Interest rates at an all-time low

Now is the time to refinance your home

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It’s the American dream — owning a home. And, buying a house is the largest single purchase most people make. Despite the challenges of the “down” economy, an upside exists to save money by refinancing a mortgage, with the interest rate at recent record lows.

The rate can change from day to day, but it has been approximately 4.25 percent recently, said Lori Rock, real estate lending for Dort Federal Credit Union in Fenton Township. Many customers can drop the term "See INTEREST RATES on 9A"

“We are at a unique point in time where the domestic and global economy has forced central banks to push rates to below normal historic lows.”

Karen O’Hara
President of Star Mortgage of America, Fenton

Holly tables hiring of new city manager until after election

New council should make final decision

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Six weeks after the firing of city manager Marsha Powers, and two weeks before the election, where many members of the council may change, the Holly Village Council has tabled the hiring of a new city manager until after the election. "See HIRING on 12A"

Audit: Linden finances in good shape

By Sharon Stone
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Linden — Certified Public Accountant William Tucker IV, told Linden City Council on Monday that his accounting firm, Abraham and Gaffney, determined that there was, “a good outlook for the city.”

He provided the words of encouragement as he presented the city with its audit. No issues, weaknesses or compliance issues were found. "See AUDIT on 6A"

Alleged liquor thief in custody

By Sharon Stone
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The suspect believed to be responsible for stealing hundreds of dollars of bottled liquor from a grocery store on Silver Parkway in Fenton has been arraigned on one felony count of first-degree retail fraud.

Timmy Joe Stuts II, 30, of Burton was arraigned by Magistrate Dena Altieide on Thursday.

After reviewing surveillance video footage provided by the store, Fenton police believe Stuts entered the store multiple times in September, walked into the liquor aisle, concealed bottled liquor under his shirt and exited without paying for the merchandise.

The video was posted on the "Tri-County Times’" website, and the suspect’s photo was printed in the newspaper. These images prompted an individual to call Fenton police with the name of a possible suspect. "See THIEF on 13A"

Tri-County Times recognized as one of top newspapers in Michigan

Received coveted General Excellence award in annual contest

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It’s been a good year for the Tri-County Times. The results are in for the 2010 Michigan Press Association’s Better Newspaper Contest and the editorial staff took home six awards. The Minnesota Newspaper Association did the judging this year. Members of the Minnesota Newspaper Association reviewed 3,341 entries submitted from 126 Michigan newspapers. Each year, the press or newspaper associations from other states judge the Michigan awards, and the Times received a third-place award in Overall general excellence.
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**Negative political ads**

> Do they work for or against the candidates?

By Tim Jagielo

A recent mailer sent out to area homes featured a grainy image of Republican U.S. congressional candidate John Kupiec, framed by a plunging red line, signifying falling stock prices. The ad asks, “Why does John Kupiec want to risk our Social Security on Wall Street?”

The mailer was paid for by the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee.

Billboards paid for by Kupiec’s committee pit the two opponents, Kildee and Kupiec, against each other with the bold headline: “A battle for the ages.”

Kupiec is smiling and confident, while Kildee appears to be struck with fear of his opponent.

With the November General Election just two weeks away, political ads of the various candidates dot the landscape, and the airwaves overflow with 30-second spots promoting or attacking different political hopefuls. And it seems that negative ads have become synonymous with campaigning.

“We don’t put anything out that absolutely isn’t true,” said Michigan Democratic State Central Committee Communications Director John Tramontana. He sees these ads as providing the other half of the story—while the candidates will not talk about it.

See ADS on 5A

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**Fenton artist’s mural used in ‘Extreme Makeover’ home edition**

Local artist Gregg Bugala, of Fenton, is thrilled that ABC-TV Extreme Makeover has picked up his “Rock Star” mural: Home Edition for use in a home’s interior this evening, airing at 8 p.m.

A mural painted by Gregg Bugala two years ago entitled “Rock Star” will debut this evening on ABC-TV Extreme Makeover. Home Edition, airing at 8 p.m., as part of the home’s interior decor.

“I just got this news from my mural printing company, ‘Murals Your Way,’ said Bugala. “This is the biggest break of his career.”

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**Vein disease**

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**Facts:**

Vein disease affects 25% of our community. It is the 9th leading cause of disability in the United States.
Scariest time of the year!

Soon we’ll be participating in that scariest of American autumnal rites — no, not the transforming of gigantic edible gourds into hideous monsters that traumatize small children. It’s much scarier than that.

Yes, that’s right. It’s election time.

All across America, citizens of every color, creed and gender will parade to the polls on the first Tuesday in November to cast their vote for the person they feel did the best job of slandering their opponent on television ads.

Thousands of senior citizen volunteers of questionable mental status will man the polls and meticulously count each vote in order to ensure the integrity of the election.

Ah yes, the collective voice of America is clearing its throat to speak.

Well, about half of the collective voice. Only about 55 percent of the voting-age population generally votes in any election. So, to you 111 million people who likely will get off your collective butts and cast your vote, here are some of the King’s election insights that may help you decide which candidates are most worthy of your endorsement.

To wit:

• If two candidates are equal in all other respects, vote for the ugliest one. Our media-dominated society has already placed far too many pretty-boy Twinkies in Washington for my taste. In the real world, ugly people have to work harder and work smarter. Besides, the greatest leader our country has ever known, Abe Lincoln, was also the homeliest man ever elected to any office. Sadly, he couldn’t win a dogcatcher election today.

• Vote for the candidate with real-life business experience. I want a guy who has had employees, customers, competitors, budgets, and struggled to make payroll — just like the rest of us.

• Vote for the candidate with the least hair. Just look at the Donald’s desperate do — need I say more?

• Vote for any candidate, for any office, that swears on his mother’s grave that he will cut taxes. I don’t care if it’s the toppe tax — if you cut it, you’ve got my vote.

• Always vote for the candidate with the least money. There’s already too many trust-fund brats in Washington. I don’t trust people who have never punched a clock (or a loudmouth). I want someone who represents me, not someone whose singular accomplishment was out-swimming other sperm.

• Vote for the candidate who has proven he or she will stand on principle — no matter what the consequences.

The absolute worst type of politician is one who bases his or her decisions on poll results. If I voted for you because you told me you were for (or against) gun control, then you better vote the same as you campaigned — party politics be damned. I want someone who understands that it is always harder to do the right thing!

At the end of the day, I want elected officials who will tax me less and give me more. I want the borders locked down and the criminals locked up. I want smooth roads and safe streets. I want more prisons and less crime.

