling meet and the Linden Eagles came out on top.

The Linden Eagles (4-0 in the Flint Metro League Stripes Division) defeated the Holly Bronchos 43-31. Linden also wrestled Goodrich and lost 69-4 while the Holly Bronchos defeated Owosso 43-27.

Linden won eight of the 14 matches against Holly with four being pinfall wins. Bryce Shingleton (125), Brenden Shingleton (130), Tyler McCabe (135) and Aiden Haney (145) won pinfall matches, setting up the victory. Lorena Thompson (103) and Jase Grundy (189) won forfeit matches while Luke Haney (140) earned a 16-3 major decision win.

The final Linden victory happened to be the tightest of the night when Ben Wingblad (119) defeated Holly's Christian Preston by an 8-5 decision.

The Bronchos earned pinfall wins in Sisk finished the game with 18 points • two matches. Jacob Gonzales continued them. The other was earned by Jayden CONTINUED AT TCTIMES.COM • Higgins (215). Keaton Tipton (285) and



Linden's Aiden Haney (top) works on pinning a recent opponent. The Eagles defeated Holly in a dual meet. Photo: David Troppens

Kendall Drake (160) were forfeit victors. Holly had two other wins. Jacob DeVray (152) won by major decision while Gabe Soja (112) won a decision match.

Against Owosso, Preston (119), Anthony Ayotte (140) and Gonzales (160) earned pinfall wins, while DeVary (152) recorded a major decision win. Sean Murray (130), Drake (171) and Tipton (215) earned decision wins while Higgins (189) and Andrew Cross (125) earned forfeit victories.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP **BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS FEBRUARY 1, 2022**

The following actions were taken:

- Supervisor Cunningham called the Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the township hall.
- Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Treasurer Jennifer Eden, Clerk Marcie Husted, Trustees Herman Ferguson, Kurt Schulze, and Zach Tucker. Absent: Trustee David Walker.
- Approved the agenda as presented; approved the consent agenda as presented.
- Received and placed on file Communication #1.
- State Representative Bob Bezotte explained why township residents of the Fenton and Linden School Districts pay taxes to Mott Community College and the complicated possibility to opt out.
- Authorized the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer to attend the Michigan Municipal Treasurers Association (MMTA) Institute training.
- Authorized the release of Public Education Grant (PEG) funds to the
- Supervisor Cunningham named considerations to include in the 2022-2023 budget.
- Accepted the resignation of Clerk Marcie Husted effective March 15, 2022.
- Adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

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

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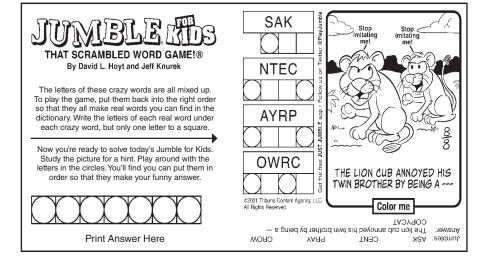
each, raising the gap back to 33-20 by halftime.

The Blackhawks tried to stay close during the second half. Brandon netted 16 third-quarter points, but Leedle netted eight and Maienbrook had five during the quarter, holding off the Blackhawks. Linden led 51-36 entering the final quarter. During the fourth, Brandon mustered just one field goal against Lin-

den's defense while Leedle chipped in another eight points, earning the Eagles the easy victory.

"We had all but one girl score in the game," Linden varsity girls basketball coach Zachary Darling said. "We went through a little adversity in the second quarter, giving up too many points and allowing Brandon to close the gap to four, before we extended it back to 13 at halftime."

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WILLIAMS

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wanted to be a head coach. (Ex-Davison varsity football coach) Kyle Zimmerman, (current Davison varsity football coach) Jake Weingartz, (Davison defensive coordinator) Blaise Glennie and (Davison defensive backs coach) Dave Tatti — those guys developed me beyond football."

Linden had 22 applicants and eight were interviewed. Linden Athletic Director Lance Belill is excited with the hiring.

"Both of his interviews were good, but the more we reached out to people ... we couldn't find a bad thing to be said about him," Belill said. "That's the type of person he is and the type of leader he is. He's the kind of guy we wanted to bring into our culture not only to help the football program but the whole athletic program and the school as a whole."

