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Rose Township Clerk Debbie Miller was elected 2022 "Township Clerk of the Year" by the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks. She was honored at a conference Thursday, June 23 in Traverse City. Times file photo

Rose Township clerk elected 'Township Clerk of the Year³

Honored at Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks annual conference

By Sharon Stone

Members of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks (MAMC) elected Rose Township Clerk Debbie Miller as the 2022 "Township Clerk of the Year." A veteran of four presidential election cycles (2008, 2012, 2016, 2020), Miller has earned certification as a Master Municipal Clerk by the IIMC, and her MiPMC level II from the

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Holly area heartbroken over devastating fire

See story and more photos on page 15. Photos: Hannah Ball



63-unit subdivision approved

■Housing development to be built at southeast corner of Linden and Lahring roads

By Hannah Ball

The developers of a proposed subdivision at the southeast corner of Linden and Lahring roads have received approval to develop 63 housing units.

On Tuesday, June 21, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees granted approval to revise the planned unit development (PUD) conditions for the

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Groveland **Township man** killed in crash

Motorcycle veered from Dixie Highway, crashed Tuesday night

By Sharon Stone

A motorcyclist was killed in a crash on Dixie Highway near Grange Hall Road in Groveland Township on Tuesday, June 21.

F/Lt. Michael A. Shaw, Second

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6 To all nurses, my salute of appreciation goes out to you, Thanks for your

dedication and hard work in helping and saving lives throughout the pandemic, Baby, you're da greatest.'

Thank you



GJust want to give a big thank you to Holly resident Robert Montgomery for

planting such a wonderful community garden."



Low Back and/or Sciatic Nerve Pain? **By Erica Rainer**

Pain is the bodies natural, God given alarm system and as odd as it may sound, we are extremely lucky to have this sense. Even though it can (quite literally) be a REAL PAIN IN THE BUTT at times. Sciatica is pain that begins in the nerve roots, located on either side of the lower spine, moving through the sciatic nerve which runs the length of each leg from the buttocks, down to the foot. The leg agony, called radiculopathy, "it can be worse then back pain, and can come and go at times but if left untreated can lead to much worse problems in the future" Dr. James Îde, clinic director at Painless Chiropractic & Neuropathy Treatment Center of Fenton "It's very common for patients to come in describing an agonizing, sharp, shooting, burning pain that starts in the buttocks and

neck, resulting in headaches or pain, numbness, tingling and/or muscle weakness in the arms and hands or down in the low back and buttocks, resulting in Sciatic Pain. Once the patient goes to their MD, takes their prescriptions and then goes back, still in pain, they are usually referred to physical therapy, pain management or a surgeon. Most patients respond to physical therapy however, once the program has finished many report the pain returns. When they visit pain management, they may be prescribed the same types of drugs their MD gave them or they may jump straight to the steroid based epidural shots, injected directly into your spinal column (which may not be FDA approved so please be advised to do plenty of research if you ever find yourself in this situation). As for having surgery...

That is until now...

Recent advances in the treatment of sciatica and lower back pain have led to the development and huge success of Non-Surgical Re-Constructive Spinal Care. The excellent results of this treatment have been published i major medical journals. With success rates as high as 90% many back surgeons are now at Painless Schalten Neuropathy Possible Treatmer recommending their patients try this Neuropathy Possible Treatment Center Agas of Pain (Red) you can try their highly successful treatment option to avoid

Nerve Pain ew Treatment Options for

flows down to the leg and at times into the foot with numbness, tingling and cramps in the leg." The sensation "can be intolerable," says Dr. Ide. "Some people describe it to be similar to the nerve pain you experience when you have a toothache." he explained.

After reviewing many different treatment options we have found that typically the average person who suffers from Sciatic pain usually experiences the same frustration when seeking help. They tend to start off going to their doctor who prescribes them one or more of the following; Muscle Relaxers, Pain Pills or Steroid Based Anti-Inflamrelax the muscles. The Pain Pills mask the pain while on them, but tend to make many people tense, nauseous, constipated and unable to focus. The Steroid Based Anti-Inflammatory Drugs give some people weakness, moon face, weight gain, insomnia and mood swings. All in all, the pain usually comes back once the drugs are gone because nothing was ever corrected just masked. These drugs all focus on the symptoms and not the problem. This is often the case with most pain related to the spine and nerves, regardless if your issue is in your

well we all know that surgery is risky and should always be the last resort. Once you make the decision to have surgery, there is no going back and undoing it and many other options are off the table after surgery. Regardless of how the symptoms are treated, the number one problem with finding relief through these treatments is that they only focus on treating the symptoms and not the underlying issue.

"I am so thankful I gave it precisely diagnosing the cause of a chance. I feel ten years area causing the pain; this means tend to make patients tired but do younger and am pain free "superior long-term results for most ~Richard C. of Holly MI

> This condition will eventually lead to muscle wasting, nerve damage, numbness, constant tingling down to the toes and eventually sexual dysfunction, even loss of bladder/ bowel control. Left untreated. the intense pain can rapidly wear you down and drain the joy out of life. People lose hope and have no idea where to turn.

Non-Surgical Reconstructive Spinal Care under the direct supervision of low back and sciatica specialist Dr. James Ide D.C. The fully trained spinal care team have helped countless patients find relief from their agonizing back and sciatica problems. "We use a

combination

surgery.

of ultra-advanced technology not utilized elsewhere in the area for your pain; and a unique program for reconstructing the damaged area causing the pain; this means people" said Dr. Ide.

Because the treatment is nonsurgical, safe and easy, most patients report an almost immediate relief from their pain. However, as Dr. Ide says "we are happy patients experience less pain but the pain is just a symptom, our goal is to correct the underlying structural problem which will result in the symptoms going away as well. The pain is usually the last thing to show itself and usually the first thing to disappear but if not properly treated and maintained, will show up again and again in the future.'

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Fire chief explains how Holly fire spread

Official cause of fire still undetermined

By Hannah Ball

Holly—The Tuesday, June 21 downtown Holly fire started before 4 p.m. in Battle Alley Arcade Antiques, said Steve McGee, fire chief of the Holly Village Fire Department.

During this 95-degree day with strong winds, the fire quickly spread north to other businesses and caused extensive damage. Firefighters from nearly 20 municipalities

arrived to help. Local departments worked throughout the night to contain the flames and put out hot spots.

Officials have not yet given an official cause of the fire.

Fire investigators from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and Explosives (ATF) are evaluating the site.

McGee said it was a fully involved fire when they arrived. Battle Alley Arcade Antiques was engulfed in flames. It was reported that it was a transformer that sparked the fire, but they determined this is not true.

"It was inside the arcade in the back

and it spread through the roof, north and south, and it immediately engulfed the front of the two-story

portion of the arcade. That's when the fire department was called," he said.

The fire also spread to the one-story portion of Battle Alley Arcade Antiques that is very close to Andy's Place.

"It has to be an aggressive attack with something like this or else you lose your town," he said.

Fire Department They decided to stop the fire at the Holly Hotel and truents to win, he shall They decided to stop the fire at the Holly Hotel and Creative Fashions of Holly. The Creative Fashions roof was on fire and this spread to the Holly Hotel. Firefighters worked to contain the fire to this area.

> The Moose Lodge, which shares a wall with Andy's Place, sustained heavy water damage.

"But other than that, we really held it with the wind and the weather and the heat and all that," McGee said.

They sent fire crews into certain buildings to prevent the fire from spreading more.

Steve McGee.

fire chief of the

Holly Village



The fire in Battle Alley raged on for hours on Tuesday, June 21. Crowds of people came to watch. Photo Hannah Ball

"We had a lot of mutual aid," he said. "Everybody did a great job."

Approximately 17 fire departments came to the scene. Six firefighters were taken to the hospital due to the heat.

"It looks bad when you take pictures and see what's there, but what we could have had would have been much worse," he said. "Especially with the weather."



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Steve McGee

Village of Holly fire chief

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A bunch of random summer thoughts

David's Dabblings

ummer is officially here, and so far, the weather has been nice.

We've had a few warm days, but for the most part, there's been very little humidity. I'd much rather have a 95-degree day with little humidity than an 82-degree day with high humidity. Last summer, we lived in a tropical rain forest with all the high humidity days we had.

Recently, we experienced our first official day of summer. Doesn't it seem weird that the actual longest day of the year (in terms of daylight) is the first day of summer, and from that point, the days get shorter? It has always bothered me a tiny bit knowing that the days are already getting shorter in June.

But that's enough about the summer weather. This is going to be one of those columns where about 100 topics (okay maybe four or five) will be discussed with some brief comments.

The downtown Holly fire

First, I'd like to express my sympathies to those who lost their businesses and apartment homes during Tuesday's fire in downtown Holly. Here's wishing those who have suffered losses in the fire are able to bounce back quickly.

Second, let's thank all the firefighters from all the different communities who



David Troppens Sports Editor

risked their health on a hot and windy day, making sure the damage didn't spread more than it did. Looking at the photos, it was apparent that the damage could've been worse, and wasn't because of the firefighters' efforts. Thank you.

Wednesday Night Races at the Park

These races at Linden County Park have been going on for 20 years. That's amazing. For two decades, area youngsters and grizzled veterans alike have been able to find their race of choice (ranging from a halfmile to three miles) and compete in a family friendly atmosphere for the price of \$2 a person or \$5 a family. Anyone looking to find a way to get their kids or family active one night a week, go to this week's races that start with registration at 6 p.m.

These events rank as some of my favorite as our family have had nine different members run in at least one race over the two decades. Some of those family members have come from an hour away. Heck, the event has even gotten me to run, and I hate running. If you aren't much of a runner and want to give it a whirl, this is the place to go. No one judges anyone. In fact, everyone is very encouraging. It's a fun time.

The mosquitoes are gone Our backyard deck is one of my favorite places to hang out during the summer. I'll go out there with our pet bird and work on some stuff while Lou chirps away. But last season that was impossible to do because of the crazy number of mosquitoes that would attack us instantly.

