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# COMMENTS

## **ROUNDABOUTS**

**4**Roundabouts are the best thing since individually wrapped cheese slices.

Josh

#### **HOT LINE: FENTON SIDEWALKS**

**41 would like** to see some Obama (ARRA) money spent on some new sidewalks.

Josh

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT FAILS TO PASS**

"I need them to extend emergency unemployment. I have two older parents who need assistance



just one person. I cannot afford two households.

I am

To those who are against the extension, I pray you do not have to ever experience being laid off."

Lynette

#### STORY: ARGENTINE **NEW FIRE TRUCK**

**41** do not think that this is a good use of taxpayers' money. I know of other departments that get grants



for fire trucks. I think that the township board should

check into any type of grants, first, and foremost. Then see about getting a less expensive truck. I know that you can buy two trucks for the same price that they are buying one at."

— Tom Y.

See **COMMENTS** on 10A

#### **HOT LINE**

**OF THE WEEK** 

#### 66I KNOW WHAT

our nation should do to prevent the leaking of government secrets by rogue websites

like WikiLeaks, store them where President Obama keeps his college transcripts and birth certificate.





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# Tri-County **SUNDAY EDITION**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2010** 

# Year ending on high note for local auto dealerships

Sales and revenues increase locally and nationally

"The light at the

end of the tunnel

is not a train."

**Rick Porritt** 

general manager for

Randy Wise Buick/GMC

#### By Tim Jagielo

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It's been a good year for local dealerships. Bret Baker, of Flint Township,

pulled into Lasco Ford auto dealership in Fenton on Wednesday to check out a new Mustang, assisted by new car sales consultant Wendy Hosea. After looking over the outside of the car, he took it for a test drive. Overall, Americans test drove, and bought more cars in 2010, than in 2009.

Nationally, U.S. automakers are up

in sales, with General Motors Corporation (GM) in the lead with 168,670 vehicles sold as of November. Chrysler's light truck sales are up 24.2 percent over

See AUTO on 14A



TRI-COUNTY TIMES TIM JAGIELO Bret Baker (right) looks at a new Ford Mustang at Lasco Ford on Wednesday. Wendy Hosea, sales consultant, is assisting him.

# **Local man** adopts mustang from the **Wild West**

▶Roamed free in Wyoming until 2009

#### **By Anna Troppens**

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Mokha, a 5-year-old mustang, comes up to greet her owner, Ed Whalen, of Byron. She delicately accepts horse treats from his hand, as Whalen's other horse, Apache, a black paint Tennessee walker, muscles up to grab a snack as well.

While watching Mokha in the horses' pasture, it can be difficult to imagine the gentle, friendly horse, running wild with a herd of other mustangs in part

See WILD on 22A



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I ANNA TROPPENS

Ed Whalen, of Byron, visits his horses in their pasture. Mokha, left, is a 5-year-old mustang that once roamed free in Wyoming. Whalen adopted her through the federal Bureau of Land Management.

## No action means Sunday morning liquor sales allowed

#### Summary

The Tyrone Township Board has decided to allow Sunday morning liquor sales, which is made possible by a new state law.

# **Troppens**

810-433-6792 Tyrone

Twp. — The Tyrone Township Board of Trustees is tak-

ing no action on news from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (LCC), on the state allowing sales of alcohol between 7 a.m. Sunday and 2 a.m. Monday.

See LIQUOR on 10A

## Garbage removal could cost \$21,000 less in 2011

#### **By Anna Troppens**

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**Fenton** — City council is scheduled for action on garbage removal bids on Monday.

It received two bids, from

Waste Management, which has handled solid waste in Fenton for more than 20 years, and Republic Services. Whichever firm council selects, the city would keep its bag and tag

method, where residents purchase a tag for each can of trash they throw out, or a bag for it, said Gary Hicks, municipality manager for Republic Services,

See GARBAGE on 22A

# Fenton could take ownership of delinquent tax properties

Fenton City Council is considering the acceptance of property in the city from Genesee County, which owns some Fenton properties due to delinquent taxes. One of these properties is 603 Main St.



**By Anna Troppens** 

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**Fenton** — To control the future of an area zoned Planned Unit Development — some of it contaminated with arsenic — Fenton City Council is considering ownership of part of Orchard Hills. Genesee County, which has the property off

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# christmas lights **Fenton** couple decorates

**By Anna Troppens** 

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Robin and Jerry Forgie, of North LeRoy Street, know how to keep Christmas in their hearts — and their yard. Driving by, motorists will see an assortment of lighted penguin decorations, an angel and other holiday characters.

"I just keep adding and adding," Robin said. "I love Christmas. It's all the way around the house."

There is a Christmas tree in the front room, one in the sunroom and

one for the dining room. "We do the back yard, too," Forgie said.

She likes to have the decorative lights on in the house before she goes to work in the morning. At 5 p.m., the lights outdoors turn on. "I have everything on timers," she said.

See LIGHTS on 12A

to the hilt for

**Christmas** 

"I love Christmas.

I think it comes

too soon, and it

goes too fast."

**Robin Forgie** 



Jerry and Robin Forgie, of Fenton, stand with their grandchildren, Garrett Langford, 7, and Cecilia Langford, 4, among their impressive Christmas decorations.



Electric power shovel quickly gaining popularity

**By Sharon Stone** 

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As some residents in this area eagerly await the first big snowfall, others are dreading the thought of shoveling the white stuff off their sidewalks and decks.

The Toro 12-inch electric power shovel snow blower has acquired quite a few fans, who rave about how easy it is to clear snow from small areas.

> At 13 pounds, this power shovel provides a lot of snow-throwing power, yet is light and compact enough to

hang on a hook in the garage. It's an ideal choice for sidewalks, steps, decks and small driveways. The powerful blower can move up to 300 pounds of snow per minute and blows it up to 20 feet, according to the manufacturers' specs.

The shovel, with a price tag of

"It's an awesome little machine." **Stewart Grove** 

about \$100, has a telescoping handle, which can be adjusted to fit the user. If you flip it over and See **SHOVEL** 

on 24A

Video demonstration can be viewed at

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# emonade out of lemons

By Foster Childs

If I Were

The 'Shop Local' initiative has been, by any measurement, a tremendously

successful program that touches the lives of every single individual in our communities.

In these days of dysfunctional governments, double-digit unemployment, disconnected communities and disillusioned citizenry, we — you and me — have done the impossible. We have stood together as one for a common cause and supported the businesses in

our communities in a manner that has been overwhelmingly positive to all concerned.

Meanwhile, similar-sized cities in

Michigan and across the nation are withering and dying under the strain of

> the same economic environment that Fenton, Holly and Linden are surviving, and even thriving, in. Other communities are dying because nobody stepped up to the plate to tell them that maybe, just maybe, if we all work together, we could use these difficult circumstances to make lemonade out of lemons.

The Times and your local chamber of commerce

have been relentless in consistently communicating the endless benefits of spending our money locally. Why? Because you can't blame the unin-

formed for making buying decisions that are detrimental to everything that is dear to them. When we shop online we are enriching faceless billionaires like Jeffrey Bezos, the owner of Amazon, whose net worth is an astounding \$12.6 billion. That means that Jeff Bezos could write 12,000 checks for \$1 million each and still have enough money to live like a king forever. Conversely, our local businesses just want to make the house payment (to the local bank) put food on the table (from the local grocery store) and clothe their kids (from local clothing stores).

And for the record, every business located in our communities is a local business. They all hire local people, they all pay local taxes, and nearly all contribute to the endless fundraisers and community events that are integral components of small cities and towns

across our nation.

We embrace the idea of distinctive businesses with local character, but often forget their survival depends on our patronage. Each time we spend a dollar, we would do well to weigh the full value of our choices, not solely to ourselves immediately, but for the future we want in our own hometowns. Let's make decisions based on the true cost, not just the price — and not just at Christmas, but all year round.

On behalf of the businesses and residents of our communities, I say thank you. Thank you for accomplishing one of those rare feats that many communities talk about, but few actually accomplish.

Thank you for making lemonade out of lemons.

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**HAVE TO TELL** you that shopping local has been a real eye-opening and pleasurable experience. I am surprised at the variety, cost and uniqueness of many of the stores and their friendly owners. Thanks, Times.

I STUPIDLY LEFT my purse unattended at a Flint business for 20 seconds, and it was stolen. It sickens me to think these criminals know all about me. Security didn't even have it on video, and the Flint police won't do a thing. I should have stayed in Fenton.

FOR THE PAST two years, I've been regarded in the Hot lines as an 'Obama lover,' which at the time was an accurate description. Now, I'm pretty angry with Obama for extending Bush's tax breaks for the rich. I'll be voting Independent in 2012.

THE TEA PARTY folks are the best thing to happen in America for the last 50 years. It is a truly grassroots organization of everyday American patriots who love this country. They were very effective in helping to stop the freight train of socialism, which Obama and the Democrats were pushing down the tracks. I hope they stick around and continue to make politicians accountable. And no, I am not a TEA Party member, just an American who remembers our country as it was and should be — the land of the free.

KUDOS TO THE DPW workers, I see them all around Fenton and they seem to do a great job maintaining our city. Keep up the good work.

THE REAL STATISTICS for 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' is more than 80 percent of the military thinks the policy should be left alone. These statistics are available on the Internet, where our troops are asked pointblank, 'Are you in favor of eliminating the current policy of Don't Ask, Don't Tell?' When it is a simple yes or no question, the answer is just as certain. A resounding 81 percent said, 'No, leave it alone.' As usual, the mainstream media is skewing the numbers to support their liberal ideology and promote their own agenda.

TWO MEMBERS OF the Fenton High School football team received all-state honors, Jake Georgakopolous (First Team) and Kenny Allen (Honorable Mention). A great ending to a great season.

THE JINGLEFEST PARADE was great, except for the 'Parade Nazi.' Next time, let the parade go at its own pace. We want to see all of the entries. It was really rude and un-Christmas like to yell at a bunch of little girls to hurry up, who were just trying to

WE HAVE BEEN residents of Holly Township for 30 years. Our garbage collection services have never posed a problem of any sort. Currently, we utilize a small, independently owned local company, which provides outstanding service at a very competitive rate. We're happy and have absolutely no interest in the proposed changes. All one needs to do is read about the ongoing problems Fenton residents continually experience. Please leave it alone.

LETTER TO THE editor writer seemed to miss the key point about roundabouts. The overwhelming majority of Fentonites do not want roundabouts. Telling us, they will grow on us sounds like Obama telling us that we just don't understand and will eventually love the health care. Roundabouts and Obamacare have a common theme. We don't want to be told to pay now and be thrilled later. Listen to the people.

MY CREDIT CARD has been illegally used, twice in the last month, after shopping online. I got my money back, but it took hours on the phone. Just a word to the wise.

THOUGH I HAVE made quite a few pro-Obama comments in the past, I am genuinely disappointed this time. Obama giving in to the Republican demands on tax breaks for the rich? This is a betrayal. I wish the Democrats would nominate someone else for the 2012 election.

FLAG ETIQUETTE, 'WHEN a flag is so worn it is no longer fit to serve as a symbol of our country...' Come on, Fenton community center, replace your flag or take the current one down.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

streettalk



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# How does Santa get the presents under the tree? Second-grade students, was School



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"He brings the presents from his sleigh and comes down the chimney."



"He comes down the chimney. I really don't know how he gets down the chimney, but he does."



"The chimney and magic."



Second-grade

Elementary School

"Santa slides down the chimney. He puts the presents under the tree and if there's not enough room, he stacks them in the tree."



"By his magic."

— Shelby Parks

— Bella Reitano Kayley Gallagher - Emily Gilbert

— Sebastian McLaughlin

— Collin Schramm

### **Quick 911 response helps save man's life**

**By Sharon Stone** 

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Phil and Donna Mastin are grateful for the Fenton Fire Department and the emergency first responders who recently came to their home, not once, but twice. And, Phil believes the Fenton Fire Department played a big hand in saving his life.

Phil, who is 80, has had heart-related problems for at least 15 years. He sees his cardiologist regularly and maintains a healthy lifestyle, which includes walking and rounds of golf.

"We make sure they're (family members) taken care of, too." **Robert Cairnduff** Fenton fire chief On Nov. 6, while sitting down in his home, he began feeling pressure in his chest and a shortness of breath. His medicine was not helping. Donna called 911 and waited anxiously for help. Within five minutes, the fire department and paramedics arrived.

After a quick check, Phil was transported, by ambulance, to the emergency room at Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township. "They had gotten me there in good time," said Phil. Doctors told him if it had taken any longer, his heart could have suffered permanent damage. An enzyme test revealed there was no damage to his heart.

"I praise them, and the Lord," said Phil. Phil's cardiologist was notified immediately and he was able to insert a stent to repair a blocked artery. After a few days, Phil was released in order to recuperate at home.

About one week after his first emergency call, Donna was calling 911 again. This



#### YOUR SMILE MATTERS!

By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

#### COMPUDENT ANESTHESIA

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I welcome your questions and comments. Feel free to e-mail me drsulfaro@comcast.net



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**Fenton Fire Department** responded to 427 calls through Nov. 30. Of that number, 140 were medical emergencies.

**Fenton Township Fire Department** responded to 569 calls as of the end of November. Of that number, 349 were medical emergencies.

**Linden Fire Department** responded to 283 calls, 199 of which were medical emergencies.

**North Oakland County Fire Authority** (NOCFA) responded to 636 calls, 420 of which were medical emergencies.

**Argentine Township** Fire Department responded to 412 calls. The majority were medical emergencies.

time, attending doctors contemplated open-heart surgery, said Phil. This plan was averted after his cardiologist checked him out. He underwent angioplasty to clear a few blocked arteries and he was discharged on Nov. 19.

After losing some weight and strength, Phil is now slowly recovering at home and getting better every day. "I'm recovering

See **911** *on 12A* 

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# Holly Village manager applicants narrowed down to four

▶Council to conduct interviews on Dec. 21

By Tim Jagielo

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Interviews for Holly Village manager

Summarv

► Holly Village Council has narrowed the 30-some applications for village manager down to four. Applicants will be interviewed on Dec. 21

applicants will be held Tuesday, Dec. 21, in an all-day process. The field of applicants has been narrowed down to four.

The former village manager, Marsha Powers, was fired in September. Jerry Walker, who has applied and been se-

lected as one of the top four, has been filling in as interim manager.

At Tuesday's meeting of the village council, the day, time, and format were decided in a motion made by President Jeff Miller and supported by Council member Jason Hughes.

Should the top four applicants still be interested in the job, the interviews will be held Dec. 21, with all of council present. "Out of those four, we'll have a great manager," said Miller. If one of the four should rescind their application, the next two runners up will be called and

interviewed, he added.

