

Masks optional in city-run buildings

■ Council votes 4-2 to lift its mandate, effective immediately

By Sharon Stone

During its work session Monday, March 7, Fenton City Council voted to lift its mask

mandate at city-run buildings by a vote of 4-2, effective immediately. This came after Fenton City Council voted 6-1 on Jan. 24 in favor of required masks for the next 90 days, unless city council takes action on the issue again.

Mayor Sue Osborn and Mayor pro tem Pat Lockwood voted against lifting the mandate while councilmen David McDermott, Sean Sage, Scott Grossmeyer and Brad Jacob voted in favor of lifting the mandate. Councilwoman Tracy Bottecelli

participated in the meeting remotely and did not vote.

McDermott voted against the mandate on Jan. 24 and voted to lift the mask mandate again March 7.

As previously reported, See **MASKS** on 8



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Consortium recognizes EMS service agreements

■ Medstar has agreements with 10 Genesee County communities

By Hannah Ball

The Genesee County 911 Consortium will recognize the service agreement between Fenton Township and Medstar Inc.

The consortium voted Tuesday, March 8. This is approximately four months after Fenton Township voted on the agreement with Medstar.

Fenton Township is one of 10 municipalities that have entered into an agreement with Medstar as an attempt to cut down on long wait times for ambulances. Medstar is a non-profit EMS joint

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A cold rescue



(Right) David Karakuc, firefighter, paramedic and water and ice rescue expert with the Village of Holly Fire Department, pulls on the rope to help "save" a department recruit and firefighter during ice water rescue training on Monday, March 7. This time of year, when the ice begins to melt and people fall through, is often when first responders put this training to use. See story on Page 5. Photo: Hannah Ball

'I might be'

■ Rose Township supervisor admits she is considering move to get rid of fire chief

By Sharon Stone

Several North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) employees and Rose Township residents spoke out in support of NOCFA and their fire chief, Jeremy Lintz, during the Rose Township Board of Trustee meeting on Wednesday, March 9.

There has been much discussion the past few months regarding the Rose and Holly townships' agreement with NOCFA for fire and EMS coverage for the two townships. The two townships contribute equally to fund NOCFA

See **SUPERVISOR** on 9

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“To the owners of ‘Skeleton’ on Adelaide Street. I love the look and he makes me laugh every time I go by him. Nice to have a little laughter during these tough times. Keep up the fun, he’s a hoot.”



“It’s so nice to see all of our local veterans getting noticed in the paper every week.”



IMPORTANT BIRTHDAYS >>> Over 50

Most children stop being “and-a-half” somewhere around age 12. Kids add “and-a-half” to make sure everyone knows they’re closer to the next age than the last.

When you are older, “and-a-half” birthdays start making a comeback. In fact, starting at age 50, several birthdays and “half-birthdays” are critical to understand because they have implications regarding your retirement income.

AGE 50

At age 50, workers in certain qualified retirement plans are able to begin making annual catch-up contributions in addition to their normal contributions. Those who participate in 401(k), 403(b), and 457 plans can contribute an additional \$6,500 per year in 2021.¹ Those who participate in Simple IRA or Simple 401(k) plans can make a catch-up contribution of up to \$3,000 in 2021. And those who participate in traditional IRAs can set aside an additional \$1,000 a year.^{2,3}

AGE 59½

At age 59½, workers are able to start making withdrawals from qualified retirement plans without incurring a 10% federal income-tax penalty. This applies to workers who have contributed to IRAs and employer-sponsored plans, such as 401(k) and 403(b) plans (457 plans are never subject to the 10% penalty). Keep in mind that distributions from traditional IRAs, 401(k) plans, and other employer-sponsored retirement plans are taxed as ordinary income.

AGE 62

At age 62 workers are first able to draw Social Security retirement benefits. However, if a person continues

to work, those benefits will be reduced. The Social Security Administration will deduct \$1 in benefits for each \$2 an individual earns above an annual limit. In 2021, the income limit is \$18,960.⁴

AGE 65

At age 65, individuals can qualify for Medicare. The Social Security Administration recommends applying three months before reaching age 65. It’s important to note that if you are already receiving Social Security benefits, you will automatically be enrolled in Medicare Part A (hospitalization) and Part B (medical insurance) without an additional application.⁵

AGE 65 TO 67

Between ages 65 and 67, individuals become eligible to receive 100% of their Social Security benefit. The age varies, depending on birth year. Individuals born in 1955, for example, become eligible to receive 100% of their benefits when they reach age 66 years and 2 months. Those born in 1960 or later need to reach age 67 before they’ll become eligible to receive full benefits.⁶

AGE 70½

Under the SECURE Act, in most circumstances, once you reach age 72, you must begin taking required minimum distributions from a Traditional Individual Retirement Account (IRA) and other defined contribution plans. You may continue to contribute to a Traditional IRA past age 70½ under the SECURE Act as long as you meet the earned-income requirement.

Understanding key birthdays may help you better prepare for certain retirement income and benefits. But perhaps more importantly, knowing key birthdays can help you avoid penalties that may be imposed if you miss the date.

1. The catch-up limit is adjusted in \$500 increments. 2. If you reach the age of 50 before the end of the calendar year. 3. IRS.gov, 2020 4. SSA.gov, 2021 5. SSA.gov, 2021. Individuals can decline Part B coverage because it requires an additional premium payment. 6. SSA.gov, 2021. The content is developed from sources believed to be providing accurate information. The information in this material is not intended as tax or legal advice. It may not be used for the purpose of avoiding any federal tax penalties. Please consult legal or tax professionals for specific information regarding your individual situation. This material was developed and produced by FMG Suite to provide information on a topic that may be of interest. FMG Suite is not affiliated with the named broker-dealer, state- or SEC-registered investment advisory firm. The opinions expressed and material provided are for general information, and should not be considered a solicitation for the purchase or sale of any security. Copyright FMG Suite.



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Saving the Linden Mill

■ Linden organizations finding creative ways to help preserve the building

By Hannah Ball

From a Texas Hold'em Tournament to an historical book about the city, the people of Linden are finding different and creative ways to support the restoration and preservation of the Linden Mill building.

This building is one of the oldest in Genesee County. It was originally built in the mid-1800s and operated as a saw and gristmill. The current mill is the third one, built in 1871 after the first two were destroyed by fires. It was purchased by the city of Linden in 1956 and was the first structure in Genesee County to be placed on the national register of historic places in 1972.

"Any work on the mill needs to proceed with caution and in certain order. We have to follow the direction of experts to make sure work proceeds in a way that makes sense in the big picture," said Mayor Danielle Cusson.

The building needs work, from foundation repairs, lead paint removal and more. A 2017 report detailed how



“It is a visual when you come into the city, it represents the city. A recognizable symbol of an olden times.”

Karen Breasbois

*Shiawassee Mills #420 Questers
Chapter president*

upgrades could cost approximately \$1.67 million.

The city recently reestablished the Linden Mill Advisory Committee. The committee's role is to gather information and make recommendations to the council regarding grants and fundraising opportunities.

Peter Maas, president of the Linden Mills Historical Society, is on the

committee.

"The building defines Linden and is a National and State Historic Landmark, and in my opinion, should be preserved at all costs," he said.

He and the Linden Mills Historical Society created the book "Linden Memories Past & Present." Proceeds go to the restoration of the Linden Mill building. It sold out fast after its first printing and they have about 40 copies left from the second printing. Including ads, sales and donations, they have raised more than \$10,000, Maas said.

"Public reaction to the book has been extremely favorable," he said.

Other volunteer organizations are also working to restore the Linden Mill.

The Linden High School Class of 1976 — The Spirit of 1976 — is hosting a Texas Hold'em Tournament Saturday, March 26 at the Shiawassee Shores Clubhouse. Proceeds will benefit the restoration fund for the Linden Mills Building. Preregistration is required. For more information or to register, call Rick Castro at (810) 735-4472.

The windows on the building were recently redone, thanks to the Shiawassee

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Words with Hannah

"If James Joyce and Agatha Christie had a literary love child, this would be it."

This is the blurb on the front of the book "Cain's Jawbone" by Torquemada. When my friend, Nichelle, first mentioned it, I was intrigued but now both of us are getting more and more invested.

"Cain's Jawbone," a murder mystery, is actually a puzzle. There are only 100 pages but they're not in the right order and they're written like journal entries. It's up to the reader to decipher the right order of pages, who the killers are and who they killed.

A disclaimer reads, "Be assured that there is an inevitable order, the one in which the pages were written, and that, while the narrator's mind may flit occasionally backwards and forwards in the modern manner, the narrative marches on, relentlessly and unequivocally, from the first page to the last. Please note: this puzzle is extremely difficult and not for the faint-hearted."