So far, this summer we've been able to return to our deck. I think I've gotten two bites and neither came from our backyard. Hopefully, our good fortune continues.

Vacationing in the Upper Peninsula

When it comes to vacationing, our tastes are simple. We love trail walking. It's basically what all of our vacations evolve around. For the last two decades when we vacationed, that almost always meant trips to Kentucky to experience that state's great natural beauty. However, we have wondered if by going to Kentucky, we have ignored our own state's beauty. So, this year we are vacationing in the Upper Peninsula near Paradise, right off Lake Superior. It should be awesome.

We already have our bug spray and our mosquito nets. We have purchased a few books and seen some stuff on the internet, However, as I mentioned, we are new to the UP experience. If you know of any great trails we should check out in the UP, don't hesitate to email me at dtroppens@tctimes.com. We'd love to hear about a great trail to a lesser-known waterfall. So if you know of one, email me.

Hotlines

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All submissions, if approved for publication, must be 50 words or less and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Tri-County Times. We reserve the right to edit for clarity, length and liability.

TO THE PERSON complaining about the Fenton Township code enforcer. Have you talked to him and/or gone through the steps to make a complaint? I went to the office and we talked about the process involved in taking care of lawn issues. He also followed up with me the next day. It was the best customer service experience I have had in a long time!

BIDEN HAS NOT paid for his own fuel in 50 years. How would he know the impact of spiraling prices?

IT IS GREAT to see the American flag flying at many local businesses. Stand proud for our country and our flag. God Bless America!

THANK YOU FENTON Township Supervisor Vince Lorraine for the thoughtful note detailing your pursuit of building up the township's currently non-existent electric vehicle (EV) public charger infrastructure. Great to hear.

SO MUCH TIME, money and gas are wasted through the drive thru.

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

What's your favorite memory of downtown Holly?



"When I was young, my Girl Scout troop went to the Holly Hotel for a tea outing. Some of the girls were talking about it was haunted. Unbeknown to them, my grandma was also in the bathroom and started making ghost noises, sending them all screaming out of the bathroom!"

Sarah Moughler, Linden



"Absolutely just love going in the antique shops. There's always something new and interesting to look at. Along with talking to those running it, I've learned so much from them all and love every moment of it. I've spent numerous days after work in Arcade Antiques."

Abby Grace, Holly



"There are so many priceless memories of downtown Holly, from helping with the car show to Dickens Festival making so many lifelong friendships from those events that I will always cherish."

street talk



"Going to the old parts store that was downtown with my dad, even before I could drive, and walking on their old creaky wood floors."

Ryan Shiel Holly



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Township approves Miller Industries expansion

■Will add 190.233 square feet to facility on Thompson Road

By Hannah Ball

Miller Industries will expand.

On Tuesday, June 21, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees approved the expansion and the amendment to the site plan.

The current facility, at 3070 Thompson Rd., is 104,662 square feet (96,000 square feet of industrial space and 8,662 square feet of office space). They will build an addition of 190,233 square feet, with 136,320 square feet of new manufacturing space and 28,921 square feet of new office space.

It will be three stories. The total square footage will be 269,903 square feet. The 17-acre site is zoned planned unit development (PUD). Existing land use consists of manufacturing, office

> Hampton PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES



Miller Industries is approved to build an addition of 190,233 square feet, with 136,320 square feet of new manufacturing space and 28,921 square feet of new office space. Submitted photo

SPOTLIGHTING...

and warehouse operations. Miller requested to amend the PUD site plan to include its addition.

The Thompson Road Corridor Pattern Book identifies this parcel as being in the Town Center District. The development must hook up to municipal water when available. The meeting minutes can be read at fentontownship.org.

"The intent of this Future Land Use District is to cluster development on major corridors to increase accessibility for residents who wish to reach a range of services. Industrial and commercial have been subsumed into this classification," according to Zoning Administrator Michael Deem's report.

The Fenton Township Planning Commission recommended approval May 5 with certain conditions regarding parking, architectural standards and more.

The planning commission will determine if the proposed location of a parking lot along Thompson Road meets the PUD requirements during the final site plan approval process.

At the earlier June meeting, Tom Donavon, president of Thompson IG, which is just west of Miller Industries, spoke in favor of approving the Miller expansion.

"Miller Industries has been a great neighbor to us. I've reviewed all the plans that were put together and we fully support what they're doing. We think it's really going to upgrade that whole area. We're very impressed by what's been put together," he said.

Supervisor Vince Lorraine and Trustee Christine Reid were absent.







Back to Basics Wellness Center is an incredible resource for Fenton and the surrounding communities. They focus on making a positive impact in your life, inside and out. Owner Jamie Sweet, a licensed massage therapist and birth doula, has assembled a dynamic team of practitioners that have a diverse scope of training and expansive education. This Integrative Holistic Health Care Center offers massage, bodywork services, full spectrum infrared therapy, ionic foot detox, personal training, facials, and waxing services, reflexology, prenatal massage, fertility massage, sports massage, lymphatic massage, craniosacral therapy and more. They are honored to be able to offer mental health counseling services from Optimum Balance Counseling and physical therapy from Primary Prevention Physiotherapy. Back to Basics Wellness truly has something for everyone. Conveniently located at 1220 N. LeRoy St., nestled between My Sister & Me

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Bowie to compete in 2023 after losing to Zombie



Bowie, the 6-year-old Newfoundland from Fenton, competed in the 146th Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show in Tarrytown, New York this past week. His owner, Carrie Keech of Fenton, and his breeder/trainer Becky Reynnells made the trip with him. Newfoundlands (Newfs) are amongst the Working Group of breeds. Although Bowie lost out to Zombie. Keech said they will be back competing in 2023.

After businesses burn, owners talk of rebuilding

Owners say community has offered support after historic Holly fire

By Hannah Ball

Holly — Holly Hotel. Battle Alley Arcade Antiques. Holly Moose Lodge. Andy's Place. Creative Fashions of Holly. RHL Financial Group. Ziggy's Ice Cream.

After a devastating fire that scorched through parts of downtown Holly on Tuesday, June 21, at least one of these businesses is considered a total loss and the others sustained extensive damage. The Holly community and people from surrounding areas came to watch 17 fire departments battle the flames on Tuesday.

Days after, with the smoke cleared and a few buildings reduced to debris, business owners are figuring out their next steps.

The fire started before 4 p.m. at Battle Alley Arcade Antiques. Village of Holly Fire Chief Steve McGee said it climbed to the roof and spread north and south.

Andy's Place, owned by the Chapin

family, was going to celebrate their nineyear anniversary in Holly this September. On Tuesday, the owners and employees watched as the fire spread from the antique shop to their building. The roof caved in. The windows are now lined black with soot. They were out the next day to talk with officials and inspectors about the state of the building.

On June 22, Liz Chapin, daughter of Andrea Chapin, said, "If we can (rebuild), because it's all so fresh we definitely will because we want to be here. We want to stay. We want our people to stay with

us and we want our community to be part of our family still. I'm not sure what's going to happen if they say that we can't. All of that is still really surreal to me. It really hasn't hit me."

She said the whole roof is gone but the main floor is still intact.

"Hopefully that means that her bones are still good and we can even build on top of her," she said. "The wind and the heat yesterday just totally did it all in... I'm glad it didn't spread across the alley because it could have. It was huge."

Her phone has been "blowing up" with messages from friends, family and other members of the community who want to help. "At this point, I'm so lost.

> I'm not sure what to tell anybody yet because it's all so fresh and surreal still," she said.

> Churches have also reached out to offer help with rent and food for their employees.

"This community has already exploded with the love and the hands to help," she said, adding that people have even offered to help clean the inside of the building when it's safe to go inside. "It's been pretty phenomenal. We love Holly and we want to stay here."

Liz is one of seven children and many See REBUILDING on 14

TYRONE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given the Tyrone Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, beginning at 7:30 pm at the Tyrone Township Hall, 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430. The purpose of the Public Hearing is:

To receive public comments regarding the following proposed Special Land Use Permit:

A request by Newman TTP, LLC, represented by Greg Hornbacher, for a proposed Contractor's Limited Storage Special Land Use (the storage of vehicles and equipment used for a directional boring company), Parcel #4704-17-400-003, zoned FR - Farming Residential. The parcel is located on Center Road in Fenton, Michigan, approximately 1/4 mile west of US-23, regulated by Zoning Ordinance #36 Article 22 Special Land Use Permits and Article 23 Site Plan Review and Impact Assessment.

Additional information is available at the Tyrone Township Zoning Department, 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. They can be reached at (810) 629-8631 or via email at zoning@tyronetownship.us. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Tyrone Township Clerk at (810) 629-8631 at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Rich Erickson, Chairman Tyrone Township Planning Commission

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Liz Chapin

Andy's Place

Taxes are payable without penalty from July 1, 2022 through September 15, 2022 at the City Office, 301 S. Leroy Street, Fenton, MI. From July 1 st thru September 9th office hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. and Friday from 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. On the week of September 12 th office hours will be Monday thru Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. After September 15, 2022 a 4% penalty will be added. If you do not receive a tax bill in the mail, please call City Hall at (810) 629-2261. Tax bills can be viewed and paid online at the city website, cityoffenton.org. All taxes which are unpaid on March 1, 2023 will be returned to the Genesee County Treasurer, 1101 Beach St. Flint, MI 48502, at which time an additional 4% will be added plus 1% interest per month.

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Note: Senior Citizens, Paraplegic, Quadriplegic, Veteran, Widow, Blind Person, Totally and Permanently Disabled eligible to receive tax credit from the State of Michigan may file an affidavit to extend payment of Summer Taxes without penalty until February 28, 2022. Household income for preceding calendar year may not exceed \$40,000. Affidavits must be filed by September 15, 2021. Forms are available at the City Office.

Jon Satkowiak Jr **City Treasurer**

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MAMC. She was elected in 2008, after years of service in the private sector as a Project Manager and earning her MBA.

