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Engineering costs approved

■ City seeks Local Bridge Program funds for North Road bridge repairs

By Sharon Stone

Fenton City Council approved an engineering services proposal from Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc., (OHM), the city's engineering consultants, during its meeting Monday,

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The value of therapy dogs



(Top) Charlie is a therapy dog at Lake Fenton High School and Lake Fenton Middle School. (Bottom) Hannah is a therapy dog for West Shore Elementary and Torrey Hill Intermediate schools. They came to the district in August, 2021. Their caretakers said both dogs are "famous" within the district and that the students and staff love them. See story on page 7. Photos: Hannah Ball

Linden VFW sells building to city

■ Historic building has been used as event space for years

By Hannah Ball

Linden — The Linden VFW Hall has a new owner.

The Linden Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) sold the VFW Hall to Linden City in February.

Dan Sly, commander of the Linden VFW, said, "This was a decision made by the membership of the Price Crane

See **VFW** on 10

Sheriff begins campaign to protect animals

■ Supports ballot initiative to create registry of animal abusers

By Hannah Ball

"Pet abuse and animal cruelty cases are some of the most gut wrenching crimes I've encountered during my law enforcement career," said Genesee County Sheriff Chris Swanson in a statement on Monday, March 13.

See **CAMPAIGN** on 15

'Suspicious' fire at Dauner Haus

■ Police department investigating Tuesday fire

By Hannah Ball

Local fire departments responded to a fire at the 400 building of Dauner Haus apartments on Tuesday, March 14 around 7:40 a.m.

Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff said a caller reported a fire in the bathroom in the main lobby. When first responders arrived, there was heavy smoke and a small fire in the men's bathroom on the first floor. The

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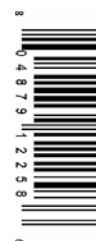


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Attention river enthusiasts

■ Adventures on the Shiawassee is March 31

By Sharon Stone

The Keepers of the Shiawassee is presenting Adventures on the Shiawassee on March 31 at 7 p.m., at the Shiawassee Shores Activity Center, 1515 W. Rolston Rd., Linden.

Adventures on the Shiawassee is for all river enthusiasts and is a meet-and-greet and social event. It's a free event for anyone interested in learning more about the Shiawassee River.

Attendees will meet fellow river enthusiasts and become part of the stewardship of our National Water Trail. There will be discussions on water monitoring, River Fest, Moonlight Paddles, River Cleanup, the Hogan Road launch and affiliate events.

RSVP through Keepers of the Shiawassee River, Michigan Facebook page or call/text Maary at (810) 701-3496.

About Keepers of the Shiawassee

Keepers of the Shiawassee Inc. (established in 2009), is a 501(c)(3) non-profit volunteer group, located in the Linden/Fenton community.

The Keepers are advocates of the



Shiawassee River, the Shiawassee River Trail Coalition, and the communities the river flows through. They sponsor paddling opportunities, organize cleanups, perform water monitoring, install signage, educate, help to maintain and create canoe/kayak launches, and much more. We participate in many community events in the Linden and Fenton area and beyond.

Every June, the Keepers bring the "Shiawassee River Fest" to the Linden/

Fenton community. The eight-hour fundraising event held on the banks of the Shiawassee include live band music, river related activities for adults and children, kayak demos, rubber duck races, educational events, food trucks, large collection of interesting craft vendors, etc. The 2023 River Fest event will be June 24 in Fenton.

In 2018, The Shiawassee River Trail Coalition was successful in gaining State Water Trail designation for an 88-mile stretch of the Shiawassee River from its Headwaters in Holly to the southern border of Saginaw County.

In October 2020, the Shiawassee River was granted National Water Trail status as part of the Trump administration's effort to add 1,200 miles to America's National Recreational trail system.

The group welcomes new members. Monthly meetings open to the public are held the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. For more information on meetings, mission statement, membership form, events schedule, pictures, updates, etc. see keepersoftheshiawassee.org and follow Keepers on Facebook.

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David's Dabblings

It's time for some random thoughts. We hope you find them entertaining.

The Lake Fenton vs. Goodrich basketball rivalry this winter

It will be a long time before the tri-county area sees such an entertaining series of games between rivals at such a high level as Lake Fenton's girls basketball contests against Goodrich this winter. If I listed the top five games of the prep hoops season, all four games played would be on that list.

Some complained four games against two teams were too many. I certainly don't agree. It would've been great watching them play a couple of more times. Apparently the fans agree. All four games had huge crowds with three being standing-room-only sellouts. Each game was a compelling drama.

As I type this column Goodrich has advanced to the state semifinal round, and a huge reason for that is the rivalry between the two squads. Lake Fenton made Goodrich better. And if Lake Fenton won the final game between the two rivals (the Blue Devils won the first three contests), it would've served



David Troppens
Sports Editor

Some random dabblings

them well the rest of the postseason.

Without a doubt, the two teams made girls prep basketball a two-community happening this winter.

Lake Fenton student fan section at basketball games

First off, I'd like to applaud the Lake Fenton students for their attendance at the home basketball games

for both varsity basketball squads this winter. They drew impressively for both teams.

However, gosh, you all need to know how to be vocal fans. Both teams won titles this winter and went a combined 5-1 against Goodrich. There should've been reason to be making noise from the opening tip-off to the final buzzer for most of the varsity basketball games this season, but you are all so quiet. I'm glad the pep band showed up for a couple of games down the stretch. It added to the festive ambiance, but the students without instruments should've been able to handle that job. The chants should've been pouring after every bucket and opponent foul. But, more often than not, it was quiet. I can be louder at games myself than that student section

was most of the season. It's time to pick it up Lake Fenton student section. Again, your numbers are fine. It's the decibels that are lacking.

Oh, and let's have more games with the pep band as well. They were great.

Fix your car using YouTube

About eight years ago, my car (which is approaching legal drinking age if it was a person) had a serious repair that needed to be done during a vacation in Kentucky. Instead of freaking out (well, I did that as well) I went on YouTube looking to see if I could fix it myself. In minutes, we found a video that taught us how to fix the problem.

That video solved our problem until about two weeks ago. The same issue came up, but now I needed a new way to fix the same problem because the homebrewed way I was using had failed for good. It appeared there was no way to sidestep a car bill would've cost at least \$500 to fix it.

Refusing to admit defeat, for a handful of days I kept looking for YouTube videos that discussed how to fix the problem after the initial quick fix failed. It took awhile but I found it and fixed it again. For the second time, I didn't need to purchase anything or

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I WAS SO impressed with Wednesday's TCT article on 'Local restaurants send food waste to composting facility.' Our Crust is part of this amazing effort to recycle organic waste and keep from a landfill. I am really excited this is happening in Fenton!

SPEAKING OF POOR roads, Broad Street in Holly is a total mess been that way for years. That's why I do my business in Fenton.

EVEN IF THREE million dollars fell from the sky, Linden Mill will remain obsolete as a public library. Genesee District Library, Linden, and Fenton leaders should come together to construct a new Southern Genesee County branch we can all be proud of.

CAN THE CITY of Linden at least budget for a fresh coat of paint on Linden Mills this spring? Its exterior condition right now is embarrassing.

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

What was your first job?



"My first job was when I was 16 at The French Confection, which was on Torrey Road at the time. I baked the cakes on the weekend that would be used for the upcoming week."

Jessica Smolek, Corunna



"When I was 14, I made the doughnuts at Diehl's Apple Orchard! Still love that smell."

Christopher Moore Jr
Fenton



"1957, worked at Cohoon's on my lunch hours. 35 cents an hour and a hamburger."

Barbara Harris
Fenton



"Delivering the Tri-County Times lol."

Chris Bair
Holly

street talk

Next Community Soup for the Soul day is set

■ Free event Thursday, March 23 at Linden Masonic Lodge

By Sharon Stone

The next Community Soup for the Soul event will happen Thursday, March 23. Last month's event was canceled due to the winter storm.

Linden Pay It Forward invites the Linden/Fenton communities to join them for a time of fellowship and friendship as they break bread together over warm soups. Everyone is welcome.