I've only read about half of the book, and it's apparent that it's extremely difficult.

I'm a bit obsessed with the history and origins of this book. The title of "Cain's Jawbone" is a reference to the first recorded murder weapon de-



Hannah Ball
Staff Reporter

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Also known as the Torquemada Puzzle Book, it was first published by Gollancz in 1934, written by Edward Powys Mathers (1892-1939). His pen name was Torquemada, a name relating to the Spanish Inquisition. In one of the book's disclaimers, it says Powys Mathers believed puzzles should be "mind-bendingly difficult but equally rewarding when the solution was found."

He was the man that brought cryptic crosswords to England in 1924 in the Observer newspaper, and he also was a critic who specialized in re-

viewing crime fiction.

"In 1934, he published a selection of his puzzles under the title The Torquemada Puzzle Book. As well as some gloriously difficult crosswords, the book contained spooner istics, verbal games, telacrostics, triple cricket acrostics and anagrams — enough to keep a family occupied for weeks," according to the disclaimer.

In 1934, when he published his puzzle book, now known as "Cain's Jawbone," it was reported that the pages were "accidentally" printed out of order. They invited the public to find the correct combination of pages.

To make it even harder, apparently

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IT IS COMPLETELY justified to question what Biden has done while in office. So, Republicans, if you want my vote in the next election, your nominee needs to be better than the last time.

■■■
UKRAINIAN PEOPLE ARE being sacrificed to avoid World War III. What happens when Putin doesn't stop and invades another country? What happens when China invades Taiwan or launches cyber warfare against them shortly? World must cut off relations with evil regimes of Russia, China, Iran and North Korea.

■■■
REMEMBER, UNDER TRUMP, Russia was quiet, China was challenged and North Korea stopped missile launches. Now under Biden, Russia again attacks Ukraine, North Korea has resumed missile tests and Xi is getting ready to attack Taiwan. Do you think the voting liberals have buyer's remorse?

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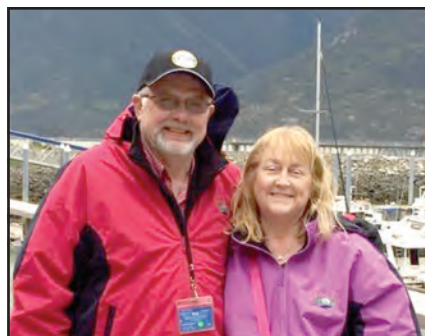
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What home improvement projects are you doing this spring? | streettalk



"Restaining my back deck, plans for my back yard, as well as redoing our Florida room."

Delila Brown
Fremont



"I need rail on my front porch and I need some work done in my yard."

Patti Zerull Hunt
Linden



"Landscaping the front yard. Adding a sidewalk to my front door."

Nancy Kielczewski Parker
Holly



"Having the deck stained, painting the cement patio."

Carrol Ruff-Gilbert
Fenton

'You're not dead until you're warm and dead'

■ Holly firefighters train in ice water rescue

By Hannah Ball

Holly — The ice on Bevins Lake in Holly was about 10 inches thick on Monday, March 7 when the Village of Holly Fire Department conducted ice water rescue training.

With a large rectangle cut into the ice, David Karakuc, firefighter, paramedic and water and ice rescue expert with the HVFD, taught a recruit and firefighters about rescuing people after they fell through ice.

He started with a 35-minute presentation on hypothermia, tools, ice conditions and more.

"We're going to see an increase of water rescues," Karakuc said.

This is the time of year when people typically fall through the ice. There's been an increase in water incidents in the last few years with people staying home more during the pandemic and spending time outside. In the winter, when the water is below 32.5 degrees,



Ethan Clark, a cadet with the Village of Holly Fire Department, extends a hook to a firefighter during ice water rescue training on Monday, March 7. They practiced numerous maneuvers to rescue someone from icy water. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

people can fall unconscious within 15 minutes if submerged without proper clothing.

"Your expected survival time is up

to 45 minutes," he said. "The colder the water, the longer they can survive."

The questions rescuers have to consider are: how long have they been

under for? How old are they? What's the water temperature? Karakuc spoke of the mammalian diving reflex, which is when the body produces muscle spasms that press on the vagal nerve that slows heart rate and drops the blood pressure, which allows victims submerged in water to stay alive longer.

"In cold water, people have been submerged up to one hour and then they have been resuscitated. Our rule of thumb is 'you're not dead until you're warm and dead,'" he said.

He mentioned a story about a 14-month-old who was underwater and not breathing for 40 minutes. He was resuscitated and fully recovered.

Hypothermia can set in within minutes. Oakland County protocol states that if water is less than 43 degrees, they have a cardiac arrest event and it's been less than 90 minutes, rescuers should resuscitate the victim. If it's been more than 90 minutes, chances of survival are lower. Protocol says they can consider not doing CPR.

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Bakker is new FHS principal

■ Longtime athletic director humbled to take over at high school

By Sharon Stone

During its meeting Wednesday, March 9, the Fenton Board of Education approved the recommendation to name Michael Bakker as the new Fenton High School principal.

Bakker has served as the interim high school principal since November 2021. This administrative move came after Laura Lemke had been on personal leave at the end of 2021 and decided in early January that she was stepping down from the principal position to be the assistant principal moving forward.

In a statement, Superintendent Adam Hartley said, "We are excited for what his leadership will bring to FHS and the FAPS community."

Bakker has served as the FAPS athletic director and assistant principal since 2004. He has three children who attend FAPS and his wife Denise is an employee of AGS Middle School.

"As many of our families know, Mr. Bakker is a true Fenton Tiger and is committed to leading FHS to grow in all areas," Hartley said.

Following the announcement, Bakker said, "I am very humbled by this opportunity of being named principal at Fenton High School. Throughout my career, I have had the opportunity to work with many amazing educators and I am excited to now have the opportunity to use what I have learned and experienced throughout my career to lead FHS.



Michael
Bakker

"For seventeen years, I have been entrenched in the mission of FAPS and I have witnessed firsthand so many great things that our staff and students have created here. I consider Fenton to be a destination school district for families and staff and I hope to build upon the great initiatives and opportunities that we have for students.

"Students, staff, and families who have gotten to know me over the years know that I am extremely proud of the accomplishments we have made with the expansion of our athletic programs, facilities, and participation numbers.

"Likewise, I pride myself on building relationships, being open-minded, and taking a hands-on approach to educating students. I plan to continue to be that same person as I move into this

new role with FHS, and I look forward to learning how and where I can support our school community, while also exploring and expanding on the already great opportunities we have for all of our students."

The FHS assistant principal/athletic director position once held by Bakker was filled by Dallas Lintner on an interim basis in January. Hartley said that after posting the

anticipated opening, receiving the applications and conducting interviews, it was clear that Lintner was the top choice to take over on a permanent basis beginning in July. Lintner has served as athletic director and assistant principal in Owosso schools and Linden schools and has both teaching and coaching experience.

“I consider Fenton to be a destination school district for families and staff and I hope to build upon the great initiatives and opportunities that we have for students.”

Michael Bakker
Fenton High School principal

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POLICE & FIRE
REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

FENTON POLICE ARREST
LAPEER MAN

On Tuesday, March 1 at 3:35 a.m., a Fenton police officer on routine patrol ran a computer check on the license plate of a vehicle on N. LeRoy Street near Dauner Road. The registered owner of the vehicle had a suspended license. A traffic stop was made. The 38-year-old Lapeer man driving the vehicle was the registered owner. He was arrested, issued a court appearance citation and his vehicle was impounded.

FENTON RESIDENT REPORTS
FRAUD TO POLICE

On March 2, a Fenton resident contacted Fenton police to report fraud. The resident said someone was illegally using his credit card. Lt. Jeff Cross said police learned that the man's credit card had

been cloned and it had been used multiple times at an ATM in Wixom, totaling \$120 in transactions. The man's bank was contacted and the bank's investigators will take over the case. There are no suspects at this time and the Fenton man is still in possession of his card.

SPEEDER DRIVING ON
SUSPENDED LICENSE

On March 3, at 8:30 p.m. a Fenton police officer observed a vehicle on North Road, near Poplar Street traveling 20 miles over the posted speed limit. A traffic stop was initiated. A computer check revealed that the driver's license had been suspended in Florida. The 21-year-old Holly woman was issued a court appearance ticket for the offenses.

