

### ONLINE COMMENTS

#### STORY: DDA MAY LEASE FIRE HALL

“I’m sorry, but what was that again? You’ll sell the old fire hall property for \$1 and give up to \$450,000 in matching funds, right up until you are called out for it? The DDA just doesn’t get it.”



Selling the old fire hall and putting another business downtown wasn’t the point of our protests. It was how that sale was conducted that was the problem.”

— Troy

#### STORY: GARBAGE ASSESSMENT DECREASES

“We will not be losing a job. All of the routes in Fenton are one-man trucks.

So there will not be a job eliminated.”

— The Trash man

#### STORY: SIDEWALK ISSUES IN CITY

“How much would the cracked, raised and pitted sidewalks have benefited from the resources diverted to the absurd notion that Fenton needs roundabouts?”

— Troy

“How much did it cost taxpayers for the new sidewalk that leads right to the front door of The French Laundry?”

— Richard the Lionhearted

### HOT LINE

#### OF THE WEEK

“I DON’T KNOW whose grandma she is, but Tuesday afternoon at Wal-Mart, I helped her put her groceries in the trunk. We started chatting. She told me she spent more than she should have, and she’s going to go without things because of it, but her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren were going to be there, so it was worth it. Stop and hug your grandma this holiday season. It’s worth a lot to her.”



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## Be a smart and safe holiday shopper

► Police: Keep credit cards and driver’s license in inside pocket

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When shopping this holiday season, safety should be at the forefront of everyone’s mind.

Common sense says that shopping with a friend is a safe way to go, but not always possible. Work and family schedules might not coincide with a friend’s schedule, prompting people to shop alone.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro

said it’s important for people to be selective as to where they shop. “Look at the community where you want to shop, and if it’s a high crime area, stay away,” he said.

Women might want to consider ditching the oversized purse and stashing their credit card and driver’s license in an inside coat pocket. Would-be thieves would have less access to their personal belongings.

See **SHOPPER** on 14A

### SAFE SHOPPING TIPS

- Shop with at least one partner. Have your car or house key in your hand as you approach the door. If attacked, use those keys as weapons.
- Stay alert to your surroundings and the people around you. Look inside your car and around it as you approach.
- Park in well-lighted areas that will be well lit when you return.

See **TIPS** on 14A



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Leaving a purse unattended in a cart is inviting theft while shopping.



## Black Friday

About 150 shoppers file into Kmart of Fenton before 5 a.m. on Friday, escaping freezing temperatures. Some shoppers arrived as early as 3 a.m. to look for bargains. To avoid a stampede to big-ticket items like flat-screen TVs, the first customers in line were given vouchers, so they could claim the item without having to race.

TRI-COUNTY TIMES  
TIM JAGIELO

## City to vacate easements left from Fenton Square project

► Would free up downtown space for redevelopment

By Anna Troppens  
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Fenton—City officials are hoping to get rid of parking and walking easements left over

from a 1979 project that didn’t get developed as planned. These access areas still exist, across parts of downtown

See **EASEMENTS** on 8A

### Summary

► The city of Fenton has approached the Genesee County Economic Development Corporation, to end walkway and parking easements established downtown for the 1979 Fenton Square project.



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Chad Green, of Linden shows the makings of his invention, a Positive Pressure Infant Rescue Device. Green has applied for a full patent and has put together a business plan with Kettering University.

## Saving infants is goal of inventive firefighter

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Firefighter Chad Green of Linden, says, based on his experience, there is no good way to carry an infant out of a burning home.

Green, 38, has been working as a firefighter and EMT for the Detroit Arsenal Fire Department in Warren for the past 15 years.

See **SAVING** on 6A

### Summary

► Chad Green, a veteran firefighter and Linden resident has invented a device to help firefighters safely remove an infant from a burning building. He is in the process of obtaining a full patent on his invention.

## Linden City manager recommends own pay cut

► Council unanimously approves budget reductions

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The Linden City Council unanimously approved a number of budget amendments, including reductions, changes and additions, on Monday, at the recommendation of City Manager Christopher Wren.

The amendments were put forth as a result of the recommendation of the finance subcommittee that was directed to establish a two and one-half year budget plan beginning Jan. 1, 2011. With the increased uncertainty of future revenues and

See **PAY** on 22A

### Summary

► Linden City Council unanimously approved amendments to the city’s budget on Monday to ensure fiscal stability.



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## SMART SOLUTIONS



### 1 Keep sterling silver from tarnishing

Proper storage is key to stopping tarnish in its tracks. A simple and inexpensive way is to store sterling silver jewelry in individual zip-lock bags with a anti-tarnish strip.

Changing the anti-tarnish strip according to manufacturer guidelines combined with cleaning the jewelry after each wearing should almost eliminate the tarnish problem.

### 2 Deodorant stains on clothing

Whether the stain is visible, or simply in the underarms, this trick should do the trick. Either sponge or soak (washable) fabric in white vinegar. Allow to sit for 30 minutes, and then launder in the hottest water safe for the fabric. You could also try soaking in equal parts of ammonia and water and a little dish soap overnight before washing.

# Elvis sighting at Adopt-A-Pet



Jody Maddock, program director and treasurer for Adopt-A-Pet, holds Elvis, a brown and white tabby that is up for adoption.

## Cats waiting for someone to 'love them tender'

**By Anna Troppens**

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**Fenton Twp.** — Stop the presses — Elvis has been sighted at Adopt-A-Pet. Program Director Jody Maddock confirmed the sighting, saying, “He likes to kind of talk and sing. That’s how they named him Elvis.”

The brown and white tabby is 2 to 3 years old and has been a resident at Adopt-A-Pet, 13575 Fenton Rd., since Oct. 14. “He is a ‘talker,’ and he is very sweet,” Maddock said. “He usually comes right up to the door to greet people.”

Also befitting his namesake, Elvis gets “All Shook Up” when he does a “leg shake.”

Elvis is one of many cats at Adopt-A-Pet, hoping for someone to “Love him tender.” In addition to Adopt-A-Pet, there are 12 other rescue groups in Genesee County. Recently, these have all

been full, and no one was taking cats or kittens, Maddock said. “Adopt-A-Pet doesn’t euthanize for space, so that means we are limited to the amount of animals we can take in. We need to get the word out to spay and neuter. We can help with financial assistance.”

Military families, the unemployed and those receiving any type of financial aid can receive assistance from Adopt-A-Pet with spaying or neutering their pet, she said. In addition, Adopt-A-Pet has a Spay, **See ELVIS on 8A**

### Why adopt a cat instead of a kitten?

- **Potential adopters** can see their personality and what they are like.
- **Cats are** usually calmer.
- **Kittens typically** have more medical expenses.
- **Adopt-A-Pet** has a program to match older cats, or those needing a quiet home, to senior citizens, free of charge.

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## Michigan made

Lots of Michigan made products available at area retailers

**By Sally Rummel**

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Baabaazuzu may not be the easiest business name to spell, but this Michigan company been named one of the “Top 50 Businesses to Watch” in Michigan — and you can see their product lines right here in Fenton.

This “cottage business” makes handcrafted wool clothing for women out of recycled wool garments, with lines of vests, gloves, mittens, hats and scarves available locally on the shelves at Eclections in Fenton.

It’s one of the new, innovative companies that are making a name for itself as **See MICHIGAN on 10A**



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Chocolatier Jennie Walter of Fenton cups oreo medallions at Sweet Variations in downtown Fenton Tuesday morning. A significant portion of what they sell is hand made, in store. “Everything we do here is with a spoon or a dipping fork,” she said.

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# My 'sensibilities' are offended.

Imagine you're a police detective. A woman reports that she has been raped. Your job is to find the perpetrator.

How would you go about it? Would you put out a bulletin advising the public to watch out for a man or a woman who fits the description? Would you interview women as well as men? Would you check the 'female' box in your search through a database of known rapists?

No, of course you wouldn't. Because you already know that the rapist is 99.9 percent likely to be a man based on history, statistics and common sense.

That is of course unless your boss was professional idiot Janet Napolitano,

head of Homeland Security. Then you would likely interview men and women, pre-pubescent little girls and boys, as well as elderly nuns.



You would waste all this time, effort, resources and money — in addition to not apprehending the actual perpetrator, leaving him (or her ha ha) to wreak further havoc on society — all in the name of the stupidity commonly known as political correctness.

As they say on late-night infomercials '...but wait, there's more.' Last Monday, Homeland Security Secretary Napolitano was asked by reporters if the rumor was true that Muslim women wearing hijabs would be exempt the new pat down and

scan procedures. Napolitano refused to say yes or no, but did say that the TSA would be making 'adjustments' in regard to Muslim women and scans and pat downs.

How could this be? The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) complained to the government that intrusive full-body scans and pat downs were contrary to their religious sensibilities and therefore Muslim women should not be subjected to these new measures. CAIR says the government should allow Muslim women to pat themselves down as an alternative. CAIR is advising Muslim women to reject full-body scans or pat downs before boarding planes and to demand to see supervisors if TSA agents demand that they comply.

Are you shi++ing me? All Americans, including Caucasian children and little old ladies, are being subjected to pat downs and scans before board-

ing planes because Muslims crashed planes and murdered 3,000 Americans on 9/11. And now, Muslim women are exempt because it 'offends their sensibilities,' but the rest of us just have to suck it up? And isn't that discrimination against women of other religions? You know, the religions that don't command you to kill anyone — correction: everyone — who is not of your religious persuasion.

The biggest danger to American lives today is the culture of political correctness perpetrated by the left. These fools and cowards are putting the lives of our families at risk.

Remember that the next time you see your president with his hands over his crotch during the playing of the Star Spangled Banner.

That offends my sensibilities.

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**HOWTIMES CHANGE.** Nathan Hill said, 'I regret that I have but one life to lose for my country.' Patrick Henry said, 'Give me liberty or give me death.' Now it's, 'Don't tase me, bro,' or, 'Don't touch my junk.'

**TO THE COUPLE** who saw the fire in our greenhouse last Sunday night and stopped to tell us, thank you so much and may you and your loved ones have a blessed holiday season, from the Carlson Greenhouse family.

**THANK YOU TO** all of the families at Fenton Karate who spent their Sunday packaging up food and delivering turkey dinners to those in need. Tang Soo.

**TO THE WOMAN** in the silver car who drives down Owen Road at approximately 9 a.m., every morning and puts on mascara while driving, please do us all a favor and either get up five minutes earlier or hire a driver to safely get you where you are going while you put your 'face' on. Thank you.

**I SAW A** picture in the Tri-County Times about the cookie sale at the Lutheran church on Fenton Road. I've been to that sale and their cookies are the best, and they send free cookies to the troops. Hope to see you there on Saturday, Dec. 11.

**HATS OFF TO** Daniel Quinn for being a true father and standing up for his

rights, and his daughter's. As a father of four and having seen friends and relatives deal with slanted custody laws, I applaud Mr. Quinn. Let's raise our voices and help him to achieve "The Quinn Amendment." I am writing to our Congress in support of Rep.Lori's bill, today.

**LOOKS LIKE NEITHER** party, Republican or Democrat, are very intelligent. The blame for high petroleum prices rests solely on the oil companies and their Arab suppliers, not the political parties of this slowly decaying country.

**KINGS AND QUEENS**, princes and princesses are fairy tale stuff. Who, from way back in the past, thought those born to 'royal blood' automatically have the ability and right to govern a country? Those 'royals' are no better or more human than anyone else. I never could understand the mentality of those who think otherwise.

**JUST HAD A** great laugh, Palin to run for president? Even Republicans aren't dumb enough to go for that one. I can see it now, Russia or some other country makes her mad, so she quits to go and write another book and/or tries to continue being the

clown celebrity that she is. Ha, ha, ha, you betchya. What a good joke. Headline: 'Obama wins second term by a landslide.'

**BEWARE, OF A scam.** A man, whom I could not understand, just called about my delinquent bill from the bank on my GM MasterCard. I told him that's not true, and I asked where he got the credit card number. He said he got it from the bank. I asked what the number was. He then told me a number that was one digit off. Don't give out your number, ever.

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU** to the teachers who gave large projects and tons of homework for our kids to do over the Thanksgiving holiday. Hope you enjoy your time off. I know my kids and I won't. So much for the holiday season.

**SIXTEEN-PLUS YEAR TEACHER**, you are what is wrong with the world today. You are not teaching our children compassion. You are teaching our kids to look the other way instead of standing up and helping those who need our help the most.

**JANUARY IS NATIONAL** Stalking Awareness Month. Know it, name it, and stop it. It's scary, and it's not romantic. Please bring awareness of this to all.

**DON'T JUMP TO** conclusions about the deer that was shot in the city of Fenton. We found a dead one in our yard, in the city. It had been hit by a train or car. The deer you saw could have been shot outside of the city limits, and ended up here.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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— Dan McDaniel  
Fenton



"I prefer a real Christmas tree, because they're just nicer."

— Bill Carnahn  
Fenton



"Artificial, because it's easier and smaller."

— Jackie Cornell  
Fenton



"I prefer artificial trees. I love the real trees, but the kids have all left for school, and it's just easier to put up an artificial one."

— Denise Warba, Fenton



"Artificial trees are cheaper."

— Jim Varhelle  
Fenton



"I like a live tree, they're better looking."

— John Voich  
Holly

# Brighton man allegedly assaults girlfriend at Fenton restaurant

By Sharon Stone

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Ryan Keith Malone, 31, of Brighton Township was arraigned on one felony count of assault with a dangerous weapon and one felony count of domestic violence. The charges are a result of a disturbance call in Fenton on Friday, Nov. 19.

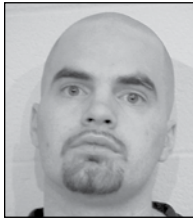
Lt. Jason Slater of the Fenton Police Department said Fenton police were dispatched to a restaurant parking lot in the 17000 block of Silver Parkway at 8:45 p.m. to investigate a disturbance and a possible stolen vehicle.

A man, later identified as Malone was having dinner with his 33-year-old girlfriend, from Whitmore Lake.