Miller currently serves on the Oakland County Clerk's Association Legislative Committee. She was appointed to the Oakland County Safe and Healthy Elections Task Force for the 2020 election. She has served on the MAMC Legislative Committee in the past.

Outside of the typical role of clerk, she also acts as Human Resource Manager, Cemetery Board Administrator, and website and social media manager for Rose Township. Debbie implemented a migration to BS&A software and is currently working on re-vamping the existing employee handbook.

Miller was nominated by her Deputy Clerk Renee Kraft, who said, "She is the hardest working boss I have ever

had, and I enjoy working with and learning from her."

Miller pushed for transparency and accessibility for residents by initiating the recording and posting of all township meetings on PEG (public, education, government) channel and digitally on YouTube.

She also conducts combination voter registration drives and mock elections at Holly High School. She works to recruit these students, along with college students, to work with middle aged and senior inspectors for election day.

The MAMC is a professional organization that exists to promote,

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District Headquarters public information officer, identified the driver as a 57-yearold Groveland Township man.

Michigan State Police Metro Detroit posted on social media that the crash happened at 10:15 p.m. It was reported that the motorcycle operator was enhance and encourage the professional development and standing of municipal clerks through cooperation, communication, education and training by utilizing seminars, institutes and meetings; to promote and encourage improvementofmethods and procedures of duties performed by clerks; and to address legislative matters relating to the municipal clerk's responsibilities.

Of the eight states that administer elections on the local level, Michigan is one of the largest with 280 city clerks

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Debbie Miller

Rose Township clerk

and 1,240 township clerks. Michigan's elections system is administered by 1,603 county and local election officials making it one of the most decentralized in the nation. There are an additional 257 village clerks in Michigan, represented by the MAMC.

The award was presented at the MAMC Annual Conference held at the Grand Traverse Resort on Thursday, June 23. Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson addressed the crowd of clerks and presented her recognition to the Clerk of the Year recipients, as well.

The MAMC thanks Miller for her many years of service to her community

and to the Association.

When asked for comments on what it felt like to be named Township Clerk of the Year, Miller said, "I am honored that my peers think so highly of me to select me as the Township Clerk of the Year. This is such a prestigious award and the support I have received from my family and friends and my Rose Township family has been wonderful. This has really touched my heart and I am so grateful to everyone because Rose Township and its residents mean so much to me."

traveling on Dixie Highway when the

bike left the roadway for unknown

The driver of the motorcycle was

According to state police, alcohol

appears to be a factor. The investigation

continues and pending the autopsy

results and the vehicle inspection.

pronounced dead at the scene. His

reasons and crashed.

family has been notified.

TRI-COUNTY FUNDRAISERS

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HOLLY MICHIGAN FIRE — ANDY'S EMPLOYEE FUND

Shannon Osborne, an employee at Andy's Place in downtown Holly that was destroyed by fire Tuesday, June 21, created a gofundme to help employees. It's called Holly Michigan Fire — Andy's employee fund. She wrote, "We have been devastated by the fire that tore through our beloved downtown last night. There are sev-

en employees at Andy's Place that are now out of work for an undetermined length of time. We've had so many generous offers to help, and we honestly don't even know where to begin. Everything is up in the air. I will update this fundraiser as more information comes to light. All funds received will be distributed to emplovees of Andv's Place. We are all so grateful for this wonderful community, and we are so humbled by the generosity and outpouring of support that we have already witnessed. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts, and may all of your blessings come back to you." They have a current fundraising goal of \$7,000.

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS JUNE 21, 2022

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Tuesday June 21, 2022 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan, and took the following actions.

- 1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
- 2. Clerk Krug led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- 3. Appointed Clerk Krug as temporary chairperson.
- 4. Approved the agenda as presented.
- Received a presentation of Fenton Township's audited financial statements for the year ended 12/31/21 from Plante & amp; Moran, PLLC.
- Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$215,658.35.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 838, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the PUD conditions for parcel 06-03-200-038 (Miller Industries on Thompson Road).
- Adopted Ordinance No. 839, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the PUD conditions for parcel 06-17-300-012 (Fairways of Spring Meadows).
- 9. Adopted Ordinance No. 840, a Municipal Civil Infraction Ordinance.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2022-17, scheduling a public hearing on July 19, 2022 for the creation of a township-wide mosquito abatement special assessment district.
- Approved a revised Building Inspection Services Agreement with STSA Construction, LLC.
- 12. Recessed the open meeting at 7:10 p.m. for the purpose of convening a closed session to review a proposed amendment to the collective bargaining agreement with the Fenton Township Employees Union.
- 13. Reconvened the open meeting at 7:37 p.m.
- 14. Adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

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

ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

Historic Holly Hotel damaged in June 21 fire

Third fire strikes historic

building, owners committed to rebuild, keep historical integrity

By Sharon Stone

The Holly Hotel on Battle Alley in downtown Holly sustained heavy damage from fire, smoke and water after a nearby building caught fire and quickly spread.

It is owned by Chrissy Kutlenios and

her husband George.

George bought the building after the 1978 fire when he was just 27 years old. He found historical items and slowly put his touch on everything at the Holly Hotel.

Chrissy said at about 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 21, their hostess called them to say that she had seen some smoke near the Moose Lodge and that it was difficult to even see the dumpster. She said they turned on



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their surveillance cameras and saw a massive amount of smoke. At that time, they drove to the Holly Hotel and sat in their car and watched as the smoke and fire quickly grew. At that time, the three employees inside the building had evacuated.

The Holly Hotel's sprinkler system are heat activated and it saved the attic area. Chrissy said the lower level sprinklers turned on later, but not before there was a ton of smoke and water from firefighters.

"The fire department worked ferociously," she said. "There were extraordinary efforts to keep the Hotel from catching fire."

Chrissy is heartbroken about the antique store and the other businesses that lost everything. She said their beloved Alley Cat Club in the lower level is ruined and on Wednesday's walk-thru, she saw about 1.5 feet of water in down there.

"We will rebuild," she said, adding that they will only use items and materials indicative to the Holly Hotel they know. "We're going to do this. It's a long haul, but we're committed," she said.

Chrissy said she is enormously grateful for Holly Village Fire Chief Steve McGee and the firefighters for having the foresight to go in quickly and save some one-of-a-kind oil paintings and historic photos of when President George Bush's campaign group visited in 1992, which she said were so important to her and George.

"The community loves the Holly Hotel," she said. "We heard that today. See **HOLLY HOTEL** on 11



Approximately one quarter of the roof of the Holly Hotel was destroyed by fire on Tuesday, June 21. The building sustained substantial fire, smoke and water damage. **Submitted photos**



The owners of the Holly Hotel, George and Chrissy Kutlenios, have committed to rebuilding and restoring the historic building to what it was prior to Tuesday's fire.



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HOLLY HOTEL

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We're so thankful for all of the hundreds of heartfelt comments. That is special to us. We're so thankful. It's heartbreaking."

This is not the first fire the historic building sustained, just as Chrissy Kutlenios pointed out.

Holly Hotel history

In 1863, the first railroad tracks to reach Holly were those of the Detroit and Milwaukee Line, later joined by the Flint & Holly Railroad Line, founded by Henry Crapo. A modest, two-story wood building, called "The Washington House," occupied the corner where the Holly Hotel presently stands.

More than 25 trains passed through Holly each day, bringing passengers, railroaders, freight and transients into the village and the saloons that lined Martha and Broad streets. Free-for-all brawls typically left so many injured that Martha Street was dubbed "Battle Alley" by the locals — a name that remains today.

The Holly Hotel was the hub of social activity in the early 1900s. Civic and social groups utilized the Holly Hotel while travelers and salesmen used the public rooms for meetings and demonstrations. Sunday dinner at the Holly Hotel was a formal event for locals and visitors alike, usually preceded by a performance at Baird's Opera House, one block south.

The Historic Holly Hotel was a domestically scaled, three-story, gabled hip-roofed, red brick, Queen Anne style structure. There were two equally important facades: a long north elevation facing Battle Alley, and a narrow, east elevation facing the railroad tracks on Broad Street. The transition from the dormered, hip-roofed, north elevation was accomplished by means of a threeWEEKEND TIMES

story, helmet-domed, octagonal, corner tower, which was the most architecturally distinctive feature of the building. A Tuscan column porch that sheltered the main entrance on the north facade was a 1913 replacement of the original 1891 porch, which burned. The interior was elegantly finished with custom millwork, tin ceilings and plaster walls dating from 1913.

The Aug. 29, 1908 visit of Carry Nation to the Holly Hotel caused tremendous notoriety when Nation and her Pro-Temperance supporters invaded the town, clubbing patrons with their umbrellas. The painting of the flimsily clad lady above the bar unleashed further wrath, and Nation began smashing whiskey bottles with her trademark ax. Nation was appalled at the attitude of the Holly Hotel proprietor when he refused to condemn the drinking habits of the locals that patronized the Holly Hotel's very large bar.

Her misguided and destructive actions prompted the Holly Hotel owner at that time to have her arrested and lodged in the local jail. Governor Warner used Nation's incarceration as a political reason to visit Holly and address the townspeople.

The first proprietor of the Holly Hotel was John Hirst, crowning his massive structure as "The Hirst House." Hirst boasted of hot-water heat and elegantly appointed rooms, highlighted by his well-staffed and very cosmopolitan dining room.

In January 1913, the structure suffered a disastrous fire, which destroyed the second and third floors. Joseph P. Allen, a New Yorker, purchased the Hotel in 1912 and re-named it the Holly Inn. One year later, a massive fire almost destroyed the structure. Allen immediately rebuilt it in a much more modest style, lowering the roof, eliminating the top two levels



of the tower, and substituting robust, Tuscan-columned porches for the more delicately scaled original ones. Allen dubbed the building the "Allendorf Hotel," a distinguished imitation of the New York "Waldorf" name.