CLARKSTON MAN ARRESTED
IN HOLLY FOR OWI, THIRD
OFFENSE

On Friday, Feb. 25, at 9:11 p.m., a Holly police officer on patrol saw a vehicle on N. Holly Road commit several traffic violations. The vehicle was stopped and found to be driven by a 54-year-

old Clarkston man. The driver presented several indicators of intoxication, was tested and determined to be over the legal limit to drive. The driver also had a revoked driver's license. The man was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated, third offence and driving on a revoked license being sought from the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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**Submission of a Michigan Department of Natural Resources
Land Acquisition Grant Application for April 2022**

The Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation Commission is considering applying for a MNRTF Grant in the amount of approximately \$1,000,000 for the acquisition of 37 acres of land adjacent to The State Bank Trail between the runway at Price's Airport and Silver Lake Road for the purposes of developing a park for outdoor recreation. SLPR is looking to inform the public about the concept drawings of this plan and gain input from the public on the acquisition of this land for outdoor recreation purposes.

A Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 15th, 2022, at 7:00pm at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center, located at 150 South Leroy Street, Fenton, MI 48430. The meeting will be held in the Rec Room in the lower level. Questions in advance of the meeting can be directed to Mr. Ed Koledo, Executive Director of SLPR at the following contact information: Phone 810-714-2011 or email ekoledo@slpr.net. Look to the SLPR website for a Zoom link to this meeting for those not able to attend in person.

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Monday March 14, 2022	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday March 15, 2022	1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday March 16, 2022	1:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. & 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Thursday March 17, 2022	10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

At these sessions the Board of Review will hear any appeals or objections and review potential corrections to the assessment roll.

Property owners may file their appeals in writing, provided such appeals are received by the Board of Review no later than 8:00 p.m. on March 17, 2022.

Property owners wishing to appeal in person should call the assessor's office at 810-629-3445 to schedule an appointment with the March Board of Review. Questions may also be addressed to the March Board of Review via email at bor@fentontownship.org.

TENTATIVE EQUALIZATION MULTIPLIERS

Property Class	Ratio	Factor
Commercial	47.59	1.05064
Industrial	49.51	1.00099
Residential	47.36	1.05574

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MASKS

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McDermott said, "I'm not anti-mask, I just prefer we follow the guidelines set by the CDC and not create additional mandates. I'm also pro-civility, meaning if you find yourself in close proximity to someone that prefers you wear a mask, be courteous and wear it."

Several boards and commissions for the city have had difficulty meeting since the changes to the Michigan Open Meetings Act (OMA) that severely limit remote participation as the city had the ability to do in the early part of the pandemic.

Michael Hart, assistant city manager and executive director of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), said the library is run by Genesee County, so this city building mask mandate didn't impact those at the library. He said the same goes for the Fenton Community & Cultural Center, which is run by Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation.

“I was comfortable leaving the mask mandate in place for a few more weeks based on the caution information from the American Medical Association.”

Pat Lockwood
Fenton mayor pro tem

Osborn said, "I voted no because I was concerned about some of our departments. The virus is still out there, but the numbers are down. I didn't want to see any interruptions in our services."

Lockwood said, "I was comfortable leaving the mask mandate in place for a few more weeks based on the caution information from the American Medical Association. Individuals make these decisions on the most recent data and what they believe is in the best interest of the people they represent."

LINDEN MILL

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see Mills #420 Questers Chapter. At a Nov. 3, 2018 fundraiser, they raised nearly \$8,000 for the Linden Mill building. Karen Breasbois, president of the chapter, said they originally wanted the money, along with grant monies, to go to the foundation. However, they were denied the grant so they decided to restore the windows.

Everything was delayed due to the pandemic.

They hired local contractor Josephson Construction and Remodeling for approximately \$3,000, which completed work on the windows on March 5. Some of the work they did includes replacing all stops and screens on the windows, replacing two sills, reconstructing one window and more.

Breasbois said seeing the windows be redone was a "sigh of relief," but it's just a start.

"People talk of the building needing 'paint.' That's what everyone sees. The building needs foundation work, board and siding replacement and then finally painting. Much has already been done that isn't seen,"

she said, mentioning the heating, cooling and electrical work that has been done in recent years. She challenges more groups to step up and help them with this project.

"The Shiawassee Mills #420 Quester's chapter sees the mill as the center of the community. We are a chapter in the international Questers organization whose focus is preservation/restoration of historical buildings/sites. Local businesses/organizations use the mill picture as a logo on their business card. It is a visual when you come into the city, it represents the city. A recognizable symbol of an olden times," she said.

The city of Linden has discussed many options for fundraising, and they will be pursuing grant opportunities.

"The mill is the symbol of Linden and preserving it is very important to me and the council. We greatly appreciate the efforts of the Questers and Peter Maas in helping us raise funds to work on the mill. We are exploring creating a nonprofit to help manage donations and encourage continued support to help maintain the building," Cusson said.

SUPERVISOR

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through millages. Holly Township residents are assessed a 4-mill millage. Rose Township residents are currently paying 2.1 mills through two millages, however, those millages expire at the end of this year and the Rose Township Board of Trustees is asking residents to approve a 3.5-mill millage in the August election.

A governing board, the NOCFA Board, oversees NOCFA. This governing board is comprised of two Holly Township elected officials, two Rose Township elected officials and one citizen-at-large that is appointed by the NOCFA Board. Representing Rose Township is Supervisor Dianne Scheib-Snider and Treasurer Paul Gambka. Representing Holly Township is Supervisor George Kullis and Clerk Karin Winchester. The citizen-at-large and chair of the Board is Paul Stouffer of Rose Township.

At the most recent Holly Township Board of Trustees meeting and at the March 9, Rose Township meeting, P.J. Kravetz, vice president of the NOCFA Firefighters Association (not the union) was allowed to make a presentation. He read a resolution that has unanimous support of the firefighters association to indicate a vote of no-confidence of the citizen-at-large Peter Stouffer (*read the entire resolution with this story at tctimes.com*).

Kravetz is not part of the newly formed union of full-time employees, minus the police chief, at NOCFA. He is a part-time, paid on-call firefighter.

Kravetz told the Times that over the past few months, there has been considerable discussion amongst their association members regarding the actions of the NOCFA Fire Board and concern of whether there will be a continuation of the Fire Authority. He said the sole objective of the association is the continuation of the Fire Authority through the two townships returning to a working relationship and planning and problem solving becoming the norm within the fire board.

NOCFA Capt. Tim Seal acknowledged that the seven full-time union members remain neutral on firefighters association resolution. Negotiations between the union and the NOCFA board are in the early stages.

Seal said the full-time NOCFA employees did not form a union due to the lack of leadership at NOCFA.

"We formed because we lost a voice at the fire board," he said, adding that Lintz used to negotiate for them. "He was silenced. Our only option was to organize."

Several residents in the audience spoke of their support of Lintz and the services that NOCFA provides for the townships.

Another issue is Scheib-Snider and Stouffer using taxpayer money to pay attorney fees to a lawyer that was not approved by the board. Clerk Debbie Miller told the board she received an itemized invoice regarding attorney fees totaling \$2,625.50. There was mention of a telephone conference with client (Dianne Scheib-Snider) regarding a fire chief issue. There also was mention of a

telephone conference with client (Pete) regarding "fire chief separation issues" in the invoice. There was debate as to whether Scheib-Snider and Stouffer were authorized to seek this legal counsel. Scheib-Snider said they were given permission by the board a few months ago up to \$30,000 for NOCFA issues. The NOCFA board approved Kullis (Holly Township) and Gambka (Rose Township) to handle the NOCFA union negotiations in September 2021.

Miller said that attorney was not the attorney approved by the board. She said, "It looks like you're trying to fire the fire chief."

Scheib-Snider said, "I might be."

The clerks of both townships have proposed that the boards look at allowing NOCFA to become its own taxing authority and each property owner in both townships would be assessed on their property's taxable value. Miller has said previously that this move would remove politics from funding NOCFA.

Lintz, a Rose Township resident, spoke during public comment. He's been with the department for 25 years and has been chief for 17. He said 75% of their runs are medicals and runs average less

than seven minutes. He told the audience that there are two different governing boards in the township — one public and one behind the scenes.

"There's a problem," he said. He said he's yet to hear what he's done wrong. "There's two agendas going on."

"The attorney bill — that's unreal. That seals my case. Dianne (Scheib-Snider), Paul (Gambka) and Pete (Stouffer) are trying to get rid of me," he said. "I've got the public's best interest at heart, and my firefighters."

Lintz received a standing ovation following his comments.

Kravetz spoke again during public. He told the board he's been with NOCFA for six years. "I would walk through the gates of hell for him (Lintz). If he goes, I go," he said.

The Holly Township Board of Trustees has scheduled a special meeting for 7 p.m., on Monday, March 14 to discuss the situation with NOCFA. The public meeting will be held at Karl Richter Campus, 300 East St., Holly.

The NOCFA Board will meet Tuesday, March 15 at 3 p.m. The public meeting will be held at NOCFA Station 1, 5051 Grange Hall Rd., Holly.

