

**STORY: INTERIM
MANAGER**
“Holly residents
deserve professional
representation. Kenner,
Kleven and Winglemire
fail to perform their
obligations as elected
officials, most impor-
tantly communicating
while council is in
session. These three
voted against Walker,
then voted for him, and
now vote against
him again. Not once
was an explana-
tion to
the residents offered.
Now, Kenner admits
to giving Walker a
lower interview score
based on something
other than the interview.
Where is the profes-
sionalism? These three
are a lawsuit waiting to
happen.”
— Anonymous

HOT LINE: SMOKING
“My mother died
a horrible death from
smoking, but I would
never tell an adult what
to do in his or her own
home. However, if that
person blows their
stinking, fetid, poison-
ous smoke in my air-
space in a public area,
they’re going to hear
about it, like it or not.
You want
to kill
yourself,
that’s
your pre-
rogative,
but don’t
involve
me in any way. It’s
very simple: to avoid
vituperation, keep it to
yourself.”
— Elissa Drake
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**Fenton
orchestra**
still going strong
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in your community
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Movies**

Short write-ups
on DVDs and movies
released this week.
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U.S. Census numbers are in

►State will lose
public funding due to
declining population

By Anna Troppens

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While 2010 Census results
show Michigan and Puerto
Rico lost in population, the

tri-county area is gaining
residents. Whether that will
translate into more revenue
sharing for local communi-
ties remains to be seen.

Michigan has gone from
having 3.53 percent of the
U.S. population, in 2000, to
See CENSUS on 6

Summary

►Although Michigan was the
only state to lose population
since 2000, local communities
show population increases
according to 2009 estimates.
Fewer residents points to lower
federal funding and one less
U.S. representative for Michigan
in the 2012 election.

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COUNTY POPULATION

| | 2000 | 2009* | CHANGE |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|
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| Livingston | 156,951 | 183,118 | plus 16.7 percent |
| Oakland | 1,194,156 | 1,205,508 | plus 1 percent |

*estimates

Source: www.michigan.gov

“There will be ramifications for
every source of public funding.”

State Sen. John Gleason
(D-Flushing)

Right up my alley



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Davisburg Elementary School first-grade student Lilly Hejhal, 6, releases the bowling ball during her physical education class with Ryan Snodsmith Monday afternoon. Lilly has spina bifida, and uses braces to walk, and a wheelchair. This ramp lets her bowl with the rest of her class.

New police chief embraces small-town setting

By Sharon Stone

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Linden — With just over a
week at his new job, Linden
Police Chief Scott Sutter is
settling in. His official start day
was Monday, Jan. 3.

There are major drastic dif-
ferences from his former job as
a captain with the Flint Police
Department, but the goal re-
mains the same — to protect
the community and the welfare
of its citizens.

See CHIEF on 13



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SHARON STONE

Linden Police Chief Scott
Sutter is taking some time to
evaluate everything with the
police department.

Engineering firm will cost less and provide top-notch service

By Anna Troppens

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Fenton — The city has a new
engineering firm, which officials
believe will save Fenton money. At
Monday’s meeting, council unani-
mously approved hiring Orchard,
Hiltz and McCliment (OHM), of
Livonia, to replace Hubbell, Roth
and Clark.

Fenton received bids from 13
engineering firms, interviewing
five of them, said City Manager
Lynn Markland. He, Assistant City

See FIRM on 8

Summary

►By hiring a new
engineering firm
for the city, council
members hope to
save money. They
hired Orchard, Hiltz
and McCliment
(OHM), of Livonia,
for the city of Fenton,
Local Development
Finance Authority
(LDFA), Downtown
Development
Authority (DDA) and
any department that
needs an engineer.

Fenton detective honored for investigation of \$356,000 theft

By Anna Troppens

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Fenton — Fenton Det. Scott
Townsend helped when no one else
would. For his work investigating
the theft of \$356,000 from an area
resident, Townsend received the
Departmental Meritorious Service
Award from Mayor Sue Osborn at
Monday’s city council meeting.

An individual contacted the Fen-
ton Police Department on April 16,
See HONORED on 10



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Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn presents the
Departmental Meritorious Service Award to
Det. Scott Townsend, for his work investi-
gating a case involving a \$356,000 scam.

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"I smoked three packs a day and quit just like that!" Ed-Brighton



Community invited to Katie's Game

► Proceeds will help AGS Middle School student

By Anna Troppens

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Fenton — The community is invited to come out and support a local family for Katie's Game on Friday. Eighth graders from AGS Middle School will take on teachers in a basketball fundraiser.

Katie Wyatt, 14, a student at AGS, is in the final stages of renal cell carcinoma. The fundraiser will help the Wyatt family with the overwhelming medical expenses. It will begin at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, at AGS Middle School.

Students have been working hard to put together the fundraiser. They would like to help the Wyatts and include the

About Katie's Game

Katie's Game will be from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, at AGS Middle School, 3255 Donaldson Dr. Tickets are available at the door, and raffle tickets will be available for purchase at the game. There also will be a bake sale.

community. Autumn Beltinck and Tyler DeLong, of Fenton High School, and Logan Beltinck and Danny DeLong, of AGS Middle School, have been spearheading it, said the Beltincks' mother, Mary Ann Beltinck. Danny and Logan are in Katie's eighth-grade class.

Katie has a great attitude and a great smile, Mary Ann said. "She's very strong, very positive."

Two AGS Middle School band students have written a song for Katie, which they will play on the xylophone. In addition, an AGS Middle School sixth grader will sing the National Anthem. Tony Book, who has Book Family Entertainment in Fenton, is donating the halftime show.

► AGS Middle School will host Katie's Game on Friday, a basketball fundraiser pitting eighth graders against teachers. Admission, raffle and bake sale proceeds will benefit the Wyatt family, whose daughter Katie, an AGS student, has renal cell carcinoma.

Donations for the raffle, which will take place during the basketball game, and any baked goods for the bake sale at the event can be dropped off at Sawyer Jewelers, 101 N. Adelaide St. in Fenton. For questions, contact Sawyer Jewelers (810) 629-7936.

One family has donated a Wii game system, and another has donated a Garmin GPS for the raffle. Raffle tickets will be \$5 for five, or \$10 for Katie's arm length, Mary Ann said. Admission will be \$3.

It will be a fun event, where people can spend extra time with their families and help support the Wyatt family. "We're going to laugh, and we're going to cry," Beltinck said.

In addition, the Fenton High School boys' varsity basketball team, coached by Tim Olszewski, is donating the proceeds from its 50/50 raffle and half-court shot that night. A table for donations for Katie's family will be at the game. The varsity basketball game begins at 7:30 p.m., at Fenton High School, 3200 W. Shiawassee Ave.

Olszewski said his wife, Lori, was reading the Tri-County Times on Sunday and saw the article about Katie's Game. The Olszewskis, who have a daughter who attends AGS Middle School, decided to try to help.

Tim called his Athletic Boosters President, Amy Mowery, whose son is a captain on the varsity basketball team. She gave her full support to donating the 50/50 raffle and half-court shot proceeds to the Wyatt family.

"Your heart just breaks," Tim Olszewski said. "On a personal note, all my thoughts and prayers go out to the family." He encourages the community to come out in support of the Wyatts. Every little bit adds up, Olszewski said.

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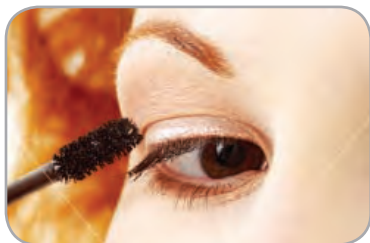
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Fenton orchestra going strong

► Musicians span from age 7 to 77

By Sharon Stone

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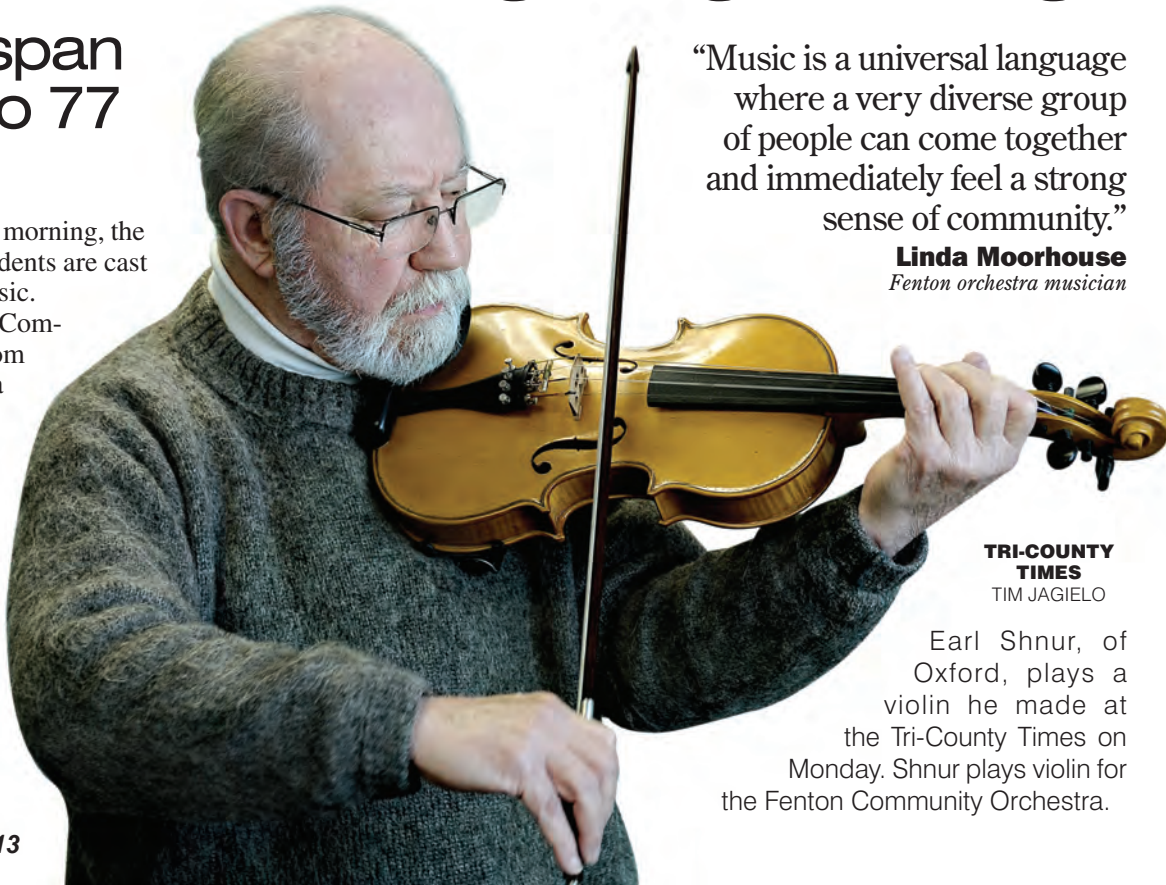
For two hours every Saturday morning, the daily routines of some local residents are cast aside for the goal of making music.