This free event runs from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. (or until the soup is gone), at the Masonic Lodge #132 in downtown Linden at 119 N. Bridge St.

The soup menu includes taco soup, tomato bisque, bean and ham, vegetable, cheese-burger soup, gluten-free soup, breads, dessert, coffee, water, ice tea and lemonade.

Bring friends and family for a time of community fellowship over a warm bowl of soup.

Six non-profit organizations in the Linden/Fenton area have partnered to bring the community a monthly soup night. All are



welcome. Bring the kids, grandpa, grandma, aunts, uncles and yourself.

Denise Marks, president of Linden Pay It Forward, invites you to attend this soup night. Marks said they also can deliver soup to the shut-ins in the Linden community.

NEWS BRIEFS

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Community Blood Drive in Holly

Blood donors are needed at the Community Blood Drive in Holly on Saturday, March 25, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Holly Calvary Church, 15010 N. Holly Rd., Holly. To make an appointment, go to donate.michigan.versiti.org. Contact volunteer Ellen Pease for more information at (810) 265.4224 or email her at hollyblooddrives@gmail.com.

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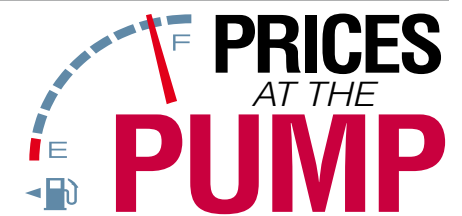
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“We cannot change the outcome, but we can affect the journey.”

– Ann Richardson



Disney's "The Lion King Jr.!" will be on stage March 24-26 with local young performers at the Hartland Performing Arts Center.

Disney's 'The Lion King Jr.!' features local performers

■ Hartland Players' Encore Youth Theater production runs weekend of March 24-25-26

A number of local young people will be among a cast of 40 performers when the curtain rises on Disney's "The Lion King Jr.!" March 24-26 at the Hartland Performing Arts Center.

Show times are Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 26 at 2:30 p.m.

Local performers include Summer Hoffman (adult Nala), Hunter Hoffman (young Simba) and Heidie Boyce (Lioness), all of Linden; Norah Stickel (Sarabi) and Rennie Stickel

(chorus), both of Fenton.

These young actors have practiced three times per week for the past three months to perfect their characters, learn proper staging and vocal arrangements, according to Karen Ellis, who is co-director along with Mary Jo Bell. This production is styled like the Broadway depiction of "The Lion King" with the use of puppetry in acting performances.

Producer is Andrea Daguanno, assisted by Choreographer Allie Williams and Music Assistant Maureen Gray.

Tickets are \$15 and available online at hartlanplayers.org or at the door.

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DABBLINGS

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even remove anything from the car. I couldn't believe how easy the fix was once I found the video.

So, before you pay hundreds of dollars on a repair you have a gut feeling may be fixable by doing it yourself, check YouTube. It probably is even if you are a car idiot like myself.

And with a car that's two decades old (we want this car to last another two years), we'll probably have a few trips to YouTube to fix things again.

Couple good 'Dad' jokes

- I accidently swallowed our pet cat's medicine the other night.

Don't ask meow.

- My dream job is cleaning mirrors, but I really can't see myself doing that.

- Two guys walk into a bar. The third guy ducked.



Photos: Hannah Ball



The value of therapy dogs

■ Lake Fenton schools fundraising to purchase two additional therapy dogs

By Hannah Ball

FentonTwp.— At Lake Fenton High School and Lake Fenton Middle School, it's common to see a group of students petting a black Labrador wearing a red vest before returning to class.

Charlie the therapy dog brings happiness by visiting students and staff every day. Lake Fenton Community Schools currently has two therapy dogs, and the district is fundraising to purchase two more.

LFHS Teacher Lisa Campbell said Charlie, the black Labrador, has been a Blue Devil and a part of her family since June 2021. He turns 4 on July 3. Hannah is a blonde Labrador.

Both were trained by Paradise Dog Training.

Charlie works at Lake Fenton High School and Lake Fenton Middle School. His first day was Aug. 30, 2021. Hannah covers West Shore Elementary and Torrey Hill Elementary.

"These two bring so much joy to both the students as well as our staff. Hannah and Charlie bring our students together. I have students that wouldn't normally talk have conversations and get to know each other while petting Charlie," Campbell said.

Hannah, 3, came from Poland. She was meant to be a show dog but was too short.

"She probably has the best job that was ever created. Her job is to love the kids, support the kids and just be there.

She provides a service to the kids that we are not able to provide," said Rebecca Heil, West Shore Elementary teacher. The Heils are her host family. "She can tell when the kids are upset or nervous and you will actually watch her walk over and sit next to those kids. She does it with our staff members, too."

Teachers can sign up students to read to Hannah in the library. They'll also bring her in when kids are struggling.

Some students that don't want to get out of the car to go to school can be swayed by Hannah.

"She'll come right out there and sit and stare at the car. We'll say, 'Hannah wants you to come in,'" she said. "They make the kids feel comfortable. Especially our middle school and high school kids that don't tend to feel comfortable speaking to adults...she's famous."

What is a therapy dog and what do they do? These trained animals go with their owners to volunteer in settings such as schools, hospitals, nursing homes and more.

"From working with a child who is learning to read to visiting a senior in assisted living, therapy dogs and their owners work together as a team to improve the lives of other people," according to the American Kennel Club.

Therapy dogs are not service dogs. Service dogs are specially trained to perform specific tasks for people with medical conditions.

More and more school districts are buying therapy dogs as a way to brighten the atmosphere and make kids more excited to attend school. Fenton Area Public Schools and Linden Community Schools have multiple therapy dogs as well.

“Charlie and Hannah are such a blessing. We are so lucky to have them as a part of our school family.”

Lisa Campbell
Lake Fenton High School teacher

The Lake Fenton community and Campbell ensure that Charlie is comfortable all day. He has a bed and cage in Campbell's classroom, and he lays on a bean bag chair in the hall during passing times so students and staff can visit him.

"Charlie's main role at school is to show up, look adorable, and get all the belly rubs. He does a lot of activities both during the school day. Some of his responsibilities include greeting students in the hallways, making classroom visits, hanging out in the library, rewarding our pride pass winners, attending extracurricular activities, and so much more," she said.

Hannah and Charlie go to athletic events, theatre performances and they even went to prom last year.

"He really lightens the mood and makes people smile. Charlie and Hannah are such a blessing. We are so lucky to have them as a part of our school family. Students, parents, and staff also follow him on Facebook and Instagram too," she said.

His Facebook page is Charlie Bear and his Instagram is @charlie_bearlf. On Saturday, March 11, in black-tie attire, Hannah and Charlie attended a Gala

organized by the Lake Fenton Education Foundation and PTO.

Superintendent Julie Williams said last fall, Foundation President Tom Hufton reached out and asked if the district had any specific needs or wants that could have a significant impact on our students.

"Without hesitation, we asked if they could raise funds so we could purchase two more therapy dogs for the district. We currently have two dogs that service the four buildings, but we would really like have one dog per building. This would make a therapy animal available whenever there was a need and it would be better for the health and routine of our dogs," Williams said.

"The impact these animals have had on our students and staff has been absolutely amazing. Hannah and Charlie bring a feeling of love, hope and acceptance for anyone who comes in contact with them. They are loved and cherished by our students. A special thanks to all of the volunteers who made this event possible and to our generous community for their continued support. Proud to be blue."

The Gala made more than \$43,000.

"I would like to say I'm amazed at what we were able to fundraise but our Lake Fenton Community always supports our educators and students at Lake Fenton," Hufton said. "I look forward to seeing the difference two additional therapy dogs will be able to do for our students and staff at LF and the additional funds the foundation will be able to grant to staff these upcoming years. It's truly remarkable how we all came together for this wonderful cause."

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IN RESPONSE TO the Hot-liner asking when Mr. and Mrs. became ‘you guys.’ I recall that quite some time back it was about the same time when the word ‘actress’ was put to rest and both genders were then ‘actors.’ Supposedly had to do with equality.