"I would walk through the gates of hell for him (Lintz). If he goes, I go."

P.J. Kravetz
NOCFA Firefighters
Association vice president

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MEDSTAR

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venture of the Henry Ford Health System, McLaren Healthcare Corporation and Ascension Michigan.

The agreements will allow Medstar to provide better positioning of the ambulances throughout the identified communities, more consistent coverage, and as a result, improved service and patient outcomes, according to a press release from Medstar. The service agreements also provide for quarterly response

time, clinical data, and patient satisfaction reports for each municipality.

“The change in the Genesee County EMS system better distributes resources to improve response times for the residents and visitors in the community we serve,” said Kolby Miller, Medstar CEO. “Having the responsibility for a service area allows an EMS agency to plan for and deploy its resources in a way to distribute services across all patients in the community, not just those that happen to live closest to the busiest areas.”

He said communities who don’t want a service agreement do not have to have one.

Service agreements between EMS companies and municipalities is a dividing topic at times in Genesee County, which has a unique system because it does not have one dedicated EMS provider. Approximately half a dozen providers are present in the county. State law does allow municipalities to enter into agreements with EMS providers, and more than two dozen Michigan cities and townships have done so, said

Miller.

However, a few lawyers and ambulance service providers have warned that this will bring legal trouble to the county.

STAT EMS Vice President Joseph Karlichek has spoken against the county recognizing agreements between municipalities and specific ambulance services. In a Feb. 4 Times story, 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.

Medstar and STAT EMS are commonly seen around the Fenton area. Ambulance crews from Medstar often travel to and from the McLaren Fenton Emergency Room on Owen Road.

Fenton, the only municipality in the county with its own dispatch center, has an agreement with STAT EMS to provide ambulance services.

By law, dispatch services are required to dispatch the closest unit available to the emergency call.

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. On 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.”

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Have you tried an air fryer yet?

AIR FRYER CHICKEN WINGS

Recipe: Food Network Kitchen

INGREDIENTS:

Chicken Wings
Cooking Spray
Salt

PREPARATION:

- Need 3.5-quart air fryer
- Spray basket with cooking spray.
- Pat chicken wings dry and sprinkle generously with salt.
- Place wings in fryer basket so they are not touching
- Set air fryer to 360 degrees F and cook for 12 minutes
- Flip wings with tongs and cook for 12 more minutes.
- Flip wings again, increase heat to 390 degrees F and cook until the outsides are extra-crispy, about 6 minutes more.
- Toss with favorite sauce and serve.



AIR FRYER FRENCH FRIES

Recipe: allrecipes.com

INGREDIENTS:

1 pound russet potatoes, peeled
2 teaspoons vegetable oil
1 pinch cayenne pepper
½ teaspoon salt

PREPARATION:

- Cut each potato into long thin strips
- Cover potatoes with water and let soak for 5 minutes to release excess starches.
- Drain and cover with boiling water by a few inches. Let sit for 10 minutes
- Drain potatoes and transfer onto paper towels. Blot off excess water and let cool.
- Transfer into mixing bowl, drizzle with oil, season with cayenne and toss to coat.
- Preheat air fryer to 375 degrees F. Stack potatoes in double layer in fryer basket. Cook for 15 minutes. Slide basket out and toss fries, continue frying until golden brown, about 10 minutes more.
- Toss fries with salt in mixing bowl and serve immediately.



■ Crispier food, less oil and fewer calories cause popularity to heat up

By Sharon Stone

Gone are the days of dipping a wire basket filled with sliced potatoes into a vat of bubbling oil to make fries.

Air fryers continue to be popular for anyone looking for a healthier way to cook or crisp up foods while using zero oil.

Air fryers can be compared to small ovens. They come in several different styles, including basket-style, which is great for large batches of food like fries or vegetables, oven style, which is ideal for cooking food on shelves and toaster oven styles, which can toast, bake, broil and more in addition to air fry, according to the experts at Good Housekeeping.

Since air fryers require only a small amount of oil to make foods crispy, your entrée will have fewer calories and fat. The small appliances that will sit on a countertop can vary in price from \$80 to \$300.

According to Good Housekeeping’s review of air fryers, most air fryers have a concentrated heat source at the top of the appliance that is paired with a large fan that circulates the hot air.

Good Housekeeping’s former Nutrition Director Jaclyn London, MS, RD, CDN said that while air fryers won’t make all foods automatically healthy, they’re generally a better option than deep-frying in oil or pan-frying with a lot of grease.



AIR FRYERS TO CONSIDER

according to Good Housekeeping

Best Overall Air Fryer: Ninja Air Fryer Max XL

Best Value Air Fryer: Chefman TurboFry

Best Air Fryer for a Family of Four: Instant Pot Vortex Plus

Best Air Fryer Toaster Oven: Cuisinart Digital Toaster Oven Air Fryer

Best Air Fryer Oven with Rotisserie: Power XL Air Fryer Pro

Best Digital Air Fryer: Cosori Air Fryer

Best Large-Capacity Air Fryer: GoWise 7-Quart Electric Air Fryer

Best Compact Air Fryer: Philips Compact Airfryer

Best Air Fryer for One Person: Dash Compact Air Fryer

ROSE TOWNSHIP

NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY TO INCORPORATE AS
A CHARTER TOWNSHIP AND RIGHT TO REFERENDUM

Official certification has been received from the Michigan Secretary of State that the Township of Rose 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):

1. Adopt by majority vote a resolution opposed to incorporation as a charter township.

2. 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.

3. 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.

If the petition is successful, the question of incorporation will be placed on the ballot at the next general or special township election.

Debbie Miller, MMC, MiPMC II
Rose Township Clerk

NOTICE TO CREDITORS – Decedent's Estate

The decedent, Luvamay Dovich, who lived at 17019 Fish Lk. Rd., Holly, Michigan, 48442, and at 162 Haggetts Pond Rd., Andover, MA, 01810, died November 7, 2021. A probate file has been opened with Oakland County Probate Court. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Joel Nephew, Personal Representative of the estate, 5801 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI 48917 (517-316-1524) within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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IF YOU WANT to stop inflation, stop buying. Inflation is supply and demand. We need to build up our supplies. Another thing, presidents have nothing to do with the price of gas. These are privately owned companies. They do what they want. Right now they're price gouging.

GETTING JEALOUS OF West Virginia and Arizona for having U.S. senators with moral principles. Puts our two corporate sellouts (aka: Peters and Stabenow) to shame.

I JUST CHECKED Biden's approval rating and it is 45. I am proud to say I voted for him and not the arrogant narcissistic bully.

NEWS

BRIEFS

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HOLLY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING

Holly Township Supervisor George Kullis is calling for a special Holly Township Board of Trustees meeting at **7 p.m. on Monday, March 14.** The meeting is open to the public and will be held at the Karl Richter Campus, 300 East St., Holly. The public is asked to enter through the same doors it would for the Holly Village offices or the Chamber of Commerce. The meeting will be held in the commons area/ cafeteria. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the ongoing issues with the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) and to get direction from the board as to how the township moves forward under the circumstances.

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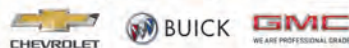
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2011 Kia Rio LX	\$4,000	2008 Ford Explorer XLT	\$5,500	2009 Ford F-150	\$7,500	2005 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD LS	\$9,900
2003 Ford F-150	\$4,000	2010 Dodge Ram 1500 ST	\$6,500	2012 Chevrolet Traverse LT 1LT	\$7,691	1998 Ford F-750SD	\$9,900
2004 Chrysler Town & Country Limited	\$4,500	2011 Chevrolet Cruze 1LT	\$6,691	2007 Jeep Compass Sport	\$7,991	2013 Chevrolet Malibu LT 2LT	\$9,991
1998 Ford Explorer	\$4,500	2007 GMC Sierra 1500 SLE2	\$6,700	2007 Pontiac G6 GT	\$7,991	2014 Toyota Corolla S Plus	\$9,991
2009 Dodge Journey SXT	\$4,500	2009 Ford Flex SEL	\$6,900	2007 Ford F-150 XLT	\$8,000	2012 GMC Acadia SLE	\$9,991
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LOOKING BACK at this week in HISTORY

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MARCH 13

1881: Czar Alexander II, the ruler of Russia since 1855, is killed in the streets of St. Petersburg by a bomb thrown by a member of the revolutionary "People's Will" group. The People's Will, organized in 1879, employed terrorism and assassination in their attempt to overthrow Russia's czarist autocracy. They murdered officials and made several attempts on the czar's life before finally assassinating him on March 13, 1881. He was succeeded by his 36-year-old son, Alexander III, who rejected the Loris-Melikov constitution. Alexander II's assassins were arrested and hanged, and the People's Will was thoroughly suppressed. The peasant revolution advocated by the People's Will was achieved by Vladimir Lenin's Bolshevik revolutionaries in 1917.

