

Charges pending on physical altercation

■ Argentine Township police submit case to prosecutor's office for review

By Sharon Stone

Argentine Township police have been interviewing multiple

individuals that were involved in an altercation on Easter Sunday, April 17 and the case is being submitted to the Genesee County Prosecutor's Office for review. Charges are pending.

Sgt. Paul Honkanen said Argentine Township police

responded to 15000 block of McCaslin Lake at 8:51 p.m. after receiving a 911 call from an Argentine Township resident driving on McCaslin Lake Road who witnessed an assault. The caller also video recorded the altercation between multiple

juvenile boys and a 54-year-old Argentine Township man. The video was later shared on the Nextdoor app.

Honkanen said when police arrived, all parties involved had separated. Everyone was questioned. There were four

juvenile males, one juvenile female and the 54-year-old man. Honkanen said two of the four juvenile males were allegedly involved with the physical altercation with the older man. The female was there but was

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Rose Township board appoints two NOCFA board reps

■ Glen Noble's motion to appoint Clerk Debbie Miller fails after no support from board

By Sharon Stone

During a combative special meeting at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, the Rose Township Board of Trustees voted 4-0 to appoint Trustee Glen Noble to the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) Board.

Despite shouts from the public, the board also voted 4-0 to appoint Treasurer Paul Gambka to the

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Council discusses potential water system fix



■ City could join county water system, which would cost approximately \$4.9 million

By Hannah Ball

Linden — Linden City Council is debating whether they should upgrade the city's water infrastructure or join the Genesee County Water System.

It's been a topic of conversation multiple times over the last few months as the council contends with the issues of the current water infrastructure, which includes low water pressure and old equipment.

"We have two potential solutions for our water pressure issues here in the community. Both of them are very comparable in price,"

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Sharing Hope Fundraiser planned for May 18

■ Donations go to Fenton Center of Hope

By Hannah Ball

Come hear stories of hope, redemption and support at the Sharing Hope Fundraiser dinner hosted by the Fenton Center of Hope (FCOH) on Wednesday, May 18.

The event will take place from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Genesys Conference & Banquet Center, 805 Health Park Blvd, in Grand Blanc. Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds go to the FCOH, which is one of the largest food pantries, baby closet and

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Downtown Holly is site of Sunday events

■ Rally at Battle Alley and Holly Farmers Market expect to draw hundreds

By Sharon Stone

This Sunday, May 1 is expected to be a busy day in downtown Holly. Event organizers remind residents to expect additional traffic.

One of the events is the Rally at Battle Alley - Bike Blessing, presented by Hogs in Ministry. It takes place on Saginaw Street in downtown Holly. Registration is from 9 a.m. to noon. Blessing of the bikes will follow. Several vendors will be on site, and the event includes music, door prizes, bike show, and awards.

Also taking place this Sunday is the Holly Farmers Market - Opening Day. This will take place in Crapo Park in downtown Holly from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be 70 vendors and two food trucks. Vendors will be selling seedling plants, flowers, meats, eggs, cheese, greens, baked goods, jam, coffee, gluten free products, chocolates, candles, soaps and more.

Organizers for both events have Facebook pages for this Sunday's events.



The annual Rally at Battle Alley - Bike Blessing will take place this Sunday, May 1, in downtown Holly, with registration beginning at 9 a.m.



The opening Holly Farmers Market will take place at Crapo Park in downtown Holly from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., this Sunday, May 1.



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Sharin' the spotlight

By Editor Sharon Stone

Sometimes you just know when you've made the right decision. Whether it's taking a vacation, going on that second date or taking on a new role at work, you'll know in your heart what's best for you and your family.

That's what has been happening for my husband, Jeff. Way back in 2009, after he was let go after being a senior engineer with GM/Delphi for 25 years, he seized an opportunity he saw in the Times' classified section. Sears Hometown Stores were looking for an entrepreneurial minded person to open a store in the Fenton area.

Timing was perfect. We loved the old Sears mall stores we went to as kids. We, along with Jeff's brother, Tim, began a partnership and opened the Sears Hometown Store on N. Fenton Road. All of the Hometown stores are independently owned and are considered small businesses. I was a partner, a silent partner, and continued working here at the Times. We bought two other Hometown stores in Lapeer and Howell, however, we sold those and they have since closed.

Our Fenton store has done well and the community and our loyal customers

Turning over the keys to the new owner of Sears Hometown Store in Fenton

have been a blessing. Tim eventually retired, leaving Jeff and his part-time employees to continue serving those who walked through the front door.

Keeping the store open seven days a week, all through the pandemic has been just short of a miracle. I can remember making Jeff strip at the door and throw his clothes in the washer before I'd let him walk any farther in the house. We disinfected everything at the beginning of the pandemic. Jeff never missed a beat and even when there were those days when he sat in a locked showroom



Sharon Stone

by himself, trying his best to provide products for customers, he stayed on top of everything.

After much thought and discussions, we decided to sell the store. Knowing the Fenton location was flourishing and had community support, our district manager found another young

entrepreneurial minded person who was interested in buying it.

Jeff's not quite ready to retire and his thoughts and our talks focused on a possible third career for him while the

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

When do you begin planting your flowers? Are you planning to do anything different with your lawn and garden this year?



"I always wait until after Memorial Day so generally no worry of frost. I also switched to succulents, cactus and grasses over 15 years ago for easy maintenance."

Jamie Jones
Fenton



"After Memorial Day. Removing my pond and having it filled in and planting some nice bushes in its place."

Patti Hunt
Linden



"Rising grocery prices have influenced our plant choices this year so we are growing more food than ornamental plants. We don't plant until about Mother's Day but seeds were started in March. They're currently in our little greenhouse waiting for Mother Earth to fully awaken for Spring!"

Joanna Barnes, Holly

Hotlines

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TO THE HOT-LINER who said this and the Hot-liner who said that — you're both wrong.

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Fenton Village Players

Dear Editor,
We saw "Southern Fried Funeral" last night by the Fenton Village Players. The play was enjoyable, entertaining and funny. The performers did a great job. I highly recommend seeing this play to anyone looking for a couple of hours of absorbing entertainment.

— Jim Flake, Fenton

streettalk



"After Mother's Day. The deer love to munch on my hostas so going to move them and replace with perennial grasses that the deer won't eat."