Williams has eight years of football coaching experience at a variety of levels. While at Davison he started on the freshman football staff, and the next two seasons was the head coach of the Davison middle school program, a place Williams said was invaluable to his coaching education. He returned back to the high school program after that, coaching the JV squad, eventually joining the varsity program,

where he coached primarily on the defensive side of the ball, most recently on the defensive line. He was the strength and conditioning coach for five years, helping train athletes from a variety of sports. The program included a lift-a-thon event and he had youth classes for fourth- through eighth-graders.

"We are really excited to give him the keys to drive the car," Belill said. "He's very big on building the culture and building the relationships within the school."

Williams said his program will be based on creating tight relationship ties among not only the athletes and coaches but also throughout the school and the community.

"My coaching philosophy is ... all about relationships to me," Williams said. "One of the best things I was ever told was that the kids don't care how much you know until they know how much you care. That's number one for me. I want to love our kids, and in our culture the definition of love is holding them accountable to being the best person, athlete, student and son they can possibly be. That transcends the field and makes it a life thing. We are equipping our athletes and the community with the tools to be successful on and off the field."

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PREP REPORT

HOCKEY

▶ Fenton/Linden at Showcase: The Griffins (12-7-0) lost to L'anse Creuse Unified 6-2 and Forest Hills Central 8-0. Against L'Anse Creuse Uniited, Carson Gardner and Keegan McNamara had goals while Jacob Florida and Nick Temple recorded assists.

GIRLS BOWLING

- ▶ Owosso 25, Holly 5: The Bronchos were led by Emily Sorter's 206-212-418 two-game series, improving upon her season average by 57 pins.
- Corunna 16, Fenton 14: The Tigers lost a tight match. Fenton won the second Bakers game 141-121 and edged out Corunna in the overall Baker series 252-251.

Jena Fijolek led the Tigers with a 145-148-293 two-game series while Bree Soule had a 177-111-288 series.

► Kearsley 29, Linden 1: The Eagles were led by Desiree Lane who bowled a 137-167-304 series.

BOYS BOWLING

▶ Corunna 23, Fenton 7: The Tigers won the second Baker game 147-134. Individually, Nate Dymond led Fenton with a 225-157-382 series.

▶ Kearsley 29, Linden 1: The Eagles were led by Austin Huyck's 177-149-326 series.

BOYS SKIING

► Holly/Oxford 37, Flint Powers

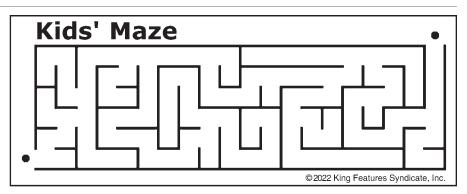
40: Eric Rank placed first in the slalom (58.89 seconds) to lead the Holly/ Oxford squad to the win. James Ferguson placed fifth (1:07.53) in the slalom. In the giant slalom, Jacob Denman earned first (46.33) while Ranck finished second (46.68).

GIRLS SKIING

► Flint Powers 22, Holly/Oxford

56: Ella Wentworth and Gracie Spezia finished 1-2 in both events, leading the Powers Chargers to the victory. Wentworth had a time of 46.86 seconds in the giant slalom and a time of 56.92 in the slalom, while Spezia had times of 47.74 seconds in the giant slalom and a time of 1:04.75 in the slalom.

Sierra Musial led Holly/Oxford in the giant slalom with a fourth-place finish of 49.28 seconds. Molly Rees was fifth (50.41).Olivia Drobnich was sixth in the slalom (1:07.70) while Ashley Persico was seventh (1:08.77).