I want someone who shows compassion for the victim and scorn for the criminal. I want someone who will stop paying single women to have babies, farmers to not grow food, and able-bodied men to not work. I want my garbage picked up and my taxes knocked down.

Last, but not least, I want people who speak English to their kids and people who don’t to get the boot.

Oh yes — and I want smaller government.

— Andrea Kehoe, Fenton
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Negative campaigning is not relegated to one party, race or position. Jeff Miller and Pete Clemens are two candidates running for Holly Village president, and submitted answers to questionnaires for the Oakland County Area League of Women Voters’ website. This is one form of public campaigning at a local level. Miller did not attack Clemens by name, but did say that the current president and council have frequently ignored the letter and intent of village laws, “because they could.”

Clemens said he has not put out anything he considers negative but said, “I will bring out facts.” He also said negative campaigning can turn people off of the political process.

“I think it helps spur apathy,” he said.

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“No matter what the consumer needs our motto is, ‘Yes, we do that,’” said Lintz. As the car inventory is being built, the emphasis will always be on service, said both Luttman and Lintz. “This is like a war against high prices and we will win it,” Luttman said.

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Alert sent about suspicious incident at Fenton bus stop

Police chief says no reason for concern

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Fenton — Fenton Area Schools sent out an alert Wednesday to all of its parents and staff members regarding a suspicious incident, which had been reported.

Superintendent Tim Jalkanen said officials sent out the alert using its Honeywell Instant Alert system. He said a parent observed an incident at a bus stop, which was immediately reported to Fenton police.

The alert was issued to make everyone aware that an older male subject, in a dark blue or black Dodge Magnum, yelled out toward a bus stop located at Fawn Valley and Tyrone trails. The vehicle had ghost flames down the side and stickers on the back.

School officials ensured parents that the children’s safety is their first priority. Parents were advised to remind their children the importance of staying away from strangers and to immediately call 911 to report suspicious activity.

Jalkanen said the school district is working closely with Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro on this matter.

Aro said on Friday that police have identified the person in that vehicle and they do not believe there is a continued reason for concern.

MURAL
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The mural is a painting of a crowd watching a “rock star” on stage. If you look really close, you might notice a few familiar faces in the crowd, according to Bugala. He put himself in as a model in the front, stage left. Bugala’s eldest son, Sam, and a neighbor also posed for the mural. He painted it in full color, but the art publisher “tweaked” it by switching to a grayscale color format and stretching it a bit.

“I can’t wait to see how ABC-TV Extreme Makeover: Home Edition used my mural in the interior decor,” said Bugala. For more information on Bugala’s art, visit www.gregg-art.com.

AUDIT
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The accounting firm audited the financial statements of governmental activities, business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit and major funds for the year ending June 30.

There were a few significant financial highlights, according to Tucker.

• The assets of the city exceeded its liabilities by $6,776,308 (net assets) and of this amount, $2,384,136 (unrestricted net assets) may be used to meet the government’s ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

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Tucker said they recommend a minimum of 20 percent for a fund balance and the extra 6 percent the city has makes for a “relatively decent fund balance.”

Over the course of the fiscal year, Tucker pointed out that the city made necessary budget adjustments to fund unanticipated expenditures. The differences between the original and final amended budgets for expenditures were relatively minor.

Approximately 60 percent of the city’s revenue into the general fund is generated by taxes and Tucker said the city saw a 1 percent decrease from 2009. He noted that general government expenses make up 44 percent of expenditures, which was close to 2009 and public safety makes up approximately 31 percent.

City Manager Christopher Wren said, “I would like to commend the city of Linden staff with continued financial stability and oversight. “In these tough economic times the city staff has done a tremendous job on focusing on the importance of financial stability and making the necessary cuts and changes to decrease expenditures. “The audit is an extremely important tool for the city and provides guidance for the future financial paths that are to be taken.”
TRUCK STRIKES CROSSING GUARD
A 61-year-old Linden woman, working as a crossing guard for Linden elementary students, was struck in her shoulder by an unknown pickup truck. According to the police report, the crossing guard was assisting a young female student and her grandfather cross the Bridge and Broad streets intersection just after 8 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 1. As they crossed the street, a truck traveling north on South Bridge Street started to turn left onto West Bridge Street. The crossing guard moved over to protect the pedestrians as the truck driver attempted to make the turn. The exterior side mirror on the passenger side of the truck struck the guard in the shoulder of the crossing guard. The truck did not stop. The crossing guard finished her morning shift and then proceeded to file a police report.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE
At 1:20 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 6, a trooper from the MSP Groveland Post observed a vehicle driving over the white fog line on the right shoulder of I-75 near Orange Hall Road, in Holly Township. After stopping the vehicle, the trooper observed the driver, 67, of Clarkston, had bloodshot, watery eyes and smelled of intoxicants. The subject failed field sobriety tests and registered a .085 on a breath test. He was arrested for operating while intoxicated.

LARCENY FROM A VEHICLE
At 12 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 8, an MSP trooper from the MSP Groveland Post observed a vehicle driving over the white fog line on the right shoulder of I-75 near Groveland Road, in Holly Township. After stopping the vehicle, the trooper observed the driver, 67, of Clarkston, had bloodshot, watery eyes and smelled of intoxicants. The subject failed field sobriety tests and registered a .085 on a breath test. He was arrested for operating while intoxicated.

FORGERY COMPLAINT
On Monday, Oct. 4, the Michigan State Police (MSP) Groveland Post received a counterfeiting/forgery complaint from a man regarding his ex-wife, said Det. Sgt. Gary Muir. The complainant is from 2006, in Holly Township, and is concerning a $3,600 student loan the complainant, 48, did not agree to. He alleges his ex-wife, 42, took out the loan, and she denies it. It is under investigation.

FAMILY TROUBLE
At 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 9, the MSP Groveland Post responded to a call in the 2100 block of Thompson Road, in Holly Township, for a domestic issue. A man, 29, and his wife, 31, were having marital problems and were arguing. There were no visible marks on either to indicate an assault. The trooper suggested that someone leave, since the argument appeared as if it could become physical.

SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
At 8:10 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 10, troopers from the MSP Groveland Post responded to McClelland Road near Dixie Highway, in Holly Township. A suspicious vehicle was parked, with a female subject inside. Troopers noticed a metal pipe burnt on one end, with a small metal packing rod. Troopers confiscated a substance that tested positive for crack cocaine. Lab testing is taking place to confirm it, said said Det. Sgt. Gary Muir. The subject, 35, is from Flint.