Since September, the Fenton Community Orchestra has grown from just a dream of two women to a full-fledged orchestra with more than 60 musicians. In December, the orchestra performed its first concert with 52 of its members on stage.

Jennifer Fleck, who co-founded the orchestra with Lisa Bayer, said, "It's going great."

Ages of the musicians span the decades. Fleck said the youngest is 7 years old and the oldest is 77. Regardless of age, experience, skill level or background, the musicians

See **ORCHESTRA** on 13



"Music is a universal language where a very diverse group of people can come together and immediately feel a strong sense of community."

Linda Moorhouse
Fenton orchestra musician

TRI-COUNTY TIMES
TIM JAGIELO

Earl Shnur, of Oxford, plays a violin he made at the Tri-County Times on Monday. Shnur plays violin for the Fenton Community Orchestra.

iPad

is functional, portable computer

By Tim Jagielo

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In science fiction movies, characters used devices that could chart their location, store data, and communicate wirelessly with their comrades. Although vaporizing alien monsters is still a few years off, the computers of today far exceed what Star Trek had in mind in the '60s.

One of the most interesting of those devices is the Apple iPad. Apple released the iPad in April 2010, selling millions in its first 80 days. The company describes the

See **IPAD** on 8

Summary

► The Apple iPad is a versatile tool for the digital age, taking on the role of a laptop, in many cases.

"I find it really functional. It's a great device."

David Lossing
Linden City mayor



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Linden City Mayor David Lossing uses his Apple iPad for professional multitasking, on-the-go communication, and entertainment. His iPad is protected by a case that doubles as a stand for typing and viewing. It also has GPS tracking and remote-lock if he should lose it.



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IT TOOK ONLY six hours for left-wing media to blame Sarah Palin, Fox News, and talk radio for the tragedy in Tucson, Arizona. These people on the left never miss an opportunity to manipulate a crisis. The facts will come out that this nut acted alone and is a left-wing zealot himself. TEA Party members have never endorsed violence. The federal government taking away our rights will create much anger.

SO, YOU DON'T 'believe' in global warming. I don't understand. Do you believe that two plus two equals four? Why? Did someone smarter than you at the time teach you that? Perhaps all these scientists and climatologists are smarter than you are and you should heed their warning. There is no motivation for them to make this stuff up. However, there is financial motivation to think it is fake. In this country, I would not believe the money makers.

WHAT GIVES WITH the creepy billboard on U.S. 23, south of White Lake Road? It's the second time it has been up and no one knows the story. We show it to all our out-of-town guests. Anyone know what it is or what it is about?

DEMOCRATS MAY WHINE about George Bush, but the fact remains that in two years, Obama has done more to run our country into the ground and mortgaged our grandchildren into debt and servitude to China than all of the previous presidents, combined. We must finish what was started this past November and send Obama into early retirement.

MY FAMILY WOULD like to thank the anonymous patriot who bought our dinner Saturday night at a Chinese restaurant. Dinnertime has become very special to our family, because my husband is leaving for Afghanistan in three weeks, and that is when we are able to sit down and be together. May God bless you and your family.

OUTSIDE THE BOX Theatre Guild and Lake Fenton School Theater are presenting 'Hairspray' at Lake Fenton High School. People from all over the area have joined to present this fun and fabulous musical, with more than 17 dance numbers. Come and support the local arts scene and you'll be dancing in the aisles.

THANK YOU, TO the Linden man whose random act of kindness made my 3-year-old daughter's day. She was playing in the snow at the park with an adult family friend when he stopped by and gave her a pink sled, saying that his kids were grown. What a kind and wonderful thing to do.

TO THE PERSON who is looking for their stolen bowling ball, I found it in my bushes. Please call the Tri-County Times for my phone number.

SNYDER'S SUCCESS HINGES on the economy, which was destroyed by the Republicans with unpaid wars, and no oversight of Wall Street. There was too much deregulation. That's where it's at.

I SEE WHERE the city manager, with help of the city council, has raised the minimum water rate to \$110.35 per quarter even if you use no water. What a bunch of money grabbers.

I SEE OBAMA and his big oil friends now have gas up to \$3.20 a gallon, going up a nickel a day. Hang on.

THE CITY OF Linden has gotten ACE Hardware to take the sign off their building, and the owner paid to make it look attractive. He employs people and pays taxes. You have a person two doors from city hall that has four signs on their property next to Subway. That does not make sense to do that to people.

IN DECEMBER, I lost my wallet at the grocery store. It was found and returned with all of the money, credit cards and ID by a man named Rodney. Rodney denied the reward and said to pay it forward. I want people to know there is a God and he works through people like Rodney. Thanks, Rodney, I really appreciate all of your efforts, and I am paying it forward.

SHOP LOCAL. KEEP it local. Don't we want our 911 service kept local, too?

I THINK THE reason gas is so high is because executives are overpaid, and they lie about not having enough refineries. I think the top 50 executives in the oil industry could build refineries with their bonuses and salary, and build five or six of them.

THIS IS TO Laura from Holly about her complaint about the Holly police officer. Laura, duh, they are in charge, and a little respect goes a long way.

IT'S EASY TO blame others for difficult situations and challenging times. Instead of being stubborn and pointing fingers, we need to work together. Blame and inaction have no place, when so many are suffering.

HERE WE GO, again. Now, the mainstream media is blaming Sarah Palin, Rush Limbaugh, Sean Hannity, Bill O'Reilly and Fox News for the Arizona shooting. This even before the facts surfaced, wow.

TO THE PERSON who said Democrats are realists. Democrats are far from realism, in addition to the Republicans. They have, together, destroyed this country and state. Stop being a sheep to the dictators and wake up.

WE, THE FAMILY of Director of public Works Leslie Bland, want to tell our papa and dad that we love you and are so proud of all that you have done for this city. You have impacted this town like no other and we are so honored to have you be a part of Fenton's history. Love always, Dan, April, Andrew, Autumn, Cinnamon, Payton and Noah Bland.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



Cheryl Dennison

From the
editor

Exciting things to do

Yes, January is probably one of the most boring months of the year (to me). It's cold outside, and it's dark. And, since I am not a fan of Michigan winter weather, it is much easier for me to head home from work, light a fire in the fireplace, grab a blanket and hibernate for the evening.

But, there are many activities in the area that help make winter a little more fun. Here are some of my ideas for the 'indoor' enthusiast.

North American International Auto Show

The North American International Auto Show begins this weekend in Detroit. Our freelance writer, Chris Harbowy, once again attended the preview of the event. See our Tri-County Living section this weekend to see what's new this year at the show, where to park and some photographs of some of the automotive world's most eagerly anticipated vehicle premieres.

Lights, camera, action

There is nothing more fun on a cold winter afternoon, than heading to the nearest movie theatre for a Saturday or Sunday matinee. And, there's always a good selection of movies to choose from this time of year, with the Academy Awards right around the corner. And, did I mention a large container of buttered popcorn?

My movie pick of the week is 'Country Strong,' starring Gwyneth Paltrow, Tim McGraw, Garrett Hedlund, and Leighton Meester. Maybe I'll see you there.

The Book Store

I can spend hours and hours at a bookstore, with a coffee in hand, perusing the shelves for a good novel to read by the fire on a cold winter evening. I'll find a comfortable chair at the bookstore and sit with several books, reading a little of each one before I decide which one to purchase. I'm a fan of true crime novels, so my latest choice was, 'In the Still of the Night,' by Ann Rule.

What are some of your ideas for the 'indoor' enthusiast? Share them with me at cdennison@tctimes.com or on the Tri-County Times Facebook page. Enjoy your week.

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Compiled by Tim Jagielo, Staff Reporter

What lifts your spirits during the winter months?

streettalk



"I like to go tanning, it's a stress reliever. It lifts you up."

— Tina White
Holly Township



"I crochet and eat chocolate. They're relaxing."

— Linda Karwoski
Rose Township



"I go visit family. I call my dad up and have dinner. It's all about family. I'll call my sister who lives in Vegas."

— Genie Scott, Holly



"I like to sew and make lap robes for the nursing homes. That's what I do in the winter."

— Pat Green
Grand Blanc Township



"Shop, bargain shopping, and finding the best prices."

— Angie Pittenger
Fenton



"I hang out with my best friend."

— Sarah Ragan
Clio

Lake Fenton schools to buy vacant land for \$30,000

By Sharon Stone

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Lake Fenton — The Lake Fenton Board of Education voted unanimously in favor of purchasing three pieces of property on Lahring Road. It also authorized its president, Robert Grubbs, to sign closing papers. The three vacant lots are located on Lahring Road, adjacent to Lake Fenton High School.

