

HOT LINE: TIPPING **44**As a restaurant cus-

tomer. I

say that server is exactly right.

Mike



If you can't afford the tip, keep your cheap butt at home.'

STORY: CUSTODIAL CONTRACT

Shame on Linden Community Schools'



adminand

are some of the highest paid in Genesee County and they want to privatize the custodial staff for 'fair market value.' We are the lowest paid custodial staff in Genesee County. We are here because we are dedicated to Linden students. Parents, please get involved. Contact the board of education and tell them this is not good for your children. Please support the staff that has been here with your children, who care and help keep them safe and are very trustworthy. '

HOT LINE: **SARAH PALIN** FOR PRESIDENT

fi think it would be great if Sarah Palin runs in 2012. It's an automatic second term for President Obama.'

- L. L.

HOT LINE

66A FEW TIMES on my commute home, I've heard the 'Be Closer Fenton' advertisement. The ad was well done, and I found myself thinking of patronizing the businesses mentioned. Nice work, DDA. The results of the advertising should silence most of the 'naysayers.' **99**



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ood costs continue to rise

Why prices are increasing and what you can do to lower your bill

By Sharon Stone

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sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 If it seems like food prices are continually on the rise, you must be paying attention to your cash register receipt. According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all food is projected to increase 2 to 3 percent in 2011. Both food-at-home (grocery store) and food-away-from-home (restaurant) prices are also forecast to increase 2 to 3 percent.

Although food price inflation was relatively weak for most of 2009 and 2010, higher food commodity and See FOOD on 12A

Summary

Several contributing factors, such as higher food commodity prices, rising energy costs, and increasing demand as the economic recovery continues, are resulting in higher grocery prices.



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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO Shoppers have to get creative to feed their families as they face constantly rising food prices.

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Closed on Sundays

Family and church are priorities for many businesses

By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 Sunday was the second busiest sales day of the week for the Lovegrove family's retail stores in Fenton back in the '70s and early '80s, according to owner Kurt Lovegrove, Sr. That was, until a personal conviction while at church told him See SUNDAYS on 13A

"I said I was going to turn out the lights, close the door and never again would I be open on a Sunday as long as I'm

still in business." Kurt Lovegrove, Sr. owner of Lovegrove's

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO Spending time with family and religious convictions are two reasons why some local businesses choose to close on Sundays.

Fenton city manager inks new contract

Salary to remain the same at \$88,500 annually

By Anna Troppens atroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 Fenton — Fenton City Manager Lynn Markland recently made a new contract agreement,

at no increase in wages. His annual salary remains \$88,500, the amount he received when hired. Fenton's last contract with

Markland was for two years, Mayor Sue Osborn said, and the city is lucky to have him for three. The new contract is retroactive to See MANAGER on 8A

Fenton schools lose 17 students

Loss is \$124,372 in per-pupil funding By Anna Troppens

atroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 Fenton — The second student count of the 2010-11 school year has taken place, and Fenton Area Public Schools is down 17 students from the fall. The district won't make midyear cuts based on the loss, but it becomes a consideration for next year's budget, said Doug Busch, executive director of Personnel & Finance.

See STUDENTS on 8A

Deaths of two teens under investigation

Heroin overdoses

"The problem with heroin, compared with some other drugs, is that it is physically addictive. Without it, you get violently ill." **Rick Aro** Fenton Police chief

ports, which take about four months to obtain, would reveal the substances in the victims' bodies.

Our Policy is to be Closed on Sunday

suspected By Sharon Stone sstone@tctimes.com

The deaths of two teenagers from the Fenton area may be from drug overdoses, possibly heroin. Autopsies were conducted and toxicology re-





- Lynn B.



"I've enjoyed the

last $2\frac{1}{2}$ years

I've been here,

and I'm looking

forward to the

next three years."

Lynn Markland

Fenton City manager

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2 Stress zapper

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Academy Awards wrap up banner year for movies

Vote for your favorites on Tri-County Times' Facebook page **Who will area residents pick?**

By Anna Troppens

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The world will be watching next Sunday as young stars Anne Hathaway and James Franco co-host the 83rd Academy Awards. Oscar telecast producers say the two actors personify the next generation of Hollywood icons.

TV commercials featuring Hathaway and Franco have been running, with them "training" for the big night and pos-

sible disasters. As a strap on Hathaway's dress breaks, Franco tackles her and wraps part of the red curtain around her. They both fall to the floor.

> As the two presenters each add their unique stamp to the awards



Summary

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences began presenting its Academy Awards in 1929, as a way to honor outstanding achievements and encourage higher levels of quality in all facets of motion picture production. The 83rd annual event will take place Sunday, Feb. 27, at the Kodak Theatre in Hollywood. presentation, the winners will receive long-dreamed-of, gold Oscar statues. Franco has a chance at one himself, for Best Actor for his performance in 127 Hours. The movie is based on the true story of a mountain climber who becomes trapped under a boulder and resorts to cutting off his own arm to escape.

See AWARDS on 14A

One hundred sixty-seven take icy plunge into Lake Fenton for Special Olympics

By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 Winter weather and frigid waters did not deter 167 people from the tri-county

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area and from as far away as Chicago from donning bathing suits, dry suits, and even Batman suits, and jumping in the icy waters of Lake Fenton.

The second annual Polar Plunge at the Fenton Moose Lodge on Lake Fenton drew around 1,000 visitors, and was a cooperative effort between the Moose Lodge and Area 13 Special Olympics of Genesee and Lapeer counties.

"It's a good community to come out and support us," said Jerry Daunt, area director for the Special Olympics. Daunt coordinated the event, which went smoothly without ice-related medical issues.

Participants had to raise at least \$50 to take the plunge, with the money going directly to the Special Olympics of Genesee and Lapeer counties.

By current counts, the event raised \$38,000 for Special Olympics, which serves more than 1,000 athletes in Genesee and **See PLUNGE** on 8A



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SCOTT SCHUPBACH

Participants brave the icy water in the second annual Polar Plunge at the Fenton Moose Lodge last Saturday. Funds raised will benefit Special Olympics in Genesee and Lapeer counties.



d frigid waters did from the tri-county away as Chicago ng suits, dry suits, ts, and jumping in te Fenton.

bits are a dying art

One of the many surefire signs of getting older is reading obituaries. As morbid as that seems when you are in your 20s, 30s and even 40s, it doesn't seem odd at all to those of us who have crossed

the magical age of 50. Obituaries are the Rodney Dangerfield of newspapers they get no respect. Even their placement, at the very back of a section, seems to attest to their morbid nature and lack of glamour. Maybe it's because they tend to remind us so strongly of our own mortality.

Who among us, when reading the obituary of someone we knew, doesn't feel just a bit superior for no other reason than the fact that we outlived them.

But, I digress. My point is that I have come to the realization that obituaries are not about death, but about life. They

TO THE PERSON who thinks we

should repeal the pricing law because consumers switch tags, that is a tiny

fraction of the bounties paid out. If I

am paying attention at checkout time,

there are consistent pricing errors to the store's benefit. I am so sick of it.

The governor should increase the

ANYONE ELSE CHUCKLE at Rep.

Paul Scott's hypocrisy lately? I am

recalling about a year ago when he spoke at length of 'values,' when an-

Now, an out of wedlock child with an intern? He's not preaching values now.

States is more than 9 percent. North

Dakota unemployment is less than

4 percent, because they have found new ways of drilling for oil. Adult males

looking for work can find it, and they

want females to bridge the gender gap.

Obama's way of creating jobs has been

putting a seven-year moratorium on oil

drilling in the Gulf of Mexico. Controlling

getting a very nice bonus, you are very

TO ALL OF the GM workers who are

welcome. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Taxpay-

Compiled by Tim Jagielo, Staff Reporter

er (and former customer).

our lives is his goal, not creating jobs.

nouncing his bid for Secretary of State.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE United

penalty for pricing errors.

This column was originally published in 2006.

should be the epitome of what any good story in a newspaper is — interesting, entertaining and informative.



A well-composed obituary shouldn't be mournful, but rather a capsulization of the notable accomplishments of the deceased's life. That's why I have decided to write my own first-person obituary now, thereby relieving my family from this dreary obligation in the event of my untimely demise. I urge you to do the same. After all, who

knows your feats and foibles better than yourself. To wit, my obit:

CHILDS, FOSTER

I was born in November 1951. I went home to be with the Lord on (insert date). My mother never forgave me for being born butt-first. My first kiss

THERE IS NO convincing evidence that merit pay has resulted in improved student learning in any school or school district.