Exactly 65 years to the date and to the hour of the first fire in 1913, the Holly Hotel burned again on Jan. 19, 1978. Damage was estimated at \$550,000 and the last significant architectural link to the 1800s was considered for demolition. An aggressive and two-year renovation was begun in 1978, with painstaking detail to drawings from 1891 and from personal accounts of local historians.

Now owned by George Kutlenios, the restoration of the Holly Hotel had been a labor of love. Each piece of wood, railing, molding, tile and glass, which could be salvaged from the 1978 fire was reincorporated into the decor. The original stair railing, which once led to the upper stories, had been converted to serve as the railing on the main floor bar. The back bar was reconstructed from materials which were formerly in Detroit's original Cunningham's Drug Store. Every doorway and arch was carefully refitted into new entrances, allowing access to the present three main floor dining rooms and two private banquet rooms.

On Feb. 8, 1980, the Holly Hotel was entered into the National Register of Historic Places of the United States. Its among an elite group of properties that has had continual food service in three centuries. 11



DITCH WORK ON HOGAN ROAD IN FENTON TOWNSHIP

The Genesee County Road Commission will perform ditch work on Hogan Road between Rolston and Lahring roads on Monday, June 27, between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. The road will be closed to thru traffic. Motorists should allow additional time to reach their destination.

In September 1992, the Holly Hotel was selected by the George Bush Campaign Committee as the only dinner location during President and Mrs. Bush's Michigan whistle-stop campaign. Every state governor since 1979 has dined at the Holly Hotel.

In 2015, the Holly Hotel was selected as the exclusive caterer for outdoor events at Red Riding Hood Stables, a 60-acre working thoroughbred horse farm. The farm can accommodate up to 200 guests and is considered one of the most significant private locations for outdoor weddings, private events and social gatherings.

Source: hollyhotel.com/history

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCES

At their meeting of June 21, 2022, the Fenton Township Board adopted the following ordinances:

- Ordinance No. 838, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the PUD conditions for parcel 06-03-200-038, (Miller Industries on Thompson Road).
- Ordinance No. 839, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the PUD conditions for parcel 06-17-300-012, (Fairways of Spring Meadows; near the Lahring Road/Linden Road Intersection).
- 3. Ordinance No. 840, a Municipal Civil Infractions Ordinance.

Complete copies of the adopted ordinances may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The ordinances are also available on Fenton Township's website at <u>www.fentontownship.org</u>.

ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

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Fairways of Spring Meadows development. Sections of the development, owned by Empryean Group, will front the Spring Meadows Country Club golf course.

Originally, the Fenton Township Planning Commission approved a preliminary site plan with 70 units with a minimum lot size of 24,000 square feet. Empyrean Group reduced the number of lots to 63 and the minimum lot size to 12,000 square feet due to market demands, said Mike Davidson at the May 12 planning commission meeting. Davidson is one of the owners of Empryean Group.

The Fenton Township Planning Commission recommended approval. At the June 7 meeting, Zoning Administrator Michael Deem said the reduction of units and lot size does not apply to the entire development. It only applies to the inner ring of parcels. The exterior parcels will be three to six acres and the pocket of interior parcels will be 12,000 square feet.

Deem said the 12,000 square feet minimum lot size is consistent with the open space zoning ordinance as long as they provide 20% or more of open space. The property is approximately 80 acres. However, the usable site area consists of approximately 65 acres. With this plan, about 23% would remain open space.

They requested to only have sidewalks for the interior parcels and loop to maintain the rural feel while still maintaining a safe way to walk through the subdivision, Deem said.

Plans include one entrance on Lahring Road.

"The Master Plan classifies this area as Medium Density Residential. The intent of this Future Land Use District is to provide denser housing options and closer proximity to essential services. The primary uses are single-family homes (detached and attached) and complementary uses for residential developments such as places of worship, schools, child day care, and recreational facilities," according to the zoning administrator's report.

The developer will pay for any necessary upgrades to the sanitary sewer system.

Supervisor Vince Lorraine and Trustee Christine Reid were absent.

VILLAGE OF HOLLY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF VARIANCE REQUEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with Chapter 157 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance, the Village of Holly Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on a request for a variance of Ordinance 157.036(D) on July 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM (or as soon thereafter as possible) in the Village Council Chambers located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, Michigan.

An application for a variance was filed by Kevin Westlake. The property is located at 714 N. Saginaw Road, IH 01-27-359-009. The applicant is requesting a variance of Ordinances 157.036(D) which prohibits a fence in the front yard.

Written comments may be submitted to the Village Clerk/Treasurer, 300 East Street, Karl Richter Center, Holly, Michigan 48442 prior to the hearing. All documents pertinent to the application are available for inspection in the Village Offices, located at 300 East Street, Holly, Michigan.

Interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting. Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend are asked to contact the Village offices at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (248) 634-9571 during regular business hours.

Deborah J. Bigger Clerk/Treasurer Village of Holly

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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IF YOU REALLY thought Biden would do a good job as president and actually voted for him, you are directly responsible for the mess this country is in right now. My family can barely afford to drive to work, let alone fix a nice dinner. Wake up. We knew better.

I'M SURE THEY were scared, but those heavily armed officers in Uvalde who stood by for an hour while innocent children were gunned down are cowards. They should have stood against their weak commander and just did the job they were trained to do.

IN THE LATE 19th century, many people openly wore handguns on their hips. There was little street crime. When everyone has a gun, bad guys won't 'try you.'

KUDOS TO THOSE that saved up for a rainy day because this is our nation's monsoon season.



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LINDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING SET FOR JUNE 27

The Monday, June 27 Linden City Council meeting will take place at 5:30 p.m. in the lower chambers of the Linden Mill building. Regular meetings usually begin at 7 p.m. However, the time has been changed due to scheduled training for city councilors.



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SECTION OF FISH LAKE ROAD TO CLOSE MONDAY, JUNE 27

The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) expects to close Fish Lake Road, from Grange Hall Road to Academy Road in Holly Township, starting Monday, June 27. to relocate utilities and replace two culverts under the road. The culverts carry the Shiawassee River and the Patterson-Holly Drain under the road. During the closure, access to homes will be maintained north and south of the culvert work (the culverts will be replaced one at a time). The project completion is expected in late October. The detour for through traffic during the closure is Grange Hall Road to Saginaw Street to Academy Road, back to Fish Lake Road and vice versa. The approximately \$2.5 million project is funded with federal and RCOC dollars. The project includes: Removal and replacement of the

- two culverts under the roadResurfacing the road over the
- culverts with asphalt
- New wing walls on the culverts
- Drainage improvementsNew guardrail and traffic signs

The contractor for the work is Zito Construction of Grand Blanc. This section of Fish Lake Road carries approximately 3,780 vehicles daily. For more information on the project, visit the Fish Lake Road Culverts project page in the "Road Projects" section of the RCOC website, rcocweb.org.



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SHOULDER WORK ON SILVER LAKE ROAD

The Genesee County Road Commission will work on the shoulder of Silver Lake Road from Ripley Road to the Fenton city limits on Monday, June 27. Twoway traffic will be maintained. Motorists should allow additional time to reach their destination.

Triple ribbon cutting



Advanced Physical Therapy Center, Pain Management Center of Michigan, and Vicinia Gardens Assisted Care held a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, June 22 to celebrate opening in the new building at 2500 North Rd., in Fenton. They were joined by the Fenton & Linden Regional Chamber of Commerce along with family and friends. This Advanced Physical Therapy Center location, now a part of Phoenix, is their ninth office in Genesee and Oakland counties. Stephanie Jarrett, clinic director, said they opened in April. Pain Management Center of Michigan opened April 1. Owner Zachary King, M.D., an anesthesiologist with specialty training in pain management, said they relocated from their previous location. They used to rent space at Fenton Family Medicine on Fenway Drive. Vicinia Gardens Assisted Care relocated their management office to the North Road location from the previous spot on LeRoy Street. The full care facility is off Owen Road. Owner Steve Steffey said they officially opened the new management office in May. Financial Controller Debra Meredith attended the ribbon cutting as well. All three businesses are chamber members. Photo: Hannah Ball

Holly resident offers cash reward for finding missing dog

Mother of two saw dog run into street, get hit by car By Hannah Ball

A Holly resident is offering a \$250 cash reward for anyone who finds her missing 1-year-old dog, Blaze, who was last seen near Holly Hills.

The American pitbull terrier mix has been missing since the morning of Saturday, June 18. Heather Kotalik said her 4-year-old let out Blaze. Kotalik, who also has a 10-year-old, immediately ran after their dog and was See **MISSING DOG** on 35





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of her siblings have worked at the family business. Her sister is the main cook at Andy's. Two of her sisters and one brother have worked here in the past. All of their employees have worked there for at least a year and a half.

"We're all very tight and we all take care of each other," Chapin said.

On June 23, they learned from inspectors that they have to demolish the second floor. However, the building is salvageable.

"It will take time, but we are strong women and will pull through it. My biggest concern right now is taking care of our people who are out of work," Chapin said.

Christopher Lauinger, an Andy's Place employee for three years, was working with another employee, Shannon, when the fire began. The back wall of Andy's is close to one of the walls to the antique shop. Shannon saw smoke at the back of their building. They went to investigate and found flames.

"You could tell the wind was just picking it up. Things were going quick," he said. He called Chapin immediately and told her the fire was spreading.

"I haven't slept yet really much, it's still pretty raw," he said the morning of June 22. "We're a pretty tight knit family at Andy's Place alone, let alone the community. My dad brought me here when I was 13 in middle school in '93 and he owned a local newspaper in this town. Holly's been a big part of my life. It's a resilient community. Hopefully the building's got bones enough where we can rebuild.""

You can help the Andy's Place em-



Firefighters spray water on the south side buildings in Battle Alley in Holly on Tuesday, June 21. They worked throughout the night to stop the fire. Photo: Hannah Ball

ployees by donating to the gofundme called "Holly Michigan Fire- Andy's Employee Fund."

