

# 2022 Fenton Freedom Festival

■ Grand Marshal reception tonight, ski show Friday night, parade, fireworks and more Monday

By Sharon Stone

The Fourth of July — also known as Independence Day or July 4th — has been a federal holiday in the United States since

1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution.

On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later, delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson.

From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence, with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades and concerts to more casual family gatherings and barbecues. This year's holiday falls on Monday, July 4.

Be sure to checking out some or all of the festivities in Fenton.

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Fireworks begin at 10 p.m. at Silver Lake Park in Fenton. Times file photo

**YOUTH DOMINATES TOP SPOTS AT WINGS OF MERCY RUNWAY 5K**  
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### More than \$22K donated to help Linden Mill building

■ Two Linden groups fundraise to help save historic structure

By Hannah Ball

**Linden** — It was a packed Linden City Council meeting on Monday, June 27 when two groups presented checks to the city that will go to the Linden Mill building restoration.

The Linden Mills Historical Society donated \$20,000 and the See **LINDEN MILL** on 8

### Fire destroys barn, damages speakeasy



The barn just north of TruFamily Dental in Fenton on Adelaide Street was fully engulfed in flames Tuesday, June 28. The rear of El Topo, which housed The Relief & Resource Co., sustained heavy damage. No one was injured. Firefighters from six municipalities battled the flames for more than an hour. See story on page 5. Photo: Hannah Ball

### Commission approves recall language

■ Sponsor needs to collect 807 valid signatures of registered Rose Township voters

By Sharon Stone

Three weeks after the Oakland County Election Commission rejected recall language submitted by Rose Township resident Donald Space, the commission accepted newly submitted recall language on June 27.

The commission determines See **RECALL** on 13

“Not surprised to see the Ripley Road improvement plan was rejected. Does someone live on Ripley that does not want that road improved? It should have been paved years ago. What happened with the lawsuit filed by the person who was injured on Ripley due to the poor road conditions?”

“Shiawassee road, going west from the high school to about 1/4 mile from White Lake Road, is in dire need of repair. Several of the roads in this area have been repaired, but somehow this stretch has been neglected. Many large cracks and holes in that stretch. Please help.”

“I hope the city of Fenton will consider making the intersections at Sixth and East and Sixth and Oak four-way stops when they rebuild the roads. As is, nobody stops at those intersections now and it is only a matter of time before someone is hurt.”





More than a thousand people came to downtown Linden for the annual River Fest. People enjoyed live music, the cardboard boat regatta, the rubber duck race and more. **Photos: Hannah Ball**

## Annual River Fest fun for families

■ **Keepers thank city, bands, volunteers and more for work during popular river event**

**By Hannah Ball**

**Linden** — The annual River Fest on Saturday, June 25 in Linden saw high temperatures, but it didn't keep people away from celebrating the Shiawassee River and enjoying the downtown events.

Organized by the Keepers of the Shiawassee, this event's purpose is to raise awareness about the importance of the Shiawassee River. It's the main annual fundraiser for the Keepers.

Brad Jacob, chairperson of the Keepers, said more than 1,000 people came to the event over the course of the day.

"River Fest went very well. Even with the heat, we still had a good turnout. We couldn't have done it without our volunteers, bands, the vendors, the city of Linden and all of the generous sponsors. We really appreciate everyone that attended. We hope they enjoyed the day as much as we did," he said.

Bands played music at the Kimble-Sharp Gazebo for hours. The public enjoyed the food trucks and stands, along with booths from local busi-

nesses and vendors. The Keepers set up educational booths to teach people about water monitoring, invasive species and the health of the river. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources brought a boat cleaning station.

Gary Messenger and other volunteers with the Keepers were showing attendees what insects are found in the river and talked to people about how they monitor the river and share the information with the Genesee County Drain Commission.

Invasive species often travel from one body of water to another because people do not clean off their boats and other watercraft beforehand.

The cardboard boat regatta was back. More than a dozen children, along with help from their families, constructed boats and paddled around the course.

"The cardboard boat regatta was very successful and continues to grow in participation. A big thank you to all the kids that worked so hard on their boats," Jacob said.

Families watched with rapt attention when the ducks were released into the Shiawassee River for the popular rubber duck race.

# City sets up donation site for Holly fire victims

■ **City developing events, more fundraising efforts**

**By Hannah Ball**

Village of Holly officials and the Holly Downtown Development Authority (DDA) have set up a link where the public can donate to help the victims of the Tuesday, June 21 fire.

Go to [Patronicity.com/heartofholly](https://Patronicity.com/heartofholly) to help in the Downtown Rebuild & Preservation Fund," the village announced on Monday, June 27. "There will be other opportunities as well; including a couple T-shirt/decal/yard sign fundraisers. One right now is on social media from Jessica Ireland. There will be more to follow as well as a special event that is being planned. There are many Holly groups and organizations that are assisting in these efforts, and

we cannot wait to share more soon!"

The village said that while affected business are working with their insurance companies, officials do not believe the coverage will be enough.

"There will (be) extreme out-of-pocket costs for business/property owners, employees, and tenants that won't be covered from insurance alone. We also want to work toward preservation efforts. There will be many fundraising efforts, please choose wisely on which ones you decide to give your money," according to the announcement.

Clean up efforts are ongoing. BEL-FOR, a company that provides fire restoration services, has blocked off certain affected parts of the city.

"The area has been opened back up, except for a potential collapse zone in front of Andy's Place. Once the second floor is removed or stabilized, the collapse zone will shrink even more," according to the announcement.

The village will provide updates every Monday and Thursday.

## Missing dog found

■ **Facebook group helps reunite lost dog with family**

**By Hannah Ball**

Blaze is home.

This is what Holly resident Heather Kotalik joyfully shared on the Holly, MI Facebook forum the night of Monday, June 27, hours after she found her dog who had been missing since Saturday, June 18.

After more than a week of posting about her missing dog and worried that he was injured, Kotalik and her two children are relieved and thankful to have him home.

"I can't believe that after over a week, someone still spotted him and remembered about Blaze. It's amazing. The power that shares on Facebook can do in a situation like this. The outpouring of love, prayer, suggestions and people coming from all over to help,



Blaze, the missing pitbull terrier mix who escaped from his Holly home, was found safe after more than a week. **Submitted photo**

was overwhelming to say the least... but in such an amazing way. I cannot thank all of you enough. We could not

See **BLAZE** on 8



# UM quarterback JJ McCarthy visits Fenton

■ Charitable appearance will benefit Boys & Girls Club of Greater Flint and JJ Smiles

The Randy Wise Automotive Team is excited to host a charitable appearance by JJ McCarthy at their Buick GMC location in Fenton on June 30, from 2 to 3 p.m.