Lillian Taylpr
Fenton

Whaley Children's Center a finalist for \$25,000 grant

■ Show your support by voting online April 27 to May 6

State Farm Neighborhood Assist has selected Whaley Children's Center (WCC) in Flint as a top 200 finalist for a \$25,000 grant. In order to receive the grant, WCC needs the community's help to vote them into the top 100.

Voting begins April 27 at 12:00 a.m. and ends May 6 at 11:59 p.m. Each person can vote up to 10 times per day. Voters must be U.S. residents who are 18 years or older and have a valid email address. Winners will be announced June 7 at neighborhoodassist.com.

To vote for Whaley Children's Center, visit NeighborhoodAssist.com/entry/2042559.

The grant will go to support WCC's Journey Home for their Independent Living Program. The home will provide services for six youth ages 16-21. It will offer them a multi-service approach to providing for the physical, emotional, and social needs of youth transitioning out of foster care and provide them with

a safe place to call home while learning to be independent.

"We are incredibly grateful to be a finalist. If granted, the funds will help a population of foster youth that normally see less support as they age out of the system. Journey Home will provide these youth with a home and the support and skills they need to become successful adults," said Mindy Williams, president and CEO of Whaley Children's Center.

Whaley Children's Center is an independent, 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 1926 that provides residential child care services to children ages 5-17 years old who have suffered chronic and profound abuse and neglect. The services provided to children and families include residential treatment, group homes, family counseling, and aftercare service. To learn more about Whaley Children's Center, visit whaleychildren.org.

State Farm Neighborhood Assist is a crowd-sourced philanthropic initiative that empowers communities to



Whaley Children's Center in Flint is a finalist for a \$25,000 grant from State Farm Neighborhood Assist. Your vote is needed. People can vote online up to 10 times per day from April 27 to May 6 at NeighborhoodAssist.com/entry/2042559.

identify issues in their neighborhoods. The State Farm Review Committee selected the top 200 finalists from 4,000 submissions.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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THEY REALLY NEED a stoplight at the corner of S. LeRoy and S. Ellen Street. It is almost impossible to make a left out of Ellen Street, especially on weekends. No roundabouts please.

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HOW EMBARRASSING THE trash on the sides of our streets are, especially Torrey Road. Not a good look for our beautiful Fenton. Why aren't the inmates doing it any longer?

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GOT MY MICHIGAN auto insurance refund check today. Be wary of politicians using the refund to claim they 'put money into the hands of Michigan families.' It was your money in the first place.

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TOWNSHIP	WHERE	IMPACT TO TRAFFIC	TIMELINE	DETOUR	PROJECT DETAILS
Atlas	Perry Rd. between Gale Rd. and Atlas Rd.	Road closed	April 11 - May 27	none	Installing culvert lining
Flint	Bristol Rd. bridge between I-69 and Linden Rd.	One lane open in each direction	April 4 - August 29	none	Bridge rehabilitation
Davison	Bristol Rd. between Atlas Rd. and Lang Rd.	Detour posted	April 4 - June 24	Bristol to Irish to Atherton to M-15	Rubbilization
Grand Blanc	Baldwin Rd. 900 feet west of Holly Rd.	Detour posted	April 18 - May 26	Fenton to Cook to Holly	Widening to 3 lanes
Vienna	Dodge Rd. over the Brent Run	Flaggers controlling traffic	April 25 - 26	none	Guardrail replacement



Mark McCabe
67th District Court
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PROTECTING A DEFENDANT’S RIGHT TO A FAIR TRIAL

Whenever there is a criminal jury trial, the judge has a number of obligations to ensure that the proceedings are conducted

in accordance with the law. These include conducting the trial in an orderly and procedurally correct manner, ruling on the admissibility of evidence, instructing the jury and, if there is a conviction, sentencing the defendant. This is all required because a defendant has certain constitutional rights including the right to a fair trial. Additionally, the judge may be required to address other special issues involving a defendant’s fair trial rights.

The following are some examples. At a criminal jury trial, an in custody defendant has the right to be brought before the court with the appearance, dignity, and self-respect of a free and innocent man and, except as the necessary safety and decorum of the court may otherwise require, is entitled to wear civilian clothes rather than prison clothes. It is improper for the jury to see him clothed as a convict.

Therefore, a judge must allow an incarcerated defendant to wear civilian clothes upon request. If this isn’t allowed, any convictions are subject to reversal. Another important fair trial right that a defendant has is not to be handcuffed or shackled at the start of or during the trial.

The exceptions are in extraordinary circumstances, supported by the record, to prevent escape, injury to persons in the courtroom, or to maintain order.

If a defendant is unruly or obstreperous, the United States Supreme Court has held that there are at least three constitutionally permissible ways to handle it: (1) bind and gag the defendant and keep him present in court; (2) cite him for contempt; (3) take him out of the courtroom until he promises to behave himself. The first way should always be the last choice.

As to shackling, case law provides that if a jury sees a shackled defendant, it is then the burden of the prosecutor to establish beyond a reasonable doubt that it did not affect the verdict.

The importance of a fair trial cannot be overstated. It dates back hundreds of years and our system of justice demands it.

Fortunately, our system of justice has rules and procedures in place to protect this vital right.

POLICE & FIRE
REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

HARTLAND MAN DIES IN CRASH

On Monday, April 25, at approximately 9:24 a.m., deputies with the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office were dispatched to a single vehicle fatal crash on Highland Road and Pleasant Valley Road in Hartland Township. The preliminary investigation has revealed that a 75-year-old Hartland man was driving a 2019 Buick Encore eastbound on Highland Road. The Buick Encore left the roadway into the median striking several traffic sign posts before coming to rest a few hundred feet east of Pleasant Valley Road. It appears that the driver sustained a major medical episode while driving that caused the crash. The driver was reported deceased medical personnel on scene. Neither alcohol nor speed appear to be factors in this crash. Deputies were assisted on the scene by the Hartland Area Fire Department and by Livingston County EMS. This crash remains under investigation by the Livingston County Major Crash Team.



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NOCFA board. He accepted the nomination and subsequent appointment after having resigned from the NOCFA board on April 14.

Clerk Debbie Miller could not attend the special meeting due to a scheduling conflict.

As previously reported, on Thursday, April 21, Miller submitted a letter of interest to the Rose Township Board of Trustees to be placed on the NOCFA board to replace one of the Rose Township officials who resigned.