Slater said the woman reported that Malone assaulted her and took her van without her permission. She said as he

attempted to back away in her van, the door of the vehicle struck her, knocking her to the ground, at which time she called 911. He returned shortly as police arrived.

Malone was arrested and taken into custody. When police did a computer check on him, they learned he was wanted by the Michigan Department of Corrections for being a parole absconder. He was placed on parole for one to 20 years after his release in December 2009 for third-degree home invasion in Livingston County.



Ryan Malone

Malone was lodged at the Genesee County Jail while arrest warrants were sought. He was arraigned by Judge John Conover. He remains behind by bars in the county jail in lieu of posting \$50,000 cash bond on each count. He will be back in district court on Nov. 30 for his preliminary exam.

# Council extends LDFA for 20 years

By Anna Troppens

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**Fenton** — The Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) has a revised plan to follow and can continue collecting tax revenue in Fenton through Dec. 31, 2030.

## Summary

► Fenton City Council has approved a revised Tax Increment Financing Plan for the city's Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA), allowing the LDFA to continue capturing tax money for public improvements through 2030.

The revised Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Plan is for a series of public improvements. The LDFA's TIF Plan was set to expire Dec. 31, said Michael Burns, assistant city manager and Downtown Development

Authority director. Six projects were added to the development plan, for future consideration (see sidebar).

If the city did not set a plan for the LDFA by Dec. 31, the LDFA would technically no longer be able to capture taxes in the district, and it would dissolve, Burns said. He recommended that council extend the LDFA for another 20 years, expiring Dec. 31, 2030.

The reason for this is, the DDA Tax Increment

## What was added to the plan?

- **College or university** satellite campus
- **Small business or** manufacturing incubator
- **Fiber-optic wiring** in the industrial park, for better broadband communications
- **Look to create** economic development opportunities toward introducing alternative energy technology
- **Economic Development** Master Plan, along with a Facility Re-Use Study
- **Potential mill** and overlay projects for streets within the district

Source: City of Fenton

Financing Plan is scheduled to expire in 2030, and council can decide to extend both the DDA and LDFA at that time, or dissolve both of them, he said.

Fewer taxes would be captured with just the DDA, if the LDFA were dissolved, Burns said. Property in the LDFA district would become part of the DDA district.

Council unanimously approved the revised TIF Plan, allowing the LDFA to continue its tax capture.

## Where is the LDFA?

Roughly, it is bounded on three sides by U.S. 23, Owen Road and Silver Lake Road. Most of the property is zoned industrial, with some portions zoned and used for commercial purposes.

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# Newly paved roads torn up for utility work

►Some council members upset

By Anna Troppens  
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**Fenton** — The Fenton City Council has approved a right of way permit extension for AT&T, for access to city streets. However, council members are unhappy about the idea of newly paved streets

### Summary

►Fenton City Council has approved a right of way permit extension for AT&T, but council members are concerned about how newly paved roadways could be cut into for utility work.

possibly torn up for utility work.

“When we get new roads, it seems one of these people come in and cut our new roads,” Councilwoman Cheryl King said.

Normally, utility firms keep

track of road projects and get their own work done before or during road construction, City Manager Lynn Markland said. Now, many firms are trying to put their utility lines or cables outside of the road right of way, since it's easier for them to access. In some cases, they place their materials under sidewalks.

King asked whether city officials can require utility companies to use trenchless technology, to avoid disrupting roadways. City attorney Stephen Schultz said they can strongly urge them, but legislators have taken away some local

control of right-of-way issues.

In addition, according to the Metro Act, the city had 30 days to approve the right-of-way extension, or it would be issued automatically, Schultz said. In addition, if Fenton did not approve the extension, it was possible the city would not receive a portion of the permit fees AT&T pays to the state.

“They'll get permission anyway,” he said.

Utility firms pay fees to the state, based on the length of their cables, Markland said. Some of this comes back to the local area where the cable is installed. “We get what they send us,” he said.

Utility companies have access to the entire roadway, Schultz said. If there is a 100-foot right of way, they have access to the entire 100 feet. The city has adopted standards for road cuts and reconstructing roads. But the result isn't as satisfactory as it would be if cuts take place before the road is paved, he said.

The previous right of way permit between Fenton and AT&T ends Dec. 31, 2010. The new one is through Dec. 31, 2013.

Mayor Sue Osborn asked whether the city could force the firm to take better care of its boxes, so they aren't as rusty. Schultz said it is a different issue from the right of way permit, and Fenton could pursue it as a nuisance or zoning violation.

### SAVING

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About nine years ago, he began thinking of ideas to carry an infant out of a home that was in flames. He said firefighters typically try to shield an infant by placing them inside their own turnout gear or cover them with blankets or hoods as they make their exit. “There's no way to protect the child,” he said.

Infants need to be carried and the firefighter needs something in which to carry them. This need prompted him to come up with his own invention.

Green has come up with an original design for a Positive Pressure Infant Rescue Device. He approached Kettering University – Tech Works, and has been working with them to build his business plan for his proposed company, Figure 8 Rescue.

Being an affiliate with Kettering prompted Green to participate in the TechVenture course they offer, which led him to compete in the Great Lakes Entrepreneur Quest (GLEQ).

Green's invention looks like a duffle bag made out of the same material used for turnout gear worn by firefighters. If a firefighter knows they are going in to rescue an infant, he or she will carry the device into the burning structure.

Once the infant is located, they would be placed inside the device. By sealing the device, the infant would be protected from the life-threatening environment. The infant would have access to air, either by being connected to the firefighter's air supply or via an independent air supply container. Carrying straps over the fire-

fighters' shoulders and neck would keep their hands free.

Green said the fresh air supply inside the device creates positive pressure and prevents heat and smoke from entering. “Nothing bad gets in,” he said.

Inventions require patents. Green has obtained a provisional patent on his invention and applied for a full patent a few months ago. He is encouraged that he received an official response requesting enhanced drawings.

The device will have to pass testing done by Underwriters Laboratories in order for fire departments to use them. Green is confident they will pass all tests as they are made from approved firefighting material.

He has been working with a few large suppliers that have helped with prototype materialism including Amatex Corporation, Basofil, Stedfast Inc., and YKK. Currently, he is seeking a local manufacturer to help him make the 10 devices required for UL testing.

Green has talked to a few fire chiefs and received positive feedback. He would like to manufacture the devices in this area, or at least Michigan. He expects each device to cost about \$850 and hopes fire departments will realize the benefit of having these devices at their fingertips in the event an infant needs rescuing. He believes fire departments might be able to obtain grants to purchase the devices.

Linden Fire Chief Brian Will said, although Green's product is still in the early stages of development, he believes in the concept. He added that if Green's invention makes it to market, fire departments have several avenues for obtaining funding for this sort of life-saving product.

“It's a great idea. It could be very helpful,” Will said. “We don't get too many calls like this, but it only takes one.”

“I hope he can get it off the ground.” Green's website is www.figure8rescue.com.

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# Police&Fire report

### TIRES PUNCTURED

At 8 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 15, Fenton police responded to a neighborhood near Jennings and Owen roads to investigate a malicious destruction of property complaint. Lt. Jason Slater said a 55-year-old woman said sometime overnight unknown suspects punctured two tires on her 2006 PT Cruiser and two tires on her 1997 Pontiac Transport. Damage is estimated at \$400.

### HHR DAMAGED

On Nov. 20, at 12:30 p.m. Fenton police went to the 3700 block of Owen Road to investigate a malicious destruction of property complaint. Lt. Jason Slater said a 48-year-old Ortonville woman parked her 2010 Chevrolet HHR in the parking lot at 1 p.m. on Nov. 19. When she returned to it on Nov. 20, she noticed that someone had keyed the door. Dents were also observed on the vehicle. Police are working with the store security with the hopes of spotting the suspects on the video footage from the outdoor surveillance cameras.

### NO OVERNIGHT PARKING

Linden police officers are enforcing the city's ordinance prohibiting overnight parking on city streets from Nov. 1 through March 31, 2011. Lt. Kevin Duberg said officers have written approximately 30 tickets to violators since the ordinance took effect on Nov. 1. The ordinance is being enforced to keep the roadways clear in case snowplow trucks are dispatched.

### OWI ARREST

At 12 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 20, a Linden police officer was dispatched to investigate a possible intoxicated motorist, driving a blue Buick. Lt. Kevin Duberg said the responding officer spotted the suspect vehicle traveling southbound on South Bridge Street at speeds in excess of the posted limit and initiated a traffic stop. The driver, a 22-year-old Grand Blanc man, failed sobriety tests and blew a .147 on the preliminary breath test. The driver was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and transported to the hospital to have his blood alcohol level tested. Police are awaiting the results of the man's blood test.

### GREENHOUSE CATCHES FIRE

Carlson's Greenhouse on Torrey Road in Mundy Township was damaged by fire on Sunday, Nov. 21. Owner Ron Carlson, who lives next door, said a person driving by spotted fire coming out of a wall of the greenhouse and stopped at his house to alert him. Carlson could not see the fire as it was at the opposite end of the greenhouse. He called 911 to report the fire at about 6:30 p.m. Mundy Township Fire Department, as well as Fenton Township responded to the fire. To his understanding, a motor overheated and caught the greenhouse wall on fire. About 48-feet of wall was destroyed. No one was in the greenhouse at the time as it was closed. There were no injuries. Carlson said the insurance adjuster was on the scene Wednesday to assess the damage.

### DRIVER LOSES CONTROL OF CAR

An injured woman was transported to the hospital after losing control of her vehicle Saturday afternoon in Fenton. Lt. Jason Slater said a 34-year-old Flint woman, driving a 1995 Ford passenger car was merging into northbound U.S. 23 traffic after entering from Owen Road. As she was merging, she lost control of her car, causing it to roll over several times. It came to rest in the median. No other vehicles were involved with the crash. STAT EMS transported the woman, who was wearing a seat belt, to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township. The car was totaled and towed from the scene. The woman was not ticketed; however, she was listed at fault on the accident report for traveling too fast.

### WOMAN URINATES BEHIND DUMPSTER

At 2:35 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 25, a Fenton police officer out patrolling observed a woman walking in a fast food restaurant parking lot on Owen Road with no coat on. The officer grew suspicious since it was cold outside. The officer observed the woman walk behind a dumpster and urinate. The woman was visible to motorists in a nearby restaurant drive-thru lane. The officer made contact with the 24-year-old Fenton Township woman, who apologized for what she had done. Suspecting that she had been drinking, a preliminary breath test was administered, resulting in a blood alcohol level of .165. The woman said she had a designated driver in a nearby car. She was ticketed for indecent exposure/urinating in public and is to appear in Fenton court on Jan. 3, 2011.

# Water bills top priority list for new village council

By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly** — One of the first issues the new Holly Village Council wants to address is the back billing of village water services for some 20 township residents.

In extreme cases, residents were not charged for village water services as far back as 2003, accruing up to \$2,000 in unbilled services.

On Tuesday's agenda, President Jeff Miller referred to the issue as "Operation Water Leak." Miller took blame for residents being billed during a time of economic hardship. "We placed them there," he said.

The issue came to light early this year. Clerk/Treasurer Susan Nassar had poured over records and eventually uncovered the errors, and has

since started recovering money for the village.

"We won't forgive everything," said Miller. He could not give any details on any resolution to back bills, but said he would do his best to make sure it does not happen again.

Miller said he would look into the particular meter model that was used for billing, to see if a defect caused the problem. "People out there think we don't know what

"People out there don't think we know what we're doing."

**President Jeff Miller**  
Holly Village president

were doing," he said. Janet Leslie, Holly Township trustee but speaking as a resident, protested forgiving residents of the debt. "Of course if refunds or pardons are given, it is all of us on the water and sewer system that do pay our bills who will be making up the difference," she said.

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# Former village president makes push for cityhood

## ►New president will not be involved

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**Holly** — Former Holly Village President Pete Clemens is trying to get the coals heated for a discussion on cityhood for Holly Village.

The last campaign toward cityhood ended at the polling station in 2002, with a citizen-led referendum vote. Now, recently ousted village president Pete Clemens is making it his mission to explore cityhood again.

"I led the attempt before when I was village president," said current Village President Jeff Miller. "The people said 'no.'"

According to Clemens, state revenue sharing is one big reason to pursue cityhood for Holly Village.

"Cities are the ultimate form of government the state envisioned," he said. Cities share more than twice the revenue from the state as a township, and 1.7 times more revenue than a village, he added.

"What it boils down to is maximizing tax dollars and revenue sharing with Lansing," he said.

On Monday, Clemens hosted an informational meeting about cityhood in the council chamber. He was disappointed with the turnout, but said he felt it was a productive meeting. He gave a PowerPoint presentation, and took several questions from the audience.

Clemens announced the meeting during public comment at the regular council meeting last Tuesday. "The people don't want it," said resident Larry Lilly. "Now you're going to jam it down our throats again. Nothing's changed."

Clemens said residents have expressed concern over higher taxes and crime.

He seeks to educate as many people as he can about what being a city would mean to residents. "I want to see if it starts to gain steam," he said.

If his campaign goes well, a petition is the next step. This petition would be used to bring a proposed map of the city to the Boundary Commission in Lansing. Should the

city map be approved, there is a 90-day window for a referendum vote that could stop the cityhood effort.

This is what happened in 2002. Should cityhood survive a vote, after the map is approved, a charter commission is elected to draft the city charter, which would be voted on in a general election. The next general election in 2012.

"I wish him well, but I'm not going to be a part of it," said Miller. Clemens has asked that council members remain neutral on the topic of cityhood, though at least one member has voiced support, and three were at the meeting.

Clemens has not scheduled another meeting, but said he will keep in touch with interested parties, hone his PowerPoint presentation, and possibly schedule another informational meeting after the New Year.

### Summary

►Former Village President Pete Clemens is starting an informational campaign on cityhood for Holly Village. His first informational meeting was Monday.

**"Cities are the ultimate form of government the state envisioned."**

**Pete Clemens**

### ELVIS

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Neuter and Return (SNAP) program for outdoor, stray or abandoned cats.