MARCH 14

1958: For as long as most people have been buying popular music on records, tapes and compact disks, the records, tapes and disks they've bought have carried labels like "Certified Gold!" and "Double Platinum!!" Those labels have been in use since the early days of the rock-and-roll era, when a young trade organization called the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) created and trademarked its precious-metals-based scale for measuring music sales. On March 14, 1958, the RIAA awarded its first official Gold Record — it had gifted an unofficial gold-sprayed record to Glenn Miller in 1942 — record to Perry Como for his smash-hit single "Catch A Falling Star."

MARCH 15

1965: President Lyndon B. Johnson addresses a joint session of Congress to urge the passage of legislation guaranteeing voting rights for all. Using the phrase "we shall overcome," borrowed from African American leaders struggling for equal rights, Johnson declares that "every American citizen must have an equal right to vote." Johnson reminds the

nation that the Fifteenth Amendment, which was passed after the Civil War, gave all citizens the right to vote regardless of race or color. But states had defied the Constitution and erected barriers. Discrimination had taken the form of literacy, knowledge or character tests administered solely to African Americans to keep them from registering to vote.

MARCH 16

1802: The United States Military Academy — the first military school in the United States — is founded by Congress for the purpose of educating and training young men in the theory and practice of military science. Located at West Point, New York, the U.S. Military Academy is often simply known as West Point. Located on the high west bank of New York's Hudson River, West Point was the site of a Revolutionary-era fort built to protect the Hudson River Valley from British attack. In 1780, Patriot General Benedict Arnold, the commander of the fort, agreed to surrender West Point to the British in exchange for 6,000 pounds. However, the plot was uncovered before it fell into British hands, and Arnold fled to the British for protection.

MARCH 16

461 A.D.: On this day, Saint Patrick, Christian missionary, bishop and apostle of Ireland, dies at Saul, Downpatrick, Ireland. Much of what is known about Patrick's legendary life comes from the Confessio, a book he wrote during his last years. Born in Great Britain, probably in Scotland, to a well-to-do Christian family of Roman citizenship, Patrick was captured and enslaved at age 16 by Irish marauders. For the next six years, he worked as a herder in Ireland, turning to a deepening religious faith for comfort. Following the counsel of a voice he heard in a dream one night, he escaped and found passage on a ship to Britain, where he was eventually reunited with his family. After 40 years of living in poverty, teaching, traveling and working tirelessly, Patrick died on March 17, 461 in Saul, where he had built his first church.

MARCH 18

1925: The worst tornado in U.S. history passes through eastern Missouri, southern Illinois, and southern Indiana, killing 695 people, injuring some

13,000 people, and causing \$17 million in property damage. Known as the "Tri-State Tornado," the deadly twister began its northeast track in Ellington, Missouri, but southern Illinois was the hardest hit. More than 500 of the total 695 people who perished were killed in southern Illinois, including 234 in Murphysboro and 127 in West Frankfort. The Tri-State Tornado of 1925 traveled 219 miles, spent more than three hours on the ground, devastated 164 square miles, had a diameter of more than a mile and traveled at speeds in excess of 70 mph.

MARCH 19

2003: The U.S., along with coalition forces primarily from the United Kingdom, initiates war on Iraq. Just after explosions began to rock Baghdad, Iraq's capital, U.S. President George W. Bush announced in a televised address, "At this hour, American and coalition forces are in the early stages of military operations to disarm Iraq, to free its people and to defend the world from grave danger." President Bush and his advisors built much of their case for war on the idea that Iraq, under dictator Saddam Hussein, possessed or was in the process of building weapons of mass destruction. No weapons of mass destruction were found in Iraq. The U.S. declared an end to the war in Iraq on Dec. 15, 2011, nearly 10 years after the fighting began.

NEWS BRIEFS

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BLOOD DRIVE IN HOLLY

Holly area residents are invited to take part in Blood Drive to save lives in Michigan on Saturday, March 26, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The blood drive will be held at Holly Calvary Church, 15010 N. Holly Rd. in Holly. Visit donate.michigan.versiti.org, call the Versiti Blood Center of Michigan at 1-866-642-5663 or contact Ellen Pease, Holly volunteer at (810) 265-4224 for more information.



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ICE WATER RESCUE

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Rescuers wear suits and have ropes, lifejackets, ice anchors, handles with spikes for self-rescue, and traction devices that go on the bottom of boots. Karakuc said encouraging someone to attempt to rescue themselves and verbally reassuring them is the first step. If that doesn't work, they will slide out a ladder or throw them a rope. However, if victims are hypothermic, it's much harder for them to grab anything.

If the victim can't rescue themselves or grab something, the responders will enter the water. They must be tethered and spread their weight out as much as possible. Karakuc said it's important to go to the side or back because the victim will immediately want to grab onto the rescuer if they approach their front.

"The closer you get to the victim, the worse the ice is going to get," he said.

Backboards float and rescuers can use them as a sled. Once out of the water, rescuers need to get the victim out of wet clothes, into a warm environment and use heat packs to warm them up.

Karakuc said that rescuers can heat up IV fluids to help raise someone's body temperature.

Falling through ice is considered a traumatic injury, especially if they're unconscious. Be aware of other potential injuries. Victims also have to be aware of the bacteria in the water that could be in their body. Some people develop phenomena and die in the hospital days later.

Ice

Karakuc described the three types of ice: frazil ice, which is clear and not that thick; clear ice, which is the strongest ice; and candled ice, which is milky white, contains air pockets and is the weakest.

The ice around the shore is the weakest on the lake because the land warms and melts the edges first. Ice in the middle of the lake is typically the strongest.

Two inches of ice is safe for one person to walk on. Four inches is safe for a group, five is safe for snowmobiles and 8 to 12 inches can support a car. Ice is 15% weaker if there's a current underneath it.

Drowning facts

There are half a million submersion events annually, Karakuc said. Drowning is the fifth leading cause of unintentional injury in all ages, the second leading cause of death in children under 14, and men drown at a rate four times greater than women.

Approximately 50 to 67% of drowning events are drug related.

Rescuing animals

It's not only humans that occasionally need to be rescued — dogs and other animals also fall through the ice.

"When somebody sees an animal in distress, it tends to draw people to help and try and rescue that animal, and that increases the likelihood that somebody is also going to be involved in the incident," Karakuc said.

It's also expected that animals will try to bite rescuers because they are scared. Sometimes it's best to attempt to push something toward the animal they can use to crawl out on. It's also recommended to approach from behind and push the animal out of the water.

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Lake Fenton's Cola Sisk

Blue Devils get their win vs. Imlay City two years later

By David Troppens

Ortonville — Cola Sisk remembers the moment really well.

It was March 11, 2020 and the Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team had just won a 74-31 regional semifinal game against Marine City to earn a spot in the regional championship contest against Imlay City.

As many may remember as well as

Sisk, that game never happened due to COVID-19.

On Tuesday, the Lake Fenton Blue Devils may have finally got some closure from that disrupted season when Lake Fenton defeated Imlay City pretty easily 57-37 in a regional semifinal contest at Ortonville Brandon High School.

The win means two years after seeing their regional championship game can-

celed due to COVID-19, the Blue Devils (20-3) are back. This time, the Blue Devils faced Marysville (21-2) in the regional title game on Thursday. Results of that game can be found elsewhere in this publication.

"It means a lot," Sisk said. "We finally got what we wanted during my freshman year. It's been a rivalry (with Imlay City)

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Flint Powers Catholic wrestler Connor Owens of Fenton captured his first individual state wrestling title at the state meet last weekend.

Owens overcomes injury, wins first state championship

By David Troppens

Connor Owens got the worst Christmas "gift" all athletes want to stay away from during the start of a new sports season.

"I tore a ligament in my ankle right before Christmas," the Flint Powers junior wrestler and Fenton resident said. "Not only could I not wrestle, but I had to go to physical therapy for four weeks. Seeing everyone wrestling, win-

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LF's tourney run ends in regional final, falls to Marysville

By David Troppens

Ortonville — A great season came to an end Thursday night.

A young but talented Lake Fenton squad led by just one senior on the roster had an outstanding season. They won 20 games, finishing with a 20-4 overall record. They won the Flint Metro League Stars Division for the second straight season, earning it this season with a perfect 10-0 record. And, of course, they won a district championship by beating their rivals, Goodrich, on the Martians' home court.

But only one team can

have their season win the Division 2 state championship with a victory, and the Blue Devils fell short of that by seeing their season end in a 61-51 regional championship loss against Marysville at Brandon High School.

