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Imlay City boy raises funds to help Animal Shelter

Proceeds from lemonade sales help sponsor animals

By David Fredrick
Managing Editor

IMLAY CITY — For the fifth consecutive year, 12-year-old Camden Rhodes set up a neighborhood lemonade stand with a goal that was bigger than selling ice cold drinks.

For the past three years, Camden and his brothers have donated a portion of their lemonade stand proceeds to local animal organizations. This year, they chose to support Lapeer County Animal Control.

Thanks to the incredible support of friends, neighbors, and community members who stopped by the stand or donated through Venmo and Cash App, Camden raised enough money to sponsor three dogs currently waiting for adoption.

As part of the sponsorship, Camden was able to visit Lapeer County Animal Control, meet each of the dogs, and personally choose which ones to sponsor.

"It was hard to leave without taking them all home," said his mom, Katz Rhodes. "Watching



Courtesy photo

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Camden Rhodes got to meet some of his furry friends at the Animal Shelter.

Accused child torturers due back in court

By Phil Foley
Contributing writer

ATTICA TWP. — Troy and Alyssa Holt, the Attica Township couple accused of abusing and torturing their two-month-old infant, are due back in court Aug. 13.

The couple has been held in the Lapeer County Jail on \$200,000 bonds since their arrest May 1.

Lapeer County Prosecutor John Miller said the Holts' parental rights have been terminated and the child is being cared for by foster parents.

Alyssa Holt stands accused of child abuse first degree, torture, while her husband, Troy, is accused of child abuse first degree, torture and child abuse third degree.

Alyssa Holt, represented by Colleen Starr, is set to appear before Judge Laura Cheger Barnard in 71A District Court for a probable cause conference.

Judge Barnard will determine if the case can be resolved without going any further or if a preliminary examination is necessary before the case can proceed toward trial at the circuit court.

Troy Holt, represented by Brandon Kizy, is set to appear before Judge Barnard for a preliminary examination.



Alyssa Holt



Troy Holt



Photo by David Fredrick

Smiles all around!

Shelby Howell shows her swine project to the judge during last week's show. Even the porker looks to be smiling in this photo. Shelby was crowned Supreme Swine Showman at the Eastern Michigan State Fair.

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Out with the old, in with the ?

Workers began clearing trees and brush from the southwest corner of Rochester and Dryden roads in Dryden Township last week. Dryden Township Zoning Administrator Ron Shoemaker said the property owner got a permit from the Lapeer Construction Code Authority to demolish the existing American Four Square on the property. The work has fueled local speculation that a gas station is coming, but that would require a special land use permit. Shoemaker said nothing has been submitted to Dryden Township yet. American Four Square houses were popular from the 1890s to the 1930s.

Dryden nurse authors children's book

Proceeds of book sales to help local K9 groups

By Phil Foley
Contributing Writer

DRYDEN — Not long after Christina Tharrett's husband, Jason, an Oakland County municipal police officer, brought home

Brutus, a K9 officer, their son, CJ, developed an "incredible bond" with the dog and began calling him Brutus Boy. That bond inspired Tharrett to write Brutus

Not long after Brutus, a Dutch-German Shepherd mix, came to live with the Tharretts, Christina noticed there weren't many police dog themed children's books. She said she decided she wanted to tell a story that "sparked conversations about kindness,

said the story came easy to her. Still, the project took 10 months to complete. Part of that was working with Amazon's AI service to complete the illustration.

She said she'd give the program photographs and suggests and it would send back illus-



“Brutus” keeps an attentive eye on his handler, Jason Tharrett. Christina looks on with their son CJ who loves his friend.

Boy, a children's book that tells the story of the special bond between police officers and their four-legged partners. Christina said she wrote 25-page book from the dog's perspective.

While Brutus is a

While Brutus is a working dog, he lives full time with the Tharretts. Christina said being a dog handler isn't for everyone, but it's Jason's passion.

Jason picked Brutus in Pennsylvania last year in an event he described as "like the NFL draft." The pair completed their K9 training last June.

He said because Brutus belongs to his department and department rules prohibiting profiting from police property, they can't use the name of his department or any of its logos in the story.

The couple's been married seven years and moved to the Dryden area three years ago to be closer to family and to have more space. "We found a house we just love," she said.

Christina, who's a nurse practitioner, specializing in cardiology,

trations and then she'd make revisions. "There was a lot of tweaking," she said.

Amazon put Brutus Boy on its website July 25 and with no promotion it's already sold nearly 100 copies. Christina said she plans on giving copies to local police chiefs and reaching out to police organizations.

She said she also plans on selling her book at local farmers' markets. She added, "A portion of proceeds will be donated to local K9 support groups in the community."

According to Amazon's summary of the book, "Through Brutus's journey, children will gain a better understanding of the important role police dogs play in keeping communities safe while learning valuable lessons about friendship, perseverance, service and compassion."

Jason said he was "kind of shocked," when he found Christina was writing a book about him, Brutus and their family, but he added, "I thought it was awesome."



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With barricades in place throughout town in Capac, crews work to remove the roadway last week.

Capac streetscape project chugging along

Eight weeks of inconvenience for improved streets

By David Fredrick
Managing Editor

CAPAC — Crews with M.L. Chartier, the general contractor for streetscape project in Capac, didn't waste any time in starting the project last week.

The \$3 million project is well underway with the removal of 10 mature trees that stood in the way of the construction work to tearing out the pavement and concrete.

Progress is being recorded by residents who doubted the project would ever come to fruition.

"It's happening and it's great to see," said Village Manager Travis Youatt. "They got barricades up and got to work dropping trees. It really is a shame to drop those big, mature trees that have stood in the village a long time. But, they had to come down because they were in the way of the project being done."

Youatt said once everything is done, the village is expecting to "plant anywhere from 60 to 70 trees all throughout

town."

During the streetscape project businesses in Capac will remain open as long as they can, according to their village manager.

"We've spoken with all of the business owners and told them it's important to us, and them, that we keep access to their buildings for as long as we can and the contractor knows that," Youatt explained. "At some point, the front doors will need to be closed up to allow for work to be done."

Plans call for crews to completely remove all of the hard surface in the four-block area of downtown.

"They'll be taking out some of the dirt base too," said Youatt. "While that is torn up, we will be having the old infrastructure replaced. Some of that down here is decades and decades old. It's the perfect time to address that issue."

The village manager said he is pleased with how bids have been coming in.

"We're really happy with the amount of what's been charged so

far," Youatt noted. "It looks like we will have a little more money at the end to do some other things we've been wanting to get done for a long time. Some extra paving. That sort of thing."

He said the landscaping bill is projected to be much less than that for which they had budgeted.

According to Youatt, crews are predicting the work will take eight weeks to complete, weather permitting.

"There's a lot to get done," Youatt acknowledged. "But, they are confident they can get it done in that time frame. The plan is still to go from building to building, all the way across, with new sidewalks, new paving and parking and then all of the landscape and tree planting."

Motorists who use Capac Rd. extensively on their commute to Metro Detroit are discovering detours however they need to, to get through the construction area.

"We are using Walker St. to the east and that seems to be working alright," Youatt said. "People are finding their

way around. We just ask them to use common sense and patience as they navigate the detours and be safe. That's the main thing."

Ryan's Road Rally

Time to get out and do that road trip you have been talking about. The busiest week across the state for festivals and happenings is upon us. Check out a trail of yard sales in the Thumb or perhaps one of the fairs happening this week on the west side. Either way, you cannot go wrong exploring our great State — Ryan Nolin

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- 8/6-8/9 - Memphis Festival Duck Days
- 8/6-8/9 - National Blueberry Festival - S. Haven
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- 8/7-8/8 - Sparta Celtic Festival - Sparta
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- 8/7-8/9 - International Ironworkers Fest
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Eastern Michigan State Fair in photos



Carnival rides left visitors spinning with happiness under perfect skies.

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The open horse show brought this rider to the fairgrounds from Warren.



Photo by David Fredrick

The Sea Lions always bring huge crowds to the fair and last week was no different.



This exhibitor prepares to enter the sale ring Thursday.



Photo by David Fredrick

Arnold Amusements had something for everyone at the fair last week in Imlay City



Photo by David Fredrick

Arnold Amusements was back for another year of great service for the Eastern Michigan State Fair.



Photo by David Fredrick

Cal Goodwin was the proud exhibitor of the Grand Champion beef who weighed over 1,300 pounds at sale time.



Photo by David Fredrick

Lauren Brown of Capac was all smiles with her beef project as they headed for the Eastern Michigan State Fair sale ring.



Photo by David Fredrick

Even though slightly out of season, the Easter Bunny surprised fair visitors, helping watch for bidders on this group of rabbits.



Courtesy photo

Camden Rhodes has sold lemonade in hopes of raising money to support dogs.

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Camden work so hard and care so deeply about helping these dogs has made me incredibly proud.”

Camden spent most of the week running the lemonade stand and even chose to skip going to the county fair so he could continue raising

money with the hope of sponsoring more than one dog.

A year ago, the boys raised enough to sponsor four dogs. This year, they sponsored three more, helping bring attention to dogs that are still waiting for their forever homes.

The Rhodes family hopes their story inspires others to support local shelters and consider adoption. They also

hope the three sponsored dogs will soon find loving families of their own.

“Every dog deserves a home,” Camden said. “We’re so grateful to everyone in our community who helped make this possible.”

Anyone interested in adopting one of the sponsored dogs is encouraged to contact Lapeer County Animal Control.

Accused:

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Judge Barnard will decide whether there is enough evidence for the case to proceed to the circuit court.

With a sentencing guideline of 135 to 225 months on the low end, Miller said he thinks it’s unlikely either attorney will offer a plea agreement.

Miller said Lapeer County Sheriff’s Dept detectives began investigating last November after the Holts brought their child to McLaren Lapeer Region Hospital.

After examination the infant was trans-

ferred to Hurley Medical Center and ultimately to Ann Arbor’s C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital.

Physicians at the hospitals determine the infant was suffering from a subdural hemorrhage, numerous broken ribs, a broken shoulder blade, a fractured forearm and retinal hemorrhaging.

According to Miller the infant’s recovery is going to be a “long term process.” He added, “It’s not known if there will be cognitive issues.”

He said the assistant prosecutor assigned to the case told him, “This is by far the worst they’ve ever seen.”

While the Holts lived on the 900 block

of Martin Drive in Attica Township, Alyssa Holt was taken into custody at a home on the 2000 block of Lily Court in Davison Township, while Troy Holt was taken into custody later in the day at Fort Custer in Battle Creek where he was attending Army Reserve training.

“It’s definitely a sad case,” said Miller



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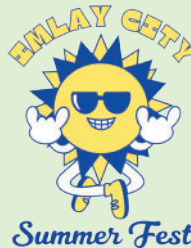
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Rhythm of the present season

On this overcast, Saturday morning, August 1, 2026, leaves July behind. Summer rolls on full speed ahead.