If someone is feeding and providing shelter for several outdoor cats, for example, Adopt-A-Pet can help. People must apply for the program and schedule an appointment for the cats' surgery, Maddock said. The organization provides humane live traps to catch the cats, which the owner then can bring to Adopt-A-Pet. The cost is \$35 per cat — a large savings.

In addition, Adopt-A-Pet needs foster homes for cats and kittens, where the animals can stay and be cared for until

someone gives them a permanent home. Adopt-A-Pet provides the food, cat litter, litter box, bowls and whatever is needed to house the animal and, possibly, keep

it separated from other pets. "We want to make it as easy as possible for the fosters so we can save more animals," she said.

Adopt-A-Pet also is in need of donations of money or cat supplies. The No. 1 item needed is unscented, clay cat litter, since many cats are allergic to scented

litter, she said.

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### EASEMENTS

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Fenton that could be redeveloped in a different way.

City attorney Stephen Schultz said representatives for Fenton will appear before the Genesee County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Tuesday, to have the easements vacated. Ending the easements will free up property for unimpeded redevelopment.

The DDA is looking to acquire property and redevelop downtown Fenton, in a different way than 1979's Fenton Square

plans, Schultz said. This includes the former Republic Bank site, 120 E. Silver Lake Rd., which the Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) recently bought for \$325,000.

But, the easements from the 1979 project are all still there, crossing parts of the downtown, including across LeRoy Street.

Representatives for Fenton have been in touch with the Genesee County EDC, with the assistance of Pat Lockwood. "I believe everything is squared away," Schultz said.



# MOST READ

Midweek stories

Stories originally appeared in the Wednesday, November 24, 2010 Midweek edition and can be read online at [www.tctimes.com](http://www.tctimes.com)

## C-section not done to avoid labor pain

Dr. Donohue gives his expert opinion.

(The full story appeared in the Wednesday, Nov. 24 Midweek edition.)

## DVDs & Movies

Short write-ups on DVDs and movies released this week

(The full story appeared in the Wednesday, Nov. 24 Midweek edition.)



### CITY OF FENTON Fenton DDA considers leasing old fire hall

In negotiations with Michigan Brewing Company for the old fire hall property, the Fenton Downtown Development Authority is considering a lease agreement instead of selling. Leasing might be an option, to protect the city's asset and public money.

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### CITY OF FENTON World Trade Center artifact

The city of Fenton's fire department is receiving a 36-inch piece of history. Council has approved an agreement with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, to receive a steel 9/11 artifact from the World Trade Center.

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## Local woman shares passion of Middle Eastern art form

Jennifer Lobb, of Fenton Township, looks like an ordinary preschool mom, living a typical suburban life. She's happily married, and spends many harried mornings getting her 3-year-old daughter, Gwendolyn, off to school.

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Belly dancer Azziza Salem, (Jennifer Lobb) of Fenton Township, demonstrates a choreographed belly dance in her dance studio Friday morning.

## Reduce that holiday stress



Reducing stress leads to more pleasant holidays. Experts suggest being realistic, planning ahead and seeking support.  
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**MICHIGAN**

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“Michigan made” — joining the ranks of popular Michigan products like American Spoon Foods in Petoskey, Zingerman’s Deli in Ann Arbor and Slinky Toys/Poof Foam Balls made in Plymouth.

Carol Schuler of Sweet Variations in downtown Fenton has been doing just that for almost three decades, putting her own sweet touches on signature milk and dark chocolate candies that are handcrafted right in her own store. Christmas is Sweet Variations’ second busiest holiday, with Easter coming in first and Valentine’s Day coming in third, according to Schuler.

Matt and Ginny Sherrow, owners of Fenton Winery & Brewery, present their

full-service winery and microbrewery products to customers, handcrafting all of their beverages onsite. Their wines always make a thoughtful gift, especially when personalized to suit an individual’s palate.

Holly Jablonsky of Holly not only has the right name, but she’s also in the right town to own and operate her own soy candle and fragrance product manufacturing and retail company. The shop makes its own hand-poured soy candles, hand-mixed reed diffuser oils, hand-mixed air fresheners and a variety of natural bath and body products. A Michigan business owner since May, 2009, Jablonsky

is a strong supporter of the Made in Michigan movement. “We aren’t ‘resellers’ of any products,” said Jablonsky. “Everything we sell is made right here.”

**The French Laundry, owner Mark Hamel supports Michigan businesses with his popular lines of American Spoon jams, jellies, condiments and gifts.**

Beacon & Bridge Markets gas stations and markets may not seem, at first glance, like a destination for gifts. But, they have partnered with Michigan businesses to offer a wide array of food products from around

the state. From Coffee Beanery products made in Flushing to Freestone Pickles made in Bangor, they are proud to offer their support to Michigan vendors.

Pipsqueak Boutique in Fenton is pleased

to sell a number of products made by Michigan vendors. Custom hair bows and hand-sewn boutique outfits are created by Melinda Malone of Holly and Sue Haight of Fenton.

The Linden Toy Factory prides itself on many Made in USA toys and gifts, proud to carry Slinky/Poof foam ball products made in Plymouth, as well as Gigi Blankets made in Grand Rapids.

Supporting Michigan businesses is a great way to support the state of Michigan and the people who live here.

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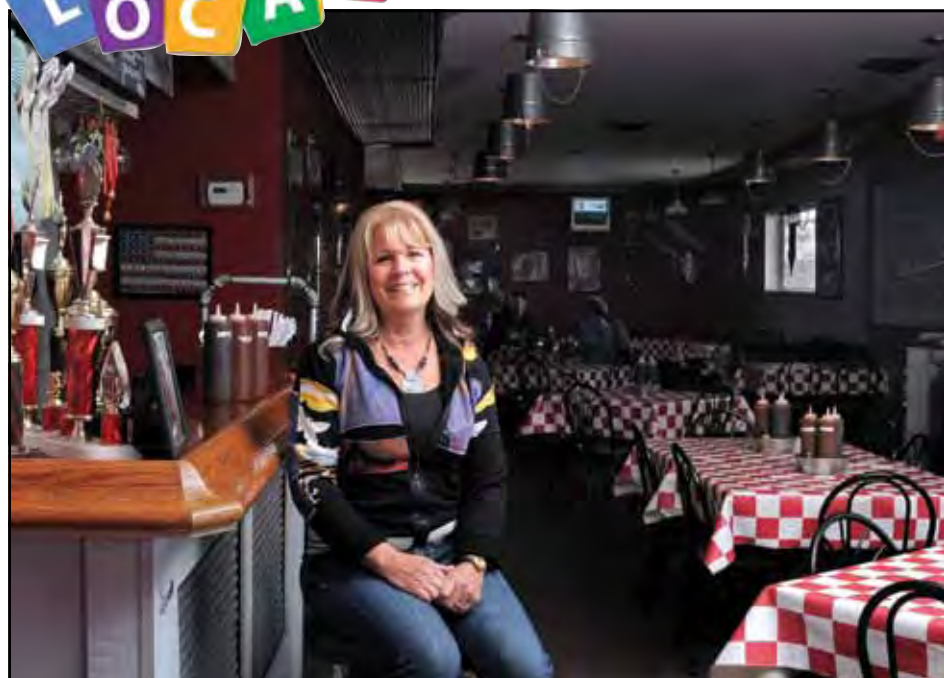
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**BEALE STREET SMOKE HOUSE BBQ**

By Cheryl Dennison, Editor



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Beale Street Smokehouse BBQ owner Kim Hicks sits in her dining area Tuesday afternoon. The restaurant is known for its southern-style barbecue.

**Beale Street Smokehouse BBQ dishes up good southern barbecue**

By Cheryl Dennison

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Things are smoking at Beale Street Smokehouse BBQ on North Road in Fenton. The restaurant is known for serving good southern barbeque.

Beale Street Smokehouse BBQ is at the location of the former Across Town Café, 2461 North Rd. in Fenton. Owner Kim Hicks, who grew up in Fenton, said that 24 years ago she thought it would be interesting to operate a restaurant, so she asked her father what he thought. "His response was, 'No!' Restaurants are difficult, time-consuming and risky," she said. "It was probably the first time in my life I didn't accept his advice."

Beale Street is a full-service, family-oriented restaurant, with a full bar offering eight rotating craft beers. The restaurant also offers various levels of catering packages. Hicks said she has

the best staff and she couldn't operate without them. In the past, she had family members working with her, from her parents, to her siblings and son.

"I love food, cooking, and creating recipes," Hicks said. "Nothing makes you happier than when you see smiles on customers' faces."

Hicks said her restaurant is unique to the area. "My staff pours a lot of love in to our barbecue," she said. "It's a labor of love."

Her philosophy for running her business is, "It's not good enough to want it. You have to know how to get it. If you want the best you have to be the best in all aspects of business."

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## Judge upholds Tyrone's fire billing of a resident

By Anna Troppens

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**Tyrone Twp.** — After appealing the township's decision in small claims court, resident Joe Kaighen ended up paying \$1,337 for fire department services.

Kaighen was burning dead vegetation in an outdoor fire pit in August, when firefighters showed up. Someone driving by on U.S. 23 saw the smoke and called 911, saying they thought a house was on fire. Kaighen did not know he needed a burn permit from the township.

He appealed the decision to the township supervisor, and then to the full township board, getting turned down both times.

On Friday, Nov. 19, he took his case to small claims court in Howell. The appeal was unsuccessful, Kaighen said, but he's glad he received another opinion. "It all came down to burning.

I did not have a permit beforehand."

On Monday, he paid the \$1,337 to the township.

"We scrutinize every one and determine whether they get one or not. This fellow didn't have a burning permit," said Clerk Keith Kremer.

### Summary

▶ After appealing a \$1,337 bill for fire department services, a Tyrone resident paid the fee after losing his case in small claims court.

Beginning in April, instead of Tyrone billing residents for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and fire runs, residents will pay an annual special assessment, Kremer said. The assessment is \$150 for occupied parcels of land,

\$75 for each vacant parcel and \$250 for commercial property.

The only ones who will be billed after April 1, 2011 for EMS and fire department services are those who don't live in the township, or who caused the fire department to be dispatched due to an ordinance violation such as not burning according to the rules, he said.

## Social News

### ANNIVERSARY



**Smith**

Don and Sharon Smith of Fenton have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 10, 2010. Smith, and the former Sharon Grappin were married in Pontiac. They have two children, Scott Smith of Fenton, and David Smith of Whitmore Lake. The couple celebrated with family and friends at Brick Street in Grand Blanc. Don retired from Fenton Machine & Tool. Sharon retired from Gerych's Distinctive Flowers & Gifts. They have three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

### ENGAGEMENTS



**Strawser-Maher**

The engagement of Melody Ann Strawser of Fenton to Michael Patrick Maher of Fenton has been announced by her parents, Terry and Pam Strawser of Fenton. His parents are Mike and Brigid Maher of Fenton. The bride-elect is a 2007 graduate of Fenton High School and will be graduating in 2011 from Spring Arbor University. Her fiancé is a 2007 graduate of Fenton High School and is employed by Oakland Christian Church. A June 12, 2011 wedding ceremony is planned at Fenton Sunken Gardens.

### WEDDING



**Morgan**

Courtney Marie Strawser of Fenton became the bride of Paul William Morgan of Murfreesboro, Tenn. on July 10, 2010. The ceremony was held at Cornerstone Church of Highland. The ceremony was performed by the Pastor Tim Forsthoff. Attending the couple was her sister, Melody Ann Strawser of Fenton as maid of honor and Jeshurun Benavides as best man. Bridesmaids were Crystal Strawser, Anna Williams, Christa Schwartz, and Bekah Lewis. Groomsmen were Adam Rodrigues, Chris Harrelson, Travis Franklin, and Michael Hooper. Ushers were Terry Strawser II, Chris Morgan, and Josh Morgan. A reception was held at Tyrone Hills Golf Course. The couple honeymoon in Bali, Indonesia in December.

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## 2010 Schedule of Events

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

5PM **Jingle Jam - Talent Show**  
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High School Show - Starts at 8:00pm at The Fenton Community Center

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

All Day	<b>Holiday Shopping</b> Participating Local Businesses	1PM-4PM	<b>Entertainment</b> at Fenton United Methodist Church
9AM-?	<b>Annual Cookie Walk</b> at Fenton United Methodist Church	1PM-4PM	<b>Ice Sculptures</b> in front of the Fenton Community Center
10AM	<b>Tree Decorating</b> at Bush Park	1PM-6PM	<b>Shuttle Service</b> provided by Caretel Inns of Linden. Stops at: Fenton Community Center, Dibbleville, Eclections and Serendipity Day Spa.
10AM-4PM	<b>Santa Paws Pictures</b> Front of the Fenton Community Center (outside)	4PM-9PM	<b>S'mores</b> in front of the Fenton Community Center
10AM-12Noon	<b>Letters to Santa</b> at Visions in Motion Dance Studio	4PM-7PM	<b>FREE Hand-waxing</b> by The Retreat Salon in front of Fenton Community Center
10AM-9PM	<b>10,000 Villages</b> at First Presbyterian Church of Fenton	4PM-7PM	<b>Popcorn Over the Fire</b> by Knights of Columbus
11AM-2PM	<b>Local Author Gary Finn</b> at the Fenton's Open Book Store	5PM	<b>JingleJog</b> Registration: 3:45pm-4:45pm at The Fenton Community Center, Race Starts at 5:00pm in front of City Hall
11AM-5PM	<b>Santa Café</b> Catered by Luigi's at Fenton Community Center	6PM	<b>Holiday Lighted Parade</b> Downtown Fenton.
11AM-5PM	<b>Christmas Market</b> at Fenton Community Center	6PM-9PM	<b>Santa coming to town</b> at the end of the parade by Equine Sports
12Noon-3PM	<b>Kids' Activities</b> at Fenton United Methodist Church	6PM-9PM	<b>Santa Pictures</b> After the parade at The Fenton Community Center
12Noon-3PM	<b>Family Christmas Crafts</b> at Fenton United Methodist Church	7PM-8:30PM	<b>Chautauqua Express Concert</b> at The Fenton Community Center
12Noon-9PM	<b>Almond Roasting</b> in front of Fenton Museum	7PM	<b>Winter Beer Release</b> at The Fenton Winery and Brewery

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By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

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Dave Lantz (left) hands a box of food off to Grant Belinger of Fenton at United Methodist Church in Fenton Tuesday morning. The food was made into Thanksgiving dinners for 91 Fenton area families in need.

