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November Election Genesee County Commission

■ Shumaker vs. Chapelle in 6th District

By Sharon Stone

Genesee County residents living in the 6th District will vote for Republican Incumbent Shaun Shumaker or Independent Kurt Chapelle in the Nov. 8 general election.

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Tri-county area school boards

By Sharon Stone

Tri-county area residents will be voting on Boards of Education when they go to the polls Tuesday, Nov. 8 or vote by absentee ballot. Here's a rundown of the candidates in the school districts of Fenton, Lake Fenton, Linden and Holly.

See **SCHOOL BOARDS** on 16

Linden City Council

■ Four residents seek three seats on city council, mayor seeks reelection

By Sharon Stone

Linden City voters will decide who will serve on Linden City Council for the next four years in the Nov. 8 general election. Mayor Danielle Cusson is seeking reelection. Councilors Brad Dick, Pamela Howd, Brenda Simons and Aaron Wiens also are seeking reelection. Paul Morrison also is running.

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Argentine police hold Trunk-Or-Treat

Children in costumes and their parents line up to receive candy at the Argentine Township Police Department's Trunk-Or-Treat Halloween event on Tuesday, Oct. 11. See story on page 3. Submitted photo

Linden could stop adding fluoride to water

■ Council reconsiders fluoridation program

By Hannah Ball

Linden — The city of Linden might stop adding fluoride to municipal water. Linden City Council discussed the topic during its Tuesday, Oct. 11 meeting.

Fluoride is a naturally occurring mineral present in the city's well

water. The city currently has an average of 0.5 ppm of naturally occurring fluoride from the wells without any additional supplementation, according to a letter from City Manager Ellen Glass and Public Works Director Don Grice.

“This naturally occurring amount brings us to within 0.2 ppm of the maximum level allowed by current

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“If you get too much fluoride, just like any chemical, it can have negative effects.”

Don Grice

Department of Public Works director

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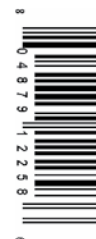
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Argentine police hold Trunk-Or-Treat

Families and kids come dressed in costumes for Halloween fun

By Hannah Ball

Halloween is approaching, and the Argentine Township Police Department celebrated by hosting its annual Trunk-Or-Treat on Tuesday, Oct. 11 at the Linden High School parking lot.

Hundreds of people attended in costumes and got candy from more than a dozen booths.

“The event went great and the weather was awesome,” said Becky Nemecheck, administrative assistant at the Argentine Township Police Department. “The purpose is to bring the community together and to have a safe place for the kids to trick-or-treat. There were so many great costumes and I really love the homemade costumes and seeing the kids use their imagination to create them.”

Numerous organizations came to support the event with decorated booths and Halloween-themed displays.

“Linden Pay It Forward had the best display and they put a lot of work into it. We love that PitBoss comes back every year because people really like their food,” she said. “We had a new vendor this year, Tippy Wheels, which had different



Photos by Becky Nemecheck



flavored ciders and snacks. The kids love the Mid-Michigan Therapy Dogs and Hope Lutheran had games and crafts for the kids.”

Argentine police Officer Tony Matthews and his partner Trinity performed K9 demonstrations with the assistance of Officer Kaarto for the crowd.

“Sheriff Brian BeGole (Shiawassee County) came out and he had a great time meeting so many people in our community. We even had a local resident Michelle

Skinner and her fur baby Jersey set up and pass our candy. All the candy was donated by our residents,” Nemecheck said.

The following organizations participated: Linden Pay It Forward, Desert Angels, Metro Parks, Argentine Fire & Rescue, Linden Fire Department, Linden Police Department, MedStar Ambulance, Dr. Wax Orthodontics, Beauchamp Water Solutions, PitBoss, Tippy Wheels, Mid-Michigan Therapy Dogs, Cancun #2 and Hope Lutheran Church.

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David's Dabblings

We have decided to do something we've never seriously done before this time of year.

My wife Anna and I have been decorating outside for Halloween.

It's actually a decision we pretty much made at the end of last year's Halloween season. When we decided we should decorate, it was a bit too late to get some of the stuff we wanted. So, instead, we decided to just wait until this Halloween and make this our true rookie season.

It's been fun. We put up a set of lights up at the start of September and later added a set of purple lights to go with our orange ones. We don't look like masters by any stretch. One set of the lights go around one side of our front door and the other half has the other lights. It does look a little weird, but we're keeping it that way.

We've learned that there is an abundance of decent cheap Halloween decorations available at a bunch of places. When I say cheap,



David Troppens
Sports Editor

Having fun decorating for Halloween for the first time

I mean \$3 or less. We've placed ghost and haunted house decals on our front windows, large spiders on our front door and within areas of our house and a couple of nights ago we painted some craft Halloween stuff. Anna painted a black cat while I painted a pumpkin that still has some dotted unripe green spots on it as well as some dried up blood around his face.

Another big addition this year is something I bought on the day after Halloween last year — our Halloween zombie baby we named LooKus. We spelled it that way thinking if he ever became a star in a horror movie, that's probably the way it would be spelled for scary and dormented impact. We plan on putting our candy bars under LooKus's hands to see which kids are willing to grab the candy.

We found one kid that has no problems with LooKus though. About a week ago, one of our young nieces, Ardie, came over and I brought LooKus out to scare her and her older sister, Clara. It backfired.

Adrie ran, grabbed him and hugged our zombie baby. She loved it and wanted to keep it for herself. And now we have our Christmas gift figured out for her this season. I think we need to get her a zombie baby.

Doing all this has been a lot of fun. Halloween was tied as my favorite holiday as a kid and doing these things have given us a chance to go back to those youthful feelings. And by doing so it feels like we've started our holiday season two months earlier than usual. We still have a couple of other ones to paint, and we will soon. Also, Anna is our master pumpkin cutter, usually creating two jack-o-lanterns every year.

We have always given out candy regardless how few kids we may get each year. Last year was our best year in the two decades we've lived in Fenton and our numbers were still only in the 20s. I'm guessing Halloween being on a Sunday may have made the numbers a bit higher than usual.

So those who have thought about doing outdoor Halloween decorating, I highly suggest doing it. It's been a lot of fun.

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LOCAL ROAD RESURFACING.

Were same contractors and specs used on the northern end of Linden Road and the southern end near Livingston County line? The asphalt surfaces are completely different and the ride on the northern end is like riding on the Milford test track, while southern end is smooth.

■■■

THE LIBRARY IN Linden has

become a rumpus room for small children. I understand storybook time to express themselves but yelling and screaming at the top of their lungs and bouncing balls like it's a play yard should be stopped. Inside voices for all.

■■■

LET'S REMEMBER THE old days — Rowena Theater, Silver Lake Drive In, Loomis Landing, Crispy Chicken & Fish, Big Boy, Joe Smallbones, Jack Chandlee, Dick Adams, Walden's Bar, A&W, Don's Drugs, Queen Bee, Dwayne Wolfort.

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ANYTIME A COMMERCIAL says it's a 'common sense' answer to anything, run away fast. That's a fuse you don't want to light.

■■■

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

Do you prefer self checkout or going to a cashier at a store? | **streettalk**



"Employee discount. Give me a 20% discount at the self checkout for doing someone's job. I have left a full cart of groceries because I couldn't get a cashier."

Bob Chamberlain Jr.
Waterford



"I don't mind self checkout if I have just a few items, however when I have a cart full, it is better that someone else does it. It's twice the work and I don't work there."

Vicki Goyette
Fenton



"Self checkout. I prefer to bag my things in paper. If you ask for paper in line when you're at the cashier the person behind me usually gets mad."

Courtney Clausen
Fenton



"All depends liquor or no liquor .. waiting on ID check takes too long .. and how smart the computers are.. irritating when it can't tell the item is in the bag!"

Michelle St Andre
Detroit

County resurfaces local roads

Sections of busy Fenton Township streets to be resurfaced

By Hannah Ball

Expect traffic delays on multiple busy streets in Fenton Township from Friday, Oct. 14 to Thursday Nov. 3 while the Genesee County Road Commission does resurfacing work.

- **Lobdell Road** (Shadow Lane to Linden Road, which is .45 miles) anticipated project cost is \$102,593
- **Rolston Road** (McFarland Drive to Jennings Road, which is .38 miles) anticipated project cost is \$105,204
- **Jennings Road** (Rolston Road to Lahring Road, which is .68 miles) anticipated project cost is \$152,963
- **Thompson Road** (Fenton Road to Oakland County line, which is .37 miles) anticipated project cost is \$94,477
- **Bowles Street** (North Long Lake Road to Ford Street, which is .2 miles) anticipated project cost is \$55,473



- **Grove Park Road** (Torrey Road to Swanee Beach Drive, which is .65 miles) anticipated project cost is \$164,356
- **Swanee Beach Drive** (Fenton city limits to Grove Park Road, which is .52 miles) anticipated project cost is \$118,709

Construction Project Engineer Todd Bigler said it's possible the GCRC could work on these projects simultaneously. They might have a crew working on the shoulder of one road while a paving crew works on another.

LOOKING BACK at this week in HISTORY

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

OCT. 16

1996: A stampede of soccer fans before a World Cup qualifying match in Guatemala City kills 84 people and seriously injures more than 100. The Guatemala national team was set to face off against Costa Rica on a Wednesday night in Guatemala City. Approximately 60,000 fans, most dressed in blue and white, the country's traditional colors, came to the stadium, which has a capacity of only 45,000. Apparently, counterfeiters had sold thousands of fake tickets to the event. The Guatemala City stampede was not unique; there were at least four stampedes at soccer matches that killed more than 40 people in the 1980s and 1990s.

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Provision Living of Fenton celebrates opening

Surrounded by community members, his team and residents, Provision Living of Fenton Executive Director Michael Scully cut the ribbon on the newly opened senior living community Wednesday, Oct. 12. The ribbon-cutting ceremony was hosted by the Fenton and Linden Regional Chamber of Commerce. Located at 440 N. Fenway Dr., Fenton Provision Living offers independent and assisted living options. For more information, visit provisionliving.com. Photo: Emily Caswell

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This event is designed for kids who can trick or treat but usually wouldn't be able to due to medical restrictions. The child will be picked up from their home (or medical facility) in a fully decorated, spooktacular ambulance. The child and their family will be escorted through a predetermined neighborhood on a stretcher, with full medical support, until their hearts are content and their candy bag is filled.

To nominate a child for this event, fill out the form at medstarambulance.org or email rmccrary@medstarambulance.org.

The nomination deadline is due by Oct. 18.



Medstar Ambulance is offering an opportunity for a few local kids in its service areas to enjoy Halloween when they might not have otherwise been physically able to. Apply at medstarambulance.org.

Please review the Medstar participation guidelines before filling out the form.

- The date of the event will be on October 31, 2022, between 6 and 9 p.m.
- The child and parents should reside in one of the Medstar service areas within Bay, Lapeer, Genesee, Macomb or Wayne counties.
- Children in a hospital or medical facility can participate, and Medstar will coordinate with the facility to determine if they can accommodate them.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

METH, OTHER DRUGS FOUND AT TRAFFIC STOP IN FENTON

At 1:17 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 9, a Fenton police officer initiated a traffic stop on a 2009 Malibu for a civil infraction. The officer made contact with the occupants a 48-year-old Flint man and a 38-year-old Flint man. The driver provided his license to the officer. The passenger said he didn't have his license but provided a name. While talking, the officer observed suspicious criminal behavior from

the men who said they had just left a friend's Fenton home in an area police know well. A computer check of the men revealed the passenger was not who he said he was and he had two outstanding arrest warrants. The driver was a parole absconder. The men were arrested and a consent search of the vehicle produced a glass pipe, schedule 4 drugs and suspected meth, which later tested positive. The men denied knowing about the drugs. Police also found a plastic bag containing meth in the driver's wallet. They were transported to the Genesee County Jail for the warrants and arraignment on the driver for possession of meth.

