

Linden approves water contracts

■ Municipal water coming to Fenton Township, Linden

By Hannah Ball

Linden — Linden City Council approved all three phases of the 2022 Thompson Road Corridor Water Improvements Agreement on Monday, Jan. 23.

Phase one of the municipal water project is currently being constructed along Fenton Road. The system will connect to Linden at phase three. Linden officially joined the Genesee County water system after a vote during an October 2022 meeting. Phases two and three are called the Southern Lakes Extension.

From a memorandum from City Manager Ellen Glass and Public Works Director Don Grice:

“For many years the city of Linden water infrastructure has struggled to provide adequate capacity, pressures, and fire flows for the community. A hydraulic analysis conducted by ROWE Engineer-

ing in 1999 identified system deficiencies and predicted increasing challenges as the community continued to grow. The deficiencies identified in the 1999 report were reemphasized in a follow-up water reliability study conducted in 2015 and revised again in 2018.

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NOCA fire chief scores 100% on performance review

■ Board member who gave zeros on evaluation gets form tossed by board

By Sharon Stone

During its meeting Monday, Jan. 23, the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCA) Board of Directors gave NOCA Fire Chief Jeremy Lintz a score of 100% on his performance review for 2022 by a vote of 4-1. A score of 80% is needed for the chief to receive his bonus.

The NOCA Board is comprised of Holly Township Supervisor George Kullis, Holly Township Clerk Karin Winchester, Rose Township Clerk Debbie Miller, Rose Township Treasurer Paul Gambka and citizen-at-large Brad Stilwell of Rose Township.

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Construction underway on Linden Multi-Purpose building

On Friday, Jan. 20, Linden Community Schools Superintendent Russ Ciesielski walks through the Multi-Purpose Center that is currently under construction in between Linden High School and Linden Middle School. Construction began September 2021 on the 44,000-square-foot center, which will house sporting activities and community events. Builders estimate the building will be open at the end of March.

See story on page 9. Photo: Hannah Ball

Holly area says goodbye to Laura Legant

By Sharon Stone

The Holly community has lost a beloved teacher who also was passionate of the arts and theatre.

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Two firefighters receive awards

By Hannah Ball

Linden — Two Linden firefighters were honored Monday, Jan. 23 during the Linden City Council meeting.

Fire Chief Brian Will presented

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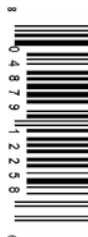
“Thank you Fenton Township trustees for denying that zoning request. Takes a lot of hubris to even ask to put an unsightly and busy boat storage facility in a tranquil neighborhood.”



“Very nice to see firefighters being honored at our local Linden meetings. They do a very important job in our communities. Thank you Chief Will and congratulations to those two firefighters.”



“Please fix the road at the intersection of Silver Parkway and Owen Road. The pavement is in terrible shape.”



City approves mute swan nest/egg destruction program

■ Renews five-year program for Fenton Mill Pond

By Sharon Stone

The Fenton City Council unanimously approved a resolution in support of participating in a mute swan nest and egg destruction program for the next five years. The vote came during council's meeting Monday, Jan. 23.

In a memo from Public Works Director Dan Brisson to City Manager Lynn Markland, Brisson wrote that the city had previously approved the program at Fenton Mill Pond for the years 2018 through 2022. The annual program requires permitting each year through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Division.

Fenton City has contracted service from Goose Busters, Inc. out of Holly for management and field services for this program.

The resolution states that in previous years, the mute swan population on the Fenton Mill Pond had become excessive. The mute swan population has tendencies to become aggressive

toward humans and other animals, especially during the breeding season and when there are cygnets present. It also states that mute swans are a non-native species that compete with native species for food and other resources, and their feeding behavior destroys vegetation, which provides critical food and cover for a variety of native wildlife species.

With city council's approval, Brisson is authorized to take the necessary steps to obtain a permit and conduct the program with the assistance of the Michigan DNR, USDA Wildlife Services Division.

According to Michigan.gov, mute swans were introduced to North America in the mid-1800s to decorate parks and estates, and later brought to Michigan in 1919. These captive swans escaped and established a feral population. With their numbers growing quickly, this non-native invasive species is causing conflicts and damage across the state.

One of the world's most aggressive waterfowl species, especially while nesting and raising their young, mute

swans drive out native waterfowl and other wetland wildlife with their hostile behavior. Mute swans will chase native breeding birds from their nests.

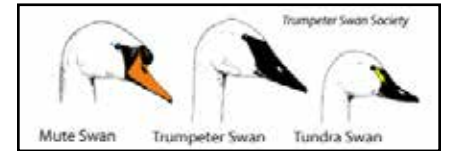
A single mute swan can consume four to eight pounds of plants a day. They uproot and destroy these wetland plants that are a main food source for native birds and cover for native fish and invertebrates. Continuous feeding by a flock of mute swans can destroy an entire wetland ecosystem.

These large birds show little fear of people. Each year the DNR receives reports of mute swan attacks on people in boats and on shore.

According to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources – Wildlife Division, Mute Swan Management and Control Program Policy and Procedures, egg and nest destruction

of mute swan eggs and nests may be destroyed only in the following manner:

- Eggs may be sprayed with or submerged in 100% food-grade corn oil. The entire surface of the egg must be coated. Eggs that are destroyed should be placed back



- in the nest to prevent re-nesting;
- Eggs may be shaken and placed back in the nest to prevent re-nesting;
- Eggs may be chilled;
- Eggs may be removed and disposed of according to local ordinances and applicable state laws;
- Nest material may be physically removed or altered to deter nesting and/or re-nesting;
- If nesting mute swans are removed, nests and eggs may be destroyed and removed to deter nesting and/or re-nesting by other mute swans.



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The case for electric vehicles

■ Dealership employee says more charging stations nationwide support push for electric vehicles

By Hannah Ball

Fenton — Electric vehicles are becoming more common for those wanting to invest in new technology and greener options for transportation.

Vic Canever Chevrolet has the only EV charging stations in the Fenton area. They have one DC fast charger and two Level 2 chargers. The other closest stations are in Holly. Approximately five people a day use Vic Canever's fast charger.

"We're fully bought in on the electric revolution that's coming," said Jeff Canever, president of Vic Canever Chevrolet. "We're even changing our tagline. EV— it's in our name, right?"

General Motors is releasing multiple EVs in 2023, including the 2023 Bolt EV, Equinox EV and the Chevrolet Silverado EV. GM also is developing an electric Corvette.

"It's the future. When we switched from horses and buggies to gas, everyone in the whole country said 'hey, we'll never get all these gas stations everywhere.' So the ship's coming. It's going to be really cool," Canever said.

GM is committed to going carbon neutral. In January 2021, the company released a statement about its goal to phase out internal combustion engines by 2035 to fight climate change.

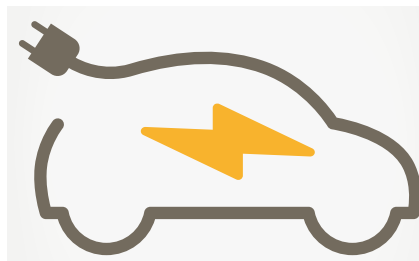
Their website on EVs reads, "GM is on its way to an all-electric future. We are aggressively going after every aspect of what it takes to put everyone in an EV because we need millions of EVs on the road to make a meaningful impact toward building a zero-emissions future."

Canever said this means that 100% of GM vehicles will have electric and gas engines.

"Like we have a diesel variant or a gas variant, we're going to have an electric variant," said Chris Bonner, new car manager. Vic Canever employees are excited about the future of electric vehicles.

"It's going to be really amazing," Bonner said. He bought his Bolt EV two years ago and has put more than 26,000 miles on it without a drop of gas. "Not a drop of gas. Not a drop of oil. That's about six oil changes that I did not have to do," he said.

He uses a Level 2 charger in his garage from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. when Consumer Energy rates are lower. His Bolt gets about 25 miles for every hour



it's plugged into this charger. Switching to an electric vehicle required him to change his mindset about fueling his vehicle.

"I like it. I like it a lot," Bonner said.

Apps like PlugShare and the GM app myChevrolet contain charging station maps. Users can input their destination and the apps will map out where to stop to charge their vehicle. Bonner often uses the app when he travels north.

"I can stop in, run to the gas station or wherever the place is... do a little shopping for 15 minutes, come back and have 80% battery," Bonner said.

