

# Several juveniles taken into custody

■ Fenton police respond to report of 'gun to someone's head' at N. LeRoy Street gas station

By Sharon Stone

Fenton police took six individuals

into custody early Sunday morning, Jan. 15. There were no injuries.

Sgt. Dan Forbush said the police department received a 911 call regarding an unknown male holding a gun to another male's head at the gas station/convenience store parking lot at the corner of N. LeRoy Street and S. Long Lake

Road at 12:29 a.m., Sunday, Jan. 15.

Forbush said a couple was at the gas station getting gas. While the man was pumping gas, his wife observed what was later identified as a grey 1994 Ford F-15 extended cab pickup truck with several individuals inside. The witness said she saw one male hold a handgun

to another male's head and ordered him into the truck while saying racial slurs. Fearing the sight of the gun, the couple drove away and called 911.

Officers were on location within one minute. Genesee County sheriff's deputies, police from Linden City and Argen-

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## Rage room, axe throwing business coming to Fenton

■ City planners approve special land use request

By Sharon Stone

The owners of Destruction Depot in Whitmore Lake are excited with their See **RAGE ROOM** on 22

## Dog daycare recommended for approval

■ Owner plans to build on corner of Thompson and Fenton roads

By Hannah Ball

A doggy daycare is one paw closer to See **DAYCARE** on 25

## It's fun to play at the LCA



The Linden and Fenton varsity girls and boys basketball teams earned a rare opportunity to play at Detroit's Little Caesars Arena, the home of the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Red Wings, on Wednesday. The girls played first, followed by the boys. Hundreds of fans for both teams attended the contest. Pictured here, Fenton's Ja'Hion Bond drives to the bucket among many players during the boys game. See **Sports** on page 17. Photo: David Troppens

## Linden approves parks and rec plan

■ Residents say city needs more youth facilities and activities

By Hannah Ball

Linden — Linden City Council approved the 2023-2027 Parks and Recreation Plan on Monday, Jan. 23.

The Parks and Recreation Commission has spent months working on the See **PARKS AND REC** on 24

## Report of suspicious man at Holly bus stop

■ Superintendent alerts parents to Thursday morning incident reported by Davisburg Elementary student

By Sharon Stone

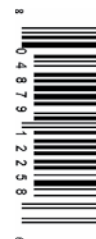
On Thursday, Feb. 2, Holly Area See **BUS STOP** on 24

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# Loose plans bus trips to Red Wings games

■ Spaghetti dinner and movie night set for Feb. 16

By Hannah Ball

The Loose Center in Linden is inviting everyone, not just seniors, to attend the Thursday, Feb. 9 Red Wings game in Detroit.

The organization will take a 34-passenger bus to Detroit for the Red Wings vs Calgary Flames game. Dotti Tynes, program director at Loose, said they were able to get seats in the upper section of the lower bowl. Tickets are \$100.

“That way very few steps will be involved and the seats are in line with the goal,” she said. “We open our trips up to everyone. The Red Wings game gives a chance for people to see a game with family and friends. Not having to drive to Detroit, find a parking spot and go up and down flights of stairs. For \$100 we offer a trip there and back to the arena, drop off at the front door and a short walk to our seats in line with the goal. Meet new people and have a great time.”

Loose also will take a bus of people to the Tuesday, March 28 game when the Red Wings play against the Pittsburgh Penguins. They have secured seats in

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the same section. Attendees will be dropped off at the front door.

Loose Center is also having a spaghetti dinner and a movie on Thursday, Feb. 16 starting at 4 p.m. The dinner will be prepared at Loose. DediCare Solutions will provide three different desserts. They will show the movie “Under the Tuscan Sun.”

“Great time to get out of the house and enjoy time with others,” Tynes said.”

## LOOKING BACK at this week in HISTORY

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

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## David's Dabblings

The men's soccer World Cup ended Dec. 18, seven days before Christmas.

The United States was eliminated Dec. 3, only a little more than a week after Thanksgiving.

We are now in the second month of 2023, and while that tournament ended more than a full month ago, the darn thing still has my undivided attention.

Why? It involves some silly stickers.

Each World Cup, an Italian company named Panini sells stickers. They also sell an empty sticker book. Once one purchases this book, the ultimate goal is to complete the book with the stickers you purchase, one sticker pack (five stickers in a pack) at a time. As anyone who has collected them in the past can tell you, this is a daunting task. There are 670 stickers. Each team in the World Cup (32 teams) has a two-page layout of 20 stickers. Those pages make up the overwhelming majority of the book. However, the book also includes photos of each World Cup venue, stickers of some of the past winning World Cup teams and a couple of other ones. Trying to finish this book five stickers at a time isn't easy.



**David Troppens**  
Sports Editor

## World Cup Soccer stickers are still dominating our lives

How popular is it worldwide? The stickers are collected by people of all ages worldwide, and some try to collect a completed book for each World Cup. A completed 1978 World Cup sticker book can be purchased right now for about \$600 (including shipping). A common white bordered Lionel Messi

(known as one of the greatest players in the world) sticker from this season is currently going for \$11 on Ebay, and some rare special colored border Messi stickers are going for more than \$300. Even 60 Minutes did a story about them during the World Cup. So, basically, these silly little stickers are big business.

My wife Anna and I have a serious issue. We purchased our own books for the first time during this World Cup cycle. We'd usually buy as few as five packs at a time and sometimes purchase 50-pack boxes. At the start, it was pretty fun. Hey, there's America's top player Christian Pulisic. Hey, look, Anna just got Poland legend Robert Lewandowski's sticker. Wow, this reasonably rare red border Luca Modric sticker is going for about \$30 on eBay. Early on, it was fun. All four or at least four of the stickers in each

pack were going in our book.

But as Christmastime came, it started to be three stickers a pack. By January, it was maybe two stickers a pack. The good news is I'm about 40 stickers and Anna is about 60 stickers away from being done. But now when we open packs, it's pretty likely all of the stickers are going to be extras (or what sports card fans call doubles).

Last night we opened 15 packs each, shared our doubles and we were able to stick a combined 20 stickers in our books. That's 20 stickers in 30 packs.

And as we go through these stickers, it becomes aggravating. We now own 12 Ilias Chair doubles, after getting him in another pack last night. We've opened so many packs, we are to the point where we pretty much know if we have the sticker or not as soon as we see the stickers.

Then there are favorite teams everyone can't wait to finish. Mine are the United States, Germany and Poland. I do have the U.S. and Germany done. Poland is a different story. I'm still missing four of them, the most I'm missing of any of the team.

### A little help, please?

So, I'm reaching out to the soccer sticker collectors in the tri-county

See **STICKERS** on 7

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

## Would you participate in a Polar Plunge?



"I did last year and I am again this year. It raises money for a great cause and I like doing things that push your limits or are intimidating."

**Scott Hebda**  
Linden



"Absolutely! I jump every year that it's offered and I'm able. The cause is too good not to support. Our SOMI athletes are currently competing in Winter Games in Traverse City, snowshoeing their way with these funds."

**Kelly Johnston**, Fenton



"I hate the cold. I get mad thinking about it. I love the Special Olympics. I'd probably suck it up and do it for them."

**Bridget Koledo**  
Fenton Township



"With the right group, I would do it."

**David Troppens**  
Fenton

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**RUMOR HAS IT** Mundy Township is about to land a mega battery plant, presumably to serve the General Motors heavy-duty truck plant in Flint once they go EV. Exciting times.

**2022 WAS A** record-breaking year for local overdoses. Teens can buy narcotics on Snapchat with disappearing messages. It's never been harder to be a parent.

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**WE'D LIKE TO** buy an electric car but haven't yet because this area's charger infrastructure is abysmal.



# Digital display speed alert signs approved

Motorists to see signs on Grange Hall and Tripp roads

By David Fleet

**Groveland Twp.** — Motorists on Grange Hall and Tripp roads through the township will soon be reminded just how fast they are traveling.

On Jan. 9, the township board of trustees voted 5-0 to install digitally displayed speed alert message signs on a section of Grange Hall Road and all of Tripp Road.

Four signs, for east and west travelers, were approved at a cost of about \$5,500 each.

The decision follows a study from March to September 2022. The Road Commission for Oakland County monitored and recorded the speed of motorists from Jossman Road near Fire Station Two, 3085 Grange Hall Road to Van Road near Tripp. The posted speed is 55 mph.

“The mean speed was 61 and a half miles per hour,” said Bob DePalma, township supervisor. “That does not seem like excessive speed. But, the signs will be a reminder to be aware of the speed.”

In addition, the 50 mph Tripp Road speed alert signs will be located just east of Dixie Highway and near Grange Hall Road.

DePalma suggested the signs do help slow drivers down that may be inadvertently speeding. If the new Grange Hall Road signs are not opposed by residents or other drivers, the paved section of Barron Road, the paved section of Groveland Road, and Oak Hill Road of which Springfield Township could possibly share in the cost, would be considered.

Speed on Grange Hall Road may have been a factor in several fatal accidents over the past years.

