'Uncensored kindness'

Local organizations, park management come together to help displaced family after crash

By Sharon Stone

They're warm, safe and uninjured, however, they're still a bit shook up emotionally following a scary situation earlier this month.

Between 2 and 2:30 a.m., Saturday, March 4, all was quite in the trailer home that Michael Loshinskie, his wife and their son were sleeping in at Tyrone Woods Manufactured Home Community in Tyrone

Township. That was until a pickup truck crashed into it.

The Fenton area received several inches of snow overnight between March 3 and 4 and roads were snow covered and slick.

Loshinskie, 70, said they were all asleep in their bedrooms. His 24-year-old son's bed was knocked clear to the other side of his room when the truck crashed into

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Chamber presents award to art gallery

■Gallery donates portion of quarterly proceeds to nonprofit

By Hannah Ball

The Fenton & Linden Regional Chamber of Commerce presented a Customer Service Award to Cause & Affect Gallery in Fenton on Thursday, March 16.

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Holly students raise \$6,300 for heart health

■ American Heart Association challenge inspires kids to make healthy choices

Holly and Patterson elementary school students continue putting their hearts into giving back to their community, most recently raising \$6,300 to support families with loved ones facing cardiac illness.

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Drake Scott, in front row kneeling and to right of banner, is surrounded by his Fenton Robotics team following their win at the FIRST Robotics Competition in Midland on Saturday, March 25.

Fenton Robotics team/family rallies around member battling Lymphoma

By Sharon Stone

Health situations can sometimes spring up out of nowhere and happen very quickly. That is what recently happened to one Fenton student.

"At Fenton Robotics, we are family," said

Heidi Ritchie, Fenton Robotics lead and FRC #5114 head coach. "When one of our own, Drake Scott, unexpectedly got diagnosed this season with Lymphoma, the team rallied around him."

Scott is a sophomore at Fenton High School and co-captain of the FRC robotics Team #5114. One week before his diagnosis, he received

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Lin response to Sharon Stone's spotlight, article, 'Grateful to be surrounded by talented and

dedicated coworkers.' My family believes TCTIMES is the best written and designed paper in the area. Great job staff."



LLA great round of applause for the Linden City Council on its decision

to sell the Linden Mill. It's long overdue. Hopefully, some entity will step forward to save this jewel."



LLI In regard to article 'Road Commission working to grade

roads.' Could you also 'grade' some of the paved roads that are in disrepair? Thank you."



POLICE & FIRE

REPORT

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GUN SHOT SOUNDS TURN OUT TO BE FIREWORKS

Fenton Police Chief Jeff Cross said the police department received multiple calls regarding what sounded like gun shots at approximately 11 p.m. on Sunday, March 26. Police checked out the reports and determined that fireworks were being set off from Bush Park. Individuals were issued warnings about shooting off fireworks that violated city ordinances.

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'Celebration of the Arts'

Now is your last chance to get tickets for the first "Celebration of the Arts," which is set for Friday, April 14 at 7 p.m. Buy your tickets by April 2 and don't miss your chance to enjoy this first-time event. It will be an art-filled evening of music, dance, visual arts and more at the Fenton Winery & Brewery, 1370 N. Long Lake Rd., Fenton. Your \$50 ticket includes appetizers, four FWB wines and four FWB beers. Entertainment and performances are produced by Wishing Well Theater. Inc. For more information or to reserve a full table of 10, contact the Fenton Arts Council at (810) 354-7811 or email them at info@ fentonartscouncil.com. This event is sponsored in part by the Greater Flint Arts Council Share Art Genesee Grant Program made possible by the Genesee County Arts Education and Cultural enrichment millage funds. Your tax dollars are at work.

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Cause & Affect Gallery showcases artwork from dozens of Michigan artists who utilize different mediums including painting, glass, metal, jewelry, sculpture, wood turning, laser

woodwork, mixed media and more.

Owner Annie Anglim said she was informed the chamber would give her the award a week prior to ensure she would attend the networking event.