JEEZ, SOME PEOPLE just refuse to listen. Provide them with exact text from source materials to inform them of an error and they just simply stick to talking points. It’s unfortunate that once some people dig their heels, their curiosity and open-mindedness no longer exist.

NOTHING YOU COULD ever say would hurt my feelings. Why? Because I don’t care what you think about me.



Craft fair — The Michigan Makers Pop Up Event at Fenton High School on Sunday, March 12 was attended by hundreds of people. Approximately 90 vendors set up booths to sell handmade soaps, jewelry, hats, bags, signs, food items and more. **Photos:** Hannah Ball



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Nonprofit announces store closure

■ Organization that helps the homeless seeking help to remain in operation

By Hannah Ball

Snuggle Sacks, a local nonprofit that helps the homeless population, will close their Linden storefront Giving Grace Boutique at the end of April.

The store sells apparel, jewelry, gift items and more. Its last day open will be Friday, April 28.

“We are currently in a race to save Snuggle Sacks,” said Stacy Daul. “Our rent went up, sales and donations are very down, and our first alliance is to Snuggle Sacks, so we are going to have to do without a physical location for a bit.” Proceeds from every sale at Giving Grace Boutique help Snuggle Sacks, which provides care packages to people experiencing homelessness in the Fenton, Linden, Flint, Lansing and Detroit areas. The organization is run by a local family of six, Sheridan Goss, Addisyn Goss, Jaxson Goss, Jason Goss, Stacy Daul and Andy Daul.

“We are brainstorming the possibility of partnering with a local church or like organization that may have a community room we could use once or twice a month to assemble the sacks, until we can hopefully build it back up. The pandemic caused most of our monthly donors to disappear, so we just haven’t been able to rebound unfortunately,” she said.

They originally started Snuggle Sacks

in 2015 when Sheridan Goss, Jaxson Goss, and Addisyn Goss, just 8, 10 and 12 at the time, discovered their grandfather, who they lost contact with, was homeless.

Snuggle Sacks averages donating 700 sacks per month in the spring and summer and upwards of 1,200-1,500 in the fall and winter months. They’re nearing 100,000 sacks, have offered medical services to 5,193 people and served 29 communities.

The family opened Giving Grace Boutique in March 2021 at 106 S. Bridge Street. They announced the store’s closure on Wednesday, March 8.

“The kids are taking it very hard unfortunately. While they kind of skipped the majority of their childhood to keep operations going, they are looking forward to a bit of a break, but yet feel they are letting people down,” Daul said. “As much as we as parents tell them how proud we are of them, and that they should be proud of the hundreds of thousands of people they have helped, it is still very emotional.”

The organization is keeping the remaining merchandise and will sell it through their Facebook page and at local events.

“The community has sent us an outpouring of love and appreciation since announcing the news. Many would like us to find a way to keep the store going, but unfortunately the business is just not there. It’s hard to compete with the big box stores unfortunately, but we are hopeful to have the support of the community to keep Snuggle Sacks alive without a

physical location,” Daul said. “We tried everything to recover as a nonprofit after the pandemic, but I also think the stigma of homelessness got worse after the pandemic, and the donors just never came back.”

While the store is closing, Snuggle Sacks remains up and running. However, their operations will likely change as they adapt in order to continue helping the homeless population.

“It is our hope to keep Snuggle Sacks going in some way. We are hoping to find a church or like organization that may have a community room we can either use for our stock, ideally, and assemble sacks a few times a month, or at least bring stuff into once a month and assemble to keep that end of things going. Additionally, we hope to continue our tiny pantry program and job placement help when donations will allow,” Daul said.

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BRIDGE

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March 13. The proposal, with a cost of \$5,900, involves engineers investigating the structure of the North Road bridge over the Shiawassee River (between Adelaide and N. LeRoy streets) and to submit a funding application to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Local Bridge Program.

In 2022, OHM applied for Local Bridge Funding, however, funding for the project was not approved by MDOT.

Routine bridge inspections performed by OHM indicate the bridge structure of the two corrugated metal

tubes has reached the end of its service life. During to current weight restrictions and structure condition, the bridge is now on an annual inspection cycle.

During annual inspection performed by OHM in September 2022, a large void was found under the bridge pedestrian walkway, which required immediate repair by the Department of Public Works (DPW).

Deterioration under the roadway is a concern, where additional study of the metal culver tubes is appropriate to better understand and report to MDOT and Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) for future funding opportunities.

VILLAGE OF HOLLY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF VARIANCE REQUEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with Chapter 154 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance, the Village of Holly Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on a request for a variance of Ordinance 154.06(B)(1)(a) and (B)(1)(c) on April 3, 2023 at 7:00 PM (or as soon thereafter as possible) in the Village Council Chambers located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, Michigan.

An application for a variance was filed by Dennis Banaszak. The property is located at 1125 N. Saginaw Street, IH 01-28-427-044. The applicant is requesting a variance of Ordinances 154.06(B)(1)(a) and (B)(1)(c) which prohibits a sign exceeding 32 square feet in surface display area per side and the top being higher than six feet above the average grade or the finished elevation of the sidewalk nearest the sign, whichever is less.

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

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

Deborah J. Bigger
Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Holly

VFW

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Robinsons VFW Post 4642. The decision to sell the building was strictly a business decision and was certainly not an easy one.

“The Price Crane Robinsons VFW Post 4642 has a rich history in Linden and has been a community landmark for generations. Unfortunately, the post membership no longer had the ability to maintain the facility for meetings and customers renting the building. We were grateful and fortunate that the city of Linden came forward with an offer to purchase the building as a resource for the city and the community.

“The Price Crane Robinsons VFW Post 4642 membership is still strong and are not at risk of losing its charter. We are thankful that the city of Linden has allowed our monthly meetings to still continue at the building so we can meet on a regular basis.”

Linden veterans began building the structure in 1951 and completed it in

1952. The VFW received its charter in December 1945.

“Members in Linden, with their own donations and charities from themselves and what they could get from the community, actually built the place,” Sly said. “One of the first members held his wedding reception there before it even had a ceiling.”

The city is allowing the VFW to use the building for its activities. Sly said they’re in the process of moving items out of the hall.

On Monday, March 20, the Linden City Council discussed what to do with the building, which has been used for numerous community and private events for years. This includes Ladies Night Out, Linden Holiday Happening and most events held in the Kimble-Sharp Gazebo & Park area, as well as graduation parties, baby showers, weddings and more. The building has a kitchen, bathrooms and multiple rooms.

Linden City Manager Ellen Glass said the building will no longer be used by a membership organization. It will be a taxing jurisdiction. They are researching

how other municipalities run community centers and are in contact with Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation in regards to operating the Fenton Community & Cultural Center.

“We are currently working through what it will look like for the city now owning the building. Discussing how we will handle rentals and setting a fee structure,” she said. “This was an opportunity that was presented by the membership of the VFW to the city. The VFW membership felt it was very important that the building be offered to the city since it was the community that came together and built the hall originally. The VFW organization is still active and will continue to hold its meetings at the hall and remain a significant part of our community.”

City staff is currently working on a rental agreement contract.

Councilor Heather MacDermaid asked if handling rentals is something the city should be doing and said city staff is not set up for this.

Mayor Danielle Cusson said this might not be the long term use for the building, but the city could make money from rentals. The council is expected to talk about the use of the hall at a later meeting.

The city paid \$145,500 for the building. The VFW came to the city with a proposal and the two parties worked out the agreement.

**CITY OF LINDEN
PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - ZONING
TEXT AMENDMENT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the City of Linden Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Monday, April 3, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., within Council Chambers on the lower level of the Mill Building located at 201 North Main Street, Linden, Michigan, 48451. The purpose of this hearing is to provide opportunity for public comment on an amendment to Section 154.162,(B),(6) of Chapter 154 (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the Sign Review Committee.

To comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), any citizen requesting accommodations for this meeting, and/or to obtain this notice in alternate formats, please contact the Deputy Clerk at (810) 735-7980, or deputyclerk@lindenmi.us by 4:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.