In February 2019, Michigan State Police (MSP) troopers responded to a crash on Grange Hall Road near Foxwood Trail. A pickup truck was traveling at a high rate of speed on Grange Hall Road. The driver lost control at the intersection near Foxwood Trail and the vehicle left the roadway striking a tree. The male driver was transported to Ascension Genesys Hospital Grand Blanc Township with unknown injuries. A 23-year-old male



Motorists on Grange Hall Road and Tripp Road in Groveland Township will be reminded of their speed with digital speed alert signs.

from Brandon Township died at the scene.

In November 2022, MSP troopers responded to the 200 block of Grange Hall Road in Groveland Township after a passing motorist observed a vehicle in the ditch. On scene investigation revealed that the 33-year-old driver from Caro, who was pronounced dead at the scene, was on eastbound Grange Hall approaching a sharp curve. The vehicle veered left in a straight line, ran off the roadway to the left. The vehicle then hit a tree and uprooted another before coming to a rest in a ditch, several feet lower than the roadway.

*Dave Fleet is the editor of The Citizen.*



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## Linden ice fishing tournament scheduled for Feb. 11

■ Pancake breakfast to take place at Linden High School

By Hannah Ball

Attention all anglers who don't mind the cold.

Happening in Linden is planning the seventh annual Ice Fishing Tournament & Chili Cook Off on Saturday, Feb. 11. More than \$5,000 will be available in prize money.

From 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., the community is invited to join the contest and fish at Lobdell Lake, Byram Lake, Lake Ponemah, Pine Lake, Aanikagamaa Lake (formerly Squaw Lake), Tupper Lake or Loon Lake for pike, crappie, bluegill and perch.

Early registration is available at The Stain Shop in Linden or online. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$5 for kids 12 and under. This includes chili tasting and entry into the grand prize drawing.

Participants also can register the day of the tournament.

The chili cook off begins at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door for adults and kids under 12 eat for free.

The weigh-in will take place at Linden High School between 3 and 5 p.m. Awards will be given out starting at 5:15 p.m. Prize drawings include the grand prize, a bucket prize and 50/50 raffles.

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Part of the event is an All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast featuring Chris Cakes of Michigan from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Linden High School cafeteria. Chris Cakes of Michigan has been named the fastest pancake maker in the world by the Guinness Book of World Records.

Pancakes will be served with sausage links, butter, syrup and coffee. Tickets for adults are \$9 online and \$11 at the door. Tickets for kids age 11 and under are \$5 online and \$6 at the door.

This is a 2023 Project Graduation fundraising event sponsored by ELGA Credit Union.

## Knife, drugs, two loaded guns found in traffic stop

■ Howell man charged, faces multiple felonies

Kenneth Scott, 35, of Howell, was arraigned Jan. 27 in Genesee County 67<sup>th</sup> District Court on two counts of assaulting/resisting/obstructing a police officer, carrying concealed weapons and delivery/manufacture of a controlled substance.



Kenneth Scott

Sgt. Dan Forbush of the Fenton Police Department said the charges stem from a traffic stop at 7:40 p.m. on Jan. 24. He said a police officer on patrol observed a civil infraction on a white Cadillac Escalade traveling westbound on Silver Lake Road and initiated a traffic stop. The license plate was unreadable. The traffic stop took place just west of the city's border in Fenton Township.

The officer approached the driver's door and the driver told the officer that he had a warrant. The officer looked

up the driver in the Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) and confirmed the warrant. The officer called for backup. When backup arrived, police asked the driver to exit the vehicle.

While the officer was placing the driver, Scott, under arrest, he started to resist. A taser was shown for compliance but was not used.

A search of the vehicle was done and police located a 6-inch buck knife in the center console, a loaded 9mm handgun, a loaded 9mm Derringer revolver, drug paraphernalia, prescription medications, and suspected methamphetamine (meth).

Scott was arrested and transported to the police station. The suspected meth tested positive. It also will be analyzed at the Michigan State Police crime lab.

He was released on bond. A probable cause conference is scheduled for Feb. 9.

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area. I know you are out there because it was hard to find stickers at the local stores at times. If you are in the same predicament as us, send me an email at dtroppens@tctimes.com. Maybe we can exchange 'needed stickers lists,' save each other some money so that it can go to something silly like a house payment. It's time to do some trading. If you need a superstar like Ronal-

do, we have him. If you need Ilias Chair, we have him 12 times over. I'd be more than happy to trade those players for stickers like Korea's Seung-Gyu Kim and Heng-Min Son. Of course, I still need the top-half sticker of the World Cup trophy as well. It's pretty pathetic looking at a trophy that is cut in half because I lack sticker FWC2.

We're pretty desperate. We need to finish these books. After all, it's only about three years before we have to start another book.

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## LOOKING BACK

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### FEB. 6

**1952:** After a long illness, King George VI of Great Britain and Northern Ireland dies in his sleep at the royal estate at Sandringham. Princess Elizabeth, the older of the king's two daughters and next in line to succeed him, was in Kenya at the time of her father's death; she was officially crowned Queen Elizabeth II on June 2, 1953, at age 27. Queen Elizabeth, born April 21, 1926, and known to her family as Lilibet, was groomed as a girl to succeed her father. She married a distant cousin, Philip Mountbatten, on Nov. 20, 1947. The first of Elizabeth's four children, Prince Charles, was born in 1948. She died Sept. 8, 2022.

### FEB. 7

**1964:** Pan Am Yankee Clipper flight 101 from London Heathrow lands at New York's Kennedy Airport — and "Beatlemania" arrives. It was the first visit to the United States by the Beatles, a British rock-and-roll quartet that had just scored its first No. 1 U.S. hit six days before with "I Want to Hold Your Hand." At Kennedy, the "Fab Four" — dressed in mod suits and sporting their trademark pudding bowl haircuts — were greeted by 3,000 screaming fans who caused a near riot when the boys stepped off their plane and onto American soil. Two days later,

Paul McCartney, age 21, Ringo Starr, 23, John Lennon, 23, and George Harrison, 20, made their first appearance on the Ed Sullivan Show, a popular television variety show.

### FEB. 8

**1936:** At Philadelphia's Ritz-Carlton Hotel, University of Chicago halfback Jay Berwanger, the first Heisman Trophy winner, is picked No. 1 overall by the Philadelphia Eagles in the first NFL draft. His rights are traded to the Chicago Bears, but Berwanger never plays for them or any other NFL team. Berwanger's contract demands were too much for George "Papa Bear" Halas, the Bears' coach and owner. So, the college star became a foam rubber salesman. "[Halas] asked me what I wanted," Berwanger told the New York Times years later. "I said \$25,000 for two years and a no-cut contract. We shook hands, said goodbye and he and I have been good friends ever since."

### FEB. 9

**1971:** Pitcher Leroy "Satchel" Paige becomes the first Negro League veteran to be nominated for the Baseball Hall of Fame. In August of that year, Paige, a pitching legend known for his fastball, showmanship and the longevity of his playing career, which spanned five decades, was inducted. Joe DiMaggio once called Paige "the best and fastest pitcher I've ever faced." He earned his nickname, Satchel, as a boy when he

earned money carrying passengers' bags at train stations. Baseball was segregated when Paige started playing baseball professionally in the 1920s, so he spent most of his career pitching for Negro League teams around the United States. During the winter season, he pitched for teams in the Caribbean and Central and South America.

### FEB. 10

**1962:** American spy pilot Francis Gary Powers is released by the Soviets in exchange for Soviet Colonel Rudolf Abel, a senior KGB spy who was caught in the United States five years earlier. The two men were brought to separate sides of the Glienicke Bridge, which connects East and West Berlin across Lake Wannsee. As the spies waited, negotiators talked in the center of the bridge where a white line divided East from West. Finally, Powers and Abel were waved forward and crossed the border into freedom at the same moment, 8:52 a.m., Berlin time. Just before their transfer, Frederic Pryor, an American student held by East German authorities since August 1961, was released to American authorities at another border checkpoint.

### FEB. 11

**1990:** Nelson Mandela, leader of the movement to end South African apartheid, is released from prison after 27 years on Feb. 11, 1990. In 1944, Mandela, a lawyer, joined the African National Congress (ANC), the oldest Black political organization in South Africa, where he became a leader of Johannesburg's youth wing of the ANC. In 1952, he became deputy national president of the ANC, advocating nonviolent resistance to apartheid, South Africa's institutionalized system of white supremacy and racial segregation. However, after the massacre of peaceful Black demonstrators at Sharpeville in 1960, Nelson helped organize a paramilitary branch of the ANC to engage in guerrilla warfare against the white minority government. In 1961, he was arrested for treason, and although acquitted he was arrested again in 1962 for illegally leaving the country. Convicted and sentenced to five years at Robben Island Prison, he was put on trial again in 1964 on charges of sabotage. In June 1964, he was convicted along with several other ANC leaders and sentenced to life in prison.

## JUVENILES

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tine Township and a Michigan State Police helicopter also responded to the area to assist.