"I am thrilled to have been selected for this award," she said. "We make the gallery a welcoming space for everyone regardless of who they are, who they love or any type of limitation they may have. We want people to be immersed in and enjoy art as it can be so healing in multiple ways."

Cause & Affect donates a portion of its sales every quarter to a different nonprofit. On Thursday, March 23, Anglim announced they donated



a portion of their sales to SCAMP. What is SCAMP?

SCAMP is a five-week summer program that seeks to provide an exciting and therapeutic summer program for individuals with disabilities ages 3-26 in the Metro Detroit area. Bloomfield SCAMP was founded in 1967 and was the first summer camp in our area to provide a summer program for individuals with disabilities. Campers enjoy a variety of structured activities that focus on social skills improvement, language enrichment, and prevocational skills are focused on at SCAMP.

Source: bloomsfieldscamp.com.

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I HAVE TO say I finally agree with Biden, nobody needs more than 10 bullets in a gun. And I think we should start limiting the Secret Service first. Let Joe put his money where his mouth is. It's funny, all these politicians are guarded by guns, but they want to take yours away.

I STRONGLY SUPPORT the Biden administration and what it is doing.

WHO ELSE FEELS like we are all living in a season of House of Cards? Oh, I can see all the Democrat cards just falling to pieces everywhere and it's glorious.

IT IS AN absolute travesty that some people believe that biological men who identify as a woman would be allowed to compete against biological women. It's not right. I am a biological woman, and this just angers me. Go make your own league and stay out of ours.









Winter Craft Show a welcome treat on dreary day

Hundreds enjoy perusing handmade items at cultural center in Fenton

By Sharon Stone

What better way to spend your day on a cold and rainy Saturday, March 25 than to spend it presenting handmade items or learning about and buying those items

Approximately 200 people attended the Winter Craft Show on Saturday at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center. The event was part of series of craft shows run by Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation.

Vendors sold jewelry, woodcrafting products, soaps, candles, lotions and more handmade items.



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Building Brands

Bouncing back post vacation with these easy steps

t dinner the other night, my husband Matt said, "We really hit the ball rolling this week." I think he meant to say, "We really hit the ground running this week." I pointed out the possible mix up and he agreed, but I knew what he was talking about.

We returned recently from a week away and had been so busy since we got back, it was hard to remem-

ber that just a few days prior, we were waking up to a beach view and eating shrimp for almost every meal. Raise your hand if you've ever returned from a vacation and found it hard to get back into your pre-vacation routine. This used to be us too.

Emily Caswell

As our opportunity to travel has increased, however, we couldn't continue to lose valuable time dealing with the "come back blues." (A term I just made up). When my husband brought up how busy we'd been, I realized we've come a long way. An adjustment that used to take at least a week now takes no time. As summer approaches and more time away is ahead for many people, I thought some readers might benefit from a few tips on how to "hit the ball rolling" when you return from vacation. I promise these

tips won't take the joy out of vacation. The goal is to implement these things

> so you can relax knowing you didn't leave any lose ends behind and you've set yourself up for a successful return.

> **Prep work:** This looks different to everyone. To some, it means cleaning up your desk before you leave. For me, it means becoming best friends with my calendar. I take a look at what's

ahead, and I work to set up appointments or plan to attend events when I return, because for the most part, these are things I like doing. Last week I had a few really fun things including a networking event and a team lunch that more than made up for being "back to reality." On the personal side for prep work, I arranged to have our home professionally cleaned while we were away and it was so nice to return to a clean house.

Check-in: This is a controversial piece of advice, but personally, I like to check into work while away - especially if I'm gone for more than a few days. I realize that there are going to be trips (like travel to some countries or off the grid in the UP) that don't allow this, but when possible, I like to have a handle on what's happening while I'm away. This is easy for me because my better half likes to sleep in while on vacation and I like to get up early, allowing me time (if needed) to get work done. Again, I don't recommend this for every trip and every person — we all need and deserve a break, but I know for me coming back to 500 emails would ruin whatever relaxation I had while away.