### Community groups, churches help families in need

By Tim Jagielo

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On Tuesday morning, the efforts of various community groups and churches came together to help feed 91 families.

The National Honor Society, Fenton firefighters, Fenton Education Support Personnel, and various church groups including Fenton United Methodist Church, sorted and filled to order, 91 boxes for area families in need. Loose Senior Citizen Center had a significant amount of volunteers, with 35 helping to sort food and fill boxes.

"This is a community event," said Mary Lynn Colwell, of Rose Township, who organized the event for the FUMC.

Some food was donated through the "The Stuff the Bus" campaign. The Fenton Fire Department also donated. "I think of it as a sharing process, these are hard times," said Grant Belinger of Fenton, who volunteered in the cold to get the boxes in to FUMC.

"This is a community event."

**Mary Lynn Colwell**  
Fenton United Methodist Church

Angeline Dimambro 17, of Fenton High School and president of the National Honor Society, also volunteered.

"I really love it, I'm really impressed by it and I'm glad I could help."

Colwell had big shoes to fill, following the late Nancy Stockham in organizing the event. Colwell said food donations were high this year.

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If someone does try to rip a purse off a woman's shoulder, the police chief recommends letting it go. He said it's apparent that the thief has become violent with the woman. Attempting to hold on to the purse could escalate the seriousness of the situation.

"Be aware of your surroundings," said Aro. If a person is out shopping in a mall, or walking through parking lots, Aro advises them to take notice of those near them. Avoiding poorly lit areas is also advised.

When approaching a stranger in a parking lot, the police chief said it's best to avoid engaging in a conversation with them. If the person tries to initiate a conversation, try to walk to an area where there are many people.

Police have been advising residents for years to keep the doors of their ve-

hicles and homes locked at all times. At this time of year, it's crucial to heed this advice. Would-be thieves are known to walk through parking lots, or city streets in search of unlocked vehicles.

Aro said someone intent on stealing would try the door handle to see if it's unlocked. If it is, they will steal whatever is accessible. If the door is locked and the windows are closed, the thief will most likely leave the vehicle alone.

Thieves do not want to bring any attention to themselves and if they are spotted trying to get into a locked vehicle, chances are someone will see them.

Aro said it's very important for people to call 911 if they observe any suspicious activity. Oftentimes, the observer assumes what they saw was no big deal or didn't want to waste their time. Aro said he would rather send an officer out to investigate a harmless situation than to miss an opportunity to catch an offender.

**TIPS**  
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- **Be extra careful with purses and wallets.** Carry a purse under your arm. Keep wallets in an inside pocket.
- **Always lock your car** and close the windows, even if you're only gone a few moments. When possible, lock all merchandise or packages in the trunk of your car. Load your packages before departing, not at the next destination.
- **Avoid carrying large** amounts of cash.
- **Plan your trips.** Instead of one big shopping trip, try several small ones. This will cut down on the amount of money you carry, the packages you'll be encumbered with, and it will make your shopping less stressful.
- **Walk everywhere** with a sense of purpose — show you are calm, confident and know where you are going.

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If someone takes their young children along on the shopping trip, Aro advises the parents to keep a close eye on them. Don't let the children wander off to where they are out of sight. Store employees and other shoppers will appreciate the parents' attention toward their own children.

Aro said he has not been made aware of any Fenton shoppers becoming victimized, yet. "We'll have a few," he said. He has been hearing of carjacking and purse snatching reports in areas north of Fenton. Again, to prevent becoming a victim of a carjacking, keep the vehicle windows closed and doors locked at all times.

Lt. Kevin Duberg of the Linden Police Department agreed that shopping with a friend is advisable. He prefers to carry a credit card rather than carrying large amounts of cash. He added that he likes having records, from the credit card

company, of where his money has gone.

Shopping online presents its own set of safety issues. The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) is warning consumers that cyber crimes aren't just for computers anymore. There are reports of unscrupulous individuals or organizations targeting cell phones with intentions of acquiring the owner's personal information.

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Transmission: Automatic  
Mileage: 58,107  
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\$23,950  
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Transmission: Automatic  
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1567209B, Engine: 2.9L 4 cyl Fuel  
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\$30,950  
Stock Number: 1223033A  
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4dr Sdn 3.5L LT  
\$15,950, Stock Number: 173352  
Exterior: Burgundy  
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### Real Estate For Rent 21



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**Household  
For Sale** **29**

**PINE ENTERTAINMENT/  
ARMOIRE** - 2 sliding pocket  
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**Lost &  
Found** **31**

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Found** **31**

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77 Use one's head?  
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80 Wear away  
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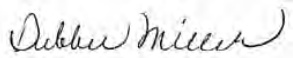
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**PUBLIC NOTICE****PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING  
CREATION OF A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT  
DISTRICT FOR THE PRIVATE ROAD,  
WILLIAMS DRIVE, IN ROSE TOWNSHIP**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Rose Township Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the Rose Township Hall, 204 Franklin Street, Holly, Michigan.

THE PURPOSE OF THE HEARING is to hear objections to a petition submitted to the Rose Township Board of Trustees for the creation of a special assessment district for maintenance of the private road known as Williams Drive. The petition has been determined to be sufficient (contains the signatures of property owners representing greater than 50% of the road frontage on Williams Drive). The proposed special assessment district includes all properties having an ownership interest in Williams Drive. The estimated cost of performing the requested road maintenance is \$3,800.00 plus a 3% administration fee and township costs associated for the first year and subsequent years. A copy of the cost estimate is available for inspection at the Office of the Rose Township Clerk, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan.

Property owners may appeal the assessment levy to the Michigan Tax Tribunal if an appearance is made at the hearing at which the special assessment roll is confirmed. Appearance can be made in person or by mail and can be made by an agent for the property owner.



Debbie Miller  
Rose Township Clerk

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON  
BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS  
NOVEMBER 22, 2010**

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday November 22, 2010 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as amended.
3. Approved invoices & expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$879,339.10.
4. Reviewed the annual mosquito control report from Advanced Pest Management.
5. Appointed Clerk Robert Krug as Fenton Township's representative on the Southern Lakes Regional Metropolitan Parks & Recreation District Board of Directors for the term ending December 31, 2012.
6. Adopted Ordinance No. 731, an amendment to Dog Control Ordinance No. 253 to add language regarding dog shelters.
7. Approved a 2011-2014 Solid Waste Collection Contract with Republic Services of Flint.
8. Established the 2010 Trash Collection Assessment at \$120.00 per household.
9. Adopted Resolution No. 2010-30, scheduling a public hearing for December 6, 2010 on a revised special assessment roll for the Crane Road/Lake Shore Drive Road Improvement Special Assessment District.
10. Approved a Fire Department Training Reimbursement Agreement.
11. Postponed action on a proposed Subgrant and Transfer of Equipment Agreement with the Genesee County Sheriff Department pending further research.
12. Approved a 2011 Building Inspection Services Agreement with D&G of Michigan, Inc.
13. Schedule a public hearing on the proposed 2011 Fenton Township Budget for December 6, 2010.
14. Adopted the 2011 Fenton Township Meeting Schedule.
15. Adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at [www.fentontownship.org](http://www.fentontownship.org).

ROBERT E. KRUG  
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

**NOTICE  
ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP**

Please be notified that the Argentine Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Meeting on Monday, December 6, 2010, 7:00 p.m. at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lk Rd, to consider the following:

Laura Capua, 1424 Cole Rd. is requesting a Special Use to operate a photo studio from her home. Described as 01-23-300-026 and tabled Special Use.

A complete copy of these tax descriptions may be viewed at the Township office during regular office hours.

Denise Graves, Clerk  
Argentine Township

**TYRONE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Tyrone Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on December 14, 2010 beginning at 7:30 p. m. at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430.

The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to receive comments regarding the construction of a wireless communication tower requested by Fortune Wireless, Inc., acting as an agent for AT&T. The proposed tower site is located in Section 13, south of the White Lake Road - Foley Road intersection with frontage on the west side of Tipsico Lake Road, and further identified as:

FR Parcel 4704-13-400-010 Vacant Land: Commencing at the SE corner of SEC 13 as the POB TH S01\*56'42"E 54.93 FT ALONG E LINE OF SAID SEC 24 TO THE SW COR OF SEC 18, T4N R7E, Rose Twp, Oakland County, MI, TH S88\*11'10"W 1340.70 FT, TH N01\*42'57"W 1625.98 FT, TH N88\*17'14" E 877.32 FT, TH S01\*42'51"E 940.52FT, TH88\*17.09" E 463.15 FT. TH S 01\*42'51" E 628.18 FT TO the POB, 40 ACRES M/L

Supporting documents may be reviewed at the Tyrone Township Hall, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or by calling (810) 629-8631. Comments regarding the request may be made at the time of the hearing or submitted in writing to the Planning Commission prior to the date of the meeting.

Dave Hanoute, Chairman  
Tyrone Township Planning Commission

**TYRONE TOWNSHIP  
NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS TO INDUSTRIAL  
EXTRACTIVE REGULATORY ORDINANCE #21  
Livingston County, Michigan.**

Notice is hereby given that the Tyrone Township Board, at the Regular meeting held on November 16, 2010 has adopted the following Amendments to Ordinance 21, to regulate sand and gravel deposits, reclamation and concrete crushing within the Industrial Extractive zoning district. The entire ordinance is available to the public for review during regular business hours at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton Michigan 48430, and on the township website at [www.tyronetownship.us](http://www.tyronetownship.us). A summary of the revisions are as follows:

**SECTION 4: DEFINITIONS**

Added definitions for F. Extraction, I. Mining, J. Processing.

**SECTION 6: CONDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Added limited crushing of concrete as part of active sand and gravel operations via a special use permit.

**SECTION 7: APPLICATION, REVIEW AND PERMIT RENEWAL PROCEDURE.**

A. Filing of Petition. Added a site plan requirement for any new uses. Further defined the site plan requirements.

**SECTION 8: SPECIFIC OPERATING REQUIREMENTS**

- A. Setback. Permits the Tyrone Township Board to modify setback requirements
- C. Frontage and Access. Defines entry and egress requirements.
- D. Fencing. Further defines allowable fencing.
- E. Noise and Vibration. Set identical to zoning ordinance 21.16 Noise.
- F. Air Pollution. Extends requirements to mining and crushing.
- H. Slopes. Defines slopes to be less than 3 feet horizontal to one foot vertical.
- K. Stockpiles. Defines sizes of stockpiles and setbacks.

**SECTION 10. EFFECTIVE DATE**

December 28, 2010

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BY LINDA THISTLE

## letter box

Place a letter in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the letters listed above the diagram. When completed, the row indicated will spell out a word or words.

	A	C	D	I	K	L	N	O	R
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	A		D		L			K	
	K		C		A		I		D
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			O			D	K		
	L			K					I
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ANSWERS BELOW

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	+		x		30
-		÷		x	
	x		x		28
x		+		+	
	+		x		13
20		10		22	

**DIFFICULTY: ★**

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult  
★★★ GO FIGURE!

1 2 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
ANSWERS BELOW

**PUZZLE ANSWER KEYS**

King Crossword and Sudoku Puzzles are located in last Wednesday's issue. All other puzzles are throughout this section.

**KING CROSSWORD ANSWERS**

Solution time: 25 mins.

O	H	M	B	A	S	S	I	V	A	N
D	U	O	A	R	I	A	R	I	P	E
E	L	M	B	I	L	L	B	O	A	R
S	A	S	S	T	O	N				
B	I	L	L	I	N	G	S	C	A	V
O	N	O	T	O	G	A	S	Y	I	N
S	C	O	W	B	I	L	L	F	O	L
H	A	N	O	I	E	K	E	D		
O	V	A	P	A	G	E	S			
B	I	L	L	Y	G	O	A	T	L	A
O	D	I	E	R	A	N	I	S	M	
G	O	I	N	A	K	I	N	B	E	E

**SUPER CROSSWORD ANSWERS**

D	O	L	E	D	R	I	G	A	O	C	T	S	I	E	A	D
A	S	I	M	O	V	E	U	N	I	T	D	O	O	P	A	L
F	L	O	O	E	D	B	A	S	E	M	E	N	T	A	L	A
T	I	O	N	G	R	A	Y	A	T	S	E	A	O	N	T	O
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S	A	C	K	W	I	S	E	A	M	I	N					
T	R	A	I	N	T	R	A	C	K	S	I	N	B	A	C	K
R	U	M	P	H	O	T	O	S	E	L	S	E	L	I	E	
A	B	E	R	E	B	U	T	A	S	H	E	S	S	L	A	T
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G	O	N	G	S	A	R	N	E	L	F	A	U	R	E	U	R
S	T	R	O	F	S	L	O	E	W	I	S	T	E	R	N	O
P	R	O	C	K	B	Y	R	E	C	E	N	T	O	R	N	A
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T	A	R	O	L	A	T	I	N	A	N	O	N	P	E	P	
A	Z	U	R	E	M	I	D	D	L	E	O	F	N	O	W	H
L	A	P	S	E	E	E	A	V	E	R	T	A	I	L	O	R
E	N	T	E	R	S	S	R	H	E	R	O	R	I	E	S	E

**SUDOKU ANSWERS**

5	3	4	2	9	7	6	8	1
6	2	7	8	3	1	9	4	5
1	8	9	6	5	4	2	7	3
2	1	6	7	8	9	5	3	4
9	5	8	4	6	3	7	1	2
7	4	3	5	1	2	8	6	9
8	9	5	3	4	6	1	2	7
4	6	2	1	7	5	3	9	8
3	7	1	9	2	8	4	5	6

**LETTER BOX ANSWERS**

D	R	I	N	K	C	O	L	A
O	A	N	D	I	L	R	K	C
K	L	C	O	A	R	I	N	D
N	K	A	C	L	I	D	R	O
I	D	L	R	O	K	C	A	N
R	C	O	A	N	D	K	I	L
L	O	R	K	D	A	N	C	I
A	N	K	I	C	O	L	D	R
C	I	D	L	R	N	A	O	K

**GO FIGURE ANSWERS**

6	+	4	x	3	30
-		÷		x	
2	x	2	x	7	28
x		+		+	
5	+	8	x	1	13
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DATE: Tuesday, December 14, 2010

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Holly Township Hall  
102 Civic Drive  
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PURPOSE: To correct any of the following errors in assessments, and tax rates:

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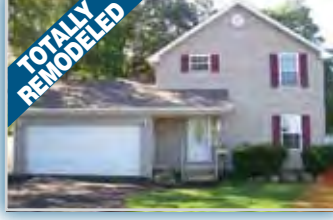
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# Calendar of events

## Wednesday, Dec. 1

The **Southern Genesee County Democratic Club** will hold its last monthly meeting for 2010 on Wednesday, Dec. 1, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the lower level of the Fenton Community & Cultural Center, 125 S. LeRoy St. All are welcome to attend.