Upon arrival, police ordered the individuals, later identified as Flint and Burton residents between the ages of 15 and 18, out of the truck. There were four males and two females who were sisters, one a juvenile and the other 18 years old. The juvenile female was a runaway with an arrest warrant. She was transported to the Regional Detention Center in Flint.

The male suspect, a 16-year-old Burton resident, was asked about the gun. He told officers it was just a BB gun. The gun, which Forbush said looks like a black Glock 19 handgun, was located in a glove compartment.

Police recovered a concealed hatchet on the suspect. A gun holster was located on the floor, as well as railroad spikes. The suspect was handcuffed and arrested. Police will be seeking one count of aggravated felonious assault from the Genesee County Prosecutor's Office.

All of the parents were called to the Fenton Police Department where the juveniles were interviewed. They were then released to their parents.

Forbush said the male victim admitted to police that his friend held the BB gun to his head.

The group said they had intended to go to a party in Fenton Township and stopped to get gas. Due to a leak in the pickup truck's gas tank, gas spilled onto the ground and the Fenton Fire Department was called to clean up the hazardous liquid.

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## Fenton Pride Collective aims to help LGBTQ+ community

The Fenton Pride Collective was officially incorporated as a nonprofit organization less than a year ago in April 2022. However, the organization has already made colorful waves in the Fenton area.

“Our board members really saw a need for a community organization that was founded on the principle of helping the LGBTQ+ community because there really wasn’t one around here,” said Ky Orvis, president of the Fenton Pride Collective.

The board consists of Orvis, Vice President Connie Lee, Treasurer Josh Orvis, Recording Secretary Stephanie Young, Corresponding Secretary J Waddell and trustees Annie Anglim, Terina Greenway and Jasmyn Lee.

Orvis, a Tyrone Township resident, said their goal is working toward a greater level of acceptance of the LGBTQ+ community.

“We’re here. We’re not going anywhere. We are your neighbors, your servers at restaurants, your baggers at the grocery store. All we want is to be accepted and having an open community helps with that,” Orvis said.

To accomplish that, the organization plans events and spreads information about the LGBTQ+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer +) community. Their most recent event was a sold-out Drag Queen Bingo at The Laundry Room in Fenton on Jan. 21.

Orvis said when they first became an organization, they discussed ways to fundraise and found the South



Lyon Pride organization. One of the members helped them draw up their bylaws and incorporate the nonprofit. They also suggested hosting a Drag Queen Bingo night, which features drag performers, bingo, dancing and more. The show raised approximately \$600.

“The event went really good. It was the second one. I heard it went very smoothly and that people were having a great time,” Orvis said. “How could they not?”

The collective is currently in the planning stages for the 2023 Fenton Pride Night that will take place in June, which is historically LGBTQ+ Pride Month. This will be the third Fenton Pride Night event. The first in 2021 was spontaneously planned during one of the Street Experience nights when select downtown roads were closed. Approximately 45 people attended that year.

More than 500 people attended Pride Night 2022:

Celebrating Progress in Fenton on June 16, 2022.

“Hopefully we get the same amount plus more this year,” they said. Orvis said planning the event was more work than they originally anticipated. However, Pride Night was a success with the help of the community.

“The city was amazing to work with. They were very welcoming of anything we needed. They threw out a bunch of suggestions for places we could have people and live entertainment,” Orvis said. “The police were beyond amazing. As far as working with others in the city, it was a very welcoming thing with open arms. I was almost taken back.”

The Fenton Pride Collective is planning a social gathering event at a local restaurant to give people the opportunity to come and mingle. Orvis said they’re also working toward creating a support group to offer people a safe place to talk about their hardships regarding being the LGBTQ+ community.

Orvis said the acceptance level in the Fenton area is “very very high.”

“There are some isolated incidents when you get people who are not as tolerant,” they said, adding that overall, the community has welcomed them with open arms.

They’re always looking for volunteers to help at events. The Fenton Pride Collective also has open spots on a few committees. Go to [fentonpride.org](http://fentonpride.org) for more information.







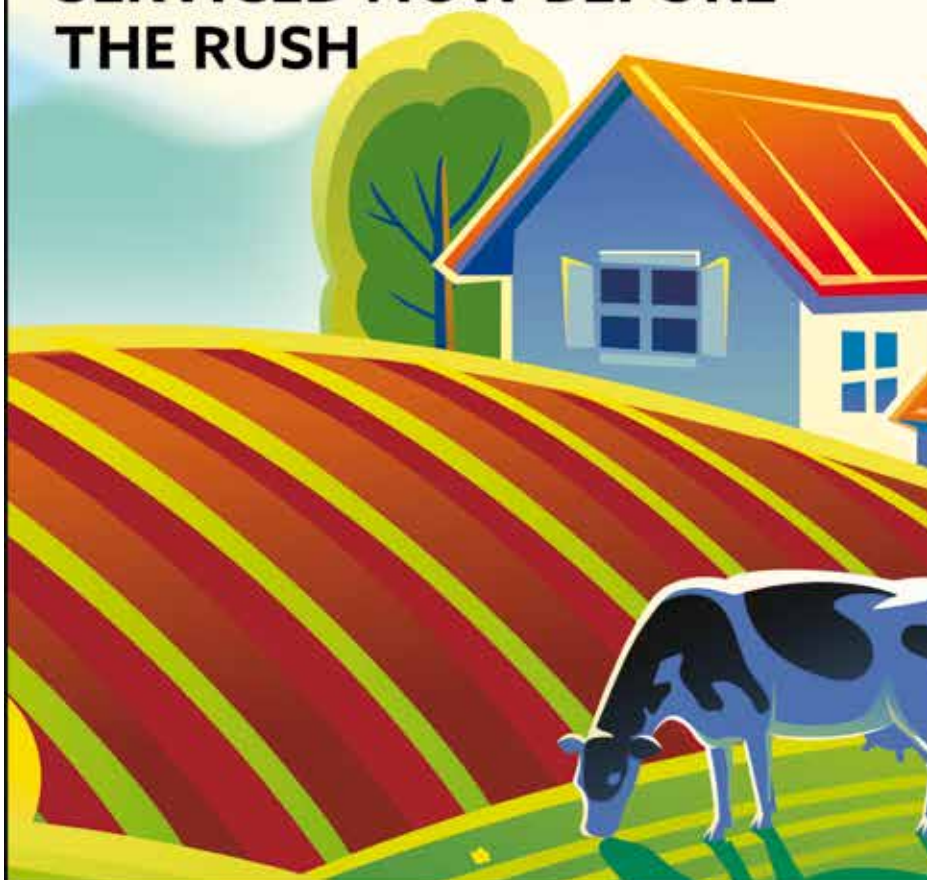
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Michigan senators and staff wore red Thursday, Feb. 2 in support of the American Heart Association's National Wear Red Day, which was Friday, Feb. 3. Sen. Ruth Johnson, R-Holly, (front center) sponsored a resolution proclaiming February 2023 as American Heart Month in Michigan and Feb. 3 as National Wear Red Day. It also recognizes the AMA's "Go Red for Women" initiative to help increase awareness of heart disease and stroke risks. *Submitted photo*

## Local state senator sponsors heart month

### Michigan Senate approves her 'Go Red for Women' resolution

The Michigan Senate on Thursday, Feb. 2, approved Sen. Ruth Johnson's resolution to increase awareness of heart disease and stroke risks and recognize February as American Heart Month in Michigan. Senators and staff wore red in support of this effort as Johnson partnered with the American Heart Association for National Wear Red Day, which was Friday, Feb. 3.

"Cardiovascular diseases are the number one killer of women in the U.S., killing more women than all forms of cancer combined," said Johnson (R-Holly). "Unfortunately, many people and especially women still don't have a good understanding of their risks or of the warning signs or heart attacks and strokes, which can be different in women than in men."

Women, especially Black and Hispanic women, are disproportionately impacted by heart disease and stroke. Research also shows that heart attacks are on the rise in younger women.

"This resolution is a chance to help save lives by increasing women's — and men's — cardiovascular awareness through the Go Red movement," Johnson said. "I encourage everyone to wear red on Friday and to talk about cardiovascular health with your friends, coworkers, and loved ones."

Senate Resolution 7 proclaims February 2023 as American Heart Month in Michigan and Feb. 3 as National Wear Red Day. SR 7 says that from 2019 to 2020, deaths from heart disease increased by 4.8%, the largest increase in heart disease deaths since 2012, while stroke deaths increased by 6%.

It also says, "In 2015, cardiovascular disease accounted for \$555 billion in health care expenditures and lost productivity, and by 2035, cardiovascular disease will account for over \$1 trillion in health care expenditures and lost productivity annually."

For more information, visit [GoRedForWomen.org](http://GoRedForWomen.org) or [heart.org/en/around-the-aha/reclaim-your-health-during-american-heart-month-in-february](http://heart.org/en/around-the-aha/reclaim-your-health-during-american-heart-month-in-february).



# February is Career and Technical Education Month

## ■ Students encouraged to explore education and career pathways

With an average of more than 520,000 Michigan job openings projected annually through 2030, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer joins the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) and the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) in proclaiming February as Career and Technical Education (CTE) Month.

