

**HOT LINE:
EMPLOYEE
SMOKING IN
CITY TRUCK**

"I have fully supported the ban on smoking in public places such as restaurants, but really, in a truck? Come on, do you really have nothing better to do than spy on what people are doing in their cars? You are the one who should be ashamed. Smoke away in your cars, smokers, that's your right and choice!"

— Me

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DISTRICT TITLE**

"Wow, wow, wow. What a great tribute to hard work, dedication and teamwork. This is great for the team, the town, and the fans. Of course, we think the band had a lot to do with the success, too. Go, Tigers!"



— The Bliss Family

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Coach, students react to winning 'first-ever' district trophy

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Midland — The Fenton varsity football team is in uncharted territory.

Sparked by an impressive defensive effort, the Fenton Tigers took care of Midland Dow, defeating the Chargers 24-0 in a district championship game at

Midland Community Stadium on Saturday night.

The win earned the Tigers their first-ever district trophy and earned them their first-ever trip to a regional final game. The Tigers play that game Friday at 7 p.m. against the game's host, Walled Lake Central.

"It's great to see our dreams come true. It feels good being the first team to win a playoff game, and now we've won districts."

Jake Georgakopoulos
senior at Fenton High School

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The Fenton varsity football team celebrates its 24-0 victory against Midland Dow in the district title game, Saturday. The Tigers play Walled Lake Central on Friday at 7 p.m.

World War II veteran kept B-24 Witchcraft flying

Summary

► World War II veteran Ray Betcher, of Linden, was a member of the ground crew that kept the B-24 Witchcraft, one of the most well-known bombers, flying.

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World War II was a defining event of the 20th century, with 16 million serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. More than 400,000 died, and millions supported the war effort at home. Ray Betcher, 88, of Linden, was an Army Air Force sergeant who, along with four others in his ground crew, kept the B-24 Witchcraft in the air.

The Witchcraft bomber was one of the most popular, well-known aircraft, and many magazine and newspaper articles have featured it. It had a witch flying on a broom painted on, holding a bomb.

Although the original Witchcraft was disposed of on Oct. 3, 1945, the

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Ray Betcher, of Linden, (far right) is pictured with his crew in front of the B-24 bomber, the Witchcraft.



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Ray Betcher, of Linden, served in World War II as an aircraft mechanic for the B-24 bomber, the Witchcraft. His plane flew on more than 130 missions during the war.

Area Veterans' Day ceremonies open to the public

Fenton — The Curtis Wolverton Post #3243 Veterans of Foreign Wars will hold a ceremony at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 11, at the bridge near Fenton City Hall, 301 S. LeRoy St. The VFW Post will open to the public at 11 a.m. for a free luncheon of ham, potato salad and baked beans, and a deejay will play patriotic songs.

Holly — Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Rd., will host a ceremony at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 11. It will feature a keynote speaker, music, presentation of colors, cannon and rifle salute, Taps and a wreath presentation by all of the services. A military flyover

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Sentencing of woman charged with embezzlement adjourned

► Restitution hearing needs to be set in related civil complaint

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The sentencing of Pamela Heavner was adjourned Monday in Genesee County Circuit Court until after a restitution hearing can be completed in a related civil complaint. Heavner, 54, was criminally charged with embezzling more than \$1 million from her employer, WPM Construction, a nationwide company based in Grand Blanc Township. After appearing in court on Monday, Heavner was remanded to the county jail with no bond.

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Arson case bound over to circuit court

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The 36-year-old woman arrested for allegedly setting her Argentine Township home on fire on Sept. 13 was bound over to circuit court for a jury trial.

Argentine Township police arrested Julie Villarreal on Tuesday, Sept. 14, while she was at the police station for questioning. She was transported to

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BuckPole

Hal Rockman of Fenton rattled in this 10-point buck in Southern Genesee County and took it with his bow.

TROPHY

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The Tigers weren't alone in celebration. When the game ended with Fenton quarterback Houston Shaw's final knee, about 100 members from the student body roared onto the field in celebrating their heroes. Overall, there were about 700 fans, including band members, who made the trip to witness Fenton football history.

The players found it hard to grasp their emotions after the 24-0 drubbing of Dow.

"It's unbelievable," Fenton senior Jake Georgakopoulos said. "We've been working on this stuff the whole season and during the summer. It's great to see

our dreams come true. It feels good being the first team to win a playoff game, and now we've won districts. We are trying to represent the Metro and show everybody what we are about."

"There's not a lot of people who believed that we could do what we are doing now," Fenton head coach Jeff Setzke said. "Our kids believed in what we can do."

Fenton is three wins away from a state title. Friday's winner advances to the state semifinals against the winner of the Lowell-Muskegon game. The winner of that semifinal match then heads to Ford Field for the Division 2 State Championship Game to be played, Nov. 26 at 1 p.m.

On Saturday, though, the Tigers had enough excitement getting their first trophy. Most didn't expect the Tigers to win their opening round game against Midland. That game ended up being a 42-35 victory for Fenton at Midland Community Stadium. Then, a week later, even more history was made with Saturday's win against Dow at the same field.

"We consider this our second home," Setzke said. "We call it Fenton North."

"I can't explain my emotions," senior Branden Marion said. "Our school has never won a playoff game and we just won in the second round. We're going to the third round. It's unreal, I can't tell you how good this is. Everyone is happy."

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1 Fresher leftovers

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2 Trash protector

To discourage dogs, cats and birds from ripping into trash bags, spray the bags lightly with insect repellent. The smell drives the animals away.

Grocery shopping... Warehouse vs. local grocery store



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This is a photo of a local grocery store, where shoppers can select the quantity and quality of produce they wish to purchase.

► Studies show bulk buying often costs more in long run

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It has been said by many "occasional" warehouse club shoppers that you can't get out the door without spending at least \$200. That's because these growing national retailers and expert marketers know just how to tweak the "impulse shopping button" of consumers who are convinced that everything at Sam's Club and Costco must be a great deal.

There are some good bargains to be found there, but usually they are packaged in bulk, making them only a "good deal" if you need a massive quantity — like a pack of two, 2-liter bottles of extra virgin olive, or 12 cans of the same flavor of Campbell's soup. Other items get pulled off the shelf and

into the cart because they are presented in a seasonal way — for example, a package of 1,000 Christmas gift tags or a bolt of dozens of Christmas ribbons.

However, paying an annual membership fee for the privilege of shopping for groceries should be the first clue that warehouse shopping is more in the best interest of the warehouse owner than the consumer.

In addition to paying gasoline costs to make the drive to the closest warehouse club, there are annual membership fees that take a fair chunk out of the shopping dollar. It costs \$40 annually for a basic membership to Sam's Club in Grand Blanc

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Disadvantages of warehouse clubs

- **Membership fees** make customers 'pay' for privilege of shopping.
- **Difficult parking.**
- **Limited selection** of products.
- **Items packaged** in large quantities, resulting in waste and difficulty in carrying and storing.
- **No bags**, making it more difficult to load and unpack.
- **Lack of customer** service on the floor.
- **Limited payment** options.
- **No customer-friendly** shopping hours.
- **Customers buy** things they don't need.
- **Difficult to shop** with children.

Source: helium.com

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It's time to get your chimney cleaned



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D & R Chimney Sweep owner Brian Toth, of Linden, cleans the fireplace of a home in Fenton Township Tuesday morning.

► Creosote buildup can spark a chimney fire

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A cozy fire can add warmth and old-fashioned charm for family get-togethers or be the perfect setting for curling up with a good book. It can also be a cost-effective way for people to heat their homes on a daily basis.

As beautiful and functional as these fires are, cooking and heating are the leading causes of home fires in the months of December through February. This time of year is also

See **CHIMNEY** on 19

Important Dos and Don'ts

- **Do** check the manufacturer's operating guidelines for your woodstove or insert.
- **Do** use seasoned hardwood.
- **Do** use commercial fire starters if you like. They eliminate the need for tinder and reduce the amount of kindling required.
- **Don't** use charcoal lighter fluid or other flammable liquids. These are extremely dangerous (gel fire starters are OK).
- **Don't** use coal in a woodstove or fireplace unless there are specific written instructions; it will burn, but not safely.
- **Don't** burn artificial logs in a woodstove unless they are specifically designed for woodstove use.
- **Don't** burn treated lumber, trash or anything other than wood in your fireplace or woodstove.

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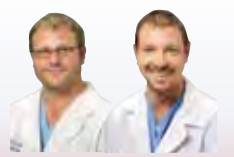


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Don't help me, I can't afford it

Not too long ago, Congress passed legislation to fine airlines for leaving people on runways too long. The result of this legislation is that now airlines prematurely cancel more flights in the face of pending bad weather in order to avoid possible fines. Cancellations leave more flyers stranded at airports with no plane to fly in. Congress meddling in private business almost always makes matters worse. And yet they (the government), never learns.

There has never been a major government entitlement that has actually cut costs, or that has actually cost anywhere near what the politicians said it would. The unintended, but predictable, consequences of bigger government are more regulations, more rules, more bureaucracy, more taxes, more uncertainty, more meddling and less motivation to take responsibility for one's own life.

Politicians pass a stimulus package to kick-start the economy and create jobs, but trillions of dollars later they confess that identifying the jobs they say they created and saved is an 'inexact science.' President Obama may look good telling people the wonderful things he's doing to fix things, but his results are just the opposite — the 3 million jobs lost since he took office are hard to hide.

In trying to make capitalism 'fairer,' politicians are destroying what makes free-enterprise work. Taking risks and earning rewards is what drives economic progress and job creation. Government is taking away risk by funding the failure of companies 'too big to fail,' and taking away the inherent desire of man to work and pay his own way, by awarding chronic unemployment benefits.

Such intervention messes up the tested, tried and true, (and red, white and blue) recipe of Americans fending for themselves.

There's an old casino adage that says, 'Please don't comp me — I can't afford it.'

The same goes for our government, 'Please don't help me — I can't afford it.'

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OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS and DDAs are out of touch with the citizens. During good times, building roundabouts, and putting up excessively expensive signs may fly, but let's get real. Michigan's economy is one, if not the worst, in the country and we still have elected officials who just have to spend dollars on things that are not needed and could easily wait for better times.

SAY WHAT YOU like, but the facts are that George Bush could not fund anything without the approval of the Democratic Congress, which he had. Want to place blame, then blame yourselves, the administration and the Congress (all of them equally). Anything else shows your lack of understanding of our elected government and your biased mind.

TWO ROUNDABOUTS AND a brewery. Imagine the intoxicated drivers navigating a roundabout. First time they crash and next they'll avoid it and drive through your residential neighborhoods. Visit Ann Arbor and Green Oak Mall roundabouts along U.S. 23. They are traffic alleys. Neither are small town- or pedestrian-friendly.

ISN'T IT INTERESTING, that day after the election that the gasoline prices went from \$2.71 per gallon to \$2.99 per gallon. Guess the Republicans are celebrating by making us all pay into their stock funds. Just watch how the prices will rise to cover their success.

JUST WANTED TO say thanks for the great jobs done on Jennings and Ripley roads. Wow, what a difference and it

Hot lines

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was well worth any inconvenience. Also, since Rolston is 35 mph, could we please get some signs on Ripley making it 35 mph. This is a two-lane residential road.

REMEMBER THE HIGH inflation of the early '80's? Get ready, you will see it spike even higher. The Obama administration, with all of their stimulus, has set this in motion. Have you

been to the grocery store lately? It is starting. Of course, he will try to blame Republicans for this.

SO, NOW THE new Republican governor has appointed two Democrats to his staff. I guess the only change in Lansing will be what little is left in my pocket. No wonder only a minority of people waste their time to vote. Bah, humbug.