The text of the proposed amendment is available for public review, inspection and distribution during regular business hours at the City Clerk’s office located at 132 East Broad Street, Linden, MI 48451. Persons wishing to comment may do so at the hearing. Written comments may also be submitted prior to 5:00 p.m. on April 3, 2023, and should be addressed to:

City Clerk
132 East Broad St.
P.O. Box 507
Linden, MI 48451

FIRE

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fire department and Dauner Haus staff assisted residents out of the building.

“We were able to extinguish the fire quickly and there was only damage to the one bathroom. We were able to clear the smoke out of the building using our positive pressure ventilation fans. We were able to let all residents back into the building and their apartments about 90 minutes later,” Cairnduff said.

The Fenton Fire Department was assisted by the Fenton Township and Linden fire departments. Medstar had two ambulances on scene. Cairnduff said they requested a bus from Fenton schools for the residents to use to rest while first responders handled the incident.

There were no injuries to fire personnel or residents.

“At this time the fire is under investigation by the Fenton Police Department. The fire is suspicious in nature,” he said.

**POLICE & FIRE
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DAVISBURG MAN ARRESTED IN HOLLY ON WARRANT

On Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 9:02 p.m., a Holly police officer conducting traffic enforcement stopped a vehicle and discovered the driver had a valid warrant for his arrest. The driver, a 28-year-old Davisburg man, was arrested and lodged at the Oakland County jail pending arraignment.

HOLLY WOMAN ARRESTED FOR DRIVING WITH SUSPENDED LICENSE

On Sunday, March 5 at 11:20 p.m., a Holly police officer observed a vehicle enter a roadway without stopping. During the traffic stop, the officer discovered the 35-year-old Holly woman was driving on a suspended driver’s license. The vehicle was parked and the driver arrested for driving with a suspended license.

DAVISON MAN WITH WARRANTS LOCKS KEYS IN CAR, IS ARRESTED

On Wednesday, March 1 at 3:37 p.m., a Holly police officer was dispatched to a request to unlock a vehicle with the keys inside. To ensure proper ownership, the officer requested identification. The caller provided ID and the officer discovered the 27-year-old Davison man had a valid felony warrant for his arrest from a neighboring police agency. The man was transported to a pre-arranged location for delivery to the warrant holding agency.

HOLLY TOWNSHIP WOMAN ARRESTED FOR OWI

On Saturday, March 4, at 10:20 p.m., a Holly police officer stopped a vehicle driven by a 63-year-old Holly Township woman for suspected drunk driving. The officer detected signs of intoxication and had the driver perform road side sobriety tests. The driver failed testing and was discovered to be over the legal limit to drive. The woman was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

McLaren Flint makes appointment

■ Names Dr. Varsha Moudgal as chief medical officer

McLaren Flint has named Varsha Moudgal, MD, CPE, FACP, FIDSA, as the hospital's chief medical officer and vice president of medical affairs.

As CMO, Moudgal will provide oversight and lead the implementation of all clinical services delivered within McLaren Flint and its regional facilities. An infectious disease specialist by training, she also brings extensive experience as a healthcare executive leader, having most recently served as associate chief medical officer at Trinity Health Livingston.

"I'm excited to join McLaren Flint, with its rich history and strong ties to the community — it really is a staple in mid-Michigan," Moudgal said. "The chance to lead such a diverse staff, who has demonstrated time and again its ability to provide exceptional care while introducing the latest in medical technology, is an incredible opportunity. While this is a tremendous responsibility, it's also a commitment I make to our patients."

As the medical staff leader, Moudgal will liaise between the staff of providers and hospital leadership to ensure that clinical quality and patient experiences upholds the McLaren Health Care commitment to delivering exceptional care in a safe setting. At McLaren Flint, this care includes emergency and trauma,

stroke and neurology, oncology (including proton therapy), orthopedics, and cardiovascular care, in addition to its many other services.

As a physician leader, she was instrumental in developing and expanding numerous hospital service lines, ensuring each adheres to strict guidelines for safety and quality. And as an infectious disease specialist, she led Trinity Health Livingston's COVID-19 response, which also involved directly coordinating with local health officials to provide the greater community with clear and

accurate information throughout the pandemic. For this, she earned the Bob Lyons Community Leadership Award in 2021.

A practicing physician since 1999, Moudgal earned her degree from Lokmanya Talak Medical College in Bombay, India, before continuing her training as an internal medicine resident and an infectious disease fellow at Detroit-area hospitals. During her clinical practice, she also undertook additional administrative roles of increasing responsibility, ultimately obtaining a Certified Physician Executive (CPE) degree from the American Association for Physician Leadership.

She has served in mentorship roles as the infectious diseases fellowship program director and also as an associate professor in the division of infectious disease at the Medical College of Ohio and Wayne State University.



Dr. Varsha Moudgal

Lake Fenton schedules bond information meeting

■ Lake Fenton Community Schools district to vote on 5-mill extension

On Monday, March 20, the public is invited to attend a bond information meeting at the Lake Fenton High School auditorium at 6:30 p.m. regarding the Tuesday, May 2 vote on the extension of the district's 5-mill levy that's anticipated generate \$57.5 million.

If approved in May, the district would build a new Early Childhood Center and add additional classrooms to the high school including creating a space for career and technical education and robotics. Construction of the Early Childhood Center would start in spring/summer of 2024 with work in the remainder of the work in the West Shore, Torrey Hill, the middle school and the high school to follow.

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By Erica Rainer

Pain and Numbness in your hands or feet, a feeling of burning, extreme cold, tingling, electrical shock like pain, even the feeling of walking on bubble wrap or like there is a sock balled up under your foot... these are all symptoms experienced by those suffering with **Peripheral Neuropathy**. Unfortunately drugs and injections only mask the pain and there is no surgery, other than amputation, that will heal/stop neuropathy from progressing.

Neuropathy is a term used to describe damaged nerves, primarily in the hands and/or feet, that are progressively breaking down due to a lack of blood supply, nutrients and oxygen reaching the nerves along with a lack of communication from the brain. Since the nerves are what the brain uses to communicate with the area and they are breaking down, the brain's ability to communicate with the area lessens over time, allowing for the progression of more breakdown and worse symptoms. It can be caused by Diabetes, Poor Circulation, Poor Nutrition, Chemotherapy, Agent Orange, Misaligned Spinal Bones Placing Pressure on the Nerves, along with over 100 other causes. "Patients experience extreme sensations, loss of feeling, even No Feelings in their Hands and/or Feet along with muscles spasms, pain, weakness, numbness, tingling and burning and may have a very hard time with balance" says Dr. James Ide, clinic director at Painless Chiropractic & Neuropathy Treatment Center.

This condition can eventually lead to further nerve damage, causing complete loss of legs or arms leading to amputation, death or brain injury due to falls, burns or other injuries that will not heal, along with organ failure in some cases.

Are you or someone you love suffering with loss of balance, numbness or pain in your hands and/or feet that just won't heal?

You are not alone.

More than 20 Million people in the U.S. are dealing with some form of Neuropathy. Most commonly noticed first in the hands or feet, causing weakness, numbness, tingling pain and debilitating balance problems, often frustrated with no place to turn and no hope of recovery. "By the time they come to see us, they feel like they have tried everything. Their MD put them on Anti-Seizure or Epilepsy meds like Gabapentin, Neurontin, Cymbalta or Lyrica and told them they will just have to live with the pain." said Dr. Ide.

That is until now...

With recent advancements in nerve regeneration technology and treatment options, clinics all over are seeing larger success rates and faster results with their neuropathy patients.