**MOMS Club of Linden/Fenton** offers support to moms in Argentine, Linden, Lake Fenton, Fenton, and Holly. The group meets the second Tuesday of every month at **Faith Baptist Church** in Linden at 10 a.m. For more mom-sclubf@yahoo.com or information, e-mail or call 1(800) 871-9012.

## Saturday, Dec. 4

On Saturday, Dec. 4, in concert with its Very Merry Super Sale, Sears will be holding a holiday charitable organization "Give with Your Heart" event in participating Hometown Stores. Sears Hometown Stores of Fenton is participating. On Dec. 4, Sears will donate 2 percent of the net sales proceeds to a charity of each store's choice. The Fenton Sears Hometown store selected Fenton Adopt-A-Pet. Net sales include proceeds from in-store and store-to-web purchases.

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# Neighbors lodge complaint against township firefighter

By Sharon Stone

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**Fenton Twp.** — Tim Taylor, of Fenton Township, lodged a public complaint Monday against a Fenton Township firefighter.

Taylor told the Fenton Township Board of Trustees that he has the utmost respect for those who devote themselves to saving lives. However, he and some of his neighbors object to the behavior and language of one of the township's volunteer firefighters, who lives in their neighborhood, near Jennings and Owen roads.

As an on-call firefighter, when his pager alerts him, he responds to the fire station immediately. Taylor said, due to the location of his home, the firefighter could exit via Jennings Road or Owen Road. There are many more houses to pass, about 36 compared to four, when exiting via Owen Road.

"He drives through the neighborhood at an excessive rate of speed," said Taylor. "This concerns me. I don't think he'd have the ability to respond to a distraction in the street if he had to."

Taylor estimates the firefighter drives at speeds approaching 40 to 50 miles through the neighborhood.

### Summary

Residents in a Fenton Township neighborhood are questioning the behavior of one of the township's volunteer firefighters. Residents claim the firefighter speeds through the neighborhood and uses verbally abusive language. Township officials are looking into the complaints.

A complaint was filed with the Genesee County Sheriff's Department, according to Taylor, when this particular firefighter allegedly used inappropriate gestures to a neighbor who waved at his vehicle in an attempt to slow him down.

Taylor said the firefighter also verbally assaulted a young mother with two small children. Neighbors approached the firefighter to convince him to slow down, but their comments were met with defiance. This incident, too, was filed with the sheriff's department.

Supervisor Bonnie Mathis said she spoke with Fire Chief John Moulton about this situation. The complaints were addressed, and resolved, with the firefighter and he is to only exit via Jennings Road. She told Taylor that the township's fire committee would look into the matter.

"No one in the township should be treated this way," said Mathis when she learned of the alleged verbal assault. "We will take care of it." Prior to the meeting, Mathis said she was only aware of the alleged speeding.

Trustee Mark Goupil advised Josh Freeman, the husband of the woman who was reportedly verbally abused, to write a letter explaining what happened when he and his father approached the firefighter at his home to discuss their concerns. "Write me a letter," said Goupil, who works for the Genesee County Sheriff's Department. "This will be resolved."

## PAY

**Continued from Front Page** the past few years' substantial losses in revenue, the plan was designed to ensure fiscal stability for the city.

With approval of the proposed budget amendments, the cost-saving measures are expected to increase the city's fund balance at the end of fiscal year 2011 by \$16,934. The fund balance, as proposed in the fiscal year 2011 budget, was expedited to be reduced by \$102,460. The cost saving measures from 2010 and 2011 fiscal years have resulted in an estimated cost savings of \$183,555.

### CHANGES TO THE BUDGET

- **Elimination of vision** benefits
- **50 percent** contribution toward dental
- **Elimination of short-** and long-term disability
- **Retirement of Director** of Public Works, not replacing at this time
- **Retirement of Chief** of Police, replacing with part-time position
- **Deputy Clerk position** changed to an as needed employee
- **Reduction in hours** to all non-union employees
- **Reduction in pay** for the fire department offices and staff
- **Discontinue providing** city paid cell phones
- **City department** heads will all be moved to salary
- **Reduce** overtime
- **New hires** after Jan. 1, 2011 will not receive retiree health care, city provided retirement fund and will be required to contribute toward health insurance
- **Increase transfer** of DDA dollars to General Fund
- **Adjust pay** to DPW personnel to reflect increased job duties/responsibility.

### WAGE ADJUSTMENTS

- **City manager** decrease in pay based on reduction of hours
- **City treasurer** moved from hourly to salary and decrease in pay based on reduction of hours
- **City clerk** moved to salary and decrease in pay based on the reduction of hours
- **Fire chief** and deputy treasurer decrease hours per workweek
- **Deputy Director** of Public Works increase in pay of 3 percent based on supervisory duties (The increase to the DPW's personnel is a direct result of the reduction of manpower within the department. The increase in pay offsets the reduction in hours and keeps their pay equal to current parameters.
- **Department of Public Works** personnel increase in pay of 2.5 percent based on increased duties
- **On-call firefighters'** reduction in first hour response pay
- **Decrease** in fire department officers' pay.

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**Tyrone to begin budget process**  
 The township soon will begin its budget for the upcoming fiscal year, Clerk Keith Kremer said. Tyrone should have spent around 58 percent of its budget so far. Officials have asked the township's accountant to start putting together a preliminary budget for 2011. At issue is, property tax revenues will be less for the next two years, and possibly even three years from now.

**HOT LINE CONTINUED**  
**THANKS TO THE** gentleman picking up something at Fratz Consignment, who helped my daughter with her two-piece couch. He helped load it into his truck and then brought it to our house. There still are genuinely nice people around.

**PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE**, do not leave your vehicle or home unlocked, either day or night, even when you are there. Remove the ignition key from your vehicle no matter how far away or how long you'll be away from it. Removing the ignition key should be as common as opening the vehicle door. It is just common sense to protect your property and your lives.

**JOE'S BOWLING ALLEY** had six lanes and was located where The Fenton House is. The wood from one of the old lanes is the surface of the Fenton House carryout counter. I remember Joe Gallant walking back to fix the pins and racks himself, when necessary. He served bottles of pop from an old-fashion, red Coca-Cola cooler that opened from the top. He always wore a plaid shirt, trousers and suspenders. He was called 'Fafa' by his grandkids.

**I WAS CHANNEL** surfing and on Channel 99, I came across a video of a pep rally in the gym at Lake Fenton High School. Hey, those folks have a great drum section and the cheerleaders aren't all that bad neither. And no, I am not a parent or a teacher.

**TO THE KIND** woman who treated my 87-year-young mom to a Gingerbread Latte at Starbucks, You made her day. She thoroughly enjoyed it. Thank you so much.

**JUST WANT TO** say a big thank you to Chief Rollie Gackstetter for the work he has done in Holly. That police department was in shambles prior to his arrival, and now it is a state-of-the-art department and dispatch center. With the exception of the special assessment to build the dispatch center, he has done everything with the same budget that the previous chief had. Thank you, Chief Gackstetter.

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# POPPING POPCORN

## ON THE STOVE IS HEALTHY OPTION

By Sally Rummel

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However, you choose to pop it, popcorn is the second most popular snack food in the United States, beat out only by potato chips. Yet, its health benefits as a wholesome, whole-grain snack food far surpasses those of potato chips — which is why Americans consume 17 billion quarts of popped popcorn annually, according to the Chicago-based Popcorn Board.

Popcorn is naturally low in calories and fat, and high in carbohydrates. Weight Watchers recommends popcorn as a snack for the weight conscious. The

### Seven reasons to pop your own

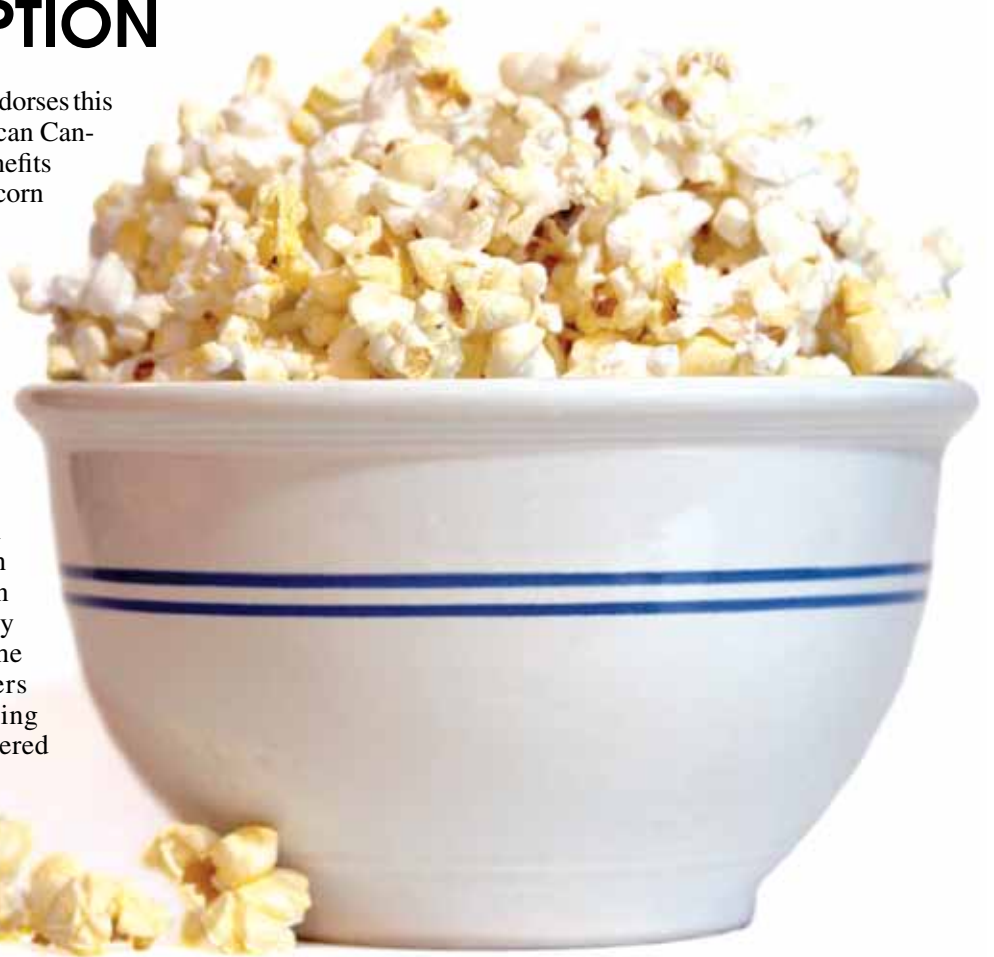
1. It's cheaper.
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3. It wastes less, from fewer unpopped kernels to less packaging to go into a landfill.
4. You can flavor it the way you like it.
5. Portion control.
6. It tastes better.
7. It's fun to watch it pop.

Source: [www.missionorganic.com](http://www.missionorganic.com)

American Dental Association endorses this sugar-free snack and the American Cancer Society recognizes the benefits of the high fiber content of popcorn in possibly preventing several types of cancer. Popcorn's nutritional value is so high that doctors recommend it — even popped with oil — over many other snack foods, according to the Agricultural Marketing Resource Board.

But popcorn's reputation as a healthy food is limited by how it is prepared. With 30 percent of popcorn eaten outside the home — usually at its most popular venue, the movie theater — consumers may be interested in knowing that movie popcorn is considered to be a nutritional nightmare, according to the Center for Science in the Public Interest.

See



Commercial microwave popcorn recently made it on the list of Prevention Magazine's



**"Seven Foods That Should Never Cross Your Lips."**

## AVOID WEIGHT GAIN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

By Jan Rynearson • jrynearson@tctimes.com; 810-433-6790

Everyone wants to enjoy the holidays without gaining any weight. But during this time of year, temptations to "overindulge" lurk at every corner and on every buffet table.

If you're like the average person in the United States, you'll probably gain somewhere

between one and 10 pounds this holiday season. You'll likely start the New Year with a resolution to lose those pounds, plus a few more that have crept on from other holidays past.

According to researchers at the National Institutes of Health, most Americans never lose the

weight they gain during the winter holidays. The pounds add up year after year, making holiday weight gain an important factor in adult obesity.

But, it doesn't have to be this way. Even with a Thanksgiving feast weighing in between

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### POPCORN

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Have you ever eaten three McDonald's quarter pounders with 12 pats of butter, while watching a movie? Well, that's nutritionally comparable to what a moviegoer will find in a medium popcorn and soda combo at the country's biggest movie theater chain, Regal, according to the CSPI. This combo contains 1,610 calories and three days' worth — 60 grams — of saturated fat, and that's without any buttery topping added. In comparison, one gallon of unbuttered popcorn has a mere 390 calories.