One council member will field the majority of the questions during the interviewing process, and others will have an opportunity to ask follow-up questions.

After a selection is made, the Personnel and Finance committees will negotiate salary and benefits with the candidate.

Before the regular meeting, the Personnel Committee made up of council members Jackie Campbell, Pauline Kenner, and Miller, met to verify

the choices the seven members of the council had made. "I want to know that we agree on all counts," said Miller at the meeting.

"Out of those four, we'll have a great manager." **Jeff Miller** 

Holly Village Council president

Some of the applicants wanted anonymity, so they were referenced by number, rather than by name. Miller said, there is one applicant selected in the top four by nearly every council member.

#### **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

HEY TIMES, LOVE the new Sports On TV you print in the sports section. Nice addition.

YES, TO THE reader who wrote in regarding the teacher of 16 years. You read it how I read it. People read it 'wrong,' because they like to look for the 'wrong.'

I WOULD LIKE to tell the members of VFW and everyone else who knows my dad, Zeb Holland, thanks for prayers and concerns over him while he was in the hospital. He is now home and doing good and he misses all his friends there in Fenton. He will see y'all in the spring.

GOOD LUCK ON catching the deer poacher. You people crack me up. At least I get a good laugh a few times a week. Thank you, Times.

WHEN DEMOCRATS, SUCH as Pelosi and Kerry, go on TV and announce that unemployment benefits are a job creator, it's the biggest lie of all time. All businesses pay unemployment insurance. When more benefits are paid out, their rates go up. If small business can't raise the price of the product, they either lay off people or go out of business. If any of my family becomes unemployed, they won't go hungry. Get where I'm going?





# Police&Fire report

#### **AUTO THEFT SUSPECT IN COURT**

Kenny Jane Walker, 31, of Fenton Township, is facing one felony count of receiving and concealing a stolen vehicle in Genesee County District Court. He was in court on Tuesday for his preliminary exam on the charge. Walker is suspected of being involved with the theft of a 2009 Chevrolet Malibu from a residence on Tupper Lake Way in Fenton Township in early November. The Genesee County Sheriff's Department responded to the complaint and turned the case over to the Genesee Auto theft Investigative Network (GAIN). A cash bond of \$3,000 was ordered. Walker will be back in court on Dec. 21 for another preliminary exam.

#### **COUPLE OUT \$1,500**

A Holly couple was scammed out of \$1,550 after purchasing a used car they found for sale online at Craigslist. The couple met with the seller at an airport on Dec. 3. They became suspicious and reported their concerns to the Holly Police Department. The car they bought had been reported stolen out of the Detroit area on Nov. 28. The title they had in possession did not match the vehicle identification number (VIN). The car was turned over to the detective and it was later transported to the Oakland County Sheriff's Office crime lab for processing. Contact is being made with the rightful owners. Fingerprints were recovered from the car as evidence. The investigation is pending.

#### **UNDERAGE DRINKING PARTY**

At 10:52 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4, Holly police officers were dispatched to a possible underage drinking party in the 700 block of South Broad Street. While outside the house, officers spoke with the 21-year-old male resident. Looking through a window, police observed several males hiding beer cans. When asked where his mother was, the 21 year old said she was inside with his friends. The mother came out and gave police consent to enter the house. Officers smelled intoxicants and marijuana. The woman's son said his mother did not know about the party until police arrived. The 21 year old was cited for contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Six males, between the ages of 15 and 17, were cited for minor in possession (MIP) of alcohol after taking a breath test and released to their parents. One male also was cited for possession of marijuana and referred to a youth assistance program. Three females, one 14 and two 18, were released.

#### **ATTEMPTED BREAK-IN**

At 11:40 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 2, Holly police were dispatched to the 4200 block of Grange Hall Road to investigate an attempted home invasion complaint. The resident reported that an ex-neighbor had attempted to force his way into his residence by pounding on the door and breaking a window. An officer located a male, based on the description given and made contact with the man. The officer detected a strong odor of intoxicants on the man, as well as scrapes and blood on his hand and a gash on his forehead. The man was arrested and taken back to the police station for processing, where he continued to be uncooperative. Because of his wounds, he was checked by medical personnel. He damaged a phone in the holding cell. Attempted breaking and entering charges are pending.

#### **INDECENT EXPOSURE**

Just after 12 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4, a Holly police officer was sent to the 300 block nas Street to investigate an inc exposure complaint. The responding officer spotted the suspect walking toward a house. According to the police report, the man shares a home with a married couple. He argued with the woman. The mother of his female roommate then called him to complain about his behavior. He walked to the mother's home on Thomas, pounded on the door and yelled profanities. Angry with the situation, he walked out into the street and dropped his pants to the ground. He told police he just mooned the crowd. There were several witnesses, including juveniles. A warrant for his arrest has been secured for indecent exposure and disorderly conduct.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SHARON STONE

Firefighters from Fenton City and Fenton Township extinguish a house fire on Kellogg Drive late Tuesday afternoon.

# **Blaze damages home on Kellogg Drive**

**By Sharon Stone** 

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**Fenton** — A small home on Kellogg Drive was damaged by a fire Tuesday afternoon. Fenton Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff said they received the call at 3:52 p.m. and were on scene at 3:55 p.m.

He believes the fire began in a utility room, located at the front of the older, pine-board home. A faulty furnace might be to blame, but at this time, the cause is undetermined.

A neighbor told responding firefighters that they believed that only the residents' family dog was inside. Firefighters located the nearly unconscious dog and a neighbor rushed it to an emergency veterinarian clinic in Flint so that it could be placed in an oxygen room.

The pine board and insulation caused the fire to smolder. Damage was contained to the front part of the 1,000 square foot house. There was smoke damage throughout the rest of the house. The fire chief estimates damage at \$25,000.

Fenton Township Fire Department responded through automatic mutual aid.

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#### WITNESSES SOUGHT

At 5:22 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 8, Holly police were dispatched to a business in the 15000 block of North Holly Road to investigate a call from the alarm company. Glass breaking and motion was detected. Upon arrival, the responding officer observed a shattered window to the right of the front door. The front door was locked. Police were unable to locate any suspects inside the store. Merchandise had been knocked off shelves. All of the Newport brand cigarettes behind the counter were missing. The owner of the store is reviewing the video and checking his inventory to provide a list of stolen merchandise. Police recovered evidence from inside as well as the rocks used to break the window. If anyone has information about this break-in, they are to call Det. Julie Bemus at (248) 634-8221.

#### **VAN WINDOW BROKEN**

At 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 8, a 71-year-old Fenton woman filed a complaint with Fenton police. Lt. Jason Slater said the woman reported that between 6 and 8 p.m. someone broke a window in her 1990 Dodge Caravan, which was parked in the 300 block of East Elizabeth Street. Nothing was taken from the van and police have no leads at this time.

#### FRAUD REPORTED

On Wednesday, Dec. 8, a 70-year-old Fenton woman filed a fraud complaint with Fenton police. Lt. Jason Slater said the woman checked her bank account on Dec. 6 and saw that there was an unknown deposit of \$300 from U.S. Fast Cash. She also noticed that \$29.95 was withdrawn from her account to cover the interest on the \$300 loan. She checked with the company and was told that since her husband's name was on the account, the company could not reveal any information to her. The woman's husband is hospitalized and said he never applied for any loan. The woman's bank closed her account. Slater said he has read several on-line complaints about this company.





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# **Tyrone faces budget woes in 2011-12**

▶Board discusses how to cut possible \$178,000 shortfall

#### **By Anna Troppens**

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**Tyrone Twp.** — Higher expenses and less revenue — a common theme for local governments — could plague Tyrone Township's 2011-12 budget. The board held an initial budget discussion at Tuesday's meeting.

Budget projections show a \$100,000 shortfall, Clerk Keith Kremer said. Ex-

#### Summary

► Tyrone Township is facing less revenue and more expenses for its 2011-12 budget. The township board held its initial budget discussion Tuesday.

penses are more, for a projected shortfall of \$178,000.

Supervisor Mike Cunningham asked each member of the board to prioritize items on the township's "wish list," giving each item a number value.

With some budget adjustments, Treasurer Dave Kurtz said the current projection is Tyrone could reduce the shortfall to around \$16,000-\$20,000. Budget adjustments could include pulling \$100,000 from reserves, adding \$44,000 from increased tax assessment income and not upgrading computer systems for the permit program at this time, which would save \$8,000.

Tyrone could collect \$105,000 less in property taxes and state revenue sharing money, Kremer said. Taxes and shared revenue are estimated at 6 percent less than for 2009-10. And there will probably be \$60,000 to \$70,000 in fire department billings the township won't collect.

The township contracts with Fenton, Fenton Township and the Hartland-



#### Money owed for manufactured home community's debts a big issue

The township doesn't owe it right now, but there is a \$1 million debt Livingston County advanced on its behalf. The debt is for unpaid property taxes and costs of 660 sewer units. Township officials would like to know what is going to happen, so they can plan, said Treasurer Dave Kurtz. If owners of the Cider Mill Crossing manufactured housing community default on their taxes and the property goes up for a tax sale, Tyrone will owe for the debt, Kurtz said. The state attorney general has granted Cider Mill Crossing two years of extensions, and it could be until March 31, 2012 before the township knows what will take place. In addition, the debt is increasing by a 12 percent annual interest rate, he said.

Deerfield Fire Authority for fire department, police and ambulance services. It currently bills those who receive fire department and ambulance services. In April 2011, an annual special assessment residents pay will begin covering these costs.

Tyrone will have a separate public safety fund in its 2011-12 budget, for fire, police and emergency medical services. Revenue from the special assessment is projected at \$583,275, with expenses at an estimated \$560,480. The township's annual payment to the Hartland-Deerfield Fire Authority, because of a previous legal settlement after the township withdrew from the authority, is \$39,000.

Police protection is \$148,750 for the year, and fire department expenses are estimated at \$372,730, Kremer said.

For the \$16 million-plus cost of installing the township's municipal sewer system, it will owe \$1.2 million annually until 2023, Kurtz said. This year, with the township's sale of property to a private individual, it will be able to make its next payment. Eventually, Tyrone's sewer fund will be able to reimburse what was taken from the general fund.

On the budget, Trustee Don Peitz said if the township has a revenue shortfall it should cut spending.

In addition, the board discussed possible pay raises for employees. Kurtz said he wouldn't object to merit pay increases in the upcoming budget.

#### **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

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I CANNOT BELIEVE what I just read. In this economy, voting members of the Fenton City Council are going to vote to hurt the businesses in their town by trying to stop extended sales of alcohol. The only thing this will do is cause people to start shopping in other communities. Please quit trying to shove your morals down everyone's throat.

THE RESIDENTS OF Linden are not paying attention to the council and planning commission. Looks like there are laws, just for law's sake. Only one planning commission member has any common sense. One of the signs will have to come off of ACE, or the owner will have to go to court. Now, Linden has Lossing and his entourage for another two years, because no one ran against him. Wake up, Linden.



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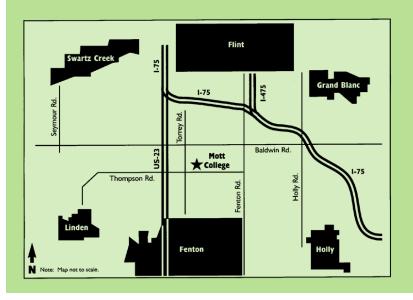
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#### **LIQUOR**

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A new state law allows for this, unless a local unit of government takes action to prohibit it. According to a legal opinion the township received from the Michigan Municipal League (MML), if Tyrone prohibits Sunday morning liquor sales, it could prohibit liquor sales all day, Clerk Keith Kremer said.

"The language in the final act was in error, though, because it inadvertently requires communities to prohibit all Sunday sales instead of just Sunday morning," read the Dec. 3 memo from Andy Schor, assistant director of State Affairs for the MML. The

LCC is going to allow local governments to prohibit Sunday morning sales, though, and the MML expects the state legislature to pass a technical fix to the law in January, Schor said. The township board would need to hold a public hearing and adopt an ordinance to prohibit Sunday morning liquor sales, Treasurer Dave Kurtz said.

If businesses want to sell liquor on Sunday, they need a \$160 permit from the LCC, he said.

Four businesses, two golf courses and two party stores have liquor licenses in Tyrone Township, according to Kremer said.

The board voted unanimously to not take action on the LCC letter.

# Holly officially begins search for new police chief

#### By Tim Jagielo

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On Monday, the position for Holly police chief will be posted and available for applicants to view. The current chief, Rollie Gackstetter, will retire on Dec. 17, leaving the top-ranking sergeants in charge, along with interim village manager Jerry Walker, who has held both police chief and village manager positions in the past.

Instead of waiting until January for the manager hiring process to end, the coun-

cil on Tuesday decided to push forward with the police chief search, while the village manager interviewing process is also underway. Walker expects the posting to

#### **Summary**

The Holly Village Council has agreed to begin the search for a new police chief. The current chief, Rollie Gackstetter, is retiring this month.

draw between 30-50 applicants. "We're all big boys and girls, and we'll just have a stack of reading to do," said President Jeff Miller, who wanted the job posted immediately. The deadline for applications is 2 p.m., Dec. 29.

The council also requested that Walker add a stipulation to the job posting that an applicant have equivalent police experience if they do not have an applicable degree. At the request of the council, Walker has also sought a member of the clergy to sit on the panel that will interview the police chief applicants. Pastor Ed Pedley of First Baptist Church will serve on the panel.

Retired Holly police officer Buster Winebrenner of Holly will also sit on the panel. He had received a letter from the Officer's Union Association requesting that he serve on the interview panel. He also requested a presence on the panel, which the council granted. "I think I can be a great asset for hiring a new police chief," he said.

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#### STORY: **FENTON LIBRARY**

**4No! I'll be** the first to post here that it should not go in the closed Farmer Jack building that we have all been hearing about for the past two years. Why don't we build a new library, attached to the high school, so it can serve both facilities? It's time to rethink the need and scope of having a library in Fenton."

— Tom W.

#### HOT LINE: SARAH PALIN

**"Sarah Palin is** way more qualified than Obama. The real question is who promoted this fraud and elevated him into positions with no real record of accomplishing anything. He is always the least-qualified person in the room. Why has he paid millions to hide his college transcripts? The UAW members must be so proud to have been used to get this fraud elected."

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Dr. Donohue gives his expert opinion.

(The full story appeared in the Wednesday, Dec. 8 Midweek edition)

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# Jinglefest lights up the night

Hundreds of visitors flocked to downtown Fenton for the Holiday Lighted Parade Saturday evening, during the annual Jinglefest held throughout the weekend. Here, attendees watch the Fenton Fire Department trucks at the end of the parade.

■ See complete story at www.tctimes.com



#### A puppy for Christmas



Many children dream of a roly-poly, warm, snuggly puppy waiting just for them under the Christmas tree. These lab/shepherd mix puppies romp and lounge at Adopt-A-Pet in Fenton, where they are available in time for Christmas adoption.

■ See complete story at www.tctimes.com

# Council split on 911 upgrades or options

The Fenton police and fire chiefs have asked city council for direction on the future of Fenton's 911 dispatch. Replacing the aging dispatch equipment would cost \$180,000. If it is not replaced, the city would end up switching to Genesee Central Dispatch for fire, police and ambulance services.

■ See complete story at www.tctimes.com

# STATE OF MICHIGAN Housing market trend is smaller homes

Local families are downsizing their homes, following a nationwide trend. The trend toward smaller homes seems to be a function of cost more than size. With the average U.S. home measuring approximately 2,422 square feet, this average has lost about 50 square feet between the years of 2008 and 2009, from its height in 2004.

■ See complete story at www.tctimes.com

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#### **HOT LINE**

66MR. SAULE, I submit to you that the negative comments you heard and read regarding the proposed roundabouts were due not to 'misinformation' or unwillingness to accept change. Rather, the community was not convinced of the necessity or the priority of this work in view of other, more urgent, needs.





#### 911

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nicely," he said. "I'm very grateful to the first responders. It was a great bunch of guys.'

The Mastins had valid concerns when they called 911. "We're elderly. My wife was upset. They had a calming influence on her.

'They were extreme gentlemen, professional, calming and reassuring."

Donna said the responders were a kind crew, not only to her husband, but to her. Fighting back emotion, she said, "There's never enough words to thank them.

"They were so professional. They got him there just in time."

She said she's read about stories like this, but "you never realize how good they are. I wanted everyone to know that."

To show their appreciation, the Mastins delivered a gift basket, including some homemade cookies, fudge and apples from Spicer's Orchard, to the Fenton Fire Department.

Fenton Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff said he and his department appreciated the Mastins' comments. It doesn't happen all the time, but he said, "When

people think we've made a difference, they call. It's nice to be appreciated." The gift basket filled with goodies was very much appreciated, he said.

Cairnduff said his department and an ambulance were dispatched to the Mastins' home. The protocol is to have one of the responders speak with family members at the scene to obtain all of the necessary information about the patient. This provides an opportunity for emergency workers to tend to the patient while the family member(s) is calmed down.

"We make sure they're (family members) taken care of, too," he said.

One tip Cairnduff has for those calling 911 from a cell phone is to give an address or location of the emergency in the event the call is lost. Calls made from landline phones automatically display an address to the dispatcher.

Jeremy Lintz, fire chief for the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOC-FA), said it's rare to be solely responsible for saving a victim's life. There are those extreme instances where emergency responders have resuscitated a victim at least temporarily, giving families some time to say their goodbyes.

# State rejects closure plan for sewer facility

#### ▶Tyrone will pay \$1,900 more to consultant

#### **By Anna Troppens**

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**Tyrone Twp.** — It's back to the drawing board for the proposed closure plan on

#### Summary

► After the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (MDNRE) rejected its closure plan for old sewer facilities at Tyrone Woods, the township will pay an additional \$1,900 to its consultant for an approved plan.

old sewer facilities for Tyrone Woods Manufactured Home Community. After the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (MDNRE) rejected the plan, Tyrone Township will pay up to \$1,900 to the consultant for an approved plan.

The board voted that the cost not exceed \$1,900. The plan Tetra Tech produces must be approved by the MDNRE and be acceptable to Tyrone Township. Previously, the township spent \$3,075 on the plan, Treasurer David Kurtz said. Tyrone's contract with Tetra Tech

#### What is the plan for?

It is for the closure of old sewer facilities used by Tyrone Woods Manufactured Home Community. This includes three, two-acre lagoons and a 30-acre spray irrigation field.

did not include language that the plan had to be approved by MDNRE.

The MDNRE rejected the first plan, saying the township needs to fix some parts of it. Tetra Tech representatives told township officials they were out of funding for the plan, so Kurtz asked the firm for a cost on an approved plan. Tetra Tech told him \$1,900, he said.

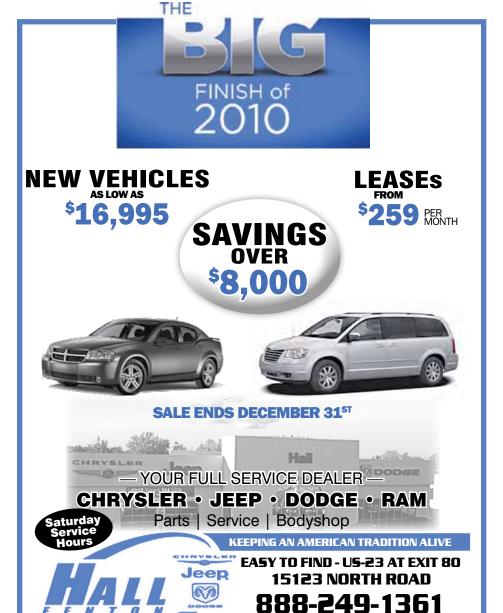
Once the state approves the plan, Tyrone Township must pay Tyrone Woods \$20,000, according to its contract, Kurtz said. After there is an approved plan, the township's involvement is over.

If the township doesn't supply a plan the state approves, the issue could keep going, he said. Tyrone has been in court over it during a stretch of several years. "I've been watching it for seven years," Kurtz said. "It's not fun."

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#### **LIGHTS**

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The Forgies have been decorating for holidays for around 20 years. Robin remembers a Hot line in the Tri-County Times from someone who admired their decorations. "It makes it worth your while when you have a lot of people that enjoy it as much as you do," she said.

"I usually try to start a month before, and I had most of it up within two weeks, maybe 2½."

Her husband helps. "She's the one that drives me to put it all up," Jerry Forgie said.

Robin added, "Without him, I don't think I could do it.'

Their grandchildren, Garrett Langford, 7, a student at Tomek-Eastern Elementary School in Fenton, and Cecilia Langford, 4, who attends the Ellen Street Campus, get in on the fun.

"We make it into a game, and they help throw boxes into the upstairs and down the stairs," Robin said. "And they help me put it all away.'

This happens often, since the Forgies also decorate for Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Easter, Fourth of July, and Halloween. "I have hearts for Valentine's Day, eggs for Easter and stars in the summer," she said. "I try to do every holiday. It just changes the house a little bit. I go all year long with something up.

"When this comes down, Valentine's will come up, then Easter."

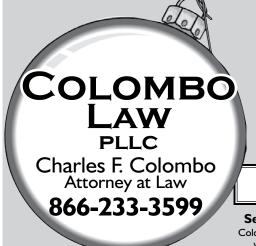
St. Patrick's Day and Easter present something of a challenge, since they can happen so close together, Robin said. Christmas and Halloween are the two biggest holidays

"I do them all, but those are probably my two favorite. I just like to enjoy the holidays."

Another place to see a lot of holiday lighting is in the Hills of Tyrone, behind Fenton High School, said Larry Demicoli. He operates Four Seasons Outdoor Lighting Service, in Fenton, with son Matt Demicoli, who moved from Kansas in 2009 to start the business.

They've done projects ranging from a mini tree for an elderly woman, to extensive lighting in the Hills of Tyrone. Their work includes lighting at the entrance, and houses in the newer part in the back. There are a couple of "wowers," Larry said.

The Demicolis' service means customers don't have to climb ladders and go out in the cold themselves. They offer customized Christmas lighting, cutting from thousandfoot spools of wiring. They then add the color bulbs the customer wants, Larry said. Besides putting up the lights, they change bulbs when they burn out, take the decorations down after the holiday and store them for the customer for next year. "It's the ultimate in convenience," he said. "The clear lights are like the classic."



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Shiawassee Avenue due to unpaid taxes, is offering it to Fenton first at no cost, City Manager Lynn Markland.

It is the area where the second phase of the development was planned, Mayor Sue Osborn said. The 87 lots are vacant, and streets in Orchard Hills have been turned over to the city.

The city doesn't plan to develop it, said Zoning Administrator Brad Hissong. But, Fenton could get some money by selling it and set conditions

for the property's future development. In addition, if there are additional costs for covering an area with arsenic with a tough membrane, the city could see that costs wouldn't be passed on to new Orchard Hills residents, and/or Fenton taxpayers.

"If it goes back to the county and they sell it, we have no say over the development of the land," said Councilman Bradley Jacob.

If Fenton takes control of the property, it could keep the two areas where arsenic levels are high from being developed, Councilman Benjamin Smith said. The city could market the property at a reasonable price, Osborn added.

Excessive levels of arsenic are in two areas of Orchard Hills, along property lines, he said. One area is in the soil in an area where an apple orchard was, on the east side of the property.

Arsenic does not run in water or rain, he said. In addition, on the Orchard Hills site, it is from 12 inches to 5 feet

deep in the soil, with most of it at 24 inches deep. There are 2,700 cubic yards of contaminated soil.

Carmine Avantini, of LSL Planning, said options include leaving the arsenic where it is and developing other areas of the land.

Contaminated soil could be buried at a location onsite and capped.

If Fenton doesn't obtain the vacant lots, they will be turned over to the Genesee County Land Bank, said Assessor Tonya Molloseau. City officials need to decide by Dec. 30, Osborn said.

An environmental attorney, Avantini and Hissong are scheduled to attend Monday's council meeting, at 7:30 p.m. at city hall, to provide council with information.

In addition, also through the county, Fenton could obtain three lots in Phase I — a different area — of Orchard Hills that are ready to develop and do not have excessive levels of arsenic, Hissong said. Sewer and water service are

available there.

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**Bradley Jacob** 

Another property Fenton could acquire at no cost is 603 Main St., City Manager Lynn Markland said. Two neighboring property owners, one from each side of it, have said they are interested in having it. He recommends that the city obtain this piece of property.

The house on it has been condemned, and the city has been having the lawn cut, Hissong said. Councilman Tim Faricy said the property has been an eyesore for a long time and is along one of the entryways to Fenton.

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last year. The top import is Toyota, down to No. 3, below GM and Ford Motor Company.

Ford has experienced the most growth, with 24.3 percent in higher, year-to-date sales, according to motorintelligence.

"We've seen a little more than that, actually," said Matt Lasco of Lasco Ford.

Other area dealerships have experienced similar growth, consistent or better than the national trend. Increased consumer confidence and an unfreezing of credit are helping move cars off the lots, said both Rick Porritt of Randy Wise Buick/GMC, and Mark Janowiecki of Vic Canever Chevrolet. "There is also a lot of pent-up consumer demand," said Porritt.

Lasco said his dealership is up 25 percent in new-car sales, and 35 percent in used-cars sales. Stabilizing gas prices have driven an increase in Ford F-150 pickup truck sales. "The F-150 has really made a big increase year over year," he said. The dealership has also sold about 25, 2011 Fiestas each month.

To keep up with the increased demand, Lasco Ford has added 25 new employees to all areas of the business. Randy Wise Buick/GMC added 18 new employers. Hall Chrysler Jeep and Dodge, and Vic Canever Chevrolet Inc., kept staff constant in 2010.

Jim Hall, of Hall Chrysler, Jeep & Dodge of Fenton, saw a 25 percent increase over the year, bucking the trend of Chrysler's 16 percent growth nationally. "The hardest part was finding ways to

generate business to keep the staff employed and not make any cuts," said Hall of the 2008-09 years. "Weve gotten through OK,"

Lasco's goal is a 12-percent increase in sales in 2011, driven by the Fiesta, the redesigned F-150, Explorer, and Edge.

All of the dealerships in the area expect growth in the coming year, powered by new or revamped products.

Automakers, however, are not out of the woods, yet.

As for dealerships in Michigan, Randy



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I TIM JAGIELO Ryan Valade, sales consultant (left), assists Bret Baker in test driving a new Ford Mustang at Lasco Ford in Fenton. Ford Motor Company has experienced the most growth over 2010 out of the four main U.S. automakers.

Wise Buick/GMC had the biggest growth as a GM dealership for the year to date, with only about 5 percent. Most other Chevy and GM dealerships were down in Michigan by at least a small margin, according to a GM internal spreadsheet. "We were positioned to weather out a storm, and, yes, it's been very tough," said Janowiecki.

> "The light at the end of the tunnel is not a train," said Porritt.

Nationally, the outlook is positive. "I think government action, if not done properly, could help, or

hurt, depending on the decisions that are made," said Hall.

Both Porritt and Janowiecki expressed excitement over a thawing financial market, with banks more willing to loan, contributing to sales.

"We just have to keep pushing," said Hall. "If people take care of their customers real well, people will keep coming back."



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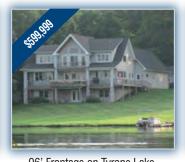


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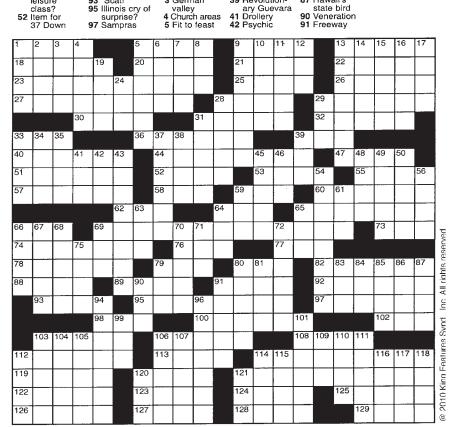
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#### NOTICE ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS ANNUAL DECEMBER 2010 BOARD OF REVIEW

The Argentine Township Board of Review will hold its annual December meeting as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, December 14, 2010

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

Argentine Township Hall PLACE:

9048 Silver Lake Road Linden, MI 48451 (810) 735-5050

Purpose: To correct any of the following errors in assessments and tax rates:

- A clerical error, such as an erroneous posting of an assessment as \$250,000 when it should have been \$25,000
- A mutual mistake, such as a building being assessed to the wrong descrip-
- A mistake in the millage rates, such as levying 32 mills instead of 30.2 mills
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- To review claims of qualified homestead on properties
- To review hardship/poverty claims

Denise Graves, Clerk Argentine Township

#### **HOLLY TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF** ANNUAL DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW

The Holly Township Board of Review will hold its annual December meeting as follows:

Tuesday, December 14, 2010 DATE:

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Holly Township Hall

102 Civic Drive

Holly, Michigan 48442 248-634-9331 Ext. 304

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a debt. Any information obtained will be

used for this purpose. If you are in the

Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the

conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Joyce Hall, A Single Woman to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc,

its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 28, 2007 and recorded July 5, 2007 in Instrument # 200707050055117 Genesee County

2007/0/05005117 Genesee County
Records, Michigan. Said mortgage
was assigned to: BAC Home Loans
Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home
Loans Servicing LP, by assignment
dated November 12, 2010 and
recorded November 17, 2010 in
Instrument # 201011170077490 on

which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars and Sixty-One Cents (\$66,524.61) including interest

7% per annum. Under the power of the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that

said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at

10:00AM on January 5, 2011 Said premises are situated in **Township** 

of Mount Morris, Genesee County Michigan, and are described as: Lo

460 of Arlington Manor No. 7, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Liber 35, Page 9, Genesee County Records. Commonly known as

1246 Flamingo Dr, Mount Morris MI 48458 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such

sale, unless determined abandoned

in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required

by MCI 600 3241a(c) whichever is later. Dated: 12/05/2010 BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP Assignee

of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 10-32593

Mortgage Company, Inc. Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester

Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 10-32720

#### Legal **Notices**

FORECLOSURE NOTICE FORECLOSURE NOTICE Inis firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of certain mortgage made by Robert a certain mortgage made by: Rober Kern, An Unmarried Man to **Polaris** Kern, An Unmarried Man to Polaris Home Funding Corp., Mortgagee, dated March 1, 2007 and recorded March 7, 2007 in Instrument # 200703070023591 Genesee County Records, Michigan Said mort-gage was subsequently assigned through mesne assignments to: Nationstar Mortgage LLC. on through mesne assignments to: Nationstar Mortgage LLC, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Sixty-Three Cents (\$53,277.63) including interest 7.75% per anum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, some part of them, at public vendue Circuit Court of Genesee County a Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on December 22, 2010 Said premises are situated in Town-ship of Genesee, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 279 and the West 25 feet of Lot 278, 279 and the West 25 feet of Lot 278, of Dixie Hills, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Liber 13, Page 15, Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 1065 Corydon Dr, Mount Morris MI 48458 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless deter-mixed abandoned in unless deter-mined abandoned ir accordance with MCL 600.3241 or accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 11/21/2010 Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Assignee of Mortgage e Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochster Hills MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 10-33071
Ad #7391: 2010-11-21 2010-11-28, 2010-12-05 2010-12-12

FORECLOSURE NOTICE for the collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. tained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Boby Hetzel and Rebecca Hetzel, both Single Women as Joint Tenants with Rights of Survivorship and George Hetzel, a Single Man to CitiMortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated January 30, 2004 and recorded June 18, 2004 in Instrument # 20040518006683 Genesee County Records, Michigan on strument # 200405180066863 Gen-esee County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand One Hun-dred Six Dollars and Eighty-Five Cents (\$81,106.85) including inter-est 5.875% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mort-rage and the statute in such case gage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mort-gage will be fore-closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on December 22, 2010 Said premises are situated in Township of Thetford, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning 875.5 feet North of the Southeast corner of the Northeast fractional one-quarter of North of the Southeast corner of the Northeast fractional one-quarter of Section 5, Township 9 North, Range 7 East, thence West 40 rods; thence North 114.5 feet; thence East 40 rods; thence South 114.5 feet to the Place of Beginning. Commonly known as 14343 N Bray Rd, Clio MI 48420 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice re-quired by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 11/21/2010 CitiMortgage, Inc. Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, PC. 811 South Blvd, Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 10-31945

Ad #7372: 2010-11-21 2010-11-28, 2010-12-05 2010-12-12

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NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any infor mation obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. Not-withstanding, if the debt secured by this property was discharged in a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy proceeding this notice is NOT an attempt to colle that debt. You are presently in defaul under your Mortgage Security Agree ment, and the Mortgage Holder may be contemplating the commencement of foreclosure proceedings under the terms of that Agreement and Michigan law. You have no legal obligation to pay amounts due under the discharged note. A loan modification may not serve to revive that obligation. However, in the event you wish to explore options that may avert foreclosure, please contact our office at the number listed below. Attention: The following notice shall apply only if the property encumbered by the mortgage described below is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7cc of the general prop-erty tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7cc. Attention Jeffrey & Colleen Nearing, regarding the property at 739 Maple Street, Mount Morris MI. The following notice does **not apply** if you have pre-viously agreed to modify the mortgage loan under section 3205b. 3205a, 3205b and 3205c do not apply unless the terms of the modified mortgage loan entered into were complied with for one year after the date of the modification. You have the right to request a meeting with your mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. Potestivo & Associates, P.C. is the designee with authority to make agree nents under MCL 600.3205b and MCL 600.3205c, and can be contacted at: 811 South Blvd., Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123. You may also contact a housing counselor. For more information, contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) by visiting www.michigan gov/mshda or calling (866) 946-7432. If you request a meeting with Potestivo & Associates, P.C. within 14 days after the notice required under MCL 600.3205a(1) is mailed, then foreclosure proceedings will not commence until at least 90 days after the date said notice was mailed. If an agreement to modify the mortgage loan is reached and you abide by the terms of the agreement, the mortgage will not be foreclosed. You have the right to contact an attorney and can obtain contact information through the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Re-ferral Service at (800) 968-0738. Dated: 12/12/2010. Potestivo & Associates. P.C 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rocheste Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 informa tion may be faxed to (248)267-3004 Attention: Loss Mitigation Our File No

Ad #7971: 2010-12-12

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Ad #7725: 2010-12-05 2010-12-12. 2010-12-19 2010-12-26

10-32279

#### **BY DAVID UFFINGTON**

## Dollars & SENSE

#### **GIFT CARD PROS AND CONS**

For many who do last-minute holiday shopping, speed is essential. There's no more time to ponder and compare and wander the aisles looking for the perfect gift.

Gift cards can be a fast purchase, but you still need to take a little care. Consider the recipient's interests. Teenagers might appreciate a gift card to a music store. Handy homeowners will use a gift card to the local hardware store. For women, if you can find an all-mall card, so much the better.

However, not all gift cards are alike. While the industry used to be guilty of abuse with gift-card expiration dates and fees, new rules this year force merchants to keep the cards (and the balance) active for five years. If there are per-purchase fees, they must be written on the package. Balance carry-over fees can't be assessed until the card has been used at least once. After that, however, fees can be assessed once a month, and there's nothing to limit the amount of fees that can be charged for that.

If the card is lost, there's no guarantee you can get a replacement, even with your receipt. If you can get a replacement, there are sure to be fees. Do your homework and be sure what you're getting.

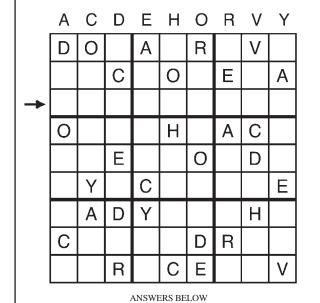
There are new warnings out this year about pre-loaded gift cards you take off the rack: There might not be any money

#### **BY LINDA THISTLE**

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# etter 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.



there by the time your recipient uses them. Scammers have figured out how to read the code on a card, call the toll-free number on the back. and then spend that money. Instead of buying a pre-loaded card, get a blank card from a clerk or customer services and have the amount loaded while you wait. Then hold on to your receipt in case something

For the Internet-savvy recipient, consider an e-gift card, also known as a virtual gift card. You e-mail a special code to the recipient, who prints it out and takes it to the store. It

happens.

spends just like a plastic gift card.

Be careful of the store: If it goes bankrupt, the gift cards you buy might be worthless.

Consider giving cash instead. While it's thought that nearly 30 percent of gift cards go unused every year, nobody loses track of cash.

David Uffington regrets that he cannot personally answer reader questions, but will incorporate them into his column whenever possible. Write to him in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mail to columnreply@ gmail.com

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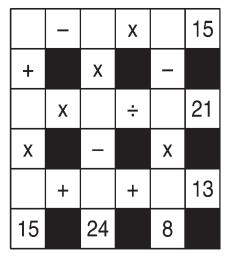
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# FIGU

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

#### DIFFICULTY: \*\*

**★** Moderate ★★ Difficult ★★★ GO FIGURE!



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

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Michigan and took the following actions.

2. Approved the agenda as amended.

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**BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS** 

**DECEMBER 6, 2010** 

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday December 6, 2010

at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton,

Approved invoices & expenditures for payment in the total amount of

4. Adopted Resolution No. 2010-31, confirming the revised special assessment

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## roll for the Crane Road/Lake Shore Drive Road Improvement Special Assess-5. Conducted a public hearing on the proposed 2011 Fenton Township Budget. Adopted Resolution No. 2010-32, formally adopting the 2011 Fenton Township

1. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

- 7. Approved a Subgrant and Equipment Transfer Agreement with the Genesee County Sheriff Department regarding future equipment acquisitions funded by
- 8. Approved a 2011 GIS Services Agreement with North Arrow Technologies, Inc.
- Re-appointed K.C. Baran to the Fenton Township Zoning Board of Appeals for the term ending 11/30/13.
- Re-appointed James Cady to the Fenton Township Zoning Board of Appeals for the term ending 11/30/13. 11. Appointed Andrew Marko to the Fenton Township Zoning Board of Appeals for
- 12. Appointed Trustee Robert Kesler, Clerk Robert Krug and resident Vince Lorraine to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance as Fenton Township's primary representative, alternate representative and citizen representative,
- 13. Appointed Trustee Robert Kesler to the Genesee County Storm Water Advisory Committee and Supervisor Bonnie Mathis to the Genesee County Storm Water New Construction Standards Subcommittee.
- Postponed action on a proposed 3-year extension to AT&T's METRO Act Right of Way Permit.
- 15. Adjourned at 8:45 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.

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overlooking large pine trees in every direction.
Huge 4+ car garage with large workshop area,
2 bedrooms, 2 full bathrooms, fireplace in great
room, 1st floor laundry, 1st floor bedroom,
Florida room and deck.

**\$1,200**Call Shelia Rhoades 810-348-7357



#### FENTON TOWNSHIP

16155 Aspen Hollow Drive
The Crossing of Silver Ridge.
Sharp corner lot located in. Great layout,
3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 1st floor laundry,
central air, gas fireplace in family room, finished
lower level with full bath, 2082+ sq. ft., fenced
yard, lawn sprinkler, large in-ground pool

**\$199,900**Call Cam Gonzales 810-348-4076



#### **AUBURN HILLS** Lakefront on Lantern Lake, no wake!

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#### DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP

6320 Bennett Lake Road 6320 Bennett Lake Hoda
Watch the morning sunrise on your spacious
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for entertaining, 2.5 baths, 1st floor laundry, gas
fireplace in dining room and great room, built-in sound system, finished lower level walkout, in-law apartment, fenced yard and 26x30 garage.

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#### DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP

6325 Bennett Lake Road Great 2 story house for a large family on over one acre.
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#### HOLLY TOWNSHIP

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This spacious 4 bedroom ranch, 3 full baths, CA, 3 Fireplaces, 2 kitchens, wet bar, +2517 sq. ft. in finished walkout basement, 2 car garage, dock, gazebo and much more.

\$795,000 Call Patrik Welty 810-750-2300



#### **FENTON TOWNSHIP**

Huge home for a large family, all rooms a very generous in size, hardwood flooring in kitchen and formal dining, 3 bedrooms on 2nd floor and 1 bedroom on the main floor, 2 full baths, 1st floor laundry, 2800 sq. ft. and large 3 car garage all on one acre of land. Lake access site for swimming and enjoying the water. Priced to sell.

**\$125,000**Call Deb Wargo 810-569-1444



#### NORTH BRANCH

4949 Millis Road Renovations just completed in this rare find, vintage, "Sears & Roebuck"

home. New roof, siding, hardwood floor, kitchen, bath, mechanics and more. Sunroom with built in storage offers stone gas fireplace, cathedral ceiling and hardwood floor.

All nestled on 4 acres with pole barn, 2 car garage/barn/workshop and garden shed

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#### FENTON TOWNSHIP

Master bedroom has ceramic tile, Jet tub and walk-in closet, 2 full bathrooms, hardwood floor in kitchen and dining rooms, gas fireplace in living room, central air, 1588 sq. ft. Unfinished basement with walkout, 2 car garage and nice 17x14 deck overlooking a creek and wooded area.

**\$149,900**Call Patrik Welty 810-750-2300



TYRONE TOWNSHIP
10468 Hillcrest
Custom built home with 2x6 walls and
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#### TYRONE TOWNSHIP

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#### **FENTON**

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Beautiful lot on the Shiawassee River. 3 bedroom ranch offers good square footage Great location near schools, expressway and downtown area.

\$38,000



FLINT
3818 Herrick Street
1.5 Story home
with 3 bedrooms, 1 full bathroom and 2 half baths, central air. 1517 sq. ft. Unfinished basement, garage and fenced yard. \$18,500

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#### OREGON TOWNSHIP

2487 Springfield Drive
Very well maintained 2 story home
on the cul-de-sac in the Hidden Valley Sub. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, central air, appliances, full basement, 1387 sq. ft., above ground pool, deck and 2 car garage. \$129,900



#### FLINT

1951 Laurel Oak Drive
2 Story Townhouse with spacious floor plan, 3 bedrooms and 1.5 baths, 1st floor laundry, gas fireplace in family room, central air, full basement and garage.

\$49.900 Call Patrik Welty 810-750-2300



#### FENTON TOWNSHIP

13111 Torrey Road
Sparkling Shore Frontage
on Lake Fenton on popular Crane's Cove. Unique cottage with 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, cathedral ceiling in kitchen, heated sun room, 1st floor laundry, 750 sq. ft., +375 in finished basement and deck. Updates decks, dock, seawall, electrical and kitchen.

\$269,000 Call Margie Henwood 810-397-1295



BURTON
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Grand Blanc Schools. Home qualifies for
the USEPA energy star rating and MI 5 star
rating. 3 bedroom ranch, built in 2000 cathedral ceilings in the great room, 2.5 bathroom, 1st floor laundry, CA, 1646 sq. ft. + 1000 sq. ft. in finished lower level walkout with wet bar, half bath recreation room for entertaining and large deck, hot tub, 2 car garage, and pond with dock facility.

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#### GARBAGE

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of Flint. The only thing that would change, if the city Summary

changes to Republic Services, would be the color of the trucks.

Republic Services' proposal would save the city \$21,000 in the first year of the contract, he said.

recycling in 20 years.

Services. On the other hand, Waste Management would give Fenton around \$5,000 for

recycling revenue, said Joe Denczek, of Waste Management, based in Lennon. Councilman Benjamin Smith said the \$5,000 for recycling would cut the price difference between the two firms to \$15,000. But, Fenton hasn't seen

revenue from Waste Management for

Resident Cherie Smith said almost \$21,000 is not "chump change." Although the city manager said this sav-

ings couldn't be used for funding Fenton's police dispatch, Smith believes the city needs to look at the savings.

"We are talking cuts," she said. "I believe we need to look at it."

garbage pickup in the Whether or not the savings on solid waste removal could help fund police dispatch, it would still go into Fenton's general fund, Benjamin Smith said.

> Denczek said Waste Management has donated money for Fenton's community center and made donations to the city's fireworks, Christmas festival and Shiawassee River cleanup.

> "We also want to be involved in the community," Hicks said. "That's just as important as collecting the trash."

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of the White Mountain Range, in Wyoming. Until she was captured in November 2009, Mokha and her herd fended for themselves and roamed free, descendants of horses brought to North America by the Spanish. Mustangs' ancestors escaped or were lost, labeled "mestenos" (Spanish for ownerless or stray horses). "Mustang" comes from the Spanish "mesteno."

Native Americans captured some of the mustangs for their own use. Mustangs became part of their heritage, and part of the history of the American West. "These horses are so agile," he said. "They go places the mountain goats don't even go.

"The weak ones out there die off."

Whalen, a Native American descended from the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, decided to adopt a wild horse through the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). He saw a photograph of Mokha and fell in love. "I just liked how she looked," he said. "Her eyes were really soft-looking. She was really relaxed."

He won an online bidding war for the horse, which has an unusual, buckskin paint color. A BLM representative telephoned him right away to let him know he was Mokha's new owner. Although someone else picked up Mokha, Whalen eventually got the tangle straightened out and went to Midland with a friend to get his horse.

He changed the spelling of Mokha's name from "Mocha," since there is no "c" in the Chippewas' language. Despite her wild upbringing, Mokha is fitting in well with Whalen and his other horse, Apache.

When she arrived at Whalen's home in Byron, Mokha would eat only grass, because that's what she knew about, he



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO Byron resident Ed Whalen releases his horse, Mokha, into her new surroundings.

said. Now, she will eat out of his hand. She even made an appearance with Whalen at the Pioneer Day Fall Festival in September, at the Podunk House Pioneer Museum in Fenton Township. At the event, Whalen rode Apache and someone else led Mokha.

He hopes to train her for riding one day. Whalen has been reading books about mustangs, including one first printed in 1827 that is "about as thick as a comic book," he said. It's full of good, common sense, like not trying to drag the horse because it lets the animal know it's stronger than the trainer is. In addition, wild horses greet each other by blowing into each other's nostrils.

"I tried it," Whalen said. "She popped her head up and blew right back into mine."

It's a neat experience having a mustang, he said. "They know what you want them to do, but they may not do it. She's kind of bossy, in a real subtle way."

#### **ABOUT THE WILD HORSE AND BURRO ADOPTION PROGRAM**

The Bureau of Land Management estimates around 38,400 wild horses and burros (about 33,700 horses and 4,700 burros) are roaming BLM-managed rangelands in 10 Western states based on the latest data available, compiled as of Feb. 28.

Wild horses and burros have virtually no natural predators, and their herd sizes can double about every four years. Thus, the agency must remove thousands of animals from the range each year to control herd sizes. Animals are sold for adoption, with proceeds benefiting the adoption

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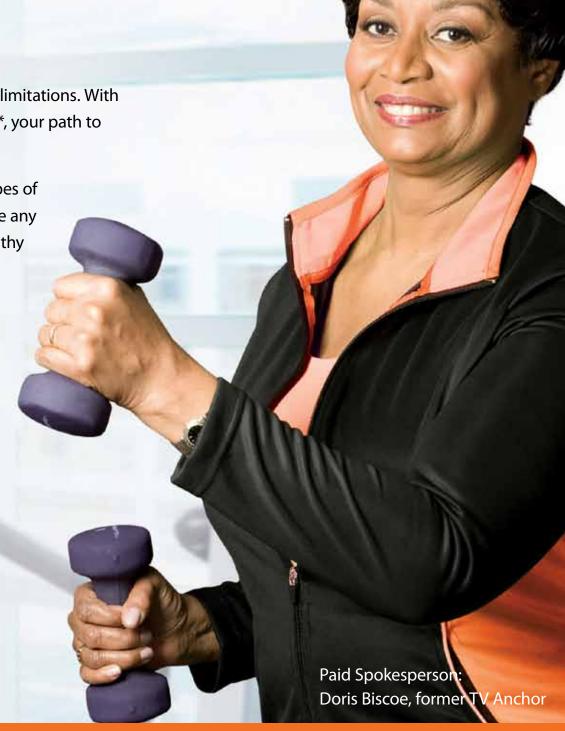
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#### **SHOVEL**

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change the rotor, it converts into a broom, which can be used to clear leaves, dirt and other debris.

In reviews, customers have commented that the power shovel is very easy and convenient to use, as long as the wind is blowing in the right direction.

Locally, The Home Depot carries Toro products and has a few left in stock, as well as online. They can be purchased online at The Sears Hometown Store in Fenton or at Taylor Hardware.

Stewart Grove, of Tyrone Township, bought one of these power shovels prior to last winter and had nearly all favorable things to say about it.

As a self-proclaimed "research freak" Grove spent time researching this product and similar ones, online. He read all the reviews he could find and watched videos as to how it worked. His main reason for wanting one was to clear his sidewalk and wood deck.

"My shovel was tearing up my deck," Grove said.

Grove went to the store and was compelled to buy one. "It cleans but doesn't scratch," he said.

The width of the power shovel, with its small auger, takes snow in and shoots it 20 feet or more, directly out front of the shovel. It's crucial to take note of which way the wind is blowing so that the user does not end up with a face full of snow.

Since the power shovels are used in cold weather and rely on electricity, Grove recommends that anyone using one, also purchase a high-quality extension cord that remains flexible in freezing temperatures.

For his large driveway, Grove still uses his quad with an attached plow, but he and his wife, Gail are sold on the power shovel for the smaller jobs. They no longer have to bend over and push heavy snow. He said he can quickly throw snow from 1-inch to 6- or 8-inches deep without any problems. "It's OK on slushy snow, too. The problem is with ice, though.'

The power shovel throws sticks and any leaves still lingering around, along with the snow. Grove said. It's important to be aware of any animals or people who may be in front of the shovel as they could be struck by flying debris. The weight of the power shovel is not that much more than a good snow shovel, he said.

One thing he is not particularly fond of is the safety switch on the handle. The user must squeeze on the grip to make the shovel throw snow. This can become tiring to the user's hands.

Instead of waiting until there is a foot of snow, Grove suggests that owners use the power shovel frequently. "It's fun to use. It's an easier way to move snow.

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO Bonnie and Arve Viik, of Rose Township, display a leg lamp, from the popular movie, "A Christmas Story," in the front window of their home, instead of a Christmas tree.

### ▶ Favorite Christmas classics and comedies

#### **By Sally Rummel**

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If you start this Sunday, Dec. 12, you could watch "12 Days of Christmas Classics" now through Christmas Eve — taking in some of the most popular, widely watched holiday movies ever made.

What holiday classics would be on your Top 12 list? Maybe some of the movies would be the timeless classics, like "Miracle on 34th Street" and "It's a Wonderful Life," while others might be

generational favorites, such as "Elf," starring Will Ferrell, or "The Santa Clause," starring Tim Allen.

"Elf' is my favorite Christmas movie," admits Jamie Kelmer, of Holly. "I watch it every year."

According to a spokesperson at a video store in Fenton, a modern Disney remake of the original classic, "A Christmas Carol," is the most

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SHARON STONE

Ferne Renwick (left) and Noreen Huff wrap gifts at the wrap-in. Pictured in back are volunteers Gail Ponzetti, Ruth Paulson and Kim Harter.

# Santa's elves busy wrapping gifts

**By Sharon Stone** 

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**Tyrone Twp.** — Several volunteers spread Christmas cheer as they wrapped gifts Thursday afternoon during the 60th Community Wrap-in held at the Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church.

The wrap-in continues the tradition begun by the late Nancy Stockham, 60 years ago. Stockham spent her entire life help-

ing others and her friends and supporters were compelled to keep the tradition alive, in Stockham's honor.

After all the donated gifts were wrapped, gift baskets were made. Volunteers will then give these Christmas gift baskets to needy families in the local community.

Organizer Jan Miller said the turnout was good this year, despite the economy.



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## **Linden Follies delight audience for 15th year**

By Marissa Parks

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The Linden Follies once again delighted the audience at Linden High School last Thursday. This marked the 15<sup>th</sup> year of the event. There were two shows, one at 5 p.m. and at 7 p.m.

Teachers and staff of Linden Community Schools put on the show to raise money for the Christmas Express and Angel Tree, two charities designed to help families in Linden and Argentine Township.

The teachers performed acts from ventriloquism to a glow-in-the-dark interpretive dance to the Beatles hit, "Yellow

Submarine."

The event included 11 acts and a few impromptu performances, as well. Participants danced to a variety of songs, including a remake of Beyonce's hit, "Single Ladies," remade as "Soap and Water," a song about getting clean in the bath.

The finale was a performance of old Motown hits, such as Stevie Wonder's "Signed Sealed Delivered."

The auditorium was filled to the brim with laughing students, parents and many members of the community. A grand total of \$5,100 was raised for the two charities.

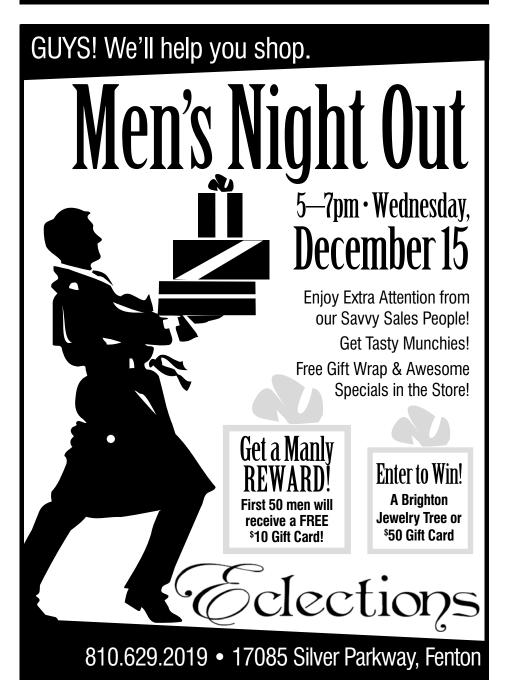
# TYRONE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS HELD DECEMBER 7, 2010

- 1. Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Clerk Keith Kremer, Treasurer Dave Kurtz, Trustees Steve Hasbrouck, Colleen Ameel, Jim Kolhoff and Don Peitz.
- 2. Approved the agenda as amended; approved the consent agenda as presented.
- 3. Received and placed on file Communications #1-2 as presented.
- 4. Approved Tetra Tech's proposal to develop an MDNRE-approved closure plan for the Tyrone Woods sewer lagoon with a cost not to exceed \$1900.00.
- 5. Held initial budget discussion.
- 6. Approved the continuation of the township's current Sunday liquor sales policy.
- 7. Adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The minutes of all regular and special Tyrone Township Board Meetings are on file and may be reviewed at the Tyrone Township Clerk's Office, 10408 Center Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at <a href="https://www.tyronetownship.us.">www.tyronetownship.us.</a> The next regular meeting of the Tyrone Township Board will be held on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.

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#### **MOVIES**

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sought-after movie title this holiday season. While the original one was filmed in 1938, this latest version starring Jim Carrey was released in 2009, and is now available in Blu-Ray and DVD.

If you ask Arve Viik and his wife, Bonnie, of Rose Township, there would be no doubt what movie is at the top of his holiday list every year. It's "A Christmas Story," told from the perspective of a young boy in the '40s, Ralphie Parker, who wanted nothing

more for Christmas than a Red Ryder Carbine Action 200 Shot Range Model Air Rifle, and always heard, "You'll shoot your eye out with that thing!"

In fact, Viik likes that movie so much that his grown sons surprised him two years ago at Christmas with a huge replica of the "Leg Lamp" - complete with fishnet stockings, just like in the movie. "We had seen a small tabletop version of the lamp at a restaurant in Arizona, and my husband fell in love with it," said Bonnie. "But, when our sons surprised Arve with one, it was a giant version, not a little one.'

Because it was the 25th Anniversary of the 1983 "A Christmas Story" two years ago, the lamp reproductions weren't too hard to find. This leg lamp came from New York, where it was ordered, to Washington State where eldest son Arve Jr. lives. The Viiks were staying at their son's for the winter, in their motor home. "We drove the 'Leg

Lamp' all the way across the country back to Michigan in our motor home," said Bonnie. "And, we had two flat tires on our way home, just like the Parkers did in the movie — it must've been the Leg Lamp that brought us all that 'bad luck'!"

During the year, this conversationpiece gift remains somewhat hidden in the family room, but at Christmastime, it holds its own cherished spot in the living room. "In front of the window so everyone can enjoy it," said Bonnie, still amused by the entire episode. "You should have seen Arve when he first got it. He went outside and checked to make sure the leg was standing up good and straight through the window, just like 'Old Man Parker' did in the movie."



While not everyone has a cherished memento of their favorite movie, most people still have holiday classics that means a lot to them at Christmastime.

"Ilove the 1998 movie 'Jack Frost,' starring Michael Keaton and Kelly Preston," said Toni Smith, of Fenton. "But, I also like the classics like Bing Crosby's 'White Christmas.' One of my favorite things to do with my grandchildren is to watch 'Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.""

One of the most popular holiday classics is only a half-hour long and was made for TV in 1965, not for the silver screen. "A Charlie Brown Christmas."

the first prime-time animated TV special based upon the comic strip "Peanuts," by Charles M. Schulz, still melts the hearts of most people who watch it — no matter what their age. The same can be said about "Frosty the Snowman"

— the story of a magical top hat that, when applied to the head of a snowman, brings him to life. It first aired in 1969.

For many people, Christmas isn't Christmas unless they've watched the tearjerker starring

Jimmy Stewart and Donna Reed in "It's a Wonderful Life," which debuted in 1946. About a despondent man who contemplates suicide on Christmas Eve until he is visited by his "guardian angel,"

this movie was initially considered a box-office flop due to high production costs, stiff competition at the time of its release and its negative theme. Since then, the film has come to be regarded as a classic and a staple of Christmas television around the world. Even though it never won an Os-

car, it has earned prominence on the list of Top 100 Films ever made.

Whether you like comedies or classics, there is a Christmas movie to suit your taste. Now you just have to find the time to sit back, relax and pop some popcorn for your own Christmas movie marathon at home.

## Fenton woman wins \$500 shopping spree



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I TIM JAGIELO

On Tuesday, December 7 at 11:30am the Jinglefest \$500 Shopping Spree ticket was drawn by (left) Shelly Day, Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce president and Kelly Hodges, assistant composition manager, Tri-County Times. The lucky winner is Sharon Tinker of Fenton. The Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Tri-County Times were the sponsors and gift cards were donated by Gerych's, Medwar Jewelers, Serendipity Day Spa, Eclections and the French Laundry.

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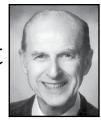
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# Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



#### **Overcome those holiday temptations**

Robert Ozment opened his book, 'But God can,' warning his readers about the universal danger of temptation, writing, 'Temptation is a traveling companion of every person who walks down the corridor of life. It has no regard for custom, race, or heritage. It cuddles up to the rich and the poor. It stands beside the intellectual giant as well as the illiterate. It travels with those who ride in royal coaches, and walks with the peasants. It snuggles up to the saint and grabs the hand of the avowed sinner. Temptation slights no race. It skips no generation. Wherever you find human life, you may be sure temptation is near.'

Since no one is immune to temptation's alluring call, we need to stay alert during times when we're more threatened by its power — to seasons when we're most likely to yield to its faithless reasoning. Consider the temptations of the holiday season.

#### **Spending too much**

We're all stewards of the money we earn and are responsible for the good we can do with it. People of faith are always under the observation of those we owe and those we know as to whether or not we pay our bills on time, whether we practice what



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#### **Eating too much**

One of the most serious health issues of our time is being overweight. And while a number of factors can cause this life-threatening condition, the most likely are simply eating too much and exercising too little.

Interestingly, during the temptation of Jesus, the first test involved food (Matthew 4). Having fasted for 40 days, the challenge of the tempter for Him to turn stones into bread must have been difficult to resist, but every dieter can draw strength from His discipline under those conditions and find faith to overcome.

#### **Complaining too much**

Christmas is getting nearer by the moment, and you're not merry. In your view, Christmas doesn't measure up to those you remember. You're tempted to just skip the season this year. But, instead of longing for the return of Christmases past, why not focus on the positive things happening now?

Carols continue their faith building work, thousands of hungry people are fed and efforts are made to provide homes for those whom like the One born in a stable, have no bedroom of their own. Best of all, the Biblical message of Christmas is unchanged and every temptation is limited to what we can overcome (1 Corinthians 10:13).

Roger Campbell is an author, a columnist and broadcaster who was a pastor for 22 years. He can be reached at rcministry@ameritech.net.

# Business briefs

#### THE STATE BANK PROMOTION

JoAnn Zurek has been promoted to the position of assistant vice president of mortgage underwriting at The State



Bank in Fenton. A resident of Linden, she has worked for the bank for a total of 18 years in the mortgage department. Zurek obtained a bachelor's degree in

business management from Baker College and attends annual training on a variety of mortgage, and lending-related regulatory and compliance topics.

## LOCAL INSURANCE COMPANIES SHARE AWARD

Auto-Owners Insurance has won the J.D. Power and Associates Auto Claims Satisfaction Award for the third consecutive year. The company attributes their success to the involvement of independent agency system in the claims process. Brad Hoffman Insurance Agency, of Fenton, and Addis Insurance Agency, Inc., of Holly, are local independent Auto-Owners Insurance agencies, and are proud to share in this success.



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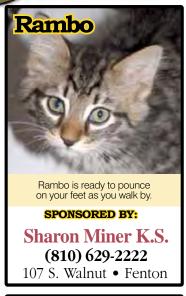
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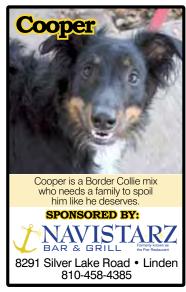








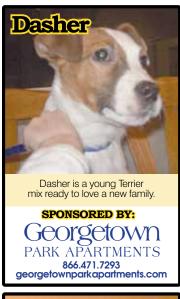










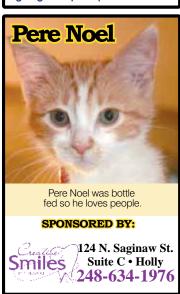






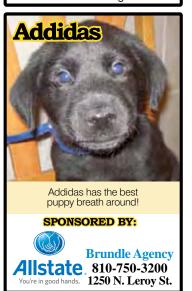














# Look Who's Talking

By Marissa Parks, Tri-County Times Intern

**My name is:** Mason Zysk.

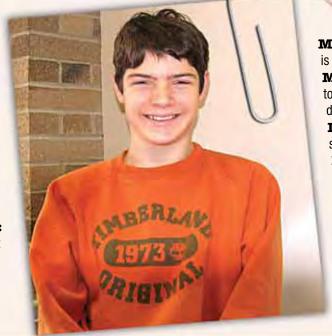
I am: 15 years old.

**My parents are:** Andy and Gloria Zysk. **In my spare time, I enjoy:** playing video games. I like cars and racing games, and playing the piano. I take lessons each week, and I play Christmas songs. I also like playing with my dogs, Jenna and Fay. They're a German short hair and a weimaraner.

**I am involved in school activities such as:** I am not involved in anything for school, but I help my sister Alex. She is in Student Council. I helped her with the pep rally and a blood drive.

The advice I have for younger students is: Turn in your homework, and don't be late. Oh, and don't be a bully.

**My favorite book is:** I like reading mystery books and the Hardy Boys books. My favorite is 'The Hidden Staircase.'



#### **MASON ZYSK**

15-year-old freshman at

LINDEN HIGH SCHOOL

**My favorite sport is:** I like football, and my favorite team is Michigan State.

My favorite family vacation was when: we went to Reno, Nevada. I liked swimming in Lake Tahoe and going down the Truckee in a tube.

I want to be remembered as: the nicest kid in school. I like to help people.

**My favorite movie is:** 'The Incredibles.' I love the part where the boy finds a tunnel, and the fire goes down the tunnel from the rocket ship.

**My favorite classes are:** math and social studies. I really like my teachers, Mrs. McCarthy and Mr. Gagne.

My postgraduate plans include: I'm looking a becoming either a teacher or a crime scene investigator. The fun part of being a teacher would be giving all the kids homework, but being a crime scene investigator, you get to study science and write reports.

# student body

LINDEN HIGH SCHOOL

What is your favorite Christmas Movie?



"'Elf,' I love Will Ferrell."

— Marisa Orfield, senior



"'Nightmare Before Christmas,' I love the blending of the two holidays, and you get to see a darker side to Christmas."

— Kevin George, senior



"'Christmas Story,' it's really funny and just makes you happy and in the holiday spirit."

— Kyle Fisher, senior



"'Elf,' for sure, I watched it three times yesterday."

— Angela Vertolini,



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"'A Muppets Christmas Carol,' it's just hilarious."

— Amy Majorana, senior















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# Obituaries, **Funeral** Services Memoriums

#### **David Cameron Neblock**

1940-2010

David Cameron Neblock age 70, of Rizzitello Lane, Blairsville, GA passed away on Wednesday, November 24, 2010. David was born on October 8, 1940 in St. Louis, Missouri, the son of the late Robert and Mildred Neblock. He graduated from Streator (IL) High School and attended Northern Illinois University. Mr. Neblock served his country as a member of the U.S. Army in Germany during the Vietnam War. A Fenton resident for over 25 years, David owned and operated D & J Consulting. In 2005, he moved to Blairsville where he owned and operated AAA Lawn and Garden. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed golf and bowling. Mr. Neblock was a member of the Fenton United Methodist Church. He was married to Judy Neblock for 39 years. Surviving are his current wife Cheryl Fey Neblock of Blairsville, GA; son Seth Neblock of Lansing, MI; daughter Cheryl (Melvin) Jacobs of Vassar, MI; granddaughter Jessica Jacobs; grandsons Justin and Jeremiah Jacobs; sisters Cynthia (James) Cilek of Mesa, AZ; Shelly (Richard) Elston of Maricopa, AZ; Anne (Frank) Volkman of Streator, IL. Many other relatives and friends also survive. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, December 18, 2010 at 4 PM at the Fenton United Methodist Church Family Life Center. Details of interment at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, MI to be announced at a later date.

#### Norah Wolosuk,

Norah Wolosuk - age 56, died December 4, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



#### Audrey R. **Mitts**

1916-2010

Audrey R. Mitts - age 94, of Pinellas Park, FL, formerly of



Fenton, passed away December 3, 2010. She was born in Detroit, MI and moved to

Florida in 1972 from Fenton, MI, where she and her late husband. Edward. owned and operated Mitts Greenhouse. Audrey later worked as a Licensed Practical Nurse "including many years at Fenton Convalescent Home, where her mother-in-law was a resident." She was a former long time member of the Fenton United Methodist Church, where she was a member of the choir, the Wesley Fellowship, and the Lamplighters. She also served as a Sunday School teacher. She was also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Her smile was ready, sweet, and infectious. She was at all times an affectionate, selfless, and supportive wife and mother. She was deeply devoted to all family members and friends, with whom she shared many happy and fulfilling times. Audrey enjoyed religious, classical and jazz music. In later years, her pastimes still tended to be mentally challenging, as in outsmarting contestants on Jeopardy and consistently winning friendly games of Scrabble. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward B; brothers, Douglas and Clarence Ridholls, and a sister, Doreen Ridholls. Survivors include a son, Edward D "Ted" of New York, NY, a daughter, Mary Anne Shah of Lansing, MI; grandchildren, Sabrina Wilcox and Andrew Shah, and great-grandchildren, Sakari and Reina Wilcox. Funeral Service will be Monday, 2 PM at Temrowski Family Funeral Home, 500 Main St., Fenton. Friends may visit beginning at 12:30 PM. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



#### Dora **Eby**

1918-2010

Dora Eby - age 92, of Fenton, died December



9, 2010. Beloved wife of the late John F., Dear mother of Michael (Susan)

Eby of Fenton, Dianne (Mike) Stubbs of Fenton. Loving grandmother of Elizabeth (Doug) Eby Tobias, Joseph (Tammy) Eby, Sara Eby, Katherine Eby, Amanda Eby (EJ Hamacher), Deborah (Nick) Sioma, Mark (Melissa) Stubbs and John (Jamie) Stubbs. Great-grandmother of Aaron, Anna, Alex, Joshua, Zachary, Sophie, Ali, Jake, Tyler and Colt. Dora and her husband John F. owned and operated Eby Homecenter beginning in 1958. She was a dedicated volunteer at the Fenton Library, and has been a long time member of the First Baptist Church of Fenton. She enjoyed needle work and reading. A memorial service will be Saturday, December 11, 2010 at 12 noon at the First Baptist Church of Fenton, 860 North Leroy St. Friends may visit beginning at 10 AM. Pastor Josh Gates officiating. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the First Baptist Church or to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Share memories at www. temrowskifamilyfuneralh ome.com



#### Paul Ray, Jr.,

Paul Ray, Jr. - age 68, died December 6, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.





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#### Carl D. "Red and **Cotton**" Newell

1923-2010 Carl D. "Red and Cotton"



away peacefully Thursday, December 9, 2010 at

his residence. Funeral services will be held 11 AM Wednesday, December 15, 2010 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St, Linden, with Pastor Donald Neuville officiating. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Tuesday from 4-9 PM. A Masonic service will be held 7 PM Tuesday at the funeral home. Those desiring may make contributions to the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Carl was born October 13, 1923 in Craighead County, AR, the son of George W. and Ethel T. (Mathis) Newell. He married Charlcie "Pat" Jones February 23, 1946 in Arkansas. He retired from GM Plant 2 after 24 years of service. Carl was a member of the Linden Masonic Lodge #132 F.&A.M., the Shrine, Linden Presbyterian Church. United Way, Great Northern Raccoon Club, president of the Linden United Way, Salvation Army, Children's Diabetes, March of Dimes, coached Little League in Linden and helped get it sanctioned, sold newspapers for the Shriners, he assisted in raising money after the Jonesboro school shooting and was currently working to raise money for Shriners Burn Hospital. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and he trained his own Blue Tick dogs for hunting raccoons and bear up north. Surviving are: wife, Charlcie "Pat"; 2 sons, Larry Newell of Argentine and Nelse Newell of Linden; 7 grandchildren, Stacie and husband Chris Ward, Amanda Miller, Donald Miller III, Nickolas and wife Linda Newell, Heather Newell, Cody Newell and Tyler Newell; 2 great grandchildren, Brent Roberts



and Megan Roberts; 1

great-great granddaughter.

Nika Marie Hurd. He was

preceded in death by his daughter, E. Janette Miller;

3 brothers and a sister. On-

line tributes may be posted

on the obituaries page of

www.sharpfuneralhomes.

#### Mary L. **Parkin** 1921-2010

Mary L. Parkin - a long time resident of Dauner Haus in



Fenton, died December 6, 2010, at Fenton Extended Care. She was 89 years

of age. Mary is the beloved wife of the late John Parkin. She is survived by her daughter, Peggy (the late Russell) Pettigrew; grandchildren, Terry and Joseph, Russell Jr., John (Marcie), Joseph, Jim, and Jay; great-grandchildren, Kristina, Joseph, Bailey, and Andy (Danielle); many great-great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Nancy Parkin; and many friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, John; son, Robert Parkin and daughter, Patricia Parkin. A memorial service will be held Friday, December 17, 2010 at 4 PM at Temrowski Family Funeral Home, 500 Main Street, Fenton. Friends may gather from 2 PM until the time of her service. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or to the American Cancer Society. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

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#### Richard Asp,

Richard Asp - age 86, died December 4, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



#### **Richard Philips,**

Richard Philips - age 81, died December 7, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



#### Virginia LeGault,

Virginia LeGault - age 86, died December 7, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



#### **Classifieds SUNDAY DEADLINES**

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#### **Dorothy** MacDonald,

Dorothy MacDonald - age 94, died December 6, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



#### William Wilson,

William Wilson - age 54, died December 4, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



#### **Arlene Shell.**

Arlene Shell - age 91, died December 4, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



#### **Carl Froberg,**

Carl Froberg - age 81, died December 9, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



#### **Ernest Cauther,**

Ernest Cauther - age 89, died December 6, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



#### LeRov Wilson.

LeRoy Wilson - age 63, died December 4, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



#### Lillian Moore,

Lillian Moore - age 95, died December 7, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



#### **Melvin Hawley,**

Melvin Hawley - died December 7, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral



#### Michael Horgan,

Michael Horgan - age 63, died December 6, 2010. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



# Web Poll

Should the city of Fenton come up with the funding to keep its 911 dispatch for police fire and ambulance or switch to Genesee County Dispatch?

Cast your vote at www.tctimes.com

- O Keep Fenton 911 dispatch
- O Switch to Genesee County
- O I don't really care

BY SAMANTHA WEAVER

- It was French playwright Albert Guinon who made the following sage observation: "There are people who, instead of listening to what is being said to them, are already listening to what they are going to say themselves.
- Most people at all familiar with the name Max Schmeling know him as the Great Nazi Hope, the boxer produced by Adolf Hitler in the 1930s to defeat Joe Louis, supposedly proving Aryan superiority. (He did défeat Louis in á match in 1936, though he lost a rematch in 1938.) What most people don't realize, though, is that Schmeling did not subscribe to Hitler's beliefs -- he wasn't even a member of the Nazi party. In fact, during World War II, Schmeling risked his life to save two Jewish children.
- For reasons that are unclear now, the Supreme Court in 1893 declared that a plant eaten during a main course was a vegetable and one eaten afterward was a fruit.
- What do King Henry VIII, science-fiction author H.G. Wells, English naturalist Charles Darwin, American author Edgar Allan Poe and composer Sergey Rachmaninoff have in common? They all married their cousins.
- The 1958 film "Gigi," starring Leslie Caron and Maurice Chevalier, has the distinction of having the shortest title of any film to win the Academy Award for Best Picture.
- The home of sitting U.S. presidents, the White House, didn't become widely known as the White House until 1902, during Theodore Roosevelt's term in office. The building was originally called the President's Palace, but the word "palace" was deemed to be too royal-sounding, so the name was changed to the Executive Mansion

**BY JOANN DERSON** 

## Now here's a TIP

- "Sew buttons on the top wrist area of gloves or mittens for children (works for adults, too!). They can be buttoned to a coat or pocket. They stay attached, and it's easier for kids to unbutton gloves than to unpin them. On my children's jackets that have no buttons, I sewed a small strip of fleece into the pocket with a buttonhole on it.' -- G.S. in Canada
- When camping, use this important tip: Store toilet paper in a coffee can with a lid. It's watertight -- no dampness will ruin your TP.
- "I like pretty buttons, and I use them to keep track of my earrings. I pin a pair of earrings through the holes of a button, and store them all in a bowl. This way, I get to enjoy both the

buttons and the earrings." -- C.L. in Virginia

- "I hang a bag of clothespins in our laundry closet. When adding an item to the basket, I (or my family members) clip a clothespin to any areas that need extra attention. We do this if there's a stain, or if it needs to be dry-cleaned or hand-washed, for example." -- P.L., via e-mail
- To make a bottle of travel nail-polish remover, start with a clean film canister or airtight medicine bottle. Stuff it with a foam hair roller (with a hole in the middle) that's cut to fit the bottle. Saturate the foam with nailpolish remover. To use, just stick one finger at a time down in the hole in the roller. Move finger up and down to "scrub" the polish off. This works really well

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# **Spend Christmas Eve with Us** First Presbyterian Church of Fenton

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Candlelight Family Service • 7:00 p.m. **Service of Lessons** 



and Carols • 11:00 p.m. Pastor Dale Swihart Larry McMellen, Parish Associate

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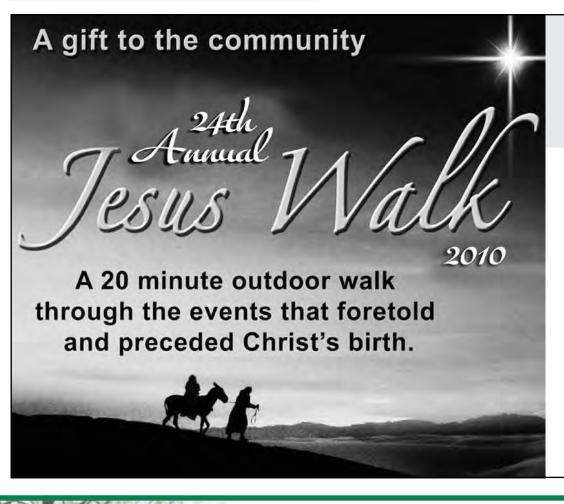
#### **VILLAGE OF HOLLY** NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Holly will be accepting sealed bids for a three-year Towing/Wrecker/Impounded vehicle storage services bid. Bid documents, specifications and information may be obtained by contacting the Village Office at 248-634-9571. Sealed bids opened at 2:00 PM on January 4, 2011. The Village reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any irregularities and/ or accept any bid should it be deemed in the best interest of the village to do so.

Susan C. Nassar, Clerk-Treasurer



Publish: Sunday, December 12, 2010



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# **Hang an Ornament in Memory of a Loved One.**

The Oakwood Cemetery Board is sponsoring a

# **Memory Tree**

Now through December 25, the Oakwood Cemetery is having a Memory Tree for the public to hang an ornament to honor a loved one's memory who is deceased or living. Or perhaps someone in the military.

## The Memory Tree is located on Chapel Hill

(straight in front of the main gate)

Ornaments may be store-bought or homemade (no glass please). Write a special message or just their name, for a perfect memory. If you are in need of an ornament, Sharp Funeral Home at 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton will have a limited supply available.



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# viewpoint

Rollie Gackstetter chief of police, Holly Village



In January 2006, I was given a great opportunity to become the chief of police for the village of Holly. From the start, I knew I wanted to serve up to five years, and to be able to say that I left the department better off than I found it.

I take pride that over the course of five years the department closed the

books under budget every year and is more engaged in the community than ever before. Every member of the department has contributed to our success.

I often hear people say, 'Why do we have so many more police now, do we really need them?' The police department has had the same number of police officers for the past 12 years. There has been no increase.

Someone will ask, 'Why do we have so many more police cars?' The police department operates a fleet of eight cars, fewer now, than five years ago. We have also implemented a fleet management system that has reduced maintenance and

operating costs while fielding quality equipment.

I like to believe that the Holly police department is a victim of its own success. The department is more visible, more engaged, more service-oriented than in the past and has the same resources, and the same budget as it did in 2005.

The department has been reinvented over the past five years into a capable, well-equipped, highly skilled, fiscally responsible and fully accountable law enforcement agency.

The many accomplishments would not have been possible without the guidance of the Village Council, commitment and support from the community, and the dedication of the men and women who are the Holly police department.

I am grateful for the opportunity to have been a part of this transformation, helping to make the department a valuable asset for the future, for building a positive reputation and creating an organization the employees and citizens can be proud of.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve, and for all your support in getting the hard work done.

I will always take pride in my service with the Holly PD. I am confident the members of the department are committed to building a future of professionalism and service.



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<u>of Fenton</u>

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of Fenton



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# News briefs

## Board listens to presentation on World Language Program

Fenton Area Public Schools' (FAPS) Board of Education heard a presentation on the district's World Language Program, at Monday's meeting. The program is getting better and better, Superintendent Timothy Jalkanen said. Fenton schools' World Language Program starts out in second grade, with Spanish. Beginning in middle school, students have the opportunity to take French or Spanish, and the program extends through high school.

## Fenton school district updates smoking policy

The Fenton school district has updated its policy, to reflect the Michigan smoking ban in public places. School property was "nonsmoking" before, so there is no change, Superintendent Timothy Jalkanen said. However, the district is updating its policy to reflect state laws regarding smoking.

# WHAT IS YOUR BEST SELLING GIFT FOR CHRISTMAS?

Compiled by Marissa Parks



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# KAREN PIACENTINI OPEN BOOK

A Creature was Stirring,' 'Small Medium Large,' 'Merry Christmas Stinky Face,' and 'Stranger in the Woods' are all wonderful books

for kids. For adults, 'Unbroken,' 'Decision Points,' George Bush's new book; and Oprah's latest pick, 'A Tale of Two Cities.' We also have a multitude of wonderful Christmas stories."



## **Tuesday, Dec. 14**Fenton American Legion Post #38 will

hold a dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 14, at John's Pizzeria Restaurant in Fenton.

In a devastating event where you lose personal property—trying to recall from memory what you had and it's worth, can be difficult.

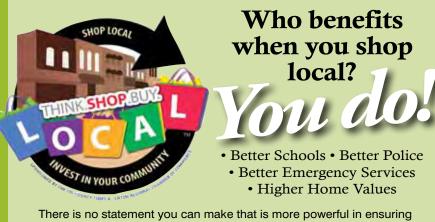
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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SALLY RUMMEL

Keith Jones recently moved his State Farm Insurance office to its new location at 2425 Owen Rd., Ste. B, just east of Lasco Ford in Fenton.

# **Keith Jones moves State Farm** office to 'auto corridor' in Fenton

**By Sally Rummel** 

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

Keith Jones of Fenton has been a State Farm Insurance agent for almost 30 years, and now has a new, more accessible office for his clients.

He moved Nov. 30 to his new office at 2425 Owen Rd., Ste. B., sharing a building with Sonoma Dental, both located immediately east of Lasco Ford in Fenton. "State Farm is the largest insurer of cars in the United States, with more than 40 million vehicles," said Jones. "It will be very convenient for customers at this new location near many of Fenton's automotive dealerships."

While State Farm is well known for its auto and home insurance policies, it's also very strong in life and health insurance, as well as banking and financial products. In addition to being a licensed State Farms 'select" agent, Jones is a registered representative for State Farm VP Management Corp., which offers mutual funds and other financial options.

His office includes the professional practices of four other licensed State Farm agents. Business hours are Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., with evening and Saturday appointments available. For more information, contact Jones at (810) 750-6300.

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#### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Fenton 56, Linden 19 Holly 54, Brandon 30 Monday's Games **Swartz Creek at Linden** Tuesday's Games Fenton at Brandon Holly at Clio

## Kearsley/Holly co-op crushes Port Huron, 8-4 **By David Troppens**

dtroppens@tctimes.com

The Kearsley/Holly co-op varsity hockey team erased any question of a victor in its contest with Port Huron pretty early on Wednesday.

The Hornets (2-2-1) scored three goals in the first period, eventually earning an 8-4 victory at Perani Arena.

The contest marked the most goals scored by the Hornets in a game all season long.

**SPORTS TRIVIA** 

"We played well," coach Bill O'Bryan said. "All of our lines played well. We won our oneon-one battles in the corner, we played the system well and stayed out of the penalty box."

The biggest beneficiary was Joel Huber. Huber scored a hat trick and also dished assists on two of the other five goals. Meanwhile, Jordan Orth and Kody Kenney had two goals each. Kody Eddy scored the coop's only other goal.

Port Huron never led. The Hornets led 5-2 after two periods and outscored the visitors 3-2 in the final 15 minutes.

Kyle McRill, Darren Donnelly and Mitchell Hollingshead each had two assists, while Kenney, Christian Roberts and Jakub Jahni had an assist each.

In net, Tyler Lynch made 12 saves, earning the victory.

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In the 24-second shot clock era, what is the fewest points an NBA team has scored in a game? On April 10, 1999 the Miami Heat defeated the Chicago Bulls 82-49. The Bulls had just 23 points at



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Fenton's Ryan Hickoff (right) tries to grab a rebound with Linden's Brad Farthing also trying to get it. Fenton beat Linden 85-50.

# Fenton cruises past Linden, 85-50

**By David Troppens** 

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Fenton — Ryan Hickoff doesn't worry about his numbers during a basketball game.

He doesn't need to.

The numbers come naturally.

That was the case in the Fenton varsity boys basketball team's 85-50 victory at home against the Linden Eagles on Friday night.

Hickoff was the Tigers' primary star, collecting 26 points, 10 rebounds, four steals and three assists in the victory.

"I don't worry about that. I just play my hardest and then you figure it out at the end of the game (what you did)," Hickoff said. "You just play hard the whole

"(Beating Linden) feels good. We worked hard in practice and it led to our game performance."

Linden (0-2) stuck with Fenton's deeply talented team for about a quarter, trailing just 23-18 at the between-quarter break. However, the second quarter was Linden's demise, making just one field goal during that eight-minute juncture. Meanwhile, led by Ryan's twin brother Dylan Hickoff's nine second-quarter points, Fenton hit on 8-of-18 shots, including two three-pointers. That proficiency allowed the Tigers to take a 42-21 lead into the half. The Tigers were never seriously challenged again.

The Tigers' (2-0) deep talent was proudly displayed against their area rivals with five players scoring double-digits. After Ryan Hickoff's performance, Joseph Eddy provided 12 points, while Dylan Hickoff collected 11 points, eight rebounds, five steals and two assists. Steven Rachor came off the bench to score 11 points, while Charles Herzog had 10 points, five rebounds and two blocks.

Linden's transition game kept them in the game early. A nice Brad Farthing assist on a Jack Plasters layup tied the game at 8-all. Fenton called a time out to address the Linden press, and it paid dividends. Linden turned the ball over on its next three possessions, while Fenton went on to score the game's next six points with its break. The middle two points came on an Eric Mowery assist to Ryan Hickoff. The final two came on a Hickoff assist on a Herzog layin.

The closest Linden came after that was four points three times. The final time came at 20-16 on a fast break hoop by Garrett Callard. However, Hickoff responded with a three-pointer just seconds later.

Fenton scored the first seven points of the second quarter, and it wasn't ever a contest again af-

"I like our defense," Hickoff said. "We are playing really good help defense, and that's what we are focusing on. And we are attacking the basket a lot more."

Linden's top scorer was Kevin Baker, who scored 12 points and collected four rebounds. Max Powell and Plasters finished with nine points.

## Fenton girls pounce on Linden early, 56-19

By David Troppens

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**Fenton** — The Fenton varsity girls basketball team isn't used to losing two games in a row.

And the Tigers did something about their two-game losing streak against their biggest rivals on Friday night.

The Lady Tigers took a 6-0 lead before the first minute of the contest was over and never really let up, defeating the Eagles 56-19 at Fenton High School.

The Tigers looked very much like the seasoned defending Metro League championship team that they are, particularly on defense. Using their press defense, the Tigers forced the Eagles to commit 35 turnovers while hitting just six field goals all night long. Meanwhile, the Tigers did have 26 turnovers themselves, but did net an efficient 19-of-37 shooting from the field.

"We have been practicing a lot, practicing the way we want to play," Fenton's Samantha Granger said. "We wanted to win really bad tonight. We have been working a lot on our press and that helped a lot. We worked on offensive rebounding and that helped more."

The closest the Eagles got after falling behind 6-0 came on a threepoint shot by Brodie Thomas, cutting the gap to 6-3. However, Fenton scored the game's next 10 points, starting with a Jailen Judson layup off a Payton Maxheimer assist. Granger capped the run with a putback hoop off a missed free throw, putting Fenton up 16-3 with 3:20 remaining in the first quarter.

The lead grew to as many as 41 points. The last time was at 56-15 after a putback hoop from Sarah Collier.

The Tigers (1-1, 2-2) had lost each of their last two games, including a Metro League contest with Clio on Monday.

Gabrielle Rivette led Fenton with 13 points, while Granger had 10 points, four steals and four rebounds. Maxheimer and Judson had nine points each. Maxheimer had four steals. Collier had seven points and a team-high nine rebounds. Linden was paced by Thomas' six points. Megan Harp finished with four points.

"We are trying to get a bunch of new kids to learn who is going to score for us and who is going to do what," Linden coach Ben Varner said. "Most of these girls didn't have to score last year. They had other kids that did it. Now they are in a position where they have to do it, and they are struggling."

# Holly boys, girls win; LF defeats Genesee Christian

The Holly varsity boys basketball team's Josh Fugate scored a career-high 23 points, leading the Bronchos to a 56-45 victory against the Brandon Blackhawks Friday night.

Fugate also had six rebounds, as did Nick Stoll. Stoll also had seven points. Matt Beckner came off the bench to score 10 points. He also had five steals. Austin Hopkin chipped in eight points.

For more information on this game, go to www.tctimes.com.

#### **LAKE FENTON 60, GENESEE CHRISTIAN 46**

The Blue Devils (1-0) outscored Genesee Christian 18-5 in the second quarter, pacing the squad to the win.

Sean Canning led Lake Fen-

ton with 15 points, while Mitch Kirk had 14 points. Devin Evans had 12 points.

#### **GIRLS BASKETBALL HOLLY 54, BRANDON 30**

Holly (2-0, 4-0) remained undefeated with the win.

Ashley Xiong scored a teamhigh 16 points, while Allyssa Copley had 13 points and 10 rebounds. Jessica Beeler chipped in seven points and 12 rebounds.

Xiong did more than score points. She chipped in five assists and four steals.

The contest was never very close. Holly led 17-10 after one quarter and 34-20 at the half. Holly iced the game by outscoring Brandon 12-2 in the third quarter.

# Fenton swimmers defeat Powers in season's first dual

#### By David Troppens

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**Fenton** — The Fenton varsity boys swim team has large numbers.

And they already have a victory.
The Tigers defeated Powers 115-66
Tuesday at Fenton High School.

David Congdon and Adam Ransom took part in three victories.

The pair teamed up with Anthony Miceli and Joshua Bryant to win the 200 medley relay (2:00.02), while also teaming up with Zahne Macklin and Bryant in the 400 freestyle relay (4:07.14). Individually, Ransom won the 100 butterfly (1:07.05), while Congdon won the 100 backstroke (1:10.11).

Ken Carbary was the Tigers' only individual double-winner. He won the 200 freestyle (2:12.67) and the 500 freestyle (6:05.79).

Other individual winners for Fenton were Adam Andreski in the 50 freestyle (27.92), Sam Moss in diving and Miceli in the 100 breaststroke (1:18.60).

"It was a good meet," Fenton coach Brad Jones said.

"We had a lot of brand new guys that are getting better by the day. We should, hopefully, be very competitive come championship season."

The Tigers have 34 swimmers, which bodes well for the team. Many of the athletes don't have a ton of swimming experience, but many have played other sports.

"We are very excited going into the Christmas break," Jones said.

"With a roster of 34, this is definitely the largest team I have had in the 11 years I've been here. They are very strong and competitive athletes, which will help turn them into very good swimmers by the end of the season."

Fenton competes against Metro foe Carman-Ainsworth on Tuesday at Fenton High School at 6 p.m.

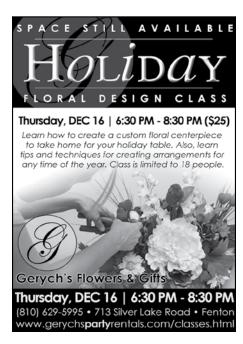
## FENTON & HOLLY AT FENTON CHRISTMAS RELAYS

The Holly Bronchos had three top-four relays at the Fenton-staged event, but the Tigers edged out Holly in the overall standings.

The Tigers took 10th out of the 13-team event with 146 points, while Holly took 11th with 136 points. Hartland's Blue team took first with 374 points.

The Bronchos had two relays finish with third-place performances. The 800 freestyle relay team of Jake Quinnan, Carmain Risi, Garrett Pinagel and Dakota Gordon took third (8:27.11), while the 200 medley relay team of Pinagel, Quinnan, Gordon and Aaron Dehaven placed third as well (1:53.46).

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Fenton's David Congdon does the backstroke in a recent Tigers' event. Fenton holds a 1-1 record. The Tigers have 34 swimmers on the squad, the most in the time Brad Jones has coached the team.

### Linden grapplers compete well vs. state-ranked foes

#### **By David Troppens**

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They were two losses, but the Linden varsity wrestling team can feel reasonably good about its performance.

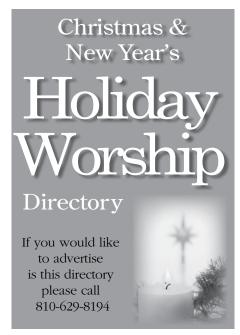
The Eagles took on two stateranked teams and lost a couple of tough matches. The Eagles opened by losing a 45-33 match to Davison, the second-ranked team in the state in Division 1, and then lost to Swan Valley 42-42 based on the criteria that Swan Valley scored more of the first points in the matches. Swan Valley is ranked fifth in Division 3.

The Eagles gave state-power Davison everything it could handle. The Eagles were tied 33-33 after Kyle Fisher (285) defeated Davison's Ryan Hankins by pinfall in 3:01. However, the Eagles lost each of the final two matches by pinfall, earning the Cardinals the win.

Against Swan Valley, each match was decided either by forfeit or pinfall. The Eagles led 36-24 after recording four straight wins during the middle of the match, but Swan Valley responded by winning each of the final three matches by pinfall, setting up the tie and setting up the process of going through the criteria tiebreaker.

There were four double-winners for Linden. They were Shane Stevens (152/160), Jeff Fisher (171), Cliff Coleman (215/285) and Kyle Fisher

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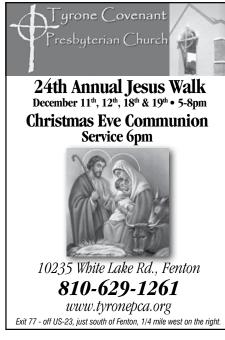
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# Eagles lose heartbreaker in season opener vs. West, 52-50



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Linden's Max Powell (center) finds himself swarmed by Lapeer West's defense in Tuesday's 52-50 season-opening loss. Powell scored three points and had two assists in the contest.

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**Linden** — The Linden varsity boys basketball team wants so badly to prove that the 2010-11 version of the squad isn't what people have seen in the recent past.

Those thoughts, certainly, rest in senior Brad Farthing's mind.

So when the Eagles have a chance to begin that process of changing minds, only to lose a tough game, it's hard to take.

And that was the case during Monday night's opener.

The Linden Eagles saw a nine-point lead with 3:42 remaining in the fourth quarter evaporate, resulting in a hard-to-take 52-50 season-opening loss to Metro League foe Lapeer West at Linden High School.

"We played hard until the last minute and then we gave the game up," said senior Brad Farthing, who was still visibly upset about the loss when discussing it. "We had that game and lost it. I don't know.

"(I feel) pretty bad because people think it's the same old Linden team, that it always is. I don't think it is. We could've easily beat that team."

What was a close game throughout with neither team took a sizeable lead during the first three quarters. However, at the start of the fourth the Eagles became the first team to do just that.

Trailing 35-33 after West's Dakota Resop scored on a drive, Linden's Jack Plasters assisted a Farthing three-pointer, giving the Eagles the 36-35 lead. It also started an 11-2 run that put the Eagles in command.

Perhaps the most entertaining points of the rally came after Max Powell stole a ball and threw the ball quickly downcourt to Farthing. He then made the layup while being fouled. He completed the three-point play, putting

the Eagles up 43-35 with 5:27 remaining. The lead grew to 46-37 on a converted free throw by Powell with only 3:42 remaining in regulation.

However, from there West made its charge. It started with Lapeer East transfer Cullen Turczyn. Turczyn made an acrobatic jumper about 30 seconds later, and followed it with a steal and a three-pointer just eight seconds after his first hoop. Suddenly, the Eagles' lead was down to just 46-42. It was cut to 46-44 with converted free throws by Zeshawn Jones-Parker.

With 2:36 remaining, it looked as though Linden's Kevin Baker may have ended the run with a fastbreak layup and converted free throw, raising the gap back to five, but West continued to push forward, while the Eagles turned the ball over on four of their next five possessions. West broke a 50-50 tie with 25.1 seconds left on a David Price layup, giving Linden one more shot. However, Powell's jumper at the buzzer didn't convert.

"I thought we played pretty good up until the end," Linden coach Denny Hopkins said. "I knew we were going to play hard, and we did. The desire is there. The kids want to stop the losing, and it was a great effort tonight. We just didn't convert when we needed to."

Farthing, who led Linden with 14 points, likes the team.

"I think, this year, we play good together," Farthing said. "We know what each other is going to do, so we play better with each other and run better. It helps us more this year, because we didn't get along together as well as we do this year."

Baker added 11 points and six rebounds, while Plasters had nine points, three rebounds and two blocks.

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# LF girls cruise past Genesee Christian, 68-18

#### **By David Troppens**

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The Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team continues to post impressive results so far early into the 2010-11 season.

The Blue Devils dominated Genesee Christian 68-18 in a non-league home contest on Tuesday.

The Blue Devils (2-1) took an early lead and never lost it. They led 18-4 after one quarter and raised that edge to 37-6

In the second half, the Blue Devils continued to play with the same fire, outscoring Genesee Christian 31-12 during the final two quarters.

..... Indiana at Kentucky.....

Lake Fenton scored at least 15 points in every quarter, while allowing no more than six points in any stanza to Genesee Christian.

Sidney Scott scored a game-high 15 points to lead Lake Fenton, while Paige Stafford and Makenzie Gottron had nine points each. Katie Handley and Jordan Newman had eight points each.

Lake Fenton has averaged 65 points in its two wins. Its only loss was a competitive game against Class A Holly, who entered Friday night's action with a perfect 3-0 record.

Lake Fenton is off until a Dec. 21 home game against LakeVille at 5:30 p.m.

#### **LAPEER WEST 48.** LINDEN 25

The Linden Eagles are searching for offensive weapons.

Linden fell to 0-2 after a 48-25 road loss at Lapeer West Tuesday night.

Linden trailed 12-5 after one quarter, and trailed 28-9 at halftime. The Eagles never got back into the game during the second half.

Maija Satkowiak and Sabrina Kinney led Linden with five points each, while Stephanie Dobias, Dani Starrs and Megan Harp scored four points each.

Linden hosts Metro foe Swartz Creek Monday at 7 p.m.

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Linden's Alex Neal (top) holds a recent opponent to the ground. Neal won a match against Swan Valley during the Eagles' double-dual.

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(215/285). Stevens won his matches both by pinfall, while both Fishers had a pinfall win and a forfeit win. Coleman won both of his matches by forfeit.

Against Davison, Austin Golden (125) earned a 4-2 decision win, while Brendon Davis (140) had a pinfall win in 5:30.

Against Swan Valley, Alex Neal (135) and Chase Gifford (189) had pinfall wins, while Justin McKenzie (125) won by forfeit.

#### **FENTON 36, MONTROSE 24 CARMAN-AINSWORTH 60, FENTON 13**

The Tigers won all of their matches

against Montrose by pinfall. Meanwhile, against Carman-Ainsworth, Pat Turner (135) led Fenton with a pinfall win. Charlie Jones (130) earned a major decision win, while Sean Rusaw (160) won by decision.

#### **DUNDEE 45, HOLLY 20 HUDSON 45, HOLLY 27**

The Bronchos lost to two teams ranked No. 1 in their division in the

Holly's double-winners were Anthony Gonzales (119), Esteban Gonzales (125) and Shawn Scott (171).

"Our good kids wrestled well," Holly coach Don Pluta said. "The second level kids need to get better."

## Rhino Recycling posts strong rec season

#### **By David Troppens**

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The number is getting too high.

If you ask Harold Krueger how many times his 35 and Over Baseball Team has won titles in Flint, he says 18 times. But, the number is getting so high, it's hard to keep track.

His team, Rhino Recycling, completed an 11-0 season by earning a 7-0 victory in the championship contest recently.

The squad blew the game open in the first inning. Matt Idoni tripled with the bases loaded, putting the squad up 3-0 quickly.

The squad includes Idoni, Al Thomas, Steve Sarkon, Mark Niec, Joe Schneider, Jim Bailey, Jeff Bailey, Tim Fromwiller, Gordie Hetrick, Gary Ignasiak, Mike Mc-Clain, Greg Deeg, Bill Welby, Steve Michlez, Dave Bean, Jeff Britton, Matt Wells and Jimmy Kreklau.

Krueger coaches the squad.

Krueger also had teams win the Airport Tuesday Night League and the Clarkston 50 and Over League.

"Everybody played in every game, so it was a great year," Krueger said.







#### SWIMMERS

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The 400 medley relay team of Quinnan, Gordon, Dehaven, Pinagel placed fourth (4:21.32).

Fenton had two relay teams take home sixth-place performances. The 200 freestyle relay team of Sam Coffey, Adam Andreski, Joshua Bryant and Bryan Wick (1:52.47) was one of them, while the 200 medley relay team of David Congdon, Anthony Miceli, Adam Ransom and Zahne Macklin placed sixth as well (1:59.89).

Holly competes at home against non-league foe Howell Tuesday at 6 p.m.

#### CO-OP

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The Hornets open Metro League play on Wednesday with a game against Lapeer West at Perani Arena at 5:30 p.m.

"The top two teams are Swartz Creek and Lapeer West, and they played to a 2-2 tie (Wednesday night), so it should be interesting," O'Bryan said. "I think it will be a close race with us in the mix.

"In order for us to reach our goal and stay competitive, we have to play as a team. We cannot take lazy and selfish penalties.

#### **WALLED LAKE NORTHERN 6, FENTON 1**

The Tigers trailed just 2-0 after two periods, but saw Northern score four goals in the final period.

Fenton's only goal was scored by T.J. Polokowski.



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