CTE offers high school and college students hands-on learning experiences that can be applied to real-world training and career pathways. During the month of February, students of all ages are encouraged to explore viable programs across the state that prepare them for successful career entry, advancement, and/or continuing education.

“Career and Technical Education programs prepare Michiganders of all ages for high-skill, good-paying, and

in-demand careers,” Whitmer said. “CTE programs also support our state’s businesses by preparing the talent they need to fill jobs and grow our economy.”

High schools, colleges and some universities across Michigan offer CTE programs that are aligned with in-demand, high-wage careers in fields such as business, information technology, healthcare, hospitality and manufacturing. Most high school programs also offer early college credit opportunities to provide a seamless transition to post-secondary education.

“Those who participate in Career Technical Education programs are more engaged, earn degrees and industry-recognized credentials, and have careers that are both rewarding and self-sustaining,” said Stephanie Beckhorn, Director of LEO’s Office of Employment and Training. “That’s why we’re working hard to ensure all students have equitable access to CTE opportunities.”

During the 2021-2022 school  
See **EDUCATION** on 26



On Thursday, Feb. 2, the El Topo and The Relief & Resource Co. building was demolished more than seven months after a fire severely damaged the building June 28, 2022. The restaurants originally opened in August 2016 and were popular destination spots in Fenton. “It’s a sad day to see the building being torn down but it has to happen in order to rebuild,” said Mark Hamel, co-owner of the businesses. Jon Foley, head bartender and co-owner of R&R, said there were a lot of great memories at that location and they were proud to be there. “I am working diligently at bringing R&R back,” he said. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

# McLaren Flint announces employee of the month

## ■ Selects Mary Ellen Rinks, PT, manager of rehab services

McLaren Flint announced its Outstanding Employee of the Month for January is Mary Ellen Rinks, PT, manager of rehab services. Hospital leadership honored Rinks the week of Jan. 16.

“I am very humbled to receive this recognition,” Rinks said. “This award is reflective of the entire therapy department and is really a recognition of all of them. The therapy team is a group of dedicated professionals who want to do what is best for our patients. They are truly a team that excels at communicating and supporting each other.”



Mary Ellen Rinks

Rinks’ nominator, patient experience manager Tiffany Cannon, said, “Mary Ellen Rinks goes above and beyond, not only for McLaren but the staff she manages. Mary Ellen is here early and stays late. You can often find her on the floors, treating patients. McLaren is lucky to have such a dedicated staff member!”

McLaren Flint managers, directors, and executive leadership nominate Outstanding Employee of the Month candidates. Nomination criteria are based on the hospital’s mission and core values: contribution to culture and core values, teamwork, going the extra mile, outstanding patient service, performance excellence, and commitment.

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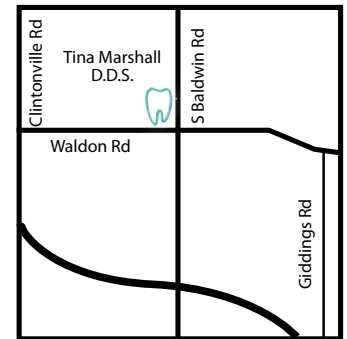
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## Hurley physical therapy clinic to open in Flint YMCA

■ New downtown YMCA campus to open in 2025 devoted to health and wellness

Hurley Medical Center will offer a new physical therapy clinic inside the recently announced downtown YMCA, which will begin construction this spring. The clinic will offer a range of physical therapy services to help patients recover from injuries, surgeries, and other conditions that affect their mobility and function.

“We are thrilled to be able to offer our physical therapy services in such a convenient location for our patients,” said Cathy Metz, director of physical therapy at Hurley Medical Center. “We believe that this partnership with the YMCA will help more people access the care they need to live their best lives.”

“The new downtown YMCA will be a campus devoted to health and wellness. Hurley Medical Center and the YMCA of Greater Flint share a 90-plus year history of helping individuals in the Flint community get healthy

and stay healthy. We are so excited to be welcoming them to our new home and continuing our important work of promoting better health in Flint,” said Pam Bailey, director of public relations at YMCA of Greater Flint.

The new downtown YMCA is slated to open January 2025. When completed, the physical therapy clinic will operate Monday through Friday. In the meantime, patients can find relief from an injury, disability or recovery from a recent surgery at:

- Hurley Physical Therapy – West Flint Campus (1085 S. Linden Road)
- Hurley Physical Therapy – Hand-Care Clinic (1085 S. Linden Road)
- Hurley Physical Therapy – Flint (3725 S. Saginaw Street)
- Hurley Physical Therapy – Sports-Care North (5219 W. Pierson Road)
- Hurley Physical Therapy – Aquatic Center Lapeer (396 Lake Nepessing Road)

To learn more about Hurley Physical Therapy visit [hurleymc.com/services/physical-therapy](http://hurleymc.com/services/physical-therapy).

To learn more about the details of the downtown YMCA project visit <http://www.YMCAFlint.com/BuildCommunity/>.

## Board approves study

■ Will look at Groveland Township Fire Department

By David Fleet

**Groveland Twp.** — On Jan. 9, the Groveland Township Board of Trustees voted 5-0 to retain Rich Marinucci of the Firefighters Safety Officers Association to study the township fire department.

“It’s clear we have to know what we’re going to do going forward,” said Bob DePalma, township supervisor. “I want an objective third party with no specific objective except to look at the fire department and decide if there is something we can do differently that’s better. If not, we have to determine what we’re going to be doing with the millage.

“We are not going to close the fire de-

partment, we’re not bankrupt, but I can’t run the fire department year after year if it consistently spends more money than it gets in,” he said. “I don’t want to ask the residents for a tax increase until I have somebody who does this for a living take an objective look at it.”

The cost of the study is \$4,000.

The study is in advance of a vote on the renewal of fire department millage, which expires in December 2024. The current millage is 3.5 mills, which was approved by voters in 2000. A temporary fire millage hike of .44 mills was approved by the township board of trustees in 2011 due to a significant drop in property values after 2007. The millage has since been returned to 3.5

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# Lake Fenton wrestlers dominate meet against Holly, Brandon

By David Troppens

If the Lake Fenton varsity wrestling team was looking for a confidence builder going into Metro League meet action, the Blue Devils earned it at Swartz Creek High School.

The Blue Devils defeated Holly 62-9 and

Brandon 71-9 in Metro action. Holly lost to Swartz Creek by a tight 43-35 verdict.

The Blue Devils had 10 athletes finish with 2-0 records. Wyatt DeVasher (106), Drew Corcoran (138), Ty Johnson (144), Noah Hall (150) and Jack Conley (157) each had 2-0

records with both wins being pinfalls. The other Lake Fenton wrestlers to go 2-0 were Jorge Marvin (112), Clay Cook (120), Robby Moore (126), Kaleb Digiacommo (132) and Owen Pitsley (285). Luke Wright (165), Kar-

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Drew Corcoran stands with his grandmother Donna Corcoran after earning his 100th win.

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## Sports Times

### Fenton & Linden — a special day at the LCA

#### ■ Tigers earn victory vs. Linden boys, 65-56

By David Troppens

**Detroit** — Bring up visions of past great moments in the Fenton-Linden varsity boys rivalry and they all have one thing in common.

Whether it was a great upset, a game-winning shot or maybe a great final defensive stand, they all took part in high school gyms.

Wednesday's moment didn't.

It wasn't a big game due to the standings. In fact, it was a non-league contest. There wasn't a game-winning shot.

What made Wednesday's contest — a 65-56 Fenton victory — stand out was the venue. The two rivals played at Little Caesars Arena (LCA), the home of the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Red Wings.

"I enjoyed the experience in general," said Fenton senior Ja'Hion Bond, who scored a game-high 20 points. "It's all

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The Linden and Fenton varsity boys and girls basketball teams were given a chance to play each other at Detroit's Little Caesars Arena on Wednesday. Here is the opening tip for both games. (Left) Linden's Jase Becher jumps against Fenton's Justin Banura in the second game. The girls began action with Linden's Kelsey McLennan and Fenton's Adrie Stab battling for the opening possession. Photos: David Troppens

#### ■ Eagles overcome early deficit to earn win

By David Troppens

**Detroit** — Abby Logan is a Pistons fan.

The Fenton senior is used to watching the Pistons play their games at Little Caesars Arena (LCA) on her television. Before that, at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

But, on Wednesday, there was a change. She, along with the rest of her Fenton varsity girls basketball teammates and Linden's squad, were the ones on the LCA court playing a game.

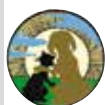
"It was really big for me," Logan said. "I watched the Pistons growing up and it was just really fun being on there. Regardless of the fact that there's only our fans at the game, it was still nice.

"It just means so much more. It's the game that I'm playing and not the game that I'm watching. I've always played basketball and it's just such a different en-

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## A girls LCA scrapbook

Here are some photos of the Linden Eagles' 48-38 non-league victory against the Fenton Tigers at Detroit's Little Caesars Arena on Wednesday. The game pitting the two tri-county area rivals together at the home of the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Red Wings.