I feed Cuddles and Mitty their breakfast, take a deep breath before the kitchen window, and assess yesterday's work in my backyard gardens along the slate walkway.

Stone steps descend from the house to the path between gardens supported by boulders on the left and right.

The arbor covered with Sweet Autumn Clematis on its right side stands midway the slate walkway.

All summer long I guide Clematis stems from the west side of the arch to fully cover its frame.

Come fall, she'll bloom her tiny, fragrant stars in mass.

I then focus on the condition of the garden to the left. There, yesterday, I deadheaded bleeding hearts, iris, lilies, and a sprawling, miniature pink rose planted in the cleft of boulders.

Again, I marvel at the rose's survival instinct. For she bears buds, will bloom again with a little nourishment from a foliar spray including Neem oil, castile soap, liquid fish, and kelp.

Indeed, our landscaper knew her business. And I'm forever grateful the price my late husband and I paid for this project still produces lovely foliage, fragrance, and color.

The landscaper's team also planted a handful of miniature evergreens that now tower above blooming astilbe, black-eyed Susan, daisies, Christmas rose, and several gifts from the abundance of fellow gardeners.

I vow again to someday keep a little



Iris Lee Underwood

notebook with the gift givers' names, the names of their horticultural donations, and dates received.

Years ago, an invasive pest that remains unidentified dared migrate into my perennial island in the front yard. Then, while I slept, the nuisance crept into the backyard garden I now admire.

After countless springs, summers, and falls of uprooting the weed, I at last submitted to experimenting with a spray bottle of weedkiller.

Why not use what my husband left behind in a garage cabinet?

I hope to find the invasive weeds expired in a few days. For I used the same treatment some weeks ago that shriveled up Poison Ivy in the lower garden to the right of the slate patio.

Working downhill, I cultivated the soil where Sweet Autumn Clematis stands proudly. There, I decided five hours in the garden enough and called it a day.

Indeed, the garden on the left provokes a sigh of relief, for I also pruned and weeded lavender plants, weeded and deadheaded other perennials along the path.

Dear Reader, the dark, weed-free, amended and mulched soil of some thirty years again highlights Echinacea's pink blooms.

Again, the beauty of summer's trustworthy rhythm breaks a smile on my face.

Contact Iris at irisfarmletters@gmail.com

Letters from our readers

Gather for church service on Saturday

Dear Editor,

This coming weekend there's going to be so much to do in Imlay City for the 2026 SummerFest!

Begin your Saturday with the Community Church Service. It is such a privilege to go forward in Jesus prayer for believers. From John 17:20-23; "My prayer is not for them alone. I

pray also, for those who believe in Me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as You are in Me, and I am in You. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that You have sent Me! I have given them the glory that You gave Me, that they may be one, as We are one—so that they may be brought to complete

unity! Then the world Me and have loved them even as You have loved Me!"

Let's share together in the love and light and beauty of our Lord!

Please join us for worship and fellowship on August 8, from 10 to 11 a.m. It will be located in Imlay City at the downtown Pavilion (Main and 3rd St.).

This is a gathering

for both youth and adults!

Then stay after for a full day of free fun! The day includes kids activities, food contests, food trucks, vendors, live music, a wonderful parade at 6 p.m. and so much more! Hope to see you there!

Sincerely,
— Lisa Super
Community Ministry Organizer



Scott McLaughlin is third in the closest Indy 500 ever.

Writer's win, place and show

Let's take another little stroll down memory lane. Do you remember the name "Our Native?" Me neither. Hint: racehorse. How about Scott McLaughlin? Hint: auto racing. Wang Shun? Hint: Olympics.

The common factor in all of those names is that they all finished in third place in their respective events.

Our Native, a very good thoroughbred who won 14 races in his career, finished third in the 1973 Kentucky Derby. The winner was Secretariat who set the race record time of 1:59 2/5 seconds.

The record still stands. Second place went to Sham at 1:59 4/5. They were the only two horses to run the Derby in under 2 minutes.



Our Native finished distant third in fastest Derby ever.



Rick Liblong

utes.

Scott McLaughlin finished a very close third in the 2026 Indianapolis 500. It was the closest race in Indy 500 history with Felix Rosenqvist edging past David Malukas by 0.0233 seconds at the finish.

Wang Shun is a swimmer who was just one of many who finished third in the Olympics behind Michael Phelps, the sport's all-time gold medal winner.

The reason I bring

these facts to your attention is that recently yours truly finished in third place in the "Lifestyles" category of the 2026 National Society of Newspaper Columnists annual contest.

My Tri-City Times columns "Please Watch Your Language" (Dec. 23, 2025, page 8) and "My Column, My Words" (Sept 10, 2025, page 5) were judged to be worthy of recognition.

The pro golfer, Walter Hagen, famously said, "No one remembers who came in second." Let alone third. But in this case, I was quite satisfied to finish third.

The winner was Carole Vasta Folley. From her website: "Carole is an award-winning playwright, columnist and writer living in Vermont.

As a columnist, Carole's award-winning "In Musing" column, now in its ninth year of publication, has consistently won numerous awards in the "humor" and "serious" categories over the years from the National Society of Newspaper Columnists, the Vermont Press Association and the New England Newspaper & Press Association.

Employing her quirky sense of humor and penchant for intro-

spection, Vasta Folley's "In Musing" column explores the many facets of being human, from the ridiculous to the sublime, including social justice issues that impact ourselves and our communities." Carole won this same award last year.

Second place went to Bradley Todd, a conservative writer and columnist. He is a partner at OnMessage Public Strategies, a regular CNN commentator, a Republican adviser to U.S. Senators, Governors, Congressmen, a public speaker with expertise in political analysis.

He is the co-author of Washington Post best-seller, "The Great Revolt".

So, I finished third behind nationally-known, award-winning columnists. You could say that they are the "Secretariat" and "Sham" of columnists.

No shame in finishing behind them in this win, place and show event. I'm proud that I was able to be on the same track as they were!

I'm grateful to the NSNC for the recognition and owe special thanks to *The Tri-City Times* and you readers for regularly letting me share some thoughts.

Contact Rick at dave@tri-citytimes.com

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E CAPAC RD&N CEDAR ST	Property Damage	Traffic Crash
BANCROFT ST&E CAPAC RD		Traffic Stop
BANCROFT ST&E FIFTH ST		Traffic Stop
N BLACKS CORNERS RD&W FOURTH ST		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT / PALMER		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST	Customer Trouble	
NEWARK RD	Citizen Assist	
S CEDAR ST	Suspicious Circumstance	
S CEDAR ST	Ordinance Violation	
HICKORY LN	Welfare Check	
MIDWAY	Medical Assist	
S CEDAR ST	Vagrancy - Loitering	
E THIRD ST	Found Property	
NEWARK RD	Larceny	
N BLACKS CORNERS RD&W IMLAY CITY RD		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST	Property Check	
NEWARK RD	Citizen Assist	

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S ALMONT AVE&WESTON ST		Traffic Stop
W IMLAY CITY RD&N BLACKS CORNERS RD		Traffic Stop
N CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
E FIRST ST		Traffic Stop
N CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
BORLAND RD&ALMONT AVE	Citizen Assist	
BORLAND RD&ALMONT AVE	Citizen Assist	
S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
BORLAND RD&ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
BORLAND RD&ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY		Traffic Stop
S VAN DYKE RD&WB69		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&E BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
NEWARK RD&S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
NEWARK RD&S SUMMERS RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&WALKER ST		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&WALKER ST		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&WALKER ST		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&LYNN CT		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
N CEDAR ST&E CAPAC RD		Traffic Stop

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N CEDAR ST	Property Check	
S CEDAR ST	Traffic Stop	
BORLAND RD&ALMONT AVE	Motorist Assist	
E BORLAND RD&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
N CEDAR ST&E CAPAC RD		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
WALKER ST&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
PALMER ST&MAPLE VISTA ST	Misdemeanor Arrest	
	Warrant (Originating Agency)	
PALMER ST&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST&E FIRST ST		Traffic Stop
NEWARK RD&S BLACKS CORNERS RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&E FIRST ST		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&E BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
W FIRST ST&DIRGO ST		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY	Juvenile Problem	
S ALMONT AVE&E SECOND ST		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&WALKER ST		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&E BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&PALMER ST		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY		Traffic Stop
BORLAND RD&ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST	CSC 1st Degree	
S ALMONT AVE&PALMER ST		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY		Traffic Stop
NEWARK RD	Citizen Assist	
COLONIAL DR	Larceny	
HICKORY LN	Medical Assist	
N CEDAR ST&E CAPAC RD		Traffic Stop

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E BORLAND RD&S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST&E BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
NEWARK RD&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
W BORLAND RD&S BLACKS CORNERS RD		Traffic Stop
W CAPAC RD	Traffic Offense	
S CEDAR ST&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY	Larceny	
S CEDAR ST&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
NEWARK RD&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&HICKORY LN		Traffic Stop
S BLACKS CORNERS RD&NORLIN DR		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
PALMER ST&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
CHENEY ST&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE	911 Hang-up	
MIDWAY	Medical Assist	
N ALMONT AVE	Intimidation	
E BORLAND RD&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY		Traffic Stop
E BORLAND RD&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
CHENEY ST&METCALF ST	Citizen Assist	
BORLAND RD&ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST	Welfare Check	
W FIRST ST	Ordinance Violation	
E THIRD ST	Ordinance Violation	
NORLIN DR		Traffic Stop
N CEDAR ST&E CAPAC RD	Traffic Complaint / Road Hazard	

7/31/2026

NEWARK&CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
NEWARK RD&S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&WESTON ST		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&E FIRST ST	Operating Under the	
	Influence of Alcohol / Liquor	
731 S CEDAR ST, IMLAY CITY	Medical Assist	
N BLACKS CORNERS RD&ATTICA RD		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY	Assault	
S ALMONT AVE&STOLDT AVE		Traffic Stop
TITUS ST	Traffic Complaint / Parking Complaint	
PALMER ST&FAIRVIEW ST	Traffic Complaint / Parking Complaint	
W BORLAND RD&MAPLE VISTA ST	Traffic Complaint /	
	Parking Complaint	
N CEDAR	Property Check	
N CEDAR ST&E FOURTH ST		Traffic Stop
BANCROFT & 3RD	Found Property	
MIDWAY	Hit and Run Citation	
NEWARK & ALMONT		Traffic Stop
N ALMONT AVE	Property Check	
W IMLAY CITY RD&N BLACKS CORNERS RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&E BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY		Traffic Stop
N CEDAR ST&E CAPAC RD	Traffic Complaint / Road Hazard	
S CEDAR ST	Citizen Assist	
S ALMONT AVE&LYNN CT		Traffic Stop
N CEDAR ST&E CAPAC RD	Motorist Assist	
E THIRD ST	Citizen Assist	
N CEDAR ST&E CAPAC RD	Traffic Complaint / Road Hazard	
N CEDAR ST	Suspicious Circumstances	
MIDWAY	Property Check	
N CEDAR ST	Property Check	
S CEDAR ST&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop

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S CEDAR ST&NEWARK RD	Operating Under the	
	Influence of Alcohol / Liquor	
S ALMONT AVE&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
E FIRST ST&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&E BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST&NEWARK RD		Traffic Stop
S BLACKS CORNERS RD&W BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY	Citizen Assist	
S BLACKS CORNERS RD&W BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
BANCROFT ST	Welfare Check	
S ALMONT AVE&PALMER ST		Traffic Stop
S BLACKS CORNERS RD&W BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&E BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
S BLACKS CORNERS RD&W BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
E CAPAC RD	Alarm	
N BLACKS CORNERS RD&W IMLAY CITY RD		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR	Property Check	
E BORLAND RD&S ALMONT AVE		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&E BORLAND RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE&PALMER ST		Traffic Stop
MIDWAY		Traffic Stop
N BLACKS CORNERS RD&ATTICA RD		Traffic Stop
N BLACKS CORNERS RD&ATTICA RD		Traffic Stop
NEWARK RD&S SUMMERS RD	Misdemeanor Arrest Warrant	
TOWNSEND DR	Welfare Check	
N ALMONT AVE&E THIRD ST		Traffic Stop
N CEDAR ST&E CAPAC RD		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST		Traffic Stop
NEWARK RD&STOLDT AVE		Traffic Stop
SCHOOL HOUSE DR	Citizen Assist	

8/2/2026

WESTON ST	Citizen Assist	
N BLACKS CORNERS RD	911 Hang-up	
MAIN ST	Civil Matter	
N BLACKS CORNERS RD&W FOURTH ST		Traffic Stop
S CEDAR ST	Lost Property	
S ALMONT AVE	Assault	
N CEDAR ST&E CAPAC RD		Traffic Stop
S ALMONT AVE	Citizen Assist	
E CAPAC RD	Property Damage	Traffic Crash
NORLIN DR	Alarm	
MIDWAY	Assault/ Battery	
NEWARK RD	Citizen Assist	
E THIRD ST	Citizen Assist	
E THIRD ST	Citizen Assist	

Almont PD weekly report

ALMONT — Here is the weekly report for the Village of Almont as well as the Township for the week of 7/20/26 – 7/26/26. We had a total of 104 calls for service.

CALLS OF INTEREST

Traffic Stops	39 stops with 7 citations issued
Medical Assists	7
Family Trouble Complaints	1
Suspicious Circumstances	6
Property / Business Checks	16
Traffic Complaints	2
Operating While Intoxicated Complaints	1
Misdemeanor Arrests	1

Animal Complaints	1
911 Hang Ups	1
Welfare Checks	3
Traffic Crashes	3
Assist to Other Agencies	9
Citizen Assists	6
Road Hazards	2
Welfare Checks	1
Civil Matters	1
Motorist Assists	1
Juvenile Complaints	1
Assists to Fire Department	1
Lost Property Complaints	1



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Town Talk

Editor's note: Due to space constraints announcements will be posted one week in advance of the event. Notices must be received by noon Monday prior to the publication date. Please email them to natalie@tri-citytimes.com; subject: town talk.

For Senior Citizens

Almont-Dryden area seniors will meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 12 noon at the Almont Lions Hall. For info, call 810-798-8210.

Gentle Yoga Tuesdays from 9-10 a.m. at First Congregational Church in Almont. Practice led by Dina Miramonti, RYT.

The Berlin Township Senior Center is open every Tuesday for cards, games and socializing. Doors open at 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring a lunch or a dish to share. Refreshments provided. Potluck luncheons are the fourth Tuesday of every month at noon. For information call 395-4518.

Free Meals, Food

Free food distribution at West Berlin UMC SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2026 at 9:00 AM West Berlin UMC905 Holmes Rd., Allenton, MI 48002. Volunteers are always welcomed - please arrive around 8:00 AM. Funding from 4 County Comm. Foundation, St. Clair County Comm. Foundation, FBEM, Mich. Conf. UMC, many local businesses and individuals.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Imlay City.

Food for Families is offering meal and pantry Mondays and Wednesdays 4:00-5:30 p.m.

The First Congregational Church of Almont's Food Pantry is available Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. by appointment only. To make an appointment, call the church at 810-798-8855.

The Attica Methodist Church will be holding a free community meal on Tuesdays following Food Pantry of each month from 4-5:30 p.m. For more info please call 810-724-0690 or visit our Facebook page.

The Attica Food Pantry at the Attica Methodist Church, 27 Elk Lake Rd., is open from 12:30-3 p.m. the second Monday and 3-5 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month. Open to Lapeer County residents only.

Imlay City First Congregational Church's food pantry is open Thursdays from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. for residents of the Imlay City School District. The Pantry is closed when Thursday falls on a holiday. The church is located at 275 Bancroft Street in Imlay City. For more information, please call 810-724-6207 or send an email to fccic5thandbancroft@gmail.com Please contact FCC if you would like to know how to donate food to support the food pantry. Always needed are: peanut butter, jelly, toilet paper, juice, canned meat, cereal, soup, crackers and pasta sauce. Monetary dona-

tions can be sent to: First Congregational Church, 275 Bancroft Street, Imlay City, MI 48444. Earmark your donation to "food pantry."

Orchards' Cupboard Food Pantry is open the 3rd Saturday of every month 9-11 a.m. Food distributed at 74903 McKay Rd., Bruce Twp., 586-336-4673. www.orchardsonline.org.

Museums

If you are looking for something unique to do on a Saturday, the Imlay City Historical Museum could be a place to visit. Throughout the summer, from June thru November, vernece Biggers' American Indian collection of dolls and other items are being displayed at the Museum on S. Main St., from 1 to 4 p.m. each Saturday. The display is a lifelong labor of love by Bigger.

The Imlay City Historical Museum is closed for the months of January, February and March. Opening is scheduled for Saturday, April 4, 2026 with new exhibits. See you in the spring and please consider supporting the museum with your membership. Also, like us on Facebook or leave a message there. Also, watch the Facebook page, the member newsletter or local press for announcements.

The Attica Township Museum is located at 4350 Peppermill Rd., behind the township offices. The museum is open Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Donations are welcome.

The Almont Community Historical Society Museum is open Saturdays from 1-4 p.m. Please stop by and learn about your community. Society meetings are held at the museum on the second Monday of the

month at 7 p.m.

The Capac Historical Society is open Saturdays 1 p.m. - 4 p.m., May-September or by appointment. Call 810-395-2859 for more info.

The Dryden Historical Society's Depot. Please call Chris at (810) 577-5786 for an appointment. But if the train lights are flashing - someone's there. Come see us!

Support Groups

Grieving a loss? Find hope and healing after the death of a loved one. Join us at Grief Share. Weekly grief support group. Tuesdays, July 7 - September 29, 2026 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the Amazing Grace Church of Imlay City, 210 N. Almont Ave., Imlay City, MI 48444. For more information, contact Pastor Gary Bird at 810-724-0687 or by email at office@imlaycityamazinggrace.org. You can register at griefshare.org/findagroup

TOPS 620 LAPEER has a new meeting room. Trinity Methodist Church 1340 N. Main Street, Lapeer. Weigh-in 6 p.m. Information: call Nancy 810-796-3467

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meetings are held every Saturday at 10 a.m. at West Berlin United Methodist Church, Allenton.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meetings are held every Monday night at 7 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Imlay City.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) and Al-Anon meetings are held every Wednesday night at 8 p.m. at the Capac United Methodist Church, Capac, MI.

Lapeer Area Citizens Against Domestic Assault meets 1-3 p.m. every Wednesday in the Lapeer Court

House for personal protection order clinic. For info 810-667-4193.

Fundraisers

The Imlay City VFW Auxiliary 2492 are collecting bottles and cans to help with memberships. Drop them off in front of the Imlay City VFW at 598 N Almont Ave, Imlay City, MI 48444. For more info call Roberta at 810-65

Events

Join us for a Soaring Eagle Casino Bus Trip Wednesday, September 23, 2026, for tons of fun! All participants must be 18 and over. Departing from North Branch from the parking lot at the corners of Lincoln and Mill Streets at 9:00 a.m. so please arrive 15 minutes prior. Your ticket will include premium play, dining credit and bingo bucks. Any questions or to purchase tickets call or email Mary Jane at 810-614-6605 or maryjwalker56@yahoo.com. Payments must be received by August 19 and is not refundable unless your ticket can be resold. Sponsored by North Branch Chapter 149 OES.

Other

Are you interested in improving your English speaking and listening conversational skills in fun and meaningful ways? Two sessions to practice your English conversational skills! The morning session is held on Thursdays from 9:30-11:00 am. The evening session is on Thursdays from 4:30-6:00 pm. Held at the Family Literacy Center at 311 Higgins Street, in Lapeer. Please call the Family Literacy Center at 810-664-2737 or email ican@readlapeer.org for more information.

Stepping Out Steps (S.O.S) 12 step program/12 Pasos programa. Available in English or Spanish. Teaches individuals what the Bible says and how to incorporate it step by step into their daily lives to be an overcomer. This class is opened to the public every Thursday evening 7 p.m. at First Apostolic Church, 859 N. Vandyke Rd., Imlay City. For more info call or text Sister Mary E 586-746-5765 or Brother Dalton Oliver 810-542-0566.

Do you know an adult who wants to get their GED or improve their reading or math skills? The Family Literacy Center offers FREE tutoring and support. Participants can earn their GED at NO COST. Tutoring is provided through trained volunteers and lessons are customized for each student. Contact the Center for more information at ican@readlapeer.org or 810-664-2737.

Club News

Grocery Bingo play has just resumed at the Lapeer Center Building with a new coordinator. It will be held weekly on Wednesday nights starting at 6 PM and is open to everyone. For

details on the bingo, call John at (810) 664-2109.

MEAT BINGO at Berville Lions Hall, 13651 Hough Rd, Berlin. 1st Thursday of every month, 7 p.m. 15 meat packages; 50/50 drawing, last game is winner take all. Refreshments available for purchase.

American Legion Memphis Bingo is held every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. A light dinner is also served at intermission. Snacks are available for purchase. 34330 Bordman Rd, Memphis Contact Susan Oldham for more information at (810) 300-4561.

American Legion Memphis, 34330 Bordman Rd, Memphis. Euchre is held every Friday. Start time is 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Cost at door. For more information contact Susan Oldham at (810) 300-4561.