One more day: A Business Insider article on the topic of getting back into the work grind after vacation calls this a "buffer day" and I like that! This is a day in between your travels and your return to "real life" that allows you to do laundry, grocery shop, etc. I like just jumping in (and I hate errands) so I'm fortunate that Matt always volunteers to take an extra day off to do all the things.

Re-up your routine: This is another tip the Business Insider piece shares that I agree with. The older we get, the more important it is for us to find a way to stay active even when we're not doing our usual workout routine. That said, we've found it's also important to hit the gym as soon as possible once home. If not, skipping the gym can become a habit. (You're not on island time anymore, sorry.) Same can be said for eating well. Matt cooked a homemade meal our first night back last week and while it wasn't shrimp, it

was great (and healthy).

Where to next?: This is my favorite tip from the Business Insider piece and my favorite way to avoid the "come back blues" — plan your next trip.

How do you "hit the ball rolling" when you return from time away? Email me at ecaswell@mihomepaper.

Emily Caswell is the brand manager for VIEW Group, the branding division of View Newspaper Group.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

AN EASY WAY to solve the trans issue with biological men who identify as women who want to compete in sports is to create a new trans division. This way they will compete against those just like them and have a level playing field. Problem solved.

EXAGGERATING FEMALE SEXUALITY, femininity, and gender, drag shows create cartoon-like stereotypes of women for the amusement of others. This is discrimination. Performers wearing drag is the modern equivalent of actors wearing black face.

Compiled by Sharon Stone, editor — Question asked to Tri-County Times' Facebook followers

What is your best spring break memory?



The pandemic year. Six days before we flew out, the world shut down. We stayed in. Made our own vacation at home with having tropical drinks and putting the beach on the TV, lots of walks in our neighborhood. Relaxing and crazy at the same time.

> **Emma Ziraldo** Fenton Township



"The time my wife danced with the pirate."

> **Jeff Stone** Fenton Township



"Going on a cruise in the Caribbean with a few of my closest friends for our senior trip in high school. A couple of the parents came too and it was so much fun! I'll never forget going snorkeling and some of us were stung by jellyfish; none of us saw them until it was too late!

Laura Constable, Fenton Township

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"Watching my son catch a shark off the Sanibel Island pier in Florida. I was swimming in that water!'

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Everyday educators

Meet MEGAN SKERGAN

 First grade teacher at Hyatt Elementary



Megan Skergan, 37, has been teaching for 11 years at Linden Community Schools. She currently works at Hyatt Elementary teaching first grade.

Why did you want to become a teacher?

For as long as I can remember, I have always wanted to be a teacher. As a graduate of Linden High school, I had some of the best teachers that inspired me to follow my dreams. Teachers like Al Bourdon, Teresa Fitzgerald and Bethanie George, to name a few, shaped who I am as a person and as an educator.

What's your favorite thing about working in this area?

Being a part of Linden Community Schools is like being a member of a huge family and one of the best parts of my job is being able to teach my old classmates' children. I love getting to know the mini versions of my friends and helping them learn and grow as individuals. It's nice to know that my own children will grow up in such a tight knit community where everyone looks out for each other.

What inspires you?

I am inspired everyday by my colleagues at Hyatt Elementary. They are truly the most dedicated, caring and motivated group of people that I have ever had the opportunity to spend time with. The depth of their devotion and commitment to their students is unprecedented and I feel blessed to work with them.

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(Above) Holly elementary school students pose after raising more than \$6,000 to help families with loved ones facing heart illnesses. (right) Holly Elementary second grader Mason Ihrke raised more than \$1,000 during this year's Kids Heart Challenge.

HEART HEALTH

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In January and February, 35 second and third graders from Holly Area Schools took the Kids Heart Challenge and raised the funds that will be donated to the American Heart Association. Students also participated in a jump rope contest and learned how to live a heart-healthy lifestyle through the program.