The automotive group, based primarily in Genesee County, announced their partnership with McCarthy in January and has provided McCarthy with a New 2022 RAM 1500 Hemi eTourque.

McCarthy's appearance will be the beginning of the various marketing and charitable ventures over the course of the next two years.

For every attendee, Randy Wise Automotive Team will make a donation to the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Flint and JJ's For The Kids Foundation, otherwise known as JJ Smiles. Randy and Chris Wise have been a part of the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Flint for more than a decade.

"We are extremely excited to partner with JJ McCarthy," said Chris Wise, vice president of the Randy Wise Automotive Team. "JJ has already shown tremendous leadership through his foundation, JJ For The Kids, and



Come out for a visit with the University of Michigan quarterback JJ McCarthy from 2 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 30, at Randy Wise Buick GMC in Fenton.

we look forward to working together as a team."

"Our team enjoys the opportunity to work with great people. We are happy to have played a role in structuring this partnership, as we believe that JJ will be an outstanding representative of the Randy Wise Automotive Team," said Jared Wangler, owner of Valiant Management Group. "The new era of collegiate athletics has enabled long overdue opportunities for U of M student athletes to capitalize on their name, image and likeness. As a

sports marketing agency founded in Ann Arbor, we hope to elevate and promote the hard working, family owned businesses based in the state of Michigan through the scope of the NIL (name, image and likeness)."

Randy Wise Automotive recently purchased a new BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Toyota dealership last fall, adding eight locations and 13 brands to the growing Automotive Team founded in 1989. The Automotive Team is the largest automotive group donor to a United Way in the state of Michigan.

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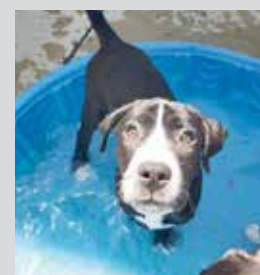


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### Holly fire

Dear Editor,  
I am not from Holly, but I have lived here for well over 45 years. The streets and trees and buildings are as familiar to me as the markings on my own hands. What Holly is, what it has come to be, is a town that cherishes its past, knows its own heart, and understands the connection shared by its occupants. The fire, which destroyed a physical chunk of Holly's heritage did not destroy the memories we hold and the passions we have for belonging to the same place. In fact, the fire made us realize that we are lucky indeed to have had our childhoods and adulthoods set in a place rich with the breath of long-ago eras, while always welcoming new additions into the fold. Take heart, fellow Hollyians, and celebrate our collective love for our wonderfully unique village.

Fondly,  
Jo Grossmann

## Sharin' the spotlight

By Editor Sharon Stone

**W**hen I heard the first 911 alert last Tuesday, June 21, saying the front of the Holly Moose Lodge was on fire, I imagined it would quickly be extinguished. I turned on my police and fire scanner and started listening while I was working on another story. I had just gotten back to the office and knew it was really hot outside. My first thought was those firefighters having to wear their heavy turnout gear in 96-degree temps. As I listened, it became clear that this small fire, which was initially reported had the potential of becoming much larger. My scanner was so active with chatter as nearly 20 fire departments were being requested to the scene for manpower, water and equipment.

The coordination efforts of the Holly Fire Department, Holly Police Department, the DPW, village officials and all of those other departments was incredible. Add to that the efforts of nearby businesses and everyday citizens jumping into action with bottles of water, food and



Sharon Stone

## Thankful for first responders

anything else that the firefighters needed. To learn that six firefighters were injured from smoke inhalation or other injuries reminds us all on just what a difficult and dangerous job they have. The first responders are always the first to run toward a crisis.

The village of Holly is coordinating with verified fundraising groups to prevent fraud because so many people want to help the businesses that lost everything and those businesses that will be closed and not bringing in any revenue while they rebuild. Kudos to everyone who is helping Holly.

The Holly fire brought memories of the Linden Union Block fire that destroyed downtown Linden's largest building in May 2007. I was out of town at my son's hockey tournament when the historical building caught fire and I started getting calls from friends telling me that Linden was on fire. That following Monday I drove down to see firsthand the devastation. The smell of a structure fire stays with you forever. I was able to get a peek to take photos inside the

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## Hotlines

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**FENTON NEEDS AND** deserves a home grown Police Chief Lt. Cross. Swear him in.

**YOU KNOW WHEN** things are really bad when a gallon of gas costs as much as your morning cup of coffee.

**FINALLY, THE U.S.** Supreme Court confirms our right to bear arms for self-defense.

**THE CONSTITUTION DOESN'T** forbid teaching about religion in public schools, only putting any religion ahead of another. Teaching religious history and diversity could actually be beneficial. Parents concerned that exposure to variety might lead their kids away from their own preferred beliefs need to trust and honor their kids decisions.

**I WISH PEOPLE** would quit posting their opinions about this latest Supreme Court decision on social media. It makes me have to choose if I still want to be your friend.

**MORE BABIES OF** all colors!

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

## What's your favorite part of the Fenton Freedom Festival? | streettalk



"I am hoping for an opportunity to interact with the local fire departments and thank them for their incredible work this summer in Holly and Fenton."

**Jared Hoffmeyer, Grand Blanc**



"The parade."

**Karen Buckingham**  
Fenton



"Riding my horse in the parade and another time driving him in my carriage and in later years walking my miniature horses."

**Lillian Kateman**  
Fenton



"When the fireworks were launched where everyone could see them, not just Silver Lake residents."

**Richard Beauchamp**  
Fenton





(Top) The back of El Topo and parts of the roof sustained heavy damage in the Tuesday fire. (Right) Only parts of the barn remained after firefighters extinguished the fire. Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff said they had to demolish the structure. Photos: Hannah Ball



# Fenton fire destroys barn, damages speakeasy

■ Multiple departments respond to fire, barn fully engulfed

By Hannah Ball

**Fenton** — A barn burned down and El Topo in Fenton was badly damaged from a fire on Tuesday, June 28.

At approximately 1:30 p.m., the Fenton Fire Department was dispatched on a call for a dumpster fire at Adelaide and Mill streets in downtown Fenton. Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff said a car was on fire when they arrived.