- The child should be between 4 and 13 years old.
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Mary Ann Beltinck has been engraving for more than 20 years. In her Holly shop, she engraves items such as trophy plates, jewelry, knives, firearms, and memorial pieces. She

also creates signage for businesses and "Man Caves" and "She Sheds." Wood is her favorite material for engraving. She provides services to large corporate clients as well as the walk-in customers. "Every job is important to me," she said. She was taught basic engraving by a coworker in 2019 and knew she wanted to do more. Computer artwork has always been a passion of hers. She said every client has such a specific need that listening to their story usually gives her enough information to create just the engraving they want. She works with many organizations in communities, especially first responders and law enforcement. She loves working with our military and always extends military discounts. "I have three amazing children," she said. Both of her girls live locally and her son lives in Thailand. She's going to be a grandma in December. "I love to be outdoors and I hunt with my fiancé whenever I can sneak away from my shop," she said. Lastly, Beltinck said she'd like to thank the community for always supporting her local shop.

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GENESEE COUNTY

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Shaun Shumaker

Age: 51

Family: Married for 20 years to wife Jennifer, three children, Reid (18), Sam (17), and Ben (14)

Highest level of education: Bachelor of Business Administration from Northwood University



Shaun Shumaker

What policies do you support to help Michigan (especially Fenton, Linden and Holly area) residents improve their economic positions? We cannot be truly successful if we don't prioritize our fiscal policy. Our county mission statement emphasizes that our goal is to have a "...financially sustainable county government." We must live within our means as a county, just as our families do every day. We need to be doing everything in our power as a county board to ensure every dollar is allocated appropriately and not wasted. Sometimes this means we need to make tough decisions; these may not be popular decisions. We also need to reinvest in our

infrastructure. I am extremely proud of the investment the county has made, with well over \$10 million being distributed back into the 6th District over the last two years I've served. Partnering with our local municipalities, making Genesee County more attractive for investment in our area and local economies to increase our tax base without asking our residents for an increase or additional mileage.

What are the top three priority issues that Genesee County Commissioners should address and what actions would you, as a commissioner, take regarding each of them? 1. Financial accountability. Genesee County has over \$650 million in unfunded legacy costs. We need to make some drastic changes to avoid the State of Michigan stepping in to control our funds. I will continue to work, cutting wasteful spending, and making sure millage dollars are used appropriately.

2. Public safety will continue to be a priority for me. I believe my endorsements from the Genesee County Deputy Sheriff's Association and the Genesee County Captain's and Lieutenant's Union are evidence of a good relationship. I think that's an important part of being able to get things done. I will continue to work with our

sheriff's office to fight issues such as human trafficking, fentanyl, and the increasing rate of violent crime.

3. Our seniors and veterans need to remain a top priority as well. Both have individual millages funded with our residents' tax dollars. I will continue to work with their respective departments and board members to improve these services without raising taxes.



Kurt Chapelle

Kurt Chapelle

Age: 39

Family: Wife Danielle, daughter Saylor, baby #2 due Oct. 24
Highest level of education: Attended Ferris State University

What policies do you support to help Michigan (especially Fenton, Linden and Holly area) residents improve their economic positions? I support any economic policies that provide tax abatements to businesses for economic investment and bringing and keeping jobs in Genesee County. I will work closely with the Flint & Genesee County Economic Alliance, which specializes in grants, tax abatements and has relationships with the local units of government within my

district of Fenton, Linden, Argentine and Gaines. Being from Fenton, I know it's important that growth in our community is good but does need to fit in line within each of our local municipalities master plan and that it ultimately provides a positive economic impact. Furthermore, it is important that we create and maintain good paying jobs in our community, and I believe everyone in my district will be on board with that.

What are the top three priority issues that Genesee County Commissioners should address and what actions would you, as a commissioner, take regarding each of them? I believe that we need a commissioner that supports our police and prosecutor's office, as well as increased transparency and accountability. I will utilize social media to easily communicate information and get more residents involved, through polls, surveys and comments. For instance, the Genesee County website was recently re-done and it is quite difficult to locate the livestream of the board meetings for someone who is not familiar. I would also like to increase voter registration and participation in elections and will take great pride in doing so, as I believe it is important that every voice in our community is heard.

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FLUORIDE

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standards, which further negates the need for additional supplementation,” according to the letter. “Because of the level of naturally occurring fluoride in our water system and with the increased availability of fluoride for consumers, the Department of Public Works is requesting that Chapter 51: Section 51.02 of the Linden Code of Ordinances be rescinded.”

The annual cost of Linden’s fluoridation program is approximately \$6,000

- \$8,000.

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), water systems are considered naturally fluoridated when the natural level of fluoride is greater than 0.7 milligrams per liter (mg/L). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that 66% of the U.S. residents who receive their water from community water systems, which is approximately 170 million people, have access to fluoridated water.

The CDC recommends 0.7mg/L in

the drinking water. The maximum containment level (MCL) is 4.0mg/L, which is the maximum concentration the water can contain, Grice said. The city does not want that much fluoride in the water. In 2022, they have averaged a residual of 0.63mg/L prior to treatment and they averaged 0.94 mg/L after treatment at the plant. The average residual in the distribution system was 0.95 mg/L, Grice said.

“By feeding only ¼ pound a day or so we are increasing the Fluoride level by 0.31 mg/L. Not a lot by any means,”

he said.

For more than 80 years, municipalities have been adding fluoride to public water supply systems to help prevent tooth decay. Grice said Grand Rapids was the first community to add fluoride to the municipal water system to help prevent tooth decay.

“Instituted at a time when tooth decay was a significant issue in the general population, the process provided a substantial benefit to the consumers,” according to the letter. “Since that time, fluoride has become readily available in many products such as toothpaste, mouthwash, various drinks, and supplements.”

Due to the increased access to this mineral, Grice recommends discontinuing the practice.

“In my time here, I’ve already had a couple calls from people that ask if we add fluoride, and they asked if we would quit adding fluoride. There’s some controversy associated with adding fluoride,” he said.

One benefit to discontinuing the program is that because they do add fluoride, Grice said, the state of Michigan requires Linden to monitor the water seven days a week and they could reduce that to five days a week.

“If you get too much fluoride, just like any chemical, it can have negative effects,” Grice said.

Councilor Brad Dick said prior to this meeting, a dentist sent them information on the negative effects of having too much fluoride in water.

Too much fluoride can cause dental fluorosis, according to the American Dental Association. This condition is also known as mottled teeth. It occurs when children consume too much fluoride when their teeth are developing. They may develop streaks, spots or pits on the surfaces of teeth. In severe cases, fluorosis can cause brown, black or gray spots and the teeth may become pitted.

Linden City Council is expected to vote on this during the Monday, Oct. 24 meeting.

The city ordinance section 51.02 Fluoridation reads, “The City Council is authorized and directed to institute fluoridation of the water supply of the city to equal one part of fluoride to every 1,000,000 parts of water and to do all things necessary to carry out this directive.”

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Election - Governor

■ Whitmer vs. Dixon

By Sharon Stone

Voters across the state of Michigan will decide who the next governor will be on Nov. 8. Incumbent Democrat Gretchen Whitmer is seeking reelection and being challenged by Republican Tudor Dixon.

Gretchen Whitmer

Age: 51

Family: I live with my husband in Lansing, along with our dogs Kevin and Doug. I have two daughters, Sherry and Sydney, and three stepsons, Alex, Mason, and Winston. Highest level of education: Michigan State University (BA, 1993), Detroit College of Law at Michigan State University (JD, 1998)



Gretchen Whitmer

What are your top three priorities for the State of Michigan and how would you address them? I am focused on the fundamentals: boosting our economy, investing in education, and cutting costs for families. I have worked across the aisle to secure billions in investment right here in Michigan, creating thousands of good-paying jobs. I plan to build on this progress to ensure the future of manufacturing is Michigan made. I've put over 170,000 Michiganders on a tuition-free path to job training and higher education. I will double down to increase the number of working-age adults with a skills certificate or college degree to 60% by 2030. And I am fighting to repeal the retirement tax and cut taxes for working families. Tough times call for tough people, and I will work with anyone to solve problems and move Michigan forward.

What should Michigan do, if anything, to provide an equitable, quality public education for all students and address the shortage of teachers? Four years in a row we made the largest investment in K-12 education in state history, tripled the number of reading coaches, increased mental health care, and helped reduce class sizes — all without raising taxes. I will continue to support our

students with impactful resources like tutors and before- and after-school programs, and I want to tackle unfinished learning by offering free tutoring to every student who needs it. I have worked across the aisle to recruit and train more teachers by cutting the cost of teachers' tuition, providing stipends to student teachers, putting support staff on no-cost paths to becoming educators, and helping veterans become certified educators. I will keep bringing people together to build on this momentum for our students, parents, and teachers.

Tudor M. Dixon

Age: 45

Family: married, four school-age daughters
Highest level of education: BA in Psychology from University of Kentucky



Tudor M. Dixon

What are your top three priorities for the State of Michigan and how would you address them? I am running for governor to improve education after Gretchen Whitmer's lockdowns set our students back. I am running to restore law and order and declare that we will not accept spiking crime and that we support our police. I am running to improve our economy and ease the burden of regulations. I have vowed to cut 40% of them in my first four years so businesses can grow and Michiganders can attain good-paying jobs.

What should Michigan do, if anything, to provide and equitable, quality public education for all students and address the shortage of teachers? Gretchen Whitmer harmed public education when she closed schools to in-person learning, putting many students behind. To begin to repair the damage, I have proposed reading scholarships for students to get back on track. When the Legislature passed such a plan, Whitmer vetoed it. She, sadly, is indifferent to our students' plight caused by her cruel lockdown policies. I believe parents know what is best for their children, both in terms of what they're learning and how they're learning and I will ensure parents are empowered to make decisions.

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CATCH OF THE WEEK



Patrick Walters of Springfield Township caught this 22-inch fish on Bush Lake a couple of weeks ago. He then let the fish go to be hooked another day.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

FENTON MAN'S WALLET STOLEN FROM TRUCK, DEBIT CARD USED IN EASTPOINTE

On Oct. 7, a Fenton police officer responded to an apartment on Georgetown Parkway for a larceny from vehicle complaint. A 32-year-old Fenton man said sometime overnight, someone had gone through his unlocked pickup truck and took his wallet containing a debit card and several credit cards and the key fob. He said he accidentally left his truck unlocked. At noon on Oct. 7, he received text alerts that large transactions happened on his debit card in Eastpointe. Fenton detectives will follow up to see if there are surveillance videos of the nearly \$5,000 worth of transactions in Eastpointe.

Election - U.S. Congress



Kildee vs. Junge in 8th District

By Sharon Stone

Democrat Incumbent Dan Kildee will face Republican Paul Junge for U.S. Congress representative for the 8th District in Michigan.

Daniel T. Kildee

Age: 64
Family: Wife Jennifer, three children Ryan, Kenneth, Katy, two grandchildren Caitlin, Colin
Education: B.A., Central Michigan University



Daniel T. Kildee

What policies do you support to help Michigan (especially Fenton, Linden and Holly area) residents improve their economic positions? To help Fenton, Linden and Holly recover from the pandemic, I secured over \$4.4 million for these communities to support critical local services, including local police and fire. And after years of politicians just talking about infrastructure, I got it done—working with Republicans and Democrats to pass the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to repair Michigan's roads, replace bridges, update water systems and expand high-speed broadband internet. This new law will create jobs in Genesee County and help grow our economy. I also secured full funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative to protect our water and stop invasive species like Asian carp. Finally, I will continue to support federal legislation and fair trade deals that promote Michigan manufacturing and create jobs here, not overseas.

What are the top three priority issues that Congress should address and what actions would you, as a congressman, take regarding each of them? I'm focused on lowering costs for mid-Michigan families. I've passed legislation to lower the cost of gas, groceries and prescription drugs. A new law I championed will allow Medicare to negotiate lower prices with pharmaceutical companies, helping to reduce costs for those on Medicare and private insurance. I passed a new law capping the cost of insulin at \$35 a month for seniors. And I have worked to lower costs at the pump by pushing the Biden administration to allow for the year-round sale of ethanol-blended fuel, which is cheaper and made from Michigan corn growers. Finally, I'm focused on fixing supply chains and manufacturing more things in Michigan, including essential components

like semiconductors, so we don't have to rely on foreign countries like China.