"The girls on the team always made me feel special," Kerrigan Howdeshell said, reflecting on her final season with the Blue Devils just minutes after the contest. "And then there's the coaches, like this team are just special because of how close we are. I'm going to miss them a lot.

"My teammates were

always pushing me to be my best and we were always having fun whether we were on or off the court. I'll always remember my coaches for believing in me, my family and the Lake Fenton fans. I'm going to miss them a lot."

The season marked the second time in three years the squad has advanced to the regional title game, and the third straight season they played in a regional semifinal contest. In 2020, the squad advanced to the championship game but were unable to play in it due

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Lake Fenton's defense tries to stop Marysville's Kaitlyn Cain from attempting a shot in the Blue Devils' loss to the Vikings. Photo: David Troppens

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Lake Fenton's Dylan Hammis drives to the hoop in the Blue Devils' win against Powers Catholic in a district final contest. Photo: David Troppens

Blue Devils defeat Powers, prepare for Goodrich

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton — Led by their senior leaders Francis Senter and Max Muenzer, the Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team couldn't have asked for a better start to the squad's home district semifinal contest against the Flint Powers Catholic Chargers.

Muenzer scored the Blue Devils' first seven points and Senter also enjoyed six early points as the Blue Devils jumped out to a 20-4 lead with about two minutes remaining in the first quarter. Of course, the nearly full house Lake Fenton gymnasium was rocking.

But Powers wasn't going to go down without providing a punch themselves. Instead of going for

devastating head shots to hopefully cut into the gap with a fast run, the Chargers remained true to their own game and used a lot of body blows, slowly creeping back into the game. By the time the fourth quarter started, the Blue Devils led just 39-35.

However, the Blue Devils slowed their offense down in the fourth quarter, hitting on 8-of-14 shots during the final eight minutes, eventually an entertaining 57-52 victory against the Chargers.

The win places the Blue Devils in a district championship game at home against area rivals Goodrich on Friday. Results of that game can be found at tctimes.com.

The two squads split two regular season contests against each other and this will be the third all-important rubber game. It just happens to have a district title on the line as well.

"We knew they were going to come out hard and we knew they were going to respond at some point," Muenzer said. "When they responded, we had to overcome it. I think we were patient and got the shots we wanted, and took care of it."

"We just started out hot," Senter said. "We knew they were going to go on a run at some point. We just needed for them to get that run and then go on our run."

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Linden boys start hot, but fall to Highlanders, 55-48 in semis

By David Troppens

Fenton — The Linden varsity boys basketball team gave the Howell Highlanders an outstanding battle in a D1 district semifinal game at Fenton High School on Wednesday.

However, the Eagles fell a little short during a final-quarter comeback attempt, losing a 55-48 verdict to the Highlanders.

The loss marked the third straight year (minus 2020's COVID suspension of the state tourney series) that the Highlanders have defeated the Eagles, ending Linden's season in district play. All three games were competitive battles. Howell won the 2019 contest, 55-49, and also won the 2021 game, 66-64.

In this one the Eagles started on fire. Reichen Lund hit a short hoop and Joe Miller hit a three-pointer, giving Linden the early 5-0 lead. Howell cut it to 5-3 on a Brian Weller hoop, but Brandon Green responded with a converted free throw and Jase Becher hit a hoop as well, giving the Eagles an 8-3 lead.

Green ended the quarter strong as well, netting two more hoops. Linden led 12-5 after one quarter.

However, the second quarter was all Howell as the Highlanders opened the stanza with 10 straight points. Howell ended up outscoring the Eagles 14-2 in the quarter, taking a 19-14 lead.

Linden (13-9) were always in the contest in the second half, but never got



Linden's bench celebrates after defeating Fenton in a district game. The Eagles lost to Howell in the district semifinals. Photo: Christopher Summers

any closer than three points. That was the margin at the end of the third quarter when Green cut the margin to 36-33 entering the fourth quarter on a Green layup at the buzzer.

Linden remained close and had the Howell lead to just 45-42 after a River Meckstroth three-pointer with 2:05 left, but Howell responded with a quick hoop by Daniel Hokala, making it a 47-42 Howell lead. Free throws were key down the stretch. The Eagles missed three free throws on their next two possessions as Howell iced the game at the line making 10 straight.

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Fairbanks wins SEMSL event championship

Bronchos suffer from bad run, lose to Howell

By David Troppens

Ryland Fairbanks had a nice way to cap off his prep ski season.

The Fenton/Linden/Lake Fenton (FLLF) co-op boys skier captured the giant slalom championship at the SEMSL meet recently.

Fairbanks helped the boys finish fourth in the overall team standings. The FLLF girls placed sixth in their competition while the Holly/Oxford boys took seventh.

Fairbanks had the best run at Pine Knob during the first run, posting a time of 17.51 seconds. He had the second-best time during the second run (16.85), earning him a combined time of 24.36 seconds, just .12 seconds ahead of Rochester Adams' Nathan Behart's combined time of 34.44 seconds.

The squad also had three others finish in the top 30, helping the team take

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By David Troppens

Fenton — Wednesday's district semifinal pitting the Holly varsity boys basketball team against the Hartland Eagles may have been a great microcosm game for the Holly Bronchos' season.

There were times in the contest that the Bronchos proved they could compete for extended periods of time with just about anyone.

However, somewhere in a lot of games comes the run of despair as well, the time the opposing team's run creates a hole so deep the Bronchos can't get out of it. That's what happened against a very good Eagles' squad at Fenton High School.

The Bronchos battled with the top-seeded Eagles throughout the first half, and had to deal with Hartland's strong edge on the offensive glass to remain close. For the most part, the Bronchos were able to withstand those boards, and trailed just 33-26 at halftime.

Holly (9-12) then opened the third quarter on a 6-2 run, closing the Hartland (17-4) lead to just 35-32 on a Bryce Goings' driving layup with 5:35 left in



Holly's Antonio Simmons (right) scored a game-high 13 points in the Bronchos' district semifinal loss to the Howell Highlanders. Photo: David Troppens

the third quarter. The lead remained just three, at 37-34, after Ashton DeHart hit two free throws with 5:18 left in the third. It looked like the Bronchos were going to push for the upset special, but

instead, the dreaded run that ended the contest for Holly started.

Hartland went on a 17-2 run to end the third quarter, take a 50-36 lead and

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OWENS

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ning and knowing I couldn't be there — it hurt. But knowing I would be back just before districts kept a fire lit in me for sure."

Apparently that motivation was just enough for Owens. After finishing in a runner-up position a year ago at the individual state meet, he collected his first-ever D3 individual state championship by winning the 160-pound class against Napoleon's previously undefeated Nick Marienfeld by a 5-2 decision in the title match.

"Three words — dreams to reality," Owens said. "Just knowing the time and work put into this sport. Overall, it's really hard to put the feelings into word. Just coming to this tournament since I was a young kid, looking at the kids winning titles and wondering if I might ever be up there. I remember like it was yesterday. This means the world."

Owens entered districts with just eight matches under his belt, but won a district title and then his regional title,

giving him a 14-0 record entering the state tournament. He opened his tourney with a first-round pinfall win, and followed it with an 18-5 major decision victory in the quarterfinals. He had a challenging match in the semifinals, defeating Clinton's Kent McCombs by a tight 3-2 decision, earning him a chance to earn his title against Marienfeld.

It wasn't an easy match in the final, but Owens collected a 5-2 decision to earn the victory and finish the season with a perfect 18-0 record.

"I was never in doubt," Owens said. "I couldn't even visualize myself losing the match. I knew I just had to believe in myself. I could do this. Doubt will mess you up, so don't doubt. It was that simple. I didn't doubt and it all worked out. I just kept wrestling and trusted my training."

Owens earned his state runner-up finish in the 160-pound class last season. Two years ago, as a freshman, he placed fourth in the 140-pound class.

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The fourth-quarter run wasn't immediate, but it started with the Blue Devils taking 30 seconds off the clock and working for a driving layup by Muenzer. Powers responded with a layup Malachi Taylor, but then came a three-pointer by Senter. The Blue Devils led 44-37 with 6:17 left in the fourth. From that point the Blue Devils always led by at least five points, and Powers didn't cut it to that until the final score.

Senter's trey started an 11-2 run that ended with a Muenzer layin. The Blue Devils led 52-39 with 3:41 left. Powers tried to make one more push, and cut the gap to 54-47 on a three-pointer by Javonte Ross, but the Blue Devils wouldn't let Powers get too close, scoring immediately after that with a put-back hoop by Jake Helms. Lake Fenton did miss two front ends of bonus free throw chances, down the stretch, enabling a late three-pointer by Powers's Connor Kelley to close the final score to just five points.