While the other 70 percent of popcorn consumed by Americans is eaten at home, there are still some health hurdles to overcome — especially when people

choose commercial microwave popcorn over other popcorn cooking methods.

In fact, commercial microwave popcorn recently made it on the list of Prevention Magazine's "Seven Foods That Should Never Cross Your Lips," because of the chemicals found in the lining of the bag. These chemicals, including perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), are part of a class of compounds that may be linked to infertility in humans, according to recent studies. In animal testing, the chemicals cause liver, testicular, and pancreatic cancer.

Studies show that microwaving causes the chemicals to vaporize and migrate into your popcorn. "They stay in your body for years and accumulate there," said Olga Naidenko in this Prevention Magazine article. Researchers worry that levels in humans could approach the amounts causing cancers in laboratory animals. DuPont and other manufacturers have promised to phase out PFOA by 2015 under a voluntary EPA plan.

Another toxic substance, diacetyl, used to be a common chemical found in the artificial butter flavoring of microwave popcorn. Blamed for destroying the lungs of workers in popcorn factories about 10 years ago, this chemical has been voluntarily dropped by many of the major commercial microwave popcorn companies. However, even its substitutes have been cited for being at least as toxic as the chemical they were replacing.

The healthiest options for preparing popcorn at home are air-popped, stove-popped and microwave-popped popcorn using a paper bag.

Kerrie Mustola, of Fenton Township likes to make popcorn on the stovetop using a Whirley Pop popcorn maker. "I sprinkle a little Lawry's Seasoned Salt into the oil and spray it with 'I Can't Believe it's Not Butter' spray," said Mustola. "I try to get as much fiber in my diet as possible, so I do consider it a healthy snack."

If you're looking for a sweet way to celebrate the season with popcorn, this recipe for Popcorn Balls by Fenton's DeAnn Alexander of [www.thefoodieinsider.com](http://www.thefoodieinsider.com) may become a favorite this time of year.

Her family has had a huge tradition of popcorn, when her father kept the huge popcorn popper used at his business, the Owendale Speedway in Michigan's Thumb. "With six kids in the house, we ate a lot of popcorn and at times, even grew our own," recalled Alexander. "I just recently inher-

## RECIPES

### Plain Brown Popper

#### INGREDIENTS:

- ¼ c. good quality popcorn
- 2 t. olive oil
- ¼ t. kosher salt or popcorn salt
- Sprinkle jalapeno seasoning mix
- Paper lunch bag
- Stapler

#### PREPARATION:

Toss the popcorn with the olive oil, salt, and jalapeno seasoning mix in the paper bag. Fold the top of the bag over and staple the bag twice to close. Place the bag in the microwave and microwave on high for 2-3 minutes, or until there are about 5 seconds between pops. **NOTE:** Popcorn salt is a super-fine salt that is designed especially for sticking to food such as popcorn. It has the taste of regular table salt, but its granules are much finer. Makes one serving.

Courtesy of the Food Network's Alton Brown

### Mom's Popcorn Balls

#### INGREDIENTS:

- ¾ c. brown sugar
- ¾ c. white sugar
- ¼ c. butter
- 1 t. vinegar (white or apple cider)
- ½ c. light corn syrup
- ½ t. baking soda
- Food color, optional
- 4 qts. popped corn, lightly salted

#### PREPARATION:

Mix sugars, butter, vinegar and corn syrup until it almost boils. Remove from heat just before the boiling point. Add ½ t. baking soda and mix quickly. It will bubble rapidly and become foamy. At this point, add a couple of drops food color, if desired. Pour mixture over 4 qts. popped popcorn and mix thoroughly. Before it cools, shape into balls using your buttered hands, being careful of the heat. When cooled, wrap balls or store in airtight container for several days. This recipe easily multiplies for larger batches.

Courtesy of DeAnn Alexander of [www.thefoodieinsider.com](http://www.thefoodieinsider.com)

ited my mom's cast iron Dutch oven, so I've returned to the old-fashioned kind instead of microwave and there is no comparison. My next goal is to master kettle corn in it."

Freshly strung popcorn and cranberries make a lovely and inexpensive "drape" for the Christmas tree, mantle or anywhere else in the house that needs a splash of old-fashioned holiday color and cheer.



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Sara McGowen of Fenton Township works with a medicine ball at Anytime Fitness of Fenton, Wednesday afternoon.

**WEIGHT**

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3,000 and 4,000 calories, it still is only "one day" in a holiday season that actually spans 38 days from Turkey Day to New Year's Day. You'll have 37 other days to keep your portions under control so that when you weigh in on Jan. 2, you won't have even gained a pound!

It's not so much about "what" a person eats, but about "how much" a person eats, according to WebMD. In other words, you can enjoy any indulgence over the holidays that you'd like, but keep portion control in mind at all times. Here are a few other tips to help you avoid the dreaded holiday weight gain:

Never arrive hungry at a party. Have a nutritious snack beforehand that will allow you to gain some sort of control over what you'll eat. Drink water to fill up before filling your plate.

Remember that it's not all about the food. Enjoy the company of your friends and the party itself. Focus on something other than food, maybe conversation and dancing.

Pace yourself. Put yourself in control by eating slowly and putting your fork down between every bite.

Count those appetizers. Keep track of how much you are eating by stashing a toothpick in your pocket for each one. Set a limit and stick to it.

Outsmart the buffet. Use the smallest plate available and don't stack your food. Limit your helpings to a single portion. Go for the simplest foods, like fresh fruits and vegetables. Watch out for sauces and dips.

Limit alcohol. Avoid drinking too much at a holiday party, not just because of the calories, but also the loss of control that alcohol brings to what you are eating. Sip water or club soda, so you have something to carry.

Be selective about sweets. Limit your indulgences to small portions and take only a treat that you don't often have a

**Here are some party appetizers that won't pack on the pounds**

- **Spinach-artichoke dip:** Mix together spinach, cream cheese, artichokes, garlic and mozzarella and parmesan cheese, bake.
- **Tortilla rolls:** Just mix up your favorite concoction, spread it on a tortilla and roll it up. Refrigerate, then cut the roll into bite-size segments.
- **Stuffed mushrooms:** Just take the stem off and add a mixture of spinach, cream cheese, dill, mozzarella and Italian seasonings. Then dip the mushrooms in garlic butter and bake.
- **Cheese or vegetable tray:** Buy pre-cut cheese cubes and pre-sliced vegetables for ease and convenience.
- **Antipasto skewers:** Use pickles, olives or pickled vegetables as "stir sticks" or for making kabobs.
- **Dipping chocolates:** Buy pre-made dipping chocolates and keep it warm in the crackpot. Supply pretzels, angel food cake cubes, and a variety of fruits for "dippers."
- **Spicy nuts:** Take mixed nuts and add spices, such as cayenne. Watch them carefully as they cook in the oven.
- **Crispinis:** Cut a baguette in 1/4-inch-thick slices, lightly butter, and then toast it in the oven. Top with tomato and olives, or pesto with a shrimp.

chance to enjoy.

Bring your own treats. Whether you're going to a friend's party or an office potluck, consider bringing a low-calorie treat that you know you'll enjoy. Think fruit!

Limit tastes while cooking. Instead of tasting mindlessly every few minutes, limit yourself to two small bites of each item pre- and post-seasoning. For tried-and-true recipes, don't taste the dish at all until it is served.

Walk it off. Make a new holiday tradition: the family walk. Besides burning some extra calories, it will also put you in a mindset to be more careful about what you eat.

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# Look Who's Talking

By Marissa Parks, Tri-County Times Intern  
By Sharon Stone, Tri-County Staff Reporter

**My name is:** Evan Haller.  
**I am:** 18 years old.  
**My parents are:** Jim and Tina Haller.  
**In my spare time, I enjoy:** hanging out with my friends and playing hockey. I also worked at Bramblewood Golf Course last summer.  
**I am involved in school activities, such as:** I'm on the hockey team. I play center. I was on the football team as full back and I was on the golf team.  
**The actor I'd choose to portray me in a movie about my life is?** I'd say Johnny Depp. He's a good actor.  
**The person who has made the biggest impact on my life is:** my mom. She does everything for me, pretty much.  
**What I like most about my school is:** how small it is. You know everyone.  
**What I remember most about kindergarten is:** having two recesses.  
**My advice for parents of teens is:** to be understanding. Remember that you were a kid once.  
**My advice for younger students:** Don't slack off in high school.  
**My favorite clothing is:** sweatshirts, T-shirts, something comfortable.  
**My favorite book or one that I would**



## EVAN HALLER

18-year-old senior at  
**LAKE FENTON HIGH SCHOOL**

**like to read:** There's a new one coming out by Bob Probert called 'Tough Guy.' I'd like to read that one.  
**The nicest thing anyone has ever done for me is:** My mom and dad got me a car for my 16<sup>th</sup> birthday.  
**The one thing I am most proud of is:** I was captain last year of the hockey team.  
**When I graduate, I want to be remembered as:** an athlete. Hockey is my favorite sport.  
**The food I can't live without :** Deep-dish pizza.  
**My favorite TV show is:** 'Family Guy,' it's just funny.  
**My favorite movie is:** 'Forest Gump,' it's a classic.  
**My postgraduate plans are:** to go to college, but I have no idea for what. I'm not sure what college I want to go to, either.  
**My favorite winter activity is:** snowboarding.  
**My favorite things to do around the holidays are:** I like to relax. There's no homework or hockey practice to go to. It's nice.  
**My favorite holiday tradition is:** I go to my grandfather's house every year for Christmas. My younger cousins open presents and all that stuff.  
**What I want for Christmas is:** money.

### student body

LAKE FENTON HIGH SCHOOL

What's on top of your Christmas list this year?



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— Jessica Kelly, junior



"Snow on Christmas morning."

— Logan Romain, junior



"A car, with big amps and sub woofers."

— Alaina Traxler, junior



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## Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



### Conquering anger

Alexander the Great was known for being strong in his love and loyalties, but was sometimes overcome by periods of intense anger. Once, in a fit of rage over the taunting of one of his intoxicated officers, he seized a spear and hurled it at the man, killing him.

This officer had been a childhood friend of Alexander and had once even saved his life, but anger overruled the commander's usual loyalty to his friends and now brought him great grief. All through the night, he lay writhing in remorse, calling out his former friend's name.

Alexander was a great conqueror but on that occasion, he had been conquered by anger and regretted his uncontrolled action for the rest of his life.

Anger is costly, leaving many with life-long regrets. We simply can't afford the cost of explosive anger; but how can we overcome it?

A friend once told me how angry he had become at a person who kept interfering with his career. At every turn and opportunity for advancement, this meddler seemed to be there to criticize him and turn potential employers, against him.

Associates, who knew of the situation, advised him to take his enemy to court in hope of getting legal relief and monetary compensation for his losses, but he found himself unable to do this in light of what his Lord had endured during his death on the cross. So, he decided to simply forgive this critic and trust God to defend him.

After doing so, he remembered a short list of other enemies who had given him similar grief and forgave them, too. This brought him such peace that now he's thankful for this troublesome person coming into his life, because forgiving her enabled him to forgive others and in doing so, he found he wasn't angry anymore.

According to the Bible, we're never to close a day angry. 'Let not the sun go down upon your wrath,' wrote Paul, the apostle (Ephesians 4:26); adding, 'Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger... be put away from you, with all malice.'

Think about all of the changes this anger-free attitude would bring to our homes, churches, schools and businesses. But, how can we achieve this persistent peace?

Here's an unflinching answer to our question. 'Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another.'

In his helpful book, 'How to Win over Depression,' Dr. Tim Lahaye tells of being approached by a man who had struggled with anger most of his life and longing to be free asked, 'Do you think it's possible for a man who has been angry for 70 years to break the habit?'

Dr. LaHaye replied, 'God's power is available to you and can cure any habit.'

Two years later, this trusted counselor met the same man who said, 'I want to give you a progress report. God has cured my problem of anger. If you don't believe me ask my wife.'

When we learn to forgive and conquer anger, those closest to us will see the difference and be eager to confirm the good news. Think about what immediate forgiveness and personal peace will do for you.

Roger Campbell is an author, a broadcaster and columnist who was a pastor for 22 years. He can be reached at [rcministy@ameritech.net](mailto:rcministy@ameritech.net).

## Movie review

### Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 1 is thrilling adventure

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 1 is the seventh movie in the series, and is the 'beginning of the end.' The movie is exactly what was expected. It's a thrilling adventure that will leave moviegoers on the edge of their seat.

Harry Potter (Daniel Radcliffe) continues his journey to find and destroy all the horcruxes so he can defeat Lord Voldemort (Ralph Fiennes), alongside his two friends,

Ronald Weasley (Rupert Grint) and Hermione Granger (Emma Watson).



REVIEW BY  
Marissa Parks

The three friends' journey takes them multiple places, pitching tents and casting charms to protect themselves from

the evil forces. Just like in reality, they're not always safe when they think they are and they can't trust anyone.

In this movie, the heroes learn exactly what the Deathly Hallows is, and what their true mission is. There's fighting, betrayals, and of course, heartbreak.

Some of the most important questions are answered, but even more important, questions are asked.

From someone who read the book, I couldn't have envisioned anything greater. The cast and production crews did an excellent job in bringing the pages to life.

The camera is a little shaky, but it doesn't hurt the quality. It only adds a more realistic vision to the film.

The film grossed an estimated \$205 million, \$24 million of which was made in midnight showings, alone.

This movie shows many potential dangers for the wizards' futures. Suffering and pain await them, and maybe even death. However, the only way to know what happens is to wait for the next movie, Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 2 said to be coming out July 15, 2011.

So, grab a friend and hit the theater. This movie is sure to be the talk of the town.

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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON PUBLIC NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION

At their meeting of November 22, 2010 the Fenton Township Board adopted Ordinance No. 731, an amendment to Dog Control Ordinance No. 253 to add language regarding dog shelters.

A complete copy of the adopted ordinance may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The ordinance is also available on Fenton Township's website at [www.fentontownship.org](http://www.fentontownship.org).