Paul Junge

Age: 56
Highest level of education: MBA and attorney
Occupation: Former criminal prosecutor, worked at the Department of Homeland Security, and at one time helped run his family business which maintained military family housing



Paul Junge

What policies do you support to help Michigan (especially Fenton, Linden and Holly area) residents improve their economic positions? The people of Michigan are hardworking and care for their neighbors, but many are struggling during these difficult economic times. My focus will be empowering people rather than Washington, DC politicians and bureaucrats. I will work to reduce the tax burden to leave more resources with the people, lower gas prices by increasing American energy production, balance budgets and stop wasteful spending, and build a strong, healthy economy. Additionally, we need to protect families by supporting law enforcement and securing the border. I'm confident that we can tackle our significant challenges by advancing policies that empower people and stopping the politicians who are pushing to raise taxes, plunge our nation deeper into debt, and turn over even more power to Washington, DC politicians and bureaucrats.

What are the top three priority issues that Congress should address and what actions would you, as a congressman, take regarding each of them? Families are struggling due to the high cost of goods. Reckless spending and massive government borrowing are driving up inflation, and that must stop. I will work to restore fiscal responsibility to Washington, DC and focus taxpayer dollars on protecting our priorities like Social Security and Medicare, modernizing our infrastructure, and improving public safety. Second, I will work to lower gas prices and make our nation energy independent by increasing American energy production. We need to increase exploration, cost-effective renewables, and safe pipeline distribution.

Third, I will focus on strengthening our economy by reducing the tax burden on families and small businesses, stopping job destroying regulations, and promoting quality education and workforce training.

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Election - Oakland County Board of Commissioners

Hoffman vs Watt for 7th District

By Sharon Stone

Tri-county area residents will vote for Democrat Kristen Watt or Republican Bob Hoffman who are running for the 7th District seat of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners on Nov. 8.

Bob Hoffman

Age: 71
Family: Father of three
Highest level of education: two years of college



Bob Hoffman

What policies do you support to help Michigan (especially Fenton, Linden and Holly area) residents improve their economic positions? I support less taxes and regulations. I am an advocate for property taxes to be properly assessed. Much of Oakland County is over assessed. I have worked with many residents to help them appeal their taxes.

What are the top three priority issues that Oakland County commissioners should address and what actions would you, as a commissioner, take regarding each of them? A transit tax proposal that the Democrat majority voted to put on the Nov. 8 ballot is our most immediate pressing issue. I support transit; however, this tax increase is bad government on steroids. This tax came to the Commission four days before the Democrat chair called a special Board Meeting for Tuesday, August 10 at 4:30 p.m. Our regular meetings are usually Wednesday or Thursday at 6 p.m. when more of the public can attend. Smart Bus System currently collects \$33 million per year. This tax to replace that millage will bring in \$66 million the first year. We are told this is a 10-year tax. There is no such thing, this tax will last an eternity. The most egregious thing about this proposal is there is no plan. There is no opt out. This tax will hurt the working poor the most. It is a tax on all classes of property. It takes away local control. This tax will add to inflation, increase the cost of goods sold and increase rents. This tax will take ap-

proximately \$3 million out of my district the first year with no benefit to my district.

I will continue to represent my district first and Oakland County second. I will continue to fight for my core beliefs, which are free enterprise, capitalism and property rights. I will continue to stand up for the promise of American. If you have an idea and you're willing to work hard, perhaps with a little luck, you will accomplish everything you set out to do. You should never ever have to apologize for being successful in this country.

Kristin Watt

Age: 40
Married - Husband Charles, daughters Madison (20) and Zoe (13), bonus son Miles (21)

Education: Ma-comb Community College



Kristin Watt

What policies do you support to help Michigan (especially Fenton, Linden and Holly area) residents improve their economic positions? "The new 7th District is comprised of numerous working class families, seniors, veterans, and small business owners. I am committed to ensuring that north Oakland County has a bold proactive voice to ensure existing resources are maintained and improved upon. We are often overlooked in the north end of the county. I am dedicated to ensuring existing programs for rental assistance, first time home buyer programs, resources addressing health care, mental health needs, and veterans services are communicated and made available closer to home. I support small businesses and seek to request a liaison to do a study on the pressing need for easier access to grants and loans to ensure every business owner has the resources they need to thrive."

What are the top 3 priority issues that Oakland County Commissioners should address and what actions would you, as a commissioner, take regarding each of them?

1. Mental Health - The commission just made the largest investment in Oakland

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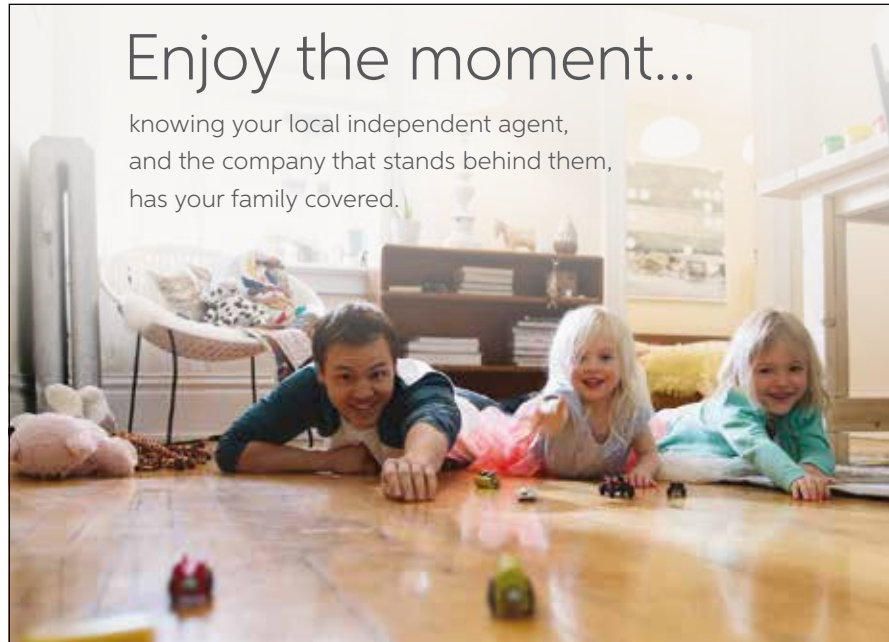
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Election - Holly Village Council

■ Nine candidates for three vacant seats

By Sharon Stone

Holly Village residents have many Holly Village Council candidates to choose from in the Nov. 8 election. Nine individuals are running for three vacant seats.

Current Village Council members are Debra Musgrave, Richard Kinnamon, Ryan Delaney, Rick Powers, Jim Perkins and Buster Winebrenner. The Tri-County Times emailed candidates for comments.

Richard Kinnamon,
incumbent

Age: 61

Family: Jane and I have been married for 26 years and have four college age children

Education: BA in Psychology, MDIV classwork

Top priorities: The Village Council is



Richard Kinnamon

faced with trying to accomplish more in a growing community with funding that has not recovered from the Great Recession. Some of the needs created by this shortfall are the streets, sidewalks, and parks. We will need to take a serious look at alternative ways to fund them. Also as the subdivisions in the township begin developing the next phases, the council needs to pay attention to the contracts that get presented for water and sewer infrastructure. We do not want to repeat what happened the last time.

Why should the residents vote for you? I am seeking reelection after completing my first term as a Village Council member. This experience has also placed me on the Planning Commission and the Charter and Ordinance Committee. My background extends from factory work to retail accounting, pastoring, owning a business, to chamber director. All of these add up to a well rounded level of experience level. My family and I are involved in many aspects of the community because we want to see Holly be the best it can be.

Daniel Wendel

Age: 46

Family: Wife Jackie, daughter Genevieve, son Drew and daughter Danielle
Education: Graduated from Walled Lake Western in

1995 in the top 10 of my class with honors

What are the top three priority issues that Holly Village should address and what actions would you, as a council member, take regarding each of them?

1) Over spending

By asking to see the bids that they are asking money for and if it is a car/truck the specs on it, meaning as a council member doing our homework

2) Have times dedicated to kids and teens

Having kid/teen themed events, games, or make a skate park

3) Having the village shop local first

Meaning that if the village needs stuff done we use our local shops first then go elsewhere if needed

The residents of the village of Holly should vote for me if they want their concerns to be addressed and someone who will not stop from fighting for our village and will hold our elected officials accountable.



Daniel Wendel

Amber Kier

Age: 39

Family: Married with one daughter
Education: Western Michigan University

What are the top three priority issues that Holly Village should address and what actions would you, as a council member, take regarding each of them? Finance. While our previous council has made strides in attracting new businesses, I think it can be expanded upon. Our town has wonderful opportunities for one-of-a-kind shops. The talent pool is deep and we need to seek these businesses out. We are facing budget shortfalls and I think we need a council who is proactive in business versus reactive.

Parks. I think we can better utilize our DPW and wonderful volunteer base in our community to help with maintenance.

Money was allocated to our parks via ARPA funds and I want to make sure they're used responsibly.



Amber Kier

Outreach. There is currently no set place to find out information on events, government and local happenings. I think this can be resolved with a new website for the village. This is something I have done with our small company and we saw about a 30% increase in traffic to our site once we revitalized it and made it more user friendly.

Why should the residents vote for you? Service to my community comes naturally to me. I am a former military police officer who served 16 months in Iraq where I earned my Purple Heart. My police background gives me insight into the shortfalls faced by our local police and fire. My current job is as an office manager at a small family owned scale company in Davisburg named NuWeigh Scales. We have nearly doubled our workforce in the last three years after implementing new business practices and I believe I can bring that same vision and forethought to move our community forward into the future.

What are the top three priority issues that Holly Village should address and what actions would you, as a council member, take regarding each of them? "Holly is a small village. The majority of homes and businesses should belong to those who live, work, and raise families here. I'd like to fill vacant buildings by attracting businesses that complement a family minded community mission. As a gold star mother, opportunities arise to support our veterans, I will hold their best interest in mind.

April Brandon

Age: 45

Family: 3 children ages 10, 12, and 22
Highest level of education: Masters at Oakland University

What are the top three priority issues that Holly Village should address and what actions would you, as a council member, take regarding each of them?

Our transportation services need to be prioritized over county transportation millages that won't serve our area. We also need to protect our wildlife and ecosystem. We don't have the budget for every need. Creative revenue generation is vital.

We all know water is an issue. Infrastructure is aging, maintenance needs funding. With water being an enterprise only funded through user charges, requiring surety bonds for housing development.

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April Brandon

VILLAGE OF HOLLY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF VARIANCE REQUEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with Chapter 154 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance, the Village of Holly Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on a request for a variance of Ordinance 154.07(A)(1) (a) on November 7, 2022 at 7:00 PM (or as soon thereafter as possible) in the Village Council Chambers located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, Michigan.

An application for a variance was filed by Phillip's Sign & Lighting, Inc. The property is located at 4047 Grange Hall Road, IH 01-27-151-022. The applicant is requesting a variance of Ordinances 154.07(A)(1)(a) which prohibits a sign exceeding 32 square feet in surface display area per side.

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

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

Deborah J. Bigger
Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Holly

Election- Holly Village

Two residents seek president seat on Holly Village Council

By Sharon Stone

Holly Village residents will vote for Ryan Delaney or Debra Musgrave-Rood for president on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Ryan J. Delaney

Age: 34

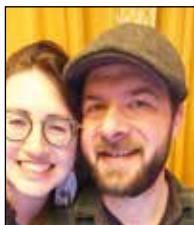
Years lived in Holly Village: 4
Education / Degrees: BA English, Michigan State University

Employment: High School Teacher, Flint Community Schools
Family: Wife Allison and four children, ages 8, 3, 1, and newborn

What are the top three priority issues that Holly Village should address and what actions would you, as a president, take regarding each of them?