The apps lets users see the state of their battery and estimated time to be finished charging.

"It might take you a little longer but you're going to stop every few hundred miles anyways," Canever said.

The Vic Canever chargers are currently free to use. Canever said most dealerships have EV chargers. It can cost approximately \$6 to \$18 to charge

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Sharin' the Spotlight

By Editor Sharon Stone

For the most part, so far, this winter has been a bust if you like snow. This area did receive a few inches in mid November and then a few more inches and very cold temperatures right before Christmas, but other than that, it's been mild. At this point, I feel like we should just skip to spring and summer. But, we know that's not going to happen here in Michigan. We'll probably get some huge snow storm in late February or March, or even April.

With weather forecasters saying we might get 3-5 inches of snow starting Wednesday, I thought I'd check with our local departments of public works to see if crews and equipment are ready for the task at hand.

Dan Brisson is the DPW director for Fenton City. He said just as the Genesee County Road Commission, other road commissions and the Michigan Department of Transportation are ready, so is the city of Fenton, just on a much smaller scale. He said that the city has 125 miles of road lanes to plow, when you consider some roads, such as Owen

Local road crews are ready for snow, make sure vehicles are off the streets

Road have multiple lanes. He said the city's equipment and crews are ready to go. They have six trucks that can plow and salt and the city has smaller equipment to take care of downtown including sidewalks. The DPW can send out 12 employees for streets across the city and two employees to work on the downtown area.

When asked about cars parked on streets when the plow trucks are out, Dan said the people of Fenton are pretty good about watching the weather and getting their vehicles off the roads and into driveways. If cars parked in the streets do become a problem because of the snow, the DPW will contact police and police will attempt to contact the owners to have them move the vehicles. Dan said if the roads are that bad, police are usually responding to crashes elsewhere. He said for the most part, this is not an issue with Fenton. "We do appreciate the common sense approach.

When snow piles up quickly, Dan said they'll use two or three trucks together to plow and then follow



Sharon Stone

up with a salt truck until that truck runs out of salt. The city has a couple new trucks that have wing plows that can handle twice the work load.

The city has a contract with Detroit Salt Company. In April 2022, city council approved the purchase of 1,500 tons of salt at a price of \$69.90 per ton. Since

we've had a mild winter, Dan said the city is in good shape with the salt supply. Looking into the near future, he's looking at incorporating a liquid ingredient to the salting process which would help de-ice the roads. This works when weather conditions are dry. The liquid could be applied to the roads up to 24 hours before snow accumulates. He said his crew is ready and they have plenty of equipment thanks to city council approving the purchases.

Other problems with the fluctuating cold and warm temperatures this winter are the dreaded pot holes. Dan said they city is already seeing pot holes and residents do call in to let them know of new pot holes. The DPW crew will get out there to patch the

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I AM NOT criticizing those who want electric car chargers. I am saying as a taxpayer I don't want to pay for one. ■■■

ECONOMICS 101: NOTHING

is Free. EV car chargers are a problem. Trace the money backwards from your fancy pants, 'free' grant and you'll find the source is either the taxpayers' or consumers' wallet. But not an EV owner's wallet. No more subsidies for the EV owning welfare queens. ■■■

GOT QUITE A charge out of the Hot-liner who said car chargers can be free if we can get federal or state government and utility companies to pay for them. Guess where they get the money for those free things? Us. Time to think it through. ■■■

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

If you had enough money, what would be your dream business to start? | streettalk



"Bookstore in an old 3 story building with a coffee shop on the second story and a wine cellar in the basement."

Kimberly Harvey
Linden



"A two story music venue at the old Metropolis building in downtown Flint. Have all-ages shows for young local bands and then live music/bar space as well. A place that everyone would feel part of... Just people brought together by the joy of music."

Aaron Wiens, Linden



"A big community/fitness center with a splash pad and community pool. Fenton doesn't have anything like this and we need it!"

Jennifer Lucius
Fenton



"A refillery where people can either bring their own containers or buy jars to purchase products like cleaning supplies, dry foods, bath products, etc. I would also have a battery recycling bin, 'green' products for sale, etc."

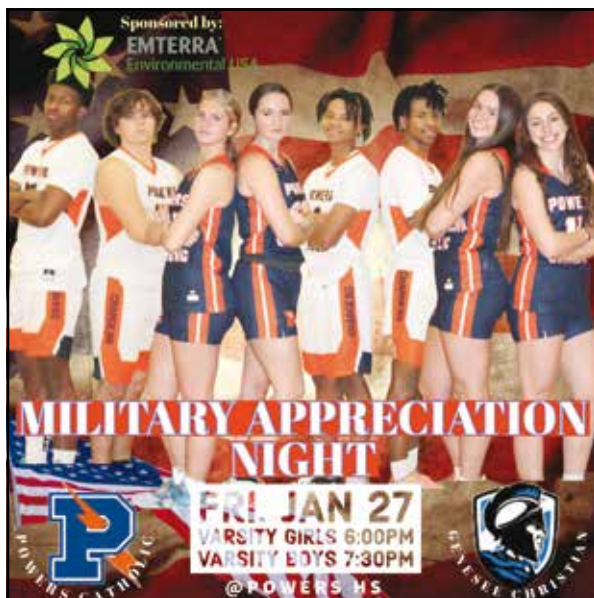
Andi Eveslage, Fenton

Military Appreciation Night

■ Powers Catholic High School honors all military at varsity basketball games

Join the Powers Catholic High School varsity basketball teams, with the help of Emterra Environmental USA, to honor our military, past and present, during the varsity basketball games.

The Powers Chargers, wearing tribute uniforms, will take on the Genesee Christian Soldiers, on Friday, Jan. 27, at Powers Catholic, 1505 W. Court St. in Flint. The girls varsity will tip off at 6 p.m. and the Chargers varsity



boys team game will begin at 7:30 p.m.

All military personnel will have free admission.

The school and team members said they hope to see you at the Powers

Catholic High School Military Appreciation Night to show your support for the men and women who serve our country. For additional information, contact Dan Garman (810) 397-0610

Prism Project to host fundraiser

■ Shine the Light event set for March 24

By Sharon Stone

Prism Project has announced that it will be hosting its third annual Shine the Light fundraising event March 24 to support its Safe House Program.

Prism Project's Safe House Program is now licensed by the State of Michigan. This is the first of its kind in Michigan — providing a full wrap-around circle of care for child survivors of sex trafficking. January is also Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

Shine the Light Gala is Friday, March 24 at 6:30 p.m. at Genesys Banquet Center in Grand Blanc. It's semi-formal gala and dinner. Christina Tipton of Tipton Ministries is guest speaker.

The focus of the event is to bring awareness to human trafficking. All proceeds go to Prism Project Safe House Program.

The Safe House program is the first long-term safe house with restorative services for child survivors of trafficking in Genesee County. Children will be

able to receive their education, therapy, medical care, spiritual care, and life skills all in one place in order to heal from the complex trauma that they have endured.

Prism Project is a faith-based, 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization that aims to educate, advocate and rehabilitate victims of human trafficking and those affected by it. Their focus at Prism Project is to bring together awareness and prevention through educating our community and aiding victims to thrive outside of their oppressive circumstances.

According to Prism Project, the average age of a trafficked victim is 13, the average life expectancy from initial trafficking to death is seven years and \$150 billion a year is generated by human trafficking.

National Human Trafficking Hotline: (888) 373-7888. For minors, contact your local police and your state's children protective services agency.

There will be tickets and opportunities to sponsor stage front tables, etc. For more information, go to prismprojectmi.org.

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CELL PHONES AND SEARCH WARRANTS

In the United States, there are approximately 327 million cell phones currently in use.

I certainly am not an expert in this area, but I do know that they are used for various things including phone calls, texting, internet access, storing pictures and personal data, and much more. Every time they are used, an internal record is made.

Unfortunately, a few people use them for illegal activities, which are also recorded.

Law enforcement knows this, and when investigating a suspect's criminal actions and have legally come into possession of the suspect's cell phone by way of a search warrant or an arrest, it is common for them to have the phone's contents forensically examined to determine if there is evidence of a crime.

However, since the Fourth Amendment to the United States Constitution provides that we have the right to be secure from our personal property being unreasonably searched and seized, there are many legal questions which arise as to cell phone searches.

One question is if the police have

the right to search a legally possessed phone's contents without a search warrant.