Photos: David Troppens



## EAGLES

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vironment to be on the court and not in the stands."

On Wednesday, the Linden and Fenton varsity girls basketball teams played a noon non-league contest at LCA, followed by the varsity boys game. The game was sparked by Linden athletic director Lance Belill who found out games could be played at LCA, and the games were set up by the two schools. The Linden varsity girls won the contest by a 58-48 verdict, but the score was pretty secondary on this date. The venue took centerstage.

"It's definitely different, but it's a great experience," Linden senior Megan Widner said. "Especially being my senior year, being with the girls we get to have fun not thinking about this being a conference game. We just get to go out and have fun. It's not really about the rivalry, but just being out there together and having a fun experience."

Linden varsity girls basketball coach Brian Klein and Fenton varsity girls mentor Don Kutchev talked in advance and decided to play a deep benches, rotating girls in and out of the game very different than a varsity game. The coaches wanted this to be an experience that all the players needed to share.

"We talked about it because we wanted this to be about the kids and not the win or the loss," Kutchev said. "We decided we'd get as many kids as much playing time as we could. And I think it worked out really well for us. All of my kids got the experience. They got to be on the floor. They all played hard and I can't complain at all."

"This was bigger than a win or a loss on both sides," Klein said. "We were in total agreement that we wanted to get everyone some time. I'm glad we were in total agreement. And after talking to my girls — and I'm sure Don's girls are feeling the same way — it was a special day here at the LCA."

The kids appreciated that their entire squad got to enjoy the contest.

"It was really motivating because our coaches thought about that and thought everyone should experience this," Logan said. "They wanted everybody to be able to enjoy this fun."

"I'm very proud of how my girls responded to that," Klein said. "Regardless who was in the game, we were able to run our stuff. I was able to have fun the entire game, and it makes my job easier when I can do that."

Fenton jumped out to the early lead. Fenton's Adrie Staib hit the Tigers' first two buckets while Maddie Slezkinski hit a putback hoop, Tammy Craven hit a layup and Allie Mischevich hit a jump shot. In that mix Linden's Wider hit two free throws, but the Tigers still enjoyed a 10-2 lead.

Linden responded with a seven-point run. Two came on converted free throws by Olivia Mawhinney and that was followed by an Allison Maienbrook three-pointer. Maienbrook followed with a layup and the Eagles trailed just 10-9. The teams went into the second quarter tied at 12-all.

Fenton got two quick hoops from Slezinski and Logan to start the second quarter, but then Linden went on an 8-0 run to end the half. Addyson Sturgis hit a three-pointer and converted a free throw, while Shaye Barkholz netted a bucket. Kayla Widner and Maienbrook each hit free throws for the other two second-quarter points. Linden enjoyed a 20-16 lead at halftime and never lost the lead again.

Mawhinney scored six third-quarter points and Linden took a 35-27 lead into the fourth. In the fourth, Maienbrook netted eight points and Mawhinney and Kelsey McLennan hit treys, icing the Linden victory.

Maienbrook netted 13 for Linden while Mawhinney netted 11 points.

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## A boys LCA scrapbook

Here are some photos of the Fenton Tigers' 65-56 victory against the Linden Eagles in a game played at Detroit's Little Caesars Arena on Wednesday. The game pitting the two tri-county area rivals together at the home of the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Red Wings was initially proposed by Linden athletic director Lance Belill. The Eagles were as close as 21-18 midway through the second quarter but lost to the Tigers.

Photos: David Troppens



## TIGERS

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open. The fans are here. There is a lot of people here but it doesn't seem like it because it's such a big gym. It's different.

"It was a lot of fun. I had a lot of fun with my team, and it was a good experience overall."

The game meant a little more to Linden senior Jack Kenney for other reasons. He has missed most of the season due to injury. He was able to come back and play in this contest, netting eight points.

"All season I was looking forward to this game, but being back out here and playing basketball in general was what I was looking forward to doing the most," Kenney said. "I haven't been able to be on the floor, whether it was Little Caesars Arena or whatever game it was, and I missed it."

The game's idea was created by Linden athletic director Lance Belill. He learned games could be played at LCA and that got the ball rolling. While winning is always a good thing against rivals, both coaches realized the significance of playing in such a venue and made sure every player was able to enjoy the experience. There was liberal substituting on both squads.

"First of all, thanks to Lance," Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Chad Logan said. "When it's Fenton-Linden we get after each other, but this was really a fun game for all of the kids.

"It had a recreational feel to it, but it was still a game we wanted to win. But at the same time we wanted to get a lot of the kids out there and allow them to play. Who gets to play here in high school? It's a pretty fun day for the kids. It's a fun atmosphere."

"This was a once in a lifetime experience for these kids, and that's what we wanted it to be," Linden varsity boys basketball coach Matt Christensen said. "Yeah, we wanted to win the game. We always want to win, but when it's something like this, we want to make it an ex-

perience. That's what counts.

"We wanted everyone out there. Almost everyone scored out there which is great. I think our starters were out there together for a total of four minutes. ... It was cool to see guys get the opportunity and they took it."

Fenton jumped to an early 11-0 lead. The run started with back-to-back three-pointers by Colin TerBurgh and Sam Dillard II, and ended with two converted free throws by Bond. Linden's first hoop at LCA was a three-pointer by Kenney, followed by another trey by Jeric Conner. However, Fenton capped the quarter's scoring with a layup by Nolan Alvord and a putback by Justin Banura, giving the Tigers a 17-6 lead after one quarter.

The Eagles made a charge in the second quarter. It didn't start right away as Banura and Dillard began the quarter with Fenton hoops. However, after that, Linden went on a 10-point run. It began with a Jase Becher hoop and was concluded by a breaking layup by Colin Weiss and a putback hoop by Becher. The Eagles trailed 21-18 with 4:31 left in the half. The score remained within 25-22 after a putback hoop by Reed Kreuger, but Fenton went on a 6-0 run on four points by Dillard and a putback hoop by Gage Graham. Kreuger hit a hoop before half-time, cutting Fenton's intermission gap to 31-24.

Fenton always led in the second half, with the lead bouncing between five to 13 points.

"It feels good," said Bond, who scored 17 of his 20 points in the second half. "I started a little shaky when I first got here, but I had to settle down. My teammates got me going. They helped me keep my courage."

Dillard had 17 points while Banura netted 11 points. Becher led Linden with 10 points while Kenney and Kreuger netted eight points each. Konner Hulett and Monte Keener chipped in six points.

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## LFFL, Holly/Oxford split ski results

The FLLF and Holly/Oxford ski programs faced off last week at Mt. Holly and earned a split decision.

The FLLF (Fenton/Linden/Lake Fenton) co-op boys ski team won 21.5-59.5, while the Holly/Oxford girls won 29-43.

The FLLF boys won the slalom by earning each of the top six places. Ryan Fairbanks (53.64), Brooks Funke (55.53), Nate Hiscock (56.59) and Brody Hindmond (59.00) earned the top-four performances for FLLF. James Ferguson (1:02.16) led Holly/Oxford.

In the giant slalom (GS) FLLF won

11.5-25.5, earning the top three positions. Finishing first through third were Funke (46.15), Fairbanks (46.29) and Nate Hiscock (46.85). Eric Ranck placed fourth for Holly/Oxford (47.96).

Holly/Oxford's Finley DeCubber earned first for the girls in the GS, with a time of 48.38. Sierra Musial placed third (49.38). In the slalom FLLF's Anna Heimberger won with a time of 1:00.67. Holly/Oxford took the other top four spots. They were earned by DeCubber (1:01.30) in second, Musial (1:04.59) in third, and Olivia Irvine (1:06.44) in fourth.

## Holly's offense sparks easy victory vs. Brandon, 80-65

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity boys basketball team got off to a hot start on the road against Brandon on Tuesday.

How hot? Holly scored 28 points in the first quarter.

It's a good thing Holly did because from that point both teams were scoring points like they are going out of fashion. Holly was able to out-produce its hosts, winning an 80-65 verdict.

The Bronchos (11-3) are putting together a pretty good streak of late. They have won six straight and eight of their last nine games. In the six-game winning streak, they've scored 75 or more points three times. The 80 points scored against Brandon represents a season-high.

The Bronchos opened the game with a Mason Clark three-pointer and never slowed down. After two converted free



Tony Simmons

throws by Brandon, Holly's Andrew Lewis hit a trey. A transition hoop by Ashton DeHart followed, and then a Bowen Moore layup followed. A steal by Tony Simmons resulted in a three-point play, and Holly led 13-2. After a Brandon time out, a Clark trey and a Moore steal and breaking layup raised Holly's lead to 18-2 with half of the first quarter remaining. Holly led 28-10 after one quarter.

Holly scored 17 points in each of the final three quarters, but Brandon was able to score 55 points during that period. Holly led 45-27 at halftime and 62-40 after three quarters.

Ka'Vion Smith had a huge game. He scored a game-high 26 points, with 18 of those points coming in the second half. Simmons and Clark netted 17 points each while Moore chipped in 10 points.