The flames spread to a dumpster, a nearby tree and barn just south of the car and the El Topo property. The fuel tank ruptured on the vehicle and fuel spread across the parking lot to The Relief & Resource Co., which is the speakeasy in the back of the El Topo building. The rear exterior and parts of the roof burned until firefighters fully put out the flames.

The barn, which is part of the Tru-Family Dental property, was fully engulfed. Cairnduff said they will demolish the rest of the building today because it's not stable.

No injuries were reported.

"The wind was definitely a factor in it," Cairnduff said. "In a couple minutes, it was fully involved."

They called multiple fire departments for aid. On scene were departments from Fenton Township, Linden, Holly Village, North Oakland County Fire Authority and Hartland.

The Edward Jones building, just west of El Topo, also sustained minor damage.

Crowds of people watched the firefighters put out the flames, including employees from El Topo.

Jon Foley, head bartender and co-owner of The Relief & Resource Co., said they were recording a podcast at approximately 1:30 p.m. when a police officer burst in and said "emergency, emergency" and they ran out the side door.

"Everybody's safe. There's nobody hurt. Not even smoke inhalation. It's just next steps," he said. He's been in contact with the builder and his insurance company.

"Right now, we just want to make sure the site is secure and that it's fenced off and nobody can go in there so there isn't another risk for some freak, random injury," he said. "We'll talk about everything else tomorrow morning."

El Topo opened in August 2016. Prior to the two restaurants, the building was the former location of FARR Thrift Store.

Lee Napier, financial advisor at Edward Jones, the building just west of El Topo, said he heard a small explosion and noticed smoke. He ran out to see what happened. He saw flames by the car and dumpster.

"It sounds like everyone's okay. That's the first thing," he said, adding that the firefighters did a good job protecting the building. Part of the siding

melted from the heat.

Napier has worked in this building for 10 years.

"I love that building next door," he said, referring to the speakeasy.

Lisa Rockman moved out of the second story apartment in the Edward

Jones building the day before the fire, Monday, June 27. She lived there for 10 years.

"I just feel extremely blessed. God is in charge, isn't he?" she said. "It's crazy. I'm very grateful to God for watching over me, my cat and everyone else."



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TOWNSHIP	WHERE	IMPACT TO TRAFFIC	TIMELINE	DETOUR	PROJECT DETAILS
Argentine	Lahring Rd. near Bird Rd.	Closed to thru traffic	May 16 - June 22	none	Replacing culvert
Flint	Bristol Rd. bridge between I-69 and Linden Rd.	One lane open in each direction	April 4 - August 29	none	Bridge rehabilitation
Davison	Bristol Rd. between Atlas Rd. and Lang Rd.	Detour posted	April 4 - June 24	Bristol to Irish to Atherton to M-15	Rubbilization
Grand Blanc	Baldwin Rd. between South Dort Hwy. and Holly Rd.	Detour posted	June 6 - September 2	Fenton to Cook to Holly	Widening to 3 lanes
Grand Blanc	Misty Meadows	Open to local traffic	May 2 - TBD	none	Rehabilitation
Fenton	Silver Lake Rd. between Ripley Rd. and city limits	Two-way traffic maintained	June 9 - June 30	none	Resurfacing

Walled Lake man dies in motorcycle crash

Happened Friday in Springfield Township

A Walled Lake man was killed Friday, June 24, when the motorcycle he was driving struck a car that turned in front of him on Dixie Highway in Springfield Township.

Paul Clish, 68, was riding a 2006 Harley Davidson motorcycle southbound on Dixie Highway near Hutchinson Drive shortly after 3 p.m. Friday when a 2020 Chevrolet Equinox driven by a 69-year-old

Davisburg woman turned left in front of him.

Clish was pronounced dead at the scene. He was wearing a helmet at the time of the crash.

The Davisburg woman received minor injuries and was taken to the hospital by the Springfield Township Fire Department.

Alcohol and/or drug use do not appear to be factors in the crash, which is being investigated by the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Crash Reconstruction Unit.



The latest word on Miranda warnings

Last week, the United States Supreme Court released two widely publicized opinions interpreting individual rights under the United States Constitution.

The first was a gun case, New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v Bruen, which held that under the Second Amendment New York's concealed carry handgun law was too restrictive and invalidated it.

The second was Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization, which held that there is no constitutional right to an abortion under the 14th Amendment's "right to privacy" and overturned Roe v Wade. As a result the legality of abortions is left up to the individual states.

To say the least, both of these opinions have significant impacts on the law, especially Dobbs, which changed a precedent in effect since 1973.

Perhaps lost in it all was another opinion released last week, which answered the question of whether it is a constitutional right for a defendant to be given Miranda warnings as to their Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination before they are questioned.

In Vega v Tekoh, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy Carlos Vega questioned a suspect, Terence Tekoh, about allegations that Tekoh had sexually assaulted a patient at the medical center where he worked.

No Miranda warnings were given.

At first, he denied the allegations, but eventually he provided a written apology letter admitting that he was guilty.

Thereafter he was criminally charged, but later acquitted, as the jury found the confession was coerced and invalid.

He subsequently filed a civil rights lawsuit against the deputy, claiming his constitutional right to be given Miranda warnings was violated. When he filed his lawsuit, most federal courts had held that being given Miranda warnings was a constitutional right, but the United States Supreme Court had never specifically decided the issue.

In a six to three opinion, the court held that Miranda warnings are not a constitutional right, but a constitutional prophylactic rule, that the Miranda Court in 1966 had found necessary to protect a defendant's Fifth Amendment rights.

As a result, civil rights actions against the police for such omissions are not allowed.

The decision doesn't mean that Miranda warnings aren't important as they still must be given to admit an in custody defendant's statements at a trial.

It was a busy and interesting week.

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Kids are encouraged to decorate their bicycles with patriotic decorations and take part in the Fenton Freedom Festival Parade on Monday, July 4. To learn more and to sign up the children, go to [fentonchamber.com/events](http://fentonchamber.com/events). The Firecracker 5K and 2.5K Run returns to July 4 as part of the Fenton Freedom Festival. **Times file photos** At 12:30 p.m., Monday, July 4, the Fenton Rotary Club is holding its Rubber Ducky Regatta. **Submitted photo**

## FREEDOM

Continued from Front Page

### FENTON FREEDOM FESTIVAL

Today, Wednesday, June 29 the Grand Marshal adult reception will run from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center. This year's Grand Marshal is Linda Hathaway. The crowning of the Fenton Freedom Festival king and queen, Nathan Katic and Maryn Rettenmund, respectively, also takes place at this reception.

On Friday, July 1, the Silver Lake Ski Show begins at 7 p.m. at Silver Lake Park.

On Monday, July 4, residents and visitors can check out the Fenton Freedom Festival Craft Show from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the grounds of the Fenton Community & Cultural Center.

The American Legion is sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast at 7 a.m. in the Fenton Community & Cultural Center. At 9 a.m., there will be an Ecumenical Blessing at the pancake breakfast.

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Fenton Firecracker 5K Race and Fun Run/Walk are back in person this year. The race begins at 9:45 a.m., so be sure to be in place with your bib on by 9:30 a.m. Race starts on the corner of Mill Street and S. Adelaide Street heading north. Packet pickup will be at Freedom Center Church on July 1 and 2, from 9 a.m., to 3 p.m., both days. If you are unable to make it on those days, packets can also be picked up at 7 a.m. on the day of the race.

For more information about the races, go to [freedomcenter.church](http://freedomcenter.church).

The Fenton Freedom Festival Parade in downtown Fenton begins at 10 a.m., rain or shine. Live or recorded music will add to the festive nature of the event. All are welcome to join in the fun. The parade route is approximately 1.9 miles in length, as follows:

- Starts at the intersection of Industrial Way and Owen Road
- East along W. Shiawassee Avenue to LeRoy Street
- North on LeRoy to Caroline
- West on Caroline to West Street

The Kiwanis Club of Fenton invites all children to decorate and ride their bicycles in Fenton's Freedom Festival Parade. Parents may join with preschoolers in wagons. Due to high temperatures of the asphalt along the parade route, pets are not allowed. To learn more and to sign up the children, go to [fentonchamber.com/events](http://fentonchamber.com/events).

After the parade, Boy Scout Troop 212 will host a Pig Roast BBQ and Fenton Lions Club will offer ice cream.

At 12:30 p.m., the Fenton Rotary Club is holding its Rubber Ducky Regatta. Join the Rotary behind the community center along the banks of the Shiawassee River as they release 2,000 rubber ducks. The winning duck/ticket holder will win forever bragging rights and \$1,000, plus there are prizes for the other top 15 finishes. Rubber Ducky Tickets are \$10 for one or \$100 for 10. Go to [fentonrotary.org](http://fentonrotary.org) to buy tickets.

Each year the Fenton Rotary Club uses proceeds from their fundraisers and local personal and corporate sponsors to assist local families with the construction of handicap ramps to

help with accessibility needs.

The Kiwanis Club will provide free children's games and cardboard city painting.

At 10 p.m. on Monday, July 4, fireworks are back at Silver Lake Park. There will be no parking at Silver Lake Park. Anyone wishing to donate to the fireworks fund can do so at [fitchamberfoundation.org](http://fitchamberfoundation.org).

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**IF A STATE** outlaws abortion and forces a woman to bear and give birth to a baby she doesn't want, the state should bear all responsibility for neo-natal costs, delivery, and then handle all adoption costs and procedures. Women have just become brood mares.

■■■

**ABORTION WOULD NOT** be necessary if intelligence would preclude passion. Unintended pregnancy should be impossible if common sense prevailed.

■■■

**WHEN WILL HEARINGS** into the shutting of the Keystone pipeline start? That has caused more pain and suffering than the capitol riots.

■■■

**IF YOU ARE** happy with Biden, you have been watching too much mainstream media news. There are news sources out there committed to truth in journalism if you look.

■■■

**IF A WOMAN** has the right to control her body, why is suicide illegal?

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# Linden City hires development director

■ DDA chairperson/business liaison chosen for position

By Hannah Ball

**Linden** — Linden now has a community and economic development director.

On Monday, June 27, Linden City Council approved creating the position and hiring Bryan Mulanix, who is also the chairperson and business liaison on the Linden Downtown Development Authority (DDA).

"The city is in a stage of growth and change that requires a significant amount of support and attention," said City Manager Ellen Glass in a letter to Linden City Council.

She said the city needs more support with the masterplan, in economic and marketing strategy, working toward a Main Street Initiative, developing efforts to revitalize and redevelop properties and more.

"I have been working on the idea of implementing a community and economic director position and I feel we are in a place that could benefit significantly from this structure. This role could help to address some of the areas I feel have not had the attention necessary," Glass said. "I feel like it's a vital structure to put in place at this point to be able to take Linden to the next chapter."

The city and DDA will share the costs 50/50 for this part-time position, which is 20 hours a week with an hourly rate of \$25. Mulanix will start with a six-month trial period beginning July 1 through Dec. 31.

The DDA unanimously voted in favor of creating the position. Glass wrote that Mulanix is the "perfect individual" for the position because he already does this type of work as the business liaison.

"He has worked to help build back relationships with the businesses and provide support to them in various areas," Glass wrote.

Councilor Heather MacDermaid, city council representative on the DDA, said they were "all for it." She said Mulanix has been helping businesses for years and they receive a lot of positive feedback. She hopes this will foster more communication between the DDA and residents.

"I think economic development in these times is very necessary and I think there's a real opportunity to grow this city. I think it's very important for us, so I support it," said Councilor Ray Culbert.

"I also think this is great. Brian has really added a lot to the DDA and in helping to work with our businesses. He and his wife are fully invested into Linden with their business. You've gone through so many of the processes that businesses are going to have to go through. So you have hands on experience," said Mayor Danielle Cusson. "I am in support."

Mulanix said, "This is kind of our opportunity to supercharge all these projects that we have going on."

A few of his goals he mentioned are to have better communication, help events grow and be a point of contact.

## LINDEN MILL

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Spirit of 76 donated \$2,062 to help the historic building. The Linden City Council passed resolutions to accept the money.

Pete Maas, president of the LMHS, said during the COVID-19 pandemic when the museum was not open to the public, they began a project. Maas, his wife Barb and a few of the board members put together a memory book about the city. It's a compilation of photos, stories and poems written by the people of Linden and those in the vicinity.