New Medical Breakthrough for Neuropathy

The development and success of the new Neuropathy Protocols by Dr. Ide and his team at Painless Chiropractic & Neuropathy Treatment Center have been the talk of the town in recent months. "This new technology paired with our multifaceted approach, has been life altering for our patients and our clinic. There has been an increase in Neuropathy patients and the results that they are getting is truly amazing, we have 95% or higher Success Rate" said, the Patient Coordinator at the clinic. There are some things people can do at home to aide in the healing process of their neuropathy however, **healing neuropathy is an all-encompassing process that will require lifestyle changes, home care and -may or may not - include chiropractic, (varying from patient to patient) along with guidance from a medical professional that is experienced, skilled and board certified in neuropathy.**

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enabling them to reactivate and function at an increasingly higher rate over time, all while increasing the patients quality of life dramatically". said Dr. Ide

The clinic has a large care team of 3 doctors and a large supportive staff. Over the years they have treated thousands of patients with chronic conditions of Neuropathy, Sciatic Nerve Pain, Back & Neck problems, Whiplash along with Migraines and much more. The office is well known and has a good reputation. The vast majority of their patients enjoy superior, lasting relief. In fact, many who have suffered and tried other treatment options with no luck, only to have been told that they are just stuck with their pain and discomfort, have credited the care team at Dr. Ides office for giving them their lives back!

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CAMPAIGN

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Swanson is taking action to protect animals in Michigan and he's encouraging others to join him. He invites the public to get involved at the state capital on Tuesday, April 11 at 1 p.m. to publicly support the passage of a ballot initiative for the 2024 election that would create a registry of animal abusers.

The kick off for Protect MI Pet officially begins on National Pet Day, April 11. The campaign needs to collect more than 500,000 signatures to place the initiative on the 2024 ballot.

"A remarkable project has begun to make a substantial change in the way we work to prevent this abuse before it occurs. Follow this journey over the next many months as an amazing team works to ensure animal abuse prevention via a state constitutional amendment. Stay tuned for more information and details. hope everyone will consider joining this powerful movement," he wrote.

In Michigan, knowingly killing, torturing, mutilating, maiming, poisoning any animal without just cause is a felony

punishable by a prison sentence up to four years.

"A person is guilty of killing or torturing animals if they: (a) knowingly kill, torture, mutilate, maim, or disfigure an animal; (b) commit a reckless act knowing or having reason to know that the act will cause an animal to be killed, tortured, mutilated, maimed, or disfigured; (c) knowingly administer poison to an animal, or knowingly expose an animal to any poisonous substance, with the intent that the substance be taken or swallowed by the animal; or (d) violate or threaten to violate subdivision (a) or (c) with the intent to cause mental suffering or distress to a person or to exert control over a person," according to animallaw.info.

The degree of the felony is dependent upon multiple factors. Certain animal cruelty cases are punishable by imprisonment up to 10 years.

"Animal cruelty impacts everyone and it's a direct link to future violence. It robs the innocence of our pet. It's time to give them the voice they've never had," Swanson said.

Protectmipet.com contains information on how animal cruelty is often an

indicator of current and future violence such as assault, rape, murder, arson, domestic violence and sexual abuse of children. Approximately 75% of abused women who have companion animals report a history of their companion animal being threatened or intentionally harmed by their intimate partner, according to the website, and children are present and witness the violence more than 90% of the time.

Michigan State Police found that animal abuse cases have increased 4x in Michigan since 2016.

"Animal abuse is an appalling crime. And behind the heartbreaking stories of the helpless victims, there is another shocking and devastating horror: the tragic link between animal abuse and other forms of violence, including child abuse, domestic violence, and even school shootings," according to protectmipet.com.

"43% of school shooters have previously harmed animals. This is not just an animal rights issue. This concerns every one of us who wants



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NOW THAT WE'VE gone through the process of having the first of whatever in top government roles, can we go back to just having the most experienced, most intelligent and most honest so that we can get this country back on track?

NIKKI HALEY SAID that presidential candidates 75 or older should have to take a cognitive function test before running. I believe that every candidate for president should have to pass the test. After all, a Democratic candidate thought she was an American Indian.



Nate Windy, Farm Bureau agent, presented a check for \$4,000 to Kristen Sobanski, founder and president of Delivering Hope for Kids, on Thursday, March 16.

Agent Charitable Fund awards grant to Delivering Hope for Kids

Lake Fenton — Delivering Hope for Kids was recently awarded a \$4,000 grant to fight food insecurity in the community by the Farm Bureau Insurance of Michigan Agent Charitable Fund (ACF).

This grant will support Delivering Hope for Kids' weekend backpack and summer food assistance programs in the Fenton, Linden and Lake Fenton school districts.

Delivering Hope for Kids is one of seven organizations throughout the state to receive a Feeding the Future Grant from the ACF in February. Organizations are nominated by a local Farm Bureau Insurance agent and selected by a committee of ACF donors based on the need of the organization, population being served, and overall goal of the program.

In 2023, a total of \$144,000 will be awarded through this grant program.

Feeding the Future grants are reviewed every other month and grants are awarded up to \$4,000.

Farm Bureau Agent Nate Windy nomi-

nated Delivering Hope for Kids for the grant and is passionate about cultivating awareness and advocacy surrounding food insecurity. In addition to the grant nomination, Windy and his family plan to directly assist with the food distribution efforts for both the weekend backpack and summer food assistance program.

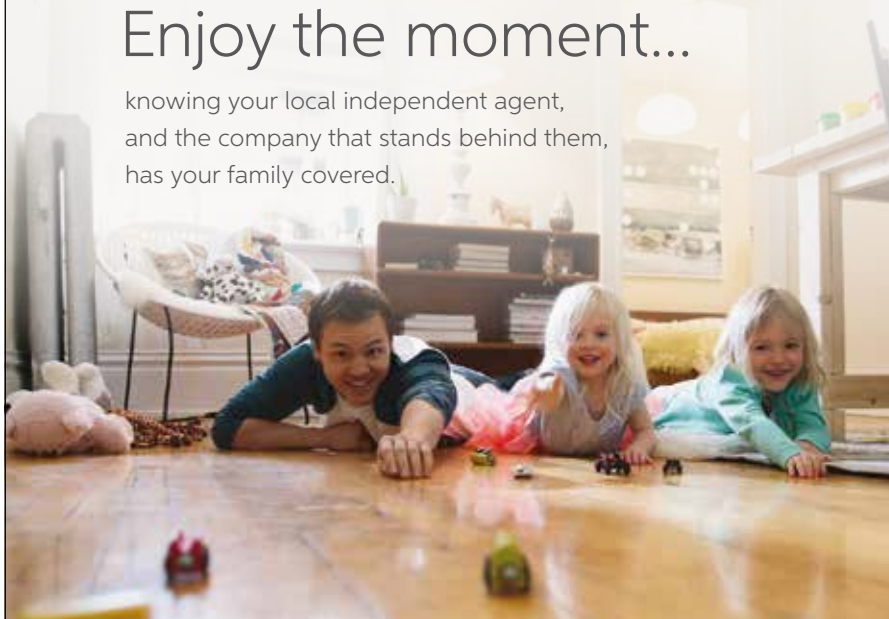
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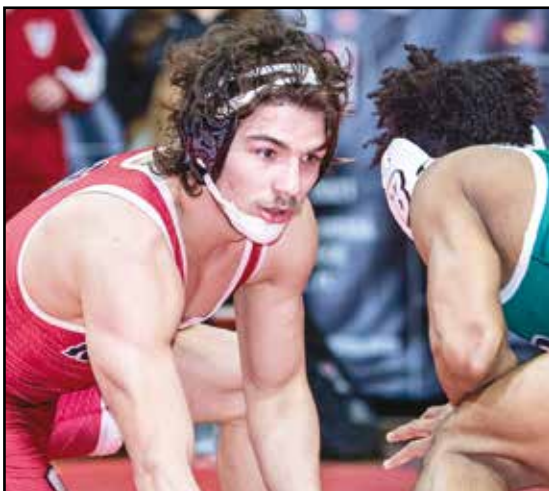
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Lake Fenton graduate and North Carolina State wrestler Jarrett Trombley (left) is competing in the NCAA D1 Wrestling Championships this weekend.

LF grads competing in NCAA wrestling meet

By David Troppens

The prep wrestling season may be over, but for two tri-county grapplers, the season isn't over just yet.