'GET CLOSER,' ARE you kidding me? You spent \$100,000 for a Milford marketing consultant to come up with 'Get Closer?' Our Fenton gazebo symbol will be replaced with a fleur-de-lis and a drip. We're simple people, here. Think simple family values, and then spend.

MY HUSBAND AND I moved just outside the Fenton City limits a little over 10 years ago. We moved here for the small-town atmosphere. Since we moved here, Wal-Mart, then Target opened. We didn't like it. We didn't like seeing big city growth invade here. Now, roundabouts? We found our way around just fine. New signs are a waste. Now the DDA wants to invite Detroit here. Goodbye small town, hello bigger crime.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



Cleaning house

At the polls last Tuesday as I prepared to cast my vote in the midterm election, I could sense a feeling of quiet determination in the air. Voters turned out in higher than normal numbers. They wanted change and they were going to have their voices heard in getting that change, that so many people feel is desperately needed.

Incumbents took the brunt of it. I knew that was going to happen based on the numerous Hot line comments I read day after day. 'Vote the bums out' seemed to be the common theme.

And, that is exactly what happened in the village of Holly. Only one incumbent was re-elected to the village council, and the president was ousted, as well.

Personally, I think change is refreshing. And, sometimes, it is much needed. I hope the new council and the new president give their residents the change they are looking for.

I have a particular dislike for candidates who are term limited, only to seek out another term in a different area. To me, the intent of running for that position is no longer a passion for the issues at stake, but a potential job.

There's a Hot line in today's edition of the Times, expressing disappointment at our new governor for appointing Democrats to two top positions. To me, it is a sign of hope — that those in leadership roles will no longer make decision based on party lines, but for what is truly best for people of this state.

There are also many Hot lines about our local government, and about how they are making decisions and ignoring the voices of the citizens they are serving.

All I can say is Election Day is right around the corner for many of those elected officials. I think they may want to listen.

On a different note, tomorrow is Veteran's Day, and there are many ceremonies in the tri-county area honoring those who have served our country. Take a moment to thank our veterans. I know I will.

Enjoy your week.

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Who is the veteran in your life?

streettalk



"I am a veteran. I was in the Air Force during what they called the 'Korean Campaign.'"

— Frank Vetere
Linden



"My friend Nick is still in, and I still talk with him. He loves serving his country."

— Danielle Butts
Linden



"My Uncle Paul, who died a few years ago, he was a World War II veteran."

— Dominic Durso
Holly



"I've got two brothers and a dad who are veterans. They were in the Navy."

— Eddie Prater
Fenton



"My brother was in World War II. He fought in Iwo Jima, one of the men who were part of the Greatest Generation."

— Margaret Jones, Tyrone Township



"My husband, he was in Army Special Operations. They fight for our country."

— Bonnie Kile,
Fenton Township

Adelaide Street work to wrap up soon

►Council approves alternate offer for water tap-ins, saving \$20,000

By Anna Troppens

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Fenton — The city's Adelaide Street paving began earlier this week, and Phase 1 of the project is expected to be completed by Friday, Nov. 19.

Because of the size of the Adelaide Street project, it is taking place in two phases. The first phase is on Adelaide Street, from South Holly Road to Silver Lake Road, this year. The second phase will be in 2011, from Silver Lake Road to Oak Park. Along with water main replacement, the entire roadway along Adelaide Street will be repaved.

A top coat will be applied around Monday, Nov. 15, according to director of public works Leslie Bland. Sidewalk work also remains.

As part of the project, on Monday, city council approved spending \$22,400 for water tap-ins on Rockwell Street. Frank Patrello, of Holly, offered a lower price than the contractor for Adelaide Street, which set the cost at \$50,000, Bland said. Patrello has done tap-ins for Fenton and offered 13 short taps at \$800, for houses on the same side of the road as the water main. Long taps, for 12 houses across the street from the main, are \$1,000 each.

Fenton will supply the materials and handle road and yard repairs, at a cost of around \$6,000.

The city is paying for the 25 tap-ins, which are for houses on Rockwell Street that were not changed over to the new water main when it was installed 28 years ago, Bland said. He believes it will take Patrello a week to do the work.

Adelaide Street project budget

Adelaide Street's cost is estimated at \$2.25 million, and Fenton is using Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) funding from Genesee County to pay for part of the repaving.

In addition, city council has approved Super Build America Bonds for the work.

The federal government sells this type of bonds, paying 40 percent of the interest. Fenton will pay bond debt for the water main portion of the project with money from water rate increases approved in January.

Summary

►Fenton's Adelaide Street project is set to wrap up for the year around next Friday. Work on the second portion of the project, north of Silver Lake Road, will begin in the spring.

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Calendar of events

Saturday, Nov. 13

Argentine Church of the Nazarene is hosting a community dinner on Saturday, Nov. 13, from 5 to 7 p.m., 16248 S. Seymour Rd., in Linden. Dinner includes chili, rolls, salad, and dessert. The cost will be \$5 per adult and \$3 for children 5 and under.

First Baptist Church of Fenton, 860 N. LeRoy St., will be hosting a military vehicle show Saturday, Nov 13, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., in honor/recognition of Veteran's Day. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Sunday, Nov. 14

The public is invited to a free organ recital at **St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church** in Fenton, at 3 p.m., on Sunday, Nov. 14. The Flint Chapter of the American Guild of Organists sponsors the recital.

Thursday, Nov. 18

Linden Presbyterian Church, 119 W. Broad St., Linden, is hosting a Blood Drive on Thursday, Nov. 18, from 1 to 6:45 p.m. Please log onto RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code: linden presby) to schedule an appointment.

Tuesday, Nov. 23

Linden Boy Scout Troop 111 is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on Tuesday, Nov. 23, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the **Linden Presbyterian Church**, 119 W. Broad St. The cost is \$6 per person. Spaghetti with meat sauce, cole slaw, dinner roll, dessert, coffee or milk will be served.

SENTENCING

Continued from Front Page

The Tyrone Township woman was a payroll clerk for WPM when she was accused of embezzling the money. Investigators with the Grand Blanc Township Police Department claim she stole the money through an intricate payroll scheme, dating back to 2005.

In addition to one felony charge of conducting a criminal enterprise, Heavner initially faced 11 counts of embezzlement, 12 counts of uttering and publishing, 11 counts of larceny and five counts of fraudulent use of a computer. If she was found guilty as charged, she faced up to 20 years in state prison.

During her preliminary exam in September, several counts were dismissed and others were amended. Heavner's amended charges include uttering and publishing (writing bad checks), four counts of embezzling more than \$20,000 and two counts of using a computer to commit fraud.

In October, Heavner pleaded guilty to the amended counts. Upon conviction, she faces up to 14 years in prison.

Civil complaints are also pending against Heavner. She is expected back in court on the civil hearing on Jan. 20, 2011.

Council tables awarding garbage contract

►Is considering bids from two companies

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Fenton — The Fenton City Council is examining two bids for garbage and recycling services, and costs will stay the same for at least a year.

Members discussed proposals from Waste Management, of Lennon — the current contractor — and Republic Services, of Flint. The recommendation of Assistant City Manager Michael Burns, and the Solid Waste Committee, was to award the bid to Waste Management, through Dec. 31, 2011, with options to renew the contract for the 2012 and 2013 calendar years.

Council decided to table awarding the contract, in order to obtain more information. Gary Hicks, municipality manager for Republic Services, clarified some information on his firm's bid. Joe Denczek, who handles community and municipal

relations for Waste Management, also provided more information.

Resident Marilyn Wendt asked when the issue will "hit us in our pocketbook."

Costs will not increase for the first year, said Councilman John Rauch, a member of the city's Solid Waste Committee.

Mayor Sue Osborn said council is going to examine all of the options and issues brought forward and discuss it at the worksession on Dec. 6. Fenton's solid waste program is breaking even at this point, and residents "pay as they go."

Hicks urged council to try Republic Services for 13 months. "Give us a shot. See if we do what we say," he said.

Council can ask for bids again, or go back to Waste Management. Fenton would still save \$20,000 in the first year, by contracting with Republic Services, Hicks said.

Councilwoman Cheryl King talked with Denczek at a Michigan Municipal League event, asking about a refund for the city that council discussed in a worksession. Denczek agreed to refund \$7,000, spread over a couple of months, he said. This was due to the previous assistant city manager providing incorrect information on the number of solid waste customers in Fenton, King said. The previous employee over-counted by 166 units, which Waste Management charged the city for.

Councilman Benjamin Smith said at a Solid Waste Committee meeting, Denczek showed pictures of a recycling center, which Republic Services does not use. Denczek said it was meant as an example of a third-party site, and Waste Management is the only hauler in the area that's made an investment in its own recycling facilities. Republic Services is building

What the council wants to find out

Councilman John Rauch, who has been on the Solid Waste Committee for 10 years, said city officials need the following information. Councilwoman Diane North also serves on the committee.

- **From Waste Management**, the amount of tons of solid waste collected in the city.

- **Whether Republic Services** drivers would haul wheeled, 95-gallon recycling containers from houses to the curb, and back, for customers who cannot handle the containers. The 95-gallon containers are part of the second option Republic Services offered, which council is not discussing, Councilman Benjamin Smith said. In its first option, Republic Services changes nothing.

- **Whether Republic Services** would have no fuel surcharge for 13 months.

sites of its own, Smith said.

Rauch said Waste Management has served the city of Fenton for the 15 years he's lived there, and there's never been a serious problem. A Waste Management truck visits city hall every day to see if there are any issues. He's seen Waste Management employees clean up dropped items with a broom and dustpan, Rauch said. There is a difference in cost between the two bids, but it's not much, he said.

Republic Services used an estimate of 3,700 homes in Fenton. The number of customers changes every three months, Rauch said. It depends on housing foreclosures, and people leaving the city. Fenton determines the number of customers by its quarterly water and sewer billings, which also include a fee of \$13.50 per unit, per quarter for recycling.

Councilman Tim Faricy said recycling costs the city \$8.10 per unit, per quarter. He asked about correcting the imbalance. Osborn said they need to talk to the city treasurer, and she believes Fenton is breaking even on solid waste. Recycling is figured into the equation.

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News briefs

Candy for Coats drive at Lake Fenton

The Lake Fenton Theatre Club is holding a "Candy for Coats" drive to coincide with its upcoming theatre production of Willy Wonka. During the week of Nov. 8 – 11, the club will collect new or gently used coats and blankets. Candy rewards will be given to those donating items. Each participant will also receive a Golden Ticket discount

coupon for \$3 off of an adult ticket for the upcoming performance. The school building that collects the most donations will receive a \$50 gift card from Borders or the Little Professor Book Center for use in the purchase of books for the library. Anyone attending a performance of Willy Wonka, who donates a new or gently used coat, blanket or at least three non-perishable foods or personal hygiene items will receive \$3 off the price of the play ticket.

Contractor addresses issue on parkway

The contractor for Silver Parkway in Fenton recently fixed an area where there was standing water after rain. Workers "crowned" the roadway, so water will run to the sides, said Department of Public Works Director Leslie Bland.

Fenton council sets public hearing

Fenton City Council has set a public hearing on the proposed Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Tax Increment Financing Plan, for the Monday, Dec. 13 council meeting. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. at city hall.

Fenton High School Alumni holds annual meeting

Members of Fenton High School Alumni Association held their annual meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 2. Chuck Montgomery was named president, Nancy Parkin, vice president, Hannah DeLisle, secretary and Orpha Verhelle, treasurer. Trustees are Ken Seger, Malvin Walden and Ralph Steward. A decision was made to purchase a bench to go with the original "rock" and landscaping. John and Michelle Hillis will host the December Christmas party.