The special meeting was scheduled to appoint two Rose Township board members to the NOCFA Board for a partial term ending November 2024. This meeting was necessary after three members of the NOCFA board of directors resigned in a matter of 34 days.

Peter Stouffer, the citizen-at-large from Rose Township, resigned March 15. Gambka resigned April 14 and Dianne Scheib-Snider, the Rose Township supervisor, resigned April 18.

During public comment on April 26, one resident raised concerns about members of the board resigning on days when they're scheduled to vote on "very important" agenda items. "I really just want the township to think about us first and put everything else aside because what's important is to get the equipment that our firefighters need, and they need it now."

Scheib-Snider sent in her resignation on April 18, minutes before the board was scheduled to vote on buying two ambulances. Numerous residents described behavior from certain board members as "childish."

With their departures from the NOCFA board, the board did not have enough members to make a quorum to conduct business or hold meetings. Left on the NOCFA board were the two Holly Township representatives, Holly Township Clerk Karin Winchester and Holly Township Supervisor George Kullis.

On Tuesday, Warren Hardie asked the board to appoint Miller.

"Why would you call a meeting at 1 p.m. when you knew in advance that Debbie had surgery today? ... I don't think that's coincidental," he said.

Miller confirmed with the Times that Scheib-Snider scheduled the 1 p.m. meeting despite being told about

Miller's appointment via emails between board members.

Multiple residents mentioned the letter Miller sent to the board expressing her wishes to be appointed to the NOCFA Board.

One woman asked the audience for a show of hands for who wanted to see Miller on the NOCFA board. Most everyone raised a hand. "You got a room full of people wanting to put Debbie Miller on the board. Do you care at all?" one man asked.

Multiple residents expressed their frustration with the board and said the members do not explain their reasoning behind their votes.

A former NOCFA employee, who said she was a concerned citizen of a neighboring community directly affected by decisions made by the NOCFA board, said, "I would like to start by saying thank you to you, Mrs. Scheib-Snider, thank you for resigning from the NOCFA fire board and thank you for holding this special meeting today. This, however, is where the compliments end."

She said she's attended numerous NOCFA meetings and observed behavior from the board that was "childish, vindictive and, above all else, unprofessional. I have witnessed conduct that has shown utter disregard for the concerns and safety of this community."

Dan Johnson, Holly resident, voiced support for Miller to be on the NOCFA Board.

On Tuesday, Trustee Glen Noble motioned to appoint Miller to the board. With no support from other board members, the motion failed.

With a motion by Gambka, the board voted 4-0, to appoint Trustee Glen Noble to the NOCFA board.

With a motion by Walls, the board voted 4-0 to appoint Gambka back to the NOCFA board. Gambka said when he resigned from the NOCFA board, he did not realize that Scheib-Snider also was going to resign from the NOCFA board.

Several residents spoke out in anger during public comment segments before and after the appointments pleading that the board reconsider their vote to appoint Miller. Multiple residents also questioned the 1 p.m. time for scheduling the special meeting.

After Gambka was nominated, one man said, "You don't listen to the community. This is a problem."

A few residents shouted "crook" at

Court of Appeals sides with township

■ Rescue dogs in rehab program to stay at facility outside of Rose Township

By Sharon Stone

Judges for the State of Michigan Court of Appeals case involving Rose Township vs Devoted Friends Animal Society (Devoted Barn) and Melissa Borden sided with the township. They provided their written opinion April 21.

The case arose from Borden and the Devoted Barn housing approximately 60 to 75 dogs on property in Rose Township without the necessary special land use approval. The Devoted Barn is a nonprofit organization that serves as an animal rescue and

rehabilitation facility.

Borden bought the 53-acre property on a land contract May 29, 2019. The property is zoned agricultural/rural preserve district (AG/RP) and had been used as a horse riding academy.

The township filed a lawsuit in late 2019 against Borden claiming she did not apply for a special use permit for a dog kennel and was running an unlawful and unpermitted dog kennel. Rose Township became aware of the animals because of complaints made by a neighbor.

The original complaint was filed by Rose Township on Nov. 18, 2019 in Oakland County Circuit Court. In

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the board. One resident mentioned a recall campaign for Scheib-Snider. He said they raised more than \$2,000 and have more than 600 signatures. They need 872 in total. People in the audience cheered when residents spoke in favor of recalling certain members of the board.

"This is just a load of crap," one man said.

Numerous residents asked for the board to do another vote to appoint Miller. The board did not.

"This is like a slap in everyone's face," another woman said.

Reporter Hannah Ball contributed to this story.

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January, the court fined the Devoted Barn and ordered the dogs be removed over the ordinance violation.

Borden appealed the circuit court's decision.

According to court documents, Borden had stated to the lower court that the Rose Township zoning administrator, David Plewes, told her she could apply for a kennel permit with Oakland County or purchase licenses for each individual dog that she took in. She then clarified her statement saying that it appeared to her that Plewes "didn't have a clue," and that he "was going to talk to the county and decide what we were to do between special use kennel license or individual licensing the dogs."

The Court of Appeals judges stated, based on a previous court case, that, "Merely being misinformed about the provisions of an ordinance by a municipal official, and expending some amount of money on that basis, is insufficient grounds to estop (prevent) the municipality from enforcing the ordinance."

Borden said she and the Devoted Friends ended up leasing a kennel facility outside of Rose Township, which is costing them \$8,000 per month to house the 41 rescued dogs in their rehab program.

Following the Court of Appeals decision, Rose Township Supervisor Dianne Scheib-Snider, said, "As you can see, the Court of Appeals found that the township had properly enforced its zoning ordinances."

"I know there has been a lot of comments on social media and at our board meetings regarding township action in this case. The court's decision validates the township's steps to enforce and protect the integrity of our zoning ordinances."

When asked about the Court of Appeal's decision, Borden said, "For now we continue with two separate properties until hopefully Dianne (Scheib-Snider) is recalled."

"It's so crazy because the Appeals Court didn't even look at the actual facts of the dates. Rose Township attorney stated that we moved the dogs June 8 (2019) when the court documents from Frenchtown clearly states the dogs were still there August 14. But it's all ok."

Prior to moving to Rose Township, Borden ran a similar rescue shelter in Frenchtown Township.