"Like always, our students went the extra mile to raise money for the American Heart Association to support those in the Holly community and beyond suffering from heart diseases," said Jason McLaughlin, physical education teacher at both schools. "While they were helping others, our students learned ways to improve their own heart health."

As part of the program, the students learned steps they can take to live healthy lives, including eating nutritious foods, drinking plenty of water, avoiding high-sugar drinks, and getting at least 60 minutes of exercise or play every day. The students also learned the importance of staying away from bad habits like smoking and vaping.

All the students played roles in the fundraising effort, and Holly Elementary second grader Mason Ihrke raised more than \$1,000 — a record for a single student since Holly began participating in the program 19 years ago.

"At Holly Area Schools, physical fitness plays a key role in preparing our students for success, and the Kids Heart Challenge also teaches our youngest Bronchos the importance of giving back to their community," said Scott Roper, Holly Area Schools superintendent. "I'd like to personally congratulate these students for giving their all to help those facing heart illnesses and for taking proactive roles in their own health and wellness."









The repeal of the 'right-to-work' law and the reinstatement of 'prevailing wage'

On March 24, Governor Gretchen Whitmer signed three bills into law.

The first repealed Michigan's "right-to-work" law, which was enacted in 2013. Now private sector employers and unions may negotiate union contracts requiring all employees to pay dues to their bargaining unit union even if they aren't a member.

The second allowed the same status for public sector employers and workers.

However this law can't go into effect until the United States Supreme Court reverses a 2018 decision prohibiting government employee unions from requiring dues payments from nonmembers.

The third reinstated the "prevailing wage" law, which requires union scale wages to be paid on public construction projects.

These bills will take effect next April and can't be changed by a voter referendum but could be by an amendment to Michigan's Constitution.

It's fair to say that there are different opinions on these new laws.

It's also likely that these laws may not be familiar to everybody. Accordingly, here are some important highlights.

"Right-to-work laws" refer to state

laws, which prohibit labor agreements between employers and labor unions requiring employees, who are not members of the union, to pay union dues.

These laws are authorized by the federal Taft-Hartley Act and started in the south in the 1940s.

There are 26 states (including Michigan until next year) which have them.

Since Michigan's law was first enacted, approximately 60,000 private sector workers covered by a union contract have stopped paying dues. For public sector employees the number is about 80,000.

The arguments in favor of these laws include allowing non-members freedom of contract, choice and association.

Opposing arguments emphasize the unfairness of non-members receiving the benefits of collective bargaining at no cost.

Prevailing wage laws require government construction contracts to provide for payments to workers based on what a majority of workers are paid within a particular area. Union status is not a factor.

These laws date back to the 1860s and for federal contracts, are mandated by the Davis-Bacon Act of 1931. Thirty-two states also have prevailing wage laws.

Supporters contend they keep wages and the quality of construction high.

Opponents believe they unnecessarily raise construction costs.

Change can be hard. British Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli once said, "Change is inevitable. Change is constant."

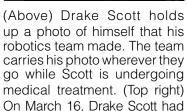
Michigan's new laws are a perfect example.

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF FENTON OAKWOOD CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN-UP

Spring Clean-up for Oakwood Cemetery will take place the week of April 2, 2023. Anyone wishing to salvage flowers, wreaths, personal belongings, etc., have until Friday, March 31, 2023 to remove items. If items are not removed, the City contractor has the right to remove and dispose of all items. New items may be placed on grave sites after April 9, 2023. Questions can be directed to the City Clerk's office at 810-629-2261.

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an MRI, CT scan and PET scan. He asked his mother Karen Scott to shave his head before being admitted March 19 to start cycle two of his chemo scheduled. She buzzed "5114" in honor of the robotics team on the back of his head. (Bottom right) After four days of hard IV chemotherapy, Rose, the Scotts' family dog, was approved to visit the hospital. Submitted photos

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his National Honor Society (NHS) induction letter, one day before, he was in the robotics shop working to help tune in the programming.