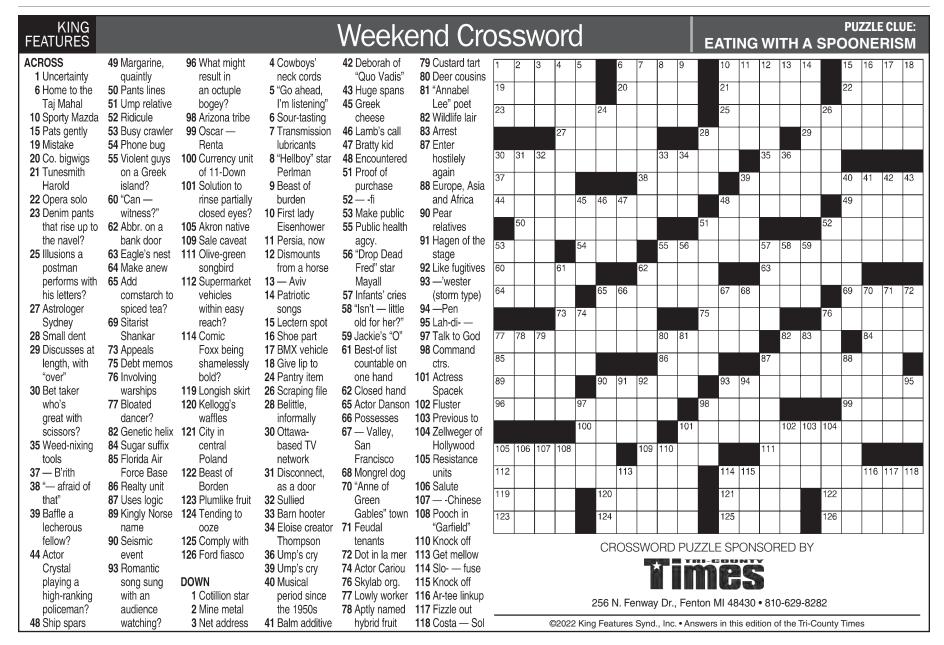
PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS FEBRUARY 1, 2022

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Tuesday February 1, 2022 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan, and took the following actions.

- 1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
- 2. Supervisor Lorraine led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- 3. Approved the agenda as presented.
- Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$332,235,23.
- Accepted the bid of Cedar Creek Construction, LLC to purchase 28 taxreverted units in the Fenton Orchards condominium development.
- Approved a payment processing services agreement with Invoice Cloud, Inc.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2022-04, reconfirming the special assessment roll for the Cottage Cove Erosion Control Improvement Special Assessment District.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2022-05, approving and authorizing expenditures in excess of the statutory limit in order to complete necessary maintenance and/or repairs on a county drain.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2022-06, permitting principal residences granted a poverty exemption for the first time from the collection of taxes in tax year 2021, 2022, or 2023 to remain exempt for up to 3 additional years.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2022-07, adopting the 2022 Property Tax Financial Hardship Exemption Policy.
- Approved PEG funding applications from Fenton Area Public Schools, Lake Fenton Community Schools, Linden Community Schools and Hartland Consolidated Schools.
- Approved 2022 summer property tax collection agreements with Linden Community Schools, Fenton Area Public Schools and the Genesee Intermediate School District.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2022-08, scheduling a public hearing on a proposed street improvement special assessment district to pave Sonora Drive and Minerva Street.
- 14. Adjourned at 7:12 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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VALENTINE'S DAY

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■There's plenty of gift ideas to show how much you love and care for someone

By Sharon Stone

Valentine's Day 2022 falls on Monday, Feb. 14. If you're planning to celebrate the day with your significant other or with friends at an area restaurant, you might want to call ahead to make a reservation. If you're planning to give a Valentine's Day gift, your best bet is to shop local to ensure you'll have it in time.

Aside from jewelry, flowers and candy, there's an endless list of gift ideas that might be perfect for you.

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Other gift ideas include a cozy robe, tabletop fireplaces, balloons, personalized wall plaques, herb garden, matching boxers, date to remember books, journals, love coupons, tickets to a favorite concert or event, personalized puzzles, cheese and wine baskets, chocolate of the month packages, personalized throw pillows, jewelry boxes and more.













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Parade magazine, parade.com, offers some Valentine's Day trivia questions and answers

Q: Before "X" stood for a kiss, what did it represent at the end of a letter?

A: The cross

Q: Cupid has what name in Greek mythology?

A: Eros

Q: In Roman mythology, Cupid is the son of whom?