"It's a game of runs," Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Tyler Szczepanski said. "We came out ready

to play. Credit to them, their defense picked up. Powers is one heck of a ball club. Watching them on film in preparation, you can't look at their record and say, 'They're 6-15 and they're not that good.' They play in a tough conference and their kids played hard the entire game. ... They have the capabilities of hitting shots and they did. We did what we had to do (in the fourth quarter)."

The Blue Devils are excited to get that third game against Goodrich started on Friday. No doubt the Martians are thinking the same thing.

"We wanted it bad. We wanted Goodrich to win — redemption," Senter said. "We are 1-1 against each other and this is the championship."

"It means everything," Muenzer said. "This game is really everything we've been working for. We're going to finish



Lake Fenton's Max Muenzer defends Isaac Sturgess during the Blue Devils' victory against Flint Powers Catholic in Wednesday's district semifinal contest.

Photo: David Troppens

everything we started with Goodrich."

Muenzer had a game-high 22 points to go with his seven steals. He did it dealing with three fouls entering half-time. Senter had 11 points and grabbed six rebounds and recorded two steals.

Holly's Sorter posts area's strongest results at state meet

Emily Sorter came home as the tri-county area's top individual performer at the D2 state meet on Saturday.

The Holly senior capped her prep bowling career by posting a six-game series total pinfall of 1,063 pins. She finished just 44 pins out of the top 16, which would've gained her a position in the elimination rounds for the individual state champion.

In order to qualify for the top 16, an individual ended up having to record an average of 184.5 pins a contest based on 16th-place Shay-Lynne Shultz's 1,107 pinfall total.

Sorter started a little behind that pace with games of 173 and 166 in her first two games. However, she did post a 205 and was within the level of competing for a top-16 spot at the halfway point. A 156 fourth game hurt, but she followed that up with a 214 in the fifth game, the fifth-best score of the round, placing her in a position with a chance to qualify.

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eventually win a 65-53 verdict.

The Hartland run actually extended into the fourth quarter, with the Eagles scoring the first five points of the fourth as well. Hartland led 55-36 and would eventually lead by as many as 20, at 60-40, after a layup by Payton Pyle.

Holly tried to fight back. The Bronchos still had a smidge of a chance after a three-pointer by Mason Clark cut the gap to 62-51 with 1:14 left, but that's as close as the Bronchos would get.

Looking at some of the numbers, Holly did some things very well. The Bronchos hit a respectable 20-for-46 shots, which included six treys in that mix. Those are numbers a team can be competitive with. However, they also turned the ball over 22 times. Coupled with Hartland's dominance in the first half on the offensive glass, Holly trailed by seven at the half in the first place. After shooting a sizzling 10-for-18 (including four for three-pointers) in the first half, Holly trailed due to Hartland scoring 15 first-half points on offensive



Holly's Bryce Goings drives to the bucket in the Bronchos' loss to Hartland.

Photo: David Troppens

rebounds. Hartland actually shot just 15-of-34 from the field in the opening 16 minutes, but they also just turned the ball over twice. Holly cleaned up on the boards better in the second half, making a comeback possible.

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to COVID-19 ending the season early.

"It's good to have expectations— player and coach expectations — and the girls play like they have them," Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball coach Brian Van-Buren said. "Part of tonight may have played into (our expectations). We were trying to make a play right away and we were a little more antsy than a more experienced group may be."

The Blue Devils struggled from the start, and quickly fell behind 16-4 after a driving layup by Marysville's Kaitlyn Cain. From that point on, the Blue Devils were forced to play a game of catch-up, and they never really did catch the Vikings.

Howdeshell hit a trey, cutting

the gap to 16-7 with 1:21 left in the first quarter, but the Vikings scored the final four points of the opening period and led 20-7 at the quarter break.

Lake Fenton always trailed by double-digits in the second quarter, cutting the gap to 10, at 26-16 on a post hoop by Cola Sisk with 3:01 left in the half. However, the Vikings went on a 7-0 run, capped by a three-pointer and a fastbreak layup by Marysville's Kara Miller, giving the Vikings a 33-16 lead. The Blue Devils got a driving layup by Anna Prevost to cap the first half, but still trailed 34-18 at the break.

The Blue Devils finally cut the Vikings' lead to single-digits late in the third quarter. It happened on a converted free throw by Ella Prevost with 38.7 seconds left in the quarter.

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BLUE DEVILS

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ever since then."

The Blue Devils also faced off against Imlay City earlier this season, earning a pretty dominant 52-35 victory. The second version of the contest looked pretty much like the first one as the Spartans were able to hang close in the first quarter, but eventually wore down to the



Lake Fenton's Savannah Fellenbaum attempts a shot in the Blue Devils' victory against Imlay City.

Photo: David Troppens

defensive intensity and quick transition play of the Blue Devils in the second quarter.

The Blue Devils hinted at spreading the game open in the first quarter, taking a 10-4 lead on a breaking layup by Amaya Smith with 1:41 left in the opening quarter. However, Imlay City (19-4) ended the stanza on an 8-2 run with back-to-back three-pointers by Lily Lengemann and Mary Lengemann tying the contest at 12-all. It appeared the Spartans had settled down and it was now game on.

However, the Blue Devils quickly proved that semi-run by the Spartans wasn't going to mean too much. Lake Fenton began the second quarter on a 14-0 run during the opening four minutes of the stanza. Lake Fenton scored points on each of its first five possessions of the second quarter, quickly taking a double-digit lead. It started with a putback hoop by Sisk and continued on a three-pointer by Ella Prevost. Anna Prevost followed with a driving layup and Ella Prevost then converted two free throws after being fouled during a fastbreak attempt. The first five possessions ended with an Emerson Baker assist on a Sisk layup. Lake Fenton led 23-12 with 5:30 left in the opening half. The lead grew to 26-12 about a minute later when Savannah Fellenbaum assisted a Smith three-pointer with 4:12 left in the half.

Imlay City was able to muster just one field goal the entire quarter. That was a three-pointer by Ana Lengemann with just 45 seconds left in the quarter. Lake Fenton actually didn't score during the final four minutes of the half themselves, but their defense was more than enough to make up for that, keeping the Spartans to 1-of-18 shooting during the quarter. Lake Fenton led 26-15 at halftime.

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SEMSL

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second place during the GS portion of the meet. Nate Hiscock (37.20) was 16th and was followed by Spencer Dicks in 20th (37.32) and Cody Dawes in 30th (37.85). Holly/Oxford's Jacob Denman placed sixth (36.13).

During the slalom, the FLLF boys were led by Brooks Funke who posted

a sixth-place time of 42.93 seconds. He had the sixth-best run during the second one (22.11). Jack Antonishek also finished in the top 40 for the FLLF team, taking 25th (47.07). Dicks was 38th (49.29).

Averi Fairbanks had a strong showing for the FLLF girls ski team, taking fifth in GS (37.45) and sixth in the slalom (48.15).

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Fenton student to perform in 'La Bohème'

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By Sharon Stone

Isabella (Izzy) Edmonds-Hogan, 14, is an eighth grader at Fenton's AGS Middle School and this is her first year as a Michigan Opera Theatre Children's Chorus (MOTCC) chorister.

A group of MOTCC principal chorus choristers will perform in "La Bohème" on April 2, 6 and 10, at the Detroit Opera House. The opera is based on Henry Murger's novel "Scenes de la vie de Bohème" and it revolves around four struggling bohemians who are living together at Christmastime.

During a market scene, Izzy has a featured solo. She said she also will be singing with the "children" in the opera and

Isabella (Izzy) Edmonds-Hogan will perform in "La Bohème" at the Detroit Opera House in April. Submitted photo



they will be acting with the adults on stage.

Izzy has been in more than 25 productions since she started theater when she was just 6 years old.

"She started theater shortly after her dad was killed as a form of distraction therapy and it just snowballed from there," said Heather Edmonds, Izzy's mother. Daniel Hogan, 50, of Fenton, died Sept. 26, 2013, as a result of a car accident.

Izzy said it is sometimes scary to

perform and sing in front of a live audience, but she overcomes that fear knowing that she can't see too many of the people in the audience, many of whom she will likely not see again. She said it's sometimes more difficult to sing in

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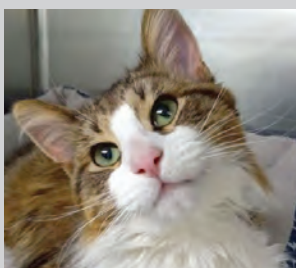


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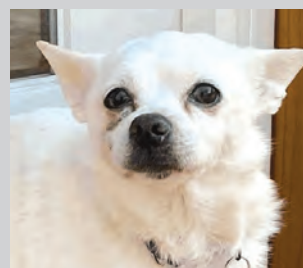
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58 Testing sites

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67 Not at all stiff

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MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS:

GRAND, WIPER, FEMALE, WORTHY

Answer: What's the best way to display a backward drawing? — IN A WINDOW FRAME

WEEKEND SUDOKU ANSWERS

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WEEKEND SCRAMBLE ANSWERS:

SPARSE, CARROT, SACRED, GLARE

Answer: GLASSES

MIDWEEK CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Solution Time: 23 min.