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Police&Fire report

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

A 32-year-old Fenton man is facing possible charges of domestic violence and home invasion. Lt. Jason Slater said police responded to a call in the 700 block of Silver Lake Road at 6:53 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 7. The 31-year-old female resident said her 32-year-old ex-boyfriend forced his way into her home, pushed her up against the wall and threatened to assault her new boyfriend. The woman demanded he leave and he did, at which time she called 911. Fenton police located the man in the woman's backyard as he was talking to her and making threats to her on his cell phone. The man was taken into custody and was transported to the county jail, awaiting his arraignment on the charges.

OWI ARREST

At 1:52 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 7, a Fenton police officer patrolling on southbound North LeRoy Street saw a vehicle in his rearview mirror approaching his vehicle quickly. When the officer lost sight of the vehicle's headlights, he took evasive measures to avoid being rear-ended. The 2002 Chrysler Town and Country minivan made an improper turn onto North Road. A traffic stop was initiated. The officer detected a strong odor of intoxicants and saw that the man's face was bloody. The officer learned that the driver, a 29-year-

old Fenton man, had been at a local bar and had gotten into a fight. A preliminary breath test indicated a blood alcohol content of .177 percent. The man was arrested for operating while intoxicated and taken to the hospital for treatment of his injuries. Once cleared by the hospital, the man was taken to the police station. He was later released with a ticket to appear in court for OWI.

LIQUOR THIEF PLEADS NOT GUILTY

Timmy Joe Stutts II, 30, of Burton, pleaded not guilty at his Genesee County Circuit Court arraignment on Monday. Stutts was charged with first-degree retail fraud and as a habitual offender. He was remanded to the Genesee County Jail. A mandatory settlement conference with the prosecutor has been scheduled for Nov. 29 and a jury trial is set for Jan. 19, 2011. Stutts allegedly stole hundreds of dollars of bottled liquor from a grocery store on Silver Parkway in September. Surveillance footage turned over to police shows him concealing the bottles underneath his shirt.

CAVALIER BROKEN INTO

At 12 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 5, Fenton police responded to the 800 block of Oak Park Drive to investigate a larceny from auto complaint. The 29-year-old Fenton man said someone forced their way into his Chevy Cavalier overnight and stole his mp3 player. He said the car was locked. The man noticed that the seal around the top of the door window had been tampered with, which could have allowed the suspect to gain entry.

ONLINE

Continued from Front Page

nothing. Mysteriously, Fenton's retooling of the city's logo is French with a lily and fleur de lis. Hmmm — can anybody think of anything else French in this town?"

— Wannabuyawatch

STORY: STUDY SAYS: SMALLER ROUNDABOUTS MIGHT WORK

"Let's be real. The only one a roundabout would suit is (a local business). This street hasn't changed in 174 years. There's a three-way intersection at South LeRoy. We already put in a one-way street for them. It's ridiculous to put a roundabout at South Adelaide and Shiawassee."

— Furious

"The entire concept is absurd and highly unnecessary. I'm a Dibbleville local. I know the traffic patterns. The lion's share of congestion at Adelaide and Shiawassee, and Shiawassee and LeRoy are cars looking for parallel parking spots

near The French Laundry around lunch and dinnertime, and all weekend long, period. This is not a roundabout issue. It's way-finding signage issue — and not at \$5K a crack, either. City council, are you listening?"

— Townie

STORY: NEW FENTON TAGLINE

"How many people know that some sources say, nearly a half-million dollars of their tax money has been used for the betterment of (a local business)? Now, enter the ridiculous notion that a roundabout be put into the historical road map that has been with this city for 150-plus years. One-half block to the east is a dead end. If a roundabout is put in, it is a way for the business to extend their lot line and improve their property at taxpayers' expense, once again. Wake up, Fenton. This is reminiscent of the urban renewal debacle, which ended up greatly ruining the historical legend of this city."

— Enough is enough

Roads might take longer to clear

►Road Commission blames less funding

Oakland County — The Oakland County Road Commission (OCRC) warns motorists that winter storm cleanup might be slower because of a decline in road funding.

Ongoing budget cuts result in the road commission having fewer employees available to drive and maintain the snow plows/salt trucks this year, which means winter storm clean up will take longer than in past years.

"This winter, we will have about 50 fewer employees to drive snow plows/salt trucks," stated OCRC board chairperson Richard Skarritt. "That is about one-third fewer drivers this year than we had in 2007."

OCRC typically puts 106 snowplows/salt trucks on the road to battle a major snow or ice storm. In the past, OCRC was able to replace the initial 106 drivers with up to 84 drivers for a second 16-hour shift to continue fighting the storm or to clean up after the storm. This year, the agency will have less than 40 drivers available for the second shift.

"That's a substantial reduction in our ability to fight a prolonged storm, or even a series of small storms, or to clean up after a storm," explained OCRC Vice Chairman Eric Wilson. He explained the reduction in staff is a direct result of declining state road funding for OCRC.

"This year is the fifth straight year in which our primary source of operating funds — revenue from the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees — has declined," noted OCRC Board member Greg Jamian. "Those five years of decline follow nearly 10 years of virtually flat revenues. We'll receive less funding in the current fiscal year than we received in 2000."

As a result, OCRC has been making cuts and finding ways to operate more efficiently for years. It is now at the point where the only way to achieve the level of savings needed to balance the budget is to reduce staff. In addition, OCRC has had to defer the replacement of its aging fleet of snowplows/salt trucks, meaning they will be out of service for repairs more frequently this winter.

"We are not happy about this situation," Skarritt stated. "Safety is OCRC's number-one priority, and it pains us greatly to have to reduce the level of service we can provide."

Jamian pointed out that as a result of these changes, motorists must be, more than ever, vigilant when driving during or immediately after winter storms. "Because of the reduced level of service we will be able to provide this winter, it's critical that motorists be aware of the road conditions and drive appropriately for those conditions. Don't assume we have salted or plowed the roads as we would have in the past."

Summary

►The Road Commission for Oakland County is warning motorists that because of a continued decline in funding, it will likely take longer to clear roads of snow this winter.

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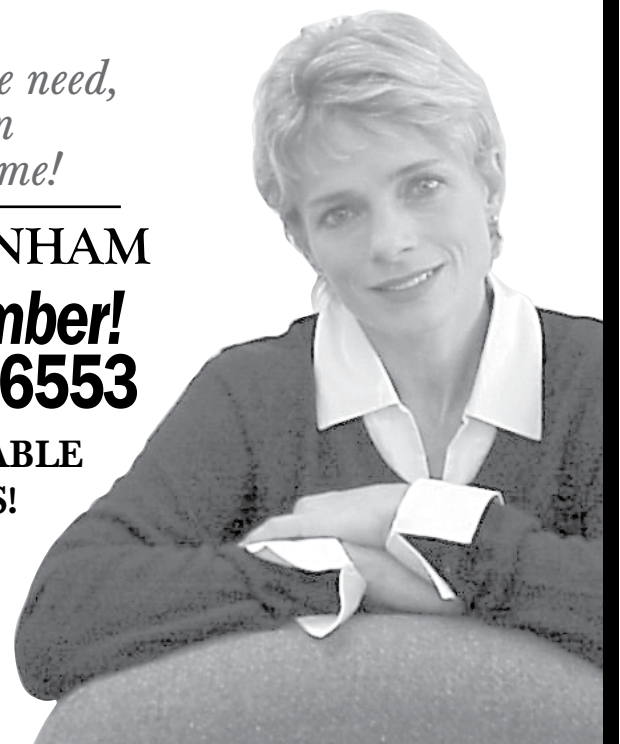
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Military milestones

Edwin W. Smith, of Linden, was honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy on Oct. 29. He served as a petty officer third class in damage control. He is a 2003 graduate of Linden High School.

Academic achievements

Calvin College has announced **Ashley Look**, of Fenton, has received a 2010-11 scholarship for new students. She is a graduate of Lake Fenton High School.



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HOT LINE CONTINUED

WHY IS THE Lake Fenton school district not supporting middle school drama? My child rehearses in the library. They cannot use the stage because of sports practice. It is appalling how those kids are treated. The stage is a mess. Dance rehearsal in the library?

GREAT JOB, FENTON varsity football team. It was an amazing game against Midland Dow. All the guys on the team are true champions.

THE OIL COMPANIES wanted to thank the American people for voting in Republicans by raising the gas prices, by average, 35 cents. The gas companies reported that the high prices are because companies don't have to worry about any new regulations or environmental tax increases. This was reported by the CEO (Harris) from Exxon Mobil Oil.

I JUST WANTED to thank Marvin and Norman at Alpine Marketplace for Customer Appreciation Day. It was wonderful.

I AM GLAD there is a sidewalk on Silver Parkway. I park at Wal-Mart and walk to Weight Watchers. I walk from there to Gamestop or the bank. I return down that same walkway and go to VG's, then carry my purchases over to Wal-Mart, where I may go in and do a little shopping there. People use them.

ON JAN. 7, 2011, a man who has served this city well will be retiring after 41 years. Leslie Bland has done his job above and beyond, time after time. We are so proud of you and we love ya, dad. Dan, April, Andrew, Cinnamon, Autumn, Payton and Noah.

September count: Fenton schools down 70 students

By Anna Troppens

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Fenton — Enrollment in Fenton Area Public Schools has dropped by 70 students from the last school year.

Earlier in the school year, Fenton school administrators were expecting around the same number of students as last year. But, the September count showed 191 students left the district. This number was offset by students entering the district, with a net loss of 70 students.

Doug Busch, executive director of finance and personnel, said many left due to the economy, and their families finding job opportunities elsewhere. The current enrollment is at 3,474. This will have an effect on the district financially, since schools receive funding from the state according to the number of students they have.

State officials have not determined the amount of per-pupil funding schools will receive this year, Busch said. Fenton's per-pupil amount, which is not set in stone at this point, is estimated at \$7,316. This is the same amount as last year, made possible by federal stimulus and jobs funding.

Officials are discussing per pupil in Lansing at this point. With the Nov. 2 election

completed and the new legislature to be seated in January, school administrators are hoping to have more information on funding, soon.

"We're really in kind of a holding pattern," he said.

The state doesn't let school district know the amount of funding for future years, until that year arrives. Fenton schools' three-year budget projection is a fluid, working document instead of a hard set of numbers, due to uncertainties about enrollment and state funding.

"It's a working document," Busch said.

Summary

► Due to families moving for job opportunities and other reasons, Fenton Area Public Schools' enrollment is down by 70 students from the previous school year.

Reasons for leaving

Student exit surveys will be revised, so the district obtains more details on why students are leaving Fenton schools.

- **Moved** from county, 44 percent
- **Housing** change, 18 percent
- **Moved** out of state, 11 percent
- **Family** reasons, 10 percent
- **Employment**, 6 percent
- **Left** for home schooling or private school, 5 percent
- **Unknown**, 3 percent

Source: Fenton Area Public Schools

Local students compete at Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee

By Jan Ryneearson

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Knights of Columbus Fenton Council 7418 held their annual Spelling Bee on Wednesday Nov. 3 at St. John's Activity Center. It was open to all area schools, Linden, Lake Fenton, and Fenton, grades 4-6 in Level I and 7-9 in Level II, as well as members of St John School.

The winners in each level received a \$75 savings bond and the first runners-up received a \$50 savings bond. The second and third runners-up go on to the Knights of Columbus Regional level with the winner and first runners-up.

There were about 75 participants in the two levels.