The only dogs left at the property in Rose Township are Borden's personal dogs, plus Strawberry, her one neurological dog from an abuse case. "She has her own apartment here. However, I did have to license her in my name for her to stay," she said.

The Devoted Friends recently held a

fundraising effort and raised \$50,000 in just over 24 hours to help cover the new leasing costs.

When asked if it were possible to submit a new permit request to house the dogs, Borden said, "We absolutely could do that but not until a new township supervisor is elected. Dianne (Scheib-Snider) is definitely not going to vote for anything concerning us."

HOPE

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mentoring in southern Genesee County.

Attendees can expect to hear stories from people who received services from the FCOH.

"Please join us for dinner, inspiring entertainment from American Idol contestant Genavieve Linkowski, special speaker Sheriff Chris Swanson, and much more, as we share our vision of the future and fundraise for the growing expenses involved in seeing our mission accomplished," according to the press release.

At the beginning of this year, the FCOH moved locations from a 1,500-square-foot space off Shiawassee Avenue to managing more than 30,000 square feet of space with four buildings off N. Fenton Road near Camp Copneconic. Work continues on the main building, and the FCOH is hoping to increase its one-time donations and monthly donations from those who wish to help.

The nonprofit put on the Chef Showdown starting in 2017 and held it every year until the pandemic. Proceeds went to buying new freezers and other supplies. Co-director Bob Strygulec said they haven't been able to hold the event in a few years due to COVID.

This new Sharing Hope event will be more informational compared to the Chef Showdown, but there will be similar aspects. Sheriff Chris Swanson hosted the events in previous years and he returns May 18 to help the organization fundraise.

"What we're really focusing on is the stories. A lot of people know what we do, but it's the why we do things that we're trying to get the community to know about. We'll have some of the success stories with the people we've helped," Strygulec said.

Tickets are free and they're not charging for table sponsors. People are encouraged to donate. Attendees must preregister by May 7 calling (810) 620-8167 or by going to fentoncenterofhope.org.

They're hoping to bring back the Chef Showdown in the fall.

Settling into their new location has come with difficulties, some expected and some not.

"It's just a bigger operation now," he said. Strygulec and his wife, Jennifer, are the co-directors and the only paid staff members at the FCOH. A large network of volunteers with a wide range of skills offer their time and help at the nonprofit. They're aiming to raise funds to hire an administration person and to fund housing operations and renovation budgets.

The significant increase in size, compared to their previous building, makes it possible to hold all of their services in one building. This allows them to better care for people who need help, Strygulec said.

People are sometimes closed off and ashamed of seeking help. They're hoping that once people go through the food pantry or the baby closet, get what they need, and then settle into the relaxing area with some coffee and a snack, they'll be more open with FCOH staff and volunteers, which will help them to better understand and address underlying root causes holding them back from success, Strygulec said.

When complete, they'll also offer in-house mentoring. Strygulec said this will be convenient because they don't have to send people to different locations for help.

The three other buildings on the property will be used for emergency housing. The closest emergency housing in Genesee County is Flint. Strygulec said people in the Fenton area have reservations about going to Flint, and having this shelter close to downtown will provide a service that's lacking in the area. They're in contact with other short-term housing operations to gain knowledge and insight.

At the Sharing Hope fundraiser, they will unveil renderings of the main building. People often stop by to donate to the new location when they see people working on the site. Strygulec said they've received an outpouring of support from the community and businesses.

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WATER

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said Don Grice, director of the Department of Public Works, during the April 11 meeting.

If the council decides to continue to own and upgrade the current system, it would entail the construction of two new water towers to help fix the low pressure, system pump improvements and more. It would cost approximately \$3.69 million to maintain the in house system. This is a preliminary estimate and likely to change.

However, they expect more costs.

"There's still a significant amount of work that we have to take on in the coming years to do upgrades to our water mains and things like that," said Linden City Manager Ellen Glass. Grice agreed and said there are other improvements to the system that need to be completed and those costs aren't included in the \$3.69 million figure. The city would have long-term maintenance fees and labor fees for the towers.

Connecting to the county water system would result in the city not being responsible for tower maintenance fees or the costs to maintain the water treatment plant.

Division Director John O'Brien from the Genesee County Drain Commission spoke about their plans to expand county water to the Thompson Road Corridor and farther south. A new water tower will be constructed along Thompson Road and it could serve the Linden area.

Grice said if they contract with the county, he would recommend that the city still be responsible for the water infrastructure that's in the ground and that the city should control billing and other in-house matters.

If they hook up to the county, the city would not need new water towers. Grice said the county has enough volume and pressure to provide to the city. Going with the county water plan would cost approximately \$4.9 million. This is a preliminary estimate and likely to change.

Both projects would provide "significant pressure and fire flow improvements," according to meeting minutes from the April 11 meeting.

Water rates will likely increase with either plan.

"Regardless of which direction the city decides to go, those rates really do need to be increased," Grice said.

He presented the council with information on water rates from other communities

that contract with the county and communities with internal water systems. Each municipality listed has varying miscellaneous fees.

"We should note, though, when you are reviewing these, that it's very difficult to provide an apples to apples comparison from one water system to another. Each system is very unique and must address very specific issues related to things like employment costs, system conditions, system complexity, system demands, age of infrastructure, etc." Grice said. "Therefore, a water rate that provides sufficient funding for one community may not even come close to providing sufficient funds for another."

See the sidebar for water rates. The typical homeowner's monthly water bill in Linden is approximately \$26.49, which is lower than surrounding communities.

One resident asked about the advantages in going with the county water system. She called Linden's water rates "embarrassingly low" and added that she would prefer staying with Linden's system if the costs are comparable.

Mayor Danielle Cusson said contracting with the county would help alleviate the work that city staff has to complete and it would free up DPW property.

Councilor Aaron Wiens asked if there's potential revenue they could be collecting. Grice said Linden would be a wholesale customer from Genesee County. The city would purchase the water and then choose the rates for Linden residents.

"We still get to decide what our rates are going to be based on the amount of our purchase from the county," Grice said.

Councilor Ray Culbert said they need to put together a business case and collect information on investment, revenue, rates and more. "I'm concerned about rates that are going to go up three times," he said.

Lake Huron is the county's water source, which Councilor Pam Howd said was a positive. She talked about how expensive it is to install wells and that there are wells in Michigan going dry at a certain depth so they have to dig deeper and deeper.