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WEEKEND WORD SEARCH ANSWERS

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front of classmates.

As opening night approaches in three weeks, practices are increasing, said Izzy. She also practices on her own whenever she's not working on her school work. She credits how instrumental her vocal director, Suzanne Acton, for "La Bohème" has been and how thankful she is to have such an amazing director.

Izzy has been in the Flint Festival Youth Choir, Michigan State's Children's Choir as well as her middle school's choir. She said she is very excited to be attending Interlochen's Classical Voice Summer Camp for three weeks this summer.

Although she has grown up loving and singing opera, Izzy said she likes rock, as well. Her favorite songs to sing are from Andrew Lloyd Webber's Phantom of the Opera. When Izzy isn't singing, she loves drawing and anime.

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

SUBJECT: Trailhead at Triangle Park

On Tuesday, March 15th, 2022, the public is invited to take part in an hour-long public forum SLPR is conducting at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center's Rec Room, downstairs at 6:00 PM. A trailhead at Linden's Triangle Park is proposed as a part of The State Bank Trail, which connects the City of Fenton with the City of Linden along the south side of Silver Lake Road. The trailhead will have ADA accessible parking and amenities, which may include a pavilion, picnic tables, benches, bike repair station, drinking fountain, interpretive signage, and trash/recycling receptacles. The intent of the public forum is to gain input on their need and exact locations within the park. Once complete, the plan will be brought to the Linden City Council for approval of the trailhead at Triangle Park.

Questions in advance of the meeting can be directed to Ed Koledo at 810-714-2011 or ekoledo@slpr.net. Look to the SLPR website for a Zoom link to this meeting for those not able to attend in person.

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NEW BUSINESS:

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.

ZBA22-008 Jonathan Jordan, 13016 Cussegawo Dr.: Requesting a 20-foot front yard setback variance, a 15-foot sight line variance, and a 762 square foot coverage variance to tear down and rebuild a home at 13016 Cussegawo Drive, parcel #06-14-527-012.

ZBA22-009 Jason Sieloff, 13171 Torrey Road: Requesting a 5.5-foot side yard setback, 13.5-foot front yard variance and a 4-foot sight line variance to build an addition and a deck at 13171 Torrey Road, parcel #06-14-100-022.

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 March 29, 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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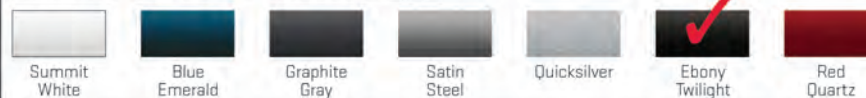


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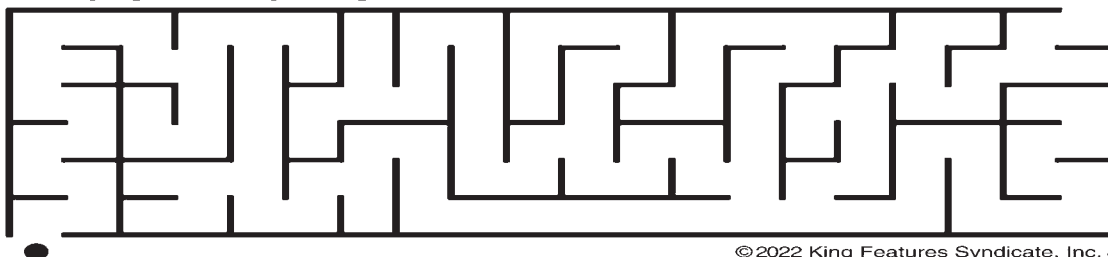
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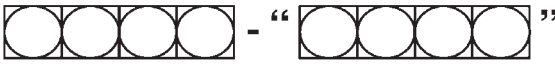
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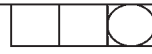
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Study the picture for a hint. Play around with the
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Whoa! Slow down!
Do you even
chew?

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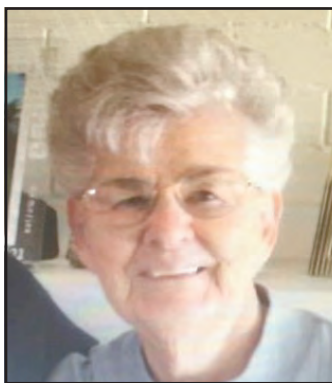
he took a --- MEGA-BYTE.

Obituaries

Times

Joyce F. Jacques 1927 – 2022

Joyce F. Jacques - age 94, of Linden, passed away on Wednesday, March 8, 2022. Funeral services will be held 11 AM Friday, March 18, 2022 at Sharp Fu-



on July 19, 1947 and he preceded her in death on October 29, 2013. Joyce is survived by her children, Michael Herbert (Gail) Jacques, Timothy John (Cynthia)

neral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 East Broad Street, Linden. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery, Linden. Visitation will be held 3 - 8 PM Thursday, March 17 at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Joyce was born August 16, 1927 in Flint, the daughter of Homer P. and Margaret Fern (Rouleau) Adams Sr. She graduated from Linden High School in 1947 and was a life long resident of Lobdell Lake. She married Herbert J. Jacques

Jacques, Toni Bluhm; grandchildren, Brent (Angela) Jacques, Jennifer (Nick) Godlesky, Brooke Jacques, Robert (Jillian) Jacques; great-grandchildren, Christopher Jacques, Jeremy Jacques, Blair Godlesky; god-daughter, Kelly (Michael) McIntyre; and special friend, Betty Cuppernoll. She was also preceded in death by her parents and six brothers. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Jayne Panek

Jayne Panek - age 77, died March 3, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Richard Mays

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Mrs. Darline N. Maser

Mrs. Darline N. Maser - age 93, died Friday, March 4, 2022 at McLaren Regional Medical Center in Flint. Surviving are her children, Deborah Stroud, D. Dianne (Gary) Marty and Jerry (Pam) Haynor; grandchildren, April (Lee) McCoy, Heather (Jeff) Welker, Douglas (Marquerite) Maser, Dustin (Kate) Maser, Dennis (Kara) Maser, Jessica (Kevin) Moore, and Mallory (Taylor) Coffey; 17, great-grandchildren; brother, Gerald Varner; sister-in-law, Judy Varner; daughter-in-law, Joyce Maser; and many nieces, nephews, and friends. She was preceded in death by her son, Richard Maser; parents, Loy and Naomi Varner; and brother, Virgil Varner. Mrs. Maser worked at Lake Fenton Schools as a cook and bus driver and started the Lake Fenton Booster Club. She loved gardening, ceramics, crafts, and mostly her kids, grandkids, and great grandkids. www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



James Harwood

James Harwood - age 85, died March 3, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Ted Goupil - age 87 died February 22, 2022. Visitation will be at Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, 7234 Fenton Rd, Grand Blanc on March 25 from 4 - 7 PM and March 26 from 10 - 11 AM with memorial service from 11 AM- 12PM.

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Ernest "Ernie" Craig

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Maria Vargas

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MYSTERY

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I’m really impressed with the publisher Unbound and the Laurence Sterne Trust. According to the disclaimer, the trust organization “responded with a mixture of surprise and delight” when the book was donated to the museum’s contemporary collection. How-

ever, the solution was missing. The organization is known for supporting literary works that challenge the linear narrative, and I can imagine they had a ball of a time solving “Cain’s Jawbone.” Unbound published the novel to make it easier, and cheaper, for readers to take the book apart and scribble notes. Nichelle and I both have two copies.

The odds may be against us, but we’re determined. We’ve also enlisted help from a few of our book friends, and Nichelle and I will no doubt spend a few nights with pages strewn across floors and tables, attempting to find that perfect combination.

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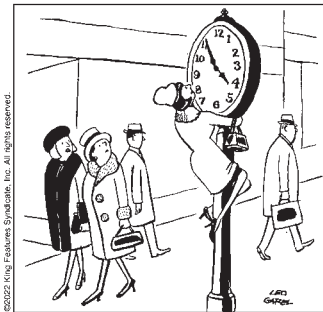
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Weekend Scrambler

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



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Orange
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Site Grass Mowing, Spring Clean Up, Fall Clean Up, removal of leaves, debris, grave blankets and wreaths, sticks, and branches of Rose Township cemeteries.

The plans and specifications are on file and may be examined and picked-up **on or after 8:30 a.m. on Monday March 14, 2022** at the Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, MI 48442.

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