Until 2014, courts had various opinions on the answer. In that year the United States Supreme Court gave the final answer in *Riley v. California* and held that due to a defendant's expectation of privacy rights, a search warrant was required.

What wasn't answered is the collateral question of what happens when the police legally search a phone for evidence of one crime and inadvertently discover evidence of another.

Again, courts have taken different views on the answer to this question.

In Michigan the issue was settled in 2020 by the Michigan Supreme Court in *People v. Hughes*. In *Hughes*, a defendant's cell phone was searched pursuant to a warrant providing authorization for locating evidence of cocaine and other illegally possessed controlled substances. The police found that evidence and additional evidence that the defendant had committed an unrelated armed robbery.

The court held that under those circumstances, a second search warrant for the armed robbery evidence was required.

Nationally the split of authority continues.

To borrow a line from the song of the same name, I'm sure the United States Supreme Court will weigh in on this issue "someday soon."

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SNOW READY

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pot holes as soon as they can.

Just east of Fenton is Holly Village. Brian Klaassen is the DPW director for Holly. The DPW provides snow removal, shoulder maintenance, pot hole patching, sidewalk and curb repair for more than seven miles of major trunk-line and 15 miles of village streets, including all alleys and dirt roads. Brian said his crew of five full-time employees has been prepping since last week. He

added that the salt barn is full and ready.

Brian said there are a few problem areas where people continue to leave their vehicles parked on village streets despite the village ordinance prohibiting overnight parking. He said his crews will plow around the vehicles if they can, but the police department could be contacted to issue tickets and to help remove the vehicles. His advice for drivers as some snow is in the forecast is to "take it slow and give yourself some extra driving time."

Everyday *educators*

Meet HANNAH ARNOLD

• Teacher at Holly Middle School



Hannah Arnold, 26, has been teaching at Holly Area Schools for three years. She currently teaches 7th grade English Language Arts and Why Try class for 8th grade girls.



How do you connect with students?

I connect with students by showing interest in their interests and their lives outside of ELA. The more connected students feel, the more likely they are to feel safe enough to participate and take risks in the classroom. I want students to feel seen and valued at school. Relationships are at the heart of my approach to teaching.

What's your favorite thing about working with middle school students?

My favorite thing about working with this age group is helping them navigate the transitional period from childhood to adolescence. Middle schoolers are at a pivotal age where they are deciding who they want to be. As an educator, you have a unique opportunity to positively influence students and encourage them to be their best selves.

Tell us about a rewarding moment you've had with your students.

It is difficult to pinpoint a single rewarding moment that I've had in the classroom. I feel proud every time I see a previously "hesitant" reader fall in love with a book. I feel proud when a student demonstrates growth, academically or behaviorally. Many of my students have faced trauma in their short lives. The most rewarding thing is witnessing a student, who has every reason to fail, rise above and succeed anyway.



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City okays amended park plans

■ Triangle Park will be trailhead for The State Bank Trail

By Hannah Ball

Linden — Triangle Park will have five fewer parking spaces when construction is complete.

On Monday, Jan. 23, Linden City Council voted to amend the design plans for the future trailhead of The State Bank Trail, which will be constructed along the south side of Silver Lake Road. It will traverse through Fenton Township to connect Linden sidewalks to Fenton sidewalks.

Triangle Park, at the eastern corner of the city, has been chosen as the trailhead. At a December 2022 meeting, the council approved a minimalist park design with 12 parking spaces and two additional handicap accessible spaces.

On Monday, Jan. 23, Ed Koledo executive director of Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation, said when they designed these plans, they did not account for three large trees. A few parking spaces were moved to the south side to accommodate the foliage. However, in public meetings and in speaking with neighbors, they decided to not put parking in this area.

The revised design accounts for seven parking spots and two handicapped parking spots for a total of nine.

SLPR received a Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund (MNRTF) grant for \$300,000 to make a trailhead that's compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Design plans also include tables, bike racks, trash/recycling receptacles, benches, an information kiosk, and other amenities to update the park.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

WAKE UP: THE electric vehicle phenomenon is fake. Without massive government subsidies, there is no corporate investment, no sustainable consumer demand and no EV industry. Do an honest, unbiased, full-spectrum re-evaluation of the internal combustion engine versus the EV industries and you'll see EVs are not good for the environment.

I SECOND THAT motion: control spending and balance the federal budget.

NO, I DON'T want a multi-billion Ford battery plant in Mundy Township. The Rouge River in Dearborn was so thoroughly polluted it caught on fire. Thank about that for a minute. Ford did that. No thanks.

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GOODBYE

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Laura Legant of Holly died Jan. 22 at the age of 54 after an 18-month battle with breast cancer. She graduated from Fenton High School in 1986. She was a teacher for 24 years and eventually went on to complete her doctorate in education.

Holly Area Schools Superintendent Scott Roper issued a statement after hearing of Legant's death. "On behalf of the Holly Area Schools family, I would like to send our sincere thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of Dr. Laura Legant. Dr. Legant was not only one of Holly Area Schools most beloved teachers, she also shared her passion and energy of the arts and theater with so many children and adults of the Holly community. We offer our deepest sympathy to all who are impacted by this unfortunate loss."

As previously reported in this 2018 Times story, Holly Area Schools chose Legant to serve as its 2018 Homecoming Parade grand marshal.

A teacher at Rose Pioneer Elementary School, Legant taught kindergarten

through fifth grades and worked as a special education teacher consultant. She also was the owner of Inspirations Arts and Crafts Workshop in downtown Holly. After school, Legant enjoyed art and theatre and directed shows with Holly Youth Theatre and the Holly High School Theatre Department.

Meet Laura Legant
Tri-County Times
Published September 2014

"Laura Legant, 46, is practically everywhere in Holly. By day, she's a kindergarten teacher at Rose Pioneer Elementary. But after school, there's no stopping her. She owns a new business in downtown Holly, Inspirations Arts & Crafts Workshop, and is head of the Theater Department at Holly High School, director of the Holly Youth Theater, crafter of Wild Sweater Monsters, chairman of the entertainment committee for the Dickens Festival and producer/director/trustee for the Fenton Village Players. She's also a wife to Steve and mother of four.

"How did you get so interested in theater? I was in Fenton Village Players shows with my dad in the late '80s, like 'Oliver' and 'Music Man.' My mom,



Laura Legant was featured in the Tri-County Times' in 2014. Read below what she had to say in that interview. She also was the 2018 Holly Area Schools Homecoming Parade grand marshal.

Karen Craner, has been a costumer for FVP for 25 years. I guess I 'got the bug' from them.

"What's the most exciting thing that has happened to you this year? I have to say buying this building and opening this business. We live upstairs; it's a wonderful historic building. I feel like my heart is poured out all over the store. I love everything about it.

"How did you and Steve meet? His dad was pastor at the church I was going to. We got engaged in a photo booth at Ed Debevic's (restaurant) in Chicago. We still have the pictures to prove it. We've been married for 26 years. Our kids are 24, 22, 21 and 9. Our oldest just got married this summer."



Legant's family asks that you please not purchase flowers. If you would like to contribute in some way, please consider making a donation to her GoFundMe (<https://www.gofundme.com/f/laura-legant-funeral-medical-expenses>) to help cover funeral and medical expenses. Anything left over will be donated to cancer research.

Memorial Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 26 at Dryer Funeral Home in Holly. Her Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28 at Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church in Fenton. The family believes she would have wanted to see bright colors and patterns to celebrate her life. They request you not wear black to her services and instead wear something that would honor her memory.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

■■■■
SO SICK OF the factories. No, we do not want batteries. We do not want the traffic; that is a nightmare already. We do not want to be a big city. Take it to Flint, to all that empty dead space left from other factories. Flint needs jobs.

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GET YOUR FACTS straight. There will never be a Ford battery plant in Mundy Township. The proposed plant will be owned and operated by Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., the largest Chinese battery manufacturer in the world. The branding as a Ford plant is designed to hide that fact.

■■■■
IN A NATION that is \$31 trillion in debt, how is it that we have charities trying to help severely disabled veterans get into decent housing? What did our legislators spend our money on if not this? It's a sad day in America.

■■■■
HA, I'LL TAKE right-wing rhetoric over left-wing indoctrination every time. At least right-wingers will entertain alternate points of view. Any deviance from left-wing propaganda results in immediate vilification and expulsion.

■■■■
IT SEEMS LIKE we never used to see executive privilege used much by our presidents like they do today. Isn't that the job of our United States House of Representatives and our U.S. Senate?