Scott has been part of Fenton Robotics teams for five years and his family is a dedicated part of the team as well. He is the team's most experienced driver with many wins under his belt. He is well loved and an integral part of their team. He is currently being treated at the University of Michigan.

Ritchie, speaking on behalf of his family, said his official diagnosis is lymphoma but doctors have said that the cancer is more complex and similar to leukemia as well. He is currently receiving chemotherapy and further treatment is planned.

The team has been able to zoom call Scott. They can't visit in person at this time due to his suppressed immune system. He's been able to watch his team's competition over livestream, and he has been with them each step of

the way. The students have designed buttons and ribbons, and they even have a large photo of Scott they carry everywhere.

One hundred percent of funds raised will be given to his family to help with medical and other bills, gas, parking fees, etc. The additional medical situation has put extra strain on the family.

"Our Fenton Robotics teams are asking that you consider donating to this cause. Do it for Drake," as posted on the gofundme, "Do it for Drake."

Ritchie said the entire team and their families were excited that Scott, who had been released from the hospital, was able to make the trip up to Midland last weekend to be with his team when they won the competition. "That was huge for us for him to be there," Ritchie said.

Ritchie said team members carry a photo of Scott on a stick and they take it everywhere to show him there. "We're like a family, we eat together. It's important for Drake to be part of the team," Ritchie said.



The Linden varsity girls basketball team was No. 8 on our 2022-23 Tri-County Winter Sports Top 10 Teams poll. Photo: Mark Bolen

Basketball teams dominate this portion of our Winter Top 10

By David Troppens

It only makes sense since the sports world has its eyes glued on March Madness, that the 2022-23 Tri-County Winter Sports Top 10 Teams list joined in with the festivities.

With this second installment of our top 10, the sports staff will be doing just that.

Every team listed from No. 8 to No. 6

is a basketball squad. This wasn't done eventually be hoops teams. on purpose. This is where we assessed these teams and figured where they be-

Basketball squads haven't been traditionally the area's strongest sport of the winter. That honor is typically held for our wrestling squads. But this season is a bit different than the norm. A whopping five of the 10 squads on this list will

And now on to our list.

No. 8 - Linden girls basketball: The first game under first-year varsity girls basketball coach Brian Klein wasn't one to remember. The Eagles scored just 19 points and lost a home game to Lake Fenton 65-19.

However, as most knew the Blue See **TOP 10** on 8

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Sports Times

Joey Spencer sees first loss in boxing career

By David Troppens

Linden's undefeated Joey Spencer took a big step up in competition Saturday during his fight with fellow undefeated junior middleweight Jesus Ramos.

Something had to give and Spencer lost his first profes-

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Joey Spencer

Professional boxer, Linden resident

sional fight of his boxing career.

Spencer (16-1, 10 knockouts) was is. I just need to take knocked down in the first round and never recovered, eventually

losing by TKO when Spencer's father and trainer Jason Spencer stopped the fight at the 1:25 mark of the seventh round.

Ramos (20-0, 16 knockouts) hit Spencer with a left hook with about 25 seconds left in the first round, putting Spencer on the canvas for the first time in his professional career. Spencer exchanged with Ramos during the final 12 seconds of the period, but

never was able to recover to the point where he was leading in the fight.

"I came out confident early and got hit," Spencer said. "I got caught. That knocked me off of my game plan. I should have been able to bounce back but it is what it is. I just

> need to take a little rest and come back."

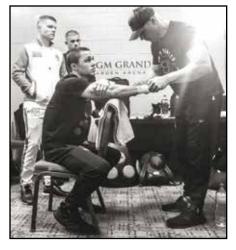
"I felt like I looked really good," Ramos said. "I showed some angles. After the first round knockdown,

I got a little carried away with my power a little bit, so I took some time to start working on everything we practiced in the gym."