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A: Sounds like a battery or connection issue, the first thing to look at is how old is your battery; it is more that four years than have it tested as well as the connections at the battery and starter. Look for green powder to be on the cable ends and if there is mix some baking soda and water then pour over the cable ends to clean them then mix with clean water before taking them apart to wire brush them, always remember that battery fluid and this green powder are very corrosive and can burn the skin and eyes so wear safety glasses and rubber gloves, you should also have your alternator checked for output as it can cause the battery to go down while driving or overcharge and damage the battery and electrical components.

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Giants are still falling

A grandmother once started my day explaining her concern over a violent television program that had been moved to an afternoon hour when children would be home, and she feared many would likely be influenced by it. Though I had never watched this notoriously negative show, her description of it made me feel she had good reasons for being troubled by its impact on young viewers.

My caller named others she had contacted in her effort to persuade the television station to reverse its decision to provide a new time slot for airing this objectionable program. In her mind, the battle lines had been drawn, and she was determined to do all in her power to protect children from this bad influence.

While admiring her courage and faith, I confess to fearing she would be fighting a losing battle in view of the money on the line for both the station and the producers of the show. About a week after my early-morning call, a front-page story in a local newspaper confirmed my fears. The time change for the program had caused ratings for the station to spike, making fighting it seem futile.

Talk about a David and Goliath encounter. With ratings being the bottom line for most television stations, it appeared the grandmother’s cause, though worthy, didn’t stand a chance.

About a week later, however, another front-page article caught my eye. A church in our community was urging its members to join the battle by contacting the television station to voice their concerns. One woman’s courage was catching on. But, I still wondered if this enlarged effort would accomplish the grandmother’s goal.

The following week, however, my feeble faith was rebuked and the power of one person with a just cause vindicated. The vice president and general manager of the television station announced that this ratings raiser would be moved back to its former time, so that children wouldn’t be at home to view it.

So, giants can fall after all. One with God is still a majority.

My friend, Hershel Johnson, became concerned for the many needy children in his community, so approached his pastor about starting a Sunday school class for fifth-grade boys. The pastor of this tiny church replied that they had no fifth-grade boys, so Hershel requested and received permission to recruit his own class. When his class began to grow, Hershel asked the pastor if he could join him in doing visitation in the community. Others in the congregation then began to overcome their fears and reluctance of getting involved. Now, their church isn’t tiny anymore.

Worthy causes needing people of vision, talent and energy abound, but in most cases, volunteers are scarce. Jesus said the harvest is great but the laborers are few (Matthew 9:37) and His evaluation of the situation is still true.

Do you know of something that needs to be done in your church or community, but fear to do it? Reject these fears and make a difference. God will equip you to win over gigantic obstacles. Remember — giants are still falling every day.

Roger Campbell is an author, broadcaster and columnist who was a pastor for 22 years. He can be reached at rcministryameritech.net.
of their loan from 30 years, to 20 or 15, paying it off sooner and keeping their payments where they were at the higher interest rate.

Rock said Dort Federal Credit Union is saving its customers thousands of dollars. “We are seeing a lot of people dropping their term,” she said.

Even those who owe more on their mortgage than their house is worth could benefit from refinancing. “I wouldn’t be afraid of all the negative publicity surrounding the equity in your home,” Rock said.

Those who had a Fannie Mae loan originally can refinance as much as 125 percent of their home’s current value. Homeowners must also remember that there is a tax benefit to paying mortgage interest. This means that even a 2 percent drop in the rate is not a full 2 percent when you consider it on an after tax basis.”

If a homeowner is paying an 8 percent interest rate, for example, he or she could save thousands of dollars by refinancing the home loan. But, if the interest rate they are paying is around 5 percent, they would not save as much, she said.

When refinancing, a fixed rate would make more sense than one that will change later, because of the current low interest rate. A fixed rate mortgage locks in the low interest rate for the term of the loan. “With today’s low rates, fixed rates are the most sensible option,” O’Hara said. “The requirements to refinance are basically the 3 Cs — Credit, Capacity and Collateral. In simple terms, that means an acceptable credit history, the ability to repay the loan and an acceptable property.”

There are requirements for different types of refinancing, such as an FHA Streamline or VA Interest Rate Reduction. The type of mortgage someone already has can help determine the type of refinancing. Someone with an FHA loan would probably go with an FHA Streamline, for example. It has a minimal cost and doesn’t require an appraisal to determine the house’s value, she said.

How much does refinancing cost?

Someone can find out if refinancing would be a good option for him or her, without paying a lot of money.

Star Mortgage of America customers are not charged for refinancing services until they reach the appraisal stage of the process, said Karen O’Hara, president of Star Mortgage of America, in Fenton. “The cost to refinance depends upon the refinance program, but most will include the cost of an appraisal, title insurance, recording fees and the cost of bringing real estate taxes and homeowners insurance up to date.”

At Dort Federal Credit Union, homeowners pay an up-front fee of $50 for a credit check, said Lori Rock, of the real estate lending department. The appraisal fee is $300. These fees go toward actual costs.
Mary Canever, (left) owner of KC’s Creative Learning Center in Linden, and her daughter Anne get up close and personal with the little ones at their childcare center.

KC’s Creative Learning Center offers local, innovative childcare

Some have always known what it is that they want to spend their life doing. This is true of Mary Canever, owner of KC’s Creative Learning Center in Linden. She has taken her love of caring for children and transformed it into an innovative, attentive preschool and daycare.

“I am the second oldest of nine children and have four children myself,” said Canever. “I have always loved the sound and sight of young children learning and playing. I had volunteered at my children’s preschool for eight years. When my youngest child was in kindergarten, I went into business with an old friend.”

Opening its doors in 1979 with the original name of ‘It’s a Small World,’ KC’s Creative Learning Center has been invested in both the children of Linden and the greater community as a whole.

“When I first moved here in 1979, it was still a village,” said Canever. “The parents really care about the welfare of their children. It’s a pleasure working with them.”

Having a shared love of childcare and family, Canever made it a point to involve her daughters in the center.

“My daughter, Anne, has her degree from Michigan State University in education,” said Canever. “She further attended Mott Community College to get her director’s credentials for early childhood education. She has worked at KC’s for six years. My youngest daughter, Laura, has helped us establish our recycling project, and she helps the school children plant a garden every summer.”