A: Venus

Q: In Roman mythology, with whom does Cupid fall in love?

A: Psyche

Q: What Valentine's Day candy was first created on equipment made for lozenges?

A: Sweethearts

Q: When did Sweethearts first get their shape?

A: 1901

Q: "Wearing your heart on your sleeve" has origins from honoring which Roman goddess?

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A: Juno

Q: In the Victorian era, meanspirited Valentine's Day cards were called "____ Valentines."

A: Vinegar

Q: Another Victorian-era term for a mean and comically mocking Valentine's Day card shares a name with what TV show?

A: Penny Dreadful

Q: Who wrote the oldest-known Valentine's Day message?

A: The Duke of Orleans

Q: When was the oldest-known Valentine's Day message written?

A: 1415



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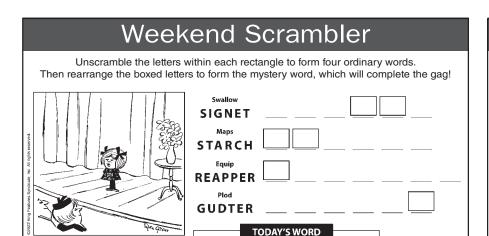




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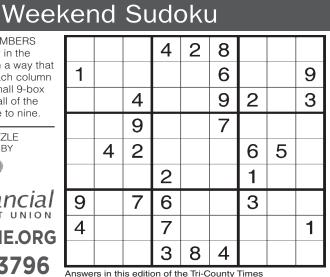


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LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

- Compiled by Sharon Stone -

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Senate Bill 653: Authorize new 4-mill Oakland and Wayne county "arts tax"

Introduced by Sen. Marshall Bullock (D), to permit Oakland and Wayne counties to levy a "history and arts" property tax that would impose an additional .4 mill levy on property owners for up to 20 years. A new 15-member Wayne county "historical commission" would among other things be responsible for contracting out management of the Charles H. Wright Museum and the Detroit Historical Museum. In December, the Senate committee on Economic and Small Business Development reported the bill to the full Senate with a "favorable" recommendation.

Senate Bill 672: Limit data breach liability where good safeguards in place

Introduced by Sen. Wayne Schmidt (R), to limit the data-breach liability of individuals, institutions and organizations that maintain or access personal information about others if they "established, maintained, and reasonably complied with a written cybersecurity program that contains administrative, technical, and physical safeguards" as described in the bill. The bill would establish as the "strong policy of this state" to "incentivize conformance to a recognized cybersecurity standard or framework." Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 675 and House Bill 5373: Ban toy balloon releases

Introduced by Sen. Mallory McMorrow (D) and Rep. Mari Manoogian (D), respectively, to define a toy helium balloon released into the atmosphere as litter, with releases subject to a \$250 fine for littering. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 678: Expand offenses triggering ban on individual possessing guns

Introduced by Sen. Stephanie Chang (D), to redefine "felony" as used in a law barring firearms possession by individuals convicted of a crime "punishable by imprisonment for 4 years or more," by expanding this to include a "misdemeanor involving domestic violence," meaning violations defined in the bill that are punishable by at least a year in prison.

Senate Bills 743 and 744: Authorize taxpayer-funded "green" subsidies to shipping and port interests

Introduced by Sen. Wayne Schmidt (R) and Sen. Stephanie Chang (D), to authorize another selective, taxpayer-funded state subsidy program benefitting private developers and corporations, this one distributing "Great Lakes Maritime" grants for schemes to reduce "greenhouse gas" and other emissions related to ports and shipping, along with more prosaic purposes including spill prevention, stormwater management, waste management and more. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Bill 5316: Waive pursuit of certain federal unemployment benefit overpayments

Introduced by Rep. Stephanie Young (D), to waive state efforts to seek repayment from individuals who received improper federal unemployment benefits during the coronavirus epidemic. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Bill 5422: Ban imposing industrial/ commercial "carbon credit" mandates on industry

Introduced by Rep. John Damoose (R), to prohibit state agencies and officials from requiring and proffering a "carbon offset credit" to a commercial or industrial user of fossil based fuel and electricity, defined as making them pay for a certification that specified amounts of carbon dioxide or another greenhouse gas used by the operation have been reduced or "sequestered". Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Bill 5424: Ban using taxpayer dollar to pay school employee union expenses