The St. Clair Kennel Club meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at an area restaurant. Check www.stclairkc.org for times and locations. Info on shows, trials, and activities with dogs is on their website and facebook page. New members welcome.

The Quilters in Training Quilt Guild meets every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 109 East Kempf Court, Capac. For more information, call 810-310-2114.

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) of Imlay City, Post 2492, 598 N. Almont Ave. (Fairgrounds Rd.) Overseas Veterans Meetings 2nd Thursday, every other month, 7 p.m.; Post Meetings 1st Thursday every month, 7 p.m., unless holiday then next week; Auxiliary Meetings 1st Saturday of every month, 10 a.m.

Almont/Dryden Masons meets 7 p.m. every 2nd Thursday of the month at Masonic Center in Almont.

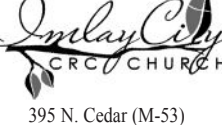
The Imlay City American Legion Post 135 meets the second and last Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. The post is located at 212 E. Third St. New members welcomed. Contact them at 810-441-0792.

The Capac American Legion, located at 115 N. Main St., meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. New members welcome. For more information, call 810-395-7250.

Markets

The weekly Sunday Flea Market continues with up to 50 vendors of all types of items. Vendors should contact Annemarie, market manager, at (810) 417-5416 for space details. The Flea Market is open free to the public 8 AM to 2 PM. The Lapeer Center Building, a non-profit, also offers 3 different size meeting rooms for community rental. Contact John, general manager, at (810) 664-2109 for information.

Church Directory

New Life CHRISTIAN CHURCH 4411 Newark Road Attica, MI 48412 810-724-2702 email: nlcc@newlifechristian.net www.newlifechristian.net Pastor Tim Martin Sunday 10 a.m. Service Friday 6 p.m. Service	St John's Episcopal Church 4074 South Mill St. • Dryden Phone 810-796-2371 email: stjohnschurchdryden@gmail.com website: www.stjohnschurchdryden.org Facebook St John's Episcopal Church Dryden Worship 10:00 a.m. Sundays "Living in Hope, United in Faith, Led by Love"	Holy Redeemer Lutheran Church 4538 Dryden Rd. • Dryden, MI (2 miles west of Dryden) 810-796-3951 Bible class - 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Worship service - 9:30 a.m. Dryden Soup Suppers - 5:45 pm TO LIVESTREAM AND THE WEBSITE - GO TO HOLYRED.ORG Pastor Eyan Veen Christian Pre-school available ALL ARE WELCOME!!	First Congregational Church <i>United Church of Christ All Are Welcome Here Come As You Are</i> 275 Bancroft, Imlay City Worship Sundays 10:30 am Facebook FirstCongregationalUCC.ImlayCity 724-6207 fccuccimlay.org Rev. David Forsberg	Attica Methodist Church 27 Elk Lake Road, Attica, MI (810) 724-0690 Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Attica Food Pantry: 12:30-3 p.m. - 2nd Monday of month 3-5 p.m. - 4th Monday of month Community Dinner: 4-5:30 p.m. - Tuesdays following the Food Pantry Pastor Ron Rouse
Imlay City Church of Christ 670 N. Van Dyke Imlay City, MI 48444 Sunday Service Bible Study (all ages) 10:00am Morning Worship 11:00am Wednesday Bible Classes (all ages) 10:00am 248-392-6160 COME WORSHIP WITH US! Dwaine Estes, Minister	HERITAGECHURCH.COM  heritagechurch SERVICETIMES SUNDAYS 9:30AM 11:00AM 810.721.7570 543N.CEDARST. IMLAYCITY	Sacred Heart - Imlay City 700 Maple Vista Sunday 10:00 am, 12 noon (Spanish) Tuesday 6:00 pm (Bilingual) Thursday 9:00 am St. Cornelius - Dryden 3834 N. Mill Rd Saturday 4:00 pm • Sunday 8:00 am Wednesday & Friday 9:00 am 810-724-1135	West Berlin U.M.C. 905 Holmes Rd. - Allenton, MI Corner of Almont Road 810-395-2409 Worship Service - 11:00 a.m. Pastor Patty Hoppenworth	St. Paul's Lutheran Church (ELCA) 200 North Cedar (M-53) Imlay City, MI 810-724-1200 Traditional Service: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: 10:00-10:55 a.m. Contemporary Service: 11:00 a.m. Also Available on Facebook St. Paul's Lutheran Church, ELCA www.stpaulslutheranic.org
Capac U.M.C. 14952 Imlay City Rd., Capac Church 810-395-2112 Sunday School - 10:00 am - All Ages Sunday Service: 9:00 am Junior Church and Nursery Available Bible Studies Available Come as you are - everyone is welcome!	Goodland Community Church 2008 N. Van Dyke Imlay City, MI 48444 810.724.1747 Worship Service: 10:00 am Rev. Chad Hampton goodlandcc.org	 395 N. Cedar (M-53) 810-724-4315 www.imlaycitycrc.org Pastor Alex Snider Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. SERMONS AVAILABLE ONLINE Come Grow With Us!	ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA) 109 E. Kempf Court • Capac, MI (810) 669-3009 Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. CHURCH SERVICES: Sunday 10:00 a.m. Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. September thru May	Amazing Grace Church of Imlay City <i>A Global Methodist Congregation</i> 210 N. Almont Ave. Corner of 4th St. & Almont Ave. (Across from the Library) Sermons Available on imlaycityamazinggrace.org • Sunday Adult Bible Study - 9:30 am • Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 am Nursery Available • Youth Group Sundays - 4:30 pm • 4th & 5th Grade Group Wednesdays - 4:00 pm Pastor: Rev. Dr. Marcel Allen Lamb Youth Pastor: Rev. Gary Bird office@imlaycityamazinggrace.org 810-724-0687
BLESSED HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH 1635 Berville Road, Allenton, MI Phone: (586) 784-5854 Sunday School - 10:00 am Sunday Worship - 11:00 am Eve. Service - 6:30 pm Wed. Service - 6:30 pm Christian School K-12 A Warm Welcome Awaits You! Gayle P. Hortop, Pastor	Place your church ad in the Tri-City Times! 810-842-0557 rnolin.tct@gmail.com 			

Lapeer Community Theatre Announces Auditions for A Christmas Carol

Community theater brings the timeless holiday classic to the Pix Theatre stage this December

LAPEER, MI – Lapeer Community Theatre (LCT) is seeking performers of all ages to bring the beloved holiday classic A Christmas Carol to the Pix Theatre stage. Open auditions will be held August 9 from 3-5 p.m. and August 10 from 6-8 p.m. at the Pix Theatre, 172 W. Nepessing St., Lapeer, MI. Performances will run December 4-6 at the Pix Theatre.

Directed by Elizabeth Parrott, the production will cast approximately 30 roles for children, high school, and adult performers of all genders and ages. In John Jakes’

imaginative adaptation, Charles Dickens himself takes the stage to share his beloved holiday tale as one of his famed public readings. As the story unfolds around him, Dickens moves in and out of the action, helping bring the world of Ebenezer Scrooge to life. This theatrical retelling captures the magic, warmth, and spirit of Dickens’ original story.

Auditions will consist of cold reads from the script. No prepared monologue is required, and actors of all experience levels are encouraged to audition. Actors may be asked to read more than once, try dif-

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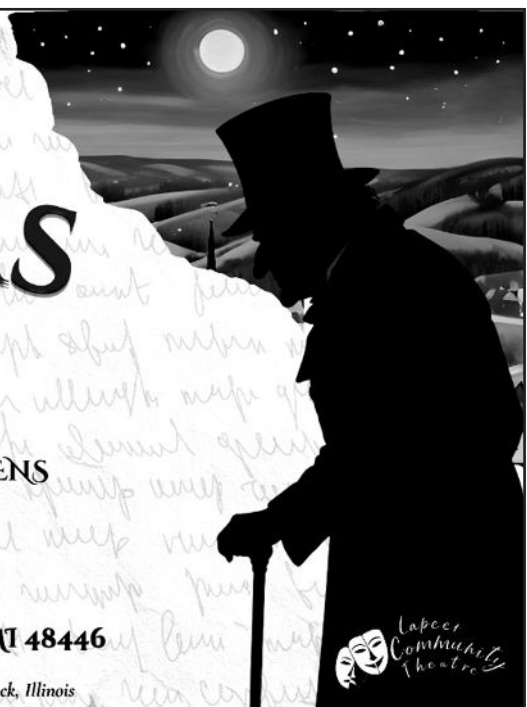
A CHRISTMAS CAROL

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ferent roles, or work with different scene

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including audition materials, can be found at

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Obituaries

~ Diane Marie Halteman, 78 ~

Diane Marie Halteman, age 78, formerly of Almont, Michigan, passed away peacefully on July 22, 2026, surrounded by her loving family at her home in Orlando, Florida.

Born on August 13, 1947, in Detroit, Michigan, Diane was the eldest daughter of John Meskaukas and Florence Statkiewicz. She graduated from Warren Fitzgerald High School in Warren, Michigan, where she met the love of her life, Danny Halteman. The

two were married on September 10, 1966, beginning a partnership that would span nearly 60 years.

The newlyweds first settled in Sterling Heights, Michigan, where Danny began his long career with Ford Motor Company while Diane worked in retail at a local Kmart. In June 1967, they welcomed their daughter, Tracy, and Diane embraced her role as a stay-at-home mother. Their son Daniel (Todd) was born the following September, and with the



arrival of Brian in September 1973, their family was complete. After a brief three-year stay in Shelby Township, Diane and Danny made their permanent home at "the farm" in Almont, Michigan, in December 1978, a place they would cherish for nearly 48 years.

Once the children were all in school, Diane returned to the workforce as a bookkeeper for a family medical practice in Rochester, Michigan. For more than 30 years, she was the steady, organized heart of the office, earning the respect and appreciation

of both the physicians and staff who relied on her every day.

Outside of work, Diane embraced life through the hobbies she loved. She enjoyed sewing, gardening, following sports, and, above all, bowling. Bowling was a lifelong favorite that she shared with Danny, and over nearly six decades they built lasting friendships both on and off the lanes.

Gardening, however, held a special place in Diane's heart. Whether she was tending vegetables, raspberries, flowering trees, or vibrant flowerbeds, she delighted in helping things grow and took pride in cultivating native plants. In the early 2000s, she completed the coursework to become a certified Master Gardener. Under her loving care, the family farm blossomed into a colorful sanctuary that reflected her creativity, patience and love of nature.

Family was always at the center of Diane's life. She and Danny created countless memories with their children

through baseball, 4-H, camping trips, boating, water skiing and fishing at the family cottage. They faithfully cheered from the sidelines

through literally thousands of innings of baseball and softball and treasured every family gathering, especially during the holidays.