Photos: Hannah Ball



The Multi-Purpose Center will have a wrestling room, community fitness area, gymnasium, locker and team rooms, maintenance area, an elevated track and more.

Construction underway on Linden Multi-Purpose building

■ Administrators aim to open new building at the end of March

By Hannah Ball

Linden — The bricks on the walls inside the new Linden Multi-Purpose Center match the aesthetic of the other Linden Community Schools buildings.

The building is still under construction and is closed to the public. It is estimated to be completed and open at the end of March. Builders and administrators took the Tri-County Times on a tour of the building Friday, Jan. 20.

“We did our best to match the theme color-wise,” said Russ Ciesielski, superintendent of LCS. “Some of the lettering, the signage, it’s all going to be the same so we can kind of identify a brand.”

Adjacent to the Linden High School parking lot and the athletic field, the approximate 44,000-square-foot building will have a new wrestling room, community fitness area, offices, gymnasium, locker and team rooms, maintenance area and an elevated track that is an eighth of a mile.

“I’m real happy with the size of the track and how it got laid out,” Ciesielski said. “Obviously you can’t help the columns but I’m thinking, ‘well this is a lot more space.’”

The 14,040-square-foot gymnasium will contain the elevated track on the second floor and space for volleyball, basketball and gymnastic on the first floor along with bleachers for about 300 people. A portable turf system and batting cages

can also be brought in. Nets attached to the ceiling can drop down to section off the different areas.

Construction began September 2021. Basketball hoops and scoreboards are attached to the walls.

“It’s definitely coming together,” Ciesielski said. “It’s exciting. We’re definitely looking forward to the opportunities for our people, our community, for everybody. It’s going to be nice.”

The building is meant to be for community use. The paved, non-motorized pathway that traverses through LCS campus in this area was obstructed and rerouted during construction. Once everything is complete, the affected sections of the pathway will be redone.

Ciesielski said the pathway is very popular and he’s looking forward to LCS offering more walking and running recreation opportunities for the community with the elevated track in the building, especially during winter.

“There’s going to be times where we may have some of the small tournaments...it’ll be busy. We’re definitely putting all that together right now,” he said.

Lance Belill, athletic director, has been talking with coaches about using the space.

The new building will not be the home base for Linden athletics. Ciesielski said meets will still take place at the high

school gym. The new building allows them additional space for tournaments and community events.

The development allows the district more space for physical education classes, community education programming and a designated space for wrestling and gymnastics. The gymnastics program, run by Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation, currently meets at Hyatt Elementary. However, the ceiling isn’t high enough and there are certain events they can’t run for safety purposes.

The wrestling facilities and maintenance area at the high school will become space for S.T.E.M. (science, technology, engineering, math) education. The Multi-Purpose Center is the district’s only two-story building. LCS did have an old three-story administration building that was torn down approximately 20 years ago.

Ciesielski said one thing that will be “huge” for their student athletes is being able to use the locker rooms and showers after an event without going through the parking lot.

“No more going through cars anymore,” he said. “I really am excited about the usage.”

Debbie Brindle, Linden Community Education director, will oversee the programming and scheduling.

“I am very excited about the opportunities this building will allow Linden

Community Schools, not only from the aspect of our athletic programs but for our community education programming as well. The open hours and the extra space of the new Multi-Purpose building will allow for some exciting new programming as well as an alternative for athletic program practices,” Brindle said.

The district also recently redid the high school parking lots and added approximately 40 spaces. Ciesielski expects the added lots to help support after school programs.

“It’ll actually open up a lot more parking spots,” he said.

The development was made possible due to LCS residents approving a \$55-million bond in November 2020.

“We’ve really been able to deliver on what the community voted on. I’d be remiss if I didn’t thank our community. Without their support, this wouldn’t be possible. There’s no way. They’re a huge piece of it,” Ciesielski said.

Find more information about the Multi-Purpose Center at lindenschools.org.

Total: approximately 44,000 square feet
Elevated Track: 6,000 square feet
Fitness Area: 1,220 square feet
Wrestling Area: 4,500 square feet
Gymnasium: 14,040 square feet
Gymnastics Area: 9,240 square feet
Team Rooms: 676 square feet each
Locker Rooms: 700 square feet each
Office Area: 1,000 square feet
Restrooms: 520 square feet (men and women)
Maintenance Area: 2,160 square feet
Concessions, entryways, hallways not included

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Russ Ciesielski

Linden Community Schools superintendent

WATER

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“To finally address the pressure and capacity issues, city leadership began to work with the city engineers in 2021 to design a solution. Believed to be the

only option, engineers designed and recommended significant improvements in the city owned system. The initial proposal included the installation of two larger water towers along with the modernization of the city’s four existing wells and related infrastructure.

The early projected costs for these improvements were nearly \$4 million.

“In late 2021, city representatives were informed that Genesee County was expanding their water system into Fenton Township. The new proximity of this regional water system provided the city of Linden with a second solution to address the ongoing deficiencies with the in-house system. Cost projections for this second solution are comparable with the inhouse investment.”

Earlier this month, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees approved the 2022 Thompson Road Corridor Water Improvements Agreement with revisions on phase two and three to include Linden. Linden joining the project reduces the township costs by \$848,489.

Phase One

The total estimated cost of the project is \$11,273,224. With \$6.5 million of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds from Genesee County, the projected cost of phase 1 is \$4,773,224.

Before Linden joined
Fenton Township: \$3,508,319
Mundy Township: \$1,264,904
Linden: 0

After Linden joined
Fenton Township: \$2,746,739
Mundy Township: \$880,910
Linden: \$1,145,573

Phase Two

The projected cost of phase 2 before Linden joined was \$4,744,425. With Linden joining, the cost is estimated to be \$5,036,736. This section of the project involves installing a water main extension from Torrey Road to Lahring Road to Jennings Road and back to Thompson Road to create a loop.

Before Linden joined
Fenton Township: \$4,773,224
Linden: \$0

After Linden joined Phase Two
Fenton Township: \$3,547,803
Linden: \$1,488,932

Phase Three

The proposed cost of phase 3 is \$2,277,022. Fenton Township and Lin-

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT, because the revised costs exceed the previous estimated costs by 10% or more, the public hearing shall also be an opportunity for property owners in the special assessment district to provide comment regarding the continuation of the project in light of the increase in costs. An owner, or party in interest, or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. (The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at the hearing may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 35 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.)

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

Senior Care of Michigan to host series of free, educational workshops focused on senior living

Senior Care of Michigan, the leader in educational workshops for the past two-decades, will be hosting a series of free, educational workshops that focus on Senior and Retiree Survival Workshops. During these workshops, attendees will learn: How to protect one's assets and home from nursing home expenses; The difference between Medicare and Medicaid; New tax rules on IRA, 401Ks, 403B and other retirement accounts; How to eliminate probate, how to minimize taxes on Social Security income.

Workshops will be held:

- Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 10:30 a.m. at the Fairfield Inn & Suites, 3125 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton
- Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 2:30 p.m. at the Fairfield Inn & Suites, 9044 Holly Rd., Grand Blanc
- Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 2:30 p.m. at the American Legion, 3440 Morrish Rd., Swartz Creek
- Wednesday, Feb. 8 and Saturday, Feb. 11 at 10:30 a.m. at the Senior Care of Michigan office, 7384 Davison Rd., Davison

Seating is limited. Call today to register at 1-877-326-6722.

den will each pay \$1,138,511. For this section of the project, they will install a water main along Lahring Road, south along Ripley Road and then west along Rolston Road.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

EXECUTIVE ORDER 13526. Sec. 1.3 gives the president and vice president authority to classify and declassify information. Take a minute to educate yourself before you post social media 'facts.'

■■■

I HAVE ONE thing to say to Mr. Baldwin or anyone using something that can do harm. Safety is your responsibility.

■■■

GROAN, I WAS asked if I found joy in cooking. I told them no, but I do use it on the dishes.

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(above) Attorney Rita Lauer explains legal options to the North Oakland County Fire Authority Board of Directors regarding the job performance review of the fire chief during its meeting Monday, Jan. 23. (right) Rose Township Treasurer and North Oakland County Fire Authority Board member Paul Gambka gave NOCFA Fire Chief Jeremy Lintz a “zero” on his job performance evaluation for 2022. He provided handwritten comments on the evaluation form.