Offering full-service daycare, preschool and toddler care, and bus service to all Linden schools as a part of an extensive latchkey program, the caretakers of KC’s Learning Center have a great deal of interaction with those they care for, and they do not take the influence they have on the children they care for lightly.

“Children are a reflection of their upbringing,” said Canever. “We all want this reflection to be very positive, and caregivers other than the parents can also have a great impact on their upbringing. We want the children we care for to remember their childhood with pride, satisfaction, and a sense of accomplishment. We hope to instill honesty, friendship, and a love of learning in all those we care for.”

KC’s Creative Learning Center is located at 15178 S. Linden Rd., Linden. The center is open from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.
**NHS, Key Club still going strong at FHS**

**By Sally Rummel**

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Students at Fenton High School (FHS) who were looking forward to participating in extra-curricular clubs such as Art Club, French Club or Spanish Club during this school year may have to wait awhile. That is, at least until contract negotiations be settled, and stipends for teacher/advisors who take on leadership roles for these extra activities.

"Some of the clubs may still be 'on' for this year, but we’re waiting until the teachers’ contract is settled,” said FHS Principal Mark Suchowski. "We don’t expect anyone to do the amount of work that many of these clubs entail without a stipend, which is detailed in their contract." Typically, a stipend for leading co-curricular and extra-curricular activities amounts to between 1- and 5-percent of a teacher’s pay.

For a first-year teacher, a stipend may amount to about $500 a year, while an experienced teacher may earn up to about $2,900, depending upon the activity. The contract lists the positions and defines extra-curricular clubs such as Art Club, French Club or Spanish Club. "It’s not the importance of the club, but the amount of time required by the teacher/advisor in heading up the activity," said Suchowski. Co-curricular activities include Band, Choir, Drama and Newspaper/Yearbook that are often held after school, but are highly related to classroom instruction. One example is Fenton High School’s Marching Band, which performs during halftime at home football games, as part of the FHS Band Department.

"These are mandatory for the student and participation is part of their grade," said Suchowski. "These co-curricular activities give students a chance to apply what they learn in class beyond the teacher. They have a bigger audience.”

Groups like Student Council and National Honor Society are also part of the current co-curricular activity list at FHS. Student Council organizes two main events per year, the Powder Puff game during Homecoming Week and the Sadie Hawkins Dance, according to Suchowski.

The National Honor Society is actually FHS’s number one club, and doesn’t require much funding. "When the community calls into the school and asks for help in organizing an activity, the NHS is the first group we contact," said Suchowski.

NHS is not only a strong “work force” for community activities, it’s also the third most universal recognition for colleges and universities — “just after a student’s grade point and ACT/SAT scores,” said Suchowski.

See KEY CLUB on 13A

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**HOT LINE CONTINUED**

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Hiring from Front Page

The council received 27 applications for permanent full-time management positions, and council members received the resume to review last week.

The motion to table the discussion on hiring a village manager was brought by Council member Donald Wingerl at the regular Tuesday meeting, as President Pete Clemens began the discussion on narrowing the field of applicants. Councilmember Sandra Klevor supported the motion, and it passed with a 4-3 vote. Clemens and council members William Kuyk and Reisa Hamilton voted against the motion.

"Basically you’re going to audition and coming up, you’ll have some new people, I think they should have some input in it,” said Wingerl, as he reasoned the hiring discussion.

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"I think we should give the next council the privilege of hiring a manager," Pauline Konner

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Fenton city attorney cited as one of top lawyers in country

Fenton — Fenton city attorney Stephen Schultz has been listed as one of the top lawyers in the country, by U.S. News & World Report. Mayor Sue Odboe made the announcement at Monday’s city council meeting. Schultz is a member of Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC. According to the firm’s website, it is committed to a 1st Century approach to legal services. Schultz’ practice areas include management labor law, municipal law and natural resources law.

POSTERIOR COMPOSITES

A posterior composite is a “white filling” placed in a back tooth. Until fairly recently, the most common restorative material for restoring posterior (back) teeth was silver/mercury amalgam. Today, posterior composites are becoming more and more popular. Silver/mercury amalgam has been used, by dentists, since the mid 1800s. It’s relatively inexpensive. It’s easy to work with, and it performs well over time. Composite resin material (white filling) was first developed in the 1960s. Composite resin material is highly esthetic and blends in very nicely with the surrounding tooth structure and has been used since its development for the restoration of teeth in the front of the mouth. It becomes almost invisible when properly placed. The reason for composite resin material being used primarily in the front of the mouth was that early formulations of the composite resin material were not as strong as amalgam and didn’t hold up to the tremendous stresses of biting and chewing that occur in the posterior areas of the mouth. Today’s formulations have greatly enhanced composite resin’s physical properties making it as strong if not stronger that amalgam. Composite resin is more costly and is technically more demanding and challenging and time consuming for the dentist to place. However, because composite resin is bonded or fused in place, the seal between composite and tooth is much greater creating internal reinforcement for the tooth with much less leverage and sensitivity when compared amalgam. And a popular benefit with my patients is the far greater esthetics of posterior composites over amalgam. All things considered, posterior composite resin is now the ideal treatment of choice over silver/mercury amalgam for both me and my patients for restorative filling of back teeth. I welcome your questions and comments. Feel free to e-mail me draftsaro@comcast.net

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**2005 Buck Rendezvous**  
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF LINDEN-PLANNING COMMISSION
MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Linden Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing on Monday, November 1, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., as part of their regular meeting agenda, to receive comments on the proposed Master Plan update. A copy of the proposed Master Plan update will be available for viewing at the city offices 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, Michigan. Written comments should be addressed to the City Clerk.

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Groveland Township
At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Groveland Township Board, held on October 12, 2010, following change was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

Z 2010-01, BLAKELY ENTERPRISES, INC., SEC. 20
02-29-102-001, 15045 DIXIE GXY, RZ0NE OS-1
(OFFICE SERVICE) TO B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT)

This zoning change will become effective 30 days after publication in the Citizen and Tri-County Times as required by law. Copies of the amendment are available for inspection at the Groveland Township Office, 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly Michigan 48442 during regular business hours.
ROSE TOWNSHIP, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Notice of Public Hearing on the Special Assessment Roll for Maintenance of Big Trail, Frushour, Field Drive, Rose Township, Oakland County, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, to the residents and property owners of land within the Big Trail, Frushour, Field Drive Maintenance Assessment District #001 Section 32 Rose Township, Oakland County, Michigan which includes the following parcels:

06-32-426-003 06-32-426-004 06-32-451-030 06-32-452-014 06-32-454-014 06-32-454-008

and any other interested persons that the Supervisor of the township has reported to the township board and filed in the office of the township clerk for public examination, a special assessment roll prepared by him covering all properties within the proposed Big Trail, Frushour, Field Drive Maintenance Assessment District #001 Section 32 Rose Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the assessing officer has further reported that the assessment roll is complete and ready for public examination. The term of the Big Trail Maintenance Assessment District #001 is four years.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that the township board will meet at the Rose Township Hall, 204 Franklin Street, Holly, Michigan on Tuesday, October 26, 2010 at 7:00 PM to hear any objections to the special assessment roll. Any owner, or party in interest, or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner, or party in interest, or his or her agent may also have the right to file an appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the finalization of the special assessment roll.