## Lake Fenton girls crush Creek 70-12

By David Troppens

The Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team is now up to 16 straight wins.

The Blue Devils dominated Swartz Creek by a 70-12 score Tuesday.

The Blue Devils (16-0) scored 70 or more points for the seventh time this season. It also represented the fourth time the Blue Devils' defense allowed less than 20 points in a contest.

Lake Fenton scored 21 points in the opening quarter with seven players scor-

ing at least a hoop each. Savannah Fellenbaum, Emerson Baker and Gabby Gerald had four points each in the quarter, sparking a whopping 21-2 lead after one period.

The domination continued in the second quarter. Baker hit two treys and Gerald had four points in the second stanza. Meanwhile, Swartz Creek managed just three points in the period, resulting in a 40-5 halftime lead.

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## Fenton Tigers defeat Clio Mustangs, 69-43

The Fenton varsity boys basketball team got off to a slow start.

"I don't think we were focused mentally in the first half," Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Chad Logan said. "But we had a discussion at halftime and I think we played a really nice second half."

The Tigers quickly jumped to a big lead in the second half and won a 69-43 road contest against the Clio Mustangs.

Sam Dillard had a game-high 22 points. Justin Banura and Ja'Hion Bond each had 14 points while Gage Graham netted 10.

match.

Holly's wins against Lake Fenton were earned by Kendall Drake (165) and Hunter Hummel (175). Hummel won his match by pinfall.

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# Linden wrestlers sweep two Metro matches

By David Troppens

The Linden varsity boys wrestling team won a pair of Flint Metro League matches on Wednesday, earning a super tight verdict against Clio.

The Eagles defeated Clio 37-36, and defeated Kearsley 48-24.

Against Clio, both teams won seven matches and earned five six-point team wins. The difference was of the two victories both teams had that weren't six-point wins. Linden's Michael Bush (175) earned a 13-3 major decision victory between the Eagles' two other wins. Clio won both of its other two matches just by decision. One key match was Jase Grundy's (190) 11-4 decision loss. If he allowed another point, the teams would've tied.

Linden had two pinfall wins against Clio. Brady Makela (165) and Bryce Shingleton (138) earned them. Itiel Delgado (285) earned a decision win while Austin Bedell (126), Ben Wing-



Linden's Adoniah Delgado won two matches in the Eagles' victory against Clio and Kearsley. Photo: David Troppens

blad (132) and Adoniah Delgado (144) earned forfeit wins

Against Kearsley, Shingleton (132), Delgado (138), Michael Bush (175) and Grundy earned pinfall wins. Faith

Kenny (113), Wingblad (126), Lucus Carr (150) and Brady Makela (157) earned forfeit wins.

The Flint Metro League wrestling meet is Saturday.

# Fenton wrestlers split two league matches

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity wrestling team concluded Flint Metro League dual action with a split of matches on Wednesday.

The Tigers defeated Corunna handily 54-24, but then lost to Flushing by a 42-30 score.

The Tigers had four wrestlers finish with 2-0 records with two pinfall wins. They were Jamal Horne (113), Philip Lamka (165/175), Ben Triola (190) and Carson Krzeszak (285).

Kyle Dunfield (165/175) also went 2-0 with one pinfall win.

Five other Fenton wrestlers earned victories against Corunna. Chris Dobek (215) earned a pinfall victory while Garrett Clark (138) earned a decision win. Aiden Velzy (106), Owen Freeman (120) and Ian Beverly (126) earned forfeit victories.

# Holly Bronchos fall to Brandon, 53-36

By David Troppens

The Holly varsity girls basketball team had one of its best first halves of the season against Brandon and was competitive during that half.

However, Holly was only able to score 11 points in the second half, resulting in a 53-36 loss to the Blackhawks.

The Bronchos scored 18 points in the first quarter. Audrey Combs netted

two three-pointers and Alana Simmons had five points, leading Holly's offense. However, Brandon's Riley Abney scored 11 of her game-high 29 points in the opening quarter, leading Brandon to a 20-18 first-quarter lead.

Holly followed the 18-point first with seven in the second, and trailed just 29-25 at halftime.

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# Fenton loses defensive contest versus Clio

By David Troppens

The Fenton varsity girls basketball team found themselves in a tight contest against Clio on Monday.

The game was so close it went into overtime. Adrie Staib hit a putback hoop with 3.6 seconds left in regulation, forcing overtime. Once in OT, the Tigers fought back from an early two-point deficit resulting in a 60-57 Fenton victory.

The Tigers did fall behind 36-28 in the third quarter. However, the Tigers went on an 8-1 run, cutting the gap to 37-36. The game was close the rest of the way.

In the OT, Clio took a quick 55-53 lead after two converted free throws, but a steal and breaking layup by Abby Logan tied the contest back at 55-44.

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# Linden girls lose to Goodrich Martians, 43-27

The Linden varsity girls basketball team was within two points after the first quarter against the defending Flint Metro League Stripes Division Champions on Tuesday.

But then came the second quarter.

The Eagles were held to just two sec-

ond-quarter points eventually falling to the Martians 43-27.

While Goodrich was holding the Eagles to just two points in the second quarter, Goodrich netted 15 second-quarter points, and led 25-10 at halftime.

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On Jan. 26, the Fenton Planning Commission approved a special land use request for a proposed Deconstruction Depot. The property is zoned general business district (GBD), where entertainment establishments are permitted by special use. The owners are working out plans to move into space in the 1300 block of N. LeRoy Street. See building plans online at [tctimes.com](http://tctimes.com).

## RAGE ROOM

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plans to open a second rage room and axe throwing business in Fenton.

Matt and Rachel Crawford are the owners and they attended the Jan. 26 planning commission meeting, which held a public hearing on their proposed business at 1360 N. LeRoy Street, the now closed GrowHead store, which is between VG's and Power House Gym. Planning commissioners asked basic questions about their business and no public comments were made by residents.

They requested a special land use permit to open their business. The space is 4,311 square feet.

Carmine P. Avantini, AICP, president of CIB Planning, the city's planners, said the planning commission approved

their special land use request. He said, "All activities will take place indoors and they have taken necessary steps to ensure that this will be a safe operation."

The Crawfords said the meeting went "really well," and that the planners made them feel welcome to Fenton.

They are working with an architect and contractor to get the plans for the renovation drawn. Once these are submitted to the city of Fenton and approved, construction can begin. "We are shooting for a late May/June opening (subject to all the pitfalls of construction and necessary approvals/inspections)," they said.

Deconstruction Depot – Rage Room and Axe Throwing plans to offer several rage rooms, axe throwing, and a virtual shooting gallery, in addition to several arcade machines.

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You have just nine days before the big heart-shaped holiday.

Valentine's Day is a busy holiday for many businesses, but especially so at restaurants and other romantic venues. So it's best to plan ahead to ensure a perfect evening. These tips can help you organize a Valentine's experience to remember.

## Tip #1: Reserve early

The closer to Valentine's Day, the more likely popular restaurants will be all booked up. If the goal is to dine at a particularly trendy spot — or anywhere but the most obscure establishment — be sure to make a reservation well in advance. Ask restaurants when they will start collecting

names for Valentine's Day and book the moment you can.

## Tip #2: Secure transportation

One way to make the night more romantic is to snuggle in the back seat of a vehicle and have someone else do the driving. This also is a safer option if you plan to pop a bottle of bubbly or sip some wine while celebrating. Hiring a limousine, luxury car, horse-drawn carriage, or something similar also will require advanced reservations. However, going the extra mile can make the night memorable.

## Tip #3: Emulate a scene from a favorite film

The person you love may adore a romantic movie, whether it's a classic or more recent tear-jerker. When planning a romantic evening out, consider reenacting a movie scene with you and your special someone in the starring roles. For example, recall when Tom Hanks met Meg Ryan at the top of the Empire State Building in "Sleepless in Seattle."

Include a visit to the observation deck or roof as part of a whirlwind Valentine's Day experience.

## Tip #4: Attend a live music performance

Music can touch the heart and soul. That makes an evening watching a band play or enjoying a musical on the stage even more memorable if it occurs on Valentine's Day. Select an intimate venue to add to the romantic ambiance of the night.

## Tip #5: Think outside tradition

While dinner and a movie are Valentine's Day favorites, any activity done together can be memorable and romantic. Why not book a couple's cooking class? Or enjoy a winter sport like skiing or ice skating? Or warm up after window shopping on Main Street by sipping hot cocoa and snuggling on the sofa under a blanket at a nearby B&B?

Romantic nights out on Valentine's Day can be made even more special with some forethought and planning.

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## BUS STOP

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Schools Superintendent Scott Roper issued an alert regarding a suspicious individual who was reported near a Davisburg Elementary bus stop that morning.

Roper sent out a letter to parents and the community.

His letter stated, "The safety and well-being of our students, staff and families is our top priority.

"It has come to our attention this morning, Thursday, Feb. 2, shortly after 8 a.m., a Davisburg Elementary student reported a suspicious individual on Detroit Avenue in the Springgrove mobile home park in Davisburg.