"Whereas, Lake Huron is obviously a guaranteed source of water... there's a lot of pluses for the Genesee County system," she said.

Glass also talked about staffing issues and said that "the days of having licensed certified operators to maintain systems like this are becoming much more fewer and far between." She said they've been able to do a great job with the contractors

they have.

Cusson described it as a "big issue" and they want to make sure they have all the information. She also said Lake Huron would be a better water source as opposed to pulling water from the ground, which is often filled with heavy metals.

"Because that water source is better, some of the issues that people have in the houses, they won't have. They wouldn't necessarily have to have a water softener. Some of the damage that happens to appliances or things in the house because of our water — that is going to be changed and eliminated because of the difference in the water source," Cusson said.

Typical homeowner's monthly bill

Internal water systems

Linden City: \$26.49

Davison: \$58.27

Grand Blanc City: \$29.03

Fenton City: \$51.11

Holly Village: \$49.29

Genesee County Water Source

Burton: \$57.99

Mt. Morris: \$71.08

Swartz Creek City: \$62.94

Grand Blanc Township: \$55.09

Mundy Township: \$56

ALTERCATION

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not involved with the incident.

Based on several days of interviewing those involved, police believe that the 54-year-old man was driving on northbound McCaslin Lake Road. He told police that the boys flipped him off. The man eventually turned around and drove back through the area where the juvenile males were in the road. The boys allegedly jumped into the road and the man confronted them. A physical altercation ensued.

The man called the father of one of the boys and tells him what had just happened. In the video, the man who had just been involved with the altercation walks back to the area and can be seen falling to the ground after being struck by one of the males.

Honkanen said the man refused medical attention at the scene, but later sought medical treatment on his own. One juvenile male sustained an injury to his face. Honkanen said everyone involved knew each other.



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Holly/Brandon girls lacrosse improving, defeat Flushing, 11-8

By David Troppens

The Holly/Brandon varsity girls lacrosse team figured out a way to make sure the weekend starts off on a positive Friday.

The Redhawks earned their first Flint Metro League victory of the season, col-



The Holly/Brandon varsity girls lacrosse team listens to coach Jason Freeman after a recent contest. Photo: David Troppens

lecting an 11-8 victory against the Flushing Raiders.

The Redhawks (1-3 in the Metro) experienced its most impressive offensive contest. In fact, the previous three league games they had scored just a combined 15 goals, never scoring more than eight in

the other three league competitions.

However, in this game, they hit the double-digit mark, with Lainey Lasky scoring a team-high six goals. Dakota Pinson also had a big offensive game, netting three goals. Meanwhile, Cece Keech and Kristen Stark each had a goal. Jade

Lilly had two assists.

Defensively, the squad showed improvement as well. The Holly/Brandon squad had allowed 53 goals in the previous three games but limited Flushing to just eight goals.

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Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball coach Brian VanBuren recently resigned his position. Photo: David Troppens

VanBuren resigns LF girls basketball coaching position

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton's varsity girls basketball coach Brian VanBuren just came off his most successful season with the Blue Devils' program in his eight seasons with the squad.

Lake Fenton won its second straight Flint Metro League Stars Division title and collected its third straight district championship, advancing to the regional final before bowing out of the state tourney. The squad finished at 20-4, was a

See **VANBUREN** on 13

Fenton girls soccer sneaks past Bronchos, 1-0

By David Troppens

Fenton — The Fenton and Holly varsity girls soccer teams found themselves in a classic defensive rivalry battle Thursday night at Fenton High School.

With a strong wind blowing toward one of the nets each half, both teams had to take advantage of the half when their squad had the wind to their backs. Fenton's senior Celeste Hindmond knew that and made sure she did take advantage.

Hindmond took a free kick that was more of a corner kick cross chance, but sent the ball toward the Holly goal. Using the wind behind it, the ball bent into the net for a goal. It was the only goal by either team as the Tigers won a tight 1-0 verdict against the Bronchos.

"It was a free kick," Hindmond said. "I saw the wind was in my favor

and it just curled right in."

From there, the Tigers did control most of the flow of play in both halves, but it remained tight throughout. Fenton enjoyed a 12-1 shot edge in the first half, but it was a 4-2 edge in the second half. Holly's problem was while the Bronchos were able to be competitive, they were unable to get quality scoring chances off against the Tigers' defense and keeper Makenzie Trosen, who made three saves.

"We are young," Holly varsity girls soccer coach Bryan Kowalik said. "We have 22 players and 13 are freshmen. There are moments when they get it and others when they are figuring it out. Today, we were a little frustrated. We had some injuries and I felt it was a war of attrition. I tip my hat off to (Fenton varsity girls soccer coach) Matt Sullivan. They are

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Holly's Rensle Campbell (left) and Fenton's Madison Sheffield battle for the ball. Photo: David Troppens

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Linden softball earns sweep of Stevenson

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity softball team enjoyed a twinbill sweep on Saturday.

It didn't come easy. Well, one of the games did as Linden (8-2 overall) won an 11-1 verdict against Stevenson. The opener was a different story as the Eagles scored four runs in the bottom of the sixth to earn a 5-3 victory.

In the opener, the four-run inning was highlighted by two home runs. Hannah Bollinger started the inning with a four-bagger. Haley Ludwig followed with a single and an out later, Ava Siegwald hit a two-run home run. The inning didn't end there. Three straight singles by Mikayla Timm, Morgan Piotrovsky and Maizy Aeschliman loaded the bases and Megan Widner plated the final run with an RBI-walk.

Linden also scored a run in the first

inning when Cassie Sylvester singled and scored on Ludwig's two-out RBI-single. Stevenson scored a single run in the fourth and two in the fifth to take a 3-1 lead at that time, but it didn't hold up.

Timm threw 110 pitches to earn the complete-game victory on the mound.

In the second game, the contest wasn't a blowout until late. Siegwald did give Linden a 2-0 lead with a two-run home run in the second inning, but that was how the lead stayed until Linden's fifth.

In the fifth, Ludwig and Sylvester had



Linden's Ava Siegwald slides safely into home during a recent contest. She was able to trot to home against Stevenson after a couple of home runs. Photo: David Troppens

RBI-singles and Siegwald hit a two-run single, helping five runs score. Aeschliman also drove in a run with a fielder's choice grounder. Linden led 7-0.