Spencer was on his feet when the bout was called. However, a left-right-leftright-left combination by Ramos was why Spencer's corner called off the rest of the fight.

Spencer fought a spirited See **SPENCER** on 8





Linden's Joey Spencer and fellow undefeated middleweight boxer Jesus Ramos exchange punches during their fight Saturday. This was Spencer's first loss of his boxing career. Left, Joey Spencer's father and trainer Jason Spencer tapes Joey's hands in preparation of the boxing match.



Fenton resident and Tufts University women's swim team member Lara Wujciak celebrates her eighth-place finish at the D3 NCAA Women's National Swim Meet.

Wujciak earns D3 All-American honors at national meet

By David Troppens

Fenton resident and Tufts University women's swimmer Lara Wujciak recently finished a pretty strong sophomore season.

She helped her squad to a second straight NESCAC Championship title as well as earned All-American honors at the Division III NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championships this winter.

See **SWIMMING** on 8

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Devils were expected to be one of the state's elite teams so that loss was pretty much shrugged aside. The Eagles had enough talent returning from a year ago, to understand this would be a solid squad. And by the end of the season, the Eagles clearly were a strong team.

Linden followed that loss with four straight wins. From there, the Eagles contended for a spot in the Flint Metro League's first-ever four-team championship tournament. In order to do so, they had to finish in the top two of the Stripes Division. Their biggest competition for second place was area foe Fenton, who the Eagles beat both times (three times including a non-league game at Little Caesars Arena) to earn that spot with an 8-2 mark.

In the tourney, the Eagles lost to Lake Fenton again, but this time by a closer 64-43 margin. The season ended with a 61-24 D2 district semifinal loss to eventual state semifinalist Goodrich 61-24.

No. 7 - Lake Fenton boys basketball: It seemed all the buzz at Lake Fenton High School this winter was about the varsity girls basketball team. But at least two other teams showed that they deserved some attention and the squad at No. 7 was one of them (we'll see the other in a future installment). The Blue Devils lost some nice senior leaders a year ago, making it look like the 2022-23 season could be a tiny bit of a rebuilding year. That didn't happen. The Blue Devils rattled of three victories to start the season, scoring at least 67 in each of those contests, and proved they were a team to watch out for quickly.

The squad had a lull right after that, losing four straight, but then began a six-game winning streak, starting with a 51-50 thrilling victory at home against the Fenton Tigers. The streak also in-

cluded the first of two victories against Goodrich. Lake Fenton won a 73-65 verdict in front of a standing-roomonly crowd at Goodrich on Jan. 20, putting them right in the middle of the Flint Metro League Stars Division race. On Feb. 17, the Blue Devils faced off against Goodrich in another standingroom-only crowd at home for a tridivision championship and a spot in the Metro League's four-team championship tournament. The Blue Devils won the game 60-51.

The tourney didn't go as Lake Fenton hoped, losing games against Fenton and Corunna.

The season ended in districts. Lake Fenton (15-9 overall) defeated Ortonville Brandon 76-59, but then lost to Flint Powers 75-58 in the district semifinal round.

No. 6 - Holly boys basketball: The sports staff doesn't know if there was great expectations in the Bronchos entering the season. We didn't have much hopes more than maybe a .500 season. After all, the squad was 9-12 a year ago.

The Bronchos proved that such expectations were pretty foolhardy pretty quick during the 2022-23 season. After losing its opening contest to Corunna, the Bronchos won three straight games. However, that was tempered by a loss to Lake Orion and to Fenton, dropping the Bronchos to 5-3 overall.

But, that's when the Bronchos started to pick up their game. A 54-52 home victory against Flushing started a sevengame winning streak, putting Holly right in the middle of the Metro League's Stripes Division title race. They lost that chance with a second loss to Fenton, but were able to qualify for the Metro's four-team championship tournament.

Holly took advantage and won the tourney, avenging a loss to Corunna (53-43) and two losses to Fenton (69-52) to earn the Metro League Championship.