Introduced by Rep. Pamela Hornberger (R), to make it unlawful for public schools to contribute toward the union or "education association" dues assumed by teachers, school superintendents, principals and administrators, building directors, school building "liaisons," "central office administrators and staff" and related positions. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Bill 5491: Revise disease "carrier" warnings law

Introduced by Rep. Steven Johnson (R), to revise the Michigan public health code's definition of disease "carrier" to exclude individuals with COVID-19. The designation requires officials to give a warning notice to individuals who do or are suspected to "harbor a specific infectious agent" that they must to cooperate in efforts to control transmission of a serious disease, and is enforceable with a court order. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

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Shirley Sullivan

Shirley Sullivan - age 86, died January 29, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Susan Smith

Susan Smith - age 60, died January 27, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Terri Green

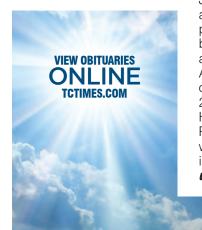
Terri Green - age 51, died February 1, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Walter Brothers

Walter Brothers - age 84, died January 26, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.







John Stephen Yobuck

1947 - 2021

John Stephen Yobuck - age 74, of Lake Suzy, Florida died on Saturday. December 25,2021. John was born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania on January 2, 1947 to Stephen and Rosalia 'Rose' Yobuck. John worked for AC Delco/Delphi, moving to Lazy Suzy, Florida with his wife Cheryl during their retirement. John had the gift of gab and made friends wherever he went. He enjoyed fishing, loved his family and was loved by many. John is survived by his daughter, Lori (Jim) Jozwik of White Lake; grandchildren; Joshua (Dana), Lindsey and Jeremy. He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Cheryl; and son. Steve Yobuck. A visitation will be held on Saturday, February 26, 2022 at Dryer Funeral Home in Holly from 1 - 3 PM. An additional visitation will be held on a later date in Arcadia, Florida. www. dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

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Marilyn Brumback

1935 - 2022

Marilvn Brumback - age 86, of Fenton, died Monday. January 31, 2022. Services will be held 2 PM Friday June 24 at **Great Lakes** National Cemetery. Holly.



Arrangements are being handled by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road. Fenton. Those desiring may make contributions to a Veterans Organization of choice. Marilyn was born August 5, 1935 in Flint the daughter of Eldor B. Draws and Hilda (Reava) Gault. She graduated from Flint Northern High School in 1953. From there she joined the U.S. Navv Medical Corp during Korea. She received an honorable discharge. She then attended Stratford College where she earned a Bachelor of Science Degree. She then attended the University of Colorado School of Nursing in Denver. Colorado. She married Francis George Jr. with whom she had three children Janine. Amy and Christopher. She then married James Brumback in 1973. She was employed by Hurley Medical Center for many vears. After leaving Hurley

she worked for several doctors office including Dr. Bonbrisco. After retiring from the medical field she went back to school for floral design. She was employed by

Yard and Garden and then VG's as a floral designer. She was a member of the Fenton Questers and served on the Fenton Beautification Commission for three terms. Surviving are her three children, Janine Matheson, Amy Abbev. Christopher (Robin) George; grandchildren, Jason (Tara), Justin, Tony, Trevor (Sarah), Tyler, Noel, Matthew, Staci (Brian); great-grandchildren, Spencer, Jace, Jazlyn, Easton, Memphis, Cason and Aspen; sister, Kathryn (Robert) Wind: brothers, Les Draws and Al Draws; step-children, Mark. Brad. and Laura Brumback; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Eldor Draws; mother, Hilda Gault; step-father, Harry Gault: and husband. James Brumback. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Elizabeth Robinson

1938 - 2022

Elizabeth Robinson age 83, of Fenton, died Wednesday. February 2. 2022. Visitation Sunday, February 6, 1 - 3 PM at Sharp Funeral Homes. Fenton

Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake

February 19. 10 AM until

time of Memorial Mass

inurnment to follow at

Tyrone Memory Gardens.

make contributions to St.