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always well prepared. We just have to rebound.

"I thought we played them well. A 1-0 loss is not what we wanted, but I'm proud of my girls. They don't quit. I'm proud of that."

The Tigers have taken a few bumps in non-league play, but are 3-1 in league play. The loss dropped Holly to 2-2 in

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Holly soccer earns win vs. Carman-Ainsworth

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity girls soccer team rebounded in a big way from a 2-0 loss against Fenton on Thursday.

About 24 hours later, the Bronchos scored eight goals and cruised to an 8-0 victory against Carman-Ainsworth.

The Bronchos' young squad dominated from the start, earning an early penalty kick. Senior captain Eryn Bayer scored that goal. After that, three freshmen scored first-half goals for the Bronchos. They were Gabby Sornson, Ambrielle Hoffman and Sophia Cirino. Cirino's goal was assisted by fellow freshman Layla Barnes.

Any chance of a Carman-Ainsworth comeback was erased quickly when the Bronchos continued to score goals in the second half. Senior Morgan Dudley scored off a pass from freshman Abbie Hill. Hill then scored a goal of her own.

Leading 6-0, the question was if the Bronchos would earn the eight-goal mercy rule.

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Lake Fenton does well at Blue Devil Relays

The Lake Fenton varsity track program hosted its annual Lake Fenton Relays and the Blue Devils had their share of strong showings.

The girls earned five firsts. The 400 relay team of Emilie Poirier, Lonna Perna, Mia Benjamin and Alexa Murray won with a time of 54.73 seconds.

Fenton track program earns two thirds at invite

The Fenton varsity track programs competed at the Tri-County Invitational against some stiff competition and both teams finished in third place.

The Tigers recorded three firsts at the event. Adrienne Staib earned one of those firsts by winning the women's

shot put (30-feet-9 1/4). She also earned a second in the discus (86-5). Meanwhile, Victoria Henson also earned a first in the high jump (4-10). The boys had one individual event first-place finish. Justin Miller recorded it in the high jump (6-7).

Fenton boys golf splits three-team Metro event

The Fenton varsity boys golf team split a pair of league matches at Clio Country Club.

The Tigers were edged by Flush-

ing in a tight 175-177 battle, but Fenton crushed Clio 177-214. Fenton's Ian White was the match medalist among the three teams.

Linden softball completes sweep of Flushing

The Linden varsity softball team scored 27 runs in a doubleheader sweep against Flushing on April 20.

The Eagles did even better in the sec-

ond twinbill against Flushing. Linden scored 34 runs in a doubleheader, recording a 16-2 and 18-0 doubleheader sweep of the Raiders.

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Holly bats heat up, sweep Carman-Ainsworth

By David Troppens

The start of the varsity baseball season has been a challenge for the Holly Bronchos.

The Bronchos have had a challenge just getting games in due to weather conditions and poor field conditions.

It has resulted in a slow 0-6 start with the bats scoring just nine runs in those six games.

The Bronchos got a much needed confidence booster Saturday, scoring 36 runs in a doubleheader sweep of Carman-Ainsworth. The Bronchos collected 13 hits in a 10-0 five-inning victory in the opening contest, and then busted out for a whopping 26 runs in just two innings of work in a 26-1 victory in the second contest.

Holly scored 12 runs in

the first inning of the second contest. The run-producing hits of the stanza included a two-run double by Joe Smith and an RBI-single by Keinen Melton. Overall, Holly had five hits, three batters hit and a walk to help support the 12-run inning.

That 12-run inning was followed by a 14-run second. Holly had nine hits and five walks in that stanza. The run-producing hits were an RBI-double by Melton; and RBI-singles by Logan Winstead, Bowen Moore, Billy Labadie, Mason Clark Logan Labadie, Braylon Liddle (two), and Melton.

Melton had three hits, drove in three runs and scored three runs to pace the offense.

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LF finishes three-game sweep of Clio

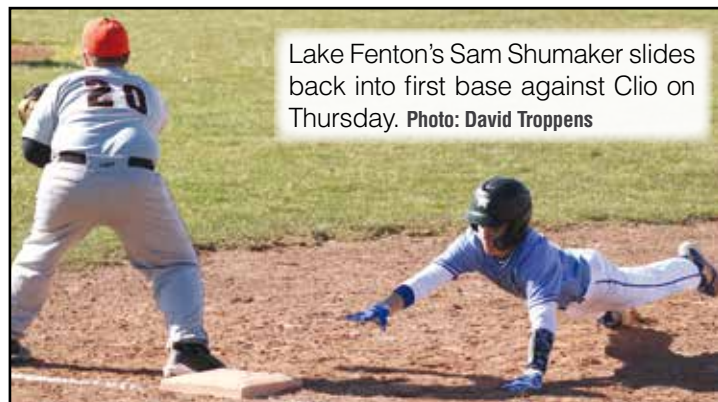
By David Troppens

Lake Fenton — The Lake Fenton varsity baseball team earned a three-game sweep against the Clio Mustangs last week.

However, it didn't come easy. The series started with a 5-3 Lake Fenton victory, and the final game wasn't won until the final play. The Blue Devils won Thursday's final contest 9-8.

It looked like the Blue Devils were going to have to settle on earning wins in the first two contests or a long period during the third game. Clio jumped to a 4-0 lead and never trailed until the final plate appearance of the contest. Lake Fenton trailed 8-2 entering the bottom of the seventh.

The rally started with a Carson Haddad double and Sam Shumaker and Nash Verhelle singled, loading the bases with no out. An out later, Lance



Lake Fenton's Sam Shumaker slides back into first base against Clio on Thursday. Photo: David Troppens

Willman walked, plating the first run. It was followed with Clay Cook's RBI-fielder's choice grounder, plating another run, making it an 8-5 deficit, but now with two out. Kenny Wright, Jacob Stevenson and Reid Shumaker recorded three consecutive walks, cutting the gap to 8-7. Then, Haddad was hit by a pitch, tying the game at 8-all. Sam Shumaker was then hit by a pitch earning the Blue

Devils the 9-8 walk-off victory.

Sam Shumaker led the Blue Devils' offense with two hits while Haddad had a double. The Blue Devils walked four times and were hit by three pitches.