Debbie Miller
Rose Township Clerk
9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan 48442

by David Uffington
Dollars & Sense

Health care changes are here ... almost

In case your health insurance company hasn’t told you, there have been changes courtesy of the new insurance laws in the Affordable Care Act. Some of those could save you money.

Many of the changes to health care will be phased in during the next few years, ending in 2014, but a number of them became final last month and will take effect when the next policy year begins.

Insurers will no longer be able to:

- Arbitrarily cancel a policy unless there is fraud. They also can’t cancel a policy retroactively.
- Deny or limit coverage to children under the age of 19 who have pre-existing medical conditions.
- Deny a claim without an appeal. An independent reviewer must examine the decision to deny treatment or tests.
- Put a lifetime dollar cap on benefits when people have a serious condition.
- Have a waiting period that is more than 90 days.
- Discriminate against those who want to participate in clinical trials for serious conditions.
- If you have a new policy:
  - You’ll be able to keep children on your policy until they reach the age of 26 if they don’t have their own coverage at work.
  - You must receive preventive services, like immunizations and screenings, without any cost to you.
  - You’ll be able to choose your own doctor for primary care or a pediatrician as long as they’re in the provider’s network.
  - In the event of an emergency, you’ll be able to go to the closest emergency room, even if it’s not in the plan’s network. The government has provided a website with all information in one place: www.healthcare.gov. Available plans are listed by state. Some of the companies, however, have chosen not to provide the correct links and screenings, without any cost to you.

and plan benefits information or policy pricing. One stated that pricing wouldn’t be available until 2011. Still, the links to telephone numbers are handy. If you live in a state that’s been notorious for allowing insurance companies to raise rates, there’s something in this Act for you, too. It will give grants totaling $250 million over five years to help states hold insurance companies accountable for rate increases. If you want to wade through the whole Act document, go online and search for H.R. 3590 at thomas.loc.gov.

**DIFFICULTY:** ★ ★ Moderate ★★ Difficult

**GO FIGURE!**

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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Rose Township Clerk
9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan 48442
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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that, on Tuesday, October 20, 2010, at 11:00 AM, the Rose Township Election Commission will conduct a public accuracy test of the voting devices to be used to conduct the November 2, 2010 General Election. The test will be conducted in the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street in Rose Township, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the program and computer that will be used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

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AWARD
Continued from Front Page

Likewise, members of the Michigan Press Association judge other states’ contests. Staff at the Tri-County Times will be judging entries from Minnesota’s contest this year.

The dedication and efforts of the Times’ editorial staff paid off handsomely when they were recognized as one of the top three newspapers in the state in the premium category of General Excellence for weekly newspapers. The team also received five additional awards. An third-place award was received for the categories of Design and a first place award for Lifestyle Pages.

Topping the list of accomplishments is Sports Editor David Troppens, who received two individual awards. His story, “Workmester’s the Man at the Michigan Amateur,” took third place in the category of Sports Writing. Troppens also took a first place award in the category of Sports Feature for his story, “Super senior credits father for success.”

While it’s always nice to be recognized by your peers, awards aren’t the reason why I think any of us do what we do,” said Troppens. “I think it’s the interaction with the people we see day-to-day that is probably one of the most rewarding portions of our jobs.

Beyond any individual award, the general excellence award is the one we embrace over all others. The general excellence shows the commitment everyone at the Times has to making our publication the finest product possible for our communities. This paper is a team effort and this award best reflects that.”

The Times also received a third place award for the Special Section, “Fenton Remembers When.”

Publisher Rick Rockman said the General Excellence Award is a reflection of the overall quality of the Times, from the editorial writing and advertisement to the design.

“I am immensely grateful to all the residents who continue to embrace the Times and our ever-growing Shop Local campaign, to the area businesses we work so closely with, and to the wonderful, dedicated staff here at the Times. Thank you all for making the Times and our communities, so successful.”

POLICE
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BURGLARY REPORTED
At 8:10 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 11, MSP Groveland Post troopers were dispatched to the 2300 block of Belford Road, in Holly Township, for a burglary. The victim said someone stole his laptop computer and Xbox game system, between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., while he was away. A side door had been left unlocked. The laptop is a gray Gateway worth $600, and the Xbox is a gray Microsoft, $300. There are no leads, and nothing else was taken, Murr said.

MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION
At 3:10 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 4, a Holly Village police officer was called to a parking lot in the 100 block of South Broad Street. He made contact with the complainant, who said she parked her car at 9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3. When she returned, the back window of her silver Dodge Neon was broken and there was a puddle of water on the rear passenger side floor. There was broken glass on the backseat and floor. There are no suspects or witnesses, although several similar incidents have taken place in the area. Anyone with information on this or past incidents is asked to contact Det. Julie Berry at (248) 634-8221.

MAN GUILTY OF SEXUAL ASSAULT
A reopened case led to three counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct against Michael Phillips, 42, of Holly, in Oakland County Circuit Court. In 2004, the victim, Phillips’ stepdaughter, then 14, denied anything took place. She was 13 when one of the counts took place. She later asked if the case could be reopened. The assaults were between June 2003 and 2004, and Phillips was charged in 2009, said Det. Sgt. Gary Murr of the Michigan State Police Groveland Post. A jury trial took place, and Phillips was found guilty on all three counts Tuesday, Oct. 19, in Judge Nanci Grant’s courtroom. He is scheduled for sentencing on Oct. 28.

WARRANT ARREST
At 1:40 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 1, two members of the Village of Holly Police Department went to the 300 block of North Saginaw Street to pick up a subject on a bench warrant, for a misdemeanor probation violation. The police observed the subject on the side of the house, cleaning a car. They approached him from different sides and blocked him off when he tried to flee, arresting him without incident. He was taken to the station for booking and lodged in the jail.

OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED
At 3:02 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, a Holly Village officer patrolling on North Saginaw Street saw a vehicle pull out of a gas station, then drift from left to right in its lane. The driver turned right onto Airport Road without using its turning signal, crossing into the other lane. Upon stopping the vehicle, the officer discovered the driver, a Holly woman, 32, appeared intoxicated. She denied any turning signal was broken. Upon questioning, she said she had been to a bar before leaving the house — six beers throughout the day. A second officer arrived. The woman failed field sobriety tests and registered .17 on a breath test. She was arrested for operating while intoxicated, first offense. At the station, she registered .17 and .18 on Datamaster tests and was jailed until sober and posting bond. Police destroyed her license and issued her a temporary permit.
Social News

ANNIVERSARY

MITAL

Steve and Sophie Mital of Linden will be celebrating their 64th wedding anniversary. Steve married Sophie Ignaczynski on Oct. 19, 1946. The couple will celebrate with a dinner with family. The Mitals have four children, Deborah (Mark), Ken (Dawn), Barbara, and Mark. There are six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, with one more on the way.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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Guest viewpoint
KEITH GREEN
Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce board member and chairperson of the Business Issues Committee

There is a local campaign to encourage consumers in our area to think, shop, and buy local. What does that mean — shop local? In this difficult economic environment, we have all realized the loss of one of our favorite merchants. We are losing coffee shops, bookstores, video stores, and many other retailers. This economic downturn doesn’t just affect businesses but also local jobs, your neighbors, your property values and your schools. Empty retail spaces and buildings are an eyesore, and need maintaining. Loss of tax revenues to our cities requires cuts that affect police and fire. By keeping your purchases in the local community, you are supporting the businesses that fill our local retail space, employ our neighbors, and pay taxes to our county, our cities and our DDAs.

For every $100 spent at local businesses, $68 returns to the community through taxes, payrolls, rents, jobs and other expenditures. That’s money that stays in our community. On behalf of the Business Issues Committee, I am proud to announce that the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce fully supports the Shop Local campaign. Together with the Tri-County Times and other local organizations, we are spreading the word of the importance of keeping our dollars in our community.

The next time you are looking for something for the house, a gift for the holidays, maintenance items, school supplies, consider our local retailers. They have invested in our community and us; the least we can do is consider them for our purchases.

Does shop local mean only using locally owned retailers? No, our community now has many national retailers that employ members of our community. Shop the stores here instead of online or an hour away. They also pay taxes that fund our cities and DDAs. Many of them are involved in the community and provide support to community services and programs.

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The Tri-County Times wants to give our readers the chance to show off the trophies they catch this season. If you have a fish worth showing off, snap a photo and bring it in or mail it to the Times office.

Derek Watson II, 8, of Linden caught a 17-inch, and a 19-inch smallmouth bass, this summer. He will not disclose the location of his fishing hole.

HOT LINE

CITY COUNCIL, HAVE you all lost your minds. This inspection of Class C license holders is a lawsuit waiting to happen. The state already collects for inspections and you’re paying city employees to do this inspection already from that state fee. And, what about the restaurants that don’t serve alcohol? Why are they exempt? The lawyer fees alone will far outweigh the $2,100 in revenue.

IN ANSWER TO Street Talk, yes, there are still bullies in Holly, Fenton and Linden. It’s called city council. They bully and tax until the business owner doesn’t want to play anymore and stays home instead.

I TOTALLY DISAGREE about the woman on the Adelaide construction site. She’s only been nice to me and I have dealt with her on several occasions. I think it’s rude of others who disobey the law and drive through the construction site because they’re lazy. They’re almost gotten hit by cars that were illegally driving through. She even saved a child from almost being hit. No one wrote about that.
Is it fall allergies, sinuses or a cold?

How to tell the difference

By Sally Rummel

Although flowers are no longer blooming and the air has turned crisp and cool, many people with allergies find that the “triggers” are still there in the crisp, cool months of fall.

What causes autumn allergies?

Male plants release tiny cells called “pollen” into the air in order to reproduce, according to www.allergybuyersclub.com. When these pollen or other allergy triggers get into the noses of certain people, their immune system mistakenly sees them as “foreign invaders” and releases antibodies to go after bacteria, viruses, and other illness-causing organisms.

These antibodies attack the allergens, which then leads to the release of chemicals called “histamines” into the blood. In turn, these histamines cause the runny nose, itchy eyes, and other symptoms of allergies.

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Section B

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2010

Finding the perfect pumpkin is a family tradition

By Tim Jagiello

It's a family tradition to hunt for pumpkins to carve into jack-o-lanterns for Halloween. It is raining on Wednesday afternoon at Oakhaven Farm in Groveland Township. But that doesn’t stop families in their search for the perfect pumpkin. Fields of pumpkins, all shapes and sizes, are waiting to be picked.

See PUMPKIN on 6B

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Jessica and Kaitina Roy, 3, of Clarkston check out pumpkins at Oakhaven Farm in Groveland Township.

How to carve a pumpkin

1. Find a pumpkin with a shape and size that you like.
2. Draw a line around the stem in a shape large enough to put your hand in.
3. Cut around that line, deep enough to reach the other side. Cut away from yourself for safety. See CARVE on 7B
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How can I identify if the coins I own are valuable?

Before we can discuss which coins are possibly valuable in your collection, we must first consider which coins probably aren’t valuable. First and foremost as a rule of thumb, the age of a coin is not a proper indicator of value. This is because coins retain a numismatic premium based on how many were made and how many were saved. A good example of this are steel pennies from the early 1940’s. At the time they were considered rather strange so many people kept them. In the end so many were hoarded that their value, even in uncirculated condition, is still minimal, while a 1955 doubled die penny, a newer coin is more valuable based on rarity.

American coins pre 1969 typically should be looked at. Many have value based on their silver content at a minimum. Remember, the best way to know what you have, is to let a professional you can trust take a look at them. They will give you a value of what they would pay.

ANASTASIA BUBIN
17-year-old senior at LAKE FENTON HIGH SCHOOL

to make sure they keep up in school. They won’t ask for help, even though they might need it.

The advice I have for younger students is: get active in school before it’s too late.

My favorite clothing is: converse.


The nicest thing anyone ever did for me: My dad flew me to California to see Hilary Duff in concert.

The one thing I am most proud of is: I’m doing really well in calculus.

I want to be remembered: for making an impact on school by volunteering.

The food I cannot live without is: Monster energy drinks.