Holly is a small village with big needs, and we need a village president who goes the extra mile to seek creative and effective solutions for our community's challenges. From the high cost of water, to the poor state of our roads, sidewalks, and parks, to protecting our historic downtown from another devastating fire, there is no shortage of opportunity to affect positive change.

The village president has the ability to lead on all these issues and more. But we cannot settle for "business as usual" or for "experience" that really means "the one with all the answers."



Ryan J. Delaney

Instead, I am asking the people of Holly to vote Delaney for village president, with the promise that I will be a leader who not only responds to residents' needs but also actively seeks residents' input, tapping all available resources to secure a bright future for our village.

Debra Musgrave-Rood

Age: 63

Family: Four sons, two daughters, eight grandkids. I recently got married
Education: Two years of college

majoring in business administration
Occupation: License Nail Technician for 22 years

What are the top three priority issues that Holly Village should address and what actions would you, as a president, take regarding each of them? Determine means for funding for the installation of a fire suppression system in the downtown area for the safety of the businesses and residents in the village of Holly.

Determine means for funding of the installation of a sidewalk that runs from downtown to the Holly High School, for the safety of the residents in the Village of Holly.

Continue to maintain the budget with proper decision making of expenditures.

I would spearhead each of these projects that are near and dear to my heart for the safety of our village. I am currently gathering data for use in these specific projects.



Debra Musgrave-Rood

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County history to ensure our students and citizens have expanded mental health resources. I will continually advocate for this to become the baseline and expand access to mental health professional in the North end of the County.

2. Economic Development - As a small business owner, I'm well aware of the

red tape that makes accessing financial resources difficult. I am committed to finding lasting solutions to ensure entrepreneurs get the working capital they need.

3. Environment - Our lakes and rivers are our lifeline. I am committed to working with the water resources commission and other experts to ensure our water quality, wildlife, and farmland are healthy and safe for our children and grandchildren.

HOLLY COUNCIL

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ments are musts."

Why should the residents vote for you? "I moved here

four years ago and established little free libraries, a pandemic food pantry, and was elected to the Library Board.

I am well-matched to this position and continue to learn as board president. I've written resolutions tending to the needs of staff and patrons. I've found lost money studying old documents. Our library lost \$30,000 since the 1994 board misplaced contractual responsibilities. I've created a legacy document to prevent future boards negligence.

As a psychotherapist, I'm good at



Buster Winebrenner



Robert Allsop



John Lauve

listening, research, and teamwork. It takes a community to protect a village. We need to listen to one another, and study. I am running for council to help preserve the integrity of Holly, to grow deliberately, with meaning, and foster a family-minded community mission.

Buster Winebrenner, incumbent

Robert Allsop

John Lauve

Patrick Feeny

Ryan Shiel

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FENTON BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Vote for not more than three candidates

Keith Reynolds

Age: 45

Family: Wife Claire, daughter Lillian, 13, son Gibson, 12

Occupation: Medical Laboratory Sales

Education: BS, Clinical Laboratory Science; Michigan State University
Years in District: 20 years in downtown Fenton

I am running for a position on the Fenton Board of Education to continue our progress since I first joined the team in 2016. At that time, we were without a superintendent and on the state financial distress watch list. We now have an excellent leadership team and a healthy



Keith Reynolds

fund balance. I was selected by the board as president in 2018 and have held the office ever since. I have experience operating within a multimillion-dollar budget and have held multiple management positions throughout my career in hospital laboratories. My strengths are in strategic planning and organizational management. I have gained most of my educational knowledge from my wife, a teacher at AGS for 20+ years.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected?

I believe the top three priorities of Fenton Area Public Schools are to ensure our new leadership team has strong and consistent support, recruitment and retention of the best teaching and support staff in our region, and developing our new 3-5 year strategic plan to include fiscal responsibility and community involvement. I plan to accomplish these tasks by utilizing my experience and trust developed within the community and in the boardroom, listening to our educators, and continued collaboration with my fellow Board of Education members.

Nicolas A Lecea

Age: 39

Family: Wife Bree, daughter Jillian, 9, son Jameson, 7, puppy Lucy, 2

Occupation: Information Technology Project Manager at Hurley Medical Center. Previously, I taught public health and clinical research to medical students, residents, and physicians.

Highest level of education: Bachelor of Science from Michigan State University
Years in school district: 13

I am a husband, father to two Tomek-Eastern Tigers, a youth football and baseball coach, and a current Trustee on the Fenton School Board. I have a tireless passion for serving and giving back to our community. I believe an effective school board member should always be prepared, focus on supporting all children, represent their whole community, and honor differing opinions. A school board candidate must be responsive and receptive to parents, staff, students, and the community while encouraging an open dialog. As a trustee, I will ensure that every voice in our community has the opportunity to be heard in our district's decision-making process. We have an outstanding school district, but we must continuously strive for improvement.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected?

My top three priorities are: Lingering effects of the pandemic — We are still struggling with the impact of the pandemic, specifically around learning loss and mental health. The district must stay committed to implementing a comprehensive system of support, training, and interventions to help our students bounce back stronger than before.

Staff retention, recruitment, and development — Retaining and developing our current staff is a top priority. We have an incredible team of administrators, teachers, building aids, custodians, bus drivers, food service workers, and more. We must ensure that all our staff feels appreciated, supported, and have the opportunity for development. Additionally, we need to continue to recruit top talent to our district.

Balancing facility upgrades with fiscal responsibility — Our district has done a great job improving our financial status.



Nicolas A Lecea

We must now consider making facility upgrades while maintaining our strong financial position.

Ashley Prew

Age: 34

Family: Husband Adam Prew; son Ryan, 6; daughter Elsie, 2

Occupation: Senior Associate Prosecuting Attorney - Civil Division, Genesee County
Highest Level of Education: Juris Doctorate from Michigan State University
College of Law

Years in School District: 9 years

I am a mom to my two wonderful children. I am also an attorney. I spent nine years in private practice representing business owners as a corporate attorney. From 2018 until August 2022, I owned a law firm with an office in Fenton. I recently accepted a position in the Civil Division of the Prosecutor's Office where I serve as Corporate Counsel for Genesee County. I am running for school board as a way to give back to the community and because I understand the importance of local governance and public education. As the daughter of a public school teacher, I strongly support public schools. My experience as an attorney and with local government will greatly benefit the district, students, and faculty.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected?

First: Recruiting and retaining talented teachers. To address this issue, I would look closely at school policies regarding salaries and, to the extent possible, work on increasing communication with the Michigan Education Association and teachers.

Second: Communication and transparency. As a school board member, I would communicate with parents to help them understand how the board operates and ask what concerns they have regarding the school. Third: The politicization of school boards. Recently, schools face challenges because of the politicizing of non-partisan elected positions and divisive rhetoric. I believe the best solution to this problem is to communicate with parents and educate the community on what the school board can and cannot do and to demonstrate the non-partisan nature of the school board.



Ashley Prew

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Mike Pearce

Age: 53

Family: I have two sons, Michael and Ryan who are both Fenton High School graduates

Occupation: I am a retired math teacher and Red Cross volunteer leader

Highest level of education: I have a master's degree in teaching and I was a teacher for 21 years. I spent the last 20 years as a high school math teacher at Fenton High School.

I am running for school board because I want to continue my life of service by becoming a leader in this school district. I believe the school board should be a non-partisan position and it should be about the kids and not about political parties. People are trying to take over school districts across America for their own political agendas and it's not right. We must focus on the students, families and teachers in our district. My history in the district as a Fenton graduate and as a Fenton teacher, as well as my math background will serve the district well in all areas but especially in overseeing budget and finance issues.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected? My top three issues are: Improving communication between the school board and the community. Ensuring students have everything they need to be successful and supporting teachers to make sure they can best teach our students. Communication can be helped by going back to live streaming or teleconferencing board meetings as well as making sure the board meeting venue can accommodate the community. Students need the best teachers for the best education. The crisis of a teacher shortage is on the horizon. We must ensure we retain the best teachers and we must be more proactive in hiring the best teachers to replace those leaving education.

Renee Juhl

Age: 58

Family: Husband Dave, daughter Jamie, and son Mitchell

Occupation: Retired teacher
Highest level of

Mike Pearce

Education: Master's degree

Years in school district: 10 years

Twenty-five years in the field of education. Being a teacher myself, I believe I have a better understanding of the current issues facing our schools. My experience in the trenches will prove to be helpful when discussing and making decisions that will affect students, teachers, and parents in Fenton.

Running for school board is another opportunity to continue to serve the community. I've recently retired, after spending 25 years in education, and running for school board will enable me to continue to use my experience to help Fenton schools maintain the excellence we've all come to expect. I believe I already have the qualities needed to be an effective school board member based on my years in the teaching field. As a school district, Fenton will need to remain focused on what is best for kids, teachers, and parents, and I feel I am a candidate that already knows what needs to be done.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected?

Top priorities: I expect districts will continue to be challenged with finances, especially as recession is looming. Student learning has been affected by the pandemic and districts will need to address the shortcomings students currently have regarding their education. There is also a definite teacher shortage, which I believe will become a huge challenge for districts in the future. Districts will need to be creative to attract new staff and retain the staff they currently have. Finally, it is obvious that politics have been a huge challenge for school districts. It will be important for districts to remember that students come first, and parents do have a say in their children's education.

Rachelle Edmunds

Age: 38

Family: Christian 10, Ayden 14, Ethan 17 sons

Years in district: 5
Occupation: service industry

I'm a mother, a Cub Scout Den leader and home-owning resident of Fenton. I am running for Fenton School board because I believe



Rachelle Edmunds

that teaching our children relevant life skills is job one. Parents must play a role in ensuring our schools focus on developing academic excellence not social or cultural experiments. As a Fenton mother of three, I have skin in the game, and I am alarmed by national trends to block parent access to curriculum and methods, move away from teaching the basic skills that prepare students for life as adults, and move to indoctrinate our children in cultural and social experiments.

As a school board member, I will represent your voice working to ensure the following at Fenton schools: every parent has the right to see all curriculum materials for every class their children attends; all curriculum focus on teaching the basic skills that prepare students for life as adults; students are taught the truth about American history and values; there is accountability for producing an environment where academic excellence thrives; mental health is addressed for all our students.

LAKE FENTON BOARD OF EDUCATION

Vote for not more than two new six-year terms ending Dec. 31, 2028

Katherine Carswell

Age: 40

Family: I have two sons, Joseph and Paul. Joseph is a freshman at Loyola University and Paul is a freshman at Lake Fenton High School.

Occupation: I am a middle school science teacher at Fenton AGS Middle School. I have been teaching for 16 years, the last 11 years at the middle school level.

Education: I have a Masters in the Art of Teaching from Marygrove College. I completed my Secondary Teaching Certification at the University of Michigan-Flint. My Bachelors in Chemistry is from Michigan State University.

Years in the school district: I have been a parent of Lake Fenton students since my oldest son started kindergarten in 2009. In 2016, I was elected to the Lake Fenton School Board. I look forward to serving for another six years.

As a teacher, parent, and lifelong student, I believe that education is a fundamental right. Communities that



Katherine Carswell

invest in education through fully funded schools, fully compensated teachers, and active stakeholder engagements find a return on investment that far exceeds the dollars spent. I look forward to serving the Lake Fenton Community as a School Board Trustee.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected? I believe that a school district has three priorities: 1. A safe, secure, and welcoming environment. 2. Knowledgeable teachers and staff. 3. Community space and community events. Therefore, the top priority for district spending should focus on those three domains. Often these three priorities have mutual solutions. For example, the more we invest in retaining our teachers and staff members, the more caring adults are building strong relationships with our students which we know is the first step in meeting student needs and providing a safe and secure district.

Michael Peraino

Age: 43

Family: Wife Amy, three daughters

Occupation: Self-Employed (Michael Peraino Construction LLC) commercial/residential builder

Highest level of education: 126 credits toward BA in science for engineering

Years in school district: 15

I am currently a Lake Fenton School Board trustee and have been a resident of the Lake Fenton area since 2007 with my wife Amy. We have three daughters in the Lake Fenton schools, the youngest attends Torrey Hill, middle daughter attends Lake Fenton Middle School, and the oldest daughter attends Lake Fenton High School and plays in the marching band. My goals for the school board are to be involved in the community and have influence on decisions that are impacting my daughters, our friends, and family in the community. Having children in the schools and being around other parents in the district with school activities, sports, and socializing allows me to have a great network and a voice for our community and students.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected?

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Michael Peraino

SCHOOL BOARDS

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dress them if elected? Providing a top notch education for the students. Being a current board trustee I have been part of the hiring of staff from administration to the teachers that are highly qualified and provided them with the tools, resources, and technology needed. Providing the community with a sought after school district helping to increase property value and community pride. To do this, we have to promote and provide resources needed for all the district has to offer from scholastics to sport programs.

As the student count numbers continue to climb, we need to keep classroom size down for more personal education. Currently, I am involved with the facility committee and we are looking at what the district's building needs will be in the future

Shannon (Lowe) Elenbaas

Age: 51
Family: Married for 30 years, mother of 14-year-old triplets
Occupation: Stay at home mom
Highest level of education: MBA from University of Michigan
Years in school district: nearly 50 in (Lake) Fenton Community, graduated from Lake Fenton in 1989, kids attend LFMS

Why run for school board? As a mother, I am very concerned about the negative impact the last two years has had on our children. Having triplets, I know that each child is unique and that the pandemic affected each child differently. Since our children are our future, I want to do everything I can to help them. I have a MBA from the University of Michigan and 20 years experience as a project manager. I am well versed in contract negotiations, budgets, accounting, finance, and information technology. I excelled at helping people work together despite their differences. These skills will enable me to collaborate with board members, parents and teachers to find solutions that will greatly benefit our Lake Fenton community.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected? Coming out of the COVID crisis,



Shannon Elenbaas

our schools face many challenges. Among them are missed learning — leading to falling test scores, fear and anxiety from the pandemic, and retaining/hiring support staff and teachers. While no easy solutions exist, I would address them by listening to parents while working with the board to advocate for grants/funds to provide tutors for children needing extra assistance, assist the board in their continued efforts to return the school environment back to normal and bring in financial experts/advisors to collaborate with the board and staff to develop the best retention/incentive packages we could provide.

Lake Fenton - Vote for not more than one on partial term ending Dec. 31, 2026

- No candidates on ballot

LINDEN BOARD OF EDUCATION

Terms ending Dec. 31, 2028
Vote for up to two candidates

Greg Durkac

Age: 59
Family: Wife Kristine, son Garrett, daughter Brooke
Occupation: (Retired) Colonel, US Army. Former Linden Community Schools Athletic Director
Highest Level of Education: Master's Degree, United States Army War College
Years in School District: 20 years

I am running for school board to give back to the community that helped educate my children. My family is service oriented. My wife is an educator, my son is a police officer, and my daughter is studying to be a pediatrician. Since June of 2021, I have served on the board and I already have a relationship with families, teachers, and administrators of the school district. Education, training, and leadership were ongoing requirements during my 35-year military career in the Infantry. My time in the military taught me strategic/operational planning along with organizational and communication skills that will be invaluable to me as a member of the school board. I am passionate about our schools and our ability to continue academic excellence.

What are the top three priority issues



Greg Durkac

facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected? One priority issue schools are currently facing is building security. A safe, secure environment is absolutely necessary for learning, growing and teaching to be at its best. I will continue voting to direct available resources toward updated building security and continued staff training in emergency action response. With the current teacher shortage, hiring and retaining the best professional staff members is another priority issue in the education field. Our staff should feel appreciated and valued. I will continue voting for the best resources available to help our teachers lead our students.

The next priority issue is providing a school environment that encourages the collaboration between staff and parents in regards to the education of the district's children. Open lines of communication are critical moving forward.

Brook Hansen

Age: 44
Family: Husband Michael and twin daughters Britta and Mikaela
Occupation: Board Member of a Non-Profit Organization
Highest level of education: Bachelor's of Science from Northern Michigan University in Environmental Conservation/Biology
Years in school district: Almost 5 years

As a parent of twin girls, I've seen the effects of bullying and exclusion in our school. As the sister of a public school teacher, I've seen firsthand the toll the current conditions are taking on educators. I'm running for school board because I'm focused on the well-being of students and educators and not pushing a political agenda. I'm a proud graduate of NMU, a public university that focuses on involvement in the community. Serving as a board member for a non-profit organization, one of my main priorities is listening to the community I serve. I'll include this sense of community in everything I do. I'm currently working to open lines of communication to accurately represent you and your children. www.facebook.com/BrookHansenforLindenSchools

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected? The biggest issue fac-



Brook Hansen

ing schools right now is safety. Students, teachers, and staff should always feel safe on school grounds. Nobody should have to worry about violence, bullying or health issues. Students should feel safe to express themselves without fear of mistreatment or exclusion. 2. Communication and transparency, especially in times of crisis, needs improvement. The Linden community deserves a school board that is honest and transparent. 3. We need to support our staff. With consistency being so important for students, it is more important now than ever to retain the teachers and support staff we have. They deserve to be treated as professionals and compensated appropriately.

Tabitha Ramberg

Family: I've been married to my husband Anthony Ramberg since 2004 and we have two children together in Linden schools since 2012.

Highest level of education: I graduated from Michigan State University in 2003 with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management. In 1998, I graduated from Linden High School and many of my former classmates and incredible teachers knew me under my maiden name as Tabitha Wolverton.

I believe I could be a great asset to the district if given the opportunity to serve the Linden community by sitting on the board of education. My higher education has prepared me to make impactful and difficult decisions regarding budgets, setting future goals, and reaching them. In the past, my husband and I had been active in the schools as parent volunteers and chaperones, which allowed us to make great connections with many parents, students, and faculty members. Volunteering as youth coaches in the past years with the Linden Little League and Upward Basketball program was a joy we felt honored to participate in. I've attended most of our school board meetings over the past two years, observed many of their tasks, and made public comments addressing needs for students and parents.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected? Supporting our amazing staff and recruiting the best new faculty members is a top priority for me while keeping politics



Tabitha Ramberg

and ideology out of the classroom. Another priority for me as a candidate is making sure our facilities are physically protected at all times so that students/staff/parents can all feel safe every day. Prioritizing mental health by seriously addressing bullying in our school district is another issue I'm passionate about helping to correct. One of the many reasons I decided to seek a seat on the board back in 2021 was the need for Linden schools to maintain and further academic excellence while at the same time keeping parents well informed on hot topic issues and making parents' voices count in their students' education. If elected, I'm committed to supporting the best policies for our district during tough controversial times.

Steve Murphy

Age: 62

Family: Married to Dalynn, first grade teacher at Cook Elementary, Grand Blanc. We have three daughters who are Linden graduates, Heather 2000, Shannon 2007, and Callie 2013

Occupation: Golf Course Superintendent, Tyrone Hills Golf Club

Highest level of education: BA in Accounting, Michigan State University.

Years in school district: 62

I have been blessed to be a lifelong resident of Linden, a 1977 graduate. I believe Linden has become one of the best school districts in Genesee County. It has been an honor for me to serve the community as a school board member for the past 20 years. I believe volunteering for this community service is very important. My experience of being a school board member during these years has allowed me to work through tough financial times. I believe these times will come again and making decisions based on what's the best value for the district will be important.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected? The most important area to focus on is academics. I love and respect the efforts in extra-curricular areas and we need to support these but all students will benefit long term from their academic growth. I believe that basic math and English skills must be maintained for all. I believe that transparency with the community is very important and that are



Steve Murphy

current live streaming of our board meetings with the addition of archiving these meetings will help accomplish this issue. The budgets have been easier to produce and pass due to extra funds accumulated thru the COVID years. This will likely not continue in the future so we need to make value driven decisions to keep the best financial position.

• Paul Armstrong

HOLLY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Vote for not more than three

Four-year term ends Dec. 31, 2026

Liz Cunningham

Occupation: Associate Professor of Mathematics Education

Highest level of education: Ph.D. in Educational Studies, specialty in mathematics education

Years in school district: 5

I am a lifelong educator. A classroom teacher for 10 years and a math teacher educator for 13 years. I currently teach future elementary teachers how to teach math. I have the training of a researcher and skills of a problem solver. I am running for school board to support all the children and adolescents of Holly to become the people they want to be. More information about me is found at www.drlicunningham.com/.

What are the top three priority issues facing your school district and what actions would you take to address them if elected? 1. Teachers and support staff leaving the profession. This is a nation-wide challenge. Some solutions include making the job they are doing more manageable. To do this, I would recommend reducing class sizes and caseloads. 2. Mental health of students. The district is currently hiring school social workers for each school. I would want to ensure that this is a long-term investment in the health of our students.

- Gale Carpenter
- John Lauve
- Luke Murchie
- Lisa Oakes
- Jennifer Young



Liz Cunningham

Linden school board candidate pulls out of race

■ Explains that her family needs her now and that comes first

By Sharon Stone

Terra Phillips, a candidate for the Linden Board of Education election on Nov. 8, has pulled out of the race. Her name, however, will still be on the ballot.

She said these past couple of months have been very challenging on her entire family. She said she decided to back out of the race because her daughter and son need her right now and she must put her children first.

"This pandemic has really taught me so much about our world. Since high school, I said I would never be involved with politics again but, I found myself at the Genesee County Board of Commissioner meetings and then at the school board meet-

ings, and then listening in on the state board of education.

"I decided to work on the 2020 voter records because I myself needed to know the answer if our 2020 election was stolen. Shouldn't we all want to know that regardless of who we voted for?"

Phillips questions whether most (not all) of our elected officials that take an oath really care to listen to the community or if they are in this position for their own personal gain/agenda.

"This pandemic and the way everything was handled in the schools, the colleges, doctors' offices, hospitals, and businesses, have really affected the mental health of people but, my heart really hurts for these kids. They are our future.

Phillips said she prays that our community votes for someone that will listen and take a stand when and if it's needed.

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LINDEN COUNCIL

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Current councilors Heather MacDermaid and Ray Culbert's terms don't expire until 2024.

Danielle Cusson

Age: 50
Years lived in Linden: 17 years

Family: Married to Dan Cusson together we have four children, one grandchild and two dogs

Occupation: Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Why should residents of Linden vote for you? I have been serving on the Linden City Council since 2007, and I was first elected mayor in 2016. I am always looking to get more people involved in our community and keep us moving forward. I understand the needs of the city and have developed relationships throughout the county to help better serve Linden. Over the years, I have served on the Parks and



Danielle Cusson

Recreation Commission, Library Committee, Downtown Development Authority, Historic District Commission, Linden Mills Advisory Committee and Small Cities and Villages of Genesee County. In order for me to best understand the needs of the residents, businesses, and city, I need to be involved so you will see me at local events, the community garden, shopping at our local businesses, and actually running around the city. I want to continue to make Linden a great place to live.

Brad Dick

Age: 55
Resident of Linden for 18 years
Family: Married to Mary Dodt-Dick for 20 years, two daughters and a granddaughter

Occupation: Retired operations and sales manager and small business owner

Why should residents of Linden vote for you? Since moving to Linden, my wife and I have become very involved in the community and Linden is our home now and forever. I have been involved in the city government since joining the Planning Commission in 2008 and have served on numerous committees and boards of directors including the Loose Senior Center and Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation. I have a background in construction and law enforcement and continue to educate myself on the workings of government. I believe in Linden and work hard to keep that small town feel as a founding member of Happening in Linden. I volunteer my time to create family friendly events that bring the community together. I will always do what is best for the community.



Brad Dick

Pam Howd

Age: 61
Years lived in Linden: 17 years

Family: I have a son, and my husband is deceased. Over the years, I have had

to be a strong advocate for both of them. My son is autistic, and I advocated for him to receive the correct IEP and schooling (he just graduated from MSU with high honors), and I was a medical advocate for my husband. I feel well primed to be an advocate for the citizens of Linden.