Money to cover the purchase price is available in the district's Sinking Fund.

Superintendent Wayne Wright said each lot is being purchased for \$10,000. Two of the lots are 110- by 315-feet and one lot is 125- by 315-feet, creating an area of 345- by 315-feet.

According to Wright, the owner of the properties, Patrick Bayley, approached him recently about having the district purchase the land. After looking into the matter, Wright believed it would be beneficial to the school district.

Summary

►Lake Fenton Community Schools is purchasing three vacant lots along Lahring Road, adjacent to Lake Fenton High School. The district is using Sinking Fund dollars to make the purchase.

The parcels, overgrown with weeds, butt up to the parking lot, tennis court area and the property of Rodger Bloomfield's home, to the west.

Currently, Wright said there are no plans for this area. However, if something were to come up, having this land would afford the district an opportunity to build something.

The closing is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 13.

News briefs

LHS Student Council receives grant

Linden High School's Student Council has received a \$2,000 grant from the South Lakes Youth Initiative Program Fund of the Community Foundation of Greater Flint to support their spring project "Volunteering across the Ages." Linden Student Council members from all buildings, Linden school board, and Loose Senior Citizen Center members will work with Kids Against Hunger to pack meals for needy families at the high school on Thursday, Feb. 17. The project brings individuals together who are typically separated by age barriers, provides food to area charitable organizations and builds a sense of community pride and identity, Superintendent Ed Koledo said.

Three seats up for election on LF school board

Individuals interested in serving on the Lake Fenton Board of Education have until Tuesday, Feb. 8 to submit their nominating petitions and Affidavits of Identity with the Genesee County Clerk. Candidates must be

a registered voter and reside in the school district. There are three seats on the board up for election, two, four-year seats and one, three-year seat. The available three-year seat is currently being held by David Foerster, who was appointed to serve until June 30, replacing Stan Bragg, who resigned. The four-year terms of Tammy Harbin and John Lamb expire on June 30. The election will be held on Tuesday, May 3.

Unplugged Club changes meeting time

Beginning Saturday, Jan. 15, the Unplugged Club will meet at 9:30 a.m. The next gathering will be held at the Dauner-Martin Nature Conservancy on the north side of Fenton. On Jan. 15, the club will use the North LeRoy Street entrance to the park. The program will end at 11 a.m. The Unplugged Club is a program co-sponsored by the Fenton Area Public Schools and the First Presbyterian Church of Fenton. The purpose of the program is to help elementary-age children connect with nature and the out-of-doors. Participants are encouraged to unplug the computer, the video games and the television and go outside. A variety of fun-filled activities is planned for each event. For more information, contact Dale Swihart at (810) 629-7801.

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Calendar of events

Saturday, Jan. 22

Fenton Right To Life, Genesee Right To Life and **St. John's Respect Life** are holding their annual candle vigil on Saturday, Jan. 22 at **St. John Catholic Church in Fenton**. This is the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade and organizations throughout the country will be having vigils on this day.

Thursday, Jan. 20 and 27

The **Loose Senior Citizen Center** will host hospice volunteer training, Thursday, Jan. 20 and Jan. 27, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch will be provided. The program, sponsored by Grace Hospice, will guide participants to understand volunteers' role. Grace Hospice is looking for caring, compassionate people who are willing to volunteer some of their time to patients and families in the hospice program. No medical background is required, and support and training is ongoing. Training will be at Loose Senior Citizen Center, 707 N. Bridge St., Linden. For more information, call (810) 735-9406.

ONLINE

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STORY: TEST DRIVING THE VOLT

"Sharon, you didn't notice a difference when the car switched to gasoline because the car never switched to gasoline. There is a gas engine on this vehicle, but it is a generator and doesn't power the car directly. It simply provides electricity for the electric engine, which continues to power the vehicle. The failure to clearly explain this concept is one of the many reasons consumers are still skeptical about the vehicle."

— Jason

CENSUS

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3.20 percent, in 2010. This means it will lose one representative in the U.S. Congress — 14 reps instead of 15 — in the 2012 election, said State Rep. Paul Scott (R-Grand Blanc). However, most local communities have gained in population since 2000, according to 2009 estimates (see sidebar).

Manager Lynn Markland, of Fenton, said 2010 census numbers for local communities haven't been released yet. Due to estimates for Fenton's population increase since 2000, he would expect an increase in state revenue sharing.

But State Sen. John Gleason (D-Flushing) said federal revenue sharing is based on population, not the greatest need, he said. "We are the only state to lose population over the last decade. It's a terrible formula for us. We know the condition of Michigan roads, and we need that money more than any state."

Because of its population loss, Michigan will be hit hard in terms of lost federal funding for transportation, health care, and water and sewer services. "There will be ramifications for every source of public funding," he said. Michigan already is a "donor" state for federal money, with more money going out than coming in.

Regarding state revenue sharing for local communities, there will be less money for

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(D-Flushing)

LOCAL COMMUNITIES' POPULATION

| | 2000 | 2009* | CHANGE |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Fenton | 10,582 | 11,571 | plus 9.3 percent |
| Holly Village | 6,135 | 6,273 | plus 1.2 percent |
| Linden | 2,861 | 3,322 | plus 16.1 percent |
| Gaines Village | 366 | 352 | minus 5.9 percent |
| Byron | 595 | 554 | minus 6.9 percent |
| Argentine | 6,521 | 6,958 | plus 6.7 percent |
| Fenton Twp. | 12,968 | 14,306 | plus 10.3 percent |
| Tyrone Twp. | 8,459 | 10,437 | plus 23.4 percent |
| Holly Twp. | 3,902 | 5,892 | plus 53.4 percent |
| Rose Twp. | 6,210 | 6,294 | plus 1.4 percent |

*estimates

Source: www.michigan.gov

Michigan to divide up, because the state stands to receive less federal dollars. It will be a terrible blow for Genesee, and Livingston and Oakland, counties, Gleason said.

He hopes Michigan will have a strong voice in Washington, D.C. to convince the federal government the state needs money.

More population since 2000 didn't mean more funding for the city of Linden, because of state budget conditions. Linden experienced higher growth than expected since 2000 and paid for a mid-decade census in 2005. But it saw only one year of increased state revenue sharing, Manager Chris Wren said. Officials expected the population to be up quite a bit from 2000, which would translate into more revenue. Results showed an increase from 2,861, to 3,673, which resulted in \$61,000 more in funding for the first year.

Wren said the city received more funding that first year, but the state legislature did not approve it for any years afterward. But that first year did offset the costs of performing the mid-decade census. And state funding to Linden, like that of other Michigan communities, has decreased in recent years.

He hopes state officials recognize local population increases and increase revenue sharing monies Michigan owes to Linden. "With the state's continued efforts to balance its own budget on the backs of local communities by cutting revenue sharing, it is a hope but not a guarantee," he said.

State revenue sharing funds go into Linden's general fund, which pays for police, fire, roads and other services. Linden officials do not plan to increase taxes or fees to residents to offset decreases in state revenue sharing, Wren said. They have cut city employees' salaries and benefits.

"Through budget cuts and watchful eyes, we can continue work through these difficult times," Wren said.

Future outlook

Because of the condition of the state's budget, there will be across-the-board cuts according to State Rep. Paul Scott (R-Grand Blanc). "There's simply no money in government at any level now," he said. "Government has to learn to live with what level of services can be provided efficiently and effectively."

He took a 10 percent pay cut this year, as did many other public employees. "We're going to have to reflect the private sector," Scott said.

With the new governor and legislators in the state capital, he is very optimistic about the next few years. "We have a governor who understands how things operate in the private sector," Scott said.

Residents will be quite relieved to see Michigan cut spending at the government level and handle their tax money more efficiently and responsibly, he said.

State Sen. John Gleason (D-Flushing) said roads are in bad shape and people are unemployed or underemployed. In Genesee County, most roads and infrastructure were put in place in the '60s and are very antiquated, he said.

Gleason believes using federal funding to fix roads and other infrastructure would put people back to work. In addition, if businesses invest in Michigan for economic development, they will want good roads, and good water and sewer systems, in place.

In addition, for education, Gleason said, "we need to grow up as a state and say we're going to fund education to a responsible level."

When there is a lack of spending, Gleason added, "You can't cut anymore. The most important tool you can give anyone is education. We've done a terrible job in Michigan with that."

And the state will be losing one U.S. representative. Gleason said this means redistricting, an "exhausting" legislative process that could end up in the state supreme court if there is contention. Usually, there is a lot of contention between political parties.

This year, because of their control of the legislature, Republicans have the first chance to draw the redistricting maps. If courts deem their maps are overly political, Democrats also will get a chance to draw elections boundaries. The Michigan Supreme Court would then select whichever maps are fairest, Gleason said.

— Anna Troppens

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Police&Fire report

SEVERAL AUTOS BROKEN INTO

Fenton police are attempting to identify two subjects responsible for breaking into several vehicles early Thursday morning. Lt. Jason Slater said the first call came in shortly after 7 a.m. on Jan. 6. Several unlocked vehicles belonging to residents along Willowshore Street, Bealfred Drive and Jennings Road were broken into. One of the victimized residents had an exterior surveillance video system in place. They have turned the video, with footage showing the two hooded suspects, to police. The police are working to enhance the video to identify the suspects. Both suspects were wearing backpacks. Items stolen included GPS units, sunglasses, ice skates, clothing and binoculars.

VANDALS SPRAY PAINT

At 8:12 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 5, a Fenton police officer was sent to a residential community near Jennings and Owen roads to investigate a malicious destruction of property complaint. Lt. Jason Slater said a resident reported that someone had spray painted graffiti on the side of the home and shed. While checking the area, the officer discovered more blue paint sprayed on a stop sign, two more homes and a vehicle. Police believe they have identified the juveniles responsible. One is from Tyrone Township and one is from Fenton City. The investigation is continuing.