On the mound, Stevenson relieved for the final 1 2/3 innings and earned the victory.

The Blue Devils (6-0) are still undefeated in Flint Metro League Stars Division action.

LF softball posts 2-1 record at New Lothrop

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity softball team competed at the New Lothrop Tournament and came home with a 2-1 record in three one-run ball games. The Blue Devils defeated New Lothrop 3-2 and Birch Run 4-3, but lost to Standish-Sterling 3-2.

On Thursday, the Blue Devils were swept by Clio 6-3 and 13-8.

On Saturday against New Lothrop, the Blue Devils scored the game-winning run in the bottom of the sixth. With two out, Gracie Kaye and Caleigh Macneill walked and Kaye eventually scored the

game-winning run on a wild pitch. Earlier in the game, Kaye hit an RBI-single in the fourth and Camryn McMillan hit an RBI-single in the third.

On the mound, McMillan tossed seven innings of five-hit, two-walk and 10-strike out ball to earn the victory.

In the win against Birch Run, the Blue Devils scored two runs in the seventh to earn the victory. Macneill singled and scored on an Addison Fitzgerald sacrifice fly after Alayna White reached base on an error. McMillan gave Lake Fenton a 4-3 lead with an RBI-single.

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Linden baseball splits games at Almont tourney

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity baseball team competed at the Almont Tournament and got the squad's bats going at it.

The Eagles (5-7 overall) scored 24 runs in two games and split a pair of contests. Linden defeated Bay City Central 15-5 and lost to Petoskey 12-9.

It had to feel good to get the offense the Eagles did considering the squad had scored just nine runs in its five most re-

cent games prior to the tourney.

The Eagles had 12 hits against Bay City Central and had a 10-run third inning, giving the Eagles an 11-4 lead. The 10-run inning started with Aidan Haney earning a walk. Danny Roti tripled him in and Austin Alflen was hit by a pitch. Brandon Green plated both with a two-run double, and the Eagles were tied 4-4.

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Linden's Skellenger off to hot start to boys prep golf season

By David Troppens

Linden's Andrew Skellenger opened the spring varsity boys golf season as one of the known quality players in the Flint Metro League.

But the Linden senior is off to one amazing start that maybe has even him impressed with his play.

Skellenger finished second overall out of 90 golfers at the Lapeer Tune-up at Metamora Golf and Country Club on Friday, and then followed that up by winning Saturday's Dick's Sporting Goods Invitational at the Glenbrier Golf Course among 95 players.

He shot a two-over-par 73 at the Lapeer Tune-up, helping lead the Eagles to an eighth-place team finish with a score of 371. The Eagles finished fourth out of 19 teams at the Dick's event at Glen-



Linden's
Andrew Skellenger

brier with a two-under-par 70 round.

Just prior to those two rounds, he shot a 39 in windy conditions in the team's first Metro match on Thursday.

"I'm continuing to stick with the training I've had the last six years," Skellenger said. "I did change my mental approach this year, trying to put less pressure on myself."

Skellenger is encouraged about his start to the season.

"It shows that the work I had put in during the offseason has paid off," Skellenger said. "It was nice to see the results from all the hard work I have put in. My short game is working really well right now and has been kind of saving some of the weaker part of my game this early in the season."

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PREP REPORT

BOYS GOLF

► **Swartz Creek 181, Linden 183, Owosso 214:** Linden's Andrew Skellenger earned medalist honors with a 39, but Creek had the next five best scores against Linden, earning the Dragons the victory against Linden. The Eagles' top three scores defeated Owosso's top score, earning Linden that win against Owosso. Aiden Krueger and Barron Smieciński each carded 47s while Matthew Taylor shot a 50.

GIRLS TENNIS

► **Clio 5, Holly 3:** Calli Sokolowski won at No. 1 singles by a 6-0, 6-0 score. Mary Grace McAninch (No. 2 singles) also won 6-4, 6-7(5), 6-1, while Holly's No. 3 doubles team of Makena McGee and Anneliese Thisse won 6-3, 6-2.

BASEBALL

► **Flushing 13, Linden 3:** Linden took a 2-0 lead in the top of the first, but Flushing followed with two runs in the bottom of the first, five in the second and four in the third to earn the Raiders the win. Carson Conn hit a two-run double for Linden in the first. Linden had four hits. Brandon Green also doubled while Luke LaDrew and Danny Roti had a single each.

SOFTBALL

► **Fenton at the Wixom Backyard Challenge:** The Tigers posted a 1-4 re-

cord at the event, earning a 15-3 victory against Novi, but dropping contests to South Lyon 6-1, Hartland 11-1, Regina 11-4 and Divine Child 4-3. In the win against Novi, Jessica Dunkel had three hits, drove in three runs and scored three runs. One of her hits was a home run. Grace MacCaughan also hit a home run. In the loss to Divine Child, Taryn Craven and MacCaughan had two hits each.

► **Holly 19-18, Carman-Ainsworth 0-0:** The Bronchos used walks and some timely hits to earn two easy wins. In the first game, Holly scored nine first-inning runs off of eight walks and three hit batters. In the second, they scored 10 runs. Nora Kreft hit a two-run triple while Rylee Parks and Jenna Wylie had a two-run double each. Harleigh Bastuba hit an RBI-single.

In the second game, Delaney Jenkinson hit a three-run home run and an RBI-triple. Aliya Boehm hit an RBI-triple and an RBI-double while Audrey Combs hit a two-run double. Tatum Steumke hit an RBI-single as well.

GIRLS SOCCER

► **Oxford 6, Fenton 0:** Mackenzie Trosen made 24 saves in the contest.

► **Pinckney 1, Lake Fenton 0:** The Pirates scored the only goal in this non-league battle.

VANBUREN

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perfect 10-0 in FML Stars Division play. Yet, the season has ended with VanBuren resigning his position with some pressure from outside forces.

VanBuren recently sent in his letter of resignation for the varsity position, surprising Lake Fenton athletic director Brad LaRowe.

"He resigned last week," LaRowe said. "He contacted me and resigned. I was a little surprised."

LaRowe didn't go into more detail than that about the issue.

"There was a group of parents not happy with me and that was enough for me. Let's just put it that way," VanBuren said. "Where we have gotten to, I was a little surprised by the number of parents not happy."

VanBuren said he takes some of his focus off the team during the early spring, waiting until summer before contacting the players in great demand.