My favorite television show is: ‘Two and a Half Men.’

My postgraduate plans are: I plan to go to Kettering University to study biochemistry.

My name is: Anastasia Bubin.

I am: a 17-year-old senior at Lake Fenton High School.

My parents are: Anne Marie and Phillip Bubin.

If I have learned one thing in life so far, it has been: to do things your own way. Don’t let people tell you what to do.

What I like most about my friends is: that they’re always there for me.

In my spare time, I enjoy: photography.

The person who made the biggest impact on my life is: my mom. She’s always helping me do my own thing, helping me not conform.

What I like most about my school is: we offer a variety of different AP science classes. I like science.

I am involved in school activities such as: Key Club, NHS, Powder Puff, track, tutorial and Photography Club.

What I remember about kindergarten: I remember one time I lost my voice, and I couldn’t explain to people why I couldn’t talk.

The advice I have for parents of teens is: You have
Lake Fenton schools’ superintendent inducted into sports hall of fame

By Sharon Stone
www.tctimes.com; 810-433-6766

Lake Fenton — Lake Fenton Community Schools Superintendent Wayne Wright was inducted into the Montrose Sports Community Hall of Fame for his contributions as a coach and staff member. He was one of five inductees.

Wright worked for Montrose Community Schools for 29 years before accepting the superintendent position at Birch Run schools. He accepted the superintendent position last spring for Lake Fenton schools.

While at Montrose, he served as a teacher, assistant principal, athletic director, director of finances and athletics and assistant superintendent for finance and personnel.

He received several honors as both a coach and an administrator, including being selected to coach, on several occasions, in the Genesee County B-C All-Star baseball game.

Wright is an all-around sports fan, but admits baseball is at the top of his list.

The Montrose Board of Education named the baseball field “Wayne Wright Baseball Field” in 1998. “It’s a huge honor,” Wright said.

ALLERGIES

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Ragweed is the biggest allergy trigger during the fall months. About 75 percent of people who are allergic to spring pollen-producing plants are also allergic to ragweed, according to medical experts.

Ragweed pollen travels for hundreds of miles in the wind, so it can still make allergy sufferers miserable.

Mold is another allergy trigger, with spores that can easily get airborne. Mold thrives in damp areas, both indoors and outdoors. Autumn’s piles of damp leaves are breeding grounds for mold, as are damp basements and bathrooms in a person’s home.

Another common allergen is dust mites — microscopic, spider-like insects that can get stirred into the air when homeowners turn their furnace on for the first time in the fall. From the air, dust mites can make their way into an allergy sufferer’s nose, triggering sneezes, wheezes, and runny noses.

Sometimes it can be difficult to determine which of these medical conditions are causing these symptoms, because allergies can be very similar to sinusitis and a good old-fashioned cold.

Dr. Steve Houser, an ear-nose-throat physician in Cleveland, Ohio, says that more than half of his patients with sinus issues also have an underlying condition of allergies.

Nasal congestion, itchy eyes/nose and watery eyes are frequent complaints for all allergy sufferers. Mucus is generally a clear, thin, watery discharge. Sneeze is more common than with colds, often occurring two or three times in a row.

Allergies are more common in spring through fall, when plants are pollinating. Colds, often occurring two or three times in a row, are more common in winter and may be accompanied by a fever.

Symptoms of sinusitis are temporary, but worsening of the symptoms. Usually, symptoms of sinusitis are temporary, but may become chronic if symptoms last more than four weeks. If sinusitis is the result of a bacterial infection, antibiotics may treat it, but if it’s a viral infection, the use of steam to open up the mucus membranes is an option.

People who have perennial allergies seem predisposed to chronic sinus disease because of the constant swelling and inflammation that occurs in their nose/sinus outflow tracts, said House. Dust, mold and seasonal allergies can be the forerunner of a sinus condition, with medical attention focused on the infection by using an antibiotic, which may also successfully treat the underlying allergy.

How to tell the difference between a cold and an allergy

Colds
• Symptoms usually appear one at a time, first sneezing, then a runny nose, then congestion.
• Symptoms last from seven to 10 days.
• Mucus is often a yellowish nasal discharge, due to an infection.
• Sneeze is less common than with allergies.
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Funeral services will be held 12 Noon Tuesday, October 12, 2010 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Rev. Donald Neuville will officiate. Burial followed in Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation was held from 10 AM until the time of service. Those desiring may make contributions to the Fenton Adopt-A-Pet. 

Emelia H. "Topsy" Peddicord
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Emelia H. "Topsy" Peddicord - age 94, of Fenton, died Wednesday, October 6, 2010. Visitation will be held from 2-9 PM Friday, October 8, 2010 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Fenton. Memorial services will be held at 11 AM Tuesday, October 12, 2010 at the Fenton Church of the Nazarene. 11075 Furon Rd., Fenton, MI 48430. Mrs. Hatt was born in Royal Oak on March 1, 1928 the daughter of Glenn and Ida (Cox) Smith. She was a member of the Fenton Church of the Nazarene, and she loved to crochet afghans. She was a loving and caring person. Surviving are 4 children, Allen Hatt of Fenton, Gary Hatt of Grand Rapids, Donald (Patricia) Hatt of Kingston, and Shelly Mavliget of Linden, 4 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren.

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Jeffrey Waack, Jeffrey Waack - died October 12, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

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"It is something to do with the family," said Jessica. "It's such a tradition," said Justin. They plan to carve the pumpkins with regular kitchen knives a couple of days before Halloween. "That way they don't go rotten, especially if we have another 70 degree day," he said.

Jessica said Katana does not carve the pumpkins, but the toddler does color them and digs the seeds out. Nick Nichols, owner of Oak Haven Farm, said his largest pumpkin weighed in at 250 pounds. A lot of fertilizer, and an irrigation system were used to grow the pumpkin crop. "This year we had excessive heat," said Nichols. He used plastic sheets to protect the plant roots, and his irrigation system kept them well watered. Nichols expects to see three to four thousand people per day on the weekends leading up to Halloween. "It is something to do with the family," said Jessica. "It's such a tradition," said Justin.

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New sandwiches are made on handmade Caledonia White whole wheat rolls, generously filled with a patron's choice of chicken breast and Fennel cheese with a bacon sauce or a smoked turkey and fennel cheese tomato.
LF soccer advances to GAC final

By David Troppens
droppens@tctimes.com
Durand — If defense wins championships, then the Lake Fenton varsity boys soccer team has a good chance to win its first GAC title since 2003.