Winners

Level I (Grades 4-6)

Kenton Kline
MacKenzie Ventura (first runner up)
Jacob Kim (second runner up)
Maya Wynam (third runner up)

Level II (Grades 7-9)

Logan Murphy
Neelesh Peddireddy (first runner up)
Lena Maldonado (second runner up)
Emily Battaglia (third runner up)

"All the contestants did remarkably well and can be very proud of their accomplishment," said Bob Metcalfe, who has operated the spelling bee for the past 15 years.

Chamber hosts Holly Holiday Extravaganza

The Holly Area Chamber of Commerce invites community members to its annual holiday dinner, recently renamed the "Holly Holiday Extravaganza."

The event, which features an evening of fine dining, music, dancing and entertainment, will be held Friday, Dec. 10 at The Captain's Club at the Woodfield Country Club, 10200 Woodfield Dr., Grand Blanc.

Festivities will begin at 6 p.m. and conclude at 12 a.m. There will be a buffet

dinner with a cash bar. The chamber will also be holding its Blind Auction. Members are asked to provide a wrapped gift with a minimum value of \$50.

Cost of the event is \$30 per person, or a reserved table of eight for \$210. Reservations should be made to P.O. Box 214, Holly, MI 48442 by Dec. 3.

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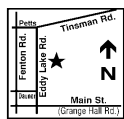
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KATHY WILKINSON Secretary to the Principal

Alivia Howell with Alyssa McCoy
and Lindsay Sensoli

"I really like my job, and I like the people that I work with; and I honestly like working with high school-age kids."

Kathy Wilkinson has been the principal's secretary for 10 years at Lake Fenton, and an unsung hero to many.

Lake Fenton 2009 graduate, Morgan Pattillo, said, "I do feel Mrs. Wilkinson is an unsung hero at Lake Fenton. She is the first person one sees when they enter the school, and she greets everyone with a smile no matter what. And she is a go-to person if you need anything, she'll drop what she's doing to help you."

Wilkinson enjoys spending her free time with her family, including her husband of 23 years, Todd Wilkinson, and her daughter, Alex. She cherishes the opportunity to watch her daughter, currently a senior at Lake Fenton, participate in volleyball and softball.

Before she made her career decision, Wilkinson also considered accounting and went on to say, "I thought it would be a good career, and interesting, until my first class about it in college."

Wilkinson's favorite aspect of her job is interacting with students and teachers. However, taking care of behind-the-scenes circumstances that no one sees is where she finds her fulfillment.

But with every job there comes challenges. Wilkinson finds that to be "taking the brunt of people's elevated emotions when they are upset about something out of my control."

Having the inside take on things, Wilkinson has a powerful view on the students. She said, "All of the kids seem kind of the same on the surface, but a lot of these kids have deep personal things going on and it's amazing how they handle things so maturely. It helps me to understand why they act the way they do."

Teen depression should be taken seriously, say experts

Marta Watters

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About 20 percent of teenagers will experience depression before they reach adulthood. Teenagers can be affected regardless of gender, social background, or even income level.

Depression has a serious impact on a teen's life, making it difficult for them to be social; they may have a hard time in school or at work. They are prone to illness more than others, and usually struggle with relationships.

The most common signs of depression are loss of interest in activities, withdrawal from family and friends, changes in eating and sleeping habits, lack of motivation, fatigue, sadness, and frequent crying.

Teens suffer from unexplained aches and pains, they are irritable and angry, they are extremely sensitive to criticism, and they withdraw from some people, but not everyone.

Another serious issue involved with teen depression, is suicide. Many people have suicidal thoughts when they are depressed, believing that they are not good enough, or no one cares



about them, so they question why they should even be alive. Teen suicide is the third leading death among teenagers.

Vanessa, a teenager who has dealt with depression said, "When I found out that the suicide rate for people around my age is more than AIDS, cancer, heart disease, and lung disease combined, I was shocked."

It is truly sad that many people do not even know how many of their peers at school could be dealing with the thought of suicide. Paul Joffe, a clinical psychologist at the University of Illinois said, "Fantasies of suicide can be quite addictive and can involve an idea of personal fierceness."

Three's not a crowd in hockey

Evan Haller

Lake Fenton hockey has been battling skater numbers for years, so last year when they combined with Durand as a co-op program, it apparently helped.

"Last year worked out well... Everyone got along and having two teams helped fill in the holes a bit," said senior Kyle Frank.

But will three schools this year change anything?

"As far as scheme, no, but it will make us a better team overall with more options," Frank said in regards

to Linden joining the match-up.

Last year, a lot of people had their doubts but the team ended up with more wins than predicted.

"This year we will continue to get better and better. Adding another school is only going to help; the only place we lack right now is a goalie," said sophomore Austin Frank.

Last year the team had about 14 players - a short bench even with two schools. This year there were over 28 players at tryouts, so having a short bench shouldn't be a problem for the combined three.

Student StreetTALK

What's the biggest change you've experienced in high school?

Angela Messina

"I've matured with my attitude, and became a lot more serious with school."

- Danny Brodie,
Senior



"Driving to school, and having more freedom."

- Ryan Smith,
Junior



"Friends. Why? Everyone started hanging out with new people."

- Brooke Gow,
Sophomore



"Everyone's not as close as they used to be."

- Kayla Swartz,
Freshman



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HOT LINE CONTINUED

HAVE ANY RESIDENTS recently had problems with water heaters? Mine wasn't a year old. I get home from work, only to see water everywhere in my laundry room. Then, I talk to my friend's father and apparently, the water department was messing around with one of the city mains down North Road a few days ago. Isn't it the city's duty to notify residents before our empty hot water tanks burn up?

DRIVERS, TO AVOID a head-on collision when turning right into a two-lane road, please remember to come to a complete stop and look both ways. Someone could be passing using the lane you are quickly making a right turn into.

ONCE AGAIN, PEOPLE believe everything they hear from Hannity or Beck. This time, it's the Obama trip to India costing \$200 million per day. What a joke that you believed it. The entire Afghanistan war only costs \$190 million per day. So gullible.

MY HUSBAND AND I want to thank the awesome couple in Holly, who tracked us down when we left our debit card in the money machine. We really appreciate your honesty. Thank you again, from the bottom of our hearts.

ALL THE MONEY for signs, for all the people who live in Fenton, you could probably buy everyone a GPS and they would know where they were going and exactly where everything was, and it wouldn't cost us \$300,000.

I AM SICK and tired of the DDA always trying to spend, spend, spend. They all need to be voted out.

RATHER THAN GOING with these ugly, fluted bases, and super expen-

sive signs, why can't they stay with the theme of cast-iron posts? Make them consistent with everything else in town.

WHERE IS THE oil? The liberals have been telling us for nine years that Bush only went to Iraq for the oil. We are leaving there now, and I certainly don't see any of that oil at the pump. Looks like somebody lied.

ON TUESDAY, THE Republicans and Democrats spoke loudly about government not listening to them. I guess that soon, Fenton government will learn they will also be out of a job. Why don't they understand? Why don't they get it? We do not want money wasted on signs and roundabouts.

IN THE REGULAR football season, Fenton's kicker had 21 kickoffs into the end zone. That's more than almost all of the metro kickers combined. Way to go, Kenny.

IS THERE ANYBODY who remembers Joe's Bowling Alley that used to be in Fenton in Dibbleville? Was it a four lane or a six lane?

I AGREE WITH the Hot line about filling out bank slips before going to the drive-through. I also ask those people waiting in line at the store to find their money or credit card. You can also fill out your check and the amount. It's frustrating watching you fumble around when the clerk tells you what's owed.

I'VE BEEN READING the arguments about the traffic circles. I have a suggestion. Put a curve in right there at Dibbleville. Problem is, commercial traffic is dumped out to nowhere. Then, put in a 16-foot turn lane at Grange Hall and LeRoy, realign the road and take out the left-turn lane at the Fenton Hotel. That should solve your problem.



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Claude Flood (left) of Linden, and wife Barbara check out at Alpine Market Place in Linden, assisted by cashier Rosemary Dupois of Byron. Barbara said that living on a fixed income pushes them to shop local for its convenience and better service. "It's to our advantage to stay local," she said.

GROCERY

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and \$100 annually for the "plus" membership. At Costco in Brighton, there are three levels of membership, from Gold Star to Business and Executive, beginning at \$50 per year.

"Even if they (warehouse clubs) sell everything at cost, they've already made money," said Holly Foods store manager Marty Lorenz.

Yes, you can save money, but you can spend boatloads of it, too, because you end up buying unnecessary items that you never would have put on your grocery list.

Think about it — you drive more than 20 miles one way to "save" money on groceries, especially with gas prices now more than \$3 per gallon.

Warehouse club hours don't tend to be customer friendly. Costco in Brighton doesn't open its doors until 10 a.m., Monday through Friday, and Saturday at 9:30 a.m.

Sam's Club in Flint opens at 10 a.m., with upgrades to business memberships providing early access at 7 a.m. They close early, too, at 8:30 p.m. during the week and 6 p.m. on weekends.

While the stadium-like stores give the illusion of a huge selection of products, the size of the store can be misleading. The average supermarket stocks more products than a warehouse club — 47,000

different items in 2008, compared to about 4,000 products at the average Costco — according to a recent article in Family Circle magazine.

Probably the biggest difference in shopping at a "regular" grocery store compared to a warehouse club is the necessity to buy all the products in bulk. But the biggest "waste" in warehouse club shopping is in purchasing too much food in bulk that ends up being thrown away. How many customers can actually consume a case of oranges, a five-gallon jar of pickles, or a bag of multi-colored bell peppers while still at peak freshness?

Marvin Yono, owner of Alpine Market Place in Linden, believes that the freshness of produce, as well as convenience, service and variety, are just a few of the benefits of shopping at your local grocery store. "We get deliveries more often," said Yono. "We have the variety. You don't have to buy in bulk."

Customer service is another plus for grocery shopping locally. Yono said that his 17,000 square foot store has approximately 15 employees on the floor at any given time, or one person per about 120 square feet. "We always have people on the floor at all times to help customers," he said.

Alpine Market Place even offers a "call ahead" shopping service that rivals Sam's Club offers on-line. "Call ahead with your shopping list and your order will be ready for pick-up," said Yono. For \$5, Alpine will deliver orders (minimum of \$25), within a 10-mile radius of the store.

VG's Grocery in Fenton offers a similar delivery service for shoppers who are homebound due to age or illness. In addition, they pride themselves on staff training that emphasizes customer service, such as routinely walking people right to a hard-to-find item.

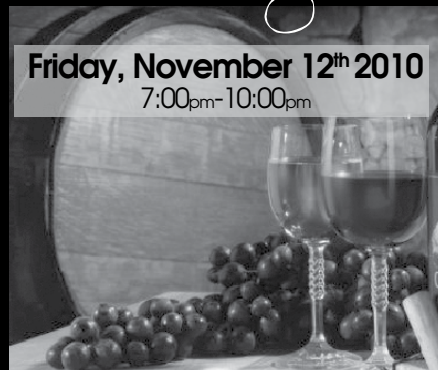
It is difficult to compare prices between grocery store and warehouse clubs, because most of the products found at Sam's Club or Costco are sold in "odd" sizes.

The best way to save money shopping at local grocery stores is to know what prices should be for particular items by shopping around, watching for sales every week, clipping coupons and being flexible to switching brands for better pricing.

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Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Program Open Season runs from Nov. 15 to Dec. 31.

By Cynthia Edwards

Social Security Public Affairs Specialist

When you think of November, you may imagine such things as turkey dinners, family gatherings, Veteran's Day, or the start of the holiday shopping season. However, newly entitled and current Medicare beneficiaries, who are considering changes to their Medicare Part D Prescription Drug plan, might think of November as the time for thinking about Medicare.