APARTMENT BROKEN INTO

At 11:43 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 5, a Fenton police officer was sent to an apartment off Torrey Road to investigate a home invasion. Lt. Jason Slater said the 20-year-old male resident left for work at 8 a.m.

and returned shortly before calling police at 11:43 p.m. When the resident arrived home, he discovered the front door to his apartment unlocked and his dog was out running in the hallway. Police believe the suspect forced their way through the third-floor balcony sliding glass door to gain entry and exited through the front door. Items stolen include a Playstation 3, video games, controllers and cash.

PISTOL STOLEN FROM TRUCK

On Monday, Jan. 10, a 30-year-old Argentine Township resident living in the 16000 block of Seymour Road reported a larceny of a firearm. The resident said his Rossi model R462, 357 Magnum six-shot pistol was stolen from the center console of his pickup truck. He last saw the pistol in the center console on Jan. 7. There are no suspects at this time and the case remains under investigation.

DOOR KICKED IN

At 8 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 8, a Fenton police officer was sent to business in the 200 block of West Caroline Street to investigate a complaint. The caller said a door to a storage room was partially opened and two shoe prints were observed on the door. Lt. Jason Slater said it appeared that someone had kicked in the door. Nothing was reported missing from the room that held old business files. The business manager arrived and told the responding officer that the door had been forced open sometime between Christmas and New Year's Day, but since nothing was out of order or missing, it was not reported.

SNOW BLOWER STOLEN

On Saturday, Jan. 8, Fenton police were sent to a home in the 400 block of North LeRoy Street to investigate a theft. Lt. Jason Slater said the 46-year-old complainant said someone took his Lawnboy snow blower. The machine was stored in the man's front yard. He is unsure as to when

it was stolen. Police observed tracks leading away from the man's home to a nearby business where a vehicle might have been used to assist with the theft.

SHOPLIFTER CONCEALS ITEMS UNDER COAT

At 5:40 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 10, a Fenton police officer was sent to a store in the 1200 block of North LeRoy Street to investigate a retail fraud complaint. Lt. Jason Slater said employees observed a customer concealing store merchandise under his coat and exiting the store without paying for the items. The suspect, described as a white male, wearing a dark brown or black coat, was behaving as if he was possibly intoxicated. The man was observed entering a silver four-door car, occupied by another individual. Police and employees are reviewing the store's security surveillance video to identify the suspect.

DOMESTIC ASSAULT

Early Tuesday morning, Argentine Township police officers responded to a house on Outer Drive for a domestic assault, in progress. Police Chief Dan Allen said responding officers could hear a man yelling and cursing when they arrived. After making contact and entering the house, police learned that the 45-year-old husband, who appeared to have been drinking, became angry with his wife shortly after she had gone to bed. The police chief said the man was accused of physically assaulting and making verbal threats of killing his wife and her son. After the officers arrested the man, he continued to make threats toward his wife. The man grabbed at the officer's arm and resisted the handcuffs. The man was transported to the Genesee County Jail. He was lodged for domestic assault and battery, along with resisting and obstructing police.



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Driver's license sanctions and the law

It should come as no surprise that under the law, if a defendant is convicted of certain criminal driving offenses, there are penalties imposed by the court that usually include fines and/or a period of incarceration and possibly probation. What, perhaps, is not fully understood is the fact that in addition to these criminal penalties, the Secretary of State also takes action against the defendant's driver's license in the form of a mandatory period of suspension or, in certain cases, a revocation.

The most common examples of when suspensions and/or revocations are imposed are operating while intoxicated or visibly impaired, driving while license suspended, reckless driving, leaving the scene of an accident, and fleeing and eluding a police officer.

What many people may not know is that in addition to these and other driving offenses, there are other instances when a conviction will result in a driver's license suspension, even when the offense has nothing whatsoever to do with driving a motor vehicle.

The two most common of these

types of offenses are drug crimes and underage consumption, purchase or possession of alcohol.

As to violating the drug laws, if a defendant is convicted of a first offense drug crime, the law requires the court (not the Secretary of State and in addition to the criminal penalties) to impose a 180-day suspension, with a restricted license allowed after 30 days of the suspension for certain limited purposes such as going to and from work, probation, school, and medical treatment. If it is a second offense, the suspension increases to one year, with a restricted license available after the first 60 days.

As to minors and alcohol, there will be an automatic suspension for 90 days by the Secretary of State for a second conviction for the purchase, consumption or possession of alcohol by a minor, with a restricted license available after the first 30 days.

In yet another area, the failure to pay child support can, not only result in certain criminal and civil penalties being imposed by the court, but in addition, the driver's license of the parent who is behind in their obligations can be suspended under certain conditions.

There are a number of other driving and nondriving examples that I could cite.

A valid driver's license is a very important possession. The law recognizes this and provides for consequences as to driving privileges for those who fail to follow it.

IPAD

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iPad as, "The best way to experience the web, e-mails, photo and video," which is what it is designed for.

The iPad is not a giant iPod, Apple's hit device for playing music digitally, though it shares many features of the iPod, including the ability to use wifi Internet access, and a reactive touch screen.

The iPad is a completely functioning tablet computer. It weighs 1½ pounds and is ½-inch thick. It feels solid, without being heavy. It is not designed for photo, video, or audio editing.

Its screen is almost 10 inches from corner to corner, and is backlit to be vivid and bright. It costs between \$500 and \$830, depending on how much hard drive space you want, and if you want a 3G network connection.

"It's still a computer," said Dean Keipert, of Fenton, chief operating officer of a web development company in Fenton. "It has all the same elements as a regular computer. It's just smaller."

The iPad has a hard drive, motherboard, and everything else a computer needs to function, except without any moving parts like fans, or an actual hard disc drive.

Tablet computers, like the iPad, have no separate monitor, keyboard or mouse.

"To me it's just like carrying around a laptop, without having to carry a laptop computer," said David Lossing, mayor of the city of Linden. He is also the director of government relations for the University of Michigan-Flint and back in school for a post master's degree. This triple role requires a lot of electronic communication.

In his role as mayor, Lossing uses the tablet computer to read and store agendas. As director of government relations, he spends a lot of time in Lansing, monitoring congress. He uses the iPad to keep the U of M-Flint administrators up on what

decisions are being made that could affect the school.

Lossing's iPad has 10 hours of battery time, which he finds is more than enough for an entire day of classes. He also downloads research journal articles he needs for class. During class, Lossing props his device up with the portfolio he keeps the iPad in, and types on an external keyboard, to make it easier. The iPad does have a touch-screen keyboard, but Lossing prefers the real keyboard for longer documents.

"I find it really functional," he said. "It's a great device."

Lossing can also group his applications (apps) into various folders for professional and entertainment use.

His entertainment folder has his Netflix, and even streaming TV stations. "If

I'm traveling someplace and have to stay overnight, I can watch a movie on the go, basically," he said.

Lossing also uses his iPad as an electronic book reader. He has Nook, and Kindle applications, and already has three textbooks loaded onto his iPad. "It allows you to do some serious multi-tasking," he said.

Keipert uses his iPad for small business meetings, and has not ditched any of his other technology, but he does use his Apple laptop less.

Lossing sees potential in schools using iPads instead of physical books, opening up a completely new discussion on technology in the classroom. Holly Area Schools has already purchased 75 iPads for students there.

Lossing's favorite app for his iPad is "Skywalk." Once activated, the GPS in the device will give a real-world view of the heavens. In the western sky, the planets Saturn and Venus come alive on the screen, along with constellations Virgo and Libra. If the iPad is held parallel with the ground, the view of the heaven can be seen, from the other side of the world.

"It's just amazing," Lossing said.



FIRM

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Manager Michael Burns, Mayor Sue Osborn, Councilman John Rauch and Department of Public Works (DPW) Director Les Bland served on the committee to interview the firms (see sidebar). The committee recommended hiring OHM.

OHM's hourly rates include small items such as mileage, postage and copies, Rauch said. Fenton previously paid for these separately.

In its proposal, OHM lists its hourly rates as \$42 to \$165.

In addition, OHM does not charge a percentage of the project, Osborn said.

Kent Early, Fenton's contact person with OHM, said the firm has worked

with the city's new DPW director, Daniel Czarnecki (who is scheduled to begin work on Jan. 24). OHM worked with Czarnecki in Negaunee, Czarnecki's most recent position.

Early thanked city council, on behalf of OHM, for the opportunity to work in Fenton.

Osborn said HRC did a good job for the city, but OHM will give it the opportunity to save money and still have top-notch service.

HOW FENTON SCORED THE ENGINEERING FIRMS

A committee interviewed five of the 13 firms that bid. Committee members scored the firms in nine categories, City Manager Lynn Markland said.

THESE CATEGORIES ARE:

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- Communication methods
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Imagine living in a place where snow doesn't fall, and instead of having snow days, hurricanes impact whether or not schools and workplaces are closed.

Former Lake Fenton High School English teacher Elizabeth Walker has lived in St. Croix, Virgin Islands, in the Caribbean. There she taught English at Saint Mary's, a private middle school.

Walker was born right here in Michigan and taught high school English. After getting engaged, she decided to move to St. Croix with her fiancé.

After living there for a couple of years, they decided to move back home. She jumpstarted her career and began teaching English to seventh graders at Lake Fenton Middle School.

At the beginning of the 2010 school year, she went from teaching middle to high school, replacing retired English teacher Jane Webster. Walker was Webster's student teacher before the new high school was built. She described the switch from middle school as "less emotional", meaning not having to deal with students going through puberty.

Switching to the high school has brought new friends and old faces. "Seeing former seventh grade students grown up," Walker said, was her favorite part of coming to the high school, and although having new co-workers is a great new experience, she will miss teaching with her old friends.