NOCFA

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Since this was Miller’s second meeting after being appointed by the Rose Township Board of Trustees, it was agreed upon that her evaluation of Lintz not be counted since she was not on the NOCFA Board in 2022.

Kullis, who is chair of the NOCFA Board, reviewed the scores from the others and said Lintz received a score of 75% with scores of 10 (100%) from Winchester, himself and Stilwell. Gambka gave Lintz a score of zero.

Gambka acknowledged the score of zero he gave Lintz on each category and said he was disappointed in the chief because he was the one who spearheaded the recall efforts against Gambka and Rose Township Supervisor Dianne Scheib-Snyder in 2022. The recall efforts eventually failed due to a lack of valid signatures on the petition.

During the videotaped meeting, Gambka accused Lintz of talking to Assistant Fire Chief Matt Weil about starting the recall efforts. Lintz and Weil both denied the accusation made by Gambka.

“You gave me zero because you think I spearheaded the recall,” asked Lintz to Gambka.

“Yes,” Gambka said.

“That’s an outright lie,” Lintz said.

Lintz asked the NOCFA board that Gambka’s evaluation form not be accepted.

Attorney Rita Lauer, who was appointed to be NOCFA’s legal counsel in May 2022, told the board that it had

the authority not to accept Gambka’s performance evaluation of Lintz because his evaluation of Lintz was based on political views rather than Lintz’s performance as NOCFA chief. She told Gambka that if he had given specific reasons pertaining to job performance on the evaluation form, it would have been relevant.

“No comments to actual performance is problematic,” she said.

Gambka told the board that if they wanted to overturn his evaluation and not accept it to go ahead. “I heard. The chief was telling people he put the recall in the hands of Matt (Weil). Two weeks later the recall started,” he said.

Lauer told the board that the recall being discussed was a side issue and that the chief’s evaluation should be based on performance. She added that this could leave the board open to being sued.

Winchester motioned to exclude Gambka’s performance evaluation on Lintz because his evaluation was not based on performance, but for political reasons. Her motion was supported by Miller and Stilwell. The NOCFA Board voted 4-1 to not accept Gambka’s evaluation. Gambka was the dissenting vote.

Stilwell then motioned the NOCFA Board to accept a 100% score on Lintz’s performance evaluation for 2022 since the three remaining scores were 100%. His motion was supported by Winchester. The board voted 4-1 to accept a 100% performance evaluation score on Lintz. Gambka was the dissenting vote.

Watch the entire NOCFA Board meeting on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/MypShH5d3y0>.

North Oakland County Fire Authority Fire Chiefs Performance Appraisal - 2022 BOARD MEMBERS COPY TO COMPLETE

EVALUATION WORKSHEET

I. Specific Performance Objectives / Goals Set For The Year

GOAL	Met - 1 Not Met - 0		Evaluators Comments Section
	Chief	Evaluator	
Continue to improve employee turn-over rates & retain highly skilled personnel	1	0	

II. Management & Leadership

Communication with Board	1	0	FOR THE LAST 6 MONTHS
Budget Conformance	1	0	THE CHIEF HAS BEEN
Employee & Management Team Effectiveness	1	0	TRYING TO RECALL THE
Risk Management & Compliance	1	0	SUPERVISOR & TREASURER
Professional Relationships	1	0	OF ROSE TOWNSHIP

III. Fire Department Operations

Operational Readiness - Equipment	1	0	THE CHIEF HAS LIPPED
Employee Readiness	1	0	SCOGES TO SPREAD
Personal Readiness	1	0	LIES & HALF TRUTHS
Community	1	0	I THINK THAT TALS

Total Points Received -	Chief	Evaluator	Points Needed to meet 80%
Merit is awarded at 80% of Met goals	10	0	8

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GROSS

MISCONDUCT ON
THE PART OF
CHIEF LINTZ

P. Gambka

NEWS

BRIEFS

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Lake Fenton Theatre presents The Addams Family – a new musical comedy

The Lake Fenton Theatre presents The Addams Family – a new musical comedy with performances Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 26-28 and Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 2-4 at 7 p.m. Sunday matinees are Jan. 29 and Feb. 5 at 3 p.m. Performances are at Lake Fenton High School Auditorium, 4070 Lahring Rd. Tickets will be available at the door prior to the show. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and senior citizens. The Addams Family – a new musical comedy is presented



through a special arrangement with Theatrical Rights Worldwide. The play is based on the book by Marshall Brickman and Rick Elice. Music and lyrics are by Andrew Lippa.

AWARDS

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awards to Firefighter Roger Card and Assistant Fire Chief Chris Fairbanks.

"I would like to thank all the dedicated members of the fire department for their continued hard work to train monthly, show up for calls day and night and also donate time to give back to the community at special events as well,"

Will said. "I would also like to thank the city council and the city manager for their support. You both provide us the tools to do our jobs safely and efficiently to handle the task at hand throughout the year."

The Firefighter of the Year award went to Card for his outstanding performance. The recipient for this award is determined by a vote of the Linden firefighters.

Card has been an active member of the department since 1985.

"His participation with our department is very valuable, responding to 70% of our calls, day and night," Will said. "He brings his experience, great attitude and always works well with everyone. Roger is also responsible for bringing three generations to our membership."

Card's son, Anthony Card, and his grandson, Lucas Card, also are a part of the department.

"I want to thank you Roger for all your service. Appreciate the efforts," he said.

Fairbanks received the Chief's Award. He has been a member of the department since 1992. Will said he brings his dedicated work ethic and experience when responding to calls, maintaining equipment and apparatus and while conducting training sessions.

Fairbanks is president of the Genesee County Fire Chiefs Association.



"Over the years, he has seen the changes in our fire service and has been willing to adapt and continue his service to our community but still uses his past experiences to benefit our department. I'd like to thank Assistant Chief Chris Fairbanks for his continued dedication to our department and his efforts he gives us and our citizens every day."

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an EV battery.

"They say it's a 120 mile per gallon equivalent. So it's about two gallons of gas price wise to fill up a Bolt EV. Maybe \$6 versus maybe \$30 or \$35," Bonner said.

Charging times also are getting faster and faster with updated technology.

While nationwide infrastructure is expanding to support EVs, customers still see costly roadblocks to accessibility.

The average price of an EV in the U.S. in August 2022 was \$66,000, according to Kelley Blue Book, an increase of 13% compared to 2021. Charging stations cost anywhere from \$850-\$2,200, according to sringery.com. Most customers pay roughly \$1,200 for a 240-volt charger. DC fast chargers can cost more than \$50,000 to install. Some cost up to \$140,000.

The federal government, state government and a few energy companies offer financial incentives for those

who invest in EVs. People qualify for a tax credit of up to \$7,500 under Internal Revenue Code Section 30D if they buy a new, qualified plug-in EV or fuel cell electric vehicle (FCV). The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 changed the rules for vehicles purchased from 2023 to 2032. It also provides financial incentives to build EV components in the U.S.

Consumers Energy and DTE offer residents a rebate of up to \$500 for the installation of Level 2 chargers at home under certain conditions.

In Michigan, Great Lakes Energy (GLE) offers a \$500 rebate to customers who buy and install a Level 2 charging station. Those who buy or lease a new EV are eligible for a rebate of \$1,000.

Electric vehicles aren't the only technology that Canever and Bonner are looking forward to. Canever mentioned the possibility of using inductive charging lanes to charge EV batteries while vehicles are in motion on the highway.

"What's going to happen in the next five years? None of us can even imagine," Canever said.



Fenton's Justion Banura finds it tough to penetrate Linden's defense. Fenton won the game 60-42. Photo: Mark Bolen

Fenton Tigers remain perfect in Stripes, crush Linden

By Dale Smith

Linden—It was a battle of two Genesee County rivals Friday as the Linden Eagles hosted the Fenton Tigers.

In what was a close game through the first half, the Tigers used a strong beginning of the third quarter to take

control. Fenton won 60-42.

Linden's star sophomore, Jase Becher, was on fire early as he had six points, three rebounds and a block barely two minutes into the game. Fenton bounced back, though, to take a 17-14 lead at the end of a fast-paced first quarter.

An early three-pointer from Fenton senior Justin Banura put the visitors up 20-14 before a mini-run from the Eagles (2-3 in the Stripes Division and 4-6 overall) cut the deficit to 22-21 at the 3:35 mark. The Eagles soon tied it at 24 before the Tigers

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Sports Times

Blue Devils post clean sweep of Martians

■ LF girls knock Goodrich from undefeated ranks in 48-42 road victory

By David Troppens

Goodrich — The scenario was like no other for a mid-January varsity girls basketball game in the tri-county area in perhaps decades.