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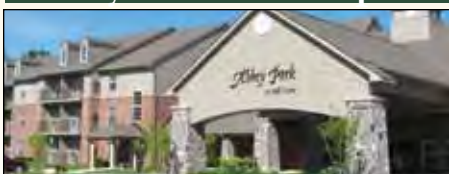
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Essential vitamins for seniors



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By the time people reach their golden years, they should not only understand the importance of eating nutritionally balanced meals, but be well practiced in doing so. The reality is that for a numer-

ous reasons, elderly people quite often do not get the vitamins and minerals that their aging bodies need to fight the onset of debilitating conditions including the signs of aging.

As people grow older, their bodies become naturally less efficient at using nutrients. Seniors generally develop more illnesses and tend to take more medications. As a result, many of these medications adversely affect the way the body breaks down nutrients.

Seniors who live alone may not feel the desire to prepare nutritionally balanced meals. In addition, many seniors don't exercise on a regular basis. Because of this, elderly people frequently exhibit the symptoms of different vitamin deficiencies.

Vitamin D

Vitamin D is as important to the elderly as it is to children. It plays a vital role in the body's ability to absorb calcium, which is required to keep bones healthy. With little or no calcium, bones can lose their mass, become brittle and bring about osteoporosis. Very few elderly people consume the proper amount of dairy products to ensure that their body gets ample amounts of vitamin D.

Antioxidants

Another serious condition confronting seniors is the oxidation damage caused

by free radicals. These are unstable molecules that, when left on their own, run rampant throughout the body, destroying healthy cells. Oxidation is the same process that causes rust to develop on cars.

Antioxidants work to neutralize free radicals, a process that inhibits the amount of damage they cause. The best sources of antioxidants are fruits and vegetables. They also contain beta-carotenes and a number of other important vitamins such as Vitamin A, C and E, yet few seniors consume the required amounts.

As healthy cells become damaged, seniors increase their risks of developing heart disease, arthritis, certain forms of cancers, cataracts, Parkinson's disease and many other disorders. Antioxidants also keep the immune system functioning properly. As healthy skin cells break down, skin loses its elasticity and begins to sag, wrinkle and look older.

Vitamin K

The body needs Vitamin K to keep the body's blood clotting mechanism functioning properly, yet once again, few seniors get enough. The absence of Vitamin K is believed to also be linked to the onset of Alzheimer's disease.

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Physical exercise helps 'maintain your brain'

By Jan Ryneason

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Steve TePastte, M.D., recently gave a presentation at Loose Senior Citizen Center in Linden about how to maintain your brain. TePastte lectures throughout the state about this subject. He also spoke about the importance of physical fitness.

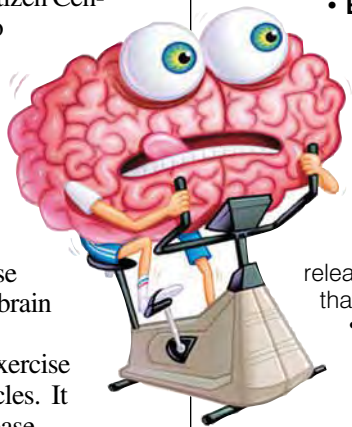
"As we age, our brain begins to shrink, and exercise dramatically affects how the brain functions," TePastte said.

According to TePastte, exercise does more than build muscles. It also helps prevent heart disease.

"New science shows that it also boosts brainpower and may offer hope in the battle against dementia and Alzheimer's disease," he said. "Exercise is the name of the game to get one's brain going."

TePastte also said aerobic exercise is brain exercise. Those who gain the most in cardio fitness also grew the most nerve cells.

"We sprout new neurons from moderate workouts after only three months," TePastte said.



How exercise activates the brain

- **Exercise fires** the same neural connections the brain uses to read, write and compute.
- **Exercise feeds** the brain glucose and oxygen, which builds greater connections between neurons.
- **Exercise activates** the release of a neuron growth factor that enhances cognitions.
- **Exercise stimulates** and keeps people alert.
- **It reduces stress**, levels emotions, and improves memory.

Basic brain facts

- **The human brain** is the most complex structure ever investigated by science.
- **It is the size** of a cantaloupe.
- **The brain uses** less power than your refrigerator light.
- **The brain weighs** 3 pounds.
- **The brain is made** of 100 billion neurons, to process and transmit information and one to five trillion glial cells to provide support.

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The list of conditions that result from vitamin deficiencies is long. Everyone, regardless of age, needs to understand the importance of giving their bodies nutrients in order to maintain good health.

If you are not getting the right mix of nutrients from your diet, regardless of the reason, it may be necessary to supplement your diet by taking daily multi-vitamin supplements. For the most benefit, choose one that has been formulated to suit the changing dietary needs of older individuals.

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Collings Foundation has a replica of the aircraft that tours the country, with its five ground crew members' names painted on its side. And, a model of the Witchcraft hangs from a ceiling in the Eighth Air Force Museum in Pooler, Ga. — a place Betcher has visited several times.

Betcher was 20 when he was drafted in January 1943. Testing showed three areas he was qualified for, and his first choice was becoming a mechanic, he said. That was where he was sent.

After basic training, Betcher attended aircraft mechanics' school in Gulfport, Miss. for five to six months. He was then

sent to Willow Run for four to six weeks, to train on B-24 aircraft. B-24s were built at Willow Run, with their engines made in Flint. The engines were taken to Willow Run to be installed.

Betcher worked with four other men on a ground crew, changing Witchcraft's engines, refueling it after its missions, checking it for any problems and taking turns for early morning preflight duty.

They were nicknamed the "League of Nations Ground Crew," because of their diverse ethnic background. The crew chief, M/Sgt. Joe Ramirez, had Mexican ancestors; S/Sgt. George Dong had a Chinese background, Betcher is German, Irish and English; and Cpl. Joe Vetter and Cpl. Walter Elliott were of German descent. Betcher is the only one alive today.

They were stationed near the North Sea in England, at Rackheath, near Belgium, where Betcher spent 17½ months. He remembers hearing some V-2 rockets go

off, and small "buzz bomb" airplanes, which had unique-sounding motors. Rackheath was not close to combat while Betcher was there, although a few raids took place in Norwich, six miles away, before he got there.

The ground crew would work, no matter what the weather was, he said. They wore sheepskin outfits when it was cold. When the Witchcraft returned from a mission, they would have to wash oil that collected on the plane in some areas. In addition to the ground crew, there were sheet metal specialists who would patch the flak holes in the bomber. When the Witchcraft returned from a mission, trucks would pick up the men who flew in it, to interrogate them.

Each B-24 had four engines, each of which the ground crew replaced when it wore out and began to burn a lot of oil, Betcher said.

"We never had more than one fail at

About the Witchcraft

- It could carry 8,000 pounds of bombs.
- It had a 110-foot wingspan.
- It carried 2,700 gallons of gas, with 2,400 gallons in the main tanks and 300 gallons each for the outboard tanks.
- The plane's 100th mission was Jan. 14, 1945.
- In 100 missions, the Witchcraft flew more than 665 hours of combat time, received more than 300 flak holes and wore out 13 engines.
- Witchcraft had 130 missions, the record for a B-24 with no mechanical failures.
- Its last, 130th mission was April 21, 1945.
- By the end of the war, Witchcraft's ground crew changed its engines 25 times, rebuilding the last 13 engines.

once. "They flew alright on three engines, but they didn't fly too well on two engines."

During 100 missions, Witchcraft attacked 65 targets in Germany, 31 in France and four in Belgium, and no crewmembers were injured. There were three times an engine was shot out, and once when an engine failed over the English Channel. But the pilot, knowing Ramirez' pride in the aircraft's record, went to bomb his target just inside France (Fly-Past magazine, July 1995). Witchcraft never turned back for mechanical failure.

Ramirez received a Bronze Star Medal and Oak Leaf Cluster, and the other ground crew members for the Witchcraft received Certificates of Meritorious Achievement.

During the war, while he was stationed at Willow Run, Betcher married Doris Torrey. He worked for Wayne University, now Wayne State University, for eight years in the aeronautical engineering laboratory. Ray and Doris had 50 years together before she passed away. He later remarried, and his second wife passed away in 2003. A member of the Price-Crane-Robinsons Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #4642, he lives in Linden.

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Older drivers are more prone to being seriously injured or killed in a traffic crash.

Resources available to help seniors with driving skills

By Sally Rummel

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By the year 2030, it is estimated that one out of every five Americans will be over the age of 65. That means many older drivers will be on the road, often with serious consequences.

Research has shown older drivers are more prone to being seriously injured or killed in a traffic crash, according to F/Lt. Jim Shaw, commander, Michigan State Police Prevention Services Section.

The good news is that the number and severity of crashes involving older drivers in Michigan is declining. A recently released study of crash data from the Office of Highway Safety Planning, found that fatal and serious injury crashes involving drivers age 65 and older decreased by 23 percent from the years 1998 to 2008.

There are several resources available, designed to help improve senior driving skills, while other resources provide information about handling the family dynamics that take place when a spouse or child of a senior driver becomes concerned about safety.

"The issue really comes down to a loss of independence for that driver, and that is a very powerful, emotional issue for most people," said Melinda Elmore-Hajek, program coordinator at Loose Senior Citizen Center in Linden. "It really helps if the concern comes from family members

who are close in their relationships and it's done with a loving heart."

Health experts suggest that exercise can slow down the aging process — especially flexibility fitness training that can improve a person's range of motion and level of fitness among older drivers. Increasing an older person's mental acuity through class work is also a helpful component to safer driving.

Loose Senior Citizen Center offers the AARP Driver Safety Program twice a year. "The class is for all drivers age 50 and up," said Elmore-Hajek. "A lot of people take it so they can show their certification to their auto insurance carrier and get reduced rates."

The Partnership for Family Safety, a cooperative effort between the Michigan State Police, Michigan Academy of Family Physicians and 65 Michigan Meijer stores, wants to increase safe driving among older drivers by helping them to understand that driving is a physical exercise, which requires a certain level of strength, flexibility and coordination to do safely.

A brochure, "How's My Driving? Simple Tips for Maintaining Driving Skills," contains tips on how to cope with a decline in vision, an 11-question self-assessment test for older drivers and information on safety and mobility features that are available in new cars.

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■ **Make a gift for someone** — food, crafts, or even writing a heartfelt letter.

■ **Do a kindness for a stranger** or someone in need. That always puts things in perspective.

■ **Write a letter saying something** never communicated before to that person.

■ **Give the gift of time.** Younger generations are often busy with work and family, making it hard to get everything done. Elderly people can use their talents and skills to do what they can. It could be mending, painting, or even making a digital CD full of childhood memories.

■ **Write up recipes** the adult children loved when they were growing up. Include special memories, like the fact that the family always had this chili on the night they watched a certain program together.

■ **Plan ahead and make** a list to avoid over-buying.

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Bingo is just one of the activities enjoyed on Senior Fridays at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center.

Area abounds with activities *for* seniors

By Jan Rynearson

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There are many activities in the tri-county area for senior citizens. Loose Senior Citizen Center, the Fenton Community & Cultural Center and area churches are sources of activities to keep senior citizens busy.

Church bulletins hold a wealth of information, telling all of the pertinent information about senior activities.

Loose Senior Citizens Center in Linden is a source for dozens of activities for seniors, including wood-carving, pinocle, euchre, Zumba, clogging, and line dancing, just to name a few. Special casino trips are available at least twice a month.

For the holidays, a special trip to the Holiday Pops at The Whiting in Flint is available, as well a special holiday lunch at Spring Meadows Country Club in Linden. For information, one can call the center at (810) 735-9406.

Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation holds Senior Fridays at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center at 150 S. LeRoy St. in Fenton, weekly. The day begins at 9:30 a.m. and social time goes until 10:30 a.m. From 10:30 to 12 p.m., bingo takes place. Lunch is from 12 to 12:30 p.m., followed by bunco and euchre. The fee for bingo and bunco is a \$1, and lunch is \$4 per week.

This Friday, Nov. 12, pizza, salad and bread sticks are on the menu. On Nov. 19, a Thanksgiving dinner will be served with turkey, mashed potatoes and green bean casserole. Seniors will also bring a dish to pass. On Dec. 17, a Christmas dinner will be served, with seniors bringing a dish to pass.

On the first Friday of the month, blood pressure is taken and birthdays are celebrated on the fourth Friday of the month. There will be no Senior Fridays on Nov. 26, Dec. 24 or Dec. 31.

Home safety devices available to seniors

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This program is being financed through a federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) awarded

The devices are available at the Fenton Township Civic & Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Dr., Fenton, MI 48430. Office hours are Monday to Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call (810) 629-1537 or e-mail info@fentontownship.org.

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CHIMNEY

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the deadliest time for fires, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

To cut down on the likelihood of a house fire, homeowners are urged to have their fireplaces, wood burning stoves and chimney systems inspected annually by a qualified professional.

According to the NFPA, the top three days for home fires are Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Christmas Eve. Home candle fires occur at nearly twice the rate in December as throughout the rest of the year, at least in part because of holiday decorations and rituals.

Anyone wanting to add a wood burning stove to their home should install it following the manufacturer's instructions or have a professional perform the work. All fuel-burning equipment must be vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning. Install and maintain CO alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning. If anyone smells gas in the gas heater, do not light the appliance. Leave the home immediately and call 911.

Brian Toth, certified chimney sweep and president of D & R Chimney Sweep, said all too often, homeowners appreciate the benefits of a warm, crackling fire in the winter months, but fail to acknowledge the importance of regular chimney cleanings.

Having the fireplace, wood-burning stove and chimney systems inspected annually is essential for optimum safety. Toth said with wood burning systems, incomplete combustion results in unburned residue, which rises in the chimney as part of the smoke. This highly combustible residue is called creosote.

Creosote is deposited on the inside of the chimney walls, presenting a major fire hazard to the home. Toth said gas



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D & R Chimney Sweep owner Brian Toth, of Linden, demonstrates cleaning the flue on a home in Fenton Township Tuesday morning.

and oil flues should also be checked on an annual basis for any soot deposits or debris blockage, which could lead to dangerous carbon monoxide poisoning. A chimney professional can inspect and clean the inside of your chimney to eliminate these dangers.

Creosote is the main cause of chimney fires. Toth said that slow smoldering fires and/or the use of unseasoned wood can create "cool" smoke and

a weak draft. Under these conditions, the smoke condenses and adheres to the chimney interior, forming highly flammable creosote.

In addition to the fire hazard from creosote build-up, a dirty chimney is less efficient than a freshly cleaned one. Toth said that a 1/2-inch buildup would restrict the

airflow by 17 percent for a typical masonry fireplace chimney, and by 30 percent for the average prefab.

Birds and small animals also like to set up housekeeping in chimneys of wood and even gas fireplaces/stoves. Chimney sweeps often find chimneys literally packed full of leaves, twigs and baby animals. A thorough cleaning and a chimney cap will take care of this.

For cleaning, the standard chimney brush is still used, along with more modern tools (such as vacuums, cameras and

Based on 2004-2008 annual averages:

- **The leading factor** contributing to home heating fires (25 percent) was failure to clean, principally creosote from solid-fueled heating equipment, primarily chimneys.
- **Space heaters**, whether portable or stationary, accounted for one-third (32 percent) of home heating fires and four out of five (82 percent) of home heating fire deaths.
- **Placing things** that can burn too close to heating equipment or placing heating equipment too close to things that can burn, such as upholstered furniture, clothing, mattress, or bedding, was the leading factor contributing to ignition in fatal home heating fires and accounted for more than half (52 percent) of home heating fire deaths.
- **One half** (49 percent) of all home heating fires occurred in December, January and February.

Source: National Fire Protection Association

special chimney cleaning tools). Most sweeps are done from the bottom of the chimney, rather than the top, to prevent the dispersion of dust and debris.

The Chimney Safety Institute of America (CSIA) does not promote the use of chemical chimney cleaning products in that they do not provide the same level of protection to the chimney system. Current promotional claims for some of the products may be creating a false sense of security among consumers.

To minimize creosote:

- **Burn** only seasoned hardwoods.
- **Avoid** dampening down the flue to make your fire burn more slowly.
- **Contact** your chimney professional to clean your chimney regularly.

ARSON

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the county jail, where she remained until her arraignment. She remains free on personal bond.

If she is found guilty of arson of a dwelling, Villarreal faces up to 20 years in prison.

During her preliminary exam on Tuesday, a neighbor, Kim Kinard, was subpoenaed to testify. Argentine Township Police Chief Daniel Allen and Det. Sgt. Lenny Jaskulka of the Michigan State Police, who investigated the fire, also gave testimony.

The police chief said Kinard testified that she arrived at her home between 2:20 and 2:30 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 13. As she was driving toward her home, she observed Villarreal driving from her home on Pine Walk Pass in her silver/grey Jeep. Kinard and her husband spotted flames at the Villarreal house a few minutes later and called 911 at 2:31 p.m., according to dispatch records.

Dispatch put the call out at 2:32 p.m. and Argentine police officer Theresa Walters arrived three to four minutes later. The fire chief arrived roughly one minute later. The home was unoccupied and engulfed in flames.

Allen said Jaskulka testified that an accelerant was used on the floor in the

great room of the house. Mold formed around the edge of the suspected burnt area, which led the investigator to conclude that a petroleum based accelerant was used.

Based on testimony, Judge John L. Conover bound Villarreal's case over for a jury trial. She is due back in court on Nov. 15 for a circuit court arraignment.

"Think of all who could have been injured or killed."

Daniel Allen
Argentine Township
police chief

Allen said the felony carries a stiff penalty because fires are extremely dangerous. "Think of all who could have been injured or killed," he said. Allen added that the preliminary hearing went well and that the prosecution was able to present physical and circumstantial evidence, as well as an eyewitness.

"Given the circumstances and tough times, people do things they shouldn't and make bad decisions," said Allen. "It's unfortunate."

Jay Clothier said in a preliminary hearing, probable cause carries a very low burden of proof. He and his brother Jeff Clothier expected their client's case to be bound over to circuit court.

"It's now for a jury to decide," said Jay. "Our client maintains her innocence."

"She lost everything."

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Tough dandruff calls for a prescription



Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

To your good health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am writing to inquire about the mite that invades one's body and causes dandruff on the head. I have used Selsun Blue shampoo, but it is taking so long to see an effect. I wonder if there is an antibiotic that I could take to get rid of it faster. – M.S.

ANSWER: Dandruff is one form of seborrheic dermatitis – skin inflammation, along with an overproduction of skin cells and oil. The scalp is the place most often affected, but it also can be found on the sides and bridge of the nose, the eyebrows, ears, chest and back. A mite doesn't cause it. Some speculate that a yeast (fungus) called Malassezia might be the troublemaker. This yeast is also found on scalps of those without dandruff, but those with dandruff have greatly increased numbers of it. Quite often, nonprescription treatments work well for dandruff. Selsun Blue is a good one. If, after one month of treatment, there's no progress, then change to another. Head and Shoulders, Nizoral A-D and T-Gel are a sample of the many products on drugstore shelves. Nizoral A-D contains ketoconazole, a medicine that is active against the Malassezia yeast. Follow directions carefully. Usually they call for daily use until there's some improvement, and then every-other-day use for a month. From that time on, less-frequent applications are OK. The condition tends to be chronic, so a long commitment is the rule. If you're not making any progress with over-the-counter preparations, then a doctor can provide you with a prescription for more powerful items.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Please tell me all you know about post-traumatic stress disorder. I think someone in my family suffers from it. – A.F.

ANSWER: Having faced an event that threatened life or caused serious injury is the basis for post-traumatic stress disorder. The event keeps resurfacing in the mind with a clarity that imparts terror and helplessness, and sometimes guilt. The remembrance can happen during the day or in dreams. An affected person stays in the alert mode at all times. He or she loses interest in life, neglects those around him or her, suffers from fragmented sleep, often erupts in outbursts of anger and is usually quite depressed. Soldiers, firemen, policemen and those who suffered a sexual or physical attack are people who most often develop PTSD. With the combination of talk treatment and medicines, these people can usually regain their equilibrium and resume a normal life.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: A cold front came in, and I had head/face pressure. What is that all about? – R.M.

ANSWER: A change in barometric pressure or a drop in temperature can increase the pain of arthritic joints. Weather changes also can trigger migraine headaches. I haven't seen head pressure mentioned as occurring with weather changes, but I can imagine how it might happen. The sinus cavities of the head could be subjected to a difference between their own internal pressure and the outside barometric pressure. Perhaps you and I are headed for a Nobel prize with this discovery.

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BY LINDA THISTLE

Weekly Sudoku

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Fenton swim team captures seventh straight league title

By David Troppens

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Seven seasons the Flint Metro League has been giving out championships in girls swimming and diving.

For seven years, the Fenton girls swimming and diving team has dominated the competition.

That trend continued again on Friday and Saturday at the Flint Metro League Swimming and Diving Championships held at Brandon High School.

The Tigers won eight of the 12 events, including all three relays, to dominate the meet and conclude their seventh straight league title.

The Tigers scored 675.5 points, more than the next two best teams combined. Holly placed second

with 303.5 points, beating third-place Lapeer by 19.5 points. The second-place effort allowed the Bronchos to finish in a tie for second in the final league standings.

But, once again, the Tigers proved why they are the queens of the pool in the Metro.

"I feel honored to be a part of such a good swim program and having (Brad) Jones as our coach," Fenton senior Deanna Hooper said. "We work way harder than any of the other teams. I can definitely say that. We come in every morning and evening. We have pre-workouts before a meet. We are working all the time."

"It's something that not only I, but all the Fenton girls want to keep the standard," said senior Kendall

Mykietiuk, who took part in four league championship events. "You go in knowing that this is our thing and that's our meet."

The Tigers, simply, dominated. They already knew they were going to collect enough points to dominate during Friday's preliminaries, but ended any suspense on Saturday by winning the 200 medley relay, and then following that with a 1-2-3 sweep in the 200 freestyle. The 200 medley relay team of Haley Shaw, Sara Wujciak, Meagan Patterson and Gabrielle Haaraoja won in 1:57.74. In the 200 freestyle it was Mykietiuk (2:01.02), Kelsey Kidd (2:04.86) and Kali Finger (2:06.36) that completed the top three sweep.

Before the meet was over, Mykietiuk also led a

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Fenton's
Kelsey Kidd

SPORTS TRIVIA

Q When is the last time the Fenton varsity football team won nine games in a season?

A The Tigers have done it plenty of times, but not in recent years. The last time they did it was in 1985. A win on Friday would give them nine for the season.

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Defense sparks Tigers to district crown, 24-0

Fenton faces Walled Lake Central Friday

By David Troppens

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Midland — It's said that defense wins championships.

On Saturday, that rang true.

The Fenton varsity football team posted its first shutout of the season at the best time possible, defeating Midland Dow 24-0 in the Division 2 district championship game held at Midland Community Stadium.

The Tigers' defense, led by senior linebacker Jake Georgakopoulos, was the biggest star.