"The purpose was to commemorate our sesquicentennial year with this souvenir book with all proceeds going toward the restoration efforts of the Mill Building. However, the project became much larger than first anticipated and the effort grew into a 250-page book, which became an immediate hit," Maas said.

They published "Linden Memories Past & Present" in December 2021 and the first round sold out before Christmas. Books from the second printing also sold out.

"Currently over 600 books have been sold and we are now on our third and final printing. My wife said, 'this is it.' Needless to say, it's been a wonderful thing for us again. I enjoyed doing it. Although it was a lot of pressure at times, we went through it and it was quite a success," Maas said. "At this time, I would like to make a donation."

He presented a \$20,000 check to the Linden City Council. This amount includes proceeds from the book as well as a private donation from a few community members and a \$5,000 donation from Joe Kimble, who also donated to refurbish the Linden gazebo.

"It is our hope that more organizations will follow in this fundraising effort to save our beloved mill," Maas said. The book costs \$30.

Most members of the LMHS executive board, which consists of Secretary Nancy Wallace, Treasurer Amanda Whitney, and Trustees Aaron Wiles, Patricia Burgess and Kathy Button, were in attendance on Monday, June 27.

Maas, a former Linden teacher, introduced the Linden High School class of 1976, also called the "Spirit of 76." A member of the class, Rick Castro, said he attended Linden from kindergarten through high school.

"We were fortunate enough to go to Linden. We had some great teachers and I had some great classmates and friends," he said. Once a month, they get together for breakfast. Castro wanted to donate to the Linden Mill restoration efforts, but Maas mentioned that doing a fundraiser might be better.

They organized a Texas Hold'em Tournament in March and raised \$2,062, which they donated to the city to help the Linden Mill building.

"We want to make sure this building stays. It's very important to us that this building stays," he said.

## BLAZE

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have found him without all of your help! Just shows how magical our little town really is," she posted.

After the 1-year-old pitbull terrier mix escaped from their residence near Holly Hills that Saturday morning, Kotalik ran after him and saw him get hit by a car. Blaze took off. Kotalik said the driver of the car felt terrible and that there was nothing she could have done when Blaze sprinted into the street. The driver and her husband helped them search for Blaze multiple times.

They asked anyone near Holly Hills, Falk Road and Rood Road to keep an eye out for him. They searched the

woods and put up flyers. Kotalik was worried due to the heat and the possibility that he was injured. She adopted Blaze in April 2020, only months after her father died that December. Blaze helped her out of a dark place.

A person on the Holly Facebook page spotted him at a church near Falk Road. Kotalik ran out of work and who helped searched for an hour and a half.

"We spotted him again. I got there and he ran into my arms," Kotalik said.

Blaze lost a little weight and has some cuts on his legs, which Kotalik will have a veterinarian examine. Other than that, he seems completely okay and happy to be home, she said. He ate all the food they had left for him.

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## RECALL

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whether each reason for a recall stated in the petitions are factual and of sufficient clarity to enable the officer whose recall is being sought and the electors to identify the course of conduct, which is the basis for the recall.

The number of signatures needed to trigger a recall election is 25% of the votes cast in the officer's district for all candidates for the office of governor in the last gubernatorial general election.

In this recall effort, Speace said to his understanding he will need to collect 807 valid signatures from registered voters in Rose Township. He acknowledges that he is learning about recalls as he continues his efforts. Registered voters can sign the petition for either or both of the recall targets.

"Getting this recall language approved was a big hurdle," Speace said.

The following is the language that was approved Monday morning.

### Rose Township Supervisor Dianne Scheib-Snider

"At the Rose Township board meeting on Sept. 8, 2021, Dianne Scheib-Snider voted "yes" on the motion to authorize the supervisor and/or treasurer to obtain a labor attorney or consultant that specializes in labor negotiations in the amount of \$30,000."

### Rose Township Treasurer Paul Gambka

"At the Rose Township board meeting on Sept. 8, 2021, Paul Gambka voted "yes" on the motion to authorize the supervisor and/or treasurer to obtain a labor attorney or consultant that specializes in labor negotiations in the amount of \$30,000."

### Recall petition information

Signatures on a recall petition dated more than 60 days before the filing of the petition are invalid.

Recall petitions are circulated within the district represented by the officer whose recall is sought.

The sheet may not contain signatures of voters who live outside the city or township specified in the heading.

A circulator shall not leave a recall petition unattended in a public place; all signatures must be signed in the

presence of the circulator.

After gathering the last signature he/she intends to collect, the circulator must complete, sign and date the "circulator's certificate" on the petition sheet. Circulators must indicate their residence address and city or township of residence on the circulator's certificate. Signatures on a sheet, which are dated after the date on the circulator's certificate are not valid.

Signers of recall petitions must be registered to vote in the electoral district of the official whose recall is sought.

All signatures must be signed in the presence of the circulator.

A signer is not permitted to sign, date or enter the address for anyone else. For example, an individual may not sign for his or her spouse.

A signer is not permitted to use ditto marks for address or date.

After the sponsors of the recall effort have collected more than the required number of signatures on their petition, the petition filing takes place. Petitions are filed with the county clerk. Petitions must be filed within 180 days of language approval.

There is a single recall election to fill the partial (remaining) term of office for the official subject to the recall, with the incumbent automatically made a candidate in the election unless he/she withdraws within 10 days after the filing of the recall petition. There is one election and the candidate who receives the highest vote total is elected to serve the remainder of the unexpired term. There is no primary.

An officer who is recalled shall not be appointed to fill a vacancy in an elective office in the electoral district or governmental unit from which the recall was made, for the duration of the term of office that he or she ordinarily would have served.

An officer targeted for recall who resigns after a recall petition has been filed shall not be appointed to fill a vacancy in elective office in that electoral district or governmental unit for the duration of the term of office that he or she resigned.

After the filing of a recall petition that has been circulated and after conducting a recall election, no further recall petition shall be filed against the same incumbent of that office during the remainder of the unexpired term.

## THANKFUL

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old restaurant that was in the corner of the building. Standing in the ruins was like being in a snapshot of time. Ceiling beams had fallen, everything was covered in black soot and water covered the floor. The backdrop to this was blackened tables still covered with tableclothes, plates and silverware.

Like the Holly fire, multiple fire departments responded to the Linden fire. Both involved historical structures that were built in the 1800s.

Our local fire departments are mostly manned by volunteer firefighters who are paid an hourly rate when they respond to an emergency.

They have other full-time jobs and have to drop what they are doing to respond.

Now, I'm listening to the scanner again and hearing updates on a new fire. At about 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 28, I heard an alert of a dumpster fire with heavy smoke in the area of Mill and Adelaide streets in downtown Fenton. The fire quickly grew. Multiple fire departments responded through mutual aid to save structures. This time it's the El Topo restaurant and a barn just south of that building that are on fire.

Thank you to all of the fire departments and first responders who put others first. The Times will have more coverage of this online at tctimes.com and in this weekend's edition.

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24 New York canal  
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11 Hideaway  
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19 Lummoxes  
20 Hardly any  
21 Verbal  
22 Opera set in Egypt  
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26 Omit  
27 Fork prong  
29 Sporty car roof  
31 Lion's home
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## Midweek Jumble

### JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME  
by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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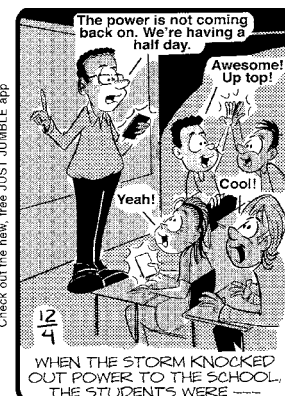
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## Horoscopes

For the week of  
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### ARIES

Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, you are on fire lately. There's seemingly nothing you touch that won't turn to gold afterward. This trend will continue, but try not to let it go to your head.

### TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, unless you take swift action, you could be heading for a financial free-fall. Start to pull back spending for a while and see if the situation will right itself.

### GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21

It's time to make amends with someone who did you wrong, Gemini. Life is too short to hold grudges, and this person has mended his or her ways since.

### CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, when plans change on a dime, you are ready to roll with the new situation. Higher-ups could get a peek at your quick thinking, which can land you a promotion.

### LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23

Make the most of every opportunity that comes your way this week, Leo. You may not get many chances to prove your worth in the weeks to come, so it's important to act now.

### VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, it is important to remember that your online presence never goes away. Watch what you post and say in social media groups, as it could come back to bite you.

### LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23

Something that started out as a part-time venture could turn into much more, Libra. Figure out if this is the path you see yourself going and then jump on it.

### SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22

Let loose and have fun for a change, Scorpio. Don't delay when others want to invite you out for a night on the town or even a brunch. Say "yes" to any and all opportunities.

### SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21

There's a lot going on right now and it may have your head spinning, Sagittarius. Delegate some of your workload if you can. Don't be too hard on yourself.

### CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20

Family matters come to the forefront this week, Capricorn. You must dig in deep to address them. There are two sides to every story, so try to get all the facts first.

### AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18

Just when you started to lose hope, that new horizon you were seeking comes into view, Aquarius. It is well-deserved and there will be smiles for the weeks ahead.

### PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, if you find yourself with too much extra time on your hands, why not volunteer with the community to pass the time?



# Fenton teams dominate mid-point of top 10 spring sports team list

By David Troppens

Today is the second installment of three detailing of Tri-County Top 10 Sports Teams of the Spring.

Today, the sports staff will present teams No. 8 to No. 5. All of these teams had strong seasons in some respects, but fell short enough where it's fair to suggest none of these squads were contend-

ing for top-four status. All of them have something else in common. Each squad has Fenton representation on their squad.

**No. 8 - Fenton/Linden girls lacrosse:** Since girls lacrosse has existed in the Flint Metro League, the Heat have been the clear-cut best squad. Consequently, the squad usually gets a pretty decent amount of respect when it comes

to our spring polls.

The Heat captured a Flint Metro League title once again this season. However, this season it was a little bit different than the previous five. This time, the Heat had to share it with Swartz Creek, after the Dragons gave the Fenton/Linden team its first loss in league play in school history during the final

regular season game of the year. Earning the title gave the Heat this spot.

See **FENTON** on 16



The Fenton/Linden varsity girls lacrosse team is No. 8 on our Tri-County Top 10 Sports Teams of the Spring list.

Photo: David Troppens

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## Sports Times

# Youth dominates top spots at Wings of Mercy Runway 5K

By David Troppens

**Linden** — One was a first-timer at the Wings of Mercy Runway 5K race.

The other was a veteran of the event.

One was from the tri-county area and the other lives about 90 minutes away in Midland.

However, both of the gender winners at the event held Saturday at Prices Airport had something in common — they are both still in high school.

The youth movement was served at the Wings of Mercy Runway 5K when Fenton High School senior Nathan Katic and Midland Dow junior Katie Watkins took the top two spots at the annual race that is primarily ran on the runways at Prices Airport. The race starts about 20 minutes prior to sunset.

Katic, 17, dominated the race from the start, finishing the 5K event in 17:40.1. Finishing second overall was Linden's Andrew Behnke, 43, who finished the race in 18:37.3. They were the only two runners to finish the 5K run in less than 20 minutes. Bath's River Fox, 13, came close, finishing in 20:01.1.

The women's champion, Watkins, 16, finished fourth overall with a time of 20:27.2.

Grand Blanc's Natalie Purcell, 24, was the second women's Finisher, taking 10th overall in 22:29.9. Finishing third among the women's field was Lap- eer's Caitlin Sonnenberg, 38. She placed 18th overall, with a time of 24:38.6. The 5K walk victors were Flushing's Michael Stewart (31:38.9) in the men's division and Royal Oak's Lynne Muth (35:27.4) in the women's division.

Despite his youth, Katic is a veteran to the Wings of Mercy 5K race.

"I ran it because of the nostalgia," Katic said. "I've been running this race ever since I was little, and it's so much fun to come out here. It's not as dark today, but sometimes it's pitch black and the lights (the race is ran using the runway lights and a some large lights near the finish) make it super exciting. It's a great flat course. It's really organized well. I love the race in every way."

Katic is a member of Fenton's varsity boys cross country team and track and field squad. Last season he placed sixth, fifth and eighth at the Flint Metro League cross country races and finished a season-best third. He also placed 19th at the regional



meet (17:39.4) and competed at the state meet, posting a time of 17:18.3 at Michigan International Speedway.

Katic was a member of Fenton's Metro League Stars Division championship boys track and field squad as well. He competed at regionals in the 3,200 meter run, placing 11th (10:41.09). He also competed in the 1,600 at regionals, taking 17th in 4:53.47. He posted a season-best time of 10:29.29 while taking third at the Metro meet in the 3,200. He also had his personal best time in the 1,600 last spring at the Metro meet with a time of 4:48.64.

Katic said he didn't have any real specific goals for the race in terms of time or results.

(Left) The Wings of Mercy Runway 5K race begins. (Below) Each race begins with Ainsley's Angels crossing the start line to compete in the event as well. Ainsley's Angels is a group of volunteers dedicated to making endurance events accessible to everyone. Photos: David Troppens



"It depends on the race, but usually the 5K race is going into cross county season, so I want to have a good gauge of where I fall going into my first (high

school) meet," Katic said. "The road races help me with that.

"I felt really good. Earlier this week, I felt some aches

See **WINGS** on 17



# 1968 Tigers' lead begins to grow during mid-June

By David Troppens

**Editor's note:** Here's our next installment of our review of the 1968 Detroit Tigers' World Championship season.

Detroit had a day off before the fourth-place Twins came to Tiger Stadium on June 11.

Minnesota was falling in the standings and trailed by seven games, needing to take two of the four games against Detroit to stay in the race, that didn't happen. The Tigers rolled to four straight wins.

The series started with Detroit's 3-1 and 3-2 doubleheader sweep in front of 26,667 fans. Jim Price hit a two-run single in the second and Detroit starting pitcher Pat Dobson drove in a run with a single in the fifth. Dobson pitched 7 2/3 innings of five-hit and one-run ball, earning the victory.

The second game featured another walk-off win for Detroit. Trailing 2-1 entering the eighth, Norm Cash hit an RBI-single, tying it at 2-all. In the bottom of the ninth, Dick McAuliffe singled. Mickey Stanley followed with an RBI-ground out, giving the Tigers the 3-2 win. John Hiller earned the win with two innings of shut out relief.

A day later, the Tigers broke a 1-1 tie with one run in the eighth to earn a 2-1 victory. That winning run was provided by McAuliffe's solo home run. Mickey

Lolich tossed a five-hit complete-game, striking out nine. The series ended with the Tigers improving to 39-20 with a 3-1 victory in front of Thursday day game crowd of just 13,880 fans. McLain went the distance on the mound, earning his 10th win. Detroit scored two runs in the third when Willie Horton reached base on an error, scoring Mickey Stanley. Don Wert followed with an RBI-single. The third run came in the fifth on an RBI-single by Bill Freehan.

At the end of June 13th, the Tigers were 39-20, 5 1/2 games ahead of Baltimore and 6 1/2 ahead of Cleveland. The Twins trailed by 11 games. The Tigers had some legitimate breathing room as they prepared for four games on the road with the White Sox.

The first game was pretty eventful as the Tigers won 6-5 in 14 innings. Chicago jumped to a 4-0 lead in the first two innings during Earl Wilson's first start on the mound since May 24, but Detroit tied it with four in the top of the fifth. Freehan and Horton singled and an out later, Price walked, loading the bases. Ray Oyler followed with a sacrifice fly and Wilson hit his second home run of the year, a three-run shot, making it a 4-4 tie.

Both teams scored a run in the 13th, but in the 14th, Don Wert hit a lead-off See **1968** on 17



The Fenton girls varsity tennis team won a league crown, earning our No. 7 spot on the Tri-County Top 10 Sports Teams of the Spring list. Photo: David Troppens

## FENTON

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However, it's time for this program to step up to the next level. Dominating what is, unfortunately, a pretty weak league isn't as impressive as it once was. This team needs to start making waves against the better programs in state. In the postseason, the Heat saw their season end quickly with a 13-4 loss to Grand Blanc, the second time the squad lost to the Bobcats, who eventually lost 15-2 when they faced Hartland, a traditionally strong program. Area squads are still a long way from competing with these squads. It's time to take that next step.

**No. 7 - Fenton girls tennis:** It was a Metro season the Tigers won't soon forget. They dominated the Metro competition, earning a dominant 9-0 dual record. In those duals the Tigers posted an impressive 64-8 record. They followed that success up with a first-place finish at the Metro tournament, resulting in an outright league crown.

However, the Tigers are now where the Holly Bronchos have been when they were league champs for many seasons. Metro girls tennis isn't known for its quality of depth, so earning a high placing in these polls come from two things. First, teams earn it by playing and beating tough regular season competition. Second a team must perform in the postseason.

The Tigers fell just short at regionals placing fourth. The Tigers earn credit for an outstanding league season. However, to get higher, they had to at least earn at least a state trip at regionals.

**No. 6 - Fenton boys track and field:** Last year's defending D1 state

champions and our No. 1 team of the spring and the school year a season ago had another fine performance this spring.

For the fifth straight season, the Tigers captured at least a share of a Flint Metro League crown or a Stripes Division title, earning a co-championship with the Swartz Creek Dragons this spring. In dual action, the Tigers were dominant, going a perfect 5-0 against division foes. They even crushed the Dragons 81-56.

However, at the league meet, Fenton finished second to Swartz Creek among the division teams and third overall, forcing the Tigers and Dragons into a tie for the league crown.

At the regional meet, the Tigers also had a strong showing, placing fourth with 48 team points. While they placed well at regional the squad didn't have the strength to compete for a state crown again this season, having to settle for 48th-place team finish. Still, it was a fine season to be a Tiger.

**No. 5: Fenton girls track and field:** For the sixth straight season, the Tigers captured at least a share of a Flint Metro League championship or a Flint Metro League Stripes Division crown. This season, the Tigers shared it with their area rivals, Linden.

The Tigers were the dominant team during dual play, posting an undefeated 5-0 mark. Even the Eagles really didn't push the Tigers that much in their dual, with Fenton winning an 80-57 verdict. However, it was a different tune at the league meet. The Eagles and Tigers battled all meet long with Linden earning a tight 159-145 edge for first place among Stripes Division teams, forcing the two area rivals into a co-division championship. It is the first

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# Wednesday Night CROSS COUNTRY RACES AT THE PARK

Here are the results from the first week of the Wednesday Night Races at the Park. Held at Linden County Park. There are three more sessions scheduled — June 29, July 13 and July 20. The \$2 registration starts at 6 p.m. with the first races starting at 6:30 p.m. There are half-mile, one-mile, two-mile and three-mile races.