The fifth-ranked and undefeated Lake Fenton Blue Devils were facing off against their bitter rivals, seventh-ranked and also undefeated Goodrich Martians with sole possession of first place in the Flint Metro League Stars Division up for grabs. The contest drew a standing-room-only crowd with good representation for both teams at Goodrich High School, and the game lived up to expectations.

The Blue Devils had to overcome their share of first-half adversity and figured a way to earn what was their toughest win of their 14 victories so far, earning a 48-42 victory.

Lake Fenton jumped to an early 6-1 lead, but by the midpoint of the second quarter, the Blue Devils trailed 20-14 after a layup by Goodrich's Kalen Williams. Prior to that bucket, the Blue Devils had failed to score on their last five pos-

sessions. However, after turning the ball over 15 times and shooting just 35 percent during the opening half, the Blue Devils shot 9-of-17 (with four three-pointers mixed in) and turned it over just seven times in the second half en route to the hard-earned victory. Lake Fenton also earned some passing grades for some key tests that were never presented to them in past games. The Blue Devils found out they can face a deficit, rebound from it and figure out a way to win after resolving adverse issues.

"We learned a lot," Lake Fenton senior Cola Sisk said. "We had to be mentally strong. We had to play with each other. Sometimes we get a little me over we. We have a thing — 'we over me' and we had to do that, especially in this game."

"We haven't had these types of challenges like we had tonight," freshman Kendyl Smith said. "We got through it."

"I think there is a lot to learn from this game," Lake Fenton

See **LF GIRLS** on 16



(Above) Lake Fenton's Makenna Clement drives the lane between two Goodrich players. (Below) Lake Fenton's Coleson Lessner drives to the lane. Lake Fenton's girls and boys basketball teams defeated Goodrich in varsity contests Friday.

Top photo: Mark Bolen

■ LF boys take overtime to earn win vs. Goodrich

By David Troppens

Goodrich — Entering Friday night's road contest against Goodrich, Lake Fenton senior Gavin Teffner never knew how it felt to beat the Martians on Goodrich's home court.

He does now.

In front of a standing-room-only crowd at Goodrich High School, Teffner's three-pointer broke a 61-61 tie in overtime. Once in the lead, the Blue Devils never lost it again during the four-minute extra session, earning a 73-65 Flint Metro League Stars Division victory.

"It was a big shot," Teffner said. "The play just happened to be called for me, and it was a big shot in a big moment."

"It means everything winning here. It's a big win for us. I think it's the first win we've ever had here in this building in my career. It's the first time I've won here as a senior, so it's a big win for me and the rest of the team."

The Blue Devils, who now are in a three-way tie for first place in the Stars Division with Goodrich and Corunna, still had some work to do after Teffner's trey with 2:14 left in the extra session. The Blue Devils (4-1 in the Stars Division and 8-4 overall) iced the victory, making 7-of-10 free throws after that hoop. Junior Ashton Hunter made six of those free throws, which was fitting. After all, it was his two converted free throws with 23.89 seconds left that tied the game in regulation and forced overtime.

The free throws were set up by a steal by

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photo: David Troppens

Bronchos stay within a game of Fenton, defeat Kearsley

By David Troppens

Holly varsity boys basketball coach Steve DeHart has been looking for a full 32-minute effort from his squad the entire season.

He got his wish on Friday night at Kearsley High School.

The Bronchos jumped to a 23-7 lead in the first quarter and continued to dominate the rest of the contest, earning an impressive 75-37 road win against the Hornets.

“We finally played a complete game,” DeHart said. “We had a good game plan coming in, but it doesn’t matter what the Xs and Os are, it’s up to the Jimmys and Joes. The kids have to play. That’s probably the hardest the kids have played on a consistent level all year long.

“They just executed. We had only eight turnovers all game,” DeHart said. “Mason Clark was making deep threes ... and Tony Simmons was making breakaway dunks. We



Mason Clark

just executed well to-night.”

Clark had an outstanding first quarter, netting a 14 first-quarter points. Of those points, 12 came from three-point land. Those buckets set up the 23-point stanza.

In the second quarter, Simmons had six points and Ka’Vion Smith and Andrew Lewis had four points each. That helped the Bronchos take a 40-16 halftime lead.

Smith hit two treys and Dylan Cherson and Clark hit a trey each in the third quarter, upping the lead to 56-25 lead. Finally, Braylon Liddle scored seven points in the Bronchos’ 19-point fourth quarter. Holly’s defense held Kearsley to single-digits in three quarters.

“The kids played hard. Defensively, they played really well,” DeHart said.

Clark led the Bronchos with 19 points, 10 steals, five rebounds and three assists.

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PREP REPORT

COMPETITIVE CHEER

► **Holly hosts Broncho Bash:** The Bronchos placed sixth in the varsity competition with a 642.9 team score, earning Holly its highest score of the season.

The Bronchos recorded a 208.5 in the first round and a 176.6 in the second round. They capped the tourney with a 211.6 third round.

Lake Fenton and Holly also competed in middle school competition. Lake Fenton finished third with a total team score of 340.64 for two rounds, while Holly took fourth with a 302.64.

► **Fenton at Hartland Invitational:** The Tigers placed second among the four D2

to D4 schools with a three-round total team score of 710.28. Fenton recorded a 222.1 in round 1, a 209.08 in round 2 and a 301.1 in round 3.

BOYS BOWLING

► **Holly 25, Flushing 5:**

The Bronchos remained undefeated in league play, after crushing Flushing. Holly won both Baker games 191-147 and 181-155 and then did well in the single team matches.

Drew Mascaro (223), Sean Dankert (228) and Ryan Sparklin (223) won their first games while Ryan Dalton (215) and Sparklin won their matches in the second games.

Haney’s record-breaking day leads Tigers to third at county meet

■ Holly squad places ninth at event

By David Troppens

It was a pretty nice day for Max Haney at the County Meet held at Fenton High School last weekend.

Fenton’s standout swimmer broke not one, two or even five records. He broke six.

Haney’s performance enabled the Fenton Tigers to finish third at the meet. The Holly Bronchos finished ninth.

Haney broke Fenton pool records in the 200 freestyle, the 100 backstroke and the 100 freestyle (as the lead swimmer in the 400 relay) and broke school records in each event.

Haney took part in two of the three firsts the Tigers enjoyed. He won the 200 freestyle (1:43.26) and the 100 backstroke (50.48), while helping the two relays he was part of earn top-three finishes. He swam his 100 freestyle in the 400 freestyle relay in 41.76 seconds, helping that squad to a second-place team finish with a time of 3:30.47. He teamed with Zach Michelson, Luke DeFina and Isaac Gurnsey.

The other Fenton first was provided by diver Owen Cox, who recorded a score of 412.30.

The 200 freestyle relay team of Haney, DeFina, Finley Hughes and Michael Ferris (1:39.14) earned a third.

Holly girls dominate from start, defeat Kearsley

By David Troppens

The last time the Holly varsity girls basketball team scored as many as 49 points in contest was on March 18, 2021.

The 54-24 victory against Clio on that date also represented the last time the Bronchos have defeated an opponent by 20 or more points.



(Top photo) Isaac Gurnsey, Zach Michelson, Max Haney and Luke DeFina celebrate placing second in the 400 freestyle relay. Haney (Right photo) won two individual events.

Holly’s top performer was Brandon Strickert, placing fourth in the 100 butterfly (57.84). Two other Bronchos earned individual top-eight performances. Bradlee Coggins finished sixth in the 200 individual medley (2:25.48) while Josh Dahlin had two sevenths, earning one in the 50 freestyle (24.78) and the other in the 100 breaststroke (1:13.95).

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That’s not the case any more. Holly dominated Kearsley on the Hornets’ home court, earning a 49-29 Flint Metro League Stripes Division victory.

“This was arguably our best game on both ends of the floor,” Holly varsity girls basketball coach Ben Varner

said. “It was fun to score some points like that.”

Also what made it fun was Holly dominated the game from the start, and scored double-digits in three of the four quarters.

“We have not had double-digits in three quarters this year

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LF wrestlers win Trombley Memorial tourney

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity wrestling team wanted to honor Sean Trombley Sr after he passed away in July 2021.

The program named its team tournament in honor of Trombley, naming it the Sean Trombley Sr. Memorial Tournament.