Diane was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. She was known for her kindness, quiet strength, quick wit, and willingness to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. More than anything, Diane found her greatest joy in caring for her family and creating a life filled with love and laughter.

She is survived by her beloved husband of nearly 60 years, Danny Halteman; her children, Tracy (Patrick) Leach, Daniel Halteman, and Brian (Tamara) Halteman; two great-grandchildren, Easton and Emberly; nine grandchildren, Shawn, Aaron, Derek, Kaleb (Alexis), Jared, James, Bennett, Adam, and

Alaina; her brother, John (Sharon) Austin; her sister, Janet Kaltz; and many nieces, nephews, and cherished friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother-in-law, Joe Kaltz; and her niece, Nicole Kaltz.

Diane's warmth, generosity, and unwavering devotion to her family will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who knew and loved her.

A celebration of Diane's life will be held on Saturday, August 29 from 12 - 4 p.m. at The Van Hoosen Farm, 1005 Van Hoosen Rd., Rochester Hills, MI 48306. Appetizers and refreshments will be provided. Bring your favorite memories of Diane to share!

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made in Diane's honor to the Parkinson's Foundation, Michigan Master Gardener Association, St. Jude, or plant a tree in Diane's honor through A Living Tribute.

~ Alfred “Al” Ochadleus, 80 ~

Alfred “Al” Ochadleus, age 80, of Attica, Michigan died Thursday, July 30, 2026 surrounded by his family at his home. Alfred William Ochadleus was born October 26, 1945 in Brown City, MI. He is the son of the late Alfred and the late Josephine (Wilewicz) Ochadleus. Al attended Brown City High School. He continued his education at Mott Community College where he earned his Associates degree in Economics. Al married Donna Buckingham on August 28, 1964 in Attica, Michigan.

He was employed as the Plant Manager by Vlasic Foods in Imlay City, MI. Al started from the bottom at Vlasic Foods and worked his way up to Director of the Michigan plants for Vlasic Foods and Campbell Soup.

Al was the Attica Township Supervisor for 26 years, on the Medical/Ambulance board for 10 years and many other local government affiliations.

He enjoyed building things and traveling. He was a licensed building contractor and had a constant can-do attitude.

Al is survived by: his wife, Donna Ochadleus of Attica, MI; daughter, Carol (Susan Sever) Ochadleus of Burton, MI; his son, Mark (Sherry) Ochadleus of Attica, MI; grandson, Logan; and his sister, Stephanie DeGurse.

He was preceded in



death by: his parents, Alfred and Josephine Ochadleus; brother, Larry (Marjorie) Ochadleus; his sisters, Dolores (Dr. Douglas) Blanks, Kathleen Valchuk and Veronica (James) Beebe; and his brother-in-law, James DeGurse.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held 11 a.m., Thursday, August 6, 2026 at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 814 W. Nepessing St., Lapeer, MI. Reverend Fr. Brian Hurley, pastor of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, will officiate.

The family will be available for visitation 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. th at Muir Brothers Funeral Home, 225 N. Main Street, Imlay City, MI. A Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Wednesday evening.

Arrangements were entrusted to Muir Brothers Funeral Home of Imlay City, 225 N. Main Street, Imlay City, MI. Please be sure to sign our online register at www.muirbrothersfh.com to share condolences and memories with the Ochadleus family.

Terry Van Putten, age 68, of Imlay City, Michigan, passed away Thursday, July 30, 2026, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

Terry John Van Putten was born October 14, 1957, in Almont, Michigan, the son of the late Norman and Irene (Wille) Van Putten. He grew up in Imlay City and remained deeply rooted there for most of his life. A proud graduate of Imlay City High School, Class of 1975, Terry continued his education at Ferris State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Automotive Engineering.

For more than 35 years, he owned and operated Van Putten Automotive in Imlay City. Through hard work he built a trusted local business that became a valued part of the community.

From a young age, Terry had a deep love for anything with speed and motors. He was an avid dirt bike and



motorcycle racer until a serious motorcycle accident in his twenties brought his racing days to an end. Even so, his passion for automobiles never faded. He took great pride in collecting and restoring vehicles, as well as building and driving cars in the yearly demolition derby, always finding joy in the roar of an engine and the thrill of the competition.

Terry also cherished time outdoors. He loved gardening and farming, and enjoyed escaping to the family cabin, where he hunted birds and deer. He found peace on the water whether it was walleye fishing and boating on Lake Huron,

or saltwater fishing in Florida.

He is survived by his daughters, Jessica Van Putten of Spencerville, Ohio, and Tiffany Roszczewski of Imlay City, Michigan; his son, Justin Van Putten of DeLand, Florida; his brother, Thomas Van Putten of Minnesota; and his cherished grandchildren, Brody Roszczewski, Gabrielle Roszczewski, Makinley Monosmith, and Jackson Monosmith.

Terry was preceded

in death by: his parents, Norman and Irene Van Putten.

The funeral service was held 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 4, 2026 at Muir Brothers Funeral Home of Imlay City, 225 N. Main Street, Imlay City, MI. Reverend Fr. Charles Altermatt, pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, officiated.

Please be sure to sign our online register at www.muirbrothersfh.com to share condolences and memories with the Van Putten family.

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VILLAGE OF CAPAC NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Please note that the Capac Village Council will hold a regular council meeting on August 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the Village of Capac Municipal Building located at 208 North Main Street, Capac, Michigan 48014.

An ordinance to reduce the size of village council trustees from six to four will be one of the subjects of the meeting.

Copies of the proposed ordinance are available for public inspection and review at the Office of the Village Clerk located at 208 North Main Street, Capac, Michigan 48014.

This notice is given in compliance with MCL 62.1 and the Michigan's Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.231 et seq.

LeAnn Brewer
Village of Capac Clerk
31-1

ATTICA TOWNSHIP THE TOWNSHIP OF ATTICA FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SEMCO ENERGY GAS COMPANY Resolution #2026-02

An Ordinance, granting to SEMCO Energy Gas Company, a Michigan corporation, its successors and assigns, the right, power and authority to lay, maintain and operate gas mains, pipes and services on, along, across and under the highways, streets, alleys, bridges, waterways, and other public places, and to conduct a local gas business in the Township of Attica, located in Lapeer County, Michigan, for a period of thirty years.

THE TOWNSHIP OF ATTICA ORDAINS:

Section 1. GRANT OF FRANCHISE. The Township of Attica, located in Lapeer County, Michigan (the "Township"), hereby grants to SEMCO Energy Gas Company, a division of SEMCO Energy, Inc., a Michigan corporation, its successors and assigns, (the "Grantee") the right, power and authority to construct, lay, operate, maintain and replace in the public streets, highways, alleys and other public places in the Township of Attica, Michigan, all needful and proper gas pipes, mains, conductors, service pipes and other apparatus and facilities requisite for the manufacture,

transmission and distribution of gas for all purposes to the Township of Attica, and the inhabitants thereof, and for conducting gas elsewhere to supply neighboring cities, villages and other territories supplied with gas by said Grantee, for a period of thirty years.

Section 2. CONSIDERATION. In consideration of the rights, power and authority hereby granted, Grantee shall faithfully perform all things required by the terms hereof.

Section 3. CONDITIONS. No highway, street, alley, bridge or other public place used by Grantee shall be obstructed longer than necessary during the work of construction or repair, and shall be restored to as good order and condition as when Grantee commenced the work. All of Grantee's pipes and mains shall be so placed in the highways and other public places as not to unnecessarily interfere with the use thereof for highway purposes. Grantee will use its best efforts to not unreasonably interfere with or disrupt any public utility apparatus or facilities operated by the Township and, to the extent Grantee interferes with or disrupts any such public utility apparatus or facilities, Grantee shall restore such apparatus or facilities to as good order and condition as when Grantee commenced work.

Section 4. HOLD HARMLESS. Grantee shall at all times keep and save the Township free and harmless from all loss, costs and expense to which it may be subject by reason of the Grantee's negligent construction and negligent maintenance of the structures and equipment hereby authorized. If any action is commenced against the Township resulting from Grantee's negligent construction and maintenance, Grantee shall, upon notice, defend the Township and save it free and harmless from all loss, cost and damage arising out of such negligent construction and maintenance.

Section 5. FRANCHISE NOT EXCLUSIVE. The rights, power and authority herein granted, are not exclusive. Either manufactured or natural gas may be furnished hereunder.

Section 6. RATES. Grantee shall charge for gas furnished the rates, charges and special taxes as approved from time to time by the Michigan Public Service Commission, or its successors having authority and jurisdiction to fix and regulate gas rates and charges, or as otherwise permitted

or required by applicable law or tariff, for the term of this franchise. Such rates shall be subject to Commission review and change at any time upon petition therefore being made by either said Township, acting by its Township Board, or by said Grantee.

Section 7. REVOCATION. The franchise granted by this ordinance is subject to revocation upon sixty (60) days written notice by the party desiring such revocation.

Section 8. MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JURISDICTION. Grantee shall, as to all other conditions and elements of service not herein fixed, be and remain subject to the reasonable rules and regulations of the Michigan Public Service Commission or its successors, applicable to gas service in said Township and shall provide service in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in its applicable tariff as approved from time to time by the Michigan Public Service Commission or its successors.

Section 9. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS. The words "SEMCO Energy Gas Company" and "SEMCO Energy, Inc.," wherever used herein, are intended and shall be held and construed to mean and include SEMCO Energy Gas Company and its parent, subsidiaries, successors, affiliates, and assigns, whether so expressed or not. The word "Grantee," wherever used herein, is intended and shall be held and construed to mean and include SEMCO Energy Gas Company, SEMCO Energy, Inc., and the successors and assigns of each, whether so expressed or not. Grantee may assign the rights and obligations under this agreement as long as the Grantee provides prior written notice to the Township of any such assignment.

Section 10. FORCE MAJEURE. The Grantee shall not be liable for failure to furnish service as herein provided, or for any breach of the Grantee's obligations hereunder, if such failure or breach is caused by acts of God, labor troubles, riot, or any other causes or contingencies not reasonably within the control of the Grantee.

Section 11. VACATION OR RELOCATION. The Township may require the Grantee to vacate or relocate any portion of Grantee's facilities at the Grantee's expense if such vacation or relocation is necessary to secure the public health and welfare or is

otherwise required by Grantor in the exercise of a governmental function.

Section 12. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS. Grantee shall comply with all laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations regarding the installation, construction, ownership or use of its facilities, whether federal, state, or local.

Section 13. EFFECTIVE DATE. Upon adoption, the Township Clerk shall deliver to Grantee a certified copy of this ordinance. Additionally, the Township shall publish this ordinance within thirty (30) days of its adoption and this ordinance shall take effect upon the day after the date of publication thereof, continuing for a term of thirty (30) years from that date; provided, however, it shall cease and be of no effect after sixty (60) days from its adoption unless within said period the Grantee shall accept the same in writing filed with the Township Clerk.