The 911 call that originally came through to emergency responders reported that the front of the Holly Moose Lodge was on fire. Fortunately, the front didn't burn. The wall that connects the lodge to Andy's Place was badly damaged and the lodge has water and smoke damage, said Bob Schultz, a member of the Holly Moose Lodge. The lodge was established in Holly in 1913.

"I think it's pretty good," he said. "We have some water damage, obviously smoke damage. But as far as the building itself, it looks like it's pretty intact. I think the fire departments did one hell of a job. They had a lot of people pumping a lot of water so I appreciate that. We feel very lucky."

He watched the fire for hours and com-



This aerial photo shows the extent of the downtown Holly fire that completely destroyed at least one business and left others with extensive damage. Photo: Fred Moses

plimented the first responders for getting everyone out of harm's way. "This is a strong community. We'll get through it. Thank you to all the fire people that showed up," he said.

J Robbin Yelverton owns Creative Fashions of Holly with his partner. The store is across Alley Street from the Holly Hotel on the southside of Battle Alley. They were in Ferndale on Tuesday and didn't get back until 9 p.m. All of the store's content was damaged and the roof was majorly damaged.

"We were fortunate in that our building was not destroyed completely. However, everything inside of it pretty much is lost and there is excessive roof damage and so we will have to wait and see what we will be able to or permitted to do," he said. "Right now, we're just trying to make sure that we are not in anyone's way and we support those who are here and we're here and hopefully things will get to a point where we can begin to rebuild."

"Holly is very much a small community and a village and there is lots of support and shoulders to lean on and hands to hold so we will be OK. We're just very concerned for the three businesses that sustained the most damage and two of which were basically destroyed," Yelverton said.

The RHL Financial Group building also has minor damages. Owner Randy Redmond said the fire started across the street from them and first responders forced them to get out of the building. Based on the direction of the wind, he thought RHL would catch fire, but the wind shifted. Some windows need to be replaced, some of the doors melted and they might need a new roof because of the embers that landed there.

"They just did an outstanding job. We're very blessed that we didn't lose our building. We're very thankful. We're working today," he said, adding that on Wednesday, they were the only ones with electricity and internet. They let city officials use the building as an office space close to the incident.

They've been watching inspectors, officials and firefighters work.

"The community is all coming together. It's all pretty impressive, he said. He complimented Police Chief Jerry Narsh and Village Manager Jerry Walker on staying in contact with businesses and spreading information.

RHL has been getting calls from their clients asking about the building.

"They all want to know if the mural made it," Redmond said, referring to the train mural.

Ziggy's Ice Cream also has minor exterior damage.

Bob Hoffman, Oakland County commissioner, watched the fire on Tuesday, June 21 along with the crowds.

"As tragic as it is, the most important thing is that nobody got hurt. I want to compliment the fire departments from the surrounding areas for their fast, professional service and containing the fire. The whole community of Holly has come together and they will rebuild," he said.

Hoffman was worried the fire would spread to the building he owns, which is two doors down from the antique store.

"But the fire department did a great job in protecting that and all the other buildings around there," he said.



Holly Police Chief Jerry Narsh speaks with Andrea Chapin, whose family owns Andy's Place, the morning after the fire on Wednesday. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

Holly area heartbroken over devastating fire

Police, fire, safety officials take quick action to assist business and building owners

By Sharon Stone

Preliminary investigations into the origin of the fire are pointing toward electrical issues near a storage room at Battle Alley Arcade Antiques at 4 p.m., Tuesday, June 21.

The official cause is still undetermined.

Fire quickly spread to the exterior of the Holly Moose Lodge at 210 S. Broad St. and Battle Alley Arcade Antiques at 108 Battle Alley in downtown Holly. This sparked a massive fire that destroyed multiple businesses and heavily damaged others.

In strong winds and 95-degree temperatures Tuesday afternoon, the fire spread quickly, beginning with Battle Alley Arcade Antiques. Battle Alley Arcade Antiques, Andy's Place at 208 S. Broad St., (next to the Holly Moose Lodge), the Holly Hotel and the Moose Lodge were all damaged, as well as other structures.

Holly Police Chief Jerry Narsh said Battle Alley Arcade Antiques and Andy's Place are destroyed from fire. The Moose Lodge sustained heavy water and smoke damage and the Holly Hotel sustained heavy damage. Narsh said he was downtown when the first alert came in and he observed smoke and flames.

Narsh said at least 17 first responder agencies assisted with mutual aid. The Department of Public Works increased water flow from the water plant by shutting down other areas. This allowed them to maintain water pressure.

At 10 p.m., Tuesday, the village of Holly offices alerted residents to possible brown water coming from their household taps. They said this was due to the devastating fire and extreme water usage. This was not a boil water notice and they said the water should clear up soon.

Six firefighters suffered injury or heat exhaustion and received medical treatment at a hospital. Narsh said all who suffered heat exhaustion or injuries were treated and released.

"It's a blessing that not one business



The smoke from the downtown Holly fire on Tuesday, June 21 filled the sky for hours as firefighters battled the blaze. Photo: Hannah Ball

owner or resident was killed," Narsh said. "The winds really fanned the flames."

State Rep. Mike Mueller, R-Fenton Township, released the following statement Tuesday night on the devastating fire in downtown Holly.

"My heart breaks for the Holly community as such a large portion of downtown burns," Mueller said. "These historic buildings are where so many local business owners made their livelihoods and local families made precious memories. While many uncertainties remain, Holly is a resilient community and I know people will continue to come together to help those who are directly affected by this devastating loss.

"I want to thank the men and women from the many fire departments battling the blaze in extreme heat, as well as the emergency medical responders who are on scene. Their hard work has undoubtedly kept the situation from being much worse."

Fire crews worked through Tuesday night. On Wednesday, police and fire officials, along with public safety officials walked the affected area to assess the damage. Firefighters were still on scene to extinguish hot spots, which is typical for structure fires. The perimeter of the affected area was blocked off because it was still considered an active fire. Once the assessments are done, Narsh said this perimeter could be shrunk.

Narsh complimented the fire and police officers. "Everyone did phe-

nomenal teamwork. The efforts of the village of Holly and assisting services saved the rest of downtown," he said. Narsh also praised the efforts of residents and area businesses that quickly came in with water and food for the firefighters. The Salvation Army set up a comfort station.

"Hearts and thanks for providing the water," he said. "We couldn't have fought it with their assistance. It is greatly appreciated."

On Wednesday afternoon, Narsh said building officials, police and fire officials, along with representatives from U.S. Rep. Elissa Slotkin's office and State Rep. Mike Mueller's office met with the affected business owners, building owners and tenants to provide immediate assistance and guidance. "We want to try to move as quickly as possible for everyone," Narsh said.

Assisting the village of Holly Fire Department were fire departments from Groveland Township, Linden City, Brandon/Ortonville, Milford, Oxford, Troy, Highland Township, Grand Blanc, White Lake Township, Springfield Township, Fenton City, Oakland Regional Technical Rescue Team, North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA), and Independence Township.



On Wednesday, June 22, a firefighter stands on the rubble where Battle Alley Arcade Antiques used to be. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

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LOOKING BACK at this week in **HISTORY**

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JUNE 26

1948: U.S. and British pilots begin delivering food and supplies by airplane to Berlin after the city is isolated by a Soviet Union blockade. When World War II ended in 1945, defeated Germany was divided into Soviet, American, British and French zones of occupation. The city of Berlin, though located within the Soviet zone of occupation, was also split into four sectors, with the Allies taking the western part of the city and the Soviets the eastern. In June 1948, Josef Stalin's government attempted to consolidate control of the city by cutting off all land and sea routes to West Berlin in order to pressure the Allies to evacuate.

As a result, beginning on June 24 the western section of Berlin and its 2 million people were deprived of food, heating fuel and other crucial supplies.

JUNE 27

1950: President Harry S. Truman announces that he is ordering U.S. air and naval forces to South Korea to aid the democratic nation in repulsing an invasion by communist North Korea. The United States was undertaking the major military operation, he explained, to enforce a United Nations resolution calling for an end to hostilities, and to stem the spread of communism in Asia. In addition to ordering U.S. forces to Korea, Truman also deployed the U.S. 7th Fleet to Formosa (Taiwan) to guard against invasion by communist China and ordered an acceleration of military aid to French forces fighting communist guerrillas in Vietnam.

JUNE 28

2007: The United States removes one of its most commonly used

State Electric Company celebrates new headquarters



State Electric Company hosted its grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony for its new headquarters. The company is a family owned business employing master electricians for over 30 years. Their in-house team has extensive training and experience as electrical contractors. Whether it's new construction, a remodel, or an upgrade to smart technology and eco-friendly products, State Electric Company can design, install, and maintain all types of electrical systems. Shown in the photo (from left) are Jeannie Lobbestael, Louis Lobbestael, Dylan Lobbestael, Lauren Roberts, Laura Lobbestael, Devin Krause, Bonnie Lobbestael, Duane Lobbestael, Saylor Lobbestael, COO Byron Muonio, Holly Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Richard Kinnamon, Oakland County Commissioner Bob Hoffman and Holly Township Supervisor/Holly Chamber of Commerce President George Kullis. State Electric Company is at 15045 Dixie Hwy, Ste A, Holly, MI. 48442. Office phone is (866) 976-8890. Website is stateelectriccompany.net.



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CITY OF LINDEN TO HOST COMMUNITY VISIONING WORKSHOP

The city of Linden will host a Community Visioning Workshop on Thursday, July 14, from 6 to 8 p.m., at Loose Center, 707 N. Bridge St., Linden. The city of Linden's Master Plan update is well underway. The city is in the process of preparing a new Master Plan, Economic Development and Marketing Strategy. The plan will establish a long-range vision for land use and development, economic development and community marketing, which is consistent with the overall character of the city. This vision will guide local elected officials, city staff, planning commission, Downtown Development Authority and other boards and commissions in making informed land use and development decisions. The Plan has a long-range focus, exploring needs and goals over the next 5 to 20 years. As part of the planning process, the city is seeking input from citizens and stakeholders. The city encourages your participation at its Community Visioning Workshop where you will have an opportunity to receive the latest information regarding key findings revealed to-date. Additionally, you will engage in exercises in which you will work with others to identify strategies for land use, development, circulation, economic development and other aspects of community life. Hors d'oeuvres, refreshments and desserts will be provided from local downtown businesses. For more information about the Master Plan update, as well as to view recent survey results, visit https://www.lindenmi.us/ master-plan-2021.