Hospital. Elizabeth was

born November 1, 1938

in Yuqoslavia, the son

of Friedrich and Maria

(Wegehingel) Balg. She

was married to Francis

Robinson on August 1,

1959. Elizabeth was a

longtime nurse at Genesys

Jude Children's Research

at 11 AM at St. John the

Rd., Fenton. Family is



in Grand Blanc, and FOH in Flint. She was a member of Fenton Open Gate Gardening Club. Elizabeth enjoyed outdoor activities of all kinds.

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her golf league, and the many fun activities put on accepting friends Saturday, at Independence Village of Brighton, Surviving are three children, David (Deirdre) of Paris. MI. Evangelist Catholic Church. James (Lisa) of Brighton, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton. and John (Beth) of James Island, SC; six grandchildren. Bradlev. Fenton. Those desiring may Erica, Emma, Liam, Maeve, and Andrew; sister, Helma (Ronald) Robinson. She was preceded in death by her husband. Francis Robinson, Tributes may be shared on the obituaries page of www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Mary Lee

Mary Lee - age 76, died January 31, 2022, Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Mildred Blankenship

Mildred Blankenship - age 83, died January 29, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes, www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Rachel Tulip

Rachel Tulip - age 38, died February 1, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Richard Little

Richard Little - age 57, died January 26, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.





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Bonita Franklin

Bonita Franklin - age 70, died January 28, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Brian Copeman II

Brian Copeman II - age 24, died February 1, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Brian Webber

Brian Webber - age 47, died January 29, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Carol Tvardos

Carol Tvardos - age 81, died February 1, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Christopher Zimmicky

Christopher Zimmicky - age 30, died January 28, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Diane Bowman

Diane Bowman - age 72, died January 24, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Donald Cook

Donald Cook - age 79, died January 30, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Ernie Eckerdt Sr.

Ernie Eckerdt Sr. - age 8,6 died January 31, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



George Scheipner

George Scheipner - age 84, died January 31, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Harry Martin

Harry Martin - age 84, died February 3, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Kathleen Alice (Bradley) Oelslager

Kathleen Alice (Bradley) Oelslager, of Fenton, and Naples, Florida passed away on Monday, January 31 at her home in Naples. Florida. She was a beloved wife, mom, grandma, sister, and daughter. Kathie lived an extraordinarily, ordinary life. She grew up in Homer, Michigan where she spent time with great friends including the "Fine Nine" and living above Bradley's Market, the family grocery store. Kathie attended Central Michigan University where she earned her teaching degree. Following graduation, she began her teaching career in Kalamazoo. Kathie met John in Kalamazoo where they married and started a family. The Oelslagers moved to Adrian, where they lived for 13 years. In Adrian they made great friends through the Newcomer's group and in the bleachers of their children's sporting events. After Adrian, they moved to the Chicago area, back to Kalamazoo and then to Cleveland before landing in Fenton, and Naples, Florida for retirement. In every location, Kathie made great friends usually through book clubs, playing bridge,



golf or mahiong, and PEO. Her final days were spent with family and visits from her Gulf Breeze friends. Kathie was a world traveler. an avid reader, a lover of puns and crosswords, and a player of games. She would talk polite politics with whomever would take on that challenge and was famous for sharing "I just read somewhere" guips, guotes and ideas. Her smile and kindness touched the lives of many people in her path. Kathie loved her family dearly. She was kind and always included everyone in any event she was planning. She invited people to her home and welcomed new faces. One summer she hosted overnight house guests at the lake for 45 straight days - different

combinations of grandkids, family, and friends. We each believe that we are her "favorite" child/friend/ grandkid because we each are in her special way. Kathie will be missed. She was preceded in death by her parents, Chuck and Frances Bradlev: by her sister. Betsv Miller: and bv her brother, Mike Bradley. She is survived by her husband of 52 years, John; children, Barbie Hoaq (Tom) and Jeff Oelslager (Kim); grandchildren, Sam Hoag (22), Annie Hoag (20), Joe Hoag (18), Jack Oelslager (15) and Izzie Oelslager (11); her sister, Jeanne Mendoza: and many nieces; nephews; and cousins. A Celebration of Life service and luncheon will be held at Hodges Funeral Home at 525 111th Ave N. Naples, Florida on Saturday. February 5 at 11 AM. Another service/ memorial is planned to be held in Michigan at a date to be determined. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Immokalee Foundation (https:// immokaleefoundation. org/donate) or St. Jude's (https://www.stjude.org/ give.html)