Occupation: I work for the state of Michigan, Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy and am an environmental scientist. I was a project manager for contaminated sites. For the last 15 years have worked with the intern program and environmental education.

Why should residents of Linden vote for you? First and foremost, I am a representative for the citizens, and I work for them. There are times that I don't always agree with neighbors and others opinions, but being a councilor is not about what I think. I would like to see Linden become more environmentally oriented. First, I would like to work on the water system to make sure citizens have good quality water to drink, with great water pressure, and to use in their homes, repair and improve the roads, development of parks or recreation plans, and help with smart growth (maintain the quaintness of the city, have well thought out development, and avoid sprawl). I would like to keep Linden a great place to live or work.

Brenda Simons

Age - 58
Lived in the area - lifetime
Lived in Linden - 8 years

Occupation - Tactical Analyst, Ford Motor Co

Family - My husband and I have four sons and 10 grandchildren. Our life is spent loving and giving to those around us.

Why should residents of Linden vote for you? I have been a Linden City Councilor for six years and have proudly watched our community grow and come



Pam Howd

together for the better. Two of the six years were spent as the Mayor Pro Tem, faithfully serving the Linden Community. I lead by example and demonstrate integrity, honesty, respect, accountability and possess the background and experience necessary to support the city goals and objectives. I enjoy working with people, am a good listener, and I approach issues with an open mind a willingness to learn. I am also known as a strong communicator who successfully employs a collaborative approach to problem solving and decision making. As your elected official, I am a strong advocate for you and, on your behalf, represent the concerns and issues of the community at large. I look forward to continuing as your city councilor.

Aaron Wiens

Age: 42
Years lived in Linden: Nearly seven years. Prior to moving to Linden, I had lived in Fenton since 1987.

Family: My wife, Alaina, and I have been together 23 years, since our sophomore year of college. We have two sons, Lucas who is 12, and Asher who is 7.

Occupation: I have been a middle school social studies teacher for nearly 18 years. In that time, I've taught at Atherton Community Schools and Ann Arbor Public Schools

Why should residents of Linden vote for you? I love the city of Linden and can't imagine a better place to raise my family. Thanks to the combined efforts of our residents and local businesses, Linden is moving forward while remaining a close-knit, small town community. I am proud to have supported these efforts.

Over the past six years, I've served on the planning commission, historic district commission, and most recently on city council for the past two years. I take every decision we make on behalf of the residents seriously, and do the necessary research to make sure I'm voting in the best interest of our community. As a social studies teacher of 18 years, I truly believe in the value of perspective and the need to view issues from multiple sides.

• Paul Morrison



Aaron Wiens




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LF's Connolly headed to D1 Tennessee to swim

By David Troppens

Lake Fenton junior Josie Connolly is a swimmer.

And she's pretty good at it.

So good, that despite the fact she's less than two months into her junior year, Connolly has already verbally committed to a Division I swim program. Connolly recently verbally com-

mitted to swim with the University of Tennessee women's swim team. The Lady Vols compete in the Southeastern Conference.

"It's super exciting knowing that I'm already committed to being a Lady Vol," said Connolly, who swims with the OLY club program. "Committing early was a decision I wasn't sure on when I first

started the recruiting process, but after taking a trip down to Tennessee, it just felt right. There is a feeling of relief along with a bit of a relaxing feeling knowing now I can fully get back to training with my club."

OLY Swim is a club program that uses Fenton High School's pool as one of its See **CONNOLLY** on 24



Lake Fenton junior and OLY Swim team member Josie Connolly verbally committed to continue her swimming career after high school at the University of Tennessee recently.

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Sports Times



Cola Sisk (left) prepares to hit a ball in a recent contest. Photo: David Troppens

Blue Devils back in first, defeat Clio

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity volleyball team wasn't playing its best in what was a critical game against the first-place team in the Flint Metro League Stars Division during the first three sets.

After a strong 8-0 start in the first set, the Blue Devils snuck past Clio in the first game 27-25. After that, the Blue Devils had some issues with its passing, particularly on serve receive and then lost the next two sets.

However, the Blue Devils found a way to correct those issues during the final two sets of the match, earning a pretty impressive 27-25, 21-25, 20-25, 25-17,

See **BLUE DEVILS** on 24

Eagles advance in district tourney, defeat Holly

By David Troppens

Holly — Daniil Duprey likes where he and his Linden varsity boys soccer team is at as D2 district action begins.

Duprey certainly had to like what he saw during the first 25 minutes of the Linden Eagles' first tourney game of the season against the Holly Bronchos on Thursday.

Duprey scored the first of four goals the Eagles scored during the first 25 minutes, helping lead Linden to a 6-2 victory against the Bronchos.

"I felt like we all played together very well," Duprey said. "There have been other games that we weren't really into it, and coming into the district game, we really put our hearts into it. We worked together as a team to get this victory.

"(To win a district title) it's going to take a lot of teamwork, a lot of energy and staying together."

The game was just 74 seconds old when Duprey scored the game's first goal. It remained 1-0 with Linden enjoying the bulk of the chances for about the next 12 minutes. The second goal came when Christian Wright scored on a rebound shot about a yard outside the Holly goal. About six minutes later, a lead pass to Wright resulted in another Linden goal when he was able to easily tap it into the open net. The game was just seconds over 20 minutes old, and the Eagles led 3-0. It grew to 4-0 on another rebound goal. This time Trenton Fletcher scored, upping the lead to 4-0.



(Left) Linden's Christian Wright scored the first of his two goals in the Eagles' 5-2 victory against the Holly Bronchos on Thursday. (Below) Linden's Devin Nowak tries to keep possession of the ball among Holly's defense in the same contest.

Photos: David Troppens



"It all starts with one goal," Duprey said. "As soon as our team gets one goal, I feel like the team just gets very motivated and then we feel like we can keep

going, going and going. It builds motivation."

Holly tried to fight back. After the See **EAGLES** on 24

Blue Devils cap season with loss in districts vs. South Lyon East

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity boys soccer team overcame an 0-3 start to finish the season 11-5-1.

The squad finished fourth in the Flint Metro League with a 7-3-1 record. It was a fine season for the Blue Devils.

However, all seasons come to an end and the Blue Devils' solid year ended Wednesday in the opening round of districts at South Lyon East. The Blue Devils lost to South Lyon East 6-1.

"That team was the best team we've played all year," Lake Fenton varsity boys soccer coach John

Hunter said. "This team was so full of heart and work ethic. While we were not as skilled as last year's team, we finished higher in the league and beat a team we hadn't beat yet since joining the league. This team's effort and determination was outstanding. Our only losses this year were to the three schools that finished ahead of us in the Metro League and to South Lyon East twice, who is probably the best team we've played all year."

The Blue Devils' goal was scored by Avery Smith and assisted by Jacob Haugh.



With one more victory, Holly's first-year varsity football coach Billy Keenist Jr. (left) should get his team qualified for the state playoffs. Holly hosted Brandon on Friday and travel to play Brandon this week on Friday. Photo: Christopher Summers

All four area football teams still could qualify for state playoffs

By David Troppens

Could all four tri-county varsity football teams qualify for the state playoffs this season?

It's only happened one time before, back in 2011.

Right now, it looks like it could happen again this season.

Currently, it looks like two teams — Fenton and Linden — are locks to qualify. Fenton (5-2) and Linden (5-2) were the 11th- and 12th-ranked teams in Division 3 entering week eight's contests, and each look to have point totals that will keep them in the top 32 teams in Division 3.

The other two teams — Holly (4-3 in Division 3) and Lake Fenton (3-4 in Division 4) — probably qualify if they won this weekend or win the final week. Both this weekend's game inside the top 32.

Fenton and Linden appear pretty safe. Entering its contest with Lake Fenton (Friday night results were not known at press time) the Tigers held a 57.143 playoff point score, while the Eagles entered Saturday's contest with Goodrich with 56.143 points. A year ago every D3 team with at least a 41 playoff point average made the playoffs. Entering the eighth week, Parma Western was the 32nd ranked team with 40.381 points, so it seems an average in the low 40s will get a squad in again this season. Even with back-to-back losses, both teams should break the 40,000-point plateau.

Holly entered last week's action with 46.143 points, a pretty comfortable total, placing them 20th. However, the Bronchos will look a lot more comfortable if they get at least one more win in their two match-ups with the Blackhawks. If they do that, they should be in.

Now, this is where it gets interesting for the three area teams. It's likely all three could be placed in the same district. If one is moved, it could be Holly closer to a suburbia Detroit district.

But if the three remain together, who would be that fourth team? Walled Lake Western (6-1) would be a candidate, and if they do would probably be the No. 1 seed as long as they do no worse than split their last two regular-season games. Auburn Hills Avondale (4-3) makes sense as well. If that happened, it opens up the top two seeds which would mean opening round home contests. Depending on what teams remain among the top 32, a team further north like Haslett could even sneak over to a tri-county district. With two weeks of results remaining, there remains many questions that could still change the playoff pairing dynamics.

Lake Fenton (3-4) had 38.571 points entering Saturday's game against Fenton holding the 29th seed. Grand Rapids Christian holds the 32nd spot with 37.714, so it's likely the Blue Devils need at least one victory to earn a spot in the D4

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Linden's Hannah Wasilewski bumps a ball in a recent match.
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Linden Eagles remain in first in Stripes Division, earn four-set victory vs. Flushing

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity volleyball team remains perfect in the Flint Metro League's Stripes Division.

But it didn't come easy as the Eagles had to battle Flushing on the road, earning the win three sets to one.

Linden lost the first set 25-23, but then rebounded to win the final three sets 28-26, 26-24, 25-20 to earn the league victory.

"It was back-and-forth all night and I am proud of the girls for their continuous fight," Linden varsity volleyball coach Cori Mason said. "We did try giving it away a couple of times, but hats off to Flushing. They definitely came to play."

The victory means the Eagles (8-0 in the Stripes Division) can lock up at least a share of the division title with a home victory against Swartz Creek on Monday. If that happens and Fenton wins its home match against Kearsley on that same date, that would set up a battle between the two area rivals at Linden. If the Eagles win they'd earn the Division title outright. If Fenton wins, it would create a co-championship scenario with tiebreakers deciding who

gets to play in the Metro League championship game on Oct. 27.

The Eagles trailed at one time in the second set by four points at 15-11. However, the Eagles fought back. A kill by Olivia Nester was followed by a block kill by Kara Bigelow. Flushing followed with a hitting error and Gracie Pierscinski followed with a service ace. The Eagles were tied, and took the lead on another Nester kill. From there, the set remained tight. Flushing had a match point, but it was staved off by a Pierscinski kill, giving Ava Siegwald the service. She scored the final two points as Nester provided two kills, earning the Eagles the tight second-set win.

The third set was just as tight and Linden trailed 23-22 after a Flushing kill. However, Linden answered back and had a 24-23 lead after a kill by Blair Ungvarsky. The Eagles earned set point after the Raiders struggled with its passing on the ensuing volley.

The Eagles had a reasonably comfortable fourth-set victory. Linden jumped to an early 5-2 lead. However, the lead was just 6-5 after a Linden service error.

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playoffs. That will be a challenge considering those games were Fenton (Jan. 15) and New Lothrop on Friday. But if they get that one win, they are likely in.

Who are some of Lake Fenton's potential opponents if the Blue Devils do qualify? Goodrich, Lake Fenton and Brandon (if the Blackhawks qualify themselves) would create a district of three reasonably close programs. The question is where would the fourth team come from. Freeland is a possibility, as could be North Branch and Orchard Lake St. Mary's. The Blue Devils are also located in an area where if the state needs a squad to go west, Lake Fenton could be that team. Either way, unless the Blue Devils win both of their final two games, it's likely they'd start the playoffs as a No. 3 or No. 4 seed and play on the road.

Fenton volleyball sticks close to Linden, sweeps Holly Bronchos

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity volleyball team seems to be a determined group.