GM donates \$500,000 to Sloan Museum of Discovery

To benefit STEM exhibits and programs in Flint

Sloan Museum of Discovery in Flint and General Motors recently announced a partnership that will honor the legacy of General Motors founder William "Billy" C. Durant while supporting the museum's STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) exhibits and programs.

Through a donation of \$500,000 from GM, Sloan Museum's new vehicle gallery will be named The Durant Gallery when it opens in July. Flint is the birthplace of The Durant-Dort Carriage Company, which paved the way for the automobile industry and GM. This donation is in addition to a \$1 million grant that was provided in 2018 to support STEM educational programs in the gallery.

"Billy Durant was a fearless visionary whoboldly seized opportunity wherever he found it, and who changed the auto business forever," said Mark Reuss, General Motors president. "His spirit has remained an inspiration to GM for more than a century, and lives on as we lead the global automotive industry to an exciting new era powered by electricity."

Sloan Museum has 105 rare and vintage vehicles among its collections of nearly 48,000 artifacts, including Durant's first carriage model — a white ash, two-wheeled horse-drawn buggy. The new vehicle gallery will be 11,000 square feet and will feature rotating vehicles showcasing the history and future of the automobile.

"Naming the gallery after Billy Durant came out of a series of conversations we had with General Motors about the early history of the company and how Sloan preserves this history. We have many pieces of early GM history in our artifact collections, including one of the first road carts built by Durant," said Todd Slisher, the executive director of Sloan Museum and CEO of Flint Institute of Science and History, the nonprofit organization that oversees the museum.

"It is an extraordinary way to



GM made a \$500,000 donation to Sloan Museum's new vehicle gallery, The Durant Gallery, which opens in July.

memorialize the man who made Flint 'the Vehicle City,' helped found brands like Buick and Chevrolet and bring them under the GM umbrella. The generous donation from GM will allow us to build upon our existing STEM exhibits and programs that go into the experiences in the new Sloan Museum of Discovery," Slisher said.

General Motors has made substantial capital investments in the community where the corporation was founded more than a century ago. This includes significant upgrades at its Flint Assembly and Flint Engine operations and the Durant-Dort Factory One restoration along with more than 37 grants to local nonprofits totaling more than \$5.2 million over the past five years.

Billy Durant formed the Flint Road Cart Company in 1886 after purchasing a two-wheeled buggy company and its new patented spring suspension for \$1,500. Durant and his partner, J. Dallas Dort, turned the carriage company into the Durant-Dort Carriage Company, which eventually paved the way for one of the largest vehicle manufacturers in the world, General Motors.

After nearly five years of planning and construction, the new Sloan Museum of Discovery will open to the public Saturday, July 16. In addition to the Durant Gallery, it will include an early childhood learning gallery called Hagerman Street, Discovery Hall, a hands-on science gallery, a community history gallery, learning labs and much more.

The \$30 million expansion and renovation of the museum was reimagined as an inclusive center for the entire community. To learn more, visit SloanLongway.org/Sloan.





The Holly varsity softball team finished No. 10 in our Tri-County Top 10 Sports Teams of the Spring poll. Photo: David Troppens

Spring Top 10 had plenty of challenging decisions

By David Troppens

This was a pretty challenging top 10 list to create.

It was a season where some teams had outstanding regular seasons, but couldn't match that success in the postseason. Meanwhile, it seemed other teams did the opposite, earning success in the

postseason while having pretty generic one of those lists that if we made our top regular seasons. And, to be quite honest, when it comes to depth of quality squads this spring lacked it compared to most sports seasons. So when the sports staff worked on making our Tri-County Top 10 Sports Teams of the Spring, it was a mighty tough challenge. In fact, this is

10 one day, the next day we may have a complete different order, and then the next day another order.

So here we go with the first installment of our top spring sports teams during the 2022 prep season.

See TOP 10 on 30

Sports Times

Wednesday Night Races still going strong

■More than 50 athletes compete in first event of four during the summer

By David Troppens

Linden — Nathan Nixon had a lot of reason to be excited Wednesday.

He was celebrating his 7th birthday, and his family had plans to go out to eat to celebrate.

However, before any of that stuff happened, Nathan had one request that wasn't going to be denied. Wednesday was the first edition of the Wednesday Night Races at the Park, and before he did any celebrating, he was going to do some running.

Nathan was one of about 60 people ranging from ages of 2 to 77 that competed in

races ranging from one-half mile to three miles in length at Linden County Park during the first of four Wednesday Night Races at the Park. Along with spectators the number attending was about 100 people. Nathan's race, the half-mile, was certainly the most popular as there was a large number of young athletes excited to make their two laps around the park.

"Today's my birthday, and I wanted to run today," Nathan said.

"I always get to race. I like it because even if I come in See WEDNESDAY on 29



Typically the most popular race at the Wednesday Night Races at the Park every season is the half-mile event which usually features many grade school runners from the tricounty area. The races are hosted during four Wednesdays in June and July at Linden County Park. The next date is Wednesday, June 29th. Photo: David Troppens



Noah Terryah attempts the long jump during Wednesday's Track Camp. Photo: David Troppens

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Track Camp gives kids a chance to shine **By David Troppens**

Linden — During the spring, Ben Cox spent his time coaching up the Linden varsity track and field athletes, helping the girls to a regional championship and a co-Flint Metro League Stripes Division title.

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TYRONE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Public Accuracy Test for the August 2, 2022 Primary Election has been scheduled for Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall, 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate to electors that the program and computer that will be used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Pamela Moughler, Tyrone Township Clerk

TYRONE TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given the Tyrone Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, July 11, 2022, beginning at 7:00 pm at the Tyrone Township Hall, 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider the following variance application:

APPEAL NO. 1: A request by Donald & Marilyn Gearhart for a 7' 6" side yard setback variance for an addition to their existing dwelling located at 10224 Walnut Shores Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. Parcel ID: 4704-09-203-050. The property is zoned LK-1, Lakefront Residential. Reference Tyrone Township Ordinance No. 36 – Section 20.01, Schedule of Regulations.

For additional information, legal descriptions, and location maps, please contact the Planning & Zoning Department at (810) 629-8631 or via email at <u>zoning@tyronetownship.us</u> Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. We are located at 8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton, MI. Individuals who require auxiliary aids should contact the Tyrone Township Clerk's office at least seven (7) days before the meeting.

Greg Carnes, Chairman Tyrone Township Planning Commission

NOTICE OF MASTER PLAN HEARING ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Please take notice that the Argentine Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing for the purpose of considering approval on the proposed Master Plan. The hearing will be held during its regular meeting on July 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Copies of the proposed Master Plan are available for public viewing during regular business hours at the Argentine Township Office, 9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden or online at <u>www.argentinetownship.com</u>. Written comments must be received at the above address prior to the hearing.

Joseph Graves, Clerk Argentine Township

VILLAGE OF HOLLY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF VARIANCE REQUEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with Chapter 154 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance, the Village of Holly Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on a request for a variance of Ordinance 154.04(G) on July 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM (or as soon thereafter as possible) in the Village Council Chambers located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, Michigan.

An application for a variance was filed by the Village of Holly. The property is located at 313 S. Broad Street, IH 01-34-310-014. The applicant is requesting a variance of Ordinances 154.04(G) which prohibits an off-premise sign. Written comments may be submitted to the Village Clerk/Treasurer, 300 East Street, Karl Richter Center, Holly, Michigan 48442 prior to the hearing. All documents pertinent to the application are available for inspection in the Village Offices, located at 300 East Street, Holly, Michigan.

Interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting. Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend are asked to contact the Village offices at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (248) 634-9571 during regular business hours.

Deborah J. Bigger Clerk/Treasurer Village of Holly

HOLLY TOWNSHIP NOTICE 2022 – 2023 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING DATES

According to the Open Meetings Act enacted by the State of Michigan:

The Holly Township Board of Trustees will hold its regular meetings at Holly Area Schools Board Room 920 E. Baird, Holly, Michigan at 6:30 PM on the following dates:

July 20, 2022	November 16, 2022	March 15, 2023	
August 17, 2022	December 21, 2022	April 19, 2023	
September 21, 2022	January 18, 2023	May 17, 2023	
October 19, 2022	February 15, 2023	June 21, 2023	

The Holly Township Planning Commission will hold its regular meetings at 920 E. Baird, Holly, Michigan at 6:30 PM on the following dates:

5, 2022 March 7, 2023
, 2022 April 4, 2023
023 May 2, 2023
2023 June 6, 2023

The Holly Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its regular meetings on scheduled Planning Commission dates when there is business. The meetings will be held at 920 E. Baird, Holly, Michigan at 5:00 PM, unless otherwise posted.

Karin S. Winchester, Clerk

NOTICE OF REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF

FENTON GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

JULY 14, 2022

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022 AT 6:00 PM BY THE FENTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION AT THE FENTON TOWNSHIP CIVIC-COMMUNITY CENTER, 12060 MANTAWAUKA AND ELECTRONICALLY BY ZOOM. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

NEW BUSINESS:

R22-004 Randy Price, 4133 Lahring Road:

Requesting to rezone 6014 Lahring Road from R-3, Single Family Residential to AG, Agricultural, Parcel #06-07-400-002 and #06-08-300-015. **SUP22-005 Allore Sharp:** Requesting a SPECIAL USE PERMIT to allow a commercial kennel at 3095 Thompson Road, parcels # 06-03-576-004 and # 06-03-576-005.