"The individual was identified as an older white male with grey-white hair driving a black Chevy truck. It was reported that the vehicle was slowly following the student, who was on the way to the bus stop. When the student stopped walking, the man reportedly stepped out of his vehicle. As a result, the student ran back home. The student did a great

job of maintaining distance, fleeing the area and reporting the concern.

"The parent and the school district have contacted the Oakland County Sheriff's Office regarding this incident. In addition, we also reported this information to the Holly Police Department. If you have any information regarding this morning's incident, immediately call 911.

"We are contacting our families out of an abundance of caution to protect the safety and welfare of our students. This situation also is a reminder for students and families to report any suspicious activity of any kind on school grounds or at our bus stops to police, their building principal or district administration."

Roper encourages parents to remind their children of the following safety tips:

- Try to avoid walking to and from school and the bus stop alone.
- If your child sees anything suspicious, call 911.
- Never talk to or take anything from strangers.
- Keep enough distance from strangers so they are unable to touch.

## PARKS AND REC

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plan and on Jan. 19, they passed a resolution to recommend adoption of the plan. It will help the city apply for funding assistance.

A few objectives identified are acquiring more land, promoting seasonal recreation activities, supporting the farmers market and more. The full plan can be found at [lindenmi.us](http://lindenmi.us).

### Goals for the next five years

- Develop a recreation system which will provide for the full range of recreation and open space needs of residents
- Promote cooperation between all groups, individuals, organizations and neighboring communities involved with recreation planning
- Develop a balanced year-round recreation program that will encompass a full range of facilities and activities, serve individuals of all ages and abilities, and promote healthy living
- Dedicate and preserve sufficient and suitable land for recreation and open space
- Ensure that parks and recreation facilities are accessible, and provide nonmotorized links
- Implement recreation projects and programs which complement other federal, state, local and private investments being made in the community and which further the city's development strategy

### Public input

Linden conducted a citizen survey in 2022 as part of the master plan update process. It garnered 624 total responses.

"Regarding recreation, results of the survey were mixed. On one hand, survey participants cited, 'Lack of youth activities' and 'Lack of recreation options' in the Top 10 'least favorable aspects' of Linden. On the other hand, 'access to non-motorized transportation' and 'recreation options' were both included in the Top 10 'most positive aspects' of Linden," according to the plan.

"'Need for youth facilities/activities' was a common response regarding things that should be changed in Linden. One way to address this would be spreading awareness to residents about youth programs offered by organizations such as Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation."

Twelve citizens attended a public

workshop in September 2022. The top four identified projects were bike racks, seating along the water at Mill Pond Park, potential property acquisition to expand Eagle's Wooden Park, and adding restrooms at the Kimble-Sharp Gazebo & Park.

The plan also includes information from Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation and LAFF Pathways about the organizations' respective efforts to bring more recreation opportunities to the area.

### Current parks facilities

#### Kimble-Sharp Gazebo & Park (formerly Linden Mills Park)

This 2.09-acre community park on both sides of the Shiawassee River in downtown Linden, which includes the historic Linden Mill building, is home to the Kimble-Sharp Gazebo and water wheel, which were both renovated in recent years. The accessibility rating is two.

#### Mill Pond Park

This 0.39-acre mini-park on the south shore of the Mill Pond along Tickner Street features a volunteer-built and maintained butterfly garden, picnic table and benches. It also has a paved canoe/kayak access site. The accessibility rating is two.

#### Triangle Park

This 1.26-acre park along Silver Lake Road in the southeastern portion of Linden is used for casual picnicking and other passive activities. It will be upgraded with added amenities when it's converted into a trailhead for The State Bank Trail, which will connect Triangle Park to the city of Fenton. Construction is planned for 2023. The plan does not include an accessibility rating.

#### Eagle's Wooden Park (formerly Walmar Park)

Eagle's Wooden Park, the largest park in Linden at 9.70 acres, is home to a playground and wooden pathway near the Shiawassee River. The park has an accessibility rating of three.

#### Shiawassee River

The Shiawassee River State and National Water Trail is part of an 88-mile water trail which travels through Oakland, Genesee, Shiawassee, and Saginaw counties, providing recreational, development and economic opportunities. Linden has two public launch sites, at the Linden Mill Pond and one at the end of Walmar Street.

## Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting January 30, 2023.

Call to order @ 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Saad.

Present: Schmidt, James, Saad, Graves, Hallman

Approved: Minutes as printed of Regular Board Meeting December 19, 2022.

Approved: Payment of expenditures.

Issued: Building & Zoning Permits totaling \$12,909.

Approved: Payment of bills.

Approved to hire: Jessica Armstrong, certified EMT in Fire Department.

Appointed: Thomas Atherton to Board of Review, Michael Reilly as alternate member.

Approved: Moratorium on Solar Farm.

Approved: Resolution 2023-1, Poverty Exemption Policy and income, asset guidelines.

Adopted: Resolution 2023-2 Master Plan.

Accepted: Estimate for cost of HMA Resurfacing on Glen Hatt-Silver Lake Rd. to Lobdell Rd.

Adjourned: 7:52

Submitted by Joseph Graves  
Argentine Township Clerk



## DAYCARE

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coming to Fenton Township.

A Fenton Township resident is planning to build the Ruffy Ranch Retreat, a doggy daycare with a 24-hour boarding facility, canine massage, spa services and obedience training, on 3.85-acres of land on the northwest corner of Thompson and Fenton roads. The design plans show a 3,600 square-foot building

The Thompson Road Dog Park is about 0.16 miles west of the property.

On Thursday, Feb. 26, the Fenton Township Planning Commission recommended approval for Allore Sharp's request to conditionally rezone the land from single family residential R-3 to general commercial C-2, limited to a commercial kennel with a doggie daycare and a caretaker's quarters.

She said it's "fantastic" that the commission recommended approval. Her goal is to open the Ruffy Ranch Retreat in July. This is the fourth time Sharp has sought approval to build the doggy daycare.

"My dreams have become my goals," she said.

Sharp's letter of intent states, "RRR will offer doggy daycare, boarding with 24-hour care, canine massage, spa services and obedience training. Our mission is to love and care for each fur baby as our own, to provide a fun-filled environment, yet a relaxing and stress-free getaway. In addition, our premise will be pristine and offer a safe canine club to all clientele.

"RRR will use all natural pet-friendly products including by-product free dog food and treats, grooming products and aromatherapy. Canine massage will be held in a dim-lit chandelier setting with soothing music."

The outdoor play arena will have a privacy fence to allow dogs to play and attend outdoor activities and training. For safety, dogs will be separated based on their size, according to the letter. Any anxious or temperamental canine owners will have the option of private suites and runs.

The hours of operation would be Monday through Friday from 5 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday by appointment. The number of dogs allowed will be determined during the site plan review.

This use is compatible with the town-

ship's master plan. The future land use classification for this land is community commercial, according to the report by Zoning Administer Mike Deem.

"The Community Commercial land use category includes centers that are intended to provide service to the entire community rather than a single neighborhood. They are located at major road intersections, such as Fenton and Thompson Roads," according to the report.

"A commercial kennel with doggie daycare provides a personal service that is supported by the greater community. The proposed use is consistent with the Thompson Road Corridor and is located in close proximity to the Thompson Road Regional Dog Park."

Commercial kennels, which have seven or more dogs, are permitted by a special use permit in agriculture, commercial and industrial zoning. The facility must be licensed by the Genesee County Department of Animal Control. These facilities must be a minimum of 300 feet from a residential zoning district.

All dogs must be enclosed and have a concrete surface, and the applicant must provide an acceptable plan for disposing animal waste. Sharp plans to use a septic system in the summer and utilize Scoop-n-Go, a pet waste management company, in the winter.

The facility must also meet the requirements of the township's dog control ordinances.

Sharp's letter describes RRR as a "premium and luxurious retreat."

"I am diligent in creating a controlled and clean structure for the animals of our community. Presently, there are no other businesses of RRR-like in the Fenton community or surrounding areas. This business could support the community for their pet needs," according to her letter.

"RRR will be in close proximity to Thompson Road Dog Park and also offer retail experience, employment opportunities and a needed service to the community. An important aspect of my business plan is to offer 24-hour boarding care. For this to be possible, a living quarters would be required within the business. Since the plan is to develop into a "mixed purpose corridor," I am asking for a variance to allow for this needed space within the business."

## Senior Care of Michigan hosting free workshops

Senior Care of Michigan, the leader in educational workshops for the past two-decades, will host a series of free, educational workshops that focus on Senior & 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

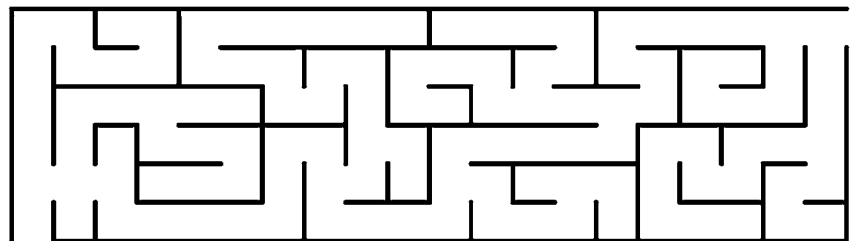
•Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 2:30 p.m. at the Fairfield Inn & Suites, 9044 Holly Rd., Grand Blanc

•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

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## EDUCATION

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year, 106,077 secondary students were enrolled in 2,130 CTE programs.