ROBERT E. KRUG  
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON PUBLIC NOTICE OF 2011 BUDGET HEARING

The Charter Township of Fenton Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for fiscal year 2011 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center on Monday December 6, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. **The property tax millage rates to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.** A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Fenton Township Office, located at 12060 Mantawauka Drive. Office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

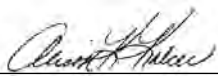
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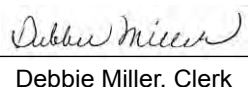
## ROSE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

November 10, 2010

Supervisor Kalcec called the Regular Meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Rose Township Hall, 204 Franklin Street, Holly, Michigan and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Roll Call: Board Members Present: Kalcec, Miller, Slaughter, Gordon, Scheib-Snyder  
Board Members Absent: None
- Approved: Agenda for the November 10, 2010 regular meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees with a change to item I from Request for Fireworks Permit to Revised Hearing Date for Big Trail Special Assessment District Roll and the addition of item J. Cemetery Transfer Charges.
- Approved: Consent agenda including October 13 as amended. October 26, 2010 and November 4, 2010 meeting minutes as submitted.
- Presentation: Redstone Architects - Update on ADA Improvements to Township Offices and Township Hall.
- Presentation: PEG Enhancement Project Proposal - Supervisor Kalcec requested that Dave Schang look into the options/costs of videotaping meetings so they may run on cable channel.
- Public Hearing: PY 2011 Community Development Block Grant Programming.
- Approved: Resolution programming CDBG Funds for PY 2011 for removing architectural barriers.
- Approved: PEG Channel Enhancement Project Approval.
- Date Set: Work session with Redstone Architects on November 22, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. for ADA Code Modifications to the Rose Township Office and Hall.
- Approved: Resolution to oppose efforts to amend Michigan State laws relating to the carrying of firearms.
- Approved: Contract to the Tri-Party Project allowing a total contribution in the amount of \$12,500.00 to apply gravel on Fish Lake Rd. from Rose Center Rd. to the Highland Township border.
- Approved: Moving forward with the PY 2007 and 2008 CDBG Funds programmed for Parks and Recreation for the Dearborn Park sign.
- Approved: Supervisor's Memo regarding the erroneous correction to the September 21, 2010 Minutes.
- Approved: Resolution approving Shirley Charbeneau for membership to the Holly Area Youth Assistance Board.
- Date Set: Revised Hearing Date for the Big Trail Special Assessment District Roll for November 22, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.
- Rejected: Waiver of the non-resident fee for cemetery transfer.
- Date Changed: January 1, 2011 Recycle date is moved to January 8, 2010 due to holiday.
- Adjourned: By motion at 8:52 p.m.

  
Alison Kalcec, Supervisor

  
Debbie Miller, Clerk

## Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memoriums

### Robert N. Cutler

1933-2010

Robert N. Cutler - age 77 died Tuesday, November 23, 2010 at the Genesys Hospice Care Center, Goodrich. As per Robert's request, cremation has taken place. There will be a gathering of family and friends at the Streeter Funeral Home, 507 W. Maple, Byron on Friday, December 3, 2010 from 2-7 PM Interment of his remains will be in the Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Memorial donations may be given to the American Cancer Society or the Audubon Society. Robert was born in Linden, on January 28, 1933 the son of Donald R. and Rosanna M. (Farner) Cutler. He lived his entire life in the Linden area. Robert served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War and was a member of UAW Local 598. Robert was a tool repairman at Chevrolet Truck & Bus for 33 years, retiring in 1987. Surviving are his children: Brenda and husband Robert Vandemark of Fenton, Dian and husband Terry Schmidt of Midland, Mark and wife Carla Cutler of Eaton Rapids, Lisa and husband Alan Lahring of Gaines, 10 Grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. Sisters: Betty Symons of Fenton, Mary (John) Peltier of Linden, Myra (Jack) Lambert of Oscoda, Lila Stadler of Gaines, Susan (Bill) Jennings of West Branch, Brother: Bill (Mary) Cutler of Missouri, several nieces, nephews and cousins, he was preceded in death by his parents. Arrangements by **Streeter Funeral Home, Byron. 810-266-4611. [www.streeterfh.com](http://www.streeterfh.com).**

### Wallace Doll,

Wallace Doll - age 84, died November 24, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Mavis Kirby,

Mavis Kirby - died November 24, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Yakov Zimleich,

Yakov Zimleich - died November 26, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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### Lisbeth "Betsy" Lamb

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Lisbeth "Betsy" Lamb - age 81, of Linden for 10 months, formerly of Fenton for 12 years, died Wednesday, November 24, 2010



at the Genesys Hospice Care Center. Funeral Services will be 11 A.M. Saturday, November 27, 2010 at the First Presbyterian Church, 746 S. Saginaw St., Flint, MI. Rev. Paul Yttarock officiating. Visitation will be Friday from 4-8 P.M. at the Brown Funeral Home, 1480 E. Hill Rd., Grand Blanc, MI. Betsy was born July 13, 1929, and raised, in Catskill, NY to parents Charles A. W. and Eleanor (Johnston) Beach. She was Valedictorian graduating from Catskill High School later graduating from Cornell University. She worked for 21 years as a teacher for the Johnson School. Betsy was a long time member of the First Presbyterian Church in Flint. Betsy worked as a Girl Scout Leader. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She was active in the Gideons Auxiliary. Surviving are husband John Lamb Jr., children John (Linda) Lamb III of Fenton, MI, Tom (Sue) Lamb of New Milford, CT, Kathy (Lance) Wheatland of Melbourne, Australia, Cindy (Steve) Schneider of Apple Valley, MN, Chris (Ginny) Lamb of New Milford, NJ, Dan Lamb of Sherman, CT; 12 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild; sister Lois (Jack) Conrad of Thousand Oaks, CA, brothers Charles (Jane) Beach II of Irving, TX, Jack (Maureen) Beach of Newburgh, NY; many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Gideons P.O. Box 7064, Flint, MI 48502 or the First Presbyterian Church, 746 S. Saginaw St., Flint, MI 48502. Condolences may be left on-line at [www.brownfh.com](http://www.brownfh.com).

### Anna Look,

Anna Look - age 97, died November 25, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### John "Jack" Goggins,

John "Jack" Goggins - died November 25, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Carol Yungfer,

Carol Yungfer - died November 26, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### James Patrick Bidelman

1958-2010

James Patrick Bidelman - age 51, of Linden, died Monday, November 22, 2010 at home with his mother by his side.



Funeral Services will be 1PM Saturday, November 27, 2010 at Faith Church, 303 Walnut Street, Gaines, Reverend E. Douglas Sweeza officiating. Internment at Argentine Cemetery at a later date. Visitation was held from 4-8 PM Friday at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad Street, Linden and also will be held 12 noon Saturday at the church. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the family. James was born December 19, 1958 in Flint the son of Richard C. and Mary E. (Cole) Bidelman. Mr. Bidelman was an avid science fiction and horror movies fan. He is survived by his mother, Mary Bidelman of Linden; sister, Sandra (Victor) Moore of Gaines; many cousins and several special friends. He is preceded in death by his son Thomas Richard Bidelman and father Richard C. Bidelman. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of [www.sharpfuneralhome.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhome.com).



### Gerald Hungerford,

Gerald Hungerford - age 82, died November 23, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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### Bonnie Offrink,

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Infant Jeremiah Sweesy -  
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BY SAMANTHA WEAVER

## Strange but TRUE

• **It was comedian-turned-U.S. Senator Al Franken** who made the following sage observation: "Mistakes are a part of being human. Appreciate your mistakes for what they are: precious life lessons that can only be learned the hard way. Unless it's a fatal mistake, which, at least, others can learn from."

• **Those who study** such things say that 1 percent of the world's lizard species have no males. The females reproduce by parthenogenesis, which produces offspring that are clones of their mothers.

• **Amazon's Kindle,** Barnes and Noble's Nook, Sony's eReader -- it seems that everywhere you look these days people are reading onscreen. You may not realize, however, just how long digital books have been around. The first e-book was manually typed into a computer way back in 1971, when Michael S. Hart, the founder of Project Gutenberg, chose the Declaration of Independence to be the first literature so digitized.

• **A woman in Tennessee** was once arrested for biking while intoxicated -- and she was on a stationary bike at the gym at the time.

• **According to the U.S.** Department of Agriculture, if you're like the average American, you drink 22.7 gallons of coffee every year. The surprising thing about that statistic isn't how much it is, though -- it's how little. It seems that in the 1940s, Americans were drinking twice that amount of java.

• **If you look at the innards** of a Boeing 747 airplane, you'll find a whopping 171 miles of wiring.

BY SAM MAZZOTA

## paw's corner

Think twice  
before  
adopting  
a pet



**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** Thank you for printing Dori's view on pet adoption in your column. I have been in the animal rescue business for many years and have 10 "unadoptables" (now quite senior and living the life of Riley). Dori is so right, and I applaud her for her ability to state her position so clearly. I hope many of your readers got it. I have the results of poor choices -- lucky for me because they are so dear, but they had to go through so much, which is very sad. -- Pam Y., Lewiston, Calif.

**DEAR PAM:** Pam, thank you for the update and for taking in the "unadoptables" -- pets that, in many cases, have behavioral or health issues that their former owners couldn't deal with.

People who are interested in purchasing or adopting a pet must do their homework before making the leap, especially if they have no prior experience. It's not enough just to read up on the breed of dog or cat you're interested in, their traits and behavior (although this also is a must). You have to take into account the impact on your lifestyle and your bank account.

Pet care costs money, so you must be prepared for routine veterinary examinations -- typically annual -- and regular vaccinations, at least one of which, rabies, is required by law in most cities and states. And you must have the ability to pay for unexpected illnesses.

Caring for a pet takes time. A pet becomes part of the family -- so much so that pets who are abandoned often suffer irreversible emotional damage. Are you ready to take your dog out at 6 a.m., potty train him and spend an hour each day teaching or reinforcing basic obedience skills? Can you handle a cat that yowls late at night, or has soiling issues outside the litter box? You may not know how to handle everything that comes up, but you must be prepared before getting a pet to take time out and learn to really care for that pet.

Looking for more pet advice and information? Check out pawscorner.com online! Send your pet questions to ask@pawscorner.com, or write to Paw's Corner, c/o King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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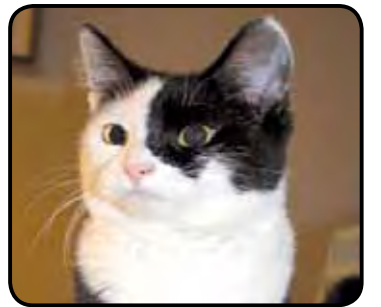
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## TRI-COUNTY PLAYERS TO WATCH GIRLS BASKETBALL

On paper, this has the makings of a very good varsity girls basketball season. Of the eight girls that made the All Tri-County Girls Basketball Team a year ago, four return. Of the five players that were on our Honorable Mention list, three return. So, there's going to be plenty of talent out there. Here is our projected preseason top five players, in no particular order, entering the 2010-11 season.

### Samantha Granger - Fenton

Granger is one of the top three-sport athletes in the tri-county area right now. She's a forward who scored 193 points, and grabbed a team-high

185 rebounds a year ago. She was a member of our All Tri-County Girls Basketball Team last year.

### Alyssa Ostrowski - Fenton

Another strong post player, the college-bound player broke a school record by blocking 53 shots a year ago. She also scored 168 points and grabbed 124 rebounds. She was on our All Tri-County Girls Basketball Team last year.

### Gabrielle Rivette - Fenton

Rivette is our defending Tri-County Girls Basketball Player of the Year, and is the odds-on favorite to win it again this season if she stays healthy.

Rivette is the area's top guard, dishing off 50 assists a season ago. She also scored a team-best 354 points, while collecting 102 rebounds and 55 steals. Expect another big season for the senior.

### Sidney Scott - Lake Fenton

She's only a sophomore but already has a year of experience. She can score, rebound and block shots. Last year she was an Honorable Mention member of our team. She has a great chance of moving up to the regular team this year.

### Ashley Xiong - Holly

She is one of the most entertain-

ing players to watch in the area. She's Holly's floor general and is the team leader if she scores 18 or two points on a given night.

### Others to watch: Madisen Nosek

was a strong player as a sophomore for Linden a year ago. She transferred to Lake Fenton and should make an impact with the squad later in January when she's available. Fenton's **Jailen Judson** had a strong year at guard last year. We expect that to be the case this year as well.



Fenton's  
Jailen Judson

### SPORTS TRIVIA

**Q** Entering the 2010 season, when was the last time the Detroit Lions won a Thanksgiving game?

**A** The Lions beat the Green Bay Packers 22-14 in 2003.

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## Bronchos pleased with state meet performance

By David Troppens

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**Ypsilanti** — Breanna Konopitski and Anna Quinnan have been to the state meet before in a Holly Bronchos swimsuit.

And, on Friday, the seniors made their final trip to the meet as participants.

The pair were among five Holly swimmers at the Division 2 Girls State Swimming and Diving Championships, hosted at Eastern Michigan University, and each had reasons to feel good about their performance.

The pair combined with Breanne Thomas and Courtney Konopitski to post their best time together this season in one event. Meanwhile, Breanna Konopitski also competed in the 50 freestyle, earning her best time of the season.

All in all, the team enjoyed their time at the state meet.

"The state meet is my favorite," Quinnan said. "It's the 'funnest' meet. You have a bunch of fast girls. And the Fenton team is a lot of fun to hang with, because we are close to them. They were like our competition in the relay."

The Fenton Tigers were among Holly's major competition in the 200 freestyle relay. The team of Konopitski, Quinnan, Thomas and Courtney Konopitski posted a 25th-place time of 1:45.80, a season-best time for those four girls in a relay. The team raced in the lane right next to the Fenton Tigers. The Fenton relay finished the race with a time of 1:43.50.

"I'm really happy. It was a great way to end my season," Breanna Konopitski said about the relay. "I'm proud of all my teammates. That was the best time we've gotten. I was really happy with that."