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 Planning Commission will be held on Thursday July 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. by ZOOM video meeting and in person. The public may participate in the meeting via the following web link:

http://bit.ly/FentonPC

Or by telephone by calling into the following number:

Phone Number: (312)626-6799 Meeting ID: 998 2931 8197 Passcode: 258667

Members of the public will only be able to speak during the public comment portion(s) of the meeting and such comment will be limited to three minutes per person. To provide for orderly public participation, when the Chairperson or meeting moderator calls for public comment, a person wishing to speak must state their name and wait to be recognized before speaking. The Chairperson or moderator will recognize all persons wishing to speak during public comment. Prior to the meeting, if members of the public have certain questions or wish to provide input on any business that will be addressed at the meeting, such persons may contact the Planning Commission members through Michael Deem, Zoning Administrator, by email at <u>mdeem@</u> fentontownship.org, or by mail at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. Comments received prior to 3:00 p.m. on July 14, 2022 are guaranteed to be received by the Planning Commission. A copy of the meeting material may be found on the Township website homepage at <u>www.fentontownship.org.</u>\

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

Robert E. Krug Fenton Township Clerk 12060 Mantawauka Drive Fenton, MI 48430-8817 Phone: (810) 629-1537 x6 Email: info@fentontownship.org

TOWNSHIP OF HOLLY NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the August 2, 2022 Primary Election has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 1, 2022 at 10:30 PM at the Karl Richter Community Center Gymnasium 300 East Street, Holly, MI 48442 The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the electronic tabulating equipment will accurately count the votes cast in the manner prescribed by Michigan Election Law.

Karin S. Winchester Holly Township Clerk

NOTICE BUDGET HEARING OF ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

The Argentine Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for fiscal year 2022/2023 at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lk Rd, Linden on June 27, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. during the Township Board Regular Meeting. The property tax millage rate of 0.6222 is proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Township Hall.

Joseph Graves, Clerk Argentine Township

VILLAGE OF HOLLY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF VARIANCE REQUEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with Chapter 157 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance, the Village of Holly Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on a request for a variance of Ordinance 157.035(C) (1)(a) on July 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM (or as soon thereafter as possible) in the Village Council Chambers located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, Michigan.

An application for a variance was filed by Michael Mills. The property is located at 501 Academy Road, IH 01-33-402-001. The applicant is requesting a variance of Ordinances 157,035(C)(1)(a) which prohibits an accessory building in the front yard.

Written comments may be submitted to the Village Clerk/Treasurer, 300 East Street, Karl Richter Center, Holly, Michigan 48442 prior to the hearing. All documents pertinent to the application are available for inspection in the Village Offices, located at 300 East Street, Holly, Michigan.

Interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting. Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend are asked to contact the Village offices at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (248) 634-9571 during regular business hours.

Deborah J. Bigger Clerk/Treasurer Village of Holly

1968 Tigers win key series against Indians

By David Troppens

When the Detroit Tigers returned to Tiger Stadium for a three-game series with the second-place Cleveland Indians, the pennant chase atmosphere was officially on with both teams and the fans.

Detroit, who led the Indians by 2 1/2 games entering the contest, was back home for a seven-game homestand (three with Cleveland and four with Minnesota) facing two of the Tigers closest competitors.

The Friday night game played in 85-degree heat in front of 31,646 paying fans had the feel of an imporant game.

Cleveland jumped out to an early 1-0 lead when Tigers' starting pitcher John Hiller walked two batters with one out and then allowed an RBI-single to Joe Azcue.

Hiller calmed down until the fifth. Vern Fuller singled and was sacrificed to second by Cleveland starting pitcher Steve Hargan. Larry Brown reached base on an error, allowing Fuller to score. Cleveland led 2-0. Jose Cardenal walked, and after two consecutive outs. Hiller allowed the second run to score and Max Alvis loaded the bases with two out. Hiller was chased in favor of Pat Dobson, who struck out Willie Smith to



Norm Cash end the threat.

were going to be plenty of " track events, learning the funsupport for Cleveland starting adamentals of track and field at pitcher Steve Hargan, but De- . an age that most of them othertroit finally got to him in the • wise wouldn't get that chance. top of the seventh. Cash, who • The camp, ran for two hours entered the game getting hits • each day from June 20 to June in five of his last 13 at bats, re- . 22, was open to grade school mained hot, leading the inning • students from the first- to the with a solo home run. Willie eighth-grade, but the over-Horton followed with his own whelming majority of the athhome run. Don Wert followed • letes were elementary school with a walk. Suddenly, the Ti- • children. gers trailed just 3-2 with the tying run on first and no out. Hal nity for young kids to actually Kurtz pitched to one batter and • compete or participate in track hit Tommy Matchik, putting stuff, unless they are in the two runners on. However, Mike AAU circuits," Cox said. "So, Paul relieved and got Jim Price, . I just wanted to give the young Bill Freehan and Dick McAu- • people in the community an liffe to each strike out, ending opportunity to learn and expethe stanza.

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The girls 400-meter relay team ended up defending its event state championship as well at the D2 state meet. His boys team also finished a respectable third in the Stripes Division, and also earned its share of All-State efforts at the state meet.

However, for three days last week, Cox changed his coaching hat from the varsity to the up-and-coming athletes he may see in a few season.

The Linden Community Education program sponsored the third-annual Linden Track and Field Camp. During it. athletes — about 25 of them It looked like the three runs • - were able to participate in

> "There isn't much opporturience track before they get to

A lot of the experience involved the events that students otherwise can't do on their own. For example, most people don't have access to try field events like the high jump, the shot put or discus. While running is possible in many cases, a track with hurdles to attempt the hurdle events isn't something most have in their backyard. They also were given chances to attempt relays with other campers. These things were done with modifications, helping the with equipment that David Troppens

made sense for their age. For example, a softball was used while teaching the shot put. The high jump bar was replaced with a rope as students attempted to clear a given height. Easily adjusted hurdles that could be lowered than the traditional hurdle at track meets also were used.

"That's our focus of the camp. We want to give kids a chance to try all the field events and the special events, so they can learn a skill and try something they otherwise may not have the opportunity



younger athletes to Emma Wertz attempts the high jump learn the technique during Wednesday's Track Camp. Photo:

to do," Cox said. "The distance running, we have the Wednesday Night Races at the Park (a four-night event hosted at Linden County Park throughout the summer) and other things like that, but we want to try to give them the opportunity to try these other events as well."

During the final day of the camp, the kids were separated into their own similar-aged group and moved from eventto-event pretty quickly, giving the young athletes many chances to learn certain skills.



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(Left) Runners from the twomile and threemile race begin their trip around Linden County Park during the Wednesday Night Races at the Park at Linden County Park. (Below) Runners from the half-mile event near the end of their race. There are three more race events this summer. Photos: **David Troppens**

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second or something, I still get along (with the other runners in the race)."

Of course, Nathan received what he wanted — a chance to run.

The Wednesday Night Races in the Park began in 2003 as an idea in Winston Stoody's mind, as he scheduled the first season of the event. The races proved to be an immediate hit that first season. Since then, there have been

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Nathan Nixon

Wednesday Night

Races runner

different organizers and hundreds of different runners. Some of the runners have changed but some have been competing for two decades. There is one important constant — the event has remained every summer at Linden County Park (minus 2020 due to

COVID). While Wednesday was the first event, there will be three more. The event begins with registration at 6 p.m. with races starting at 6:30 p.m. The future dates include this Wednesday, July 13 and July 20.

"I ran these races when I was a kid, when I was actually pretty quick," Linden varsity boys cross country coach and race assistant Trevor Hall said. "It's really cool. It's something we get to do to get the community out and get some knowledge out about running. It's just a great event."

"The emphasis is the on the kids,

but it's open to all ages," Linden varsity girls cross country coach and race assistant Ben Cox said. "We have people who have been coming for 20 years doing the three-mile and they keep on coming back every year because they enjoy the atmosphere. It's laid back and fun. It's just a good time for everybody."

"It's my favorite summer activity," Linden Community Education Director Debbie Brindle said. "It's fun to come out here and watch the kids.

Amazingly, the price has remained the same as well — \$2 a person or \$5 for a family.

"It's a fun thing for families to do and we want to make it affordable," Brindle said. "And the price has just kind of stuck. It's surprising to people when they come

in and we tell them it's \$2. They are like, 'Really?' It's nice when you have extended families come and I tell them it's just \$5 and there are seven of them. We are not in it for the money. We are in it for the experience and, you know, the fun."

"The Wednesday races are the best community event for running that I've ever seen," Cox said. "Running 5Ks are awesome, but they cost at least \$20. You seldom find a cross country style race that is on grass or trails. So we try to give people an opportunity to experience that type of race almost for free."



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!



TOP 10

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Honorable Mention: The Linden/Fenton boys lacrosse team shared the Metro crown with the Brandon/Holly squad, but the fact the Wolves defeated their conference foes three times, gives them the edge to at least make our honorable mention list. The Lake Fenton girls soccer team may be the toughest team to rate here. The Blue Devils competed for the league crown all season, but finished in second at 9-1-1. Once in the tourney, they defeated Fenton but then lost a decisive 4-0 verdict to Linden. We think they are just a step outside the top 10.

No. 10 - Holly softball: This was a mighty tough team to rank. They were the feel-good story for most of the spring sports season. Losing a coach early on, Holly bonded together and put together a nice 28-11 overall record. The

Bronchos didn't win the Flint Metro League Stripes Division, but came mighty close with a second-place finish and a 16-4 league slate. Holly also posted a 2-2 record against division champion Linden and posted a 2-2 mark against Fenton. Both respectable efforts, but if the Bronchos just split a twinbill with Fenton during the final league doubleheader, Holly would've been co-champs. It also hurt that the squad lost to Grand Blanc 10-2 in its only district game. What kept them in the poll were those wins against Fenton and Linden, their success and the Metro's overall strength in softball this season.

No. 9 - Fenton baseball: The Tigers didn't win a Flint Metro League Stripes Division title or even win a district. So, how did Fenton end up in our poll versus some squads that did win league titles? It had to do with some of

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their victories they did post.