The squad was obviously moved.

The Blue Devils won the tournament, earning the title in the final match of the day against seventh-ranked Monroe Jefferson. Josh Ezell (215/285) won the match by sudden victory giving the Blue Devils a 34-33 win and the tourney title.

Trombley was a friend of varsity wrestling coach Vance Corcoran, assisted with the program and had children go through the wrestling program.

“It was a very special day for myself, my family and the whole Lake Fenton community,” Corcoran said. “We were honoring my great friend Sean Trombley Sr. I know in my heart he was truly watching over us the entire day. It was a huge win against Monroe Jefferson. Every kid on our team had a job to do and they all wrestled exceptional.



The Lake Fenton varsity wrestling team celebrates its Sean Trombley Sr. Memorial championship on Saturday. The Blue Devils went 5-0 at the meet.

“We beat Tecumseh 61-12, a team that we barely beat (42-36) four weeks ago. You can see the effort that this team has been putting in. We’ve been scheduling many top-ranked teams and our kids have been battling and improving daily.”

The Blue Devils defeated Byron 78-0, Milford 46-25 and Saginaw Swan Valley, 66-22, as well.

The Blue Devils had six wrestlers finish with perfect 5-0 marks. Karson Crist (175) and Ty Johnson (144) earned that record along with three pinfall wins each. Jorge Marvin (106/113), Clay Cook (120), Noah Hall (150/157) and

Jack Conley (157/165) each went 5-0 with two pinfall victories.

Wyatt DeVasher (106/113) earned a 4-1 mark with four pins while Drew Corcoran (138) went 4-1 with two pinfall wins. Ezell and Luke Wright (165) earned three wins while Gabe Parker (285), Caden Tortorice (190), Jaxon Penrod (132) and Robbie Moore (126) had two wins. Carter Julian (150) also had a win.

“We’re working hard as always and just going out and wrestling,” Vance Corcoran said. “As long as we continue to go out and compete at a high level, I’m a happy man.”

LF BOYS

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Brandon Bossert. The steal set the Blue Devils on the break. Bossert passed the ball to Hunter, who was fouled driving to the bucket. He made both free throws.

“It was all about being calm,” Hunter said. “They were coming back and we just had to settle in and play our game. I just had to focus on the free throws.

“It’s huge. The atmosphere was crazy here. We haven’t won here in a very long time. It feels amazing.”

Really, it felt like the Blue Devils were going to win the contest in regulation. They controlled the lead for the overwhelming portion of the game. Lake Fenton took its first lead on a conventional three-point play by Jett Husted at 7-4. From that point on, Lake Fenton enjoyed the lead for just about the rest of the game. Husted finished the first quarter with five points and helped lead the Blue Devils to a 15-10 first-quarter lead.

A tip-in putback by Carson Haddad was followed up by a small jumper by Brady Belcher early in the second, and Lake Fenton led 19-10.

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Fenton grapplers go 4-1 at own tourney

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity wrestling team had a pretty strong showing at its own tourney, going 4-1.

The title match was between the Tigers and Petoskey. Petoskey won a 39-32 verdict. Owen Freeman (120) and Philip Lamka (175) earned pinfall wins against Petoskey, while Kyle Dunfield (165) earned a tech fall victory. Garrett Clark (132), Evan Firby (215) and Aiden Velzy (106) had decision wins while Jamal Horne (113) won by forfeit.

Fenton defeated Swartz Creek 45-33,

Farmington 58-24, South Lyon 45-27 and Walled Lake Western 60-20.

Four Fenton wrestlers finished the weekend with 5-0 records — Dunfield, Lamka, Horne and Freeman. Lamka won all of his matches by pinfall while Horne pinned four of his foes. Dunfield and Freeman pinned three.

Firby and Velzy each won four matches with two being pinfall victories. Dylan Beverly (157) had three wins with two being by pin, while Ben Triola (190/215) and Garrett Clark (132/138) had three wins with one pinfall victory each.

won their match against Birmingham Groves 48-36. Both teams lost to Metro foe Goodrich. Both also lost to Dakota, and Stoney Creek.

The area’s top performer was Linden’s Bryce Shingleton (126) who won four matches and earned two pinfall wins. Teammate Luke Haney (144) also went 4-1 and had one pinfall win.

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Linden, Holly wrestlers go 1-4 at Dakota

By David Troppens

The Dakota Team Tournament had a true Flint Metro League feel to it.

The wrestling event included three Metro squads including tri-county foes Linden and Holly. Both teams came home with 1-4 records.

Linden defeated Holly 37-33 in the match that mattered most to tri-county fans. Meanwhile, the Bronchos

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Linden's defense stifles Fenton, 37-20

By David Troppens

In what was a defensive contest pitting the Fenton varsity girls basketball team against the Linden Eagles on Friday, one quarter made the difference in determining the victor between the two rivals.

It was Linden's third quarter. The stanza marked the only time either rival scored more than single-digits in a period. Linden, sparked by Kesley McLennan's 13 third-quarter points, scored 17 points in that stanza and earned a pretty con-

vincing 37-20 home victory against the Tigers.

"She came out in the second half and gave us a great boost," Linden varsity girls basketball coach Brian Klein said. "When she plays aggressive and with confidence, she's a tough one to guard. I'm proud of her and the entire team with how they responded at half."

Neither team could get anything going against each other's defense in the first half. Linden led just 4-2 after one quarter. The Eagles' lead scored nine

more points in the second quarter, taking a 13-8 halftime lead. Someone in the game had to figure it out offensively, and it was McLennan, with the help of some nice assists, that did.

The first points of the second half came on a McLennan three-pointer off an assist by Olivia Mawhinney. The next two came on a steal and fast-break layup by Linden's Allison Maienbrook, earning an 18-8 lead. Fenton fought back, and cut the gap to 20-13 after a

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Lake Fenton's Cola Sisk (left) tries to drive to the hoop in the Blue Devils' 48-42 victory against Goodrich. Photo: Mark Bolen

LF GIRLS

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varsity girls basketball coach Karlie Dieck said. "This was a learning experience for everyone including myself. How do we overcome adversity and things like that. It's a good lesson for everyone involved."

Lake Fenton looked like a confused team for most of the first half. Two early three-pointers by Amaya Smith was able to mask some of those issues for a bit, as Lake Fenton led 6-1. However, Goodrich slowly started to make a move. The Martians took a 7-6 lead into the second half after a converted free throw by Goodrich's Riley Place.

Lake Fenton took a 9-7 lead on a three-point bucket by Savannah Fellenbaum, and still led 14-12 after Amya Smith assisted Kendyl Smith's three-pointer, with 4:30 left in the half. However, Goodrich scored the game's next eight points. Williams's layup made it a 20-14 Goodrich lead. Lake Fenton was able to cut that deficit down

to 21-19 before halftime.

Enter Sisk in the third quarter. A starter on last season's Stars Division championship squad, she has seen her playing time cut a bit during her senior season. However, she started the third quarter and responded with six points. Her layup off a Kendyl Smith assist gave Lake Fenton the lead at 25-24. From there, the Blue Devils started looking like their old selves. Two converted free throws by Smith upped the Lake Fenton lead to 29-26. Lake Fenton still led just 32-31 after three quarters.

However, Lake Fenton began the fourth with a Ella Prevost three-pointer and a Sisk layup (both buckets assisted by Smith), giving the Blue Devils a 37-31 lead. While the contest remained competitive, Goodrich never got within one possession of tying the game again. Lake Fenton iced the game with 4-of-6 field goal shooting in the fourth quarter (three of the hoops were treys) and 5-of-6 free-throw shooting.

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(5-0, 7-5) dropped in the last four points of the quarter. Fenton enjoyed 28-24 lead into the locker room.

The turning point in the game came early in the second half as Fenton used a 7-0 run to make it 35-24. After conventional three-point play from Banura, the Tigers led 40-26. That was soon followed by a pretty behind the back pass from Fenton's Sam Dillard II, to fellow junior Nolan Alvord for the layin. The Tigers outscored the Eagles 18-6 in the quarter.

Linden continued to battle. A Monte Keener "and one" made it 48-35 and four consecutive points from teammate Colin Weiss closed it to 48-39. But, the Eagles could not cut into the lead anymore.

Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Chad Logan was quite happy to remove the proverbial monkey from the back as the Tigers ended several years of futility in the Linden gym.