That was the high of the season. Holly lost in the opening round of D1 district tourney, falling 45-43 to Hartland.

(Above) The Holly varsity boys basketball team won the Flint Metro League Championship game, earning them the league title. It also helped the Bronchos finish No. 6 in our winter Top 10 poll. (Left photo) The Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team was one of three teams to tie for the Flint Metro League Stars Division championship. The Blue devils were No. 7 in our poll. Photos: Mark Bolen

However, a 17-6 overall record showed this squad's talent and gave Bronchos' fans a lot to cheer about.

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fight but struggled against Ramos, who came into the card facing stronger fighters during his climb up the ladder than Spencer has.

Ramos landed 172 of 413 total punches and connected on 147 of 317 power shots. Spencer attempted 355 punches but connected on just 48. Spen-

cer landed just one jab. Ramos landed 32 body shots to Spencer's 13.

Spencer remains one of the young quality prospects in his weight division. The loss should be a great learning experience for Spencer as he prepares for future bouts against other potentially stronger opponents. At age 23, he remains plenty young enough to bounce back from the loss and have brighter days ahead.



SWIMMING

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At the national meet, Wujciak placed eighth in the 200-yard butterfly (2:03.15), but also earned a fourth-place time of 2:01.71 during the preliminary round, earning her All-American status. The time also was a school record. She entered the meet with a seeded time of 2:02.09. Her team finished sixth at the national meet.

She also competed in two other individual events. She placed 34th in the 100 butterfly, earning a time of 56.42 seconds. She also competed in the 200 individual medley, posting a 51st-place time of 2:11.69.

At the NESCAC meet, she competed in three events, earning team points in all three. She finished conference runner-up in the 200 butterfly (2:03.50) and earned 13th in the 100 butterfly (57.47). She also took 24th in the 50 backstroke (27.80).

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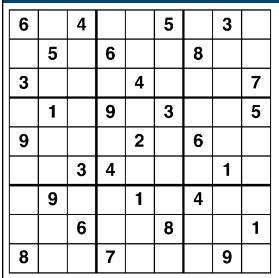
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Midweek Sudoku



WEEKLY SUDOKU BY LINDA THISTLE

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging ♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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Midweek Jumble



THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

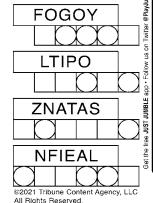
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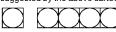
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.





Obituaries

Ruth Ann Manfre

1939-2023

MANFRE, Ruth Ann - Age 83, of Fenton, passed away Monday, March 27, 2023. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11:00 AM Friday, March 31, 2023 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St, Fenton (A live stream of the Mass will be available on Ruth's obituary page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com). Fr. Robert Copeland celebrant. Burial 1:30 PM Friday, March 31 in Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be held Thursday from 2-8 PM at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton and at church Friday from 10:00 AM until the time of the Mass. A Rosary will be prayed 7:00 PM Thursday at the funeral home. Those desiring may make contributions to the Disabled American Veterans. Ruth was born December 17, 1939 in Detroit. the daughter of Willard and Gertrude (Kellems) Barnett. She married Anthony Manfre April 25, 1964 in Redford and he preceded her in death July 13, 2017. She had resided in Fenton since 1988 coming from Redford. She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Ruth enjoyed crocheting, sewing, reading, cooking, oil and water color painting, playing the piano, gardening especially flowers, but most of all shopping. Surviving are: her children, Debra (Joseph) Ziemba of Minnesota, Jesse Dockery of Detroit, and Anthony Manfre II of Fenton; grandchildren, Beth Ann (Jim) Lindborg of Minnesota, Joseph (Ames) Ziemba of Indiana and Doug Webber: great grandchildren, Katie, Joey, Nancy and Johnny; and nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Linda Webber; sister, Nancy Manfre; and brother, Willard "Sonny" Barnett. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Horoscopes

ARIES

Mar 21/Apr 20 Requests from friends, associates and family this week can have your nerves on end, Aries. You may have to escape the crowds to recharge. Plan a getaway in the next few days.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21 You are awesome at staying on track when you need to be. Taurus. That is what makes you a potentially ideal fitness guide. Try to inspire others to be regimented as well.