The last time the Fenton Tigers won the Flint Metro League championship was in 2017. They've remained a serious contender during most seasons since then, but haven't been able to sneak back to the top spot.

But here we are in 2022 and the Tigers are not only having a solid season, but it looks like they have a shot to break that league dryspell, at least in the Flint Metro League Stripes Division.

The Tigers remained just one match behind area rival Linden in the division race after defeating another area rival, the Holly Bronchos, at Holly High School on Wednesday. The Tigers took care of business convincingly, crushing the rebuilding Bronchos 25-11, 25-13, 25-12. The Tigers (7-1 in the Stripes Division) have a big week coming up. They host Kearsley on Monday. And if

the Tigers win that match they travel to Linden. The Eagles host Swartz Creek on Monday. If the Eagles defeat the Dragons (they are favored to do so), then the Tigers could earn a share of the Stripes Division with a victory against the Linden Eagles. Who would be the team to represent the Stripes Division in the Flint Metro League title game would be determined through tiebreakers.

The Tigers were favored against the Bronchos and proved why with some impressive offensive work. The Tigers earned five kills for each of their first five points, taking a 5-1 lead early in the first set. Holly wasn't really able to cut into the gap through the entire set.

In the second set, the Bronchos were as close as 9-6 reasonably deep into the set, but a Fenton kill gave Olivia Sham-po the service, and she scored three points. The Tigers led 13-6 and didn't look back.

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Linden's Daniil Duprey works for a shot against Holly's Michael LaFray and the rest of the Bronchos' defense in the Eagles' 6-2 victory against Holly. Photo: David Troppens

EAGLES

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fourth goal, play was more level between the area foes. And that more equal play enabled to the Bronchos to make the game at least a little more interesting. Holly scored its first goal late in the first half on a shot Mitchell Price. Holly trailed 4-1 at the half.

In the second half, the teams were playing to pretty much a stalemate until Dominic Nykiel scored the Bronchos' second goal, cutting the gap to 4-2 with 19:09 left in regulation. Suddenly, it was game-on once again.

However, the Eagles' offense answered back with two more goals before the contest was over. Brenden Shingleton scored on a lead pass to him and then Aiden Chapel scored a sixth goal, giving Linden the victory. The Eagles play South Lyon East on Monday at Fenton High School in district semifinal play.

"It was a season full of ups and downs," Holly varsity soccer coach Darius Reynolds said. "I knew it was a fairly young team going into the season. We had nine returning and had 10 new guys this year, so we knew it was a very young team. Coming into the season, I expected

ups and downs. This was a learning process for all of them. I think next year will be a better year for us. I'm expecting these guys to develop in the offseason and come out and have a better year next year.

"We definitely showed some competitive spirit in the second half. That was the halftime speech — to at least go out there and compete. We have six seniors so this was their last game, and I wanted them to go out there and have some fight. We were able to get (a second goal), but we weren't fortunate to get the other goals back."

Linden varsity boys soccer coach Kevin Fiebertz enjoys the progress his team has shown since the year began, but knows the squad is going to have to play stronger if they want to advance to a district title game next week.

"The guys are playing good," Fiebertz said. "We started 0-7 and then go 10-2-2, that says a lot about them. These are great kids. Don't get me wrong, they are all great kids, but sometimes they get lackadaisical about playing and being disciplined and we saw some of that (after taking the lead). That's the frustrating thing."

BLUE DEVILS

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15-10 Stripes Division victory. The win puts the Blue Devils tied with Clio atop the very competitive Stripes Division, both with 6-2 records with two more matches remaining. Those matches are home events Monday against Owosso and Wednesday against Goodrich.

"I'm proud of how hard the girls fought," Lake Fenton varsity volleyball coach Brent Maynor said. "We struggled a little bit with serve and serve receive, but we played great defense, blocked well and hit well."

Trailing 2-1 in the set count entering the fourth set, the Blue Devils had to improve their performance, and did exactly that. Offensively, the Blue Devils had 13 kills to just two hitting errors in the fourth set. At the start of the set, it was Cola Sisk



Lake Fenton's Abbigayl Sells attempts a serve in a recent match. Photo: David Troppens

who led the offense. The Blue Devils jumped to an 8-3 lead and Sisk did a little bit of everything, recording three kills, a block kill and a service ace in that span. From that point, the Blue Devils always led with Clio coming as close as three points three times. The final time was a 16-13, but a Clio

violation gave the Blue Devils the service and Lake Fenton's Chloe Hnilica responded with three more points. The first was earned on a Kelsey Corkran kill, and the second came on an ace. The third point was set up by a great dig by Hnilica herself. The Blue Devils led 20-13 and cruised from that point, getting set point on another Corkran kill. Corkran finished the fourth set with seven kills.

That meant the fifth set would determine the winner. Early on Clio took the slight edge, leading for most of the first half by one or two points. Tied at 7-all, Lake Fenton took the lead for good on a Clio violation. It was followed by a Camryn McMullan kill, giving the Blue Devils a 9-7 lead.

The Lady Mustangs cut the gap to just one two more times. The second came at 10-9, but Corkran responded with a kill.

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CONNELLY

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homes. While with the program, Connelly has emerged as one of the state's strongest age group swimmers in the club circles, despite the fact that Lake Fenton High School doesn't even have a pool.

"OLY has meant everything to me during my swim career," Connelly said. "It's not so much the name of the team, but the people who have come along with it. The experience I have gained during my swim career is something that is unmatched, and I can't say enough about the support I have from this team."

The schools Connelly looked at included Tennessee, Michigan, Louisville, the University of Florida, North Carolina State and Kentucky. She had already taken two visits to Kentucky and North Carolina State, but then went on a trip to Tennessee.

"I absolutely loved both (Kentucky and North Carolina) but something about Tennessee just felt different. I immediately fell in love with the team and the overall feel of the campus. It just felt like home to me."

Connelly had an outstanding summer. She competed in the NCSA Summer Championships and finished second in the 50 freestyle (25.73), 12th in the 100 freestyle (57.69), fourth in the 50 backstroke (29.53), 18th in the 100 backstroke (1:05.06), 21st in the 50 breaststroke (34.35) and

54th in the 100 breaststroke. She had personal best times in the 100 freestyle, the 50 breaststroke and the 50 and 100 backstroke. Some of her other times include a 22.64 in the 50 freestyle, a 1:51.62 in the 200 freestyle, and a 1:04.57 in the 100 breaststroke.

For being two years away from competing at the collegiate level, Connelly's times aren't too far off of the times that could be expected with Tennessee's women's program.

"That is one of the main reasons why I chose them over my other schools," Connelly said. "Yes, I have a long road ahead of me to reach those top times, but I think it's obtainable in my collegiate career. I do plan on sprint freestyle (events) and doing backstroke, but you never know what can change within the next couple of years, along with my college years as well."

The Lady Vols won the SEC title a year ago, with Kentucky finishing as runner-ups.

Connelly still has two years to improve upon her times.

"My goals over the next few years are to enjoy my last two years of club swimming along with going really fast in the water," Connelly said. "I also want to be a mentor to people on my team who are younger than me. When I was a younger swimmer, my peers really shaped me to what kind of swimmer I am today, and I want to be there for those who are younger than me on the team."

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Come Halloween, television networks and streaming services offer their curated takes on frightening flicks worth watching. Some are horror masterpieces and others campy classics.

Film studios continue to release horror films each year — and 2022 is no different. Here are some recently released horror movies and others slated for release in the months to come.

• **Scream:** Neve Campbell, Courteney Cox and David Arquette return to reprise roles they made famous 25 years ago. A new killer dons the “ghostface” mask and terrorizes a California town. Screams undoubtedly ensue.

• **Hellbender:** A teen and her mother reside in the woods and pursue a passion for making music. A chance encounter with another teen has Izzy learning about a connection between her family and witchcraft, which causes a rift with her mother.

• **Texas Chainsaw Massacre:** The sequel to the 1974 hit arrives streaming on Netflix. A new group of victims unknowingly disrupt Leatherface’s home and are in for a gruesome surprise.

• **Fresh:** Noa finally meets what appears to be the ideal guy in Steve during a meet-cute in the supermarket. They exchange numbers and begin a relationship, planning to head away for the weekend. The rosy glow of their relationship soon extinguishes when Steve’s warped desires come to the surface.

• **The Requin:** A romantic trip goes south when a couple’s villa is swept to sea during a storm. The couple is forced to do what it takes to survive. The added horror comes from sharks circling them below.

• **Umma:** This supernatural thriller tells the story of Amanda, a quiet beekeeper who receives her mother’s ashes from South Korea. She is told that the mother’s “anger will grow as long as she remains in the box.” Soon after Amanda is tormented by her mother’s spirit.



• **Morbius:** This offering from Marvel tells the tale of Michael Morbius. When he tries to cure himself of a rare blood disorder, Morbius actually turns himself into a living vampire, blurring the lines between good and evil.

• **Choose or Die:** Viewers will ponder if a video game actually can kill. That’s because young student Kayla stumbles upon an old game from the 1980s that mirrors the “choose your own adventure” books of the era. It offers a \$125,000 cash prize to the winner.

Having been laid off, Kayla begins to play, only to discover that what occurs in the game has very real consequences in her real life.

• **Studio 666:** The rock band Foo Fighters moves into a California mansion to record an album. However, that abode is steeped not only in rock and roll memories, but some grisly history as well.

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Request for Proposals to Purchase Property in the City of Fenton, Michigan

Introduction

The City of Fenton is accepting Bids for a total of twenty-eight (28) vacant lots comprised of sixteen (16) regular units and twelve (12) re-configured units (Waters Edge Townhomes) in the Eagles on the Water's Edge Development. The addresses and unit numbers are as follows:

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929 Eagle Drive East (Unit #119), 931 Eagle Drive East (Unit #120), 925 Eagle Drive East (Unit #121), 927 Eagle Drive East (Unit #122), 938 Eagle Drive East (Unit #127), 940 Eagle Drive East (Unit #128), 934 Eagle Drive East (Unit #129), 936 Eagle Drive East (Unit #130), 930 Eagle Drive East (Unit #131), 932 Eagle Drive East (Unit #132), 926 Eagle Drive East (Unit #133), 928 Eagle Drive East (Unit #134), 922 Eagle Drive East (Unit #135), 924 Eagle Drive East (Unit #136), 918 Eagle Drive East (Unit #137), 920 Eagle Drive East (Unit #138)

(townhomes)-- units

821 Watercress Lane (Unit #79), 823 Watercress Lane (Unit #80), 825 Watercress Lane (Unit #81), 827 Watercress Lane (Unit #82), 892 Watercress Lane (Unit #83), 894 Watercress Lane (Unit #84), 896 Watercress Lane (Unit #85), 898 Watercress Lane (Unit #86), 861 Watercress Lane (Unit #87), 863 Watercress Lane (Unit #88), 865 Watercress Lane (Unit #89), 867 Watercress Lane (Unit #90).

Bids submitted are to be for the grouping (balance) of undeveloped units (parcels) owned by the City of Fenton. Additionally, submitted Bids must be placed in a sealed envelope labelled identifying "Eagles on the Water's Edge (vacant lots)" as the project.

As part of the request for proposals (RFP) to purchase property in the City of Fenton, there is attached several documents including Exhibits (A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H), which is part of the information and requirement for proper and complete bid submission. There are Assessor record sheets attached for each unit as part of the un-developed (vacant) unit package for bid (Exhibits A & B), a proposal from OHM (City Engineer) for Watercress Lane reconstruction including project engineering and construction supervision (requirement) (Exhibit C), a Watercress Lane sketch (Exhibit D), Eagles on the Water's Edge HOA (unit rules & regulations doc) specifications/improvement requirement(s) (Exhibit E), other print sketches or aerial diagrams for the areas of development (Exhibits F & G), and (Exhibit H) which are additional design specifications that are the responsibility of the Developer/Builder.