"I was very proud of the girls," Holly coach Danielle Gray said. "I think they came here, were having fun, were relaxed

and swam fast. That's the best time those four girls put together, so we are very happy. Making it back was going to be an outside shot, so you can't complain when you get your best time."

Konopitski's 50 freestyle performance was strong as well. She came into the meet, seeded 28th with a time of 25.57 seconds. The senior improved upon that time with a drop to 25.37 seconds, good enough for a 25th-place finish.

Just competing in the state meet in the 50 freestyle was a tough task for Konopitski. She went to a last-chance meet, and missed by .01 seconds from qualifying during an open 50 freestyle.

The Bronchos put together a 200 freestyle relay team to give her another shot to

**See BRONCHOS on 10B**



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DAVID TROPPENS

(Top) Holly's Breanna Konopitski dives into the pool during her 50 freestyle performance at the Division 2 State Girls Swimming and Diving Championships held at Eastern Michigan University, recently. She posted a time of 25.37 seconds. (Left) Holly's 200 freestyle relay team shares an embrace with their coach Danielle Gray (second from right) moments before their performance at the state meet. Holly took 25th in that event.

## Girls basketball teams have reason to be optimistic about 2010-11 season

By David Troppens

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There's a lot of optimism for the Fenton varsity girls basketball team these days.

And for good reason.

Winners of three straight and five of the last six Metro League crowns, the Tigers enter the 2009-10 season as talented as they have been during most recent seasons.

The squad returns four of their five starters from last year's team that went 17-1 in the Metro and 19-4 overall. Included on that list are three All Tri-County Girls Basketball Team members from a year ago, including Player of the Year, Gabrielle Rivette.

"It's exciting," Rivette said. "Coach (Brad) DeWitt pushes us in practice and gets us prepared for the game. We have good guards.

We have a good freshman, Hanna Evo. We have good players too. It should be fun."

"We are feeling really good," senior Alyssa Ostrowski said. "We have four of our starters back. We should be strong, and we hope to win the Metro League."

In reality, it could be a pretty fun season for area tri-county teams. Holly finished at just 9-9 in Metro action and 10-11 overall a

year ago, but the Bronchos also have some nice pieces coming back, let by point guard Ashley Xiong. However, other solid players also return.

"We do have a good group," Holly coach David Hall said. "They are a hard-working group and very coachable. They get along very well and are fun to be around."

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**did you know?**

The Detroit Heralds were the first professional football team in Michigan to play on Thanksgiving Day.

**SEASON**

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Lake Fenton lost its leading scorer from a year ago, Ashley Look, but returns sophomore Sidney Scott and earns the services of Linden transfer student Madisen Nosek during the season's second half. The squad is coached by new head coach Dennis Lucius.

"The timing was right," Lucius said. "I had this bunch of girls in the seventh-grade, and they are a bunch of great ladies. I enjoyed coaching them."

Linden has a new coach as well. Ben Varner takes over a team that has some veterans but also lost Nosek (to Lake Fenton) and All Tri-County Girls Basketball Team member Mary-Kathryn Fiebertz (probably to soccer training).

"I'm excited to be here," Varner said. "It's close to home. We had a lot of kids out and numbers are good. I'm excited to be at Linden and to be back in the Metro League."

**FENTON TIGERS**

The Tigers have a solid squad that includes a good balance of talented guards and front-court players.

Gabrielle Rivette leads that group. She led the team in scoring a year ago and also is a strong ballhandler. She also collects her share of rebounds and steals.

Rivette is teamed with Jailen Judson in the backcourt, who also returns. Judson gradually grew into her role a year ago and should only mature into a stronger player this season. They'll also be helped by freshman Hanna Evo, who should see a lot of time at point guard.

"We have a lot of good ballhandlers," Fenton coach Brad DeWitt said. "That's always a good thing to have."

There are still many other strong performers returning, including Samantha Ganger and Alyssa Ostrowski. Both seniors provide scoring, rebounding and defense. Ostrowski led the team with 53 blocks last year, and Granger had a team-high 185 rebounds.

The team also has senior leadership with players like Elizabeth Davis, Kristen Wing and Alessandra Kozlowski. Others on the roster include juniors Sarah Collier, Julie Gilbert and Rachel Ambler and sophomore Payton Maxheimer.

"The best thing about this team is, they are a nice group of girls," DeWitt said. "They are very good kids that work hard. They are committed and a lot of fun to be with."

**HOLLY BRONCHOS**

The Bronchos return six players from a team that finished .500 in the Metro a year ago. Those six players may help Holly to a bit higher placing this year.

Ashley Xiong returns for her fourth season on the varsity. She's the team's top ballhandler and the player that makes the team go.

"She's in a lot better shape," Holly coach David Hall said. "She's done a real good job working. She's a great leader."

Jenna Mitchell starts her third season and is a strong competitor. Audrey Koons returns at guard, while Jessica Beeler is a junior forward/center that showed promise last year. Delaney Serra played every game as a freshman a year ago, while Jenna Carter is a senior who returns for her second season.

"We do have a good group," Hall said. "I think we are good enough to be in the top four of our league."

**LAKE FENTON BLUE DEVILS**

The Blue Devils appear to be a team that has some promise for first-year coach Deny Lucius.

He returns sophomore post player Sidney Scott, who can provide offense and defense. Karlie Dieck is a junior who will probably play at the point. Faith Weir had three year's varsity experience and Paige Stafford is a solid wing player. Rachael Mundy will help at guard.

The team has some more size. Sophomore Mackenzie Gattron is tall and will defend. Others on the team include Katie Handley, Madison Skinner and freshman Jordan Newman.

The team will get instantly better during the second semester when transfers Madisen Nosek and Hannah Rummel become eligible.

"I like our work ethic," Lucius said. "They are working hard, getting in shape and learning to play together. Our goal is to make a difference in the GAC. We'd like to be in the top three."

**LINDEN EAGLES**

The Eagles have six seniors on the squad. Angela Bertolini is expected to play the wing, while Paige Harwood will see time on the wing and at the point. Danielle Starrs is another senior that will see playing time in various spots. Sabrina Kinney returns to the varsity and is another guard.

The other seniors — Katie Berlin and Stephanie Dobias — didn't play last year, but



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Holly's Ashley Xiong (left) and Fenton's Gabrielle Rivette are two of the tri-county area's top returning players this winter.

should help out the team this year.

The juniors have two post players. Lexi Downes and Kate Dunleavy should see a lot of time down low. So could junior Brodie Thomas, who also can move to the wing. Megan Harp and Jordan Sargent will play various spots as well. Sophomore Maija Satkowiak should see a lot of time in the post.

"We definitely want to compete for that Metro League title," first-year coach Ben Varner said. "That's always the No. 1 goal, that and just keep on getting better."

**BRONCHOS**

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qualify in that event. She did so, on what was her last chance to do it.

"I'm really happy because I haven't gotten my best time since last year in high school swimming, so that was great to see," Konopitski said.

"I was struggling so much just to make it to states, so dropping that time really made me feel proud of myself."

"I'm so glad she was able to swim the 50 and have her best time," Gray said. "This was a great last meet for her, and I'm happy to see it."

Quinnan said competing at the state meet does teach her some valuable lessons.

"It's really fun to see what you can do," Quinnan said.

"You get to push yourself and challenge yourself. At this meet, I surprised myself with my times. I was really excited about that."

Also going to the state meet was alternate Jessie Felix. Gray was pleased with the team's effort.

"That's the best time they've put together so we are very happy," Gray said.

"Making it back was going to be an outside shot, so you can't complain when you get your best time."

**What's On Television?**

**SATURDAY**

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

- abc ..... Michigan at Ohio State ..... Noon
- ESPN2 ..... Michigan State at Penn State ..... Noon
- ESPN ..... Boston College at Syracuse ..... Noon
- (FSD) ..... Missouri at Kansas ..... 12:30 pm
- NBC ..... Grambling vs. Southern ..... 2 pm
- abc ..... Northwestern at Wisconsin ..... 3:30 pm
- ESPN ..... Florida at Florida State ..... 3:30 pm
- CBS ..... LSU at Arkansas ..... 3:30 pm
- ESPN2 ..... NC State at Maryland ..... 3:30 pm
- (VS) ..... Texas Christian at New Mexico ..... 4 pm
- ESPN2 ..... South Carolina at Clemson ..... 7 pm
- (VS) ..... Oregon State at Stanford ..... 7:30 pm
- ESPN ..... Georgia Tech at Georgia ..... 7:45 pm
- abc ..... Notre Dame at Southern Cal ..... 8 pm

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

- (B10) ..... Indiana at Purdue ..... Noon
- (B10) ..... Iowa at Minnesota ..... 3:30 pm
- (FSD) ..... Duke vs. Oregon ..... 4 pm
- (FSD) ..... Southern Cal at Nebraska ..... 6 pm
- (B10) ..... TBA vs. Purdue ..... 7:30 pm
- (FSD) ..... Arizona vs. Kansas ..... 10:30 pm

**HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL**

- (FSN+) ..... D7 State Championship ..... 10 am
- (FSD+) ..... D1 State Championship ..... 1 pm
- (FSD+) ..... D5 State Championship ..... 4:30 pm
- (FSD+) ..... D3 State Championship ..... 7:30 pm

**SUNDAY**

**NFL FOOTBALL**

- FOX ..... Green Bay at Atlanta ..... 1 pm
- CBS ..... To be announced ..... 1 pm

FOX ..... St. Louis at Denver ..... 4:15 pm

NBC ..... San Diego at Indianapolis ..... 8:15 pm

**NBA BASKETBALL**

(FSD+) ..... New York at Detroit ..... 1:30 pm

**NHL HOCKEY**

(FSD) ..... Columbus at Detroit ..... 5 pm

**COLLEGE HOCKEY**

(B10) ..... Michigan at Minnesota ..... 5:30 pm

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

- (B10) ..... Tennessee Tech at Michigan St ..... 1 pm
- (B10) ..... Furman at Penn State ..... 3:30 pm
- ESPN2 ..... Old Spice Classic ..... 7 pm
- (B10) ..... Creighton at Northwestern ..... 8:30 pm
- ESPN2 ..... 76 Classic ..... 9 pm



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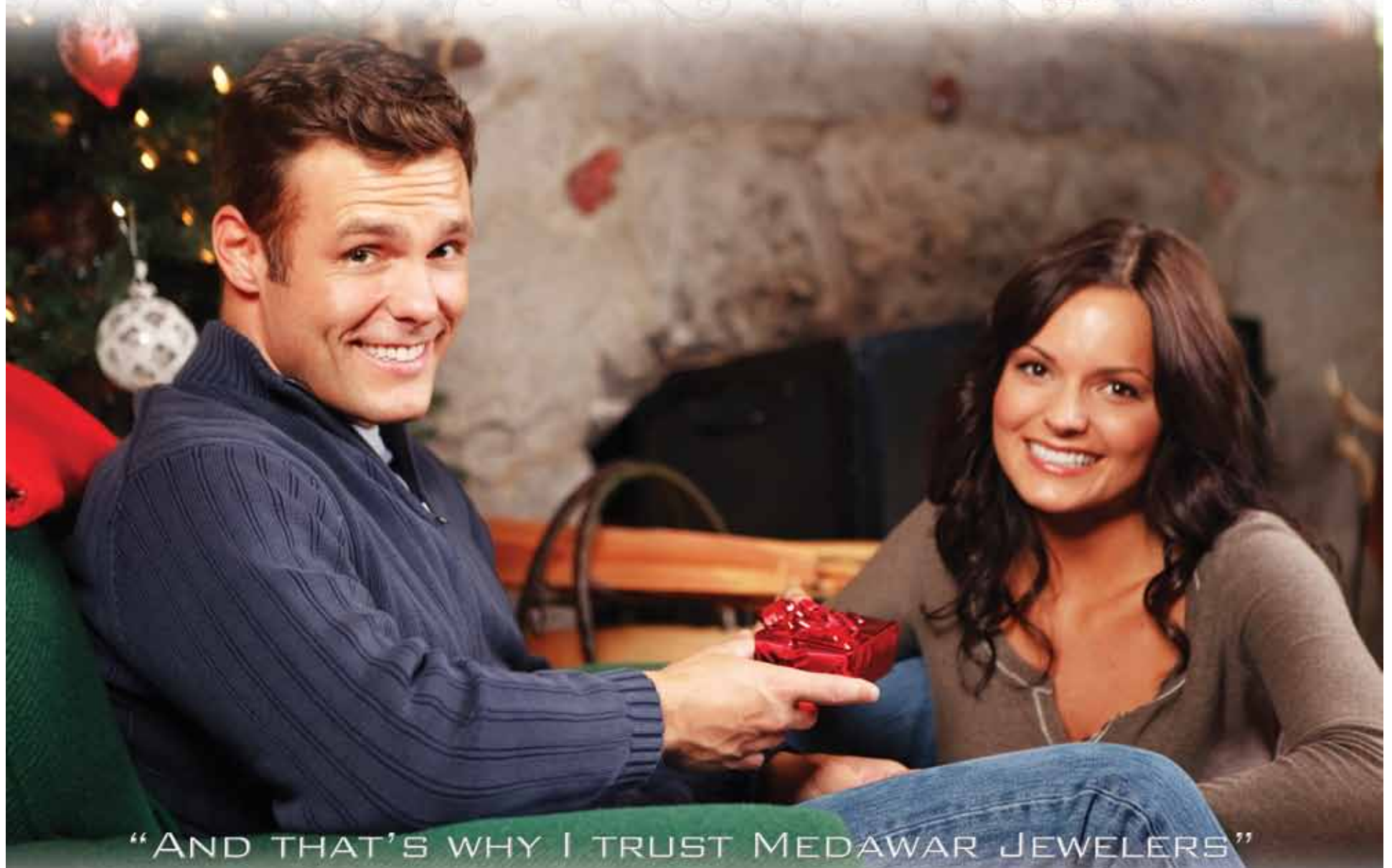
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