Dow's potent run game was held to a measly 94 yards as the Chargers never got anything going on offense. Meanwhile, after a slow first half, the Tigers' offense had TD scoring drives on three consecutive second-half possessions, earning the school's first-ever district championship trophy.

"Our defense was incredible," said Georgakopoulos, who had a forced fumble. "We knew

if we could stop their run game, that we could stop their offense. We focused on the run, stopped the run and they couldn't do much else."

"I can't be more proud of the kids," Fenton varsity coach Jeff Setzke said. "Coach Eltringham put together a great defensive plan. The kids went out and executed it tonight. They are a very good football program. They weren't 9-1 by accident. To come out and get a shutout is outstanding."

Dow's top two offensive targets never got anything going. Quarterback Brandon Sklenar mustered just 46 rushing yards on 21 carries. Meanwhile, star running back Eric Schwenk had just 15 yards on five carries before missing the rest of the game with an injury. Forced to throw the ball more than in past games, Sklenar completed just 8-of-22 passes for 94 yards. Fenton's Dan Tousley inter-

cepted one of those passes.

"They run mostly, so we put an extra guy on the line all the time and it ended up working," Fenton senior Chad Schupbach said. "Our defensive line got

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SCOTT SCHUPBACH

(Right) Fenton's Jake Georgakopoulos stiff arms an opponent for a large gain in the Tigers' 24-0 victory against Midland Dow on Saturday. (Below) Houston Shaw runs downfield for a gain.



WL CENTRAL PREVIEW BOX

Up next: Fenton (8-3) at Walled Lake Central (10-1)

Date/Time: Friday at 7 p.m.

Where: Walled Lake Central High School

First round: Fenton defeated Midland 42-35 in the opening round and Midland Dow 24-0 in the district finals. Central defeated Holly 46-6 in the opening round and Rochester Adams 14-13 in the finals.

Quick look at the Vikings: The Tigers should be used to what Walled Lake Central fea-

tures by now. They are a team that thinks run first, just as their first two playoff foes did. They run out of the veer but will go to a shotgun as well. Quarterback Zac Leimbach is a good runner and can throw well when asked to. Last week, he completed 10-of-14 passes for 192 yards and a score. The running game is paced by K.J. Schultz, Kyle Clark and Ramon Alexander. Schultz scored the game-winning TD last week on a screen pass.

did you know?

The Tigers' 342 points scored this season is a school record for most points in a year.

Linden CC program caps season at state meet

Boys finish 19th; girls take 22nd

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Forget the placings.

For the Linden varsity cross country program, just being at Michigan International Speedway for the MHSAA State Cross County Championships was a reward.

But, both teams had their share of success while there as well on Saturday.

The Linden boys finished 19th out of 27 teams, while the Linden girls took 22nd out of 27th at the state meet.

For the girls, it was the culmination of a senior class that remained together through their middle school years. That group led the Eagles to back-to-back state trip performances.

"This has been a great senior group," Linden girls coach Becky Stockford said. "To have 10 seniors on a cross country team is a rare thing. Often times, they decide to pursue other activities. These girls have been hard workers and great athletes. Over the course of the season, the girls become like family, and over the course of four to six years that I have coached them, it's made them extremely close. I feel honored and blessed to have worked with them and am excited to see all they will accomplish in the future."

In the seventh grade, Celene Howard, Brandi Juengel, April LaLonde, Heidi Sack and Mayce Varacalli began to run together. In eighth grade, Kate Tucker joined the group. During their freshman year, Angela Bertolini, Danielle Starrs and Amelia Versola joined as well. Erin Edwards transferred from Lake Fenton her junior season.

"Their talent will be missed for sure, but it's the personalities and leadership that will be missed more," Stockford said.

The girls performed well at the state meet. Freshman Sydney Elmer was 69th with a time of 19:31, leading the Eagles. Sack was 145th (20:22), while Varacalli was 156th (20:28). Danielle Starrs placed 160th (20:29), followed by Aleighsha Engisch in 220th (21:32), Hollie Vermeersch in 226th (21:38) and Varner in 239th (21:59).

"Heidi ran a season best and Sydney, Dani, Aleighsha and Hollie ran lifetime bests," Stockford said. "As a coach, you can't ask for much more than that."

The Linden boys began the season with a lot of new faces, looking to rebuild. Instead, they qualified for the state meet for a fifth straight season. And they did it with a balanced team.

"The varsity team was really composed of nine kids this fall. It was unfortunate that only seven could run at the state finals, because all nine of them had good stretches during the regular season," Linden boys cross country coach Clint Lawhorne said. "All nine worked very hard and kept improving in an effort to stay on the varsity. None of them ever gave up fighting for a spot, and that made all the difference for our team."

The Eagles were paced by Roger Phillips at the state meet. Phillips finished in 67th in 16:36.8. Graham Elliott was 106th (16:54.3), followed by Mark Wright in 148th (17:13.0), Adrian Taylor in 154th (17:15.3), Kirk Bennett in 156th (17:16.1), Jacob Hoyes in 165th (17:23.1) and Sam Moughler in 199th (17:44.2).

"Five of our seven ran lifetime personal records and the two that didn't, ran within a couple of seconds of season personal records. It's hard to ask for a better day than that," Lawhorne said. "Here's how crazy our varsity has been this fall — Graham Elliott and Roger Phillips were the 11th



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(Front to back) Linden's Danielle Starrs, Heidi Sack and Karrah Varner run during a recent meet. The Linden girls finished 22nd at the state meet on Saturday.

and 12th fastest kids to start the season. They were our first and second runners on Saturday. I've never seen improvement like that over the course of a season."

The Eagles had a strong season in the classroom as well, earning academic all-state honors with a 3.686 grade-point average. The Eagles, also, seem to have a bright future.

"The future is bright for this team if they choose to accept the challenge," Lawhorne

said. "Five of the seven that ran Saturday, return, but as we learned last year, there are no guarantees. Each team has to earn their own way."

"This team had good senior leadership and that makes a big difference. Harry Light, Mark Wright, Adam Dietz and Jake Hoyes are all four-year runners, and made it clear to the young guys from the beginning that this team is special."

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(From left) Coach Clint Lawhorne, Jacob Hoyes, Kirk Bennett, Graham Elliott, Mark Wright, Adrian Taylor, Roger Phillips and Sam Moughler were Linden's seven runners at the state meet on Saturday.

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LINDEN HALL OF FAME

► Linden High School will be holding its Hall of Fame Banquet Nov. 20 at Spring Meadows Country Club at 6:30 p.m.

The list of inductees include five individuals and a relay team. The list of individual athletes includes Lauren Simpson-Newsom in gymnastics; Dennis Holsinger in football, basketball and baseball; and Frank Sokolowski in football, basketball, baseball and track.

The 1974 440 boys relay team of Mark Bradley, Dallas Parks, Randy Rife and Bruce Szcodronski are also being inducted. Finally, long-time Linden fan and volunteer John Cross Sr. also is being inducted.

For more information, contact the Linden athletic department.

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through their line and grabbed some ankles. Our linebackers then cleaned it up. It was great."

Fenton took the lead for good in the first half on a 26-yard field goal by Kenny Allen with 3:03 left in the opening half. Georgakopoulos set up that field goal with a strong stiff-arm on a run play, allowing him to scamper 34 yards to the Midland 9. Four plays later, Allen kicked the field goal.

Midland had just one real good shot at scoring. With 1:38 left in the first half, Midland drove to the Fenton 10 in a matter of seconds. They almost scored on a pass to Garrett Kidd, but Brendan Marion broke up the play in the end-zone. Two plays later Midland missed a 27-yard field goal wide.

"All practice our secondary coach had been working with us on stop routes," Marion said. "He ran a fade and came back. I stopped, turned around and

I had good position on him. I jumped and got the block."

The Tigers opened the second half scoring on each of their first three possessions.

The first was set up by a 46-yard kickoff return from Tousley. Six plays later, Shaw completed a 27-yard TD pass to Marion.

"We were waiting for the defensive man to come up on me," Marion said. "He came up on me and we called a play to do a zero route. We did a zero route and the QB dropped a diem right to me and I got the touchdown. It was a good throw, a good route and it worked in our favor."

Schupbach recovered a fumble on Dow's next possession at the Fenton 47. Eleven plays later, Georgakopoulos scored on a two-yard TD run. After Allen's second of three extra points, Fenton led 17-0.

The Tigers' defense followed the next Dow possession with Tousley's interception at the Fenton 22. A 23-yard completion to Quinton Mandle helped

set up Riley Chapin's 35-yard TD run. Fenton led 24-0 with 23.4 seconds left in the third quarter.

Dow never got anything going against Fenton's defense. Its next possession ended with a pass break up for Marion and then a punt. Dow's final possession had the Chargers at the Tigers' 33. However, Sklenar was sacked with 4:57 remaining. From there, the Tigers ran the clock out.

Fenton's offense had balance. Shaw threw for 145 yards while the running game provided 206 yards. Dow mustered only 188 yards total offense, with Georgakopoulos probably involving himself in almost 20 tackles.

"Our defense was incredible," Georgakopoulos said. "We were running on all cylinders. The whole team really came together in the second half. We made plays. We knew what we had to do. We wanted to come out strong and show Midland what we are all about."

The Tigers, certainly, did that.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SCOTT SCHUPBACH

Fenton's Riley Chapin (left) runs downfield for a 35-yard touchdown during the Tigers' 24-0 district title game against Midland Dow Saturday. Joey Mosher (right) is running downfield with Chapin. The Tigers play at Walled Lake Central on Friday.

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sweep of the 500 freestyle with a first-place time of 2:01.02 and was a member of the winning 200 freestyle relay and 400 freestyle relay teams. She teamed with Hooper, Patterson and Kidd to win the 200 freestyle relay (1:47.23), and teamed with Hooper, Haaraoja and Shaw to win the 400 freestyle relay (3:48.37). Kidd (5:33.17) and Finger (5:34.31) were the ones that helped complete the 1-2-3 sweep in the 500.

"It's an honor. I was so excited," Mykietiuks said about earning four firsts. "It's always exciting to get a win and compete with the girls, and in the two individual events, to see teammates place right by me was great."

Wujciak, a freshman, won the 100 breaststroke (1:12.47), while another freshman, Haaraoja, won the 50 freestyle (25.77). Shaw took the top spot in the 100 backstroke (1:01.50).

Other second-place individual finishes for Fenton were earned by Wujciak in the 200 individual medley (2:15.41), Shaw in the 100 freestyle (56.20), Hooper in the 50 freestyle (25.96) and Patterson in the 100 butterfly (1:06.23).

"The meet is a lot of fun," Wujciak said. "We support everyone, and I have a lot of friends from the other teams. It's just a fun meet because you know everyone there and you support the other teams as much as you do your own."

Holly had a champion as well. Hannah Micallef won diving (285.90). Meanwhile, Courtney Konopitski took second in the 100 backstroke (1:07.99).

Holly's 200 freestyle relay team of Breanna Konopitski, Anna Quinnan, Breanne Thomas and Courtney Konopitski also took second (1:47.23).

Up next is the Division 2 State Swimming and Diving Championships. The Tigers have many individual and relay participants qualified. The Holly Bronchos also have a relay qualified. Like the Metro meet, the state meet is a two-day meet with prelims on the first day.

"This meet gives you a sense of where you are and with what you need to improve for the state meet," Shaw said. "It helps you to judge what you can do the first day and then the second day."