"Not having any contact until summer ball may have been a little bit of the problem," VanBuren said. "Seven of the nine kids play spring sports, so I don't have the time to have regular conversations with these girls about how serious they want to play for me or not want to continue playing for me. From what I heard, there were several not serious about playing for me. At that point I thought I should submit my resignation and I did."

"Maybe I was blind and didn't realize parents weren't happy and how all that goes. ... Wins are one thing and trophies are great, but I thought the girls were having fun and enjoying being a part of that sort of atmosphere, and I was told that was not entirely the case."

The program grew into a strong one under VanBuren. He won just five and four games his first two years, and then had back-to-back eight-win seasons. Undaunted, he continued to play his pressing up tempo style. It worked. The team became one of the most successful, posting a 65-18 record during his last four years. VanBuren said he enjoyed working with the two athletic directors during his tenure — Vince Cicalo for the first four years and LaRowe the last four. He said he felt he had great support from the administrative staff within the school and from coaches past and present.

"I enjoyed my time and I enjoyed my kids," VanBuren said. "It's hard to think about where we started and where it ended because it's still current, not 20 years later. I will miss it. I'm not soured because of this situation. I loved my time at Lake Fenton and the support I received."

"But, looking back, I didn't think I was too demanding, but at times when people who returned to watch

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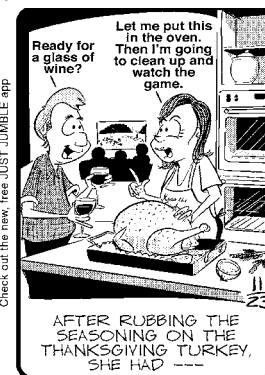
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SEARS HOMETOWN

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process of the sale was going through.

The sale was recently finalized and Jeff can breathe a sigh of relief. It's hard to imagine the amount of stress, challenges and paperwork one store can generate.

When our customers walk in the door now, they'll see a new smiling face welcoming them to Sears of Fenton. We are happy to introduce Ala Hasan of Ann Arbor as being the new owner. He's young, was recently married and he's excited to continue serving this wonderful Fenton community.

As a win-win for Ala, Jeff, the store

and the community, Jeff has agreed to stay on part-time to mentor Ala and to guide him in the transition. This move felt right for us. Our other very knowledgeable employee, Mike Haycock, has stayed on and we so appreciate his dedication and expertise with appliances and lawn care equipment.

Ala also owns a couple of other businesses in the Ann Arbor area but is ready and eager to step up to this new adventure.

I hope you continue to think of our Hometown store and stop by to meet the new owner.

And on a selfish move for myself, I'm looking forward to having Jeff home on weekends.

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APRIL 20, 2022

REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

Roll Call: G. Kullis, K. Winchester, M. Freeman and S. Ruth and D. Burton

No Action: Farmstead Construction Manager.

No Action: 2022-2023 Holly Township Parks Budget.

Approved: Mental Health Month – Proposed Resolution 2022-05.

Approved: West Nile Grant – Proposed Resolution 2202-06.

No Action: Fish Lake River Property.

Approved: 2021-2022 Budget Amendments – Proposed Resolution 2022-07.

Karin S. Winchester, MMC
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Midweek Crossword

ACROSS

1 Facts and figures

5 Bygone jet

8 Son of Seth

12 Latin love

13 Historic period

14 "Peter Pan" pooch

15 "No problem!"

17 Darkens

18 Skip

19 "Delicious" crop

21 Three, in Rome

22 Hold sway

23 Zsa Zsa's sister

26 Stitch

28 Justice Ruth — Ginsburg

31 Missing

33 Pouch

35 Shrill barks

36 Toy (with)

38 Prattle

40 Make lace

41 Beer, slangily

43 Capote nickname

45 Black Sea port

47 Indigenous

51 Accomplishes

52 "Yes?"

54 Garfield's pal

55 Napoleon's

DOWN

1 Calendar squares

2 Mine, in Montreal

3 Talk up

4 Lingo

5 Small sofas

6 Lanka lead-in

7 Early Mongolian

8 Bridge tactic

9 Aced a test

10 "My treat"

11 Lip

16 Partially mine

20 Tavern

23 Sprite

24 Book-spine abbr.

25 "In my view ..."

27 Witty one

29 Clean air org.

30 Trio after Q

32 Bridge supports

34 Short snoozes

37 Super Bowl stats

39 Unruly kid

42 Cut lumber

44 Of service

45 Scent

46 Nitwit

48 Author Dinesen

49 Tarzan's commuter line?

50 LAX guesses

53 Med. plan

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Horoscopes

For the week of
April 25, 2022

ARIES

Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, a mild feeling of discontent has you searching for new projects. There may be something that has been on your to-do list, but you can't seem to figure it out right now.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21

A lot of things are keeping you on your toes, Taurus. There's a good chance you have been craving some quiet time. Find a retreat and stay there for a couple of days.

GEMINI

May 22/June 21

There are no obstacles in your way on the path to success this week, Gemini. If you have been holding off on big plans, now is the time to push things into action.

CANCER

June 22/July 22

Cancer, aligning your goals with others is a surefire way to get things accomplished. You can deviate onto your own course when action is established.

LEO

July 23/Aug 23

Leo, take a moment and be sure a goal you're pursuing right now is really worth it. If finances are involved, you will likely have to pay it back in the near future.

VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, collaboration could be key in the days ahead. Another person gets the ball rolling and now you can join in. Follow their lead and trust this person's judgment.

LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23

So many voices are shouting at you from different directions, Libra. With so much advice coming your way, you may not know which way to turn. Mull it over a bit longer.

SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22

Nothing is guaranteed, but taking a risk this week could pay off in a big way, Scorpio. Things are more likely to go your way this time of the month, so start moving!

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21

Pay some extra attention to your life at home, Sagittarius. There are issues that can use a little attention. Letting them fester could lead to big problems.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20

A hectic week is likely ahead of you, Capricorn. Things seemingly pop up out of nowhere and you have to figure out how to tackle them all. Try to delegate some of your tasks.

AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18

It's understandable that you want to make some waves right now, Aquarius. However, it may be better to aim for subtle ripples instead of a cannonball splash.

PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20

Express your confident side at work and others will be inspired, Pisces. It's good to stray out of your comfort zone every so often.



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