HOLLY

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or last year," Varner said. "That was huge for us tonight. No doubt."

Holly jumped to a 10-2 lead after one quarter, an enjoyed

"Coming over here is never easy," Logan said. "It is not a dirty rivalry. The kids know each other. They try to get after each other. Good for our kids. It has been a while since Fenton beat Linden at Linden."

Fenton's Ja'Hion Bond had a strong game with 14 points, four rebounds, four big steals and a block.

"At halftime, we talked as a team and realized we had to pull together," said Bond. "It feels really good (beating Linden), we have had some bumps in the road coming here."

A key factor in the Tigers' win was the work on the glass. Fenton junior, Gage Graham, was a big part of that. Graham added eight rebounds to go with

a double-digit lead at halftime after a 16-point second stanza. Holly led 26-13.

Life continued to get more entertaining in the second half. Holly's lowest output in any period was the third, when



Linden's Reed Krueger (left) looks to make a pass against Fenton's Nolan Alvord. Photo: Mark Bolen

his nine points

"(Linden) has a big team out there," said Graham. "So, we try to box them out. It's really just effort."

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the Bronchos scored just eight points. However, they still won the quarter and led 34-18 entering the fourth stanza. In it, the Bronchos scored another 15 points.

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


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Gertrude Mae LaFevre 1927 – 2023



Gertrude Mae LaFevre - age 95, of Hartland, passed away Friday, January 20, 2023. Funeral services will be held 10 AM Friday, January 27, 2023, at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Interment will be in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West. Those desiring may make contributions to Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church. Gertrude was born October 17, 1927 in Melvindale. Gertrude retired from Farmington School District after 35 years of service. She was a member of Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church. She is survived by her daughter, Nancy Murphy of San Clemente, CA; grandchildren, Jennifer Murphy, Jesse Murphy, Ryan

LaFevre and Mathieu LaFevre; great-grandchildren, Arianna Upshaw, Alyjah Mayfield, Summer Murphy, Autumn Murphy; great-great-grandson, Malik Manzano; niece, Sandi Rose. She was preceded in death by her parents; sons, Greg LaFevre and Douglas LaFevre. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Janis Lee Rolison 1935 – 2023

Janis Lee Rolison - age 87, of Holly, died on Sunday, January 15, 2023.

Janis was born on May 17, 1935 in Flint, to her parents Lowery and Jessie (Rose) Nash. She is survived by her son, Richard (Mary) Rolison; grandchildren, Samuel and Isabella Rolison and sister, Vickie. Janis was preceded in death by her husband, Roland; her parents, Lowery and Jessie and her sister, Marian Stanley. Janis was a fine artist, former president of the Fenton Art Guild and member of the Greater Flint Art Guild. Her paintings were shown in France. She was a tremendous artist, mother and wife. Janis was also an avid bowler. A visitation will be held on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, from 2 – 5 PM. The funeral service will be held on Thursday, January 26, 2023, at 11 AM at the Dryer Funeral Home in Holly. Burial will be at Great Lakes National Cemetery on Friday, January 27, 2023, at 10:30 AM. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.



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Laura Marie Legant 1968 – 2023



Laura Marie Legant – age 54, of Holly, passed on to be with Jesus on Sunday, January 22, 2023, with her family present after an 18-month battle with breast cancer. Laura was born on August 1, 1968, in Maine. She was the middle child of a family of five, with two older sisters and two younger

brothers. The family moved to Michigan, where she graduated from Fenton High School in 1986. She married the love of her life, Steve Legant, on August 20, 1988. Their adventures started right away by moving across the country to Carson City, Nevada. While there, they welcomed three sons into their family. She raised and mushed huskies and went on endless travels. Laura was a teacher for 24 years and eventually went on to complete her doctorate in education. But Dr. Legant was only one of many titles she carried. After moving back to Michigan in 2003, the family settled in Holly. She and Steve welcomed their daughter in 2005. She continued to teach, owned a craft store downtown, directed and starred in many different theatrical shows, and owned a small fiber farm with goats, alpacas, rabbits, and chickens. She became a grandmother to seven grandchildren and loved them fiercely. Laura was an exceptionally talented musician, artist, and animal lover. She traveled to all 50 states and many countries with her daughter, Rose. She loved Disney and adventure and loved planning trips with her family. Since childhood, Laura has

been full of life and a force of nature. Laura's positivity shined brightest. She persevered and continued to have adventures right up until the end. She was an inspiration to all and successfully left behind a legacy. She is survived by her husband, Steve Legant; children, Kyle

(Beth), Austin, Josh (Merissa), and Rose; her mother, Karen Craner; her grandchildren, Blake, Benaiah, Berkley, Baylor, Killian, Brooks, and Levi; her siblings, Carla (Paul) Vizzaccaro, Jason (Danielle) Craner, and Pete (Evangeline) Craner, and many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her father, Art Craner; and sister, Alicia Hammond. The family asks that you please not purchase flowers. If you would like to contribute in some way, please consider making a donation to her GoFundMe to help cover funeral and medical expenses. Anything left over will be donated to Cancer research. <https://www.gofundme.com/f/laura-legant-funeral-medical-expenses>. Memorial Visitation will be from 5 – 9 PM on Thursday, January 26, at Dryer Funeral Home in Holly. Her Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held at 11 AM Saturday, January 28, at Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church in Fenton. We believe Laura would have wanted to see bright colors and patterns to celebrate her life. We request you not wear black to her services and instead wear something that would honor her memory. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

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1 Feedbag bit

4 Chilled

8 Theatergoer's souvenir

12 Show to a seat, slangily

13 Cleopatra's river

14 Poi base

15 Dance syllable

16 Fabric fastener

18 Klum of "Project Runway"

20 Hide-hair insert

21 Early birds?

24 Apple intruders

28 Wind-driven toy

32 Tidy

33 Altar affirmative

34 Fussess

36 Log chopper

37 Region (Abbr.)

39 Flag-shaped blazer accessory

41 Pago Pago's place

43 Sleuth Wolfe

44 Sphere

46 Lively dance

50 Yankee uniform pattern

55 Squeak stopper

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58 Buddy

59 Conks out

60 Like lemons

61 Supplement, with "out"

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1 "That hurts!"

2 Tennis great Arthur

3 Bangkok language

4 Perception

5 Espionage org.

6 Sprite

7 TV chef Paula

8 "Sophie's Choice" author

9 Spigot

10 Swiss canton

11 "— voyage!"

17 AAA job

19 Morning moisture

22 Earth sci.

23 Auto style

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For the week of **January 23, 2023**

ARIES
Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, make a concerted effort to focus your attention on something that interests you. This may require that you find something new to stoke your passion.

GEMINI
May 22/June 21

Gemini, currently you are playing a much smaller role at work than you would like. It is not that you aren't capable, but it's a matter of paying your dues before taking the next step.

LEO
July 23/Aug 23

Your open and outgoing nature may lead many people to think they know all about you, Leo. Instead, you can be quite a mysterious person. Show others only what you want.

LIBRA
Sept 23/Oct 23

Being available to other people is admirable, Libra. Make sure this is not at the expense of your own well-being. You may need to dial back and prioritize your own needs.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov 23/Dec 21

You might start to notice you are losing some traction in your love life, Sagittarius. Figure out a way to talk and spend more time together in the days ahead.

AQUARIUS
Jan 21/Feb 18

Take a second look at your talents and your abilities, Aquarius. You may have been selling yourself short for some time. But you can accomplish anything with some effort.

TAURUS
Apr 21/May 21

It's a week for love and you have all of the resources available to take advantage and explore your feelings, Taurus. Work things out in your head before taking action.

CANCER
June 22/July 22

Cancer, don't box yourself in with a strict to-do list and schedule. You need a little more wiggle room to explore your creativity and what makes you happy.

VIRGO
Aug 24/Sept 22

Believing someone is flawless can set you up for disappointment when you realize no one can live up to that standard, Virgo. Be realistic when assessing partners or other people.

SCORPIO
Oct 24/Nov 22

Living in your comfort zone may lead to missed opportunities, Scorpio. You may need to let your risk-taking side show this week. Enjoy the ride.

CAPRICORN
Dec 22/Jan 20

You may believe you can think your way out of a situation this week, Capricorn. But sometimes logic just doesn't cut it. You may have to use your heart to get to the root.

PISCES
Feb 19/Mar 20

Don't make assumptions about how others see you, Pisces. You have a lot to offer. It's time to recognize all your strengths.

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