Upcoming Events

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January 31

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Sophomores Zach, Taylor and Nathan Finkbeiner, sophomores, are triplets. Their mother is the Finance Director for Lake Fenton Schools.

Photo Lauren Lofthouse

The More the Better?

Triplets make life very interesting

Sarah Rodgers

There are two types of twins and the way to distinguish them isn't by looks.

Most people believe that being fraternal twins means to not have identical appearances. What fraternal really means is that the twins were born from two separate eggs. This category accounts for two-thirds of all twins.

Since fraternal is defined by being born from separate eggs, identical twins form from a single egg that splits. Because they are called "identical twins", people figure that they look alike. Now this may occur for some twins, but is not necessarily true. Twins can be identical even though they may be of opposite genders, or don't resemble each other at all.

The same holds for true for other multiples, such as triplets.

"Everyone thinks it's cool that I'm a triplet. We are so different; we have to tell people who don't know," said Taylor Finkbeiner. Taylor has two brothers, Nathan and Zach.

What are people doing when no one's looking?

Alisha Holzwarth

Have you ever walked the hallways at school, and dropped something very valuable? Or, have you ever seen a new iPod, or iTouch on the ground?

There are two ways of looking at the situation: either you decide not to be selfish, or you take the new valuable iPod.

This has happened to many students who are asking questions like, "Where did I leave it?" or, a very telling, "Who was walking past me when this happened?"

Many can't decide if people are respectful enough to turn it in to the main office, or if other students are really selfish.

Ryan Gorelick, sophomore, said, "If I found something that didn't belong to me in the hallway, I would give it back, no matter how valuable it was."

It makes one wonder what they would do if in that situation. Many say they'd give it back to the rightful owner.

Not always, according to senior

According to *Twins Magazine*, on average 133,000 twins are born in America each year. This is roughly 3.2 percent of the U.S. population.

The Finkbeiners account for two percent of the population, more rare than twins.

The advantages of being a multiple outnumber the disadvantages. According to Zach, there's always "someone to relate to."

Nathan said, "I think the best part of being a multiple is always having someone to laugh with, talk with, and totally crush at video games."

What are the chances of winning the multiples lottery? While some of it is based on genetic background, most multiple births are due to fertility drugs these days. However, on average, only 20 percent of women who are taking these drugs will become pregnant with more than one baby.

So which Finkbeiner came first? According to their mom, Diane Finkbeiner, "Zachary came first." About three to four minutes later, "they found Nathan, and they had to hunt for Taylor."

Tyler Merritt. Many people, if they found something of value, wouldn't return it, according to Merritt.

"It happens all the time."

What would Merritt do? "I'd take it to the office or to a teacher."

But how many of them mean what they say? Many also experience missing money. Of course, kids are kids, and sometimes are irresponsible. But is it wrong for us to blame others? What are people really doing when no one is watching?

Student StreetTALK

Have you ever had anything stolen from you?

Lauren Lofthouse and Courtney Nelson

"My cell phone, four months ago out of my room."

Cameron Andrews, Junior



"My brother steals my candy at my house."

Zach Corcoran Senior



"Yes, an iPod during freshman year."

Faith Weier, Junior



"Yes, an iPod months ago, from my house."

Emma Kusnier, Sophomore



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Catch OF THE WEEK

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



Gabe Nosek, 12, of Linden, caught this 32-inch pike on Dec. 30, 2010 on Lobdell Lake.



Ethan James Sitko, 10, of Tyrone Township, caught this largemouth bass on Matthews Lake on Aug. 15, 2010. Catching this bass was his birthday wish.

HONORED

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2009. The man alleged he had been scammed out of hundreds of thousands of dollars. In addition, the individual had contacted several other police agencies, which would not listen

Summary

► Fenton Det. Scott Townsend received an award at city council on Monday, for his work leading to the conviction of a man who scammed \$356,000 from an area resident.

it was his professional responsibility to assist the man, Aro said. After almost a year after Townsend began the investigation, on March 23, 2010, David Broecker pled no contest to larceny under false pretenses, a 10-year felony.

"You make your community shine," Osborn told Townsend. "I was so impressed when I read the story in the paper (Tri-County Times). It's so commendable. Thank you very much."

Councilwoman Dianne North agreed, also congratulating the detective. "I'm always proud of our city employees," North said. "I think we have the best."

to his complaint or investigate the fairly complicated matter, Chief Rick Aro said.

Townsend took the time to listen. Because a portion of the crime took place in the Fenton Police Department's jurisdiction, he believed

"You make your community shine."

Sue Osborn
Fenton City mayor



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO

Robert Smith (left), of Byron, officiates at the wedding of his daughter Rachel (Tyler) Franklin and Christopher Franklin. The wedding took place in the Linden Mills Museum.

Couple 'tie the knot' at Linden museum

By Anna Troppens

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Linden — When Rachel Tyler married Christopher Franklin on Dec. 29, the "something old" included the location of their wedding ceremony. In what is probably a first, the couple tied the knot in the historic Linden Mills Museum.

Rachel said the wedding location was a neat surprise from her father, Robert Smith, of Byron. With the help of Museum Curator Barbara Kincaid and her husband, Linden Mills Historical Society President David Kincaid, the idea became reality in a matter of days — in time for the Franklins to say their vows on Wednesday, Dec. 29, the 48th wedding anniversary of Rachel's parents, Robert and Sandra Smith.

Robert, an ordained minister, officiated at the wedding.

"I absolutely love antiques," Rachel said. "We got to be married where we got engaged, and on my parents' anniversary."

The Franklins were married in the area of the museum where the antique wedding gowns are displayed.

Rachel, who played volleyball for a Linden church with her daughter Emily, said if she ever remarried, she'd want the wedding at the Linden Gazebo. Emily Tyler, 21, remembered her mother's words and passed them on to Christopher.

He asked Rachel to marry him in August, near the gazebo, while one of the outdoor movies was being shown.

"They had a movie playing, 'Over the Hedge,'" Rachel said. "We actually sat

down for a little bit and watched it. We didn't get to watch all of it, so we went and bought the movie."

The proposal took her by surprise. "He took me over to where the bridge and the water is, and he got down on one knee and asked me there. He asked my parents before me."

Rachel was the home health nurse for Christopher's parents, the late Milton and Mary Franklin. She and Christopher became acquainted while he was visiting his father, and they decided to stay in contact. Romance blossomed.

Christopher eventually sold his home in Kentucky and bought his father's 110-year-old farmhouse in Fowlerville. Rachel loves antiques, so the wedding in the Linden Mills Museum was wonderful.

"It was beyond our imaginations," he said. "It was a really beautiful place."

With some preparations and cooperation of the Linden Library, which was open during the ceremony, the small wedding worked out well, said museum curator Barbara Kincaid. "It was wonderful and very nice, and heartwarming."

The Linden Mills Museum


Due to the size and nature of the Linden Mills Museum — which occupies the top two floors of the Linden Mill, 201 N. Main St. in Linden — it wouldn't serve as a frequent wedding destination, or a site for large ceremonies, said museum curator Barbara Kincaid. It is closed during the winter, but tours can be scheduled by e-mailing victorianbarbara@aol.com or bklmuseum1@gmail.com.

Church benefits from Eagle Scout project




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Alexander Wagner, 16, achieved the rank of Eagle Scout on Dec. 20. His Eagle project was to build a patio and nine picnic tables at the Linden Presbyterian Church. The project was done in time to celebrate the church's 150th anniversary. Alex has been in scouting since the first grade and will celebrate his achievement at his Eagle Court of Honor in March.



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Place a number 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 numbers from one to nine.

Answer in this Sunday's edition of the Tri-County Times

Lupus is related to rheumatoid arthritis

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My 28-year-old daughter, who has been healthy all her life, was recently diagnosed with lupus. Will she be able to live a full life, including having children? Is there a cure? How about exercise and diet? — R.K.

ANSWER: In the 1950s, a diagnosis of lupus carried only a 50 percent chance of living for five more years. Sixty years later, the chance of living for at least 20 more years is 90 percent, and the majority of lupus patients have a normal life span. Pregnancy is definitely possible. Doctors tell their lupus patients to delay pregnancy until the illness has been inactive for six months. That kind of delay in



disease activity occurs in almost all lupus patients. Lupus is in the same class of illness as rheumatoid arthritis. It's an autoimmune disease, one brought on by the immune system attacking many body organs and tissues. Joints and muscles are targets. The wrists, hands, elbows, knees and ankles are the joints most often involved. Skin rashes are common. One rash is often mentioned. It's a redness on both cheeks connected by a red bar over the bridge of the nose. This is the "butterfly" rash of lupus, seen less often than it is talked about. The kidneys, heart and nervous system can be affected.

The outlook for an individual lupus patient depends on how many organs are involved and how well the patient responds to treatment. There isn't a cure. There are many control medicines. Lupus typically has periods of worsening and periods when the illness goes into remission. Medicines make remissions longer and longer. Lupus has no special diet. Exercise is encouraged when the illness is in remission. You or your daughter can contact the Lupus Foundation of America for more information and for becoming acquainted with other patients in your town. The website is www.lupus.org, and the phone number is 202-349-1155.

Readers interested in learning more about lupus can order the booklet on it and rheumatoid arthritis by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 301W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 66. I had been a heavy smoker, and I had a brother who died of an abdominal aneurysm. My doctor insisted I have an ultrasound of my abdomen to find out if I had one. (He thought he felt one.) It turns out I don't have an aneurysm, but I do have a porcelain gallbladder. The doctor wants me to have surgery right away. I have no pain. I feel good. He says it's a cancer threat. Is this so? — M.Z.

ANSWER: It is so. A porcelain gallbladder must be removed because of the high risk of cancer. This kind of gallbladder got its name because calcium infiltrates its wall. The wall is inflamed, and gallstones are often the cause of the inflammation. Even though you might have no gallstones and even though you have no pain, you need to have the gallbladder taken out, so great is the threat of cancer developing.

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY

The City of Lumberton intends to procure the services of General Contractors and HVAC Contractors utilizing American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (stimulus) funds.

The opportunity consists of HVAC renovations of a 26,644 sf. recreation center. Five (5) split system air conditioners with gas heat will be demolished and replaced with four (4) split system air conditioners with gas heat. Two (2) additional energy recovery units will be added to the facility to pre-treat outside air. All new electric service will be installed with new equipment.

Additional information on this opportunity will be available at The Wooten Company, 120 N. Boylan Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27603, via telephone 919-828-0531 x124, or email to lbrown@thewootencompany.com, after Wednesday, January 12, 2011.

KING FEATURES

Crossword Puzzle

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1 Little white lie

4 Sun-related

9 Beef moistener, on menus

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18 Clay, today

19 Care-less attitude?

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25 Discoverer's call

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28 Unpaid bills

31 Old letter opener

33 Science workplace

35 Drench

36 Clan emblem

38 Toothpaste type

40 Reuters competitor

41 Birds, to Brutus

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49 1953 Eartha Kitt Christmas song

54 Compass dir.

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1 Monk's title

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RELEASED THIS WEEK

DVDs&Movies

THE SOCIAL NETWORK

On a fall night in 2003, Harvard undergrad and computer programming genius Mark Zuckerberg sits down at his computer and heatedly begins working on a new idea. In a fury of blogging and programming, what begins in his dorm room soon becomes a global social network and a revolution in communication. A mere six years and 500 million friends later, Mark Zuckerberg is the youngest billionaire in history ... but for this entrepreneur, success leads to both personal and legal complications. David Fincher's loose interpretation of this story explores the moment at which Facebook, the most revolutionary social phenomena of the new century, was invented. Drawn from multiple sources, the film captures the visceral thrill of the heady early days of a culture-changing phenomenon in the making — and the way it both pulled a group of young revolutionaries together and then split them apart.

YOU DON'T GET TO 500 MILLION FRIENDS WITHOUT MAKING A FEW ENEMIES

PIRANHA

Every year, the population of sleepy Lake Victoria explodes from 5,000 to 50,000 for Spring Break — a riot of sun and drunken fun. But this year, there's something more to worry about than hangovers and complaints from local old timers. A new type of terror is about to be cut loose on Lake Victoria. After a sudden underwater tremor sets free scores of the prehistoric man-eating fish, an unlikely group of strangers must band together to stop themselves from becoming fish food for the area's new razor-toothed residents.

ALPHA AND OMEGA

What makes for the ultimate road trip? Hitchhiking, truck stops, angry bears, prickly porcupines and a golfing goose with a duck caddy. Just ask Kate and Humphrey, two wolves who are trying to get home after being taken by park rangers and shipped halfway across the country. Humphrey is an Omega wolf, whose days are about quick wit, snappy one-liners and hanging with his motley crew of fun-loving wolves and video-gaming squirrels. Kate is an Alpha — duty, discipline and sleek Lara Croft eye-popping moves fuel her fire. Humphrey's motto is make 'em laugh. Kate's motto — I'm the boss. And, they have a thousand miles to go. Back home rival wolf packs are on the march and conflict is brewing. Only Kate and Humphrey can restore the peace. But first, they have to survive each other.

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Under the direction of conductor Sue Miller, the Fenton Community Orchestra rehearses every Saturday morning at the Fenton United Methodist Church. The orchestra, with more than 60 members, is open to musicians of any age and skill.

ORCHESTRA

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practice side-by-side and encourage each other to be the best they can be.

Because of the overwhelming response, there's no turning back for this community orchestra. The group is in the process of becoming a non-profit organization and gaining its 501(c)3 status so that it will be able to seek grants to help with expenses.

Fleck said some of the musicians are in elementary school, some are just out of high school and some are adults, who have not played since their high school days. "We span generations," Fleck said. "The experienced (musicians) help the inexperienced."

Currently, anyone who desires to be in the orchestra is welcome to join. Fleck said as interest continues to grow; a second orchestra featuring the most experienced musicians is likely to form.

Fleck grew up in Farmington Hills playing the string bass in her school's orchestra. She feels fortunate that her children showed an interest in music. Forming this orchestra gives her and her family an outlet to play music together.

If anyone can confirm that the world is a small place, it's Fleck. Her childhood music instructor, Kay DeLuca, is now the private violin teacher for Earl (Joe) Schnur, one of the community orchestra's members.

At 77, Schnur, of Oxford, is the oldest member of the orchestra. At 39, he took up the bagpipe. He is now an accomplished bagpiper, as well as a certified ski instructor at Pine Knob and a woodworker. In the orchestra, he plays a violin that he handcrafted himself.

Over the years, he has made a mountain dulcimer, hammered dulcimer and harp for his wife. On a visit to Greenfield Village, Schnur watched as a woodworker made a violin. Intrigued, he asked if he would be able to carve one.

At 51, Schnur bought a book, wood and started making his own violin. By 2004, he finished it and strung it up. "It sounded terrible," he said. He took it to a violinmaker to see where he went wrong. He learned that he just placed the sound post in the wrong spot. After

he made the alteration, the violin created a much better sound.

In 2008, while considering hip surgery, Schnur found out he needed quadruple bypass surgery. He later suffered a stroke, causing vision difficulties.

Despite his health matters, Schnur continued violin lessons. A friend told him about the community orchestra and the fact that anyone could join.

Acknowledging that orchestra music would be quite different from bagpipe music, he knew he would have his hands full. "I started to play. I was hopelessly incompetent. At my age, I have to work harder than the children," he said.

"I learned one tune pretty well. They forced me to play in the concert."

Schnur credits the leaders of the orchestra for his success. "They're the most extraordinary people I've ever met," he said.

Another member of the orchestra who is fulfilling a dream to continue her love of music is Linda Moorhouse, of Fenton Township. She played trumpet from fifth-grade through college at the University of Iowa.

Moorhouse, 58, said she played in several bands, except the Hawkeye Marching Band. "At that time, women were not allowed to play in the Big 10 marching bands," she said. "The amazing thing was I didn't even question it. I just accepted it."

A few years after she graduated, the rule changed. This past fall she registered online to play in the Alumni Marching Band for Iowa's Homecoming. "Obviously, I practiced several months prior to my trip back to Iowa City," Moorhouse said. "It was definitely a 'bucket list' weekend and one of the most fun weekends of my life."

Moorhouse read a previous article about the community orchestra in the Tri-County Times and decided to sign up. "I attended practice and was immediately hooked."

The orchestra practices Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Fenton United Methodist Church. Anyone interested in playing, volunteering or learning more can get more information at www.fentoncommunityorchestra.org. The orchestra is beginning to prepare for a spring concert.

CHIEF

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Foregoing lunch out, Sutter eats at his desk as he sorts through the budget and needs of the department. The city hired him to work 25 hours per week. And, he's not counting the extra hours he's logging in at this point.

"I'm evaluating where we need to go in the short term and long term," said Sutter. He is looking into what grants are available that could help with equipment costs and the budget. He's also evaluating all of the policies and procedures of the department.

At his former job, his days consisted of a lot of paperwork and employee issues. He dealt with any union matters, as well as the legal and personnel departments.

One of the drastic differences Sutter mentioned was budget. Flint's police department worked with a \$20 million annual budget. Due to the much smaller size and fewer residents, he is now working with a \$1.1 million budget.

Sutter said, at his former job, there were approximately 180 employees, including civilian and law enforcement. In Linden, he has 10 employees for payroll.

Sutter is making the rounds with area police departments and meeting with the police chiefs. He believes this networking and communication will help him in his duties as Linden police chief.

To ensure his officers are well

equipped and trained, Sutter is looking into various training. "That's important," he said. "You've got to make sure the officers are equipped and trained right."

Sutter is getting to know the city employees and believes he has a good group of officers. He praised the front office employees, city manager and fire chief.

Coming from a city plagued with crime, Sutter is embracing the small-town atmosphere of Linden. The biggest crime statistic he is seeing for Linden is larcenies.

He said larceny is a crime of opportunity and residents could prevent this by keeping their doors locked. Another way to prevent personal belongings from being stolen by the opportunistic thieves is by not leaving them out and unsecured. "Take out valuables from cars and don't leave things lying around," he said.

Reviewing the crime statistics from the last five years, Sutter said there has not been much physical crime. He believes Linden is a "very safe community."

As part of his plan to meet community members, he's agreed to take part in career day at Linden Middle School on Thursday. Students will have the opportunity to meet with him and ask him questions about his new job. He also has plans to meet with the Kiwanis next week.

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Powell headed to Siena Heights to play football

By David Troppens

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After an outstanding senior season, Max Powell knew he didn't want his football career to end.

And now it won't.

Powell is expected to sign a National Letter of Intent to play college football at Siena Heights University.

"After my senior year, I had a pretty good year and didn't want it to end," Powell said. "Once colleges started calling me, I realized I can't stop playing."

Powell was looking at North Park Univer-

sity in Chicago and Adrian College as well.

Powell was a pretty outstanding player for the Eagles last fall. Playing on a team that lost nearly its entire starting lineup from a season ago, the Eagles still managed to defend their Flint Metro League championship and make it to the playoffs.

Powell played a huge role in that season. The senior captain caught 54 passes for 815 yards and nine touchdowns. On defense he took part in 82 total tackles, earning five sacks. He also had three interceptions, running two back for TDs. One was a 100-yard TD return against

Lapeer East. He also had three pass deflections and two fumble recoveries.

Right now, Powell is expected to play either outside linebacker or strong safety. Powell is excited to play on defense.

"I like to hit people," Powell said. "It's
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SPORTS TRIVIA

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Fenton's Eric Mowery (left) tries to sneak past Holly's Jared Plawski during the Tigers' 51-48 victory Monday night.

Tigers hold on down stretch vs. Holly Bronchos

By David Troppens

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Holly — What looked like it was going to be a blowout just seven minutes into the game, ended up being another classic contest in the Fenton-Holly history books at Holly High School Monday night.

The Fenton varsity boys basketball team jumped out to a 20-0 lead in the first 6:49 of the contest, but it wasn't decided until the final shot of the game when Holly's Josh Fugate, who led all scorers with 28 points, missed a three-point shot at the buzzer. The Tigers, without their star player Ryan Hickoff who was out sick, snuck out of Holly with a 51-48 Metro League victory.

The win sets up Fenton's (6-0, 8-0) key contest at home Friday against Swartz Creek, the only team within one game of the Ti-

gers in the league standings.

The Tigers never trailed. Fenton's Eric Mowery went coast-to-coast with a layup for the first two points of the game, 45 seconds into the contest, and less than a minute later a putback hoop by Conor Muntin after a missed slam by Dylan Hickoff, had Fenton up 7-0. The Tigers continued to push the tempo, raising the gap to 20-0 after Hickoff's three-pointer with 1:19 left in the first quarter. Holly didn't score until Fugate scored on a 15-foot jumper with 1:02 left in the first quarter, as Holly trailed 20-4 after one period. And while the Bronchos, who were without starter Andrarius Gray, battled back, the fact remained they always trailed after that early deficit.

"Coach told us we had to come out and set the tone for the first four minutes," Fenton point

guard Eric Mowery said. "We had to make sure we let them know this is how we are going to play. We did that and set the tone, but they came back."

"We had great intensity. We played good defense and we made our shots," said Hickoff, who scored nine of his team-high 18 points during that 20-0 run. "Everything was going our way."

"(After that run) we got in foul trouble and we kind of lost our stamina. We were not as intense."

It took the entire last three quarters for Holly to gradually claw itself back into the contest. Still trailing 35-28 entering the final period, Fugate took over. Attacking the rim with strong dribble penetration, Fugate scored 13 of his 28 points in the fourth quarter. And while Fugate was scoring, the Tigers were unable to ice the game from the
See TIGERS on 16

Lady Tigers dominate from start, crush Holly

By Al Zipsie

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Fenton — The Fenton girls basketball team roared out of the gates and then slammed the door behind them on Holly.

Fenton shut out the Lady Bronchos 16-0 in the first quarter and scored the first 18 points of the game as the Tigers won a 46-17 Metro League rout of Holly Monday. A stingy Tigers' defense kept the Bronchos off the scoreboard until the 5:55 mark of the second quarter, when Jessica Beeler scored on a turnaround jumper off an in-bounds pass.

"I was pleased with our defensive intensity, and we know that is what we have to do," said Fenton coach Brad DeWitt.

Holly's leading scorer, Ashley Xiong, was held scoreless. Xiong did not get off many shots and left the game midway through the fourth quarter as both teams emptied their bench.

"Our intentions were to hold (Xiong) from scoring," DeWitt said. "She is the engine that drives them."

"Fenton is a well schooled and oiled machine. We know they are a good team and they came out and shot really well in the first quarter," Holly coach David Hall said. "The 18-0 lead was more about Fenton's good defense. I don't know if Ashley has ever had no points for a game. She is not really a scorer and is more about distributing the ball, but she usually gets to the free-throw line."

Fenton's Sam Granger dished a pass to Alyssa Ostrowski for the game's first points, and Fenton never looked back. Payton Maxheimer made a pair of free throws, followed by Granger converting an offensive rebound. After that, Granger had two straight assists to Ostrowski, making it a 10-0 lead.

Maxheimer then had a hoop off a pass

from Gabrielle Rivette. Rivette followed with two free throws and Julie Gilbert capped the run with a hoop, making it 16-0 at the end of a quarter.

An assist from Jailen Judson to Gilbert made it 18-0 early in the second quarter. The Bronchos outscored Fenton 10-8 in the second quarter and trailed 24-10 at intermission. However, Fenton went on a 9-0 run to start the second half.

The Bronchos did not have any players score more than four points. Maxheimer was the only Fenton player in double-figures with 13 points. Rivette had nine points and Ostrowski added eight rebounds.

"We have been working hard, and we know we need to control games with our defense," said Maxheimer. "I usually take shots when I get a good look. I have had the chance to score more points lately, but it is a team effort. We don't care who scores the
See DOMINATE on 16



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Fenton's Paige Maxheimer had 13 points in the Tigers' win against Holly Monday.

did you know?

Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski has won 77 NCAA tournament games in 26 different tournaments.



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Lake Fenton's Joe Gerow (left) came home with a second-place finish at the Heritage Team Invitational on Saturday.

LF wrestling captures Heritage invite title

By Al Zipsie

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Saginaw — Lake Fenton's varsity wrestling team flexed their muscles, going undefeated in five matches to win the Heritage Team Invitational Saturday.

The Blue Devils won their first tournament championship of the season after earning runner-up finishes at the Genesee County meet and Hartland Invitational earlier this season. They were third at Lansing Eastern. Lake Fenton is 16-2 overall, with its only losses being one-point setbacks to powerful Oxford and Hudson at the Oxford Team Duals.

The Blue Devils won the Heritage Duals with a 56-15 win over the host Heritage, who finished second. The Blue Devils also dismantled Traverse City West 72-15, Grand Blanc 58-18, Ogemaw Heights 58-26 and the Brighton "B" team 63-15.

Lake Fenton had seven wrestlers post 5-0 records. They were Todd Melick (119), Bryce Hopkins (125), Buddy Poyner (130), Justin Melick (145), Chris O'Guinn (152), Connor Brancheau (160) and Drew Morris (171). Second-place finishers were posted by Jared Corcoran (103), Joe Gerow (135) and Zach Corcoran (140). Corcoran was disqualified, resulting in his first loss of the season. Jared Corcoran had solid runner-up finish, replacing the injured Jake Carley.

O'Guinn's first win of the day was his 100th career victory.

"Christian is coming on really strong," Lake Fenton coach Vance Corcoran said. "He was more of a defensive wrestler and now he is on the attack. His only losses came to some of the state's best."

Brancheau gave Heritage's Travis Harrold his first loss of the year with a 5-2 decision victory. Brancheau, Poyner, Zach Corcoran and Morris are all 27-1 on the season. Todd Melick is 19-1, while O'Guinn is 25-3 and Justin Melick is 22-4. Two Lake Fenton wrestlers won championships at the Swartz Creek Frosh-Soph Invitational Saturday — D.J. Melton (140) and Cody Sanders (145).

Lake Fenton has a GAC dual meet Wednesday with Weberville and Burton Bendle at Flint Beecher.

LINDEN AT SOUTH LYON INVITATIONAL

The Eagles finished second at the meet, earning four individual championships.

Alex Neal, Dallas Blank, Jeff Fisher and Kyle Fisher each took home first-place showings. Kyle Fisher im-

proved to 27-0 with his victories, while Blank is 6-0. Jeff Fisher is 23-2.

Shane Stevens took second, while Eli Foguth, Dan Fisher and Cliff Coleman finished third.

Linden hosts Holly, Fenton and Lapeer East for a Metro double-dual today at 5:30 p.m.

HOLLY AT DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL INVITATIONAL

The Bronchos took sixth at the event, earning two individual champs.

Esteban Gonzales (119) defeated DCC's T.J. Fagan by a 12-3 major decision for his title, while Shawn Scott (171) beat Westland John Glenn's Kam Jones 8-2 in his title match.

Joe Piwowarski (215) placed third, while Anthony Gonzales (125) took fourth.

The Bronchos travel to Linden for a Metro League double-dual today at 5:30 p.m.

Fenton hockey wins 4-1 verdict against Lapeer West

By David Troppens

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The Fenton varsity hockey team has taken its lumps during the non-league season.

But when it matters the most, the defending Flint Metro League champions are still finding ways to win games.

The Tigers (3-6 overall) improved to 3-1 in league play with a 4-1 victory against Lapeer West on Saturday.

West scored the game's first goal but then the Tigers' defense clamped down, not allowing another goal.

Meanwhile, the Tigers gradually took control of the contest, getting goals from three different individuals in each of the periods, topped by Jake Foguth's two goals in the third period.

"It went real well. We played solid defensively the whole game," Fenton coach Matt Krusniak said.

The Tigers tied the game on Ryan Delecki's goal, assisted by David Johnson with 1:24 left in the first period. The Tigers took the lead for good when Johnson scored on a T.J. Polakowski assist on the power play with 5:14 left in the second period.

The Tigers got some needed breathing room early in the third period, when Foguth scored unassisted just 1:58 into the final period. He capped the victory with an empty-net goal with just nine seconds left.

Fenton remains right in the middle of the Metro League title hunt entering a pivotal contest against Swartz Creek on Wednesday. The Dragons beat the Kearsley/Holly co-op 8-2 on Saturday, putting them in first place by a point in the league

standings, one ahead of the Hornets and Tigers. However, both of those teams tied in second have played just four contests as opposed to Creek's five. With a win, the Tigers would move back into first place.

"We are fortunate to be where we are at right now," Krusniak said. "Wednesday is a huge game for us. I think Creek is the team to beat right now."

Fenton is steadily improving with its new squad. The Tigers have struggled against their tough non-league foes, but it seems to be helping the squad in league action.

"We've been playing everybody and getting a lot of experience, and we've elevated the schedule," Krusniak said. "It's a lot tougher schedule than we've had in the past. We've taken some lumps overall, but it's prepared us for the league games."

Wednesday's game at Iceland Arena starts at 6 p.m.

TRI-CITY 10, FREELAND 2

Jake Stone had four goals and two assists, helping lead the co-op squad of players from Lake Fenton, Durand and Linden to an easy win against Freeland.

Lucas Tunningley had two goals, while Cameron Brand, Kyle Frank, Chase Jenkins and Garret Selves had a goal each.

In net, Connor Brierley played 15 minutes, making four saves. Hannah Fremd played 30 minutes and made six saves.

SWARTZ CREEK 8, KEARSLEY/HOLLY 2

Swartz Creek took over first place in league action with the victory. Creek scored the game's first three goals and

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PREP REPORT

SKIING

► **Fenton girls 35, Flushing 38:** The Fenton girls were paced by McKenna Valley, who finished fourth overall for all competitors and second against just Flushing in the giant slalom. She posted a time of 44.47 seconds during her two runs down Mt. Holly. Meanwhile, she also placed third overall and second vs. Flushing in the slalom with a time of 1:00.75.

Flannery Wise was the Tigers' second top performer in the giant slalom (46.88) placing fourth against Flushing. Meanwhile, Marina Nimo was third in the giant slalom (1:07.22). The JV girls won 19-30. Megan Rumbles won the giant slalom (50.57).

► **Fenton boys 29, Flushing 46:** The Fenton boys had Max Weinberg finish first overall among the entire field of teams at Mt. Holly with a time of 42.05 seconds in the giant slalom. He also took first between the two teams in the slalom (59.45). Seth Thompson was second in the giant slalom (43.23) and the slalom (1:00.57). Julian Weinberg placed third in the giant slalom (43.37) and fifth in the slalom (1:06.82).

In JV action, the boys were paced by Logan Shaw's second-place performance in the giant slalom (45.91).

BOWLING

► **Holly girls 27, Fenton 3:** The Tigers were paced by Erica Davies' two-game 370 series, while Mackenzie Walz had a 355 series. Davies had the team's best game, rolling a 194, while Brianna Wilson had a 193.

BOYS BASKETBALL

► **Holly JV 52, Fenton JV 48:** Fenton led for most of the contest until Holly's Benjamin Goldman nailed a three-pointer from the wing, putting the Bronchos up 50-48 with 1:45 remaining. Holly held on from there to get the victory.

TIGERS

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charity stripe. The Tigers made just 15-of-28 free throws during the contest, including Hickoff hitting just 4-of-12. In the fourth quarter, the Tigers split a pair of free throws the first three times they went to the charity stripe, allowing the Bronchos to cut the gap closer each time.

The Bronchos (4-2, 4-3) cut the gap to just two, at 48-46 for the first time in the contest since it was 2-0 when Austin Hopkin hit a three-pointer with 28.0 seconds left. However, Mowery, who was the only Tiger to consistently make free throws all night, converted two at the line with 20.3 seconds left. Fugate responded with a drive that resulted in two converted free throws, cutting the gap to 50-48 with 15.9 seconds left, but Hickoff split a pair just one second later, raising the gap to 3. Fugate attempted a trey to tie it, but missed. Fugate scored 13 of Holly's 20 fourth-quarter points.

"At the beginning of the fourth quarter, they told me to start getting the basketball and drawing fouls," Fugate said. "The first couple of times I got there, I got my shot blocked. But then I started jumping into the man and getting fouls."

"I thought (the final shot) was good. I thought it was going to go in. But I was fading a little bit."

Hickoff finished with nine rebounds and four steals to go with his 18 points. Mowery, who had a serious bout with foul troubles, had nine points and made 5-of-6 free throws down the stretch. Charlie Herzog had seven points, seven rebounds and four blocks. After Fugate's 28 points, Brent Staffne and Hopkin had seven points for Holly. No other Broncho had more than two.



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Holly's Josh Fugate (left) tries to get around Fenton's Charlie Herzog during the Tigers' victory against the Bronchos Monday night.

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POWELL

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going to be a lot of hard work (getting ready). I have to put on some pounds, get stronger and get faster."

The first-year program will be mostly freshmen in the fall, but it won't be as overwhelmed as it may first appear. The program plans on playing at least one season as a JV program. Many smaller schools have JV programs who the Saints could schedule. Powell is excited about being a part of the new program.

"Just being able to be a first-year player with a program and being up to help start that tradition is great," Powell said. "Not many people get a chance to be on the first team in school history and make that kind of statement. I have a better chance of

playing. It'll be almost all freshmen, and, by the time we graduate, it will be like a big family."

Powell thinks he can help with the program's leadership. After all, he helped captain a team that was relatively inexperienced this season to a playoff birth.

"I think I bring a lot of leadership. Linden produces a lot of leaders," Powell said. "It helped being a captain this year, not really ordering people around, but to help lead the team. I learned how to pick everyone's head up after tough losses like the game against Country Day, and to keep winning. Leadership is a big thing for me."

Jim Lyall is the head coach of the new program. He has extensive collegiate experience, most notably while being head coach at Adrian College from 1990 to 2009.

HOCKEY

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never trailed.

Jacob Veenhuis scored all four of the Dragons' second-period goals.

Darren Donnelly and Brandon Csutoras scored a goal each for the Hornets.

POWERS 6, FENTON 0

The Chargers scored at least a goal in every period, leading them to the victory

against Fenton.

Spencer Spurlin scored a three-goal hat trick, providing a goal in every period. He scored the game's first goal with 12:59 left in the first period. He also assisted the three other goals.

Jaycob McCombs had two goals and two assists, while Aaron Hanchett had a goal. Niles Owen provided four assists.

Casey Korhonen had 11 saves in net and got the shutout victory.

DOMINATE

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points. It has been fun to be around all the talent on this team. It makes it easier. Our post players rebound well."

"Payton has been playing very well, which takes the heat off some others," praised DeWitt. "We are starting to really to mesh. We had some young kids start off

the year and are now starting to play with more confidence."

The Tigers, who started the season 1-2, has now won six straight games and are 5-1 in the league, losing only to unbeaten Clio. Fenton returns home Friday for a Metro League varsity doubleheader against Swartz Creek at 6 p.m. The boys will follow after the girls.

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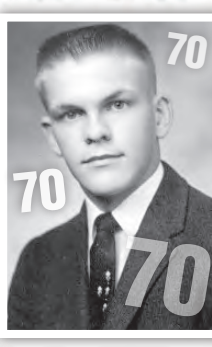
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**Obituaries,
Funeral
Services and
Memoriums****Freeman C. Smith**

1926-2011

Freeman C. Smith - age 84, of Columbiaville, MI died Friday, January 7, 2011. He was born October 31, 1926 in Fowlerville to Hillyard and Lucille A. (Roberts) Smith. He worked for Warner Lambert and was a member of Peoples Baptist Church and the Assembly of God Church, both of Columbiaville. Surviving are his 7 children: Robert (Mary) Clark, Richard (Tina) Clark, Donald Clark, Darlene (Randy) Brando, Nancy Culver, Kim (Timothy) Serwatowski and Ken (Joy) Smith; 21 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren and 14 brothers and sisters. He was preceded in death by his wife: Vetta (Crawford) and a sister. Services 1PM Saturday, January 15, 2011 at Niblack Funeral Home, Dillingham Liverance Chapel with his son Kenneth officiating. Visitation 1-4 PM and 6-8 PM Friday. Interment in Greenwood Cemetery, Fowlerville. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army. **www.niblackfuneralhome.com.**

Garry R. Butts, Sr.

1956-2011

Garry R. Butts, Sr. - of Fenton, age 54, died Friday, January 7, 2011 at his residence.



Funeral service was held 11 AM Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at

the Swartz Funeral Home, 1225 West Hill Road, Pastor Walter E. McConkey officiated. Cremation took place following the service. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the family. Visitation was held 1-4 PM and 6-8 PM Monday at the funeral home. Garry was born in Flint on September 22, 1956. Garry loved driving Ford Trucks. Surviving are wife Alyce; children, Garry Jr. and wife Jenay, Tonya and Michelle; daughter-in-law, Carrie Butts; 11 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild; sister, Linda and husband Roger Sutton; brother, Dennis and wife Val, brother Les; sister, Virginia and husband Joe Burcicki; many nieces and nephews. Garry was preceded in death by his parents and son, Teddy Butts. Your condolences may be shared with the family at www.swartzfuneralhomeinc.com.

**Virginia Ruth****McCollum,**

Virginia Ruth McCollum - age 75, passed away January 7, 2011. A funeral service was held on Monday, January 10, 2011 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to Heartland Hospice. Online guestbook **www.phillipsfuneral.com.**

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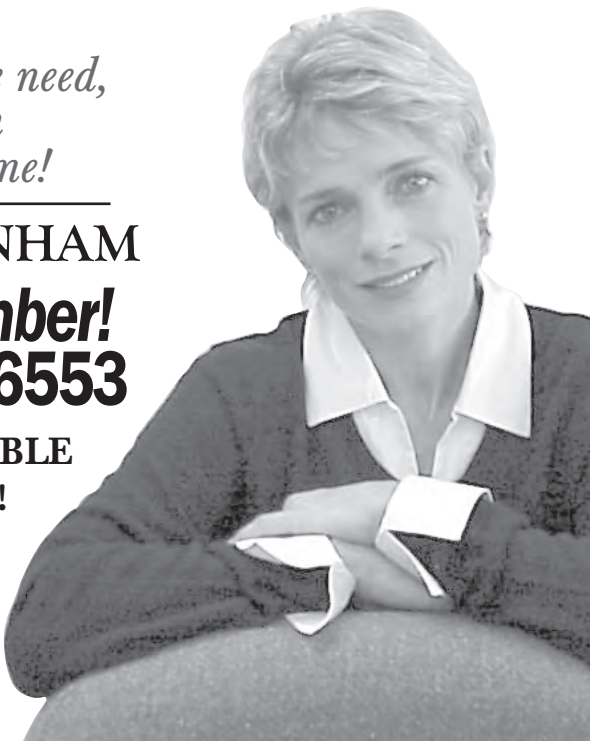
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