

Legendary coach inducted into hall of fame

■ Don Pluta taught and coached for four decades, serving as role model

Even in retirement, Don Pluta keeps racking up accolades and recognition for his impact on generations of Holly High School athletes and students. His latest honor

—induction into the Michigan High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame (MHSCA).

On Sept. 25, the longtime Holly High School wrestling coach will join 13 other coaches from across Michigan to be recognized as 2022 Hall of Fame inductees for their achievements on the field, in the



Don Pluta

arena and in the classroom. The formal induction ceremony will take place at Central Michigan University.

“Throughout his life and career, Don inspired everyone around him to strive for excellence and served as a mentor to countless students and athletes,” said Casey Lombard,

Holly High School athletic director. “Coach Pluta continues to serve as an ambassador and role model for our Broncho students, teachers, staff, administrators and community.

“His induction into the Michigan High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame is just the latest in a See **COACH** on 11



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Argentine Township man found deceased

■ Passerby finds him lying in middle of Cole Road

By Sharon Stone

At 6:23 a.m., on Tuesday, July 5, a woman driving to work discovered a body lying in the middle of Cole Road in Argentine Township. As a nurse, the woman believed that the man was deceased and called 911.



Steven Dusenberry

Argentine Township Police Chief Dan Allen said Steven Dusenberry, 48, of Argentine Township, was deceased when he and another See **MAN** on 6

The time is right — almost



Ronny Medawar, president of Medawar Jewelers, makes adjustments to the workings of the clock on the fire hall clock tower on Wednesday, June 29.

See story on Page 8. Photo: Hannah Ball

Statewide primary election is Aug. 2

■ Cast your ballot now with absentee ballot or in person at local poll

Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson reminds voters that just under four weeks remain until Michigan's statewide primary elections Tuesday, Aug. 2. Voters can already cast their ballot from home or vote early in person by absentee ballot at their local clerk's office, or they can vote at their polling place on Election Day.

Eligible Michigan citizens can register to vote online until July 18, or at their local clerk's office through 8 p.m. on Election Day, Aug. 2.

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CHOICES IN EDUCATION
Special pages included with this edition



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Eclections in Fenton is a boutique that focuses on trendy women's fashions and unique gifts, including our local lake section. Medich earned her bachelor's degree in dietetics and masters degree in exercise and health studies, but she was raised by

parents who owned retail stores, so retail was a natural choice for her. Her goal for everyone who walks into Eclections is to make them feel so welcome, that they feel like they are visiting a friend's home when they enter and for them to find unique items that they are excited about. Medich serves on the Board of Directors for the Fenton/Linden Chamber of Commerce. She is the mother to one son, Brendan, who just bought his first home in Fenton. She said he and his fiancée Erin are relocating back to Fenton. She's an avid outdoor enthusiast. "I absolutely love hiking, it's my happy place. I love to travel to quiet, out of the way destinations. We visited Iceland in March and can't wait to return," she said. Eclections is celebrating 15 years and the shop and product selection are always changing. Every time you stop in, it's a new experience. Follow Eclections on Facebook and Instagram. Medich said the store is 100% online, as well.

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Community garden accepting new members

■ Linden Community Garden has plots available

By Hannah Ball

Linden — “It’s a work in progress, but we’ve come a long way from where we were a few weeks ago,” said Judy Hunter, director of the newly revitalized Linden Community Garden.

On less than an acre of land behind the Loose Center, the Linden Community Garden is making a comeback with plots full of growing vegetables, herbs and flowers.

The plots are 15- by 20-feet and cost \$15. They use the money for various projects, such as fixing the fence, and Hunter said they’d like to refund some of the water costs. They currently use Loose Center’s water.

“It’s like a baby garden right now. It’s got great possibilities. We are blessed to have this at our disposal. Loose has been very generous with us,” she said. “They’ve been great about having us on their property. I’m just really thankful for the spot here. I’m thankful we were able to get in here and do some work, and I’m thankful for the folks who want to be a part of it. We welcome new people all the time.”

The garden first began about six or seven years ago and members took a



Judy Hunter, director of the Linden Community Garden, waters her plot of vegetables on Thursday, July 7. Photo: Hannah Ball

hiatus during the pandemic. The weeds grew back tall over that time, and on May 3, they started working to clear the areas to plant seeds. They planted at the end of May.

They have 11 plots ongoing right now and space for more. One plot is owned by a family, and Hunter said she loves seeing the kids come and help water and tend to the plants.

“A lot of these are Loose people and

people that are my age and older, and I’d love to see younger families come in and use that as an intergenerational bridge for gardening,” she said. “I think that there is such value in having kids around that can be taught what the older folks know and just get them interested in doing something different.”

Hunter, a member of the Linden Parks and Recreation Commission, See **GARDEN** on 12

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David's Dabblings

Stanley Cup stories make it the coolest trophy in American professional team sports

Hockey isn't our country's most glamorized sport. Many more kids anticipate their future athletic careers as football or basketball players. In the past, baseball was No. 1 in American boys' minds.

However, no American professional sport can match the ultimate prize given for the championship of their sport as the National Hockey League can. The Stanley Cup is clearly the coolest of the major team sport trophies.

Who doesn't want to touch it? In the spring of 1995, when the Cup was on display in Detroit prior to the start of the Red Wings' Stanley Cup Final against the New Jersey Devils (the Wings would lose in four games), a group of us stood in line for what I think was two hours just to see it. It was worth it. This isn't your normal trophy. The athletes on the winning team get to keep it for a given amount of time and it's seen it all. Of course, there are mishaps along the way as the current champion Avalanche players



David Troppens
Sports Editor

are learning this offseason.

Each dent and scratch on it has another story to tell. Here are some of the cool ones.

The Rangers' bonfire: In 1940, the New York Rangers won the Stanley Cup against the Toronto Maple Leafs.

That same season, the team had finished paying off its mortgage at Madison Square Garden. To celebrate both,

the team burned the mortgage papers in the cup and a fire started. To douse the fire, players urinated in the cup.

Forgotten cup story #1: There are plenty of stories about the Stanley Cup getting lost. The first may have been in 1905 prior to the NHL's existence. The Ottawa Hockey Club tried to kick the cup over Ottawa's Rideau Canal. They failed and left. The Cup was left on the iced-over canal. A day later after sobering up, they returned to retrieve it.

Forgotten cup story #2: In 1907, the Montreal Wanderers left the Cup at a photographer's house hired to take their picture after winning it. When the team

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■■■■
WILL A LIST and timeline of Fenton's \$24 million in road resurfacing be revealed soon? And during construction, we ought to install some public electric vehicle chargers.

■■■■
IT WOULD BE nice if Fenton had a nice nightclub where a person could go for dinner, then have a band come in for dancing. There aren't any places in this area that have that. I am sure it would be well received by many.

■■■■
NICE FIREWORKS, HOWEVER we didn't get to enjoy them as much as we would have liked because 'the powers that be' decided it would be a good idea to light up the sport field at 10 p.m. Not a very good example of patriotism for our children.

■■■■
SOMEONE IN MY neighborhood decided to have one heck of a fireworks show Monday. Scared the animals, littered my yard and roof with debris, also burnt some grass. But that's legal here in Michigan.

READERS WRITE

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Firecracker 5K

Dear Editor,
I would like to submit a formal complaint regarding the unfair results and management of the Firecracker 5K, this year, 2022. I know it is not organized by the Freedom Festival directly, but by another organization and I would like that tradition to be reevaluated. After many decades of fighting for equal rights for women, you would think that between the timing company they hired and the organization itself, they would do better than group female runners in the same awards categories as males. They only awarded the top runner in every category so no females won a category. Also ages 0-19 is a huge developmental range and it is not fair ever to group a 10-year-old just starting to run with a 19-year-old that has run for years with their high school or college teams. Please look into this. Many moms of girls are upset.

*Becky Torrey
Fenton*

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

Who's your hero?



"My husband. He's persevered through so much to make his dreams a reality. When the world tried to knock him down, he fought even harder. He's the most loving dad to our four girls, and is teaching them to chase their dreams and to never give up. And there's not much he can't fix! He's my real life super hero everyday!"

Alicia Warda, Fenton



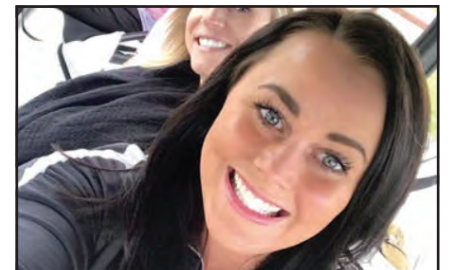
"My dad was hospitalized for 86 days due to a cardiac arrest and stroke. He works so hard in therapy so he can walk me down the aisle this year! He inspires me every day!"

Amanda Wickard
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"My parents. They always have been. I miss them both so much."

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POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

WOMAN INJURED IN SHOOTING

At 7:33 p.m. on Wednesday, July 6, Argentine Township police responded to a home for a reported shooting. Police Chief Dan Allen said a 55-year-old woman was injured from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to her upper chest and was transported to Hurley Medical Center in Flint for medical treatment. A male at the home called 911 after the woman told him about the shooting. No foul play is suspected. The woman was last reported to be in stable condition.

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GUEST VIEWPOINT

By Dianne Scheib-Snider
Rose Township supervisor



Eighteen different recall petition languages were submitted by two Rose Township residents to attempt to recall Dianne Scheib-Snider from her office of Rose Township Supervisor. The petitions were submitted to the Board of County Election Commissioners to determine if they were factual and clear.

Of the 18 submitted petitions, only one was found to be factual; the other 17 attempts failed. The approved recall petition language was taken directly from a motion made by Trustee (Glen) Noble and seconded by Treasurer (Paul) Gambka. The motion was "To authorize the Supervisor and Treasurer to obtain a labor attorney or consultant that specialized in labor negotiations in the amount of \$30,000." The entire Rose Township

Board voted to approve the motion. Yet, the attempted recall language was only applied to the treasurer's and supervisor's offices.

I supported the motion to fulfill my obligation as township supervisor and to represent the best interest of Rose Township. Treasurer Gambka and I have been singled out for an attempted recall because as representatives to the North Oakland County Fire Authority Board of Directors, we did not say "Yes" to everything. A few years prior to the recall, it became apparent that members of the Fire Authority wanted to silence me for protecting our community from NOCFA becoming their own taxing authority. I oppose a taxing authority because the people of Rose Township would collectively contribute more funds than our currently obligated 50%. Rose Township has a taxable value of \$50 million over Holly Township. I also shot down pensions for the officers that could negatively affect Rose Township's financial future. I feel their 401k plan is sufficient. I've served Rose Township since 2008 and in that time, I've never supported any action to jeopardize the safety of your property or health. I have always strived to improve our community.

I was the driving force behind our Township Board installing a fire suppression well at Hickory Ridge and Rose Center Road. This well helped us to receive an ISO rating of 3 and provided a reliable water source for fire suppression in a community without hydrants.

MAN

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officer arrived at the scene. He said Dusenbery's bicycle was about 8 feet away from him.

Allen said there were no signs of Dusenbery being struck by a vehicle and at this time in the investigation, there are no signs of foul play. It appeared the bicycle's chain had locked up. Allen said Dusenbery might have had an issue with his bicycle and he might have had a medical issue, prompting him to fall to the ground.

Dusenbery's death remains under investigation. Allen said they are awaiting autopsy results.

TRI-COUNTY FUNDRAISERS

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

Friends of the Holly Township Library annual 'Junk in the Trunk' flea market fundraiser

Do you not have enough items to hold your own garage sale? Do you not have a big enough garage? Want to get rid of some household items like old toys and books? On Saturday, Aug. 6, the Friends of the Holly Township Library will hold its annual Junk in the Trunk fundraiser in the back parking lot of Holly's library. They will sell their own castoffs and used books but you can bring your own and rent a space for \$20. The event will run from 9 to 2 p.m., rain or shine, with set up time at 8 a.m., the day of the sale. The library is at 1116 N. Saginaw St., Holly. No road work is planned that day. Registration forms are available on the website at hollylibrary.org or stop by the library and pick up a form. For further information, call (248) 634-1754 or (248) 634-5338.



Holly Friends (from left) Marie Robertson, Dottie Bradsher and Bonnie McArthur sold used books at low prices during the 2021 Junk in the Trunk fundraiser.



Holly Friends (from left) Susan Brown, President Pat Pfenning, Bonnie Bemman, and Gail Kernan sold items out of a car trunk at the 2021 fundraiser.

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POLICE & FIRE REPORT

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ARGUMENT OVER MONEY LEADS TO BROKEN CAR WINDOW

On Thursday, June 30, a Fenton police officer was dispatched to an apartment complex on North Road at 11:36 a.m. to investigate a malicious destruction of property complaint. The resident, a 20-year-old man, told the officer that he had gotten home about 2 a.m. and parked his Ford Focus in the parking lot. When he returned at 11:30 a.m., he noticed that the rear window had been smashed. He provided the identity of a possible suspect, a 27-year-old Holly man, who he had argued with over money. Fenton police interviewed the possible suspect, who admitted to breaking the car window over money he believed was owed to him. Sgt. Dan Forbush said the case will be sent to the prosecutor's office for review. Charges are pending. The amount of damage was \$422.

Love Our City event at Center of Hope



Five churches held a Love Our City Community Independence Day Celebration on Sunday, July 3. It was a joint effort by five local churches and organizations under the umbrella of Love Our City, said Jason Gibbs, social media and technology coordinator for Center of Hope. More than 500 people attended the event, which was the first event held at the new Center of Hope property on Fenton Road, near Camp Copneconic. The five churches involved were Center of Hope, Faith Church of Linden, First Baptist Church of Fenton, First Baptist Church of Holly and The Way Church. The public enjoyed live music, food, bounce houses and games. Love Our City is a nationwide movement that encourages participation with multiple organizations. Pastor James Bell of First Baptist of Fenton gave a message on the meaning on freedom, Gibbs said, and Pastor Scott Statson of The Way Church brought his ice cream cart bike and served frozen treats. **Submitted photos**



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— Compiled by Sharon Stone —

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House Bill 5859: Give COVID learning loss grants to parents

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Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) YES
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) YES

House Bill 5427: Make permanent permission for some government boards’ remote meetings

To make permanent the permission granted to local government employee retirement boards to hold their meetings remotely, which was granted temporarily

See **VOTES** on 12

The time is right — almost

■ Medawar Jewelers president restoring iconic timepiece on fire hall

By Sharon Stone

The clock on the Fenton Fire Hall restaurant in downtown Fenton will soon be ticking again thanks to Ronny Medawar and Medawar Jewelers.

On Wednesday, June 29, people gathered around the restaurant to watch Medawar do some repairs.

The clock had not been in operation for decades. When the Fenton Fire Hall restaurant opened its doors in the old fire station in 2013, the owners knew they had one more undertaking. They wanted to have the clock tower run once again. The owners searched and after eight years of having people come in and out to look at the clock, they found the right person, right in Fenton.

Fenton Fire Hall and Union Joints, which own restaurants all across Michigan, chose local Michigan jeweler and horologist Ronny Medawar, who comes from generations of clock builders.

As previously reported in the Times, Medawar was commissioned in July 2021 to repair the clock. He said at that time that he was excited to make the clock tower come alive again. He knew the 1938 clock would need new parts



Repairs to the clock on the clock tower on the Fenton Fire Hall restaurant, and former Fenton fire station, are nearly complete. Photo: Hannah Ball

fabricated and adjustments would need to be made. The faces of the clock are on all four sides of the clock tower.

Medawar, president of Medawar Jewelers, not only accepted the challenge, but also donated the clock movement, installation and maintenance all to ensure the community will enjoy the clock for decades to come.

Medawar Jewelers was once known as Medawar Time Service in 1920 when Ronny’s grandfather started Medawar. It has evolved into one of the largest family owned and operated jewelry companies in Michigan with nine stores creating, servicing and maintaining fine jewelry, watches and clocks — yes even ones close to 50 feet in the air.

On Wednesday, at approximately 11:30 a.m., Medawar was lifted up to work on the faces and hands of the clock tower to get it ready to start telling time once again.

After physically assessing everything close up, Medawar said the hands of the clock are deteriorated and must be replaced. He’s hopeful that the repairs will be completed in a week or two.

Local businesses have stepped in to help on the project. Medawar would like to thank Harris Boys Electric and B&M Crane Company of Fenton who have all donated their time and expertise so the clock may tell time once again.

Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn is excited for the work being done on the clock. She said, “We’re happy that such a focal point of downtown is being restored to working order, and we look forward to the completion of the work. I really appreciate the Fire Hall and

Medawar Jewelers working together to get the job done. Since the work started on Wednesday, we’ve received great feedback from residents who see the clock as a point of pride.”

Historical significance of the clock

Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff said, “The lights on the side of the clock tower also served as a means of communication for the police department that was located in the building as well. When the policemen were out on foot patrol and if a phone call came into the station that needed an officer (before radios), they would turn on the lights on the side of the tower. The tower could be seen from a distance in those days and the officer would come back to find out where he was needed.”



Jeweler Ronny Medawar fabricates new pieces to be used in the restoration of the iconic fire hall clock in downtown Fenton. The clock has not been running for decades.

VILLAGE OF HOLLY PUBLIC NOTICE

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DATE: June 28, 2022
PLACE: Holly Schools Board of Education Room
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EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately upon publication

The ordinance number 470 amends Chapter 33 of the Code of Ordinances. It amends the purchasing policy to include federal regulations.

The full text of the Ordinance is available for review in the Office of the Village Clerk/Treasurer, 300 East Street, Holly, Michigan, 48442 during regular business hours. Comments concerning the ordinance should be directed to the Village Clerk/Treasurer at the above address or by telephone to (248) 634-9571.

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WATCHED THE GUBERNATORIAL debate between the Republican candidates for our state. Pretty disappointed with my party right now, in many ways.



**CITY OF FENTON VOTERS RECEIVING
NEW VOTER ID CARDS:
CHANGE IN DISTRICT NUMBERS,
LAKE FENTON SCHOOL DISTRICT,
POLLING LOCATION**

CHANGE IN POLLING LOCATION:

The City of Fenton has a NEW Polling Location for all voters in all precincts:

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Voting will take place in the Jennings Memorial Gym. Parking is located on Ellen Street off Adelaide Street. Please do not park in the lot off West Street.

CHANGE IN DISTRICT NUMBERS:

Every ten years, based on updated Census numbers, political district maps are redrawn at the federal, state, and county levels. That process for the next 10-year period was completed in December 2021 and, for City of Fenton voters, the district numbers for Congress, Michigan Senate, and Michigan House of Representatives are all changing. The new district numbers for the City of Fenton are:

U.S. Congress	8th District
Michigan Senate	22nd District
Michigan House of Representatives	72nd District
County Commissioner District	6th District (no change)

While these changes don't officially take effect until the new terms of office in 2023, voters need to be notified now because races in the August 2, 2022 Statewide Primary Election, and November 8, 2022 General Election will be based on these new district numbers.

CHANGE IN LAKE FENTON SCHOOL DISTRICT PRECINCT:

All City of Fenton voters that reside within the Lake Fenton School District are now in Precinct 5 only. Lake Fenton voters that were previously in Precinct 1 are now all in Precinct 5. Assistance will be available at the polls to direct you to the correct precinct. No other precinct numbers have been changed.

These three changes require all voters to be mailed new voter ID cards. Please look for new voter ID cards in the mail, coming soon, and review all new information on them. For questions, please contact the City of Fenton Clerk's Office.

Jennifer Kienast, City Clerk
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Dort Financial Credit Union welcomes new VP of lending



Sharon Lobo

Dort Financial Credit Union announced the hiring of Sharon Lobo as the vice president of lending. Lobo joined the credit union's executive team May 31. In her new role, she will oversee all lending and member solution activities. She will work alongside executive leadership to determine a multi-year strategy and focus on target markets for lending. Lobo will make recommendations for lending policies to support and contribute to the growth of Dort Financial. She also will be responsible for improving efficiencies and productivity through technology and enhanced procedures for both lending and

member solutions. "I am extremely happy to be working with a talented group of professionals at Dort Financial," Lobo said. "The credit union has an incredible opportunity for growth and to serve our members

by creating efficiencies, expanding market presence, and providing new products and services."

"We are excited to welcome Sharon to lead our lending and member solutions teams," said Brian Waldron, president/CEO of Dort Financial. "Her expertise and thoughtful leadership will make a positive impact to our lending and operations, and in the markets we serve."

STANLEY CUP

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realized they had left it there months later, they returned to see the mother of the photographer was using it as a flowerpot.

Forgotten cup story #3: In 1924, the Montreal Canadiens won and were driving down a road celebrating when they suffered a flat tire. They fixed the flat and left. However, the next day they realized they left the Stanley Cup on the roadside. They returned to the place of the tire hanging incident and found the Stanley Cup in a snow bank.

One of a few thefts: During the 1962 playoffs, the cup was in a glass case in the Chicago Stadium lobby. Chicago were the defending champions and were beating the Canadiens in this particular contest. On his way out, a Montreal fan

opened the case, grabbed it and headed for the exits. He was a few feet away from the door when police stopped him and asked him what he was doing. His response was, "I want to take it back where it belongs, to Montreal."

Puppy dish: It's probably been done more than once, but when player Clark Gillies had possession of the Stanley Cup, he filled it with dog food and let his dog eat out of it.

Another fire story: The 1962 Toronto Maple Leafs were celebrating their title with a bonfire, but then mistakenly used the Stanley Cup as firewood, throwing it into the fire. The Cup suffered serious damage and the Maple Leafs had to cover the costs of the repair.

Kris Draper story: The ex-Red Wing placed his newborn baby in the Cup for some photos in 2008. Of course, you can guess what happened. His daughter made a little doo doo in the cup.

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COACH

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long line of well-deserved awards and accolades, and all of us at Holly High are proud of his achievement and grateful for his continued positive impact on our community.”

The MHSCA Hall of Fame recognizes outstanding individuals who have coached or directed a secondary school athletics (sixth to 12th grade) program for 20 years or more and actively coached in Michigan for a minimum of 10 years. About 800 people have been inducted into the MHSCA Hall

of Fame, which is located in a hallway of the Student Activities Center on the campus of Central Michigan University.

Pluta's love for wrestling began as a student at Holly High School, when at 5 feet, 6 inches tall he was persuaded to try wrestling over basketball. He graduated from Holly High School in 1973. After graduating from Western Michigan University, Pluta returned to Holly High School to teach and coach wrestling. During his four-decade career as a wrestling coach, Pluta led the Broncho wrestling team to 660 wins, eight league titles and 12 district championships. Under his guidance, the team qualified for the State Team Tournament three times and earned four

“Throughout his life and career, Don inspired everyone around him to strive for excellence and served as a mentor to countless students and athletes.”

Casey Lombard
Holly High School athletic director

Academic All-State Awards, with nine wrestlers winning state championships and 51 becoming state-placers. Pluta retired as coach in 2019. He dedicated most of his 41-year teaching career to the district's alternative education program, which he helped launch, and taught high school language arts and physical education.

In addition to the MHSCA Hall of Fame, Pluta was inducted in April into the Michigan Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame in Stillwater, Oklahoma. In November 2019, he was inducted into the Michigan Wrestling Association Hall of

Fame. Pluta also has been recognized numerous times by his peers, including nine times as Michigan Wrestling Association Regional Coach of the Year, three times as Flint Metro League Coach of the Year and as Oakland County Coach of the Year. Pluta was inducted into the Holly High School Hall of Fame in 2008.

“All of us in the Broncho community are so proud of Don, a true legend who inspired students in the classroom and on the mat to be the best at whatever they did,” said Scott Roper, Holly Area Schools superintendent. “Coach Pluta exemplifies Broncho Pride and the crucial role athletics plays in helping student athletes learn important life skills that help prepare them for success.”

election clerk. Voters who already received an absentee ballot should complete it, sign the back of the envelope and mail it or drop it off at their local clerk's office or drop box as soon as possible.

Absentee ballot request data shows more than 875,000 Michigan citizens have already requested their ballots for the Aug. 2 election.

Voters also can cast their ballots in person at their polling place on Election Day, Aug. 2. Polls will be open on Election Day from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Michigan Voter Information Center at Michigan.gov/Vote provides important information for voters ahead of Election Day, including a sample ballot, information about how to use voting equipment and how to contact your local clerk.

LOOKING BACK at this week in HISTORY

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JULY 10

1962: The United States Patent Office issues the Swedish engineer Nils Bohlin a patent for his three-point automobile safety belt “for use in vehicles, especially road vehicles” on July 10, 1962. Four years earlier, Sweden's Volvo Car Corporation had hired Bohlin, who had previously worked in the Swedish aviation industry, as the company's first chief safety engineer. At the time, safety-belt use in automobiles was limited mostly to racecar drivers; the traditional two-point belt, which fastened in a buckle over the abdomen, had been known to cause severe internal injuries in the event of a high-speed crash. Bohlin designed his three-point system in less than a year, and Volvo introduced it on its cars in 1959. Consisting of two straps that joined at the hip level and fastened into a single anchor point, the three-point belt significantly

reduced injuries by effectively holding both the upper and lower body and reducing the impact of the swift deceleration that occurred in a crash.

JULY 11

1804: In one of the most famous duels in American history, Vice President Aaron Burr fatally shoots his long-time political antagonist Alexander Hamilton. Hamilton, a leading Federalist and the chief architect of America's political economy, died the following day. Hamilton, born on the Caribbean island of Nevis, came to the American colonies in 1773 as a poor immigrant. In 1776, he joined the Continental Army in the American Revolution, and his relentless energy and remarkable intelligence brought him to the attention of General George Washington, who took him on as an aide. In 1789, he was appointed the first secretary of the treasury by President Washington, and during the next six years, he crafted a sophisticated monetary policy that saved the young U.S. government from collapse. With the emergence of political parties, Hamilton was regarded as a leader of the Federalists.



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VOTES

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by state epidemic response laws enacted in 2020. This is one of a growing number of proposals to grant this privilege to various public and quasi-public bodies (like agricultural commodity "marketing boards").

Passed 81 to 24 in the House

Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) **YES**
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) **YES**

House Bill 6020: Authorize internship grants for social worker and related trainees

To authorize paying individuals in a professional training program that is required to obtain a state social worker, school counselor, psychologist or mental health professional license, a stipend for serving as an intern in various capacities at a public school.

Passed 93 to 12 in the House

Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) **YES**
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) **YES**

Senate Bill 656: Authorize "robo-bartenders"

To place in statute authorization for

"robo-bartender" alcoholic dispensing machines in restaurants, bars and other establishments with a liquor license. The machines could dispense up to 96 ounces of beer, wine, or mixed spirit drink in a single order, and staff would be required to monitor their use. Rules adopted under an existing law permit a much more limited version of this, which the industry has sought to expand.

Passed 78 to 28 in the House

Rep. Bob Bezotte (R-Dist. 47) **YES**
Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Dist. 51) **YES**

House Bill 5984: Permit liquor at some swimming pools

To permit establishments with an "on-premises" liquor license that also have a "public swimming pool" and pay an additional \$350 license fee, to sell drinks at the pool subject to a broad range of additional regulations and requirements.

Passed 37 to 1 in the Senate

Sen. Ruth Johnson (R-Dist. 14) **YES**
Sen. Jim Runestad (R-Dist. 15) **YES**
Sen. Lana Theis (R-Dist. 22) **YES**
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) **YES**
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) **YES**

GARDEN

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also has experience working at a community garden in Clio.

Deer, groundhogs and bunnies are frequent visitors. Keeping the bunnies away is one of the biggest struggles for Hunter. They recently ate most of her green beans, pumpkins and other vegetables, so she's exploring options to keep them away, including using dried blood. She's currently growing sweet potatoes, potatoes, pumpkins, green beans, sunflowers, chives, basil, tomatoes and more.

Due to the lack of rain this season, most members come out every day to water their garden. The soil is optimal for growing. Hunter had a sample test done through Michigan State University.

"It came back really, really good. In the fall, we'll probably need to put some compost on it and work that in," she said. "But the soil test was wonderful."

Popular items to plant are tomatoes, hot peppers, beans and carrots. Some are growing herbs. Right now, the beans are coming in, and they don't expect to harvest the hard shell vegetables until later.

"In the past with this garden, they have produced so many tomatoes out of here that they put a table out front and anybody can just come and get whatever they need," she said. "I think in a community garden, that's an important thing — donating to the folks who need it."

They normally end up with an excess of food that's ready at the same time.

"It's a huge generational bridge between the younger folks and the older folks. The older folks have an amazing amount of experience and an amazing amount of information to pass along. I think a community garden bridges those groups and I think it's important that we can be involved in something," she said.



Judy Hunter, director of the Linden Community Garden, hopes more people will become members of the garden. Photo: Hannah Ball

"I think it's good for mental health, physical health, just to get in the dirt and work and see things grow and then be able to harvest all that."

Members are working to bring more amenities to the Linden Community Garden. One of the members brought in a handwashing station

and another brought a compost bin. They're working on a plan to handle the weeds. Hunter uses resources and ideas made available through MSU and North Carolina State University. She anticipates it will take two to three years to fully develop the garden.

"There's a lot of work to do, but it's very peaceful out here," she said. "All the people that garden here are just wonderful, friendly and happy people. We're hoping this will continue...it's exceeded my expectations for a first year out."

People wishing to join the Linden Community Garden can reach out to Hunter at judyahunter@hotmail.com.

“It’s a huge generational bridge between the younger folks and the older folks.”

Judy Hunter
Linden Community
Garden director

**PLANNING COMMISSION
CITY OF FENTON
GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR
SPECIAL LAND USE REQUEST**

THURSDAY, July 28, 2022

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fenton Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Thursday, July 28, 2022, for the purpose of considering a Special Land Use request to allow an Automobile wash at 3900 Owen Rd., Tax ID #53-34-100-050. This property is within the GBD, General Business District, where Automobile washes are permitted by special use.

The purpose of the public hearing is to describe the proposed special land use request and receive public comment on the proposal. All interested parties are welcome to attend and present their comments.

A copy of the special land use request is available for public inspection by appointment only at the City of Fenton offices, 301 South Leroy Street. Written comments concerning the special land use may be submitted to Jason Payne, Building Official at jpayne@cityoffenton.org prior to the hearing and will be made part of the official record. All minutes of meetings are available at the City Clerk's office.

Comments and questions may be directed to the City of Fenton Zoning and Building Administrator, Jason Payne, at 810-629-2261.

PLEASE CONTACT THE FENTON CITY CLERK'S OFFICE IF ANY ACCOMMODATIONS ARE NEEDED DUE TO A DISABILITY.

Genesee County Recycle Day by appointment only

■ Register online for July 19 event at Carman-Ainsworth Middle School

By Sharon Stone

Due to the overwhelming attendance and high quantities of materials collected at previous Recycle Days this year, the event has been extended by an hour and a new by appointment-only format has been developed to decrease wait times for residents.

The next Genesee County Recycle Day collection event for hard-to-recycle items such as household hazardous waste and electronics will be held at Carman-Ainsworth Middle

School on Tuesday, July 19 from 1 to 6 p.m. by appointment only.

Please bring proof of registration in digital or printed format; without proof of registration, you will be turned away.

The Recycle Day event allows Genesee County residents to bring unwanted waste materials to this location during a designated timeslot. Recycle Day staff will be available to

assist attendees in navigating the site and unloading items from vehicles.

Appliances and tires will not be collected at the Recycle Day event.

“It is encouraging to see so many residents who want to recycle their hard to dispose of items; every participant makes these events possible. All items that are collected at Recycle Day are properly disposed of, so they do not end up

in the county’s landfills,” said Derek Bradshaw, director of the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission.

During the May collection event, approximately 1,250 residents attended, and 192,588 pounds of waste was collected.

For more information about registration, contact the Genesee County Recycle Hotline at (810) 762-7744, email Recycle@geneseecountymi.gov, or visit www.gcmpc.org/recycle-day/

To register for the event, go to [RD719.eventbrite.com](https://rd719.eventbrite.com)

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Strong reading comprehension skills are one of the foundations of a successful academic career. According to the Institute of Reading Development, students with strong reading comprehension skills get a big boost in all subjects, including math and science.

Though the benefits of reading comprehension are well documented, many students are struggling in this area of their academics. Officials with the National Center for Education Statistics note that, over the last decade, students have made no progress in reading performance. That likely comes as no surprise to seasoned educators, as data indicates students are reading less outside of school than they have in years past. Data from the National Assessment of Educational Progress indicates the percentage of public school students who said they read 30 minutes or more a day declined by 4 percent between 2017 and 2019, dipping below 50 percent overall in the latter year.

There's likely a multitude of reasons

why students now read less than they used to. Parents concerned about their children's reading comprehension can try these strategies to bolster this highly valuable skill.

- **Let kids read what they like.** The tutoring professionals at Oxford Learning report that 73 percent of students indicate they would read more if they found books they liked. Parents can address this issue by taking children to their local libraries and letting them choose which books to check out. The more practice kids get with reading, the more their comprehension skills develop.

- **Read aloud to children.** Various studies have found that reading aloud to children significantly benefits literacy development. One study from the National Association for the Education of Young Children found that listening to others read helps children develop key understanding and skills, including how stories are written. In addition, the

See **READING** on 19



How learning a foreign language benefits students

Adults undoubtedly recall their school days when schedules included a class devoted to foreign languages. Some students embrace these classes, while others may question their value. Those in the latter camp may be surprised to learn just how much they benefit from studying a foreign language.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND LONG-TERM COGNITIVE HEALTH

Dementia might not be foremost on the minds of school-aged youngsters, but their foreign language class could be delaying its onset by a significant margin. A 2010 study published in the peer-reviewed journal *Neurology* found

that bilingual patients with probable Alzheimer's disease reported the onset of symptoms 5.1 years later than monolingual patients. Authors of the study concluded that lifelong bilingualism confers protection against the onset of Alzheimer's disease, which underscores the value of learning a foreign language as a young person and maintaining that knowledge throughout adulthood.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND ATTENTION SPAN

A recent study from Microsoft found that the average attention span is now eight seconds, which marks a significant decline since 2000, when the

average attention span was 12 seconds. Researchers behind the report suggest the prevalence of screens, particularly the use of multiple screens at once, has led to that decline. But bilingual individuals may be able to buck that trend. Researchers at the School of Psychology at the University of Birmingham suggest that bilingualism could lead to better sustained attention and attentional monitoring, thus improving students' ability to remain focused and block out distractions.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND MULTI-TASKING

Most adults likely need no reminder

that the current world is one that requires an ability to multi-task. Learning a foreign language can make it easier to navigate that world. A 2012 study funded by the National Institutes of Health found that bilingual children had a greater ability to multi-task than monolingual children. The NIH study utilized a switching task to gauge monolingual and bilingual children's ability to pay attention, plan, organize, and strategize. Bilingual children were faster at switching than their monolingual counterparts, which could set them up to be more successful in a world that has increasingly valued the ability to multi-task.

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Jilian Lueker was at work when she learned that an additional \$1500 scholarship from the University of Michigan-Flint would help fund her tuition. The surprise email announcement caught her off guard.

“I basically was running around the store, telling my coworkers, ‘This is amazing. I have a scholarship I didn’t even know about.’ I was freaking out. It seriously was a blessing because I pay for my own tuition. It helped make my final semester more affordable,” she said. Jilian made the most of that final semester, graduating with a bachelor’s degree in psychology and a minor in history.

Jilian was one of 48 students who received similar news from UM-Flint’s history program, which distributed more than \$70,000 in additional scholarships during the height of the pandemic. The story typifies the mindset of student support embraced by UM-Flint. Expanded scholarships and financial aid, innovative academic programs, and exceptional student outcomes make UM-Flint a perfect choice to receive an affordable world-class education in a supportive environment.

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Also new for Fall 2022, the Sustainability & Energy Technology program puts learners at the forefront of the next era in energy generation, distribution, and storage. Part of the College of Innovation & Technology, students who enroll in this or other CIT programs in Fall 2022 are awarded a class scholarship, which provides assistance for up to four years and a free laptop.

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Vibrant campus life

While continuing to offer a robust suite of virtual programming, this fall is slated to be the most vibrant in-person semester in recent memory. Students, faculty, and staff will join together before classes begin with opening weekend festivities that include food trucks, entertainment, movie nights, and so much more.

Events will continue throughout the year, as students find organizations that allow them to explore their interests and make meaningful connections. One organization making news on campus is UM-Flint ESports, a team of competitive gamers who are testing their skills against universities across the country. The team practices and competes in a fully outfitted ESports lab, and players with exceptional skills are being granted scholarships to help them thrive both competitively and academically with UM-Flint.

“The relationships and friendships

I have formed through my classes and ESports experiences have been invaluable. When you work on a project or competition with others, you form a bond and understanding that helps you to succeed,” explains Luke Rimarcik, communication major and ESports team member.

In addition to the team, UM-Flint is embracing the culture and business of competitive gaming in academics. A certificate in ESports Marketing and a minor in Game Development offer students pathways to careers in a video game industry worth close to \$200 billion.

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to reinforce the teachings in the classroom. Each grade level has a global focus that incorporates real-world learning to classroom based teaching. Technology is integrated throughout classrooms and is used in innovative ways. Huskies are also provided an abundance of extra-curricular activities. Community leaders, administrators, teachers, students, and parents are strong partners through open, frequent and relevant communication.

Holly Academy is well respected in the surrounding communities. Students and staff volunteer their time to support community based projects and events. Stakeholders look to Holly Academy as the standard for educational experiences for all students.

Dare to be a leader!

Holly Academy students are holistically developed and viewed as leaders upon matriculating to surrounding area high schools. PAWS (Practice Responsibility, Act Respectfully, Work Together, Safety Matters) is a base for developing respectful students while leadership skill development builds global readiness. Classrooms are filled with eager learners engaged in rigorous academic experiences. Observed behavior is above the expected norm. PAWS expectations drive the high levels of self-control and sustain a supportive, collaborative environment. Student safety is paramount to our Husky family. The physical security on campus

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How the arts benefit academic performance

The cost of products and services continues to rise and organizations everywhere have increasingly been feeling the pressure to reevaluate budgets. It's no different in school districts nationwide, with school boards making difficult decisions about which programs to keep and which will have to go in order to save money.

Music and arts programs often are the first to be cut when school budgets are tightened. The organization Save the Music says that, during the Great Recession in 2008 and 2009, per-pupil spending in public schools decreased by approximately 7 percent across the country. This led to a trickle-down effect that resulted in the cancellation of art and music programs. Since then, many districts have continued to cut arts programs due to budget limitations. COVID-19 also did little to help the situation.

Art program cutbacks are rarely met with open arms, and that resistance has a lot to do with the positive effects such offerings have on students' academic performance.

BETTER TEST PERFORMANCE

Numerous studies have found a correlation between early introduction to music education and a number of benefits for children. Music education can help develop communication skills, brain plasticity, language, and motor skills. A study conducted by the University of California, Los Angeles used a database of more than 25,000

middle and high school students. The researchers found that students involved in arts performed better on standardized achievement tests than students with lower arts involvement. Furthermore, data from 2015 from The College Board, which produces the SAT, found students who took four years of arts and music classes while in high school scored an average of 92 points higher on their SATs than students who only took one-half year or less.

IMPROVED EMOTIONAL STATES

In addition to better performance on tests, a review in *Frontiers in Psychology* examined several studies linking arts and aesthetic experiences with "broad improvements" in people's emotional states. Those improvements included greater psychological and physical well-being.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Participation and even appreciation of the arts can have an impact as well. Researchers from the Department of Public Administration at the University of Illinois Chicago found that being an art curator or audience member leads to high levels of civic engagement and social tolerance.

The support and therapy company Evolve Treatment Centers reports that involvement in music and arts leads to overall higher GPAs, higher scores in math and reading and a reduced risk of behavioral problems and suspensions.

what, when, where, why, and how can encourage children to look for answers to these questions while they're being read to. As students advance and then read more on their own, parents can encourage them to ask these questions of themselves (if they're not already doing so on their own). Asking and answering these questions is a great way to strengthen reading comprehension skills.

Strong reading comprehension skills can help students reach their academic potential. Parents can employ various strategies to help children bolster those skills.

READING

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Reading Rockets project, which aspires to bring reading research to life in the hopes of helping young children develop into strong, confident readers, notes that children can listen on a higher language level than they can read. That makes complex ideas more accessible.

• **Ask questions when reading to children.** When reading to children, parents can compound the benefits of this activity by asking youngsters questions about the book. Asking

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In addition, ASSE students have pocket money for personal expenses, along with health, accident, and liability insurance. ASSE students are selected for participation based on academics and good citizenship. Host families can choose their students from a wide variety of backgrounds, countries, and personal interests.

ASSE's top concern is the health of their host families, host communities, and exchange students. Even as the U.S. and many other countries continue to live under temporary stay-at-home orders, they would like to reassure you that these students will not travel unless it is considered safe to do so by the U.S. and foreign governmental agencies entrusted with public health and safety.

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Giorgio from Italy, 16 yrs.

Loves to play baseball and spend time with his dogs. Giorgio also plays the guitar, and his dream is to join a drama club at his American high school.

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Many of these in-demand jobs are in professional trades, such as computer technology, HVAC, automotive, truck driving, and healthcare. MCC offers associate's degrees,

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Healthcare careers continue to trend high because of the country's changing demographics, particularly the aging of the baby boomer generation. There is increased demand for Physical Therapy Assistants with expected job growth of 219 openings in our region through 2031. At MCC students can earn a Physical Therapist Assistant Associate's degree in applied science,



As the population ages, more Physical Therapy Assistants will be needed to provide quality care in our region.

preparing them for careers in the hospitals, rehabilitations centers, outpatient clinics, school systems, industrial clinics, sports medicine centers, nursing homes, and home health care agencies.

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Another technology field needing skilled talent is Automotive Service Technicians and

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Web developers and Digital Interface Designers will also be in high-demand through 2031 in mid-Michigan. MCC offers associate's degrees in Computer Technology, Computer Information Systems, Computer Networking and Cybersecurity, and as of Fall 2022, a new Data Analytics degree to meet the demand for

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To get students into the job market quickly, MCC's Workforce and Economic Development (WED) division offers short term training programs in three of the top ten high-growth occupations, Truck Driving, Medical Assistant and EMT/Paramedics.

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- Medical Assistants, 2,000+ openings through 2031, WED offers a four-month training program.

- Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT), 635 openings through 2031, WED offers a four-month training program.

As demand grows for professional trades and a highly skilled labor force, MCC will continue to adapt to the changes needs of the market to ensure our student's success. For more information about associate's degrees, transfer degrees, and professional certificates at Mott Community College, visit mcc.edu or call 810-762-0200. MCC, changing lives for a changing world every day, by moving forward, together.



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Weekend Crossword

PUZZLE CLUE: THREE-TO-FIVE FIRST NAMES

- ACROSS**
- 1 Jason's ship
 - 5 Categorized
 - 12 Schoolboys
 - 16 Actor Ayres
 - 19 Coffee bit
 - 20 Sea cow
 - 21 "Orinoco Flow" singer
 - 22 Yes, to Yvette
 - 23 Pigeonhole the 16th president?
 - 25 Toy-package span
 - 27 1950s politico Stevenson
 - 28 — -CIO
 - 29 Cut all ties with the star of "Our Miss Brooks"?
 - 31 Sniff the singer of "Coca Cola Cowboy"?
 - 35 Barber's stuff
 - 36 Color shade
 - 37 Senator Cruz
 - 38 — -bitsy
 - 39 Investigate the director of "Stand by Me"?
 - 43 Barber's stuff
 - 45 Positive vote
 - 46 Writer Blyton
 - 47 Bathe the star of "Caroline in the City"?

- 53 Didn't include
- 58 Gate joint
- 59 Light hit
- 60 Berg material
- 62 Bride in "My Big Fat Greek Wedding"
- 63 Hank in the Basketball Hall of Fame
- 64 Floats in the breeze
- 67 Make a genetic replica of the star of "The Wolf Man"?
- 70 Jules Verne captain
- 72 According to Dawn goddess
- 74 Boxer Frazier
- 75 Muscle jerks
- 76 Mistreat the director of "Splash"?
- 79 In districts
- 81 Holy Fr. woman
- 82 Broadcaster
- 83 Rumpus
- 84 Stable feed
- 85 Pungent pizza topping
- 87 Quaint street lighter
- 90 Trample the playwright of "Travesties"?
- 94 "Me neither"

- DOWN**
- 1 Something super-fun
 - 2 Software instruction file, often
 - 3 Like houses with pitched roofs
 - 4 Hoops' Shaq
 - 5 Roman 950
 - 6 Chou En- —
 - 7 Yearly records
 - 8 Hit resulting in an out and an RBI
 - 9 Absolut rival, for short
 - 10 Sushi roll fish
 - 11 Forest lairs
 - 12 Do not disturb
 - 13 Resident of "la-la land"
 - 14 Batik worker
 - 15 Gilbert of "The Conners"
 - 16 Soho setting
 - 17 Actor Levy
 - 18 Hot dog
 - 24 Mae West's "Diamond —"
 - 26 Intro painting course, say
 - 30 Self-love
 - 32 Be inclined
 - 33 Tingly feeling
 - 34 1974 CIA spoof flick
 - 40 Lubes again

- 41 Glass edge
- 42 Piaf of song
- 43 Phone game, maybe
- 44 Another time
- 45 Phone game, maybe
- 47 Gab, informally
- 48 African land
- 49 Infatuates
- 50 Capital of Canada
- 51 Moms
- 52 Sgt., say
- 54 Flawlessly
- 55 African land
- 56 Ballot caster
- 57 Bedtime hour
- 61 Delights in
- 65 Relief sound
- 66 "Alice" waitress
- 67 Cape —
- 68 Era upon era
- 69 Capital of Canada?
- 71 Law school beginner
- 73 Like amatory literature
- 77 Marvelous
- 78 Radio spots
- 79 Electric jolt
- 80 Dimwit
- 84 "Let's see ..."
- 86 "Says You!" broadcaster
- 88 "Eat — Chikin" (Chick-Fil-A slogan)

- 89 Pickle or cure
- 91 Acorn sources
- 92 Be inclined
- 93 Finished
- 95 Levied, as a tax
- 98 Droopy-eared hound
- 99 Diminutive
- 100 Channel swimmer Gertrude
- 101 Morales of film and TV
- 102 McKellen of movies
- 103 "On Language" columnist William
- 104 Even though
- 105 A lot like
- 106 Wood overlay
- 107 Composed and ready for printing
- 111 "The Alienist" novelist Carr
- 112 "As — care!"
- 113 Crooner Cline
- 115 Women's Open org.
- 116 Hurdle
- 117 "Yeah, right"
- 122 Tall bird
- 123 164-nation commerce gp.
- 124 Au courant

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Midweek Sudoku, Crossword Puzzle and Jumbles are located in the last Midweek's issue. All other puzzles are located throughout this edition of the Tri-County Times.

MIDWEEK SUDOKU ANSWERS

3	2	9	7	4	6	1	8	5
6	7	5	8	1	2	3	4	9
8	4	1	5	9	3	7	2	6
7	5	3	6	2	8	4	9	1
1	8	2	4	3	9	5	6	7
9	6	4	1	7	5	2	3	8
5	3	8	2	6	7	9	1	4
4	9	6	3	5	1	8	7	2
2	1	7	9	8	4	6	5	3

WEEKEND SUDOKU ANSWERS

5	9	1	7	8	2	3	4	6
6	8	7	4	3	9	2	1	5
4	3	2	5	1	6	9	7	8
2	6	8	1	9	7	5	3	4
9	5	4	8	2	3	1	6	7
1	7	3	6	4	5	8	2	9
3	2	6	9	7	8	4	5	1
8	4	5	2	6	1	7	9	3
7	1	9	3	5	4	6	8	2

MIDWEEK CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Solution Time: 23 min.

L A C E K I E V G A M
 I G O R A S T I O W E
 P O G O S T I C K G E T
 D E E S I P O D S
 R E N E W K N O B
 T A O S S I N G S O N G
 E R G E A M E S O O O
 S N O W P L O W S T A Y
 A P S E K A S H A
 F E R M I A B I T
 I K E L O G O T Y P E S
 L E A O N E L R O S E
 E S S N O E L S E C T

WEEKEND CROSSWORD ANSWERS

A R G O C L A S S E D L A D S L E W
 B E A N M A N A T E E E N Y A O U I
 L A B E L L I N C O L N A G E R A N G E
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WEEKEND WORD SEARCH ANSWERS

C L K V H I L C G H E N A P O R P I G M
 W I T O E B L A T C E R I D G U H K V G
 D H G G A U T A O L L D S H P D W V S C
 E Y M L T R S V V C E T A R G V E G T H
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 T V P K A S N R O P F H C C B T N F R E
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 E S G W E K P S Y N I A T R E T N E U E
 U U C L O U L L I R G C V L N Y O L U F

MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS: ENVOY, QUEST, AUTUMN, PLEDGE
Answer: The comedian was well-respected. Everyone considered him to be a — **STAND-UP GUY**

WEEKEND SCRAMBLE ANSWERS: KINDLE, SCRAPE, LOOSED, SHORE
Answer: **CHOKED**





Fenton's Grace Olsen

Fenton sending 24 athletes to college programs

By David Troppens

When a school wins 12 Metro League or Metro League division championships, that type of team success is going to lead to individual success.

It did for the Fenton athletic program.

That success had helped 24 recently graduated student-athletes sign letters-of-intent to play at the collegiate level.

Two will be playing Divi-

sion 1 athletics.

Grace Olsen is headed to swim at Indiana University, a Big Ten Conference school. Meanwhile, Madison Canada will continue to play women's soccer for Western Michigan

University, a Mid-American Conference school.

Cross country athletes make up five of the seniors moving to the collegiate level. Aidan Brzezinski and Emily See **COLLEGE** on 25

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Sports Times

Lake Fenton's Senter changes from hoops to high jump

■ 2022 graduate headed to Detroit Mercy to compete in the high jump

By David Troppens

Francis Senter's prep basketball career was over.

The senior was bored and Senter knew he wanted to do something else before his senior season was over. That's when he was given an idea.

"I was really bored after basketball season, and my friend Luke Fritz and the coach really thought I should give it a try," Senter said. "I did join the team late. I think it was about halfway through the season."

It ended up being a pretty good idea. That decision has sent Senter's collegiate career into a different path. The athlete, who was a star on the Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team

and was probably thinking he'd play collegiate hoops, suddenly has become a DI track and field prospect. In about two month's time, Senter has made the decision to compete on the University of Detroit Mercy men's track and field team where he will be concentrating on the high jump.

"It is definitely crazy that all of my life I thought it would be basketball in college, and now it's track," Senter said. "But, I'm still very happy with myself and excited to keep getting better while trying to be the best I can be. I think what I have done in track in such a short time is something to be very proud of and be happy about."

See **SENER** on 24



Lake Fenton's Francis Senter cleared a jump of 6-foot-4 at the Metro League meet to win the league championship. Senter is going to Detroit Mercy to continue his high jump career. Photo: David Troppens

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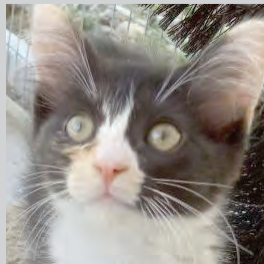


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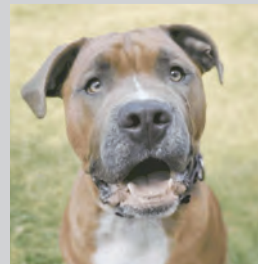
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1968 Tigers return from All-Star break in a slump

By David Troppens

The 1968 All-Star break had arrived and the Tigers were clearly the dominant team in the American League (AL).

The Tigers (55-28) were 9 1/2 games ahead of the rest of the AL and it was obvious it was going to take a collapse from Detroit to make an AL pennant race happen.

Trailing the Tigers by 10 1/2 games, the Baltimore Orioles fired Hank Bauer and replaced him with Earl Weaver. Of course, Weaver would lead the Orioles to the World Series in each of the next three seasons after 1968. So maybe Baltimore fans should thank the Tigers for blowing out the league so quickly for their success under Weaver.

The pressure was starting to hit the team.

"Nobody has asked for any (World Series) tickets yet, but I get the feeling

some of them are building up to it," Tigers Manager Mayo Smith said at the break. "Never in my fondest dreams did I imagine we would go into the All-Star recess with a lead like that."

So why were the Tigers so far ahead? While there was a lot of focus on Denny McLain's 16-2 record, the clear answer was the Tigers' offense. In the year of the pitcher, the Tigers were only fifth in batting average at the break (.229) but no other team could match their power at the plate. Detroit had 98 home runs, which was 34 more than any other team in the AL. That power had resulted in 350 runs scored. They were the only team that had scored as many as 300 runs. Boston was second with 293. And, of course, the leader of that offense was Detroit's Willie Horton. His .285 batting average placed him fourth in the

See **1968** on 25



Francis Senter was well known for his basketball abilities during his athletic career at Lake Fenton, but it's the long jump that he's decided to concentrate on at the collegiate level. He's headed to Detroit Mercy this fall. Photo: Christopher Summers

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS JULY 5, 2022

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Tuesday July 5, 2022 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan, and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
2. Supervisor Lorraine led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
3. Approved the agenda as presented.
4. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$634,629.22.
5. Received the 2 nd Quarter Report from Fire Chief Ryan Volz.
6. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-18, designating members for the Genesee County Surface Water Advisory Committee.
7. Recessed the open meeting at 6:42 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.
8. Reconvened the open meeting at 7:10 p.m.
9. Approved compensation adjustments for employees covered under a union collective bargaining agreement.
10. Adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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

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SENER

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It certainly is. Senter ran the 100, the 200 and the 400 on the track and took part on some of the sprint relays, but it was in the high jump where he thrived. His first competitive outing was at the Blue Devil Relays on April 23. He took second with a leap of 6-foot-0.

"When I jumped six feet and Luke told me how good that was for my first try with no coaching or any technique, I realized right there that I could get pretty good at this," Senter said.

Senter only got steadily better. He cleared 6-3 six days later on April 29 and reached 6-4 at the Flint Metro League Meet, becoming the league champion not even a month into his high jump career.

"I realized I could go to college for this when I posted on my Twitter that I cleared 6-3 after three weeks of practice with no coaching," Senter said. "I thought that if a coach saw that, they would be impressed about how high I have gotten without a

high jump coach."

The University of Detroit Mercy men's track coach Guy Murray followed Senter on Twitter as did a few other track programs. And all the while he was still looking at Rochester University and some other D3 schools for basketball. But track and field and Detroit Mercy won out.

Senter ended his season by qualifying for the state meet by clearing 6-4 at regionals. His best jump was 6-5 on May 13. He cleared 5-11 at the D2 state meet.

"I enjoy the feeling when you are clearing a personal record," Senter said. "It makes me very confident and makes me know I can clear that and even higher."

Senter had a pretty nice basketball career at Lake Fenton as well, playing four seasons as the team's starting guard, frequently point guard. He was a First Team Flint Metro League Stars Division member this winter after leading the Blue Devils to a second-place finish in the division. He was a second-team member his junior season.

COLLEGE

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Grob will continue running at Mott Community College, while Taylor Huntoon will continue her cross country and track career at Ferris State University. Josh Maier will do the same at Trine University while Maty Temrowski will compete in track and cross country at Grace University.

Track has three other stars headed to the collegiate level. Justin Miller will compete in the high jump at Grand Valley State University while Elizabeth Maier will compete in women's pole vault at Bethany College. Gavyn Blalock will compete at Indiana Tech.

The Fenton soccer programs have four seniors headed to the next level with each gender having two. For the boys, Calvin Curtis will play at Cornerstone University while Ben Chapple will play at Northwood University. Along with Canada going to Western Michigan for the girls,

Makenzie Trosen will compete at Defiance College.

Others that will compete at the next level in a sport are Kaleigh Shaker, basketball at Aquinas College; Lauren Gangwer, lacrosse at Rochester College; Mitch Staffon, bass fishing at the University of Montevallo; Brad Grifka, baseball at Northwestern Ohio; Jessica Dunkel, softball at Madonna University; Rose Haney, swimming at Wayne State; Jack Fries, swimming at Olivet Nazarene University; Seth Logan, basketball at Adrian College; and Peyton Jackson, baseball at Mott Community College.

"We are thrilled to honor two dozen young men and women for their outstanding high school careers, and wish them well as they prepare to continue their athletic careers at the next level," Fenton's interim athletic director Dallas Litner said. "To celebrate with these students and their families is exciting as we recognize their well-deserved accomplishments."



Calvin Curtis is one of four Fenton soccer program players headed to the collegiate level to compete. He will play at Cornerstone University.

Photo: David Troppens

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American League and he was second in the AL with 21 home runs. But, really, the Tigers had plenty of powerful bats. Only two other AL teams entered the break with as many as two hitters with double-digit home run totals. The Tigers had four. In terms of pitching the Tigers just sixth in the 10-team AL with a team earned run average of 2.82.

The All-Star Game was played at Houston's Astrodome and the game represented the era — the National League won a 1-0 verdict. The teams combined for just eight hits, with the AL collecting just three. Detroit's representation included Horton, Bill Freehan, Denny McLain and Don Wert.

McLain pitched two shutout innings, allowing a hit and two walks while striking out one batter. Wert replaced Brooks Robinson at third late and had one of the AL's three hits, a double off of Tom Seaver. Horton and Freehan started and each went 0-for-2.

With the Tigers so far ahead, the word of the day was "choke."

A Boston writer placed a note on Freehan's equipment at the All-Star break stating, "Don't choke this time."

"You can't pay attention to those things," Bill Freehan said. "Any club that listens to that junk is headed for trouble."

The Tigers weren't the same team when they came back after their break, losing four of five games. Detroit lost the

first game back as the Twins won a 5-4 walk-off victory. Rod Carew drove in the winning run with one out in the ninth and runners on first and second.

The next day, Denny McLain made the Tigers forget about that loss with his 17th victory in a 5-1 Detroit win. McLain tossed a three-hitter and Wert hit a two-run home run, providing the offense needed for the victory. However, a day later, The Twins earned another walk-off win, this one a 7-6 victory in the 14th. The Twins tied the contest at 5-all with three runs in the eighth. An error by Dick McAuliffe allowed the tying run to score.

In the top of the 14th, the Tigers loaded the bases and Freehan hit an RBI-ground out. Detroit led 6-5. But the Twins scored two in the bottom of the 14th. Carew hit an RBI-ground out tying the game. The Tigers intentionally walked John Roseboro with two out to face Twins' pitcher Jim Roland. Detroit hurler John Wyatt walked him, plating the winning run.

Detroit then went to California, where they lost two to the Angels in decisive fashion. The first contest was a 7-3 loss. In that game, starting pitcher Earl Wilson complained of a sore wrist. The second game was a 4-0 loss as George Brunet tossed a five-hit shutout against the Tigers.

What was a 9 1/2 game lead on July 10 was now just a 6 1/2 lead after July 15. Led by Weaver, the Orioles were hot and in second place. The Indians were 7 1/2 games back. So, maybe the Tigers were "choking?"

FENTON ZONING BOARD of APPEALS CITY OF FENTON GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF VARIANCE REQUEST

TUESDAY, July 26, 2022

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:00 pm., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Tuesday, July 26, 2022, for the purpose of considering Zoning Variance requests for accessory use with no principal use (Outdoor storage) at 420 S. Fenway Dr. Articles 12, Fenton Zoning Ordinance regulate the requested variance. The property is located at 420 S. Fenway Dr., Fenton, Michigan Tax ID #53-35-100-031. The property is zoned IND, Industrial District.

The public hearing will be held during the meeting in the Conference Room at City Hall, 301 S. Leroy, Fenton, Michigan. If you are unable to access the software due to technical difficulties, please call the City Clerk prior to the scheduled meeting. Every effort will be made to ensure participation in the meeting.

A copy of the variance request is available for public inspection at the City of Fenton offices, 301 South Leroy Street, by appointment only by calling (810) 629-2261 during regular business hours. Written comments concerning the variance may be submitted at the above address prior to the hearing and will be made part of the official record. All minutes of meetings are available at the City Clerk's office. Comments and questions may be directed to the City of Fenton Zoning and Building Administrator, Jason Payne, at 810-629-2261

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New display at museum honors late husband of city councilor

■ Large Michigan license plate collection added to Linden museum

By Hannah Ball

The Linden Mills Historical Society and Museum has a new attraction, and it's one very close to one Linden City Councilor's heart.

The museum is now home to a collection of 160 Michigan license plates. They were all donated by Councilor Pamela Howd after her husband died.

Rick Howd died Dec. 19, 2021. He collected license plates since he was a kid.

"He always loved plates and was still collecting plates up to just a year before he died. My son, Jon-Claude, and I always bought him plates he needed. He collected plates from around 9 years old to current, about 54 years," said Pamela Howd. "We donated the plates to the museum for several reasons. Rick told us after he was diagnosed with terminal cancer that his wish was for the collection to be given to the museum. We also wanted everyone to be able to see the collection, so we donated it in memory of Rick."

About 160 colorful license plates now line the walls of the top floor of the museum. They had decorated the walls of the



The Linden Mills Historical Society and Museum is displaying 160 Michigan license plates after they were donated by the Howd family of Linden. Rick Howd, the late husband of Pamela Howd, Linden City councilor, collected Michigan license plates since he was a kid. **Submitted photo**

Howd's garage since March 2005, when they first moved to Linden.

It's a complete collection of Michigan automobile license plates dating back to 1910, along with plates for motorcycles, trailers, farm vehicles, veterans, intransit repair, reposted, government vehicles, manufacturing, dealer, disabled, vanity plates and sample plates. It includes metal tag years and current sticker renewal. They

donated more than 175 items. Some were duplicates, so not all are displayed.

Howd said they did not have all the new plates from colleges, fundraisers and causes, but Rick did collect all the standard issue plates. Rick also collected plates from other states, such as Arizona. This could be one of the largest Michigan license plate collections available for the public to view in a museum.

"My husband had marked off space and then labeled the wall, so he knew which plates he was missing. He finally completed the collection on Christmas 2020. We bought him the 1910 and 1911 porcelain plates," she said.

They also donated a license plate with the name "Howd" that she used when she started working in Lansing for the Department of Environmental Quality, which is now called the Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE).

"The U of M Vanity license plate was not popular with my MSU graduated co-workers. After a couple of years of seeing my jeep teeped every football season in green and white paper, sticky notes or whatever, I finally opted for a plain standard plate," she said.

The Linden Mills Historical Society members Joe and Pat Burgess, along with Barb and Pete Mass, who's the president of the LMHS, came to the Howds' garage on June 8. They very carefully removed the plates.

Pete Maas said it took most of the day to remove the plates from the garage and an entire weekend to clean them. The collection is now displayed on the top floor of museum as part of the trans-

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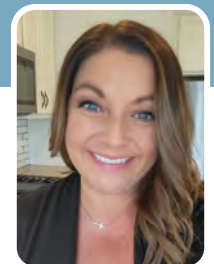
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The Howds also donated a variety of old oil cans that are now on display at the Linden Mills Historical Society and Museum. **Submitted photos**

DISPLAY

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portation and antique tools exhibit built by Aaron and Lucas Wiles, which also includes displays of the Aetna-Portland Cement Co, a 1947 Cushman Scooter, which belonged to former Linden Mills Historical Society President, Nettie Holtslander and the W. F. Close Chevrolet Dealership display. The Howds also donated a variety of oil cans.

Joe Burgess, a carpenter, framed the east window and erecting a new wall to accommodate the 160 plates.

“The museum has only been open for several weeks since the top floor improvements were made, and the new exhibits have already drawn much attention. People seem to be interested to locate the plate of the year they were born or that of their first automobile. We are so blessed to have this wonderful collection in our museum and extremely thankful to the Howd family,” he said, adding that there was “no better place” for this display than near the birthplace of the automobile.

Howd said Pete and Barb have been “wonderful” to work with. Rick talked with them a few years ago about donating the plates.

“So when I talked to Pete and Barb just after Rick died, they weren’t surprised that we were going to donate the plates. The historical society took excellent care of removing them from the wall the garage. Jon-Claude and I really love the display in the museum and it is a



Rick Howd had a complete collection of Michigan automobile license plates dating back to 1910, along with plates for motorcycles, trailers, farm vehicle, veterans and more.

fitting tribute to Rick,” she said.

Howd and her son have visited the museum many times, and they plan to sign up as members.

“The greatest thing about donating this collection to the museum is that we can go see it every Saturday and re-

member my husband, Jon-Claude’s dad. We spent a lot of great years collecting plates and going places to get plates for Rick. We went to Frankenmuth, antique shops in Waterford, and Williamston, Grand Rapids, Jackson, Detroit, and Mackinac city, all over the place. I am just happy they provided a wonderful display and home for the plates,” she said.

“Jon-Claude and I really love the display in the museum and it is a fitting tribute to Rick.”

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by Helene Hovanec

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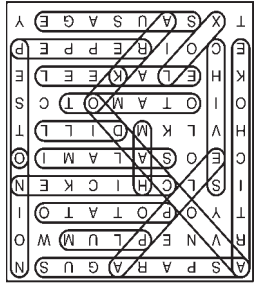
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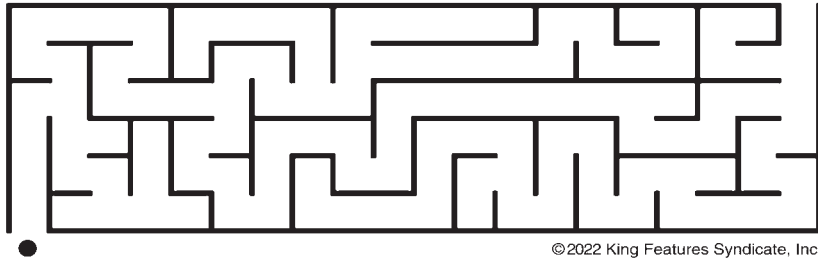
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Christopher Doty

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Jessica Long

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Steven James Dusenbery

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Steven James Dusenbery - age 48, of Linden, passed away Tuesday, July 5, 2022. A celebration of his life will be held from 1 - 4 PM Tuesday,

July 12, 2022 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Those desiring may make contributions to Life Challenge Ministries, 1230 Dupont St., Flint, MI 48504. Steven was born June 10, 1974 in Flint. He enjoyed camping, canoeing, grilling,

car racing and mud bogging. Steven is survived by his son, Brett James (Destinee) Taylor; dad, Thomas Townsend; brother, Thomas Townsend Jr; sister,

Karen (Ben Lucas) Townsend; niece, Barbara Cooke. He was preceded in death by his mother, Patricia Townsend. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


Lee Green

Lee Green - age 85, died July 1, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


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**Jan Nickerson Jepson
(AKA, Butterfly The Clown)**

Jan Nickerson Jepson (AKA, Butterfly The Clown) - age 68, passed on January 25, 2022. A celebration of life will be held on Sunday, July 10 from 12 – 3 PM (please arrive by 1 PM) at 6080 Denton Hill Road, Fenton, MI 48430. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

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Sharon Heathcoat

Sharon Heathcoat - age 75, died July 1, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


William Sutherby

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Patricia Louise "Pat" Butzler 1936 – 2022

Patricia Louise "Pat" Butzler - age 86, of Swartz Creek, died Wednesday, July 6, 2022. Funeral services will be held 1 PM Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at Sharp



preceded her in death August 27, 2005. She was a former member of the Grand Blanc Moose Lodge, Fenton Farms Ladies golf leagues, and Loose Senior Center.

Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Burial in Oakwood Cemetery, Fenton. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Monday, July 11 from 4 - 8 PM and Tuesday from 11 AM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to Disabled American Veterans, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, or Homeless Angels in Owosso. Pat was born April 17, 1936 in Flint, the daughter of Leo and Ruth (Shumaker) Winter. She was 1954 graduate of Grand Blanc High School. She married Fredrick William Butzler June 25, 1955 in Fenton and he

Pat was an avid bowler and enjoyed going to the casinos and buying lottery tickets. Surviving are her daughter, Gwen, and husband Riley Moore of Gaines; grandchildren, Ellen Moore of Fenton and Zaida and Ian Butzler of Ft. Myers, FL; and sisters-in-law Violet, Kathy, and Jeannie, nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was also preceded in death by her parents; In-laws, Zaida and Bill Butzler; son, William Butzler; brothers, Richard, George, and Gary; and sister, Janet. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

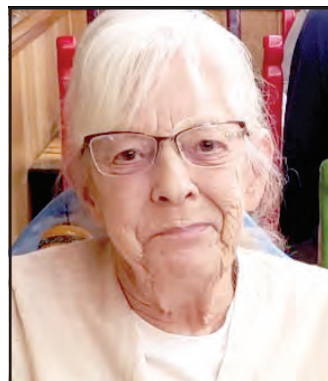


Obituaries

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Janet Eileen Kotalik 1943 – 2022

Janet Eileen Kotalik - age 79, of Fenton, died Wednesday, July 6, 2022. Janet was born January 27, 1943 in Petoskey, the daughter of Max and Doris



Kotalik; 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son, John Kotalik;

(Weeks) Houck. She was a loving mother and grandmother. Janet loved spending time with her grandchildren and making them root beer floats. She enjoyed crafts, bingo and going to the casino. Surviving are four children, Darcy (Sandra) Kotalik of Boyne City, Gary (Angela) Kotalik of Swartz Creek, Jeffery (Juli) Kotalik of Linden and Julie (Dwayne) Degayner of Linden; daughter-in-law, Ann

and four siblings, Max, Brad, Judy, and Deb. A memorial gathering will be held from 12 - 2 PM Saturday, July 23, 2022 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. A celebration of life will follow at 3 PM at the family's residence, 5457 Ray Rd., Linden, MI 48451. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Amy Wong

Amy Wong - age 71, died July 4, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Noreen Tabit

Noreen Tabit - age 73, died July 7, 2022. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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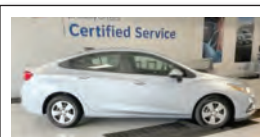
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