HALF-MILE RACE	
GIRLS (AGE)	
Kennedy Kolodica (9)	3:53.03
Gabi Loria (9)	4:24.92
Naomi Davis (7)	4:40.07
Grace Peterson (9)	4:40.84
Peyton Nowak (4)	6:15.81
Everyn Case (5)	6:19.67
Lucy Swoyer (6)	6:45.42
Lily Wines (5)	7:30.71
BOYS (AGE)	
Finn Case (9)	4:14.64
Cameron Koldica (7)	4:17.28
Nathan Nixon (7)	4:21.81
Lincoln Brooks (8)	4:28.49
Ryan Scheffler (5)	4:37.89
Nathaniel Davis (9)	4:38.39
Jackson Hernandez (8)	5:30.09
Graham Campbell (5)	6:18.53
Finn Wines (2)	6:44.99
Judah Davis (5)	7:34.57
ONE MILE RACE	
ALL RUNNERS	
Noah Terryah (12)	7:37.06
Anna-Kate Larsen (9)	8:09.60
Stevie Bard (9)	8:14.92

Asher Terryah (8)	9:02.77
Sydney Ferrell (12)	9:45.52
Naomi Davis (7)	16:36.74
TWO MILE RACE	
ALL RUNNERS	
Eric Larsen (51)	12:18.80
Andrew Behnke (45)	12:21.70
Jackson Martin (13)	13:12.20
Abram Larsen (12)	13:22.63
James Lott (47)	14:19.16
Melody Meckstroth (13)	15:12.53
Rick Brooks (41)	15:31.05
Ben Sushynski (12)	15:45.34
Pete Cox (28)	16:56.95
Mary Sushynski (39)	17:04.63
Evan Borkowski (12)	17:38.80
Ian Martin (16)	18:10.03
Stella Martin (16)	18:10.38
Jeffrey Bucholz (69)	28:17.84
Madelyn Behnke (13)	18:21.34
THREE MILE RACE	
ALL RUNNERS	
Ryan Hladik (31)	23:15.77
Brian Burnell (56)	26:20.34
Gary Mundy (77)	42:59.98

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home run. John Hiller pitched the 14th against Chicago and got them out in order, giving Detroit the 6-5 win.

Detroit would follow with back-to-back losses. In the Saturday game, Chicago's Ken Berry hit a grand slam in the

fourth, leading the White Sox to a 7-4 victory. Then, during the first game of a doubleheader Chicago's Tommy Davis broke a 2-2 tie with a solo home run against McLain, giving the White Sox the 3-2 win.

However, the Tigers won the second game of the twinbill, 6-1.

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## WINGS

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and pains in different parts of my body, and I've been trying to work through it. I was really happy with my performance today, considering I'm coming out of a few aches here and there."

Watkins has been nursing a hip injury.

"Right now I'm just working on conditioning because I'm working on getting back from an injury," Watkins said. "Tonight, I was going to go by feel, run how I felt and it just sort of happened."

Watkins ran the distance events this spring for Midland Dow's track program, posting a personal-best time of 11:39.48 in the 3,200 run and a 5:25.74 in the 1,600 run. During the 2021 fall cross country season, she posted fifth-place finish at the regional meet (20:02.1) and placed 55th at the D1 state meet with a time of 19:00.6. Her personal-best 5K time was fall was an 18:49.0.

Watkins enjoyed the event.

"I was looking for a lot of 5Ks this summer, and we found this one. It looked really cool, so we jumped on it," Watkins said. "It felt really good. I enjoyed the sunset. It was beautiful."

"It was really flat. It was really cool and just a change of scenery."

The rest of the men's top-five finishers were Davison's Tony Ketchmark, 60, placing fifth overall and fourth among men (20:57.0); and

Fenton's Benjamin Schoener in sixth overall and fifth among men (21:00.9). The rest of the top five in the women's race were Davison's Amy Baxter, 38, in 18th overall and fourth among women (24:38.6); and Swartz Creek's Sarah Springer, 44, in 24th overall and fifth among women (26:53.2).

The youngest runner to finish the 5K run was Linden's Annalise Kiger, 4, with a time of 58:45.5. The oldest registered runner to finish the race was Mark Vanraemdonck, 76. He finished the race in 44:39.8. The oldest woman to complete the race was Grand Blanc's Linda Klinkenberger, 72. She finished in 51:56.4.

The race returned to its typical date near the longest day of the summer after a two-year hiatus due to COVID restrictions. Still a young race, the event was steadily increasing before the COVID era, growing to nearly 500 competitors for the 2019 race. This season the event had 167 runners finish the 5K race and 16 walkers complete it, so the event is slowly trying to grow back to the pre-COVID numbers.

The event's revenue helps support Wings of Mercy East Michigan, a volunteer organization that helps provide free aviation rides to major medical centers for patients that can't use normal transportation means. Race director Mike McPhearson said the race has helped nearly 3,000 patients get needed rides since it's start.

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## Jennifer Marie Smith

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Smith, Jennifer Marie - Age 44, of Howell, died June 22, 2022. Funeral services will be held 3 PM Thursday, June 30 at Sharp Funeral Home, Fenton Chapel 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Visitation will be held 5-8 PM Wednesday, June 29, and 11 AM Thursday until the time of the service at the funeral home. Jennifer was born June 13, 1978 in Westland. She married Drew Smith on September 16, 2006. Jennifer was a 1996 graduate of John Glen High School and also a graduate of University of Michigan in elementary education. She managed Hartland Family Dental with her husband Drew. When Jennifer wasn't working, she was doing everything for her 3 children. She was an amazing mother to her children and all their friends. Jennifer was the



planner for vacations, playdates, and family events. She was a fantastic cook. Jennifer had many loving friends. She was unselfish, always looking out for

everyone's needs. Jennifer is survived by her husband, Drew; children, Landin, Ryker, Myric; parents, Sharon and Ron Callegari; brothers, Eric (Jennifer) Pankowski, Shane (Mary) Pankowski; step-brother, Chris (Taylor) Callegari; step-sister, Melissa Callegari; mother-in-law, Mary Smith; sister-in-law, Dana (Larry) Stewart; nieces and nephews, Tyler, Travis, Cameron, Casandra, Erin, Andrew, Lola, Isla, Rowan; many aunts, uncles, and cousins. Tributes may be shared on the obituaries page at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



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