Jeffrey Mose

Jeffrey Mose - age 75, died January 26, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Joseph West

Joseph West - age 40, died January 29, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Kimberly Holland

Kimberly Holland - age 60, died January 24, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Douglas "Doug" Kellar

Douglas
"Doug"
Kellar
passed
away on
Tuesday,
January 11,
2022, at the
age of 62.
Doug was
involved in a
motorcycle
accident
while riding
his new-

to-him Harley-Davidson with newfound friends in Ventura, California, on a beautiful California day. He passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family and comforted in his faith at nearby Ventura County Medical Center. A graduate of Davison High School (1972) and a longtime resident of Fenton, Doug had recently relocated to Thousand Oaks, California to be closer to his kids and to be a fulltime grandparent to his four grandchildren and two step-grandchildren. He was thriving in this role and he had never seemed happier. Doug loved his family and friends, his faith,



his Harley-Davidson, his cat, Eddie, Golden Tee, pinball, sarcastic humor, and making the most of each and every day. Although his time in California

was short, his impact and the memories he made are everlasting. To have known or even to have just met Doug was to have connected with him and experienced his unrivaled enthusiasm for life and genuine interest in those around him. He touched many lives and is sorely missed, especially by his grandchildren. But his legacy will live on. Doug is survived by his two children, Ashleigh and Kyle; his six grandchildren; his mother, Helene; his brothers, Steve, Greg, and Dan; and his beloved cat, Eddie. A celebration will be held on August 6, with further details to follow.

Gerald "Jerry" LeVasseur

Gerald "Jerry" LeVasseur - age 84, died January 31, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes. com.



Elizabeth "Midge" Crane

Elizabeth "Midge" Crane - age 74, died January 30, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes. com.



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Vera Patricia Garoutte

1924 - 2022

Vera Patricia Garoutte age 97, died peacefully in her home on Saturday, January 22, 2022. Services have already been held. Interment was in

White Chapel Cemetery. Vera was born December 8, 1924, the daughter of Sidney and Edna (Loomis) Ballard. She moved to Rose Township on 10 acres in 1972 to have a place for her horses. In later years she worked at Joseph's Oak Shop in Holly, retiring at age 82. She enjoyed Horseback riding, knitting and crafting. She loved large family gatherings with her daughters, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren, all of whom have been blessed with wonderful



memories of her. She is survived by daughters, Marsha (Joe) Pfannes, Sydney (Chuck) Billips, Doreen (Wayne) Bryson; grandchildren, Nancy (Ed)

Renwick, Robert (Angie) Shanburn, Tabitha (Jonas) Fridriksson, Eric (Grace) Billips, Casey (Stephanie) Shanburn-Bryson, Todd Shanburn-Bryson; 13 greatgrandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Vera was preceded in death by Bob Tompkins (husband), Bill Garoutte (husband); Dena Shanburn (daughter); Tammy Billips (granddaughter); Jacob Renwick (great-grandson). www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Alejandro Valencia

Alejandro Valencia - age 92, died February 1, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Barbara Fredenburg

Barbara Fredenburg - age 81, died January 30, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Barbara Hannigan

Barbara Hannigan - age 55, died January 27, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Berta Baird

Berta Baird -age 62, died January 27, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Lena Loan

Lena Loan - age 77, died January 29 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Marian Martin

Marian Martin - age 92, died January 24, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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In the days and months to come, the family will continue to need your support. Try to write or call on a regular basis. Continue to include them in your social plans, they will let you know when they are ready to participate. It is also nice to remember the family on special occasions during the first year following the death. Don't worry about bringing up the pain and emotion of the loss, they are well aware of that. By remembering such occasions as wedding anniversaries and birthdays, you are not remembering the death, but reaffirming that a life was lived.

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