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21 There is nothing wrong with putting rose-colored glasses on from time to time and looking at the world in a more positive way. A more positive outlook can be helpful, Gemini. might work.

CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22 Cancer, be sure that your generous nature does not come at the expense of your own well-being. You tend to put other people's needs before your own quite often.

LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, for some reason you are having problems finding balance in your life right now. You may have to experiment a little bit to see if new strategies

VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22 Let others in on some of your secrets, Virgo. You can't hold everything in all of the time, and you have been shouldering a lot of responsibility for some time.

LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, the personalized touches you put on any project will showcase your personality and passion. Think about embracing a crafty task to really showcase your talents.

SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, friends are lining up to be guite helpful of late. When you figure out how much you're getting done with the assistance of others, you may be more welcoming of it in the future.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21

Overcome resistance to listening to another person's side of the story, Sagittarius. Embrace this person's desire take the lead on something at work or in your home life.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20

A changing environment has you figuring out how to adapt your schedule and your skills, Capricorn. With a support team in your corner, you can achieve quite a bit.

March 27, 2023

For the week of

AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18

Spending is a tad out of control this week, Aquarius. Money is flying out of your wallet at a rapid rate. You may need to be a bit more choosy with your spending moving forward.

PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20

Wait a few more days before making major decisions as your emotions are high right now, Pisces. You want a level head to prevail.







KINDNESS

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that area of the trailer. He said his son walked out of his room and the door fell off the hinges. He said his wife couldn't get out of the bedroom until they pulled off the door.

He added that TVs were knocked off stands and pictures fell from the walls.

They were all able to get out and they initially thought they could stay, however, when the truck was pulled from the home, the trailer shifted and fell off the foundation. For safety reasons, caution tape was put around their home and they've been unable to enter to retrieve any of their personal belongings.

Loshinskie said the park's management has been fantastic and they were able to get them into another unfurnished rental home the next day. "They were so nice to me," he said.

The Red Cross came to help and was able to obtain new medications for his wife.

Learning of the family's immediate displacement from their home and having nothing for their new home, three local non-profit organizations quickly worked together to provide everything the family needed.

Denise Marks, president of Linden Pay it Forward, spoke of this situation and said a community of uncensored kindness has a larger impact than one might imagine.

"I recently witnessed this when a local family needed help in 'starting over,'" she said. "Icy roads caused a pickup truck to crash into their mobile home. Thankfully, no one was injured but the foundation of the home was displaced causing structural damage that made it unsafe for the family to access any furniture or personal belongings. Without insurance, they were temporarily homeless."

Marks said Fenton Area Resources and Referral (FARR) reached out to Linden Pay it Forward and God's Love Foundation, and the non-profit organizations responded to the call for help with a list of needed items.

"It was an extensive list, but the Fenton/Linden communities resonated with contagious kindness and within 48 hours every need on the list was met," she said.

"The family was beyond grateful for the outpouring of community love. From beds, mattresses, furniture, dishes, washer/dryer and so much more, the mission was accomplished.

"The homeowner's comment to us, 'I want to repay my community with the same kindness they have gifted to my family."

"When kindness is uncensored, it has the potential to become contagious. This is why our local non-profit charity organizations do what we do."

Marks added that she and the other volunteers with the non-profits aren't paid for what they do; their payment is the gratitude of a job well done for a community member in need.

Livingston County Sheriff Mike Murphy said a 24-year-old Howell man, driving a 2021 Ford 250, was driving too fast for the icy road conditions and he lost control of the truck, subsequently striking the home. The driver was restrained by a seat belt and was transported to the hospital by Livingston County EMS for a laceration he sustained during the crash.

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