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, to the residents and property owners of land within the Big Trail, Frushour, Field Drive Maintenance Assessment District #011 Section 32 Rose Township, Oakland County, Michigan which includes the following parcels:

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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 her covering all properties within the proposed Big Trail, Frushour, Field Drive Maintenance Assessment District #009. Said assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of road maintenance within the district which assessment is in the total amount of \$8,390.00 for the first year and \$7,725.00 for each subsequent year. The term of the Big Trail Maintenance Assessment District #011 is four years.

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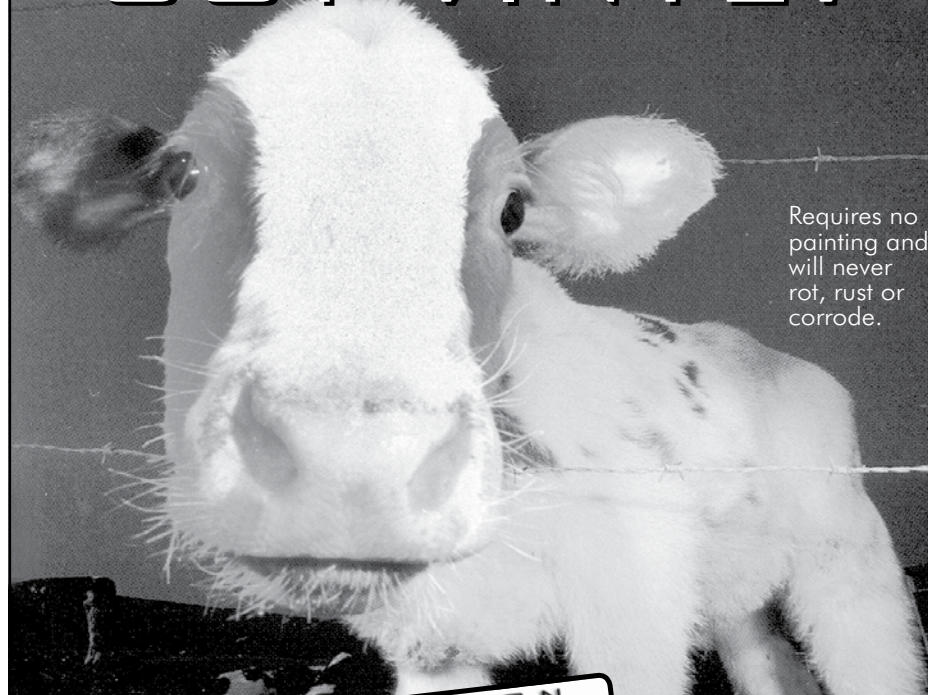
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NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. Notwithstanding, if the debt secured by this property was discharged in a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy proceeding, this notice is NOT an attempt to collect that debt. You are presently in default under your Mortgage Security Agreement, and the Mortgage Holder may be contemplating the commencement of foreclosure proceedings under the terms of that Agreement and Michigan law. You have no legal obligation to pay amounts due under the discharged note. A loan modification may not serve to revive that obligation. However, in the event you wish to explore options that may avert foreclosure, please contact our office at the number listed below. Attention: The following notice shall apply only if the property encumbered by the mortgage described below is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7cc of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7cc. Attention Joyce Hall, regarding the property at 1246 Flamingo Dr Mount Morris, MI 48458. The following notice does not apply if you have previously agreed to modify the mortgage loan under section 3205b. 3205a, 3205b and 3205c do not apply unless the terms of the modified mortgage loan entered into were complied with for one year after the date of the modification. You have the right to request a meeting with your mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. Potestivo & Associates, P.C. is the designee with authority to make agreements under MCL 600.3205b and MCL 600.3205c, and can be contacted at: 811 South Blvd., Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123. You may also contact a housing counselor. For more information, contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) by visiting www.michigan.gov/mshda or calling (866) 946-7432. If you request a meeting with Potestivo & Associates, P.C. within 14 days after the notice required under MCL 600.3205a(1) is mailed, then foreclosure proceedings will not commence until at least 90 days after the date said notice was mailed. If an agreement to modify the mortgage loan is reached and you abide by the terms of the agreement, the mortgage will not be foreclosed. You have the right to contact an attorney and can obtain contact information through the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service at (800) 968-0738. Dated: November 10, 2010. Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 information may be faxed to (248) 267-3004. Attention: Loss Mitigation Our File No: 10-32593 Ad #6961: 2010-11-10,

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-- STATE OF MICHIGAN --
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
COUNTY OF DELTA
MICHAEL C. HENRICKSEN and
JUDITH C. HENRICKSEN,
husband and wife, Plaintiffs.

-VS-
File No. 10-20713-CH
FLOYD BEECHLER AND
ENA BEECHLER,
husband and wife;
RALPH N. LeVAC and DORIS Le-
VAC, husband and wife; NORWOOD
H. BROWN and CLARA BROWN,
husband and wife; MUNLEE CRAN-
SON and EDNA CRANSON, hus-
band and wife; DUANE HICKS and
NORMA HICKS, husband and wife,
Defendants.

Kirt L. Harmon P53896
Attorney for Plaintiffs
220 W. Munising Avenue
P.O. Box 480
Munising, MI 49862
Telephone: (906) 387-3888

ORDER TO ANSWER
At session of said Court held in the
Courthouse in the City of Escanaba,
County of Delta, and State of Michi-
gan on the 18th, day of October,
2010.
PRESENT: HONORABLE STE-
PHEN T. DAVIS,
CIRCUIT JUDGE

On the 31st day of August, an
action was filed by Michael C. Hen-
ricksen and Judith C. Hendricksen,
Plaintiffs, against the defendant and
unknown heirs, devisees, legatees,
or assigns of the party Defendants
as appear in the caption of said Com-
plaint and Defendants in this Court to
Quiet Title to land.

Upon hearing and consideration of
the pleadings in this matter, the ver-
ified motion of Plaintiffs, attesting to
the fact that the whereabouts of Mun-
lee and Edna Cranson and Norwood
H. and Clara Brown and Duane and
Norma Hicks, six of the named De-
fendants and/or their unknown heirs,
devisees, legatees, successors and
assigns are unknown, that, therefore
service upon said Defendants of the
Summons and a copy of the Com-
plaint in this action cannot be oth-
erwise effectuated, and it appearing to
the Court that the Defendants can
best be appraised of the pendency of
this action by the publication of this
Order in a newspaper.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that
the named Defendant, and/or his
unknown heirs, devisees, legatees,
successors and assigns shall serve
on this Court and Serve on Kirt L.
Harmon, Attorney for Plaintiffs, whose
address is 220 W. Munising Avenue,
P.O. Box 480, Munising, MI 49862,
and answer, or take other such action
as may be permitted by law, on or be-
fore twenty eight days after publica-
tion. Failure to comply with this Order
may result in a Judgment by Default
against these Defendants or any per-
son claiming through said Defendants
for the relief demanded in the Com-
plaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a
copy of this Order be published once
a week for three consecutive weeks
in Genesee, Eaton, and Roscommon
Counties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that
the first publication of this Order be
made within 21 days of the date of
entry of this Order; and that mailing
a copy of this Order be dispensed
with because Plaintiffs cannot, with
reasonable diligence, ascertain a
place where the Defendants would
probably receive matter transmitted
by mail.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that
posting of this order is not required
as it had been mailed to Defendant,
Duane Hicks, and returned un-
claimed.

Date: 18th, October 2010.
Stephen T. Davis
Honorable Circuit Court Judge

Stephen T. Davis
Honorable Circuit Court Judge

Dated: 18 October, 2010

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mortgage described below is claimed
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tax under section 7cc of the general
property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL
211.7cc. Attention: Bethany Lash and
Christopher Lash, regarding the prop-
erty at 1093 Green Meadows Dr.,
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notice does not apply if you have pre-
viously agreed to modify the mortgage
loan under section 3205b. 3205a,
3205b and 3205c do not apply unless
the terms of the modified mortgage
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Service at (800) 968-0738. Dated:
November 10, 2010. Potesivo & As-
sociates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite
100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248)
844-5123 information may be faxed to
(248)267-3004, Attention: Loss Mitiga-
tion Our File No: 10-32720
Ad #7014: 2010-11-10

Obituaries,
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Services and
Memoriums

Orell M. "Marie" Key

1929-2010

Orell M. "Marie" Key -
age 81, of Linden, died

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1957. She is survived by
her children, Billy C. Key
of Perry, Karen (David)
Charles of Linden, Thomas
G. Key of Traverse City,
and Jeffery Key of Linden;
several grandchildren and
great-grandchildren; and
sister, Beth (Fred) Hanns
of Davison. She was pre-
ceded in death by her son,
Dr. Larry S. Key; daughter,
Terri "Sue" Austin; and
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Canever

1954-2010

Mary Suzanne "Miss Mary"
Canever to her KC's kids

- age 55,
of Fen-
ton, died
Monday,
Novem-
ber 8,
2010 at
home.
Funeral

Mass will be celebrated 11
AM Friday, November 12,
2010 at St. John the Evan-
gelist Catholic Church,
600 N. Adelaide St, Fen-
ton, with Fr. David Harvey
celebrating. Visitation will
be held at Sharp Funeral
Homes, Fenton Chapel,
1000 Silver Lake Rd, Fen-
ton Thursday from 5-8 PM
and at church Friday from
10 AM until time of Mass.
A vigil service will be
held at the funeral home
Thursday at 7:30 PM.

Those desiring may make
contributions to the Mary
Suzanne Canever Memo-
rial Fund, to be given to
charity. Mary was born
November 14, 1954 in
Detroit, the daughter of Dr.
Julian and Nancy (Mas-
nick) Guidot. She was a
1972 graduate of Detroit
Benedictine High School
and a 1975 graduate of
Michigan State University
as a Medical Technologist.
Mary lived in Fenton for
over 30 years where she
raised her family and op-
erated her business KC's
Creative Learning Center.
Mary was a member of
Spring Meadows Country
Club, St. John the Evan-
gelist Catholic Church and
ASPCA-Animal Cruel-
ity Prevention. Surviving
are: 4 children, Sara S.
and husband Matthew
McCormick of Wolver-
ine Lake, Anne C. and
husband Michael Agnone
of Fenton, Jeffrey M. and
wife Elizabeth Canever
of Fenton and Laura E.
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calfe of Fenton; 6 beloved
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MICHIGAN'S LARGEST NEWS WEEKLY MAGAZINE

Tigers earn playoff spot, beat Swartz Creek 38-13

By David Thompson
Fenton — For the second
straight season, the Fenton Tigers
five regular season games and in their
annual rivalry game with the
Swartz Creek Tigers.

The Tigers (6-1) led at half-
time, 14-0, and took a 38-13 lead
at the end of the game. The
Tigers' offense was on fire, scoring
a total of 38 points in the game.
The Tigers' defense was also
on fire, holding Swartz Creek to
13 points.

The Tigers' offense was led by
quarterback Ryan Smith, who
threw for 275 yards and three
touchdowns. Running back
Drew Smith also had a big day,
rushing for 125 yards and two
touchdowns. The Tigers' defense
was led by linebacker Mike
Smith, who had 10 tackles and
one interception.

The game was played at Fenton
High School. The Tigers' coach
is Mike Smith. The Swartz Creek
coach is Mike Smith.

The Tigers' victory gives them
a 6-1 record. The Swartz Creek
Tigers have a 1-6 record.

The Tigers will play Swartz Creek
again in the playoffs. The game
will be played on November 14th
at 7:00 PM.

The Tigers' fans are excited about
the team's success. They are
looking forward to the playoffs.

The Swartz Creek fans are
disappointed with their team's
performance. They are hoping
to improve in the playoffs.

The game was a great one for
both teams. It was a hard-fought
battle that went down to the wire.

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