As a matter of requirement for bidding on the available unit package for Eagles on the Water's Edge Development, the Developer/Builder is required to rebuild Watercress Lane to The City of Fenton's specifications as laid out in the OHM proposal including reconfiguration of the on-street parking and must utilize OHM as project engineer including through construction supervision of the roadway project including through successful road project completion. Additionally, besides the City of Fenton's oversight, building, planning and other related approvals, the Waters Edge Townhomes Condominium Association (HOA) has oversight and approval as part of this RFP process and ultimate unit development including construction.

Market Area

The City of Fenton is located in the southeast corner of Genesee County Michigan. The City is bound by Holly Township (Oakland County) to the east, Fenton Township (Genesee County) to the north and west, and Tyrone Township (Livingston County) to the south and is ideally situated within a 30 minute drive of several large cities, including Flint, Brighton, Ann Arbor and the northwest suburbs of Detroit. Fenton has the potential to draw from an extremely large population base over 700,000 people within a 30 minute drive.

The Properties

The City has acquired these properties through the tax forfeiture process. The City seeks to sell these properties for development into residential housing.

Zoning

The property is currently in a PUD and is planned for single family residential.

Infrastructure and Access

Required utilities, water and sanitary sewer system are understood to be available and on site.

No Representations/ "As Is"

The City makes no representations as to the title, condition of the properties, environmental considerations, or installed utilities. The properties are sold "As Is"

Rejection of Proposals

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any irregularities, and negotiate individually with any or all bidders, in order to develop a purchase agreement as deemed in the best interest of the City.

The following tentative schedule will apply to submission, receipt, evaluation and acceptance of bids. The City reserves the right to change this schedule as it determines to be in the best interest of the City.

October 14, 2022:	Publication of request for bids
November 30, 2022:	5:00 pm deadline for bid submission
December 2, 2022:	Bid opening and evaluation of bids
December 12, 2022:	City Council (tentatively) awards prevailing bid

Due Date

To be considered, sealed responses to this RFP must be received at the City Clerk's Office, 301 South Leroy Street, Fenton, MI. 48430, on or before 5:00 pm on November 30, 2022. The City Clerk's Office is open Monday through Friday between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, excluding holidays. Persons mailing proposals should allow adequate delivery time to assure timely receipt of their proposals. Sealed envelopes containing proposals must be clearly marked on the outside with the Bidder's name and the name of the RFP the bidder is responding to.

All bids must remain valid and available for acceptance by the City for at least forty-five (45) days past the submission deadline. All terms/conditions of the RFP (but not limited to) will be incorporated into a contract with the winning bidder. The winning bidder may be required to post a performance bond to ensure construction of all units and common elements identified in the RFP and ultimately the contract.

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Cinch — (Hefty brand)
 - 4 Achy feeling
 - 12 Recede
 - 15 Sporty car roof feature
 - 19 "Just — expected!"
 - 20 "Babes in Toyland," e.g.
 - 21 What "U" may mean
 - 22 — Ridge (1972 Kentucky Derby winner)
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 - 26 Some Pac-12 players
 - 27 Some antique autos
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 - 29 Cuddly crib toys
 - 31 Letter holders
 - 35 Irritate
 - 36 Post office scale unit
 - 37 It flows in la Loire
 - 38 Vegetable pizza toppings
 - 42 Polling place containers
 - 48 Feels ill
 - 49 Weep audibly
 - 50 Zeno of — (Greek philosopher)
 - 51 Vie for the affection of
 - 52 Lies next to
 - 54 Guessing game for kids
 - 55 Garnishes for martinis
 - 60 Broody rock genre
 - 62 Nonbeliever in God
 - 63 Record half with the hit, usually
 - 65 Forces out
 - 69 Larry and Curly's pal
 - 70 Parts of respiratory systems
 - 75 "Fake-Out" co-star
 - 76 Zac of "The Lorax"
 - 78 "—: Battle Angel" (2019 action film)
 - 79 Grilled corned beef sandwiches
 - 81 "Yes" vote
 - 83 Things hanging from rims
 - 87 Put into a snug spot
 - 90 Base before home
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 - 93 As straight as — (totally honest)
 - 94 Year, in Portuguese
 - 95 Speller's clarifying words
 - 96 Sewing kit accessories
 - 100 Chicks awaiting
 - 102 "— a Letter to My Love"
 - 106 "Milk" director
 - 107 Bellhops' burdens
 - 113 Hard or soft Tex-Mex items
 - 117 Exhaust
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 - 119 "Sure, sure!"
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 - 125 100%, in Germany
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 - 52 Zipcar owner
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 - 58 "— girl!"
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 - 61 City in Iraq
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 - 67 "The Adventures of —" (2011 Spielberg film)
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Puzzle Answers

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

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

MIDWEEK JUMBLE ANSWERS:
INEPT, KNELT, IMPACT, NOTARY
Answer: The marsupial couple vacationed together to get some — "KOALA-TY" TIME

WEEKEND SUDOKU ANSWERS

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

WEEKEND SCRAMBLE ANSWERS:
ENTAIL, BELOW, BUNDLE, WHISTLE
Answer: WINDOWS

MIDWEEK CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Solution Time: 25 min.

E	B	O	N	L	U	G	S	S	E	W
T	U	B	A	U	N	I	T	T	R	A
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A	N	G	A	S	I	F	A	R	O	N
N	E	E	D	O	G	S	L	E	S	S



WEEKEND CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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

WEEKEND WORD SEARCH ANSWERS

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

LOOKING BACK

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OCT. 17

1931: Gangster Al Capone is sentenced to 11 years in prison for tax evasion and fined \$80,000, signaling the downfall of one of the most notorious criminals of the 1920s and 1930s. Alphonse Gabriel Capone was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1899 to Italian immigrants. He was expelled from school at 14, joined a gang and earned his nickname "Scarface" after being sliced across the cheek during a fight. By 1920, Capone had moved to Chicago, where he was soon helping to run crime boss Johnny Torrio's illegal enterprises, which included alcohol-smuggling, gambling and prostitution. Torrio retired in 1925 after an attempt on his life and Capone, known for his cunning and brutality, was put in charge of the organization.

OCT. 18

1867: The U.S. formally takes possession of Alaska after purchasing the territory from Russia for \$7.2 million, or less than 2 cents an acre. Indigenous peoples settled the unforgiving territory thousands of years earlier. The Alaska purchase comprised 586,412 square miles, about twice the size of Texas, and was championed by William Henry Seward, the enthusiastically expansionist secretary of state under President Andrew Johnson. Russia wanted to sell its Alaska territory, which was remote and difficult to defend, to the U.S. rather than risk losing it in battle with a rival such as Great Britain. Alaska became the 49th state on Jan. 3, 1959, and is now recognized for its vast natural resources.

OCT. 19

1987: The largest-ever one-day percentage decline in the Dow Jones Industrial Average comes not in 1929 but on this day. As a number of unrelated events conspired to tank

global markets, the Dow dropped 508 points — 22.6% — in a panic that foreshadowed larger systemic issues. Confidence on Wall Street had grown throughout the 1980s as the economy pulled out of a slump and President Ronald Reagan implemented business-friendly policies. In October 1987, however, indicators began to suggest that the bull market of the last five years was coming to an end. The government reported a surprisingly large trade deficit, precipitating a decline in the U.S. Dollar. Congress revealed it was considering closing tax loopholes for corporate mergers, worrying investors who were used to loose regulation.

OCT. 20

1947: The notorious Red Scare kicks into high gear in Washington, as a Congressional committee begins investigating Communist influence in one of the world's richest and most glamorous communities — Hollywood. After World War II, the Cold War began to heat up between the world's two superpowers — the United States and the communist-controlled Soviet Union. In Washington, conservative watchdogs worked to out communists in government before setting their sights on alleged "Reds" in the famously liberal movie industry. The House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) grilled a number of prominent witnesses, asking bluntly "Are you or have you ever

been a member of the Communist Party?"

OCT. 21

1967: In Washington, D.C., nearly 100,000 people gather to protest the American war effort in Vietnam. More than 50,000 of the protesters marched to the Pentagon to ask for an end to the conflict. The protest was the most dramatic sign of waning U.S. support for President Lyndon Johnson's war in Vietnam. Polls taken in the summer of 1967 revealed that, for the first time, American support for the war had fallen below 50%.

OCT. 22

1962: In a televised speech of extraordinary gravity, President John F. Kennedy announces that U.S. spy planes have discovered Soviet missile bases in Cuba. These missile sites — under construction but nearing completion — housed medium-range missiles capable of striking a number of major cities in the United States, including Washington, D.C. Kennedy announced that he was ordering a naval "quarantine" of Cuba to prevent Soviet ships from transporting any more offensive weapons to the island and explained that the United States would not tolerate the existence of the missile sites currently in place. The president made it clear that America would not stop short of military action to end what he called a "clandestine, reckless and provocative threat to world peace."

Word Search

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

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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		6	9	7	2			
			4	6	7	1		
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Answer: Doja Cat

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ABOT
IWHS



WHEN KING KONG PLAYS BASKETBALL, HE ACTS LIKE A ---

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WORD FUN

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WHAT KIND OF MAIL DOES A SUPERSTAR VAMPIRE GET?

TRIFLE	___	LITER	MINERS	___	SIREN
ABACUS	___	SCUBA	ASKING	___	KINGS
VIENNA	___	NAIVE	CASSIE	___	CASES
GLANCE	___	LANCE	PEARLS	___	PARES

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Answer

PARES	L	PEARLS	LANCE	G	GLANCE
CASES	I	CASSIE	NAIVE	N	VIENNA
KINGS	A	ASKING	SCUBA	A	ABACUS
SIREN	M	MINERS	LITER	F	TRIFLE

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<p>SAVE \$5,711</p>  <p>Stock #1640529</p> <p>2022 SILVERADO 1500 CREW LT 4WD</p> <p>LEASE FOR V-8 POWER! \$489/month+ tax</p> <p>PURCHASE FOR \$51,859 WAS \$57,570</p>	<p>SAVE \$5,799</p>  <p>Stock #1590297</p> <p>2022 SILVERADO 1500 CREW RST 4WD</p> <p>LEASE FOR V-8 POWER! \$499/month+ tax</p> <p>PURCHASE FOR \$52,986 WAS \$58,785</p>	<p>SAVE \$5,892</p>  <p>Stock #11629165</p> <p>2022 SILVERADO CREW LT 4X4</p> <p>LEASE FOR DURAMAX! \$499/month+ tax</p> <p>PURCHASE FOR \$53,033 WAS \$58,925</p>	<p>SAVE \$6,237</p>  <p>Stock #1563079</p> <p>2022 SILVERADO 1500 CREW LTZ 4WD</p> <p>LEASE FOR V-8 POWER! \$566/month+ tax</p> <p>PURCHASE FOR \$56,978 WAS \$63,215</p>	<p>SAVE \$7,036</p>  <p>Stock #1565515</p> <p>2022 SILVERADO CREW HIGH COUNTRY</p> <p>LEASE FOR DURAMAX! \$609/month+ tax</p> <p>PURCHASE FOR \$63,454 WAS \$70,490</p>
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Lease prices are calculated using 24-36 month terms, GM/Chevy Lease Loyalty, 10,000 miles/yr with \$3000 customer cash or trade in equity down plus 1st payment, sales tax, license, title and doc fees due at lease signing. Purchase prices require Chevy Loyalty Rebate. Other prices and terms are available, see dealer for details. Prices require a GM Employee Discount and are valid through 10/31/2022 or while supplies last. See Vic Canever for your Best Price and Selection Period!



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 <p>2013 CHEVROLET TRAVERSE LT 1LT \$10,804 Stock #1521082B</p>	 <p>2020 CHEVROLET TRAX LS \$18,777 Stock #1225236B</p>	 <p>2019 CHEVROLET EQUINOX LT \$20,983 Stock #1202755A</p>	 <p>2019 CHEVROLET TRAVERSE LS \$26,753 Stock #1135675A</p>	 <p>2015 CHEVROLET COLORADO Z71 \$22,598 Stock #1217016A</p>	 <p>2017 CHEVROLET TRAVERSE LT 1LT \$15,912 Stock #1233160A</p>
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