Upon acceptance and publication hereof, the ordinance shall constitute a contract between said Township and said Grantee.

Ayes: (4) Winslow, Mason, Herpolsheimer, McLellan
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (1) Schultz
Date Passed: July 8, 2026
Attested, by Order of the Township of Attica, Lapeer County, Michigan
Valerie Schultz
Attica Township Clerk
Austin McLellan
Attica Township Supervisor

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Attica Township, Lapeer County, Michigan, hereby certifies that: (1) the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Township Board at a regular meeting held on the 8th day of July 2026, at which meeting a quorum was present and remained throughout, (2) the original thereof is on file in the records in my office, (3) the meeting was conducted, and public notice thereof was given, pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act (Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended) and, (4) minutes of such meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required thereby.

Dated: 07/26/2026
Valerie Schultz
Attica Township Clerk
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IC tennis player advances to semi-finals of Robinson tennis tournament

PORT HURON — Levi Lengemann, a senior on the Imlay City tennis team this fall, had a solid effort in a tune-up for the upcoming season.

The Spartans returning #1 singles player took part in the 69th annual Francis J. Robinson tennis tournament in Port Huron last week.

The Robinson is named after a local tennis player, Lt. Francis J. Robinson, a young serviceman who died in a military flight training mission in July, 1958. A group of Lt. Robinson's friends started a small tennis tournament in his honor that same summer. The "Robinson" has drawn between 200-400 participants annually, with players 10 and

under to 70 and over and is considered one of the longest running community tennis tournaments in the United States. The Robinson unites players from the local tennis community, surrounding Michigan cities, other states and Canada to come together for a fun-filled week of tennis each summer.

The multi-day tournament has historically provided outstanding tennis for fans to watch, both in the female and male divisions.

The Imlay City standout competed in the 18U division. He handled his first round opponent from China, Michigan, winning in straight sets 6-3 and 6-2.

Lengemann followed that up with a hard-fought 7-5 and 6-2



Photo by Ryan Nolin

Imlay City tennis player Levi Lengemann advanced to the semi-finals of the Francis J. Robinson tennis tournament.

win over William Beck of Fort Gratiot. The win moved him into the semi-finals.

With just four players left in his age group, Lengemann knew the competition would be tougher and that it was.

His semi-final match was moved indoors, due to threatening weather. Fans gathered inside the clubhouse viewing area and were treated to some

outstanding tennis on both sides of the net.

In the end, Lengemann saw his gutsy tournament run come to an end with a tough 3-6, 4-6 loss to his opponent from Petrolia, Ontario.

The Spartans begin practice next week and will play their first matches of the year a week later when they travel to Lapeer for a quad meet.



Photo by Ryan Nolin



Photo by Kevin Kissane

Imlay City's Emma Keeping connects on a shot at the net during a BWAC match at home.

Keeping set to play for Wake Forest

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

IMLAY CITY — Emma Keeping, a 2026 graduate of Imlay City High School, is listed on the roster of the Wake Forest women's volleyball team this fall.

She brings with her outstanding court credentials to Wake Forest's program, having registered 496 kills and 387 set assists during the 2025 campaign.

The 5-11 setter/right side hitter also contributed 226 digs, 50 ace serves and 43 blocks to Imlay City's cause.

It was her fourth year on Imlay City's varsity.

Keeping, who placed sixth in the balloting for

Michigan's Miss Volleyball Award, wrapped up the season as a Division 2 All-State first team selection, All-Region Choice, All-Blue Water Area Conference first team pick as well as a Tri-City Times All-Area first team selection.

In addition to those accolades, Keeping was an Academic All-State choice.

Wake Forest is set to open its season Friday, August 28 when they travel to Baton Rouge, Louisiana to face LSU. That matchup lists a 7 p.m. starting time.



Keeping

All-Area boys' track team named

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

TRI-CITY AREA — From start to finish, the 2026 edition of the Tri-City Times All-Area boys' track team proved a force with which to be reckoned.

Here is a look at who earned a spot in the line-up and the accomplishments they registered along the way:

Name: Jacob Biolchini
School: Almont
Year: Senior
Event: High jump
Best effort: Biolchini produced a clearance of 5 feet 4 inches twice this past season.

The first time he accomplished the performance was Tuesday, April 28 when he placed second.

He also cleared the height en route to a third at the Fourth Annual Cardinal Classic in Dryden on Friday, May 8.

Top finishes: Biolchini took third at the Fourth Annual Cardinal Classic in Dryden; obtained a sixth at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet; furnished a ninth at the Marlette Invite; registered a 15th at the



Photo by Kevin Kissane

Almont's Brody Corneau clears a flight of hurdles at the Blue Water Area Conference League Meet in Armada.

Davison Twilight Classic; plus managed a 20th at the Lapeer County Press Meet in North Branch;

Name: Gabe Hibner
School: Almont
Year: Junior
Event: Pole vault
Best effort: Hibner cleared 12 feet three times during the 2026 campaign.

The first team it happened was when third at the Davison Twilight

Classic on Friday, May, 1.

Four days later, Hibner cleared the height again en route to a second at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet.

He also cleared 12 feet on the way to a first Saturday, May 16 at a Division 3 regional meet.

Top finishes: Hibner took first at a Division 3 regional meet; provided seconds at the Marlette Invite and Fourth Annual Cardinal Classic in Dryden; generated a third at the Davison Twilight Classic; placed fourth at the Marysville-based Blue Water Meet of Champions; claimed a seventh at the Shake Off the Rust Invite in Davison; plus added a 17th at the Hudsonville-based Division 3 state finals.

Name: Jovani Pena
School: Imlay City
Year: Junior
Event: Long jump
Best effort: Pena leaped 19 feet 6 inches twice during the 2026 campaign.

The first time he

accomplished that was Tuesday, May 5 when he placed first at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet.

Eleven days later, Pena equaled that distance when he wound up fourth at a Division 2 regional in North Branch.

Top finishes: He claimed a first at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet; supplied fourths at the Hatchet Invite in Bad Axe and at a North Branch-based Division 2 regional; generated a fifth at the Tri County Invite; contributed an eighth at the Bluewater Meet of Champs in Marysville; furnished a 19th at the 63rd Elmer Ball Oxford Invite; and was 22nd among Division 1/2 entries at the SVSU Indoor Invite; plus tacked on a 23rd at the Shake Off the Rust Invite in Davison.

Name: Brayden Cremeans
School: Imlay City
Year: Freshman



Photo by Kevin Kissane

Imlay City's Jovani Pena won the long jump event at the BWAC League Meet this past spring.



Photo by Rod Soule

Imlay City's Makayla Bruman will play for the Saginaw Valley State University volleyball team this fall.

Bruman to play volleyball at SVSU

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

IMLAY CITY — Makayla Bruman, a 2026 graduate of Imlay City High School, will continue her volleyball playing days with Saginaw Valley State University's squad this fall.

During her senior season, Bruman provided Imlay City with 576 set assists and 269 kills.

The 5-11 setter/right side hitter also collected 264 digs, 79 ace serves and 32 blocks.

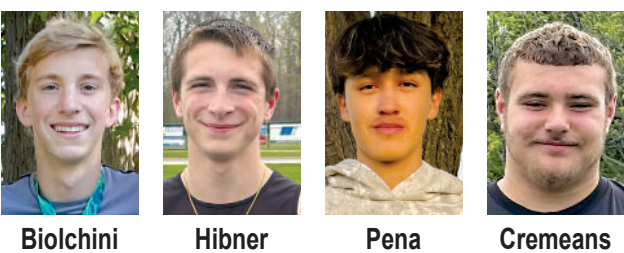
It was her fourth year

on Imlay City's varsity.

Bruman finished the year as an All-Blue Water Area Conference and Tri-City Times All-Area first team selection as well as a Division 2 All-State second team choice.

SVSU is scheduled to start their season Friday, August 28 when they compete at the Indy Invite.

The team squares off versus West Liberty University and Thomas More that day. Those matches list 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. starting times, respectively.



All-Area:

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Event: Shot put
Best effort: Cremeans threw 38 feet 4 1/4 inches en route to an 11th at a Division 2 regional in North Branch on Saturday, May 16.

Top finishes: He took ninth at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet; provided a 19th at the 63rd Elmer Ball Oxford Invitational; supplied a 29th at the Tri-County Invite; managed a 32nd at the Shake Off the Rust Invite in Davison; plus registered a 40th at the Davison Twilight Classic.

Name: Caleb Wilson
School: Dryden
Year: Sophomore
Event: Discus
Best effort: Wilson uncorked a toss measuring 116 feet 5 inches for first Friday, May 15 at a Dryden-based Division 4 regional.

Top finishes: He earned firsts at the Dryden-based Big Thumb Conference Red and Blue Division League Meet and a Division 4 regional; ranked 13th at the Marlette Invite; was 19th at the Davison Twilight Classic; generated a 23rd at the Hudsonville-based Division 4 state finals; and added a 30th at the Shake Off the Rust Invite in Davison.

Name: Brett Lestage
School: Imlay City
Year: Junior
Event: 100-meter dash

Best effort: Lestage posted a time of 10.78 seconds en route to a second at the 63rd Elmer Ball Oxford Invitational on Saturday, April 25.

Top finishes: He claimed firsts at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet, Hatchet Invite in Bad Axe, Marysville-based Bluewater Meet of Champs and Thumb Meet of Champs in Caro; placed second at the 63rd Elmer Ball Oxford Invitational; generated fourths at the Davison-based Shake Off the Rust Invite and Davison

Twilight Classic; registered a fifth at the Tri-County Invite; plus provided a sixth at the Hamilton High School-based Division 2 state finals.

Name: Brody Corneau
School: Almont
Year: Junior
Event: 110-meter hurdles

Best effort: Corneau supplied a clocking of 15.95 seconds for first Tuesday, April 14 in a meet against visiting Blue Water Area Conference rivals Yale, and Cros-Lex.

Top finishes: He generated a second at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet; secured a third at the Marlette Invite, North Branch-based Lapeer County Press Invite, Fourth Annual Cardinal Classic in Dryden, and a Division 3 regional in Mount Clemens; obtained a fourth at the Shake Off the Rust Invite in Davison; plus added fifths at the Davison Twilight Classic and Bluewater Meet of Champs in Marysville.

Name: Brett Lestage
School: Imlay City
Year: Junior
Event: 200-meter dash

Best effort: Lestage registered a school record-setting time of 21.96 seconds en route to a ninth at the Division 2 state finals on Saturday, May 30.

Hamilton High School is where the action unfolded.

Top finishes: Lestage placed first at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet, Bad Axe-based Hatchet Invite, Bluewater Meet of Champions in Marysville and Caro-based Thumb Meet of Champions; took second at the Davison Twilight Classic; registered a fourth at the 63rd Elmer Ball Oxford Invite; obtained a fifth at the Davison-based Shake Off the Rust Invite; generated a sixth among Division 1/2 entries at the SVSU Indoor Invite; plus provided a ninth at the

Hamilton High School-based Division 2 state finals

Name: Ethan Everhart
School: Imlay City
Year: Senior
Event: 300-meter hurdles

Best effort: Everhart provided a clocking of 44.21 seconds for first Friday, April 17 at the Tri-County Invite.

Top finishes: He took first at the Tri-County Invite.

Name: Brett Lestage
School: Imlay City
Year: Junior
Event: 400-meter dash



Photo by Kevin Kissane

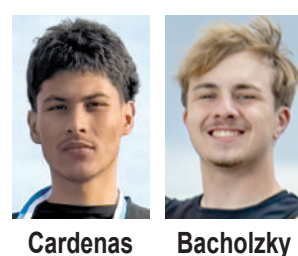
Dryden's Levi Fitchett picks up the pace during a race this past spring. He was a Tri-City Times All-Area first team selection in the 1600-meter run.

Best effort: Lestage managed a time of 50.67 seconds en route to a first at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet on Tuesday, May 5.

Top finishes: He obtained a first at the Blue Water Area Conference League Meet in Armada and was second at the Bad Axe-based Hatchet Invite.

Name: Colton Grzyb
School: Almont
Year: Junior
Event: 800-meter run
Best effort: Grzyb supplied a 2:02.99 clocking for a first Tuesday, May 5 at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet.

Top finishes: He placed first at the Marlette Invite, Blue Water Area Conference League Meet in Armada, Fourth Annual Cardinal Classic in Dryden and a Mount Clemens-based Division 3 regional; claimed a second at the



Marysville-based Bluewater Meet of Champions; obtained an eighth at the Lapeer County Press Invite in North Branch; ranked 16th at the Davison-based Shake Off the Rust Invite; and contributed a 25th at the Division 3 state finals in Kent City.

Name: Levi Fitchett
School: Dryden

Year: Sophomore
Event: 1600-meter run

Best effort: Fitchett generated a time of 4:51.77 en route to a second at a Dryden-based Division 4 regional on Friday, May 15.

Top finishes: He obtained a first at the Fourth Annual Cardinal Classic in Dryden; placed second at a Dryden-based Division 4 regional; registered a third at the Green Devil Invite in Brown City; furnished a fourth at the Marlette Invite; took 21st at the Hudsonville-based Division 4 state finals; provided a 25th at the Davison Twilight Classic; and added a 26th at the Shake Off the Rust Invite in Davison.

Name: Liam Bhatti
School: Imlay City
Year: Sophomore
Event: 3200-meter run

Best effort: Bhatti managed a 10:33.58



clocking for 31st Friday, May 1 at the Davison Twilight Classic.

Top finishes: He collected a first at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet; placed eighth at the Bluewater Meet of Champions in Marysville; wound up ninth at a North Branch-based Division 2 regional; contributed an 11th at the Tri-County Invite; furnished a 25th at the Shake Off the Rust Invite in Davison; plus tacked on a 31st at the Davison Twilight Classic.

Team: Alan Valdovinos, Enrique Cardenas, Ethan Everhart and Brett Lestage.
School: Imlay City
Years: Senior, senior senior and junior.
Event: 400-meter relay

Best effort: An Imlay City team of Alan Valdovinos, Enrique Cardenas, Ethan Everhart and Brett Lestage posted a time of 43.01 seconds en route to a seventh at the Division 2 state finals on Saturday, May 30.

Hamilton High School is where the action unfolded.

Top finishes: Imlay City took first at North Branch-based Division 2 regional and the Bluewater Meet of Champions in Marysville; obtained a second at the Caro-based Thumb Meet of Champions; furnished a sixth at the Davison Twilight Classic; plus added a seventh at the Division 2 state finals hosted by Hamilton High School.

Team: Matthew Bacholzky, Johnny Roland, Adam SaintOnge and Colton Grzyb.

School: Almont
Years: Senior, junior, senior and junior
Event: 1600-meter relay

Best effort: A team of Matthew Bacholzky, Johnny Roland, Adam SaintOnge and Colton Grzyb notched a time of 3:36.21 en route to a fourth at a Division 3 regional hosted by Mount Clemens on Saturday, May 16.

Top finishes: Almont's lineup took second at the Blue Water Area Conference League Meet in Armada; obtained a fourth at a Mount Clemens-based Division 3 regional; and placed fifth at the Bluewater Meet of Champions in Marysville.

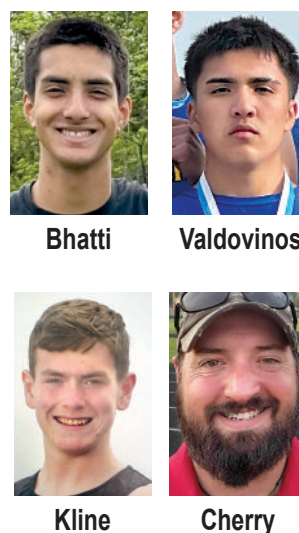
Team: Jamin Siewert, Benjamin Kline, Adam SaintOnge and Colton Grzyb

School: Almont
Years: Junior, junior, senior and junior
Event: 3200-meter relay

Best effort: An Almont lineup of Jamin Siewert, Benjamin Kline, Adam SaintOnge and Colton Gryzb cracked the 8:45-barrier four times this season.

The quickest of those outings happened Tuesday, May 5 when they ran an 8:38.66 effort en route to a third at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet.

Top finishes: They registered firsts at the



Marlette Invite, Fourth Annual Cardinal Classic in Dryden and at a Mount Clemens-based Division 3 regional; provided seconds at the North Branch-based Lapeer County Press Invite and Bluewater Meet of Champions in Marysville; furnished a third at the Armada-based Blue Water Area Conference League Meet; placed ninth at the Davison Twilight Classic; generated a 10th at Shake Off the Rust Invite in Davison; and added a 23rd at the Division 3 state finals hosted by Kent City High School.

Second team- Jalen Gauthier, Imlay City, high jump; Sebastian Hoult, Imlay City, pole vault; Matthew Bacholzky, Almont, long jump; Caleb Wilson, Dryden, shot put; Brayden Cremeans, Imlay City; discus; Matthew Bacholzky, Almont, 100 and 200-meter dashes; Ethan Everhart, Imlay City, 110-meter hurdles; Brody Corneau, Almont, 300-meter hurdles; Colton Grzyb, Almont, 400-meter dash; Adam SaintOnge, Almont, 800-meter run; Liam Bhatti and Isaac Sommer Imlay City, 1600-meter run; Logan Romain, Dryden, 3200-meter run; Almont 400-meter relay of Andrew SaintOnge, Logan Lorincz, Brody Corneau and Ayden Battani; Almont 800-meter relay of Matthew Bacholzky, Johnny Roland, Brody Corneau and Logan Lorincz; Dryden's 1600-meter relay of Jayden Stankevich, Jaycen Roberts, Logan Korth and Levi Fitchett; plus Imlay City's 3200-meter relay of Isaac Sommer, Liam Bhatti, Hudson Everhart and Will Cilk.

Honorable mention- Tyler Kanai, Imlay City, long jump; Logan Lorincz, Almont, 100-meter dash; Brenden Peter, Dryden, 110 and 300-meter hurdles; Jayden Stankevich, Dryden, 200 and 400-meter dashes; Tyler Roberts, Dryden, 300-meter hurdles; Matthew Bacholzky, Almont, 400-meter dash; Johnny Roland, Almont, 400-meter dash; Will Cilk, Imlay City, 400-meter dash; Logan Korth, Dryden, 400-meter dash; Jamin Siewert, Almont, 800-meter run; Isaac Sommer, Imlay City; 800-meter run; Levi Fitchett, Dryden, 800-meter run; Hudson Everhart, Imlay City, 1600-meter run; Benjamin Kline, Almont, 1600-meter run; Imlay City's 1600-meter relay of Isaac Sommer, Will Cilk, Brady Homer and Enrique Cardenas; plus Dryden's 3200-meter relay of Logan Romain, Tyler Roberts, Jaycen Roberts and Levi Fitchett.

Coach of the Year- For directing his team to a top Division 4 regional finish and a second at the BTC Blue and Red Division League Meet it hosted, Dryden Coach Matt Cherry earns Tri-City Times All-Area Coach of the Year accolades.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Capac sophomore track standout Jenna Husky posted a season's-best shot put toss of 28 feet 1 1/4 inches this spring.

For her effort, Husky earns our Girls' Athlete of the Week honor.



Capac senior baseball standout Wiley Rose managed a .333 average and made just one error behind the plate in 153 2/3 innings this season.

For his effort, claims our Boys' Athlete of the Week honor.

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Imlay City's Brady Detwiler, shown here with his dad Mark and mom Wendy, signed with Rochester Christian's baseball team recently.

Detwiler is headed to Rochester

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

IMLAY CITY — Brady Detwiler, a 2026 graduate of Imlay City High School, signed his letter of intent to become a part of the Rochester Christian baseball program recently.

This spring he collected 26 singles, five doubles and one home run in 88 at bats. That left him with a .364 average at season's end.

He also contributed 34 runs scored and 20 stolen bases to Imlay City's cause.

This was his fourth year on Imlay City's squad.

Detwiler, whose primary positions were second base and shortstop, ended the year as an All-Blue Water Area Conference honorable mention selection.



Imlay City's Brady Detwiler, shown here in action at the Blue Water Senior All-Star Baseball Game, will play for the Rochester Christian baseball team next season.

Two Almont players headed to SC4

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

ALMONT — Almont's Bashkim Sinishtaj and Gabe Nuculovic signed their respective letters of intent with the St. Clair County Community College men's soccer

team recently.

Nuculovic was an All-District and All-Blue Water Area Conference honorable mention selection a year ago.

He finished his career with 42 goals and 24 assists.

Sinishtaj was an All-Blue Water Area

Conference first team choice and All-District honorable mention pick his senior season.

He ended his career with 28 goals and 33 assists.

Both Nuculovic and Sinishtaj were four-year varsity starters for Almont's program.



Almont's Bashkim Sinishtaj (L) and Gabe Nuculovic (R) sign their respective letters of intent with St. Clair County Community College's soccer team as Raider Coach Martin Camaj looks on.

Schneider earns league accolades

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

CAPAC — Annabelle Schneider, a graduate of Capac High School, completed her sophomore season with the St. Clair County Community College softball team recently.

She finished with 36 singles and two doubles in 106 at bats, giving her a .358 average.

Schneider also provided St. Clair County Community College

with 27 stolen bases, 26 runs, six RBI and five walks.

In addition to that, the outfielder wound up with 80 putouts and two assists while committing



Schneider

six errors. That worked out to a .932 fielding clip.

Schneider wrapped up the year as an All-MCCAA Eastern Conference team honorable mention selection.

St. Clair County Community College finished the season with a 16-25 overall mark. That included 5-20 Eastern Conference showing, good for sixth place.

Evola set to run for Macomb College

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

ALMONT — Laila Evola, a 2026 graduate of Almont High School, will compete for the Macomb Community College women's cross country team this fall.

She is coming off a senior campaign which saw her register a clocking of 20:58 for 14th

Saturday, October 25 at a Division 3 regional.

Columbus County Park is where the meet was contested.

The senior also obtained a fifth at the Mariner Invitational; claimed an eighth at an Almont-based Blue Water Area Conference Jamboree Meet; took 10ths at a Columbus County Park-based Blue Water Area Conference Jamboree Meet; and at the Blue Water Area Conference League Meet hosted by Goodells County Park; supplied an 11th at the Green Devil Invitational in Brown City; managed 12ths at the Cass City Invitational and

Mayville-based Dave Patterson Invitational; furnished a 17th at the Algonac Muskrat Classic Run; provided a 32nd at the Autumn Classic;

contributed a 48th at the Greater Flint Cross Country Championship; plus added 191st at the Brooklyn-based Division 3 state finals.



Evola



Almont standout Laila Evola will take her running talents to the Macomb Community College women's cross country program this fall.

Maxlow helps LTU to fifth place

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

ALMONT — Former Almont standout Nolan Maxlow helped the Lawrence Tech men's track team register a fifth-place showing at the WHAC Outdoor Championship recently.

The meet, hosted by Indiana Tech, was contested April 30-March 1 in Fort

Wayne, Indiana.

Indiana Tech won the team title with a total of 256.5 points.

They were followed by Cornerstone (140.5 points), Madonna (122), Aquinas (105.5), Lawrence Tech (78), Siena Heights (42),



Maxlow

Defiance (26.5), Rochester Christian (21) and Cleary (13).

Maxlow, a freshman, joined forces with Jeremy Whoolery, Luke Droz and Matthew Hall to place fifth among 3200-meter relay entries. They were timed in 8:15.02.

In addition to that, Maxlow took 20th with a 400 dash clocking of 53.45 seconds.

Klink places 10th at GLIAC Meet

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

CAPAC — Gracie Klink, a graduate of Capac High School, competed for the Wayne State University women's track team at the GLIAC Outdoor Championships recently.

Grand Valley State University Track and Field Stadium, in Allendale, hosted the

meet which was contested April 30-May 1.

Klink, a junior, provided Wayne State University with a 10th-place showing pitted against high jump foes. She cleared 5 feet 1/2 inch.

Grand Valley State



Klink

University won the meet with 245 points. They were followed by Wayne State (150.5 points), Northern Michigan (113), Parkside (102), Saginaw Valley State (82.5), Davenport (68), Purdue Northwest (33), Ferris State (10), Michigan Tech (seven), Lake Superior State (four) and Roosevelt (three).

Bunch plays for Wayne State

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

ALMONT — Brooke Bunch, a 2025 graduate of Almont High School, concluded her initial season with the Wayne State University women's softball squad recently.

She finished with 19 singles, eight doubles and one home

run in 94 at bats en route to a .298 average.

Bunch also was successful on 11 of 13 stolen base attempts, scored 16 runs and collected eight RBI.

Defensively, Bunch



Bunch

lined up for Wayne State University as a right-fielder. It was there she provided 44 putouts, three assists and committed just one error for an impressive .979 fielding clip.

Wayne State University wrapped up the year with a 18-34 overall mark, including a 10-20 GLIAC showing (good for seventh).

Schriber, Forti team up in college

By Kevin Kissane
Tri-City Times Sports Editor

IMLAY CITY — The 2026 edition of the Madonna University women's volleyball team counts former Imlay City standouts Hope Schriber and Lexi Forti among their ranks.

Schriber, a 6-2 red-shirt junior, provided Madonna University with 99 kills and 29 digs



Schriber



Forti

a year ago.

She also contributed 19 assisted and one solo block to Madonna's cause.

It took her 22 matches to produce those

court credentials.

Forti, a 5-7 junior, supplied Madonna University with 475 digs a year ago.

She required 31 matches to amass those numbers.

Madonna University opens their 2026 campaign August 14-15 at Huntington, University in Indiana. Their match times for those dates have yet to be announced.

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Disaster relief payments available to growers

More than \$500 million has been paid out of the Assistance for Specialty Crop Farmers Program, but officials say time is running out to get a slice of this one-time government payment.

Specialty crop farmers had to apply for the program in early August, which covers growers not covered under the previous Farmer Bridge Assistance Program.

Ag officials said obligated money to farmers who applied for and got approval now likely accounts for half of the more than \$1.6 billion

set aside when the program was announced earlier this summer.

Ag experts say payments are based on reported 2025 planted acres and are designed to address market disruptions and high input costs that have affected millions of farmers this year.

Acreage that was reported as a cover crop; prevented-planting; or with an intended use of grazing, left standing, green manure, silage, forage, volunteer or experimental crops are not used to determine payments.

Specialty crops grown in a controlled environment are not eligible, except for mushrooms.

A payment limit of \$250,000 per farmer was set for the program. Anyone with an adjusted gross income exceeding \$900,000, excluding joint ventures and general partnerships, is not eligible to receive a payment.

Michigan ranks third in the nation with \$40 million paid. Beans, cherries and blueberries made up the top three commodities by payment, according to agri-

culture officials.

The Farm Service Agency has structured payments into tiers based on 2025 planted acres and average national revenue per crop:

More than \$520 million has been paid out to 22,591 applicants, according to USDA official's Assistance for Specialty Crop Farmers online dashboard.

Another deadline passed this week for both stages of the Supplemental Disaster Relief Program.

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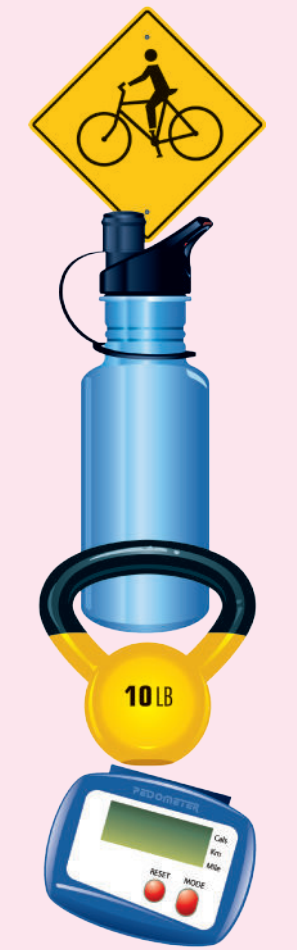
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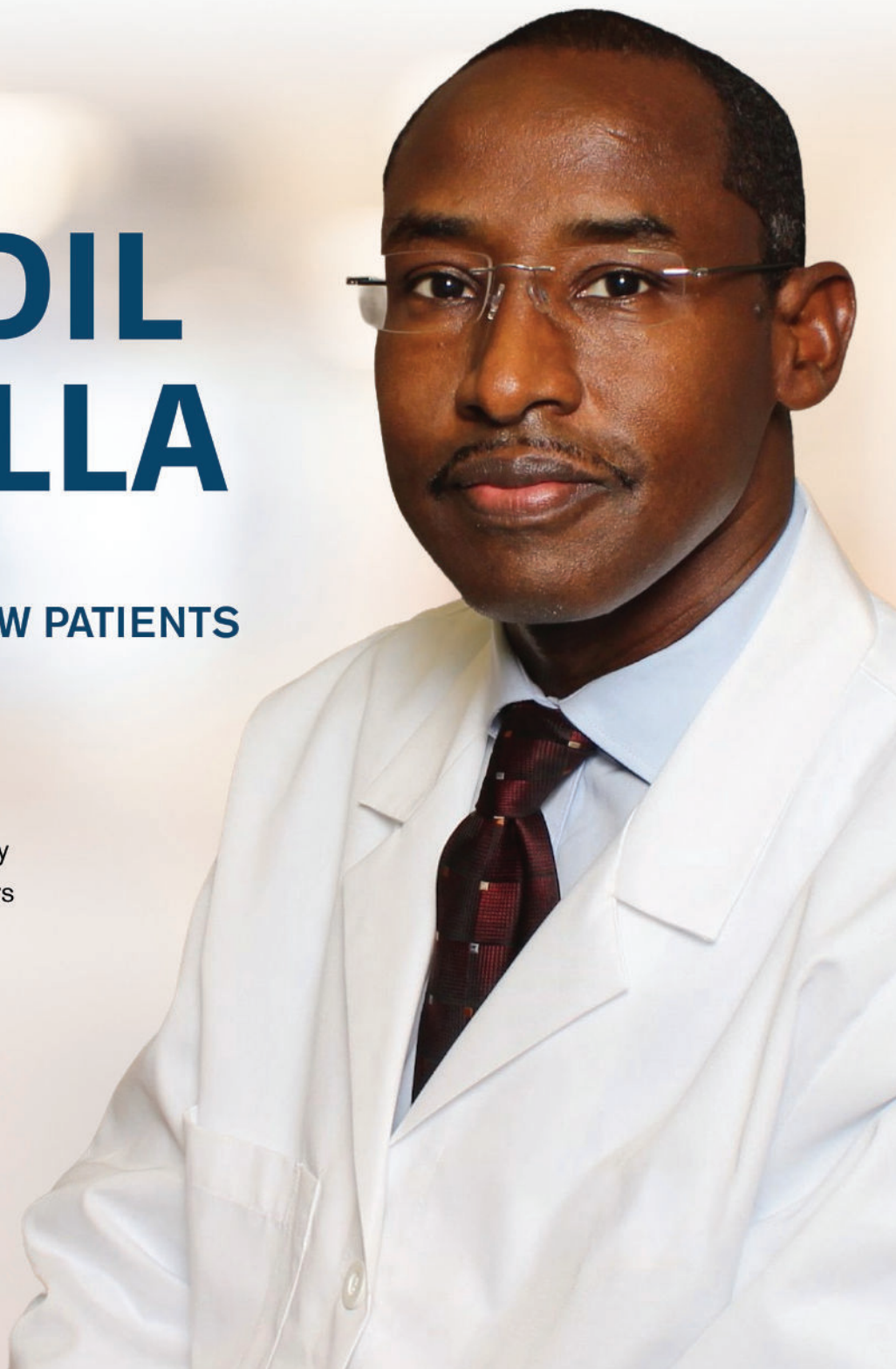
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