Lake Fenton graduates Trent Hillger (Wisconsin) and Jarrett Trombley (North Carolina State)

will be competing at the NCAA Division 1 Wrestling Championships this weekend.

Hillger, will be competing in his fifth national tournament, earning All-American status three times. The heavyweight senior earned a

spot in the national meet by placing sixth at the Big Ten Tournament, the nation's top college wrestling conference.

Hillger (285) opened the tourney with a pinfall win of Michigan

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Sports Times

Tigers experience instant classic versus Clarkston

■ Fenton fights to double-OT before falling to Wolves

By David Troppens

Fenton — When it comes to the 21st century, there haven't been many magical postseason moments in Fenton varsity boys basketball history.

However, the Fenton Tigers had one Monday night on their own home floor.

Unfortunately, while it will be a game anyone who competed in it won't forget in their lifetime, the Tigers weren't on the winning end.

Playing in a regional semifinal game on its own home gym for the first time since the start of the century, the Tigers clashed with traditional state power Clarkston, and gave the Wolves an exciting battle extending beyond regulation.

However, after having chances to possibly win the contest in regulation and in the first overtime, Fenton ended up losing a heartbreaking 69-68 verdict in double-overtime.

Fenton never led in

Still more to come

For more about the Tigers' season, check Wednesday's publication.

the second overtime. The Wolves' Desmond Stephens II made two free throws on the opening possession of the second extra session, and Clarkston jumped to a 66-63 lead with 1:30 left on another converted free throw by Stephens. Fenton cut the gap to 66-65 with a driving six-foot hoop by Ja'Hion Bond, but Clarkston would ice the game at the free-throw line. Brody Kossin hit 1-of-2 free throws on one trip, and Stephens hit two more free throws with 8.1 seconds left after the Tigers turned the ball over on the previous possession. Clarkston led 69-65 but Fenton closed it to 69-68 after a trey by Bond. However, with the running clock going, Clarkston never had to inbound the

ball again before the final seconds ticked off the clock.

"What do you want more from a regional game at home," Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Chad Logan said. "We had chances and the ball didn't bounce our way a couple of times."

"The kids know it was (a classic). They just lost to a blue book (a traditional power). We gave them all they wanted and they gave us all we wanted."

"You enjoy the game a little bit, but in your head you want to get out of there with a win," Fenton senior Justin Banura said. "Looking back, it was great. I can look back on this and tell my kids someday that this was my final game, and it was a great game — double-overtime. That doesn't happen to too many people."

"It means a lot," Bond said. "But it was a big shot I missed. It doesn't happen

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Fenton's Sam Dillard II drives between two Clarkston players in the Tigers' 69-68 double-overtime Division 1 regional semifinal loss to the Wolves. Dillard scored 21 points in the contest. The Tigers finished the season with an 18-7 overall record and their first district title since 2012. Photo: Mark Bolen

Linden's Feamster helps Powers to first-ever hockey state title

■ **Chargers win contest on Czarnecki goal with five seconds left in third period**

By David Troppens

Greg Feamster didn't want to forget what it felt like when the Powers varsity hockey team lost 3-2 in a triple-overtime contest in a regional championship game against Midland Dow a year ago.

"Somebody took a picture of the scoreboard and I printed it out," Feamster, a Linden resident, said. "I've always had it on the board. I'd see it every morning when I woke up. It motivated me to keep working."

Apparently it worked not only for Feamster, but the rest of the Flint Powers hockey team. A little more than a year after losing that regional title game, the Chargers were able to replace those memories with a much better one. Powers broke a 2-2 tie with a goal by Mason Czarnecki with just 4.6 seconds left, leading the Chargers to a 3-2 victory in the D3 state championship contest against East Grand Rapids at the USA Hockey Arena on March 11.

"We all were heartbroken for the seniors last year," Feamster said. "They were our brothers and we had a chemistry with them. We used it as a way to bond this season. We faced last season's struggle and used it to make ourselves stronger."

"Our coach in the locker room after the game was talking about the 22 guys in this room and that these 22 guys will always have that mo-



(Above) Powers student and Linden resident Greg Feamster celebrates with the Division 3 state championship hockey trophy moments after the Chargers won the state title game against East Grand Rapids by a 3-2 score. (Below) Feamster poses with the trophy with his dad after the contest.

ment. Next year it won't be those same 22 guys. This year is a special group of guys and we will carry these memories for the rest of our lives."

The game was tied when the teams were preparing to take a face-off in Powers' defensive end. The face-off was won by Powers. Cooper Gerhardt had the puck

and sent an outlet pass to the other side of the ice to Czarnecki. Czarnecki ended with a breakaway shot and scored the goal, clinching Powers' first-ever hockey state championship after losing five previous times in the state championship game. It is the first time a Genesee County



school has won a hockey state championship.

"I was maybe on the center of the bench," Feamster said recalling the goal. "I saw Cooper pass the puck and (Mason) slipped past the defenders. Once he got to the blue line,

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Lake Fenton graduate and University of Wisconsin wrestler Trent Hillger qualified for his fifth Division 1 NCAA national meet by placing sixth at the Big Ten Tournament recently. Hillger is ranked as 10th by InterMat in the 285-pound weight class.

NCAA

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State's Ryan Vasbinder in 3:50. In the quarterfinal he defeated Northwestern's Lucas Davison by sudden victory, 3-1. That match earned him his NCAA invitation.

The Wisconsin graduate student lost his last two matches against Michigan's Mason Parris and Ohio State's Tate Orndorff by decision.

Hillger holds a 16-8 record this season entering the national meet. He's 6-7 this season against ranked competition. Hillger is currently ranked 10th in the nation by InterMat.

Trombley was the top-seeded wrestler in the Atlantic Coast Conference in the 125-pound class. He earned a 10-5 decision victory against Pittsburgh's Colton Camacho in the semifinal

and earned the conference championship by beating Virginia Tech's Eddie Ventresca by a 3-1 superior victory in the finals.

After an 0-3 start to the season, Trombley currently is 13-6 and has a 5-4 record against ranked opponents. He lost his first four matches against ranked foes, but since then has won five straight. This will be the third straight season Trombley has qualified for the NCAA tourney.

The NCAA Championships began Thursday and will continue through the weekend. Each bracket has 33 athletes.

Trombley began action at the tourney as the 20th-seed, facing 13th-seeded Rutgers' Dean Peterson. Hillger's first bout was against 22nd-seeded Virginia Tech's Hunter Catka.

JUMBLE KIDS

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By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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2023 ANNUAL SPRING ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP DAY

Rose Township will hold its annual Roadside Clean-Up for residents and property owners on the following date:

**Saturday May 6, 2023
 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

Residents and township organizations are encouraged to participate in the clean-up of the roadsides.

Dumpsters will be located in the Rose Township Park located on the northwest corner of Milford Road and West Rose Center Road. Refuse to be disposed of must be transported to the dumpsters. **THERE IS NO ROADSIDE PICK UP.** No commercial dumping will be allowed.

Clerk Debbie Miller will be on duty to verify residence and/or property ownership. Fire department personnel will be there to assist with loading materials into the dumpsters. Propane tanks will **NOT** be accepted. No barrels, gas or fuel oil tanks, stumps, brush or concrete will be accepted. Paint cans must be empty or filled with sand or cat litter. Each household will be permitted four (4) car tires; additional tires will be accepted at a price of \$4.00 per tire and \$25.00 per tire for tractor or large truck tires.

Burn permits to allow the burning of leaves and brush are available by obtaining a burn permit through www.nocfa.org.

Bags for cleaning roadsides will be available at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan beginning March 20, 2023 until May 4, 2023 and also at the clean-up day location on clean-up day.

Residents may call 248-634-8701 with any questions.

Debbie Miller, MMC, MiPMC II
 Rose Township Clerk

TIGERS

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often, but I missed a shot. The game is on me, and I will work to get better.”

Bond was hard on himself. Bond was the primary reason why the Tigers were competing with the squad that has two state championships under their belt. Bond scored a game-high 26 points, leading the Tigers' squad. However, Bond had a chance in regulation to possibly win the contest with 3.1 seconds left with a trip to the line. He missed both. Clarkston's Brayden Wylie also missed a shot at the buzzer, forcing the first overtime.

In the first OT, Bond hit a driving layup, tying the game at 58-all. That was followed by a conventional three-point play by Sam Dillard II, hitting a layup and converting the free throw. Clarkston tied it with its own conventional three-point play by Stephens, but Fenton took one more lead on layup by Banura, giving Fenton a 63-61 edge. Clarkston tied it on a Brody Kosin layup. Fenton had one more chance to earn the win, but Bond's shot wasn't converted.

“We battled to the end,” Bond said. “Unfortunately, we lost to them in overtime also. We were able to tie it in overtime, but not able to pull through.”

The game became a battle between 6-foot-6 Kosin's strong frame and Stephens' ability for Clarkston versus the Tigers' guards Bond and Dillard, and nothing was really settled in regulation. All four had big games. Stephens led all scorers with 30 points while Kosin had 20. After Bond's 26 points, Dillard had 21 points for Fenton.

Opening half

Clarkston jumped to a 14-8 lead after one quarter, and that lead grew to 10 points at 22-12 after a slam by Stephens.

Fenton fought back.

Fenton finished the second quarter on a 16-7 run. A Dillard driving layup started the run, and a three-pointer by Colin TerBurgh capped it, cutting Clarkston's lead to just 29-28. Kosin hit a free throw before halftime giving Clarkston a 30-28 halftime lead.

Second half

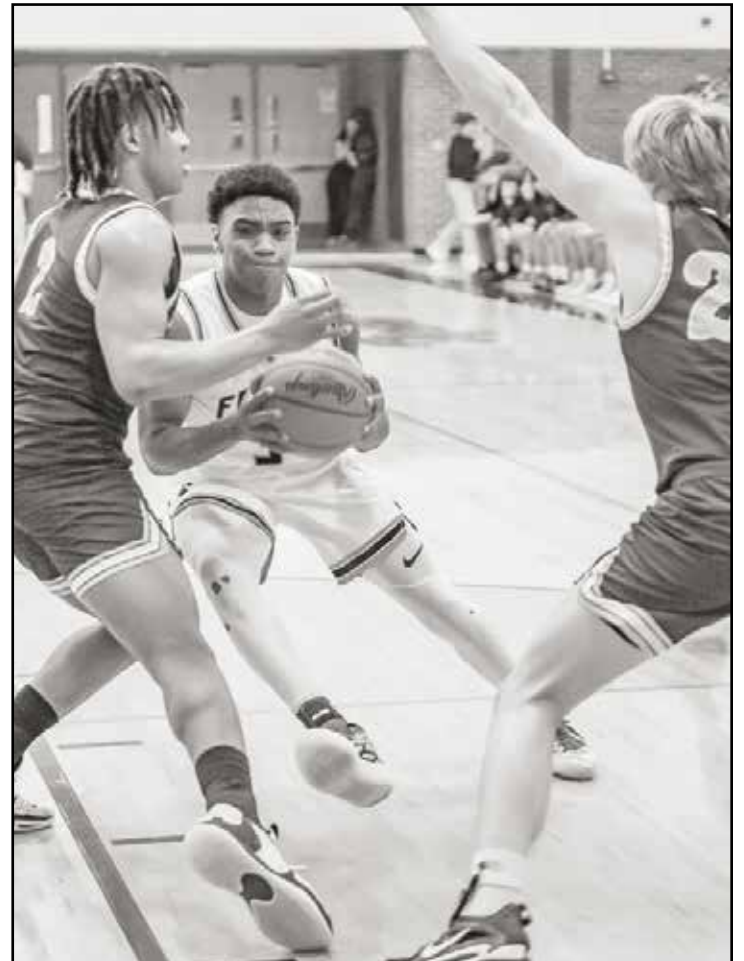
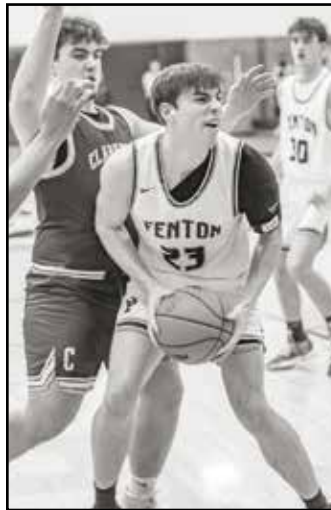
Clarkston's Cavanaugh Ditton raised the gap to 33-28, but Fenton made a run. The Tigers took their first lead in the contest at 34-33 on a three-pointer by Banura, and had their biggest lead of the quarter at 42-40 after a Dillard trey. Clarkston went on its own run, and led 49-47 after a three-pointer by Brayden Wylie, but Bond assisted a Gage Graham baby hook hoop tying the contest at 47-all entering the fourth quarter.

In the fourth, the Tigers took their biggest lead on two converted free throws by Bond at 54-51, but Fenton (18-7) hit on just 1-of-6 shots the rest of the quarter helping Clarkston eventually tie it.

“Looking back, we had a lot of fun,” Banura said. “We got our first district title in about 10 years (2012), so I felt good to get that too. And I just had a lot of fun with my friends that I made, and all the new people I've met. It was just a lot of fun.”

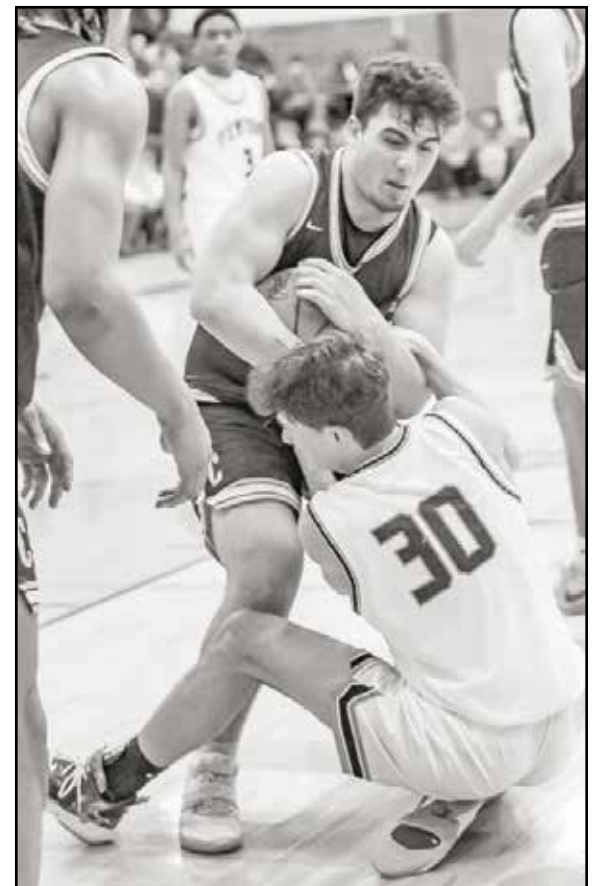
“We don't get a lot of districts in Fenton basketball ... so this was a pretty special year for us,” Logan said. “Yeah, we lost in the regional semifinal, but look at that student section and look at our guys. I'm good.”

Banura had nine points, five rebounds and three blocks while Graham had six points and nine rebounds. Dillard had five rebounds, four assists and three steals while Bond had three rebounds and two steals.



Here are some photos of the action in the Fenton Tigers' regional semifinal loss against Clarkston. (Above) Justin Banura scored nine points. (Right) Ja'Hion Bond had a team-high 26 points for Fenton. (Immediately below) Clarkston's Brody Kosin netted 20 points. (Bottom right) A loose ball is fought for by a Clarkston foe and Fenton's Gage Graham.

Photos: Mark Bolen



Stephens scored a game-high 30 points, including five of Clarkston's points in the second overtime.



Division 1 Regional semifinal Game Box

CLARKSTON vs. FENTON

Clarkston	FG	3FG	FT	Pts	Fenton	FG	3FG	FTM	Pts
Brayden Wiley	2	1	0-0	5	Colin TerBurgh	1	1	0-0	3
Desman Stephens II	11	0	8-9	30	Ja'Hion Bond	10	2	4-11	26
Brody Kosin	7	0	6-8	20	Sam Dillard II	9	2	1-1	21
Cavanaugh Diton	1	1	1-2	4	Justin Banura	4	1	0-1	9
John Kaul	2	2	1-2	7	Gage Graham	3	0	0-0	6
Bench scorers					Bench scorers				
Matthew Pflieger	1	1	0-0	3	Connor Luck	1	1	0-0	3

Totals	24	5	16-23	69	Totals	28	7	5-13	69
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Teams	1	2	3	4	1OT	2OT	Tot (Record)
Clarkston	14	16	19	7	7	6	- 69 (16-9)
Fenton	8	20	21	7	7	5	- 68 (18-7)

Team Shooting: Clarkston 24-for-53 (45.3%), Fenton 28-for-62 (45.2%). **Team Free throws:** Clarkston 16-for-23 (69.6%), Fenton 5-of-13 (38.5%). **Turnovers:** Clarkston 14, Fenton 13. **Technical fouls:** None. **Biggest leads:** Clarkston 22-12, second quarter. Fenton 54-51, 5:49 fourth quarter & 61-58 3:01 first overtime.

Individual Rebounds: Fenton - Graham 8, Bond 5, Banura 5, Dillard 4, Chris Piwowarczyk 1. **Individual Steals:** Fenton - Bond 2, Dillard 2, Banura 2, Piwowarczyk 1, TerBurgh 1. **Blocks:** Fenton - Banura 3.



Bond scored points in every quarter and overtime of the contest. He finished with 26 points, five rebounds and two steals.



Kosin (left) scored 20 points, including four points in the first overtime, for Clarkston.



Dillard was held scoreless in the first quarter, but then netted 21 points the rest of the way. He also had three assists and grabbed four rebounds.

Photos by Mark Bolen

Despite dealing with injuries, Banura (right) played a key role to Fenton's success. He scored nine points and blocked three shots versus Clarkston.



The Fenton varsity boys basketball team finished the season with an 18-7 record, earning the Flint Metro League's Stars Division title. Fenton won its first district title since 2012.

Gage Graham led the Tigers with eight rebounds. He also scored a bucket in each of the first three quarters of the contest.



FEAMSTER

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I knew he was going to finish. He's finished those shots all year.

"The bench went crazy. A wave of emotions hit me. I turned to my teammate (Michael Tucker) and asked, 'Did that just happen,' and started crying. It's one of those moments you will never forget."

Powers had a strong regular season, going 18-5-0 during it. The tourney run began with a 9-0 victory against Sandusky, followed by a 5-1 victory

against Bay City Western. The Chargers won the regional title by beating Detroit Country Day 4-3. They faced Gabriel Richard in the semifinal, earning a 6-0 victory.

Powers had a strong start, scoring two goals in the opening period — one by Czarnecki and another by Brody Neelands. Powers led 2-0 after one period.

"In the first period, we came out pretty hot," Feamster said. "Coming back in the locker room before the start of the second period, we felt we were in the

right spot."

East Grand Rapids cut the gap to 2-1 with a goal by Tyler Sikkenga early in the second period. The lead was 2-1 going into the second intermission. East Grand Rapids tied the game at 2-all on a power-play goal by Sikkenga with 8:00 left in the final period.

"After the second period we came back in only leading by one, so we knew we had to do a lot more to get that state championship," Feamster said. "I felt we had to do more than we were putting out on the ice (to win)."

The championship was made even better because it was a memory he's able to share with his father, Greg. He played for Powers when he was a student, and played in the 1989 state finals. It was one of the state championship games the Chargers lost.

"It was kind of cool to wear his number five and also make it to the state finals and win it," Feamster said. "Me and my Dad have that thing to talk about. We both (played in the championship game) and I was able to finish what he started."

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By Hannah Ball

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The format combines techniques rooted in journalism and television writing to tell stories about murder, scandals, true crime, deceptive business practices and more.

There's a docuseries for everyone. Here are some of the most popular:

Murdaugh Murders: A Southern Scandal

Secrets unfold about the powerful Murdaugh family in South Carolina after a tragic boating accident resulted in the death of a teenage girl. Watch it on Netflix.

Framing Britney Spears

Released in 2021, this New York Times documentary details the life of Britney Spears, how she became famous, how public perception of the popstar changed over time, and the court battle as she tried and succeeded to end her conservatorship that allowed her father to control much of her life.

LuLaRich

LuLaRoe became immensely popular in the mid 2010s with their unique and colorful leggings and multi-level marketing business model. The four-part docuseries released in 2021 follows the rise and downfall of the billion-dollar clothing empire as retailers get honest about the deceptive business practices.

Bad Sport

Released in October 2021, this six-part docuseries dives into stories and scandals involving sports and crime through interviews with athletes, coaches and law enforcement.



Formula 1: Drive to Survive

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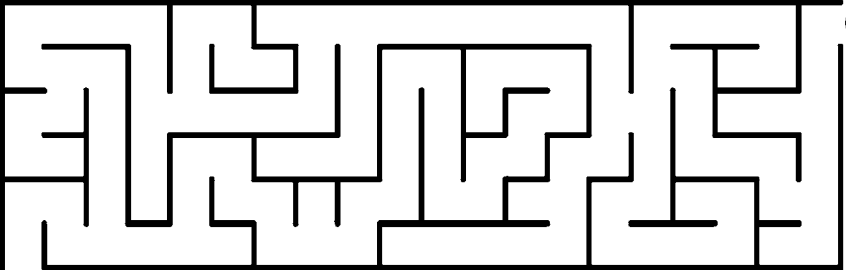
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Conversations with a Killer: The Jeffrey Dahmer Tapes

Premiering in October 2022, this three-part series on Netflix is the third installment in the Conversations with a Killer series and covers the murders of serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer.

Trainwreck: Woodstock '99

The three-episode docuseries shows the events leading up to the riot that ended Woodstock. Watch the show on Netflix.

We Need to Talk About Cosby

This four-part series dives into the rise and fall of famous comedian Bill Cosby. It shows interviews from journalists, comedians and survivors hurt by Cosby. It's available on Showtime.

Welcome to Wrexham

The 18-episode series follows Rob McElhenney and Ryan Reynolds after they purchase the Welsh association football club Wrexham

Association Football Club and try to lead them to the Premier League. Watch it on Hulu.

Bad Vegan: Fame. Fraud. Fugitives.

Now streaming on Netflix, this series follows the rise and fall of Sarma Melngailis, the former owner of the vegan restaurant Pure Food and Wine and how she was coerced by her husband into stealing money from her restaurant so Strangis could pay "a deity" to grant them and Melngailis' dog immortality.

Keep Sweet: Pray and Obey

The series shows the world of the polygamous Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and its current leader Warren Jeffs. Survivors who escaped detail the oppressive lifestyle. Watch it on Netflix.

Meltdown: Three Mile Island

On Netflix, this show recounts the 1979 accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant in Pennsylvania and the lingering effects.

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Gordon Boucha

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Edwin J. Belitz

1935 – 2023



Edwin J. Belitz – age 88. Born on February 7, 1935 in Flint, the son of Elmer and Maude Belitz. Edwin graduated from Utley High School in 1953 and went on to work for Standard Cotton, retiring in 1970. He then worked for Royalite in Flint, later retiring to his home on Lake Fenton where he enjoyed boating and snowmobiling. Edwin had a love for travel and spent many years camping all over the United States. He had a special love for Mackinac Island and visited there many times. He also enjoyed country music and spending time with

his family. Edwin was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Don; sisters, Dorothy, Hazel and Mary Richardson. A special thank you to the staff at Symphony

of Linden for their care, with a special thank you to his favorite caregiver, Marylyn. Thank you as well to Gentiva of Flint for their excellent hospice care. No services will be held. Donations can be made in Edward's memory to Fenton Adopt-A-Pet. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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