The Blue Devils proved that on Wednesday, edging Durand 1-0 in the GAC semifinals. Offensively, Blake Bourdeau pounded in the game-winning goal with 11:05 left in the second half and, the defense, sparked by keeper Spencer Quick, was strong all night long, resulting in the win.

The victory put the Blue Devils (8-6-1) in the GAC championship contest, a game that was played Friday night at Goodrich. Results of the game were not known at pretime.

“(Winning the GAC title) would mean a lot,” said Quick, who made eight saves en route to the shutout win. “It would be the first time I’ve ever beat Goodrich on a varsity level sport, so it would mean a lot. I don’t think Lake Fenton has had our league in a long time. It would be big.”

In what was pretty much a defensive league in a long time. It would be big.

“It was a pretty big night, putting it all on the court on senior night,” said Dobias. “I have been getting more chances for kills. Everyone below the senior class has been stepping up. We came out as a team to play strong for the win.”

Linden won the first two sets, and was looking for a clean sweep after Jordan Sargent kept a long volley alive with a third hit save.

“Don’t even think (on a shot like that),” Quick said. “It’s just reaction. All I do is react. I saw the ball and just kicked it. Nothing more to it.”

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The Linden Eagles entered the varsity boys soccer season needing to replace 16 senior players.

The Eagles had a decent group of seniors to help cushion the blow, but also were relying on about a half-dozen fresh-
men to play key roles on the varsity squad to buffer the losses.

So in many ways, 2010 looked like it was going to be a rebuilding season.

It ended up being much more than that.

In what was a battle for second place in the Metro League, the Eagles dropped a 3-1 verdict to Lapeer East on Wednesday. That meant the Eagles had to settle for third place and a 5-2-1 Metro League record.

But, considering the rebuilding talk in August,

“I told the guys I was disappointed in their play last night, but that I didn’t want it to take away from what they accomplished this year,” Linden coach Kevin Fiebernitz said. “I talked about team morale and how they all seem to get along and that’s a really good thing. That was a big reason why we were able to surpass what I thought we would end up doing from a goal standpoint.

“I’m a coach and always put expectations on my players, but I am also realistic. At the beginning of the season, I said if we finish .500 or middle of the pack in the Metro, it would be an accomplished sea-

son. They’ve surpassed what I thought would happen.”

On Wednesday, the Eagles did have the early lead on the road. Linden scored when Brad Farthing sent a pass to Jamie Yanez. Yanez sent a ball to Zach Bakos, who then put the ball into the left corner of the net.

However, the lead didn’t last. East scored, tying the game at 1-all. It stayed that way until the final seven minutes of the game, when East scored two more goals, earning the victory and sole posses-

ion of second place in the Metro.

“They definitely carried the play,” Fiebernitz said. “I don’t think we played a great game and I think they had a lot to do with that. They have a lot of quick, big guys and a couple of skill guys. They are a good team. We seemed out of sync, but I think they had something to do with it. We didn’t get a lot of balls to our forwards to make things happen.”

Linden (7-6-1) now looks ahead to the district tournament. The Eagles start tour-

age action Wednesday with Goodrich, the perennial power in the GAC. The game at Goodrich starts Monday at 4:30 p.m.

“That should be a real good game,” Fiebernitz said. “Whoever comes out of the game probably will get to the district final and meet up with Clop or Lapeer West. It could be interesting.”

The winner of the game against Good-

rich returns to action on Thursday for a 4:30 p.m. contest. The finals are scheduled for Saturday.

“It’s been awhile since we’ve won a district title. This is important,” Fiebernitz said. “We did better than we thought dur-

ing the regular season, but now we have to turn our attention to the district. We need to see if we can get to the final game, win it and then move to regionals and get a little run going. Use this tournament as a springboard to 2011.”
FENTON

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Tigers’ 25-21 comeback. And from there, East was never a threat.

“Not this season,” Zepeda said when asked was the last time she was Fenton’s full-time setter for a match. “I set during my AAU season last year. I’ve been up there before. Not singling out anyone or me, but I know I was nervous. I think we started talking more as we went on, and I think it helped a lot. Also, I think the fire kicked in.”

“We do different rotations at tournaments just in case something happens, and it really came in handy because we knew what to do and we adapted really well,” Rooker said. “The first game we came out a little hesitant, but after that, we came out strong.”

The Tigers certainly did that in the second and third sets, pretty much sweeping the sweep in just over an hour. The Tigers marched out to an 8-1 lead early, scoring five straight points on Granger’s service, two by ace. East only managed to cut the gap as close as 8-3 on a Fenton hitting error, but Cowger’s service soon after that provided the Tigers with four more points. One each came on kills by Sarah Volffer and Peyton Maxheimer and another on a block kill by Collier and Rooker. Fenton led 14-5 and the lead was never seriously threatened. The Tigers capped the second set with consecutive kills by Maxheimer, Collier and Granger.

The third set was dominated by Granger. She pounded down four straight kills en route to an early 6-0 lead for Fenton. Granger pounded eight of the Tigers’ 18 kills during the third set, ending the game pretty quickly.

“We played really well,” Fenton coach Linda Rusaw said. “We came up with some key blocks. They made a lot of errors, but we were in the right place at the right time. When the ball came over to us, we took it, set it up and took it over again.”

The Tigers (7-0, 21-15) remain one match ahead of Lapeer West in the Metro League race with one match to go, meaning the Tigers can do no worse than tie for the league crown. However, the team has much higher hopes than winning a league championship.

“It’s always our goal to work hard, go undefeated and win the Metro, but we really want to do well in the postseason,” Rooker said. “We have to beat Clarkston (in districts), so that’s one of our big goals.”

Granger had 14 digs to go with her match-high 17 kills. Rooker and Maxheimer had six kills each, while Collier had five kills. Zepeda had 29 assists. Cowger had 10 digs.

On Thursday, Zepeda had 28 assists and three aces, while Granger had 14 kills, 19 digs and two blocks. Maxheimer had eight kills and Rooker had five kills. Martin chipped in six blocks.


Ellesia Smith had 15 kills and 24 digs, while Ashley Rinks chipped in 11 kills and 12 digs. Rachael Mundy had 37 assists. Alex Wilkinson had 20 digs.

Fenton’s Samantha Granger (left) digs a ball during the Tigers’ victory against Lapeer East on Tuesday. Sammi Cowger is watching the dig.
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For 36 mos • w/ Chrome pkg.

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For 39 mos • W/ Chrome pkg.

$339*

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