According to the 2021-2022 follow up survey (six months after exiting high school), CTE concentrators reported a placement rate of 95.2%. Specifically, 68.4% of CTE concentrators were continuing their education, 56.7% were employed, 2% were in the military, and 0.1% were participating in national, community service or the Peace Corp. In addition, 71% reported they were using the skills learned in their CTE programs for continuing education or in their current job.

MDE also offers Early Middle Colleges (EMCs), in which students can earn high school and college credit while pursuing a program of study at the college level. In 2021-2022, 15,013 students were enrolled in EMCs, with 1,429 CTE Early Middle College students.

“All Michigan students should have access to a wide range of CTE programs, which help make learning relevant, help

students develop career interests and skills, and help prepare students for college and the workplace,” said State Superintendent Dr. Michael Rice. “We need to expand CTE programs in areas that have limited offerings. It’s a matter of fairness, career development, and workforce development.”

Postsecondary institutions in Michigan have 370 qualifying CTE programs offering a certificate or associate degree. During the 2021-2022 school year, there were 113,821 students enrolled in these postsecondary programs in the state.

In celebration of CTE Month, a virtual event will be held Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 10 a.m. to share information about how career and technical education benefits Michigan’s employers. To learn more and to register for the free event, visit MDE’s CTE Month website.

Students, parents, educators and life-long learners interested in exploring career options, training, wages and projected openings should visit Michigan’s free online career exploration tool, Pathfinder. Additional high school CTE resources and information may be found on MDE’s website.

## STUDY

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mills and had received one time boosts from Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response or SAFER Grant, American Rescue Plan Act funds and COVID money.

“It’s a labor intensive business,” Marinucci said. “Fire departments require people and when you add EMS to the equation, it makes it more complicated. The bulk of the citizens in a community contact with a fire department is with EMS, it’s a heart attack, auto accident or slip and fall.”

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**PASTORS NEED TO** wake up that say, 'We're just going to preach the Gospel.' That's code for, 'We're not gonna get involved.' You say it's political, but it's a moral issue. Your job is to warn people, confront evil, be salt and light. Repent or be judged.

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**WHEN YOU READ** about a 'government grant' given to your community, they are actually telling you that a politician has taken your tax dollars from you, paid bureaucrats, political appointees and shared your tax dollars with other units of government and they are now giving you the leftovers.

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**SO, IF THEY** all take classified documents, why are raids and aggressive prosecution reserved solely for President Trump?

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**SAVE THE WHALES.** Wake up people, those massive wind turbines out in the ocean with their low frequency noises are killing the whales and they're washing up dead on shore. Stop the madness now. What else are they killing? Where are the animal activists?

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**SO THE NATIONAL** Institute of Health reports that chicken egg yolk antibodies block the binding of multiple SARS-CoV-2 spike protein variants to humans ACE2. The NIH released this report in 2021. Anyone else see why some entity is getting rid of our chickens and eggs? Things that make you go hmmm.

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**BIDEN WANTS AN** investigation into those who discovered his crimes on his son's laptop. Can't make this stuff up. Investigated for uncovering crimes, but no charges for the crimes?

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**Guess Who?**

I am an actress born on February 3, 1976 in Oman. I published two teen novels when I was younger. I went on to a successful movie career, and had a recurring role in the fourth season of the "Arrested Development" series. I am married to a comedic actor.

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# Obituaries

Times

## Thomas Edward Herronen

1958 – 2023



Thomas Edward Herronen - age 64, passed away Wednesday, February 1, 2023, at Hazel Findlay Nursing Home in St. Johns, Michigan. Thomas was born February 5, 1958, in Flint, to Donald and Nancy (Selden) Herronen. After completing high school, Linden Class of 1976, Thomas attended Mott Community College, Lansing Community College and Michigan State University. Thomas raised a son, Donnie

and a daughter, Dalila. Thomas loved the outdoors. He spent much of his free time hunting, fishing and trapping. He particularly enjoyed traveling out of the state to hunt wild boar with his friends. Thomas worked as a skilled tradesman in the machine tool industry; building machines to manufacture automobiles. Thomas was preceded in death by his parents, Donald and Nancy Herronen. He is survived by his son, Donnie Herronen; daughter, Dalila Herronen and her friend, Luke; granddaughters, Emma, Delaney and Donnielle; grandson, Jeffery; brothers, James Herronen; aunts and uncles, Julie and John Herronen, Wanda and Allen Spicer; and many cousins. Per his wishes Thomas has been cremated. A memorial service will be held 2 PM Saturday, February 11, 2023 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. The family will receive friends from 1 PM until the time of service. Donations can be made to Hazel Findlay Nursing Home, St. Johns, Michigan. Tributes may be shared at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## James Roy Saule

1934 – 2023



James Roy Saule - age 88, of Fenton, passed away Sunday, January 29, 2023 in Punta Gorda, FL from complications due to Merkel Cell Carcinoma. Services will be held 1 PM Saturday, May 6, 2023 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton (A live stream of the service will be available on Jim's obituary page at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com)).

Visitation will be held at the funeral home Saturday May 6, 2023, from 11 AM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to Fenton Community Foundation or Goodwill Industries. Jim was born June 23, 1934 in Melrose, IL, the son of August and Welma (Glidewell) Saule. He served in the U.S. Army before receiving a Bachelor's in Architectural Engineering from the University of Illinois. He married the love of his life, Betty Jane Crews on May 20, 1961. Jim resided in Fenton for the past 56 years coming from Joliet, IL. After working for Gibbs and Associates in Grand Blanc, Jim opened up his own architecture firm, Saule & Associates and designed several buildings and homes in the Fenton area including all three of his personal residences. Prior to retirement, he spent 19 years working at SSOE Group, where he managed the Troy office and served on the Board. He was active in the community as a member of the American Institute of Architects, Fenton Rotary, the XX Club and served as President of the local Jaycees, Fenton Kiwanis Club, and Goodwill Industries. Jim loved building things with his hands, snowbirding to Florida, golfing, socializing with his friends and spending time with his family. Surviving are his wife of 61 years, Betty; son, James A. (Crystal) Saule of Indian River, MI/Punta Gorda, FL; daughter, Julie S. (Gordon) Smith of Golden, CO; grandchildren, Heather Saule, Max Smith, Chase Smith, Kali Smith, Kellie (Michael) George and Nick (Stefanny) Palm; and nieces, nephews and six great-grandchildren. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Margo Wright

Margo Wright - age 72, died January 27, 2023. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Bruce Prince

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## LeRoy Spears

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## Rebecca Page

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## Shirley Goodrich

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Times

## David L Miller (King David) 1955 – 2023

David L Miller (King David) of Linden, passed on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at age 67. David retired as Regional Director for the Millwright/Carpenters Union 1102 where he was a member for 50 years. He also served as a Genesee County Road Commissioner for 16 years and was the President of the Flint Building Trade for nine years and served on the IMA Children's Foundation along with other organizations. He was a large man with a deep voice and a presence that filled a room, but a teddy bear at heart. His family and friends meant everything to him. David made fast friends and had many stories that he loved to share while everyone listened; his heart always drew you in. It didn't matter how many times he told the same story because you would hang on every word. He loved to hunt and fish. He loved guns and adored golf. Back in the day he was an avid bowler, played football, baseball, and basketball. He boxed for the golden gloves and even had trophies for ping pong. Being in the woods was his happy place - a place he called Camp David. He was a passionate observer of all things in nature, as he was



someone who knew how to live in the moment. He had many quirks, one of those being that height was always a competition (complete with a serious

leader board in the kitchen). He and his wife's home in Florida (aka the second Camp David) was where he loved to winter with his friends from all over the US and Canada. He leaves behind a wife, Nanette Miller; children, Brian (Kristin) Miller, Matthew Miller, Jason (Maureen) Miller, Nealanna (Steve) Haiser, Thomas (Rikki) Kline; grandchildren, Kaelyn (William) Crawford, Jake (Savanna) Miller, Kelsea, Kennedi, Marissa, Aubrie, Ryan and Reagan Miller, Tyler, Neveah and Keaton Hatfield and Savannah and Landon Hernandez, Joey, Lilly, Ella. Along with two great-grandchildren, Emery Crawford and Jensen Miller. He also helped raise niece, Nabrina Coomer. He leaves behind sister, Sue (David) Duel; brothers, Jim and Gary Miller also his best friend from early childhood, Bill and Kristy Stubbs. Service to be held at The (old) Rock Church 11400 S Linden Rd, Fenton. Visitation at 2 PM with the service at 3 PM on Sunday, February 5th.

## Ronald Retka

Ronald Retka - age 87, died January 29, 2023. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



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## Janet Walworth

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## Susan Murray

Susan Murray - age 68, died January 31, 2023. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## Ida Grams

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