Goodrich advanced all the way to the D2 state semifinals, were the top-ranked D2 team for a good stretch of the season and were 32-0 when they faced the Tigers for a doubleheader. Fenton won both games, handing Goodrich their only losses of the regular season. Fast forward to the D1 district tournament, and who was Fenton's first tourney foe? Why it was the defending state champion Grand Blanc Bobcats. The Tigers defeated them as well by a 5-1 score. Unfortunately, Fenton faced a tough Hartland squad after that victory, and were unable to match their feat a second time, losing 11-1. But, getting those wins, finishing second in the Stripes Division (12-3) and finishing with a 21-10-2 overall record was enough to get them at No. 9 on our poll.



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The Fenton varsity baseball team celebrates after a victory earlier this spring. The Tigers are at No. 9 in our Tri-County Top 10 Teams of the Spring. Photo: David Troppens

Word Search



ACCELERATION, AIRTIME, ASCEND, BARREL, BENTS, BOOMERANG, BRAKE RUN, CARS, CHAIN, CIRCUIT, CORKSCREW, CUTBACK, ENCLOSED, ENTHUSIAST, HEADREST, INVERSION, LAPBAR, LIFT, LOOP, PLATFORM, RESTRAINT, STEEL, TRACK, WOODEN Answers in this edition of the Tri-County Times TIGERS Continued from Page 27

Detroit tied the game up in the bottom

of the eighth when Cash hit his second consecutive four-bagger, but Cleveland retook the lead in the ninth on a controversial call. Mike Paul walked against Detroit reliever Fred Lasher, and was bunted to second. Jose Cardenal hit an infield single, putting runners on first and second. Tony Horton followed with a single, and Cleveland tried to score Paul. Initially it looked as though Freehan made the tag and the home umpire called Paul out, but then changed the call to safe. Tiger manager Mayo Smith and Freehan argued the call, and Smith was ejected from a game for the second time in a week.

"He was out," Freehan said. "There's no way he was safe. He said I juggled the ball. Hell, I had the ball in my bare hand, made the tag and was trying to pull my hand away from (Paul's) spikes when he called the man safe."

The Tigers answered back. With two out and no one on in the ninth, Freehan singled and then McAuliffe reached base on an infield error. Mickey Stanley followd with a two-run triple earning the Tigers a 5-4 win, and their 18th victory in a game in which they were tied or trailing in the seventh inning or later. "If people in this town don't believe in us now after a game like this, they never will," Freehan said.

"This is not the same team we had a year ago," Smith said. "These guys grew up a lot in last year's race. I think their attitude toward the game is a little bit different now."

The Tigers led the Indians by 3 1/2 games, and the Orioles by five. Baltimore was swept at home by the Athletics.

The Tigers made it two straight wins on Saturday by defeating the Indians 3-1.

Tony Horton hit a solo home run in the first off of Tigers' starter Mickey Lolich, however, Detroit responded with two runs of their own in the bottom of the first inning against Sam McDowell.

McAuliffe started the game with a triple and an out later, he scored on Jim Northrup's fielder's choice grounder. Freehan followed with a walk and Willie Horton drove in the second run with a single to left. Detroit led 2-1. It remained 2-1 until the Tigers scored a third run in the seventh on an RBI-double by Price, plating Mickey Stanely. The Sunday game featured two of the American League's top pitchers — Cleveland's Luis Tiant and Detroit's Denny McLain in front of 52,938 fans at Tiger Stadium.

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■ 'Elvis' delights large audience of seniors; more Senior Fridays events scheduled

By Sharon Stone

Nearly 100 seniors attended the Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation's (SLPR) Senior Fridays event at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center. The event featured brunch and a tribute concert by "Elvis."

The star of the one man show, Matt King, has been performing his tribute to Elvis since 1992 at the age of 14.

Each quarter, SLPR plans to host a large event for seniors. Upcoming events are slated for September and December.

Kristen Archambeau, recreation programmer, marketing coordinator and dance director for SLP, said, "Elvis was fantastic, but the best thing about it was seeing the seniors' faces, the laughs and watching them have memories of times back when. It truly was such a touching event.





"Elvis" performs a concert on Friday, June 17 at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center. The brunch and concert were part of Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation's Seniors Fridays. More fun events are planned for seniors.

"This event just turned out so much more special than we could have imagined, and we would love to get the word out to more seniors and people in the area."

Event Coordinator Sherie Peruski said, "We enjoy working with the seniors in the community and our quarterly brunches are a blast for everyone. Elvis was an incredible tribute. We had about 70 people in attendance. Our next brunch is a Paul McCartney tribute, "Brunch on the Run" on Friday, Sept. 16."

About SLPR's Senior Fridays

Join their fun-loving group for Senior Fridays at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center. Meet new friends, share some laughs while playing Bingo, Bunco and Euchre. Come for the day or just for your favorite part. Wheelchair accessible.

If this is your first time visiting, call (810) 714-2011.

In the event of inclement weather or school closures for Fenton Area Public Schools, Senior Fridays will be canceled.





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Arnold Lee "Arnie" Gilliand

Arnold Lee "Arnie" Gilliand - age 68, of Linden, passed away Tuesday, June 21, 2022. Visitation was held from 3 - 8 PM Friday, June 24, 2022 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Those desiring may make contributions to the family. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Roxanne Fishler-Heidenrich

Roxanne Fishler-Heidenrich - age 66. died June 18. 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Floyd Haddox, Sr.

Floyd Haddox, Sr. - age 88. died June 17. 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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lone Cash - age 89, died June 17, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Jo Ann Carter

Jo Ann Carter - age 71, died June 19, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Joel Raymond Svejcara 1985 - 2022



at a later date. Those desiring may make contributions to Linden United Methodist Church. Joel was born June 28, 1985 in Flint, the son of Raymond and Susan (Teer) Svejcara. He was a graduate of Linden High School and Central Michigan University. Joel was employed by General Motors, where he loved his work and his team. Joel

Kendal Kolar

Kendal Kolar - age 37, died June 19, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Leisa Kaczmarczyk

Leisa Kaczmarczyk - age 67, died June 18, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes, www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.





spending time with family and playing golf with his friends and his dad. He cherished his childhood memories. while continuing to make

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new ones. He is survived by his parents, Raymond and Susan; his beloved dog. Maverick: sister. Heather and husband Paul Kirshman; nieces, Heidi and Leyna; aunts, uncles and cousins. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Lillian Scott

Lillian Scott - age 87, died June 18, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Luella Whitman Luella Whitman - age 84, died June 21, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes, www.

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Rhonda Lynn Hagon 1972 - 2022



the Eiffel Tower. She attended Mott Community College and University of Michigan-Flint. Rhonda worked as a Case Worker for the DHS. State of Michigan. She loved

27, 2022 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel 1000 Silver Lake Rd.. Fenton, Burial will follow in Evergreen Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 2 - 6 PM Sunday, June 26, 2022 at the funeral home. Those desiring may make contributions to the National Kidney Foundation. Rhonda was born December 13, 1972 in Flint, the daughter of Keith Allen and Bonnie Sue (Hendley) Hagon. She was a 1991 graduate of Lake Fenton High School. Rhonda was a foreign exchange student in France and loved anything related to Paris and

Carol Smith

Carol Smith - age 87, died June 20, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.







David Thomas

David Thomas - age 52. died June 20. 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Lynn Hagon - age 49, of Grand Blanc, passed awav at her

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residence on Wednesday, June 22, 2022. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM Monday, June

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Lynn Beck

Lynn Beck - age 86, died June 16, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Mary Conatser

Mary Conatser - age 98, died June 22, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Norman Jones Norman Jones - age 90, died June 17, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes, www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Rhonda Hagon

Rhonda Hagon - age 49, died June 16, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Robert Dickinson

Robert Dickinson - age 72, died June 22, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Rodnev Wilson

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MISSING DOG

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horrified when he ran into the street.

"I ran out after him and watched him get hit, basically roll down the side of her car and take off. I chased him as long as I could but he was running so fast. We know the direction he went, but he could have gone anywhere after that," she said.

The woman who hit her dog, along with her husband, have stopped by the Kotalik's house every day to check on them and help look for Blaze.

"She felt terrible. There wasn't really any way she could have avoided it. He was sprinting full force across the street. He basically hit the street at the same time that she was passing our house. She didn't even have time to see him," Kotalik said.

They're asking anyone near Holly Hills, Falk Road and Road Road to keep an eye out for him. They've searched the woods and put up flyers. They have camera footage of him running down Lancaster in Holly Hills toward the back of the park, but they don't know where he went from there.

He's been missing for about a week now. Kotalik is growing increasingly worried due to the heat and the possibility that Blaze is injured.

"I'm so worried about him with all of this heat. I'm just praying that he is okay and not injured to the point of not being able to move and he just slowly dies out there alone. That

thought is killing me alone," she said.

It's especially heartbreaking for Kotalik because she adopted Blaze in April 2020, only months after her father died that December. Blaze helped her out of a dark place.

"I'm praying we find him. We have a live trap set up in the woods now to try to get him, assuming he is still in the area," she said. "He's like one of my kids. I unfortunately had to watch my dad die and now I had to watch my dog get hit and run off."

Blaze is a "sweet puppy" who can get ice out of the machine in the fridge by himself, she said. He plays with balloons like he's Air Bud and he's great with the kids.

Kotalik has posted multiple times on the Holly, MI (Open Discussion/Forum) Facebook page and has received many positive and hopeful comments of support. She urges people to check under porches or garages or anywhere he could be hiding to escape the heat. He could have also sought water.

"If anyone can help with any video or anything, I will be forever thankful. This puppy helped me through losing my dad and I really can't emotionally afford to lose him too," she posted on June 19. "Thank you to everyone that has been helping to look. I don't know how to thank you enough. I just need him home and safe. I'm sick worried about him."

She checked the Oakland County Animal Shelter on Tuesday, June 21 and they're also checking Genesee County animal service locations.

Kotalik can be reached at (248) 525-4069.

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