I HAVE WORKED in retail for more than 20 years, and I can't believe how rude and mean customers can be. I know

some people are going through rough times, but you are not the only one affected by the economy. Please don't take your anger out on the clerks who are serving you. They did not take your job, insurance or set the prices. Be nice.

beach in Oscoda. My first broken heart was from a girl named Debbie on the beach in Oscoda. My brother and I peed in a knothole in the floor for two weeks when we were kids before my mom figured out what was going on. I achieved the highest IQ score in my fourth-grade class. I won the schoolwide spelling bee when I was in sixth grade. I once threw a boomerang that came back to me. My childhood friends are still my best friends. I love dogs. I dislike cats. I attended four different colleges before never graduating. I was arrested and jailed 13 times by the time I was 24 years old. I married the love of my life. I have more enemies than friends (and I have a lot of friends). I consider 'One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest' to be the best movie ever. My most memorable job was as a railroad conductor. I always say 'Never Complain, Never Explain' (I don't always do it, but I always say it). I have been best man at six weddings. I have an

sponge off the people, decides to mar-ry a common girl who has used every

trick imaginable to get him to propose and it becomes the all-consuming news

Who cares that they have a 3-year-old

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England, who has done nothing but

was with a girl named Debbie on the

I once had a drink with Chevy Chase (I had to buy). I have never shook the hand of a president. I have parachuted. I am unphotogenic. I have experienced two earthquakes. I can fix most anything. I can't float. I can juggle. I hate New York City, New Orleans, Southern California and Hollywood. I love Northern Michigan, Northern California, Chicago and my bride. My best vacation ever was to Costa Rica. The farthest I have ever traveled to is India. The best weekend of my life was in Bora Bora. The worst weekend (four days, actually) of my life was in Dade County Jail. My greatest regret is that I didn't enlist in the USMC. My greatest accomplishment is raising my kids to be good parents. If I could live my life over. I wouldn't change much at all. In lieu of donations to a worthy cause, please send flowers.

inactive pilot's license. I have a CPL.

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Letters, 350 words or less, must be signed and include a phone number. We reserve the right to edit for clarity and liability. Letters must be written exclusively for the Times.

Dear Editor,

I feel compelled to respond to the 'Kudos to the Holly Village Council' Hot line message on page 8A, in the Sunday, Feb. 13 edition of the Times. Many village citizens are irate,

concerned and upset about the news that a medical marijuana business will be opening in Holly. For everyone's information, the state of Michigan has approved the sale of medical marijuana under strict guidelines. No municipality can override state law in this matter without incurring legal problems with Lansing, to say nothing of the potential lawsuits looming on the horizon.

Please be assured that the Holly Village Council has tabled action, and returned this matter to our planning commission. We will proceed with utmost care and diligence to remain within the limitations of the laws and ordinances. All concerned citizens are invited to the village council meeting on Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. to air your concerns.

> Jeff Miller Holly Village president

streettalk

How do you save money when buying groceries?

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WARRANTIES



"Coupons, and I watch for sales. I really watch."

— Jackie Cornell

Fenton Township



"I don't (have any), I am terrible. I just go to the store. I don't have free time for coupons and all that." *— Kim Conte* Fenton



"I just ad shop. I find the ad items for the week with the 'Yes' card."

- Robert Delaney Owosso



"Not going to the grocery store hungry. I just grab a lot of snacky stuff when I'm hungry." – Stacey Mrazik

Fenton





"Double coupons. I have them all organized, and I use the gas card at VG's."

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The King is on vacation.

TRI-COUNTY TIMES

Fenton Road widening project to start in July

"I'm pleased with

the plans and think

three lanes were

warranted."

Dan Ausum

Fenton Road resident

▶Center turn lane to be added from northern city limits to Butcher Road

By Sharon Stone

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Fenton Twp. — About a dozen residents and several Genesee County Road Commission representatives attended a public hearing Tuesday evening to discuss the Fenton Road widening project.

The \$2.6 million project includes adding a center turn lane from the north edge of

Fenton City limits, near the Sears Hometown Store, north to just past Butcher Road, approximately 11/4 miles.

Funding to cover the construction and engineering costs comes from the state's Transportation Economic Development Fund – Category C (\$1.6 million) and the Genesee County Road Commission (\$900,000).

Several years ago, this widening project caused much controversy as planners proposed widening the two-lane up to five lanes. Many residents expressed opposition to the number of lanes. Con-

State rep under fire for out-of-wedlock child

Family values candidate and ex staffer have son

State Rep. Paul Scott, 51st District, is the proud father of his newborn son, Carter, who was born on Feb. 9.



Controversy and comments have surfaced from some who question that Scott and former staffer Amanda Grove, who are not married, had a child together out of wedlock.

Paul Scott

Scott was reelected to the 51st district State House

seat in November, running on a Family Values platform, and being endorsed by Citizens for Traditional Values.

Bill Ballenger, editor of the political newsletter, "Inside Michigan Politics," said recently he can't recall a similar situation involving a staff member and a state lawmaker in recent history.

'To my knowledge it has not happened with any legislator I can think of," he said.

A recent press release from Scott stated, "The importance of marriage is so foundational a pillar of our society that I am resolved to be an even louder advocate for its importance in public policy, in spite of being labeled a hypocrite. My falling short of these values in no way diminishes the clear reality and necessity of them."

Scott has publicly said that there are no plans for marriage at this point, but "you never know what's going to happen in the future."

Hot lines, blogs and online comments have been overwhelmingly critical of Scott, many citing the fact that he may have taken advantage of the staffer in his role as her boss.

'Anyone thinking of using my family for political reasons would be sick," Scott had said of any criticism in a recent interview.

cerns of shrinking front yards, as well as faster and more traffic, were expressed by the residents.

Planners went back to the drawing board and downsized the plans. Road commission engineers say that widening the road will decrease the number of straight rear-end collisions, improve

capacity and improve the traffic flow.

Based on a road study from 2005 to 2009, this section of road has a much higher crash rate than other two-lane primary roads in the county. The crash rate is more than 10 percent higher

for rear-end collisions, most likely due to the amount of traffic making turns.

Engineers are working out the final plans and final acquisitions of easements with the intent of beginning the four-phase (see sidebar on Page 7A) project in July and completing it at the end of October.

See WIDENING on 7A

Are you living paycheck to paycheck, struggling financially... in the dark about how to get out of debt and prepare for the future? Are you upside down in your home mortgage or facing foreclosure? Are you getting ahead or just getting by?

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- The cost for the seminar is \$20 for couples, \$15 for singles. Seating is limited so please call the church (248-634-9225) to make a reservation. If you are interested in the seminar but unable to attend, please call Mr. Cary at (248) 431-3273
- to schedule a complimentary personal appointment.





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Don't waste the wonder of winter

Most of us start longing for spring shortly after Christmas. And for many good reasons — the anticipation of returning song birds, signs of new life bringing their annual previews of resurrection, flowers pushing up green hands through the still, cold soil announcing brighter days ahead. Even those who live in yearlong warmer climbs can't resist looking forward to the season of new beginnings.

Standing in line at the post office, I heard a man grumbling about the cold weather. My efforts to brighten his mood were to no avail until I reminded him of the calendar's steady march to the first day of spring. 'I never thought of it that way,' he said.

Looking forward to spring makes winter seem shorter. No matter how cold it may be at the moment, those who focus on the promise of spring know that just beyond the snow balmy breezes blow.

Enjoy the anticipation. But don't waste the wonder of winter. In these parts, this has been a week of mind-sticking winter scenes. Freshly fallen snow made one feel the whole world was clean. Pines were heavily powdered and heaps of white on our birdfeeders gave them the appearance of Swiss chalets. Now, I understand why God comforted Job in his many afflictions by reminding him that He was the creator of snow (Job 38:22).

Taking in the view from my window one morning, I gave thanks for our Lord's handiwork and found myself wanting to capture this strikingly beautiful winter scene and remember it as long as possible. Winter's wonder made me realize the importance of squeezing the most out of every moment of life

This moment is an important occasion. Don't waste it complaining about the weather. Rise each morning thanking God for clouds or sunshine, heat or cold and you are sure to have a better day.

Ralph Waldo Emerson said, 'Write it on your heart that every day is the best day of the year. He only is rich who owns the day, and no one owns the day who allows it to be invaded with worry, fret and anxiety.'

Each moment has eternal value and we are all stewards of seconds.

The Psalmist was so conscious of time's fast flight that he recorded the following prayer. 'So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts to wisdom' (Psalm 90:12), adding, 'O satisfy us early with Your mercy that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. (Psalm 90:14).

Most of us have been prodigals with time and foolishly spent a possession that is far more valuable than money. Give thanks for the prospect of sunny days ahead, but don't spring forward too quickly. Enjoy the wonder of winter because it is where we are today. And, whatever the season, faith sees today as the best day of the year.

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B&E, STORAGE CLOSET

An apartment resident off North Holly Road discovered her storage unit was broken into, and everything taken. The resident reported it to the Holly Village police, who kept the cut padlock as evidence. The woman is compiling a list of the items. She found some of them in the apartment complex's dumpster, damaged and broken.

DOMESTIC ASSAULT

On Feb. 11, Holly Village police responded to Lakeview Street for a domestic assault. The caller, who phoned from inside her vehicle, said her exboyfriend shoved her several times after an argument, breaking the window of her vehicle with a hammer. The suspect admitted to arguing but denied shoving the woman. He has been arrested, and charges are pending for domestic assault and malicious destruction of personal property.

LARCENY FROM BARN

On Tuesday, Feb. 8, Michigan State Police responded to the 5000 block of Rood Road, Holly Township, for a report of a larceny from an unlocked barn. The caller said a wheelbarrow and two snow blowers were missing. There are no suspects.

BREAKING AND ENTERING

On Tuesday, Feb. 8, Michigan State Police Groveland Post received a call from the 3000 block of Fenton Road, in Rose Township, for a breaking and entering. A side door was kicked in. Missing was a Dell computer tower, worth around \$200. There was around \$200 in damages to the door and its frame.

WIDENING Continued from Page 5A

Throughout the project, local traffic

will be allowed. Detours will be posted. During the public hearing, Linden Mayor David Lossing asked Ken Johnson, project developer, if a multi-use bike path was included in the plans. "This is a great way to link us to the north," Lossing said.

Johnson said at this time, there just isn't funding available to do this. The paved paths would have to be 10-feet wide.

Following the meeting, Lossing said it is a "missed opportunity" by the road commission not to consider the multiuse paths during this design stage.

Fenton Township Supervisor Bonnie Mathis said the township is interested in the multi-use paths, but she does not believe there is room to do so in areas of this project. "I think it's taking too much from the people."

Fenton Road resident Dan Ausum was pleased with what he heard at the meeting. "I think it's great. It will make the area look nice and safer around Butcher Road," he said, adding he is grateful the plan was downsized, from five lanes to three.

Fenton Road widening project

Phase 1 – Starting in July at the border of Fenton Township and Fenton City, north to Garnet Road.

Phase 2 – Starting in August, from Garnet Road, north to the area of Fenton Adopt-A-Pet and Skipper Bud's boat storage lot.

Phase 3 – Starting in September, from Fenton Adopt-A-Pet, north to just north of Blue Water Drive.

Phase 4 – Starting in October, from Blue Water Drive, north to just north of Butcher Road.

DEATHS Continued from Front Page

A 17-year-old female of Fenton Township died late Monday night. The Genesee County Sheriff's Department believes drugs may be involved. However, toxicology results are needed to confirm cause of death.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said Fenton police are investigating another possible fatal drug overdose, as well.

Fenton police were sent to a home on Wood Street at 10:45 p.m. on Wednesday for a suspected overdose. Upon arrival, police learned that a 19-year-old female had reportedly overdosed and was unresponsive.

Rescue attempts performed by the Fenton Fire Department and police officers were not successful. She was then transported to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township, where she was pronounced deceased.

An autopsy was performed on Thursday. The police chief said information obtained from relatives, along with evidence recovered from the scene, suggests that drugs were a factor in the overdose. A drug, possibly involved, is heroin, though blood tests are necessary for confirmation.

Aro said heroin is extremely addictive and it will take over a person's life. "They will steal to pay for

Fenton schools administrators take pay freeze

► Insurance changes save district another \$64,497

By Anna Troppens atroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792

Fenton — Fenton schools' building administrators have accepted a new contract that will save the district money. The two-year agreement includes a wage freeze for two years. It is retroactive, from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2012, said Doug Busch, executive director of Personnel & Finance. The previous contract expired June 30, 2010. The contract is

it," he said. Heroin looks like a white to off-white powder. Users will carry a kit, containing a spoon to heat it up, cotton to strain the liquid as it is poured into a syringe, and a tourniquet or rubber tube for tying around the arm or leg.

If parents see any of these items or notice suspicious behavior with their children, Aro urges them to contact police, or if they do not want to do that, to at least seek substance abuse help immediately.

The problem with heroin, compared with some other drugs, is that it is physically addictive, said Aro. "Without it you get violently ill," he said.

The drug can be snorted, however, for an extreme high, Aro said the powder is heated to a liquid form and injected.

Aro said detectives are investigating the 19-year-old's death.

Michigan Energy Credits

Energy Home Improvements or Appliances credit continues for 2010 and through 2011.

These credits apply to Michigan homeowners that purchase certain energy saving improvements or appliances. Renters or Landlords do not qualify.

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(248) 634-2100 INCOME TAX PREPARATION ELECTRONIC FILING PAYROLL SERVICES for principals, assistant principals and the athletic director. A major point was a change in health insurance that will save the school district \$64,497 this year. The switch is from Blue Cross/Blue Shield to Health Plus. In addition, the building administrators agreed to a reduction in life insurance benefits.

"The administrators understand the financial situation and really stepped up and agreed to make a change."

Doug Busch executive director of Personnel & Finance



Eyes on Learning

Being in school ramps up the visual demands on your child drastically. There are many visual tools kids need in order to learn effectively.

Multiple visual systems/tools are used in school that can break down and many are not obvious to the parent or teachers. The easy one to spot is poor visual acuity (if the kid can't see the chalk board, ding-dingding...there's a problem).

Other equally or more devastating visual problems that decrease a child's learning potential are visual fatigue and poor eye teaming/visual coordination to name a couple. Both drastically decrease reading (books, computer, chalkboard) and comprehension at all ages.

Insidious medical problems often are present as well that are hard to detect such as mild lazy eye or a small eye turn that only occurs during reading. The latter by the way is extremely hard to detect without an eye doctor specifically looking for it.

With most of these conditions the child is 100% unaware these problems are occurring.

Often I have seen kids that appear to have ADD or Dyslexia who simply need eye exercises or therapeutic lenses which improve concentration and visual organization.

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PLUNGE

Continued from Page 3A Lapeer counties. This year's event leaves last year in the dust, where 28 people took the

plunge, and raised about \$7,000. Daunt attributes the success to aggressive marketing, and some very dedicated participants, including the

Genesee County Sheriff's Department. "We never dreamed we'd ever been so successful in our second year," he said.

"Everybody played a big role in it," said Fenton Moose Lodge administrator Matt Richmond, who served as liaison between the Moose Lodge and Special Olympics. Richmond said 25 Moose Lodge members also took the plunge.

A moose lodge member, Dan Brown, raised \$1,000, and took the plunge as a paraplegic, Richmond said.

The largest single donation was from retired deputy Keith Stowell of Davison, who raised around \$12,000, answering a challenge from local Fenton resident and attorney Suellen Parker.

She told Stowell he could not raise \$10,000, but if he did, she would shave her head. Parker reportedly had 90-percent of her hair shaved off following his success.

Pat Morris, of Fenton Township, took the plunge, and described it as, "the best experience ever," she said. "It was for a great cause and I got to do it with some great people. I will definitely do it again next year."

"If you cut the hole in the ice, they will come," said Daunt. "I was so impressed with it."

"I hope to raise twice as much money with twice as many people for the Special Olympics next year," said Richmond.

After 27 minutes, all 167 jumpers had taken their plunge. Paramedics and deputies were on hand for safety, and jumpers waited in a heated tent before their turn.



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Matt Richmond

administrator, Fenton Moose Lodge

2011 BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE ROSE TOWNSHIP 9080 Mason St. Holly, Michigan 48442

MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE The 2011 Rose Township Board of Review will be held at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan on the following dates and times:

March 8, 2011 2:00pm Organizational Meeting (No Appeals Heard) March 16, 2011 1:00pm – 4:00pm & 6:00pm – 9:00pm March 17, 2011 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 4:00pm March 23, 2011 9:00am – 12:00pm

March 23, 2011 1pm – 4pm (No Appeals Heard)

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY – Call (248)634-7551 to schedule. APPOINTMENTS MUST BE MADE NO LATER THAN 5:00PM MARCH 14, 2011. APPOINTMENTS FOR THE BOARD OF REVIEW WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNTIL THE NOTICES OF ASSESSMENT HAVE BEEN MAILED. APPEARANCES BEFORE THE BOARD OF REVIEW ARE LIMITED TO 15 MINUTES. PROPERTY OWNERS MAY APPEAL BY LETTER IF RECEIVED BY 5:00PM MARCH 22, 2011

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Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend the meeting are asked to contact the Rose Township Clerk (248) 634-8701 at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

> Debbie Miller Rose Township Clerk

MANAGER

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Jan. 24, 2010 and runs through January 2014. Markland is in his 25th year of city administration. Previously, he was manager at the two Michigan cities of Sandusky and Durand. He enjoys his work in Fenton, with city council, Fenton employees and residents and businesses in the community. The job is a busy one, and Markland likes being involved in the community and being able to impact many different aspects, he said.

Future goals include looking at city employees' health care costs. In addition, the city needs to find a way to get local street work done, he said. All of the recent street projects have been for major streets, and funding for local streets is not available. In recent years, voters rejected a ballot proposal to fund local street work.

Markland and Osborn have traveled to Washington, D.C. four times — most recently in November 2010 — to meet with politicians and seek support for Michigan's automotive industry. "I think it's important to the state," Markland said.

He and Osborn, who used vacation time from herotherjob, traveled witha Mayors Automotive Coalition group. They met with many in Washington D.C., including Dr. Ed Montgomery from the Department of Labor, Ron Bloom from the Treasury Department, Michigan senators Debbie Stabenow and Carl Levin, Rep. Dale Kildee (D-Flint) and (last November) Speaker of the House John Boehner.

Creative Foam and Acument Global Technologies, two industries with locations in Fenton that supply the automotive market, received Michigan Economic Growth Authority (MEGA) tax credits, Markland said. The MEGA tax credits are helping the

STUDENTS Continued from Front Page

The formula for state funding blends 25 percent of the number of students in February, and 75 percent of the number from September, 3,474. In turn, the September 2010 count was down by 70 students from February 2010.

Fenton schools' amount of funding per student for this year was \$7,316. The state made funding cuts this year, but federal money made up the difference, Busch said. Some of the federal funding was through the stimulus, or American Recovery and Fenton has a lot of potential, he said. Fenton's City Council has been very supportive of changes administration has been making, Markland said. In addition, the downtown development authority (DDA) is doing a great job encouraging development downtown.

What Markland accomplished in the last two years

During his tenure in Fenton, City Manager Lynn Markland is proud of grant money the city has received for Silver Parkway, the sewer lift station project and Adelaide Street. In the spring, the second half of the Adelaide Street project will begin and Walnut Street will be paved. He also was able to obtain additional, outside funding for Walnut Street.

He is proud of having balanced the city's budget the last few years. Fenton, like many Michigan local governments, has experienced less state revenue sharing and less income from property taxes. According to preliminary estimates, Fenton could receive \$320,000 less in property taxes in its upcoming budget year. There will probably be another reduction in the city's state revenue sharing, Markland said.

As city manager, he reduced Fenton's expenditures by \$850,000 annually. "It wasn't easy," he said.

Reductions included not replacing city employees who left, due to one reason or another. Fenton has six fewer employees.

In addition, administration has bid out lawyer services to get a better value, cut cell phone costs and started having payroll handled in-house, by city staff. Bidding out the lawn mowing services Fenton uses for parks and other areas is saving the city \$80,000 annually, Markland said.

Reinvestment Act (ARRA), and some was through the Education Jobs Fund.

Fenton schools begins its budget process for the next school year soon, and the loss of the 17 students will be part of the discussions, he said. It is very difficult to make budget reductions in the middle of the school year.

"In this economy, we are finding that families are leaving the area to pursue employment opportunities elsewhere," Busch said. "We will be reaching out to those families that have left the district to determine their circumstances for leaving."





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temporary bans on medical marijuana dispensaries

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Peoples State Bank

After being declared in "unsafe and unsound condition," Peoples State Bank on Silver Parkway has been taken over by First Michigan Bank. The former bank locations are open under the new leadership, and customers can continue to bank as usual.

See complete story at www.tctimes.com



INVEST IN VOUR COMMUNITY

Thirty-one years of caring for our kids

Starting to see children of her original patients

By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795

When Dr. Chandra Puttagunta arrived at her practice many years ago, she was filling the missing niche of a pediatrician in the Fenton area. "I like being around children," she said. She treats children and adolescents at her cozy office in Fenton. Now, she has been serving patients in the Fenton area for 31 years.

Puttagunta said she enjoys the local families. "Most of my patients do follow instructions very well," she said. "They hardly ever miss appointments."

She is starting to see children of her earlier patients at her practice. "They like it, they remember," she said. "That's why they come back.'

She also thinks that her smaller office is less intimidating than the much larger buildings and hospitals in

which other pediatricians are located.

Puttagunta has a very experienced staff. Medical assistant Kelly McLaughlin-Smith has 20 years of experience, and medical assistant Melanie Benson has nine years. "My office staff is very friendly," said Puttagunta. "They remember all the patients very well."

Other benefits of her local practice include shorter wait time for service. She also offers 24-hour reign Medical Gandunte

TRI-COUNTY TIMES I TIM JAGIELO Dr. Chandra Puttagunta has dedicated nearly her entire career to Fenton residents.

"I like being around children." **Dr. Chandra**

Puttagunta pediatrician

check-ups, and all immunizations," she said. These check ups are to ensure healthy growth and development. Puttagunta also accepts many dif-

coverage by telephone

and same-day appoint-

"We can save time and money," she said. "(It is) easy to see a doctor local." She said the Shop Local initiative has helped to bring patients in from north and south of the Fenton area.

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



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Interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting. Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend are asked to contact the village offices at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (248) 634-9571 during regular business hours.

> Susan Nassar Clerk-Treasurer, Village of Holly

ments for sick children. "We offer 'well-child'

ferent insurance plans.

VILLAGE OF HOLLY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF REDUCED FRONT SETBACK & STACKING SPACE LENGTH **REDUCTION VARIANCE REQUEST**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with Article 25 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance, the Village of Holly Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on a request for a reduced front yard setback variance on March 7, 2011 at 7:00 PM (or as soon thereafter as possible) in the Village Council Chambers located at 315 S. Broad St., Holly, Michigan.

An application for a reduced front yard setback, reduced stacking space length and menu board variance was filed by WT Developers an agent for Taco Bell for a parcel of land on Grange Hall Rd. immediately east of the Wendy's. The parcel is 4047 Grange Hall Rd. and bears tax identification number 01-27-151-022. The applicant is requesting a variance from the required front yard setback for restaurants of 75 ft. to roughly 66.8 ft. and for a reduction of the drive through stacking space requirement of 25 ft. to 20 ft. and for two menu board signs (one allowed) and the size of the menu boards 24sq ft required 46 sq ft proposed for the construction of a Taco Bell.

FOOD

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energy prices have recently exerted pressure on wholesale and retail food prices, according to the USDA. Hence, higher prices are projected to push inflation toward the historical average inflation rate of 2 to 3 percent in 2011.

The USDA projects that U.S. retail food prices will rise faster than the general inflation rate in 2011 and 2012, reflecting higher food commodity prices, rising energy costs, and improved demand as the economic recovery continues. Food prices rise less than the overall rate of inflation over the remainder of the projections, largely reflecting production increases in the livestock sector, which limit meat price increases.

Why are food costs rising?

About five years ago, global production of ethanol and biodiesel began to add to the demand for grains and oilseeds. Other factors that have put upward pressure on prices include the declining value of the U.S. dollar, rising energy prices, increasing agricultural



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costs of production, adverse weather conditions in 2006 and 2007 and, most recently, steps taken by some countries to curb their food exports to mitigate their own food price inflation.

Annette Murphy, manager at Alpine Market Place in Linden, said about 95 percent of their grocery items come from Spartan Foods and that Spartan Foods sets the prices that they must charge. These increases understandably frustrate their customers, she said. However, the store has to abide by the orders.

Murphy sees items in the baking aisle, such as flour and sugar, as jumping more in price for this year. Some items are increasing by 60 cents. To offset some of these increases, she said the storeowners routinely bring in less expensive items from a handful of suppliers. She pointed out their Wall of Value throughout the store. The owners order extra when possible and try to be as competitive as possible, sometimes by offering internal discounts and reward cards.

GET, ONLINE

To find seasonal produce in your area, go to the Natural Resources Defense Council's (NRDC) website. www.simplesteps.org



Tips to save money on groceries **AT HOME**

• **Create a** menu, list of snacks, and list all needed ingredients for the upcoming week.

• **Check your** ingredients list against what you already have at home. Keep an ongoing list of what you have at the house.

• Write down all of the items that you need to complete your weekly menu.

• **Check weekly** newspaper ads for coupons and discounts.

• **Head to** the store, but make sure that you have eaten something and that you aren't tired, depressed or stressed.

AT THE STORE

• Shop, and stick to your

pre-made list. • Shop only the aisles that have

items on your list.
Become familiar with your local

store so you can go directly to a needed item.

• **Know when** it makes sense to buy in bulk and check labels for per ounce or other measurements to make sure it really is a value.

Don't be brand loyal. If the store brand is of good quality, buying it will generally save you money.
Scan all levels of shelves, not just

Confirm that everything in the

cart is on the "need list," not the "want" list.

• Watch the prices on the register display and make sure you are getting the correct sale prices.

Buy fresh produce in season for best value

By purchasing local foods in-season, you eliminate the environmental damage caused by shipping foods thousands of miles, your food dollar goes directly to the farmer, and your family will be able to enjoy the health benefits of eating fresh, unprocessed fruits and vegetables. Buying seasonal produce also provides an exciting opportunity to try new foods and to experiment with seasonal recipes.



SUNDAYS

Continued from Front Page to close on Sundays back in 1983. "I still remember the event as if it were yesterday," said Lovegrove, whose family has owned businesses under the Lovegrove

name since 1958. "I said I was going to

turn out the lights, close the door and

Summary

Some businesses choose to be closed on Sunday, due to religious beliefs, personal preferences or from enforcement of the "Blue Laws," which were designed in the 17th Century to regulate commerce and private conduct.

never again would Ibe open on a Sunday as long as I'm still in business."

He remains as steadfast to this promise today as he was almost three decades ago. He admits that it's a struggle for a business like his to not be open on

Sunday. "We are to rest on Sunday," said Lovegrove, pointing to the Scriptures.

While the nation's "Blue Laws" have acted as the country's moral compass in decades past, by dictating that businesses can't be open on Sundays and that alcohol can't be sold at certain times on Sundays and holidays, many of these laws have since been repealed.

Michigan is still one of only 13 states that doesn't allow, for example, auto dealerships to sell cars on Sundays, in counties of more than

130,000 people. 'We're not allowed to sell cars on Sunday," said Vic Canever Chevrolet sales manager Matt Stevens. "But, we

do have a lot of people browsing that day, and then coming in on Monday to make the sale. Monday is our busiest day of the week."

Today, local businesses that close on Sunday are often making a statement of their own — much like the

national franchises of Hobby Lobby and Chick-Fil-A, both of which promote the fact that they are Christian businesses that choose to close on Sundays.

A recent survey by the Barna Group, a research group that studies the relationships between faith and culture, notes that 43 percent of Americans say they would be more likely to buy products from a company that "manages its busi-

ness according to Christian principles," and only 3 percent were less likely to do so. In fact, 27 percent say they would be "a lot" more likely to support such a business. Fifty-one percent of Americans are indifferent.

At Lovegrove's in Fenton, their fam-

ily's faith is evident from the sign outside

their building to their delivery truck and

newly placed Ten Commandments on the

over the years? "Spiritual signs actually turn people away, but I do it because I

love people," said Lovegrove. "I don't

do any of it for myself or for business. I

Jeremy Ameen, owner of Fenton Lock

& Safe, works in an industry that could

keep him busy seven days a week, espe-

cially with emergency calls. However,

he chooses to keep business to Monday

through Friday to enjoy family time on

weekends, including church on Sunday.

verse, John 8:32, "You shall know the

truth and the truth shall make you free."

"Some people will call me and tell me

they want to do business with me because

I'm a Christian," said Ameen. "I've never

had any negative reaction to my van that

days a week, but there is an exception at

YaYa's Chicken in Fenton. "We're likely

the only restaurant in the tri-county area

not open on Sunday," said owner Scott

Tomrell. But he likes it that way. "It's a

combination of factors for me." Tomrell

Restaurants are usually open seven

Painted on his work van is the Bible

Has it brought them more customers

exterior windows of the store.

want people to know Jesus."

What are Blue Laws?

A Blue Law is a type of law, typically found in the United States and Canada, designed to enforce religious standards, particularly the observance of Sunday as a day of worship or rest, and a restriction on Sunday shopping. Most have been repealed, have been declared unconstitutional, or are simply not enforced, although prohibitions on the sale of alcoholic beverages, and occasionally almost all commerce, on Sundays are still enforced in many areas. Blue Laws often prohibit an activity only during certain hours and there are usually exceptions to the prohibition of commerce, like grocery and drug stores. In some places, Blue Laws may be enforced due to religious principles, but others are retained as a matter of tradition or out of convenience. Vehicle sales are banned on Sunday in counties having a population of 130,000 or more. Vehicle dealers who keep seventh-day Sabbath from sunset Friday to sunset Saturday may operate on Sundays instead.

Source: Wikipedia

Kmart Pharmacy, were the first retailers that were able to get around the Blue Laws that governed Sunday store openings, according to Lovegrove. "Kmart started selling prescriptions in the late '50s," he said. "The laws then allowed drug stores to remain open on Sundays, then they started selling general merchandise, too."

Taylor recalls the big push for Sunday store openings back in the late '50s, when Hamady Brothers opened their grocery store in the same plaza that houses Taylor Hardware and Lovegrove's today. Then, when national retailers moved into the tri-county area, local competition felt the pressure to open Sundays, according to Taylor.

"I know if I ever sold my store, the first thing the new owners would do would be to open up on Sundays," said Taylor.

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I know of.'

"We started closing on Sundays last summer." Tomrell adds that being closed on Sunday has certainly helped him spiritually, because he can now attend church

was operating the

and enjoy a family day, but he admits he probably should be open for business purposes. "It's a possibility I might con-

it works for me to be closed on Sundays.'

Long-time Fenton business owner Dale Taylor, of Taylor Hardware, has never been open on Sundays. "It's for personal reasons and my own religious beliefs," he said. "Back when just about every one was closed on Sundays, we felt we didn't need to be open on the Lord 's Day. Plus, all of our employees also went

In Fenton, local drug stores, led by the



sider in the future, but for now. "I know if I ever sold my

thing the new owners would do would be to open up on

Dale Taylor to church with their families. I

always knew I'd have that day off, and my family always knew I'd be home on Sundays. I've never regretted that decision. I have no intention of being open



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Take the Tri-County Times' Oscar poll

Ever wonder how a certain film wins Best Picture, when no one you know watched it — or would watch it? In honor of the sometimes-confusing Oscar awards on Sunday, Feb. 27, the staff of the Tri-County Times invites readers to vote for their own winners.

We will compare your votes with who receives the Oscar in four categories — Best Picture, Actor in a Leading Role, Actress in a Leading Role, Actor in a Supporting Role and Actress in a Supporting Role.

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The site of this year's Academy Awards will be much different

from the desolate mountains in 127 Hours. Kodak Theatre in Hollywood will be putting on the glitz, rolling out a 500-foot red carpet. Members of the media will take note of what the nominees and winners say, and, more important to some, what they are wearing.

Possible winners for Best Picture this year include **Black Swan**, the story of a troubled young ballerina; **The Fighter** with Mark Wahlberg, **Inception**, **The Kids Are All**

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Right, Toy Story 3, True Grit, Winter's Bone, The Social Network, The King's Speech and 127 Hours. The voting members of the Academy of Motion Picture

bers of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (there are 5,755 of them) will decide who wins each category.

And, what about those Oscar awards themselves? Since the first Academy Awards, 2,768 Oscar statuettes have been presented. Each statuette measures 13½ inches tall, with a 5¼-inch diameter base. It weighs 8½ pounds.

The statuettes are made of a metal alloy, which is plated with layers of copper, nickel silver and 24-carat gold (helium.com). The price of gold influences the cost to make one, and different sources put it at around \$500 each.

Except in years when the Academy created a publicity event out of the delivery of the Oscars to Los Angeles, they normally were sent over land by common carrier. However, in 2000, only a few weeks before the awards show, that year's shipment of Oscars was stolen from the overland carrier's loading dock.

They were recovered a week later, but not before some nerve-wracking days had passed. Since then, the academy has kept an additional ceremony's-worth of statuettes on hand.

No one is sure why the award is called an Oscar, but a popular story has been that Academy librarian and eventual executive director Margaret Herrick thought it resembled her Uncle Oscar and said so. Then, the Academy staff began referring to it as Oscar.



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Jerry Boldt - 0806 & 0808 Misc. Household
Heather Stewart - 0231 Misc. Household

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Notices

TYRONE TOWNSHIP 2011 BOARD OF REVIEW PUBLIC NOTICE

The 2011 Board of Review will be held at the Tyrone Township Hall, located at 10408 Center Road, Fenton, MI 48430 on the following dates and times:

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2011

Organizational Meeting 10:00 am

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011 TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011 9:00 am -12:00 pm., 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm., 6:00 pm - 9:00pm

Please call (810) 629-8631 (ext. 216) for a recommended appointment. Letters of appeal will be accepted and must be received by 9:00 pm. on March 15, 2011. No faxes will be accepted.

	AGRICULTURAL	COMMERCIAL	INDUSTRIAL	RESIDENTIAL	DEVELOPMENTAL	PERSONAL
Tentative Ratio	89.84	53.63	73.18	52.71	51.72	50.00
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Final expected ratios are: Tentative Ratio 50%, Tentative Factor 1.00

Tyrone Township Assessor

NOTICE of 2011 BOARD OF REVIEW FOR THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOLLY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Review of the Township of Holly will meet at the Holly Township Hall, 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan as follows:

Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 1:00 PM	Organizational Meeting to receive 2010 Assessment Roll from Assessor [MCL 211.29(1)] No Public Appointments
Appointments will be taken for: Tuesday, March 8, 2011 from 2:30 PM	4:30 PM and 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Monday, March 14, 2011 from 1:00 PM	4:30 PM and 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Tuesday, March 15, 2011 from 1:00 PM	4:30 PM and 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (Appointments only if necessary)
Thursday, March 17, 2011 from 1:00 PM	4:30 PM and 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Friday, March 18, 2011 from 9:00 AM	12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (Appointments only if necessary)
Monday, March 21, 2011 at 1:00 PM	Business meeting, only if necessary, to conclude Board of Review busi- ness. No Public Appointments.

The 2011 tentative equalization ratio is 50% and the estimated multiplier is 1.0000 for all property classification.

Any questions regarding the value placed on your property can be reviewed by the assessing department. Protests may be made in person or in writing. If after the assessor's review, you wish to appeal the assessment further, arrangements can be made for an appointment before the Board of Review.

Appointments before the Board of Review may be made for the dates listed above by calling Oakland County Equalization, toll free, 1-888-350-0900 Extension 85584. Appeals may also be made in writing and must be received no later than 9:00 P.M. Thursday, March 17, 2011. All written appeals should be addressed to:

> Oakland County Equalization, Holly Township Assessor 250 Elizebeth Lake Rd., Suite 1000 West Pontiac, MI 48341

Please use Parcel Identification Number when referring to your property so that records can be quickly located.

Protest at the Board of Review is necessary to protect your right to further appeals to the Michigan Tax Tribunal for valuation and exemption appeals and/or State Tax Commission for classification appeals.

HOMEOWNER'S PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AFFIDAVIT INFORMATION IS RE-QUIRED BY P.A. 105 of 2003: If you have purchased your principal residence after December 31 last year, to claim the principal residence exemption for next year if you have not already done so, you are required to file an affidavit before May 1 this year.

Persons needing assistance in attending an appointment should call the Township Clerk's Office at (248) 634-9331 ext. 301 at least 5 business days prior to the appointment.



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600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 1/30/2011 BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South

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02-13 2011-02-20.

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Frederick A Bearup, A Single Man to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated April 30, 2004 and #200405130052615 Genesee County Records, Michigan and assigned through mesne assignments to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R7 by assignment of mortgage dated January 24, 2011 and subsequently recorded in Genesee County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and Seventy-Two Cents (\$57,300.72) including interest 9.5% per annum. 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, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on March 9, 2011 Said premises are situated in Township of Vienna, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 62 feet of the North 330 feet to the East 360 feet of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 27. Town 9 North, Range 6 East. Commonly known as 10235 Clio Rd, Clio MI 48420 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 re-quired by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 2/06/2011 Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certifi-cates, Series 2004-R7 Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-34551

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE This form 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 a catain mortgage SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Arile Smith, A Single Man to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated August 12, 2005 and recorded August 23, 2005 in Instrument # 200508230083738 Genesee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R8, by assignment dated June 26, 2007 and recorded June 29, 2007 in Instrument # 200706290054150 and re-recorded February 3, 2011 in Instrument # 20170629005501 on which mortgage there is claimed on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars and Hundred Fitty-Seven Dollars and Ninety Certs (\$84,557.90) including interest 10.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice 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 March 16, 2011 Said premises are situated in Township of Mt Morris Genesee County Michigan, and are described as: Lot 140, Mendel Berger Subdivision No. 3, as recorded in Liber 37, Page(s) 46 of Plats, Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 5450 Mendel Berger Dr., Flint MI 48505 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 MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 2/13/2011 Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certifi-cates, Series 2005-R8, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-35014 the expiration of the notice required

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MASONS SPONSOR CHILD ID PROGRAM Linden Lodge 132 will sponsor a Child ID program at Camp Linden, a Girl Scout World Thinking Day encampment event, to be held March 12. There will be approximately 100 girls participating in the Child ID program, including Girl Scouts, Brownies, Daisies and Junior

Girl Scouts, said Junior Girl Scout leader, Dianna Campbell, whose troop of fifth graders planned the details of the event. The project includes a video interview of each child for voice identification, teeth imprints for DNA information and a CD for each child to take home that can be provided to police for an Amber Alert.

RESIDENT MAKES COMPLAINT ON DEBRIS Fenton resident Mike Piacentini addressed city council on Monday, saying debris from recycling bins is blowing free when workers from Republic Services empty the bins into their trucks. Councilman Benjamin Smith said he has noticed the same thing. Mayor Sue Osborn said Assistant City Manager/Downtown Development Director Michael Burns would address the issue.

CITY APPOINTS NEW DPW DIRECTOR TO TWO POSITIONS

Fenton City Council has appointed new Department of Public Works (DPW) Director Daniel Czarnecki to positions held by retired DPW Director Les Bland. Czarnecki is now the city's street administrator, who serves as the liaison between the state and the city for streets. Council also appointed him as the Storm Water Advisory representative, and Czarnecki will serve as the Monitoring and Mapping Subcommittee representative to the Storm Water 342 Committee of the Genesee County Drain Commissioner's Office.

FIVE TO RUN FOR TWO SEATS ON FENTON SCHOOL BOARD

Five new candidates have filed for two, four-year seats on the Fenton Area Public Schools Board of Education. The terms of the incumbents, President David Walker and Roger Ellis, expire June 30. Neither incumbent has registered as a candidate for reelection. The board seats are the only issues on the Fenton schools ballot for May 3. Candidates who filed with the Genesee County Clerk's Office by the deadline on May 8, and who will have their names on the ballot, include Daniel Carter, Charles Colombo, Phillip Price, James Shaw, and Tamara Valley. The deadline to file as a write-in candidate is Friday, April 22. Forms must be filed with the Genesee County Clerk's Office, 900 S. Saginaw St., Flint.



FRIDAY, FEB. 25

Fenton VFW Post 3243, 1148 N. Leroy St. in Fenton hosts a Fish Fry every Friday night from 4 to 7 p.m., Tuesday Bingo, Early Bird at 6:15 p.m., and regular bingo at 7 p.m. **Sun**day Bingo is at 3 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 7

Fenton Relay for Life (Presbyterians with a Purpose) is hosting Ladies Night Out on Monday, March 7, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Retreat Salon and Skin Spa, 12272 Fenton Rd., Ste 1. For reservations, call (810) 208-7002. Specials on massages, facials, pedicures and more. All mini-spa services fees will be donated to the Fenton Relay for Life Team Presbyterians with a Purpose.



sandwiches



…everyone has a favorite

Local restaurants share their customers' favorites

By Anna Troppens

atroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 From hearty, juicy meals to lighter snacks, everyone has a favorite sandwich.

Sandwiches are said to originate in 1762 in England, to accommodate the Fourth Earl of Sandwich. The earl, John Montague, was a dedicated gambler who often did not want to leave the gaming table, even for meals.

Thus, Montague asked his valet to bring him meat wrapped in pieces of bread, so he could eat at the gambling table. Others began to order the same, and the "sandwich" was born. See SANDWICHES on 4B

TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SHARON STONE Danielle Teays, deli worker at Alpine Market Place, displays their most popular sandwich, a Reuben.

CHOLESTEROL THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE UGLY By Tim Jagielo • tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795

► Too much can lead to heart disease

Most adult Americans are aware of the effects of cholesterol. According to the American Heart Association (AHA), 102 million Americans are borderline high risk for heart disease because of cholesterol, and 36 million of them are already high risk.

Cholesterol is waxy, and fat like. Your liver produces small amounts, about 1,000 milligrams per day. This is enough for what the body actually needs. Problems occur when a person ingests more cholesterol from foods than they need.

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The good

Bridal

Cholesterol is used in the body to produce hormones, vitamin D, and develops the bile that is used to digest fat. The liver will also handle some of the excess cholesterol you eat. See CHOLESTEROL on 4B

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business profiles

Sicilian Brothers Pizza brings Italian-style pizza to Fenton

By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 You may not have to go to Italy to get authentic "Sicilian-style" pizza. With a last name like Millefoglie, one doesn't have to wonder where the owners of Sicilian Brothers Pizza learned how to make authentic pizza pies.

Sicilian Brothers Pizza opened its doors in Fenton on Feb. 7 at

1383 N. LeRoy St., the former location of Rocco's Pizza and JT Wishbone.

This independent, family-owned pizza shop is owned by Paul and Steve Millefoglie, who learned from childhood how to make pizza, and are pleased to bring their recipes to

HOURS Monday - Thursday 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

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"Everything here is made

fresh daily. This is how we

try to set ourselves apart

still being very affordable.

We make everything to

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ahead of time."

Steve Millefoglie

co-owner of Sicilian Brothers Pizza

their new business.

Offering delivery, carryout and catering, Sicilian Brothers Pizza prepares pizzas in 10-, 12-, 14- and 16-inch sizes, with "create your own" toppings or their own signatures pizzas

from Supreme to BLT, Super Sicilian, BBO Chicken, among others. Also on their menu are sub sandwiches, salads, Stromboli, wings, sides and more.

"Everything here is made fresh daily," said Steve Millefoglie. "This is how we try to set ourselves from other pizza places, while apart from other pizza places, while still being very affordable. We make everything to order, nothing is prepared ahead of time."



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SALLY RUMMEL

The Millefoglie brothers, Steve and Paul, bring their own authentic-style Italian pizza to their new business, Sicilian Brothers Pizza in Fenton. For more information or to place an order, call (810) 629-7500, or visit their website at www.sicilianbrotherspizza.com.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IF ITEM PRICING is a law, then why don't they do it at so many stores in the area? In Holly, some grocery stores only individually price a small percent of their products. The rest, you have to get down on your 'prayer bones' to try to see through your bi-focals, to decipher the miniature numbers that supposedly represent the items in the same vicinity. If I can't see it, I leave without buying.

EVERY TIME I PAY attention to the scanner while I am grocery shopping, there are errors, always in the store's favor If technology is so great, why is this happening? Leave the stickers on the products.

I SEE SNYDER has come out in true Republican fashion. He gets a big hurrah for promising to build the 'Great bridge to Canada,' (big business), which will definitely provide jobs for a relatively small number of 'skilled laborers,' while in the same breath, he is trying to eliminate item pricing, which affects thousands of jobs. With that money-saving approach, why not manufacture cars without tires. Think of the money 'big business' could save.

I WAS WALKING at Linden High School and the custodian from DM Burr cleaning the building did a great job and was very accommodating. The school looked beautiful, and the school is saving hundreds of thousands of dollars using this service. The other schools should use this service, too.

WELL, I GUESS a leopard can change its spots, hence, the new GM. I just hope you weren't (like me) holding on to a bunch of their old stock when it went to zero.





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Jazzercise of Fenton's owner Donna Anderson (center) has recently opened her first permanent location on Thompson Road, next to Aqua Sports Marine, and The Canadian Steak & Fish Company. Her instructors (from left), are Jessica Johnson, Rachael Hall, Ann Carpenter, and Jamie Andrews. Anderson has 45 students currently. Jazzercise combines cardio, strength training, and arm stretching. Men, women, and couples are welcome.



INVITATION TO BID WAYFINDING SIGNAGE PROJECT **CITY OF FENTON** DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The City of Fenton, Michigan will receive sealed bids at the City Clerk's Office, 301 South Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan 48430-2196 for our Wayfinding Signage Project for the City of Fenton, the City of Fenton Downtown Development Authority DDA until March 21, 2011 at 11:00 AM.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at that time in the conference room of the Fenton City Office, 301 South Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan. Bids should be submitted in sealed envelopes plainly marked "WAYFINDING SIGNAGE PROJECT - CITY OF FENTON."

Bids are being solicited only from responsible and established bidders known to be experienced and regularly engaged in the work of engineering services. Satisfactory evidence that the bidder has the necessary capital, equipment and personnel to do the work may be required.

Proposal forms and specifications are on file for the inspection of bidders at the Fenton City Offices, 301 South Leroy Street and copies may be obtained by qualified bidders. Furthermore, this information is also available at www.cityoffenton. org. Sealed proposals must be submitted on the bid forms furnished by the City.

The Downtown Development Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept any bid, or portion thereof, which, in their opinion, is most advantageous to the City.

Michael T. Burns **Executive Director** Downtown Development Authority

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SANDWICHES **Continued from Page 1B**

of Sandwich.

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favorites

Sandwiches have become an American favorite. In the 1900s, U.S. bakeries began selling sliced bread. This development made sandwiches easy to prepare, a convenient, portable meal for the workforce and students.

Readers might remember the cartoon antics of Dagwood Bumstead, a thin comic-strip man who can pile ingredients onto bread like no other. Many of

his cartoon adventures in "Blondie" Summary involve a towering Sandwiches, sandwich. which are said to be named for Sally and Mark the Fourth Earl Rummel, owners of Mancino's of Fenton, said their customers love the American favorite. Italian combina-Tri-county area tion. "It is our most restaurateurs well-loved grinder," share how they they said. "People stack up their absolutely love it. They love the con-



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO An Italian Grinder is assembled at Mancino's in Fenton on Thursday. It is the restaurant's best selling sandwich.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | ANNA TROPPENS Christopher Ruhlig, of Villagers Restaurant in Holly, shows a triple-decker, Breakfast Club sandwich.

trast of flavors."

There is the spicy taste of the salami and sausage, mixed with the sweet taste of ham. "It's just a very good flavor combination," the Rummels said.

In addition, employees at Mancino's bake the bread fresh every day, from scratch. "That's probably the big thing that sets us apart from other sandwich makers," they said.

Mark likes the seafood mix grinder, which is served with a garnish of lettuce and tomato. "It's a really good combination," Sally said. "It's fairly rich, but it's really delicious. He likes to add a little

CHOLESTEROL **Continued from Page 1B**

The bad

The body only needs a limited amount, and unfortunately, most people take in too much cholesterol with fatty foods. The two main sources of outside cholesterol are saturated fatty acids, and trans fats. When there is too much cholesterol, a person can be at risk for heart disease. The ugly

The risk of heart disease comes from cholesterol forming a crust in the arteries called plaque, which narrows and makes the passage of blood and oxygen difficult. Chest pain, or angina, happens when there is a lack of blood-carried oxygen to the heart. When there is a total blockage because of a blood clot, or a piece of the hardened plaque, the person experiences a heart attack, which can be fatal.

How to lower your cholesterol

The AHA recommends taking in less than 300 milligrams of cholesterol each day. The average male takes in 317, and the average woman takes in 217.

• To significantly reduce extra cholesterol intake, avoid trans fats, and saturated fatty acids.

· Avoid fried foods, butter, cheese and sour cream. Look for steamed, roasted, baked, or stir-fried foods.

• Eat lean meats, and remove fat from red meat. Opt for fish and chicken.

• Exercise and physical activity help create "good" cholesterol, which puts a person in lower risk of heart problems.

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bacon onto it, too."

Patrons at Mancino's can do the same, topping one of the more than 20 types of toasted grinders with their choice of meats, vegetables and dressing. After the Italian combination, customers like steak, chicken, club and pizza grinders, in that order. Sally enjoys the popular Italian combination, club or Reuben.

Fenton-area residents really like their Reubens. Harley Pebbles, general manager for The French Laundry in Fenton, said it is the most popular sandwich at the restaurant. The French Laundry's Reuben features Sy Ginsberg's corned beef, sauerkraut, Switzerland Swiss cheese and Russian dressing, on grilled Jewish rye bread.

"It's certainly a very juicy, substantially sized, corned-beef sandwich," Pebbles said.

At the deli in Alpine Market Place in Linden, customers also prefer the Reuben, said Deli Manager DeSonja Britton. It contains corned beef, sauerkraut, Thousand Island dressing and Swiss cheese, on grilled bread.

"It's really good," Britton said.

Mike and Mark Ruhlig, of Villagers Restaurant in Holly, said they have many very popular sandwiches, but their customers' favorite is the Breakfast Club. "It can be eaten at breakfast or lunch or dinner."

The Breakfast Club is a triple-decker, cut into quarters. It's a very good, very attractive — and very filling — sandwich, the Ruhligs said. Between layers of toasted white, wheat or rye bread, there are two eggs, cheese, lettuce, tomato, mayonnaise and a choice of bacon or ham.



Low-density lipoproteins (LDL) LDL, also called "bad" cholesterol, can cause buildup of plaque on the walls of arteries. The more LDL there is in the blood, the greater the risk of heart disease.

High-density

lipoproteins (HDL) HDL, also called "good" cholesterol, helps the body get rid of bad cholesterol in the blood. The higher the level of HDL cholesterol, the better. If your levels of HDL are low, your risk of heart disease increases.

Very low-density lipoproteins (VLDL)

VLDL is similar to LDL cholesterol in that it contains mostly fat and not much protein.

Triglycerides

Triglycerides are another type of fat that is carried in the blood by very low-density lipoproteins. Excess calories, alcohol, or sugar in the body are converted into triglycerides and stored in fat cells throughout the body.

Source: webmd.com

Student Body

Lake Fenton High School

What is

Look Who's Talking



17-year-old senior

LAKE FENTON HIGH SCHOOL

FAMILY:

I have my dad and mom, Robert and Julie Quick. I also have an older brother, Brent and younger sister, Miranda.

SPORTS AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES:



I've played varsity soccer, football, basketball and baseball for Lake Fenton. For leisure, I like fishing, hunting and hanging out with friends.

PERSONAL MOTTO:

It's a quote from the movie, The Miracle. 'The name on the front of the jersey is more important than the name on the back.'

MY DREAM CAR:

I'm debating between a Lamborghini and any '70 muscle car.

ALL TIME FAVORITE MOVIE:

I'd have to say the Mighty Duck series. My brother and I and our friends watched them all the time.

By Sharon Stone, Staff Reporter

Spencer Quick

Ok, you're the school principal. What's the first change you would make? I'd allow students to leave campus at lunch.

- If you could have one superpower, what would it be, and why? I'd like the ability to read minds, because I would never be wrong.
- What is your earliest memory? Going 'up North' with my family. We went up to Intermediate Lake, near Torch Lake. We stayed at cabins with a whole bunch of families. We went fishing and swimming. We went crayfish fishing at night with lights. We had a record catch of 122 one night.
- I always: try to live to be an example and to learn from my mistakes.
- I never: judge a book by its cover, that's true. I have friends from a lot of different groups.
- Is there an event in your life for which you would like a do-over? There's a lot, but one in particular. Last year, in the first round of regionals in baseball, I struck out with the bases loaded and the score was tied at 3. The strikeout was our third out.
- If you could ask the president one question, what would it **be?** I'd ask how difficult is it to try to make everyone in the United States happy. You can't ever make everyone happy.
- If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be? I'd like to go back and see Barry Sanders as a running back, in person, because my dad said it was one of the most amazing things he had ever seen.

If you could make one rule, everyone had to follow, what would it be? Treat your parents with respect, because you never know how long you'll have them.

- What physical or mental attribute, if any, would you change about yourself? I'd make myself taller or have longer arms so I could finally dunk.
- If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say? I'm getting paid for this.
- What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to? My last regular-season, varsity basketball game at Goodrich. All of my favorite basketball games have been against Goodrich, even though we've never won.
- **My most valued possession is:** my truck, a Toyota. It gets me where I need to go. It has the same attitude as I have it looks big and strong, but it's not.
- My children will never be allowed to: be naïve. They have to work for everything they receive.
- Front row seats and backstage passes. Who are you seeing? Kid Cudi or the Detroit Red Wings.
- **The best day of my life so far was:** when we won districts last spring in baseball and hoisting the trophy. It was amazing.
- **My parting advice for a better world is:** Love every single person as if they were a brother or sister.





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your favorite sandwich?

CORY PIERCE, JUNIOR



"Ham and turkey sub, with lettuce, yellow peppers, salt and pepper."

TYLER BEGLEY, SOPHOMORE



"A Philly steak and cheese sandwich, from anywhere."





"A Fenton Club, from Fenton Deli. It has turkey, ham, bacon, mayonnaise, lettuce and provolone cheese."

LINDLEY NICKELS, JUNIOR



"An Italian Grinder from Mancino's. My mom and I split it."

JACOB SEAVEY, SOPHOMORE



"Peanut butter and butter on Italian bread from VG's."

Love every single person

Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memoriums

Charlotte Skaggs, Charlotte Skaggs - age 79, died February 16, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



William Carnatzie, William Carnatzie - died February 16, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Lydia Hayner, Lydia Hayner - age 102, died February 17, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Irene Sparr, Irene Sparr - age 92, died February 18, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes







James B. Brodfuehrer. James B. Brodfuehrer -

age 90, died February 17, 2011. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Margaret Green, Margaret Green - died February 17, 2011. Arrangements pending. Share memories at www. temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Temrowski

Charles Franklin - age 60, died February 16, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.





Gloria "Pudge" Gordon.

Gloria "Pudge" Gordon age 80, of Pinellas Park, FL, formerly of Fenton, died February 10, 2011 in Pinellas Park, after a long illness. She was the daughter of Howard and Lola (Goodrich) Gordon and graduated from Fenton High School in 1948. She is survived by her sister Vada Whalen of Waukegon, IL; nieces Lola Whalen of CA and Ann (Tom) Cummings of Genesee: nephew Glen Gordon of IL; and cousins Lee "Red" (Margaret) Gordon of Howell and Beth (Bruce) Dryer of Holly. She was preceded in death by her parents, brother David Gordon, and sister-in-law Irene Gordon. Memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

John Suryan,

John Suryan - age 81, died February 15, 2011. Services provided by Sharp **Funeral Homes**



John Scott, John Scott - age 62, died February 16, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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Connie Sue Eicher

1937-2011 Connie Sue Eicher - age 73, of Fenton, died Monday,



held 3 PM Friday, February 18, 2011 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton, with Pastor Jim Wiegand officiating. Burial in Beaver Island Cemetery in the spring. Visitation was held at the funeral home Thursday from 6-9 PM and Friday from 1 PM until time of service. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to Adopt-A-Pet, 13575 Fenton Road, Fenton, MI 48430. Connie was born August 9, 1937 in Albion, IL, the daughter of Arleigh William "Bud" and Bertha (Leveque) Smith. She married Edward Eicher December 19, 1959 in Detroit. Connie attended college where she studied french and pursued her interest in archaeology. She was a Girl Scout Leader and spent every summer on Beaver Island with her family. Surviving are: husband, Edward; step-son, Eric and wife Judy Eicher of Royal Oak; 3 children, Michael and wife Rebecca Eicher of Linden, Ty and wife Cindy Eicher of Fenton and Heidi and husband Mark Wiesen of Suttons Bay; grandchildren, Alex, Stephanie, Emily, Austin, Brooke, Madison, Jake and Skylar; mother, Bertha and husband Al Salamina of Venice, FL. She was preceded in death by her father, Arleigh William "Bud" Smith and brother, Arleigh Smith. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Charlie Seaver, Charlie Seaver - age 90, died February 13, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Donald Niles, Donald Niles - age 83, died February 14, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Dorene Kemerer, Dorene Kemerer - age 69, died February 11, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Owen Eastridge

1933-2011 Owen Eastridge - age 77, of Linden, died Febru-



February 20, 2011 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Those desiring may make contributions to the family. Owen was born November 16, 1933 in Flint, the son of Ira and Dora Eastridge. He was married to Illona Bowman on August 12, 1960 in Flint. He was a self-employed plumber and worked at Tru-Value following his retirement. Surviving are: wife, Illona; children, Ray, Sherry, Melody, Guy and Tiffany; grandchildren, Melody, Felicia, David, Amanda, Adam, Mindy, T.J., Shelley, Kyle, Cody, Jamica, Orion, Kaden. He was preceded in death by his sons, Larry and Tim. Tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Bruce Willis.

Bruce Willis - age 86, died February 13, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Carolyn Waterhouse,

Carolyn Waterhouse - age 47, died February 12, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Merrill Tolene, Merrill Tolene - age 85, died February 15, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



John Tuttle, John Tuttle - age 76, died February 15, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Joann Holmes, Joann Holmes - age 61, died February 14, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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Michael Troy Middleton 1953-2011

Michael Troy Middleton - age 57, of Fenton, died Friday,



February 11, 2011 at Genesvs Hospice Care Center. Funeral services were held 2 PM

Tuesday, February 15, 2011 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton, with Pastor E. Taveirne officiating. Visitation was held at the funeral home Monday from 3-9 PM. Those desiring may make contributions to Genesys Hospice or the Renal Cell Research Fund. Michael was born May 3, 1953 in Saginaw. He had resided in Fenton most of life. He was an avid runner, race director and coached girl's track and cross country at Fenton High School. Surviving are: 2 children, Melissa Middleton-Ahearne of Waterford and Daniel and wife Stacie Middleton of Grandville: 3 grandchildren, Brett, Brooklyn and Quinn; parents, Bonnie and Larry Hildreth of Fenton; 3 sisters, Dianne Seymour of Fenton, Carole and husband Michael Muraske of Fenton and Lori and husband Michael Ferris of Fenton; special friend, Kathy Chipman of Fenton; several nieces and nephews. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com



Barbara Burroughs, Barbara Burroughs - age

66, died February 11, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Beth Howarth, Beth Howarth - age 74, died February 13, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Beth Johnson. Beth Johnson - age 93, died Februay 14, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Briona Jawhari, Briona Jawhari - age 17, died February 14, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.





30 Minute Meals



Spinach and mushroom stuffed chicken breasts Ingredients

4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts, 6 ounces Large plastic food storage bags or waxed paper

1 package, 10 ounces, frozen chopped spinach

2 tablespoons butter

12 small mushroom caps, crimini or button

- 2 cloves garlic, cracked
- 1 small shallot, quartered
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup part skim ricotta cheese

1/2 cup grated Parmigiano or Romano 1/2 teaspoon fresh grated or ground nutmeg

Toothpicks

2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

Sauce:

2 tablespoons butter, 2 tablespoons flour, 1/2 cup white wine, 1 cup chicken broth

PREPARATION:

Place breasts in the center of a plastic food storage bag or 2 large sheets of waxed paper. Pound out the chicken from the center of the bag outward using a heavy-bottomed skillet or mallet. Be firm but controlled with your strokes. Defrost spinach in the microwave. Transfer spinach to a kitchen towel. Twist towel around spinach and wring it out until very dry. Transfer to a medium-mixing bowl. Place a nonstick skillet over moderate heat. When skillet is hot, add butter, mushrooms, garlic and shallot. Season with salt and pepper and saute 5 minutes. Transfer mushrooms, garlic and shallot to the food processor. Pulse to grind the mushrooms and transfer to the mixing bowl, adding the processed mushrooms to the spinach. Add ricotta and grated cheese to the bowl and the nutmeg. Stir to combine the stuffing. Return your skillet to the stove over medium high heat. Place a mound of stuffing on each breast and wrap and roll breast over the stuffing. Secure breasts with toothpicks. Add 3 tablespoons oil to the pan, 3 turns of the pan. Add breasts to the pan and brown on all sides, cooking chicken 10 to 12 minutes. The meat will cook quickly because it is thin. Remove breasts; add butter to the pan and flour. Cook butter and flour for a minute, whisk in wine and reduce another minute. Whisk in broth and return breasts to the pan. Reduce heat and simmer until ready to serve. Remove toothpicks. Serve breasts whole or, remove from pan, slice on an angle and fan out on dinner plates. Top stuffed chicken breasts or sliced stuffed breasts with generous spoonfuls of the sauce.



DEAR DR. DONOHUE: A friend in his late 40s thought he had the flu and called his doctor for medicine. Later he had trouble breathing and went to the emergency room, where they said he was having a heart attack. Several hours later, he passed away. An autopsy showed that a virus had attacked his heart. I know there are many types of viruses, but what kind did he have? How does a person get this kind of virus? If it had been found in time, could something have been done to stop it? — R.R.

ANSWER: Your friend had myocarditis, an inflammation of the heart. Viruses are one cause of it. The virus most often involved is the Coxsackie virus. Myocarditis can be so mild that it produces no symptoms. Or it can be so overwhelming that it is fatal. It occurs at any age. Often, a respiratory infection (even a common cold) or a gastrointestinal disorder (stomach flu) might precede it. A young person - and your friend is considered young — struggling to breathe puts the doctor on alert to suspect that a failing heart is responsible and that a viral infection of the heart could be the cause. Coxsackie viruses are transmitted from one person to the next through respiratory droplets or from foods, hands or utensils contaminated with the virus. We have no medicine that kills this virus. Most of the time, none is needed, since nearly all Coxsackie infections are minor troubles. In cases like your friend's, medicines to keep the heart beating forcefully usually can tide a person over the dangerous period of heart failure. Your friend's story is tragic.

Parents tussle when they should tousle

DEAR AMY: My husband has a habit of undoing things that I do for my son. For instance, if I pick out a certain outfit for our son that my husband doesn't like, he will make the child re-dress with clothes he likes better. If I comb my son's hair, he will re-comb it in a different way. My husband's excuse for this behavior is that our son will look better and be less likely to be picked on in school. My son has never been picked on



for the way he dresses or for his hair, nor does he care. If our son picks out his own clothes (he is colorblind) or combs his own hair a certain way, the same scenario ensues. I have been quietly tolerating this for a while (my husband does this with many other aspects in our lives), but I have been vocal about how this is not setting a good example for my son. I feel that it undermines my credibility and also my equality in parenting. I also feel it affects my son's self-esteem, demonstrating to him that his way is not good enough. Am I wrong in thinking this behavior has to stop? My husband sees it as no big deal. —*Fustrated Mom*

DEAR MOM: Your son is not a pawn where you two can exercise your control issues. You don't say how old the child is, but if he is old enough to go to school, he should be picking out his own clothes (with some limited help if he needs it) and — for goodness' sake - combing his own hair. One of the most important lessons of early childhood is the idea that the child learns to make his own choices and understands the consequences of those choices. If you want a strong and confident child, you will guide — rather than control — him. I agree with you that it is hard on a child's self-esteem to have parents who control each other through him. If your son is not being picked on at school, then this possibility should not be discussed in front of him. I could imagine the specter of being picked on by his peers could be paralyzing and frightening for a young child. So stop it.

(Send questions via e-mail to askamy@tribune.com or by mail to Ask Amy, Chicago Tribune, TT500, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611. Amy Dickinson's memoir, "The Mighty Queens of Freevilie: A Mother, a Daughter and the Town that Raised Them" (Hyperion), is available in bookstores.)



KNOU







Q: Our cat Blossom George is about 4 years old. We brought her home from a shelter about two years ago to live with our now 6-year-old cat, Bill Bailey. I introduced them gradually. Bill Bailey is accepting of Blossom, but sometimes Blossom lashes out and hisses at him. Blossom even pulls out her own hair on her lower right flank. What should I do?

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— P.B., Las Vegas, NV
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A: "Begin with trying environmental enrichment," says Dr. Vicki Thayer, incoming President, Winn Feline Foun-

dation. With other activities to occupy them, maybe the cats won't think quite as much about each another, and won't compete with each other for resources, such as places to sun (if there are many choices). Also, use an interactive toy with feathers or fabric to engage your cats, especially Blossom. Play is a great stress buster. If the cats mostly



get along, but occasionally have their "moments," their relationship, though strained, is normal and acceptable. If you're concerned that Blossom may really hurt Bill Bailey, Thayer comments, "I understand, you do everything like you're supposed to, but the cats still aren't getting along. Consider keeping the cats in separate places in the house, periodically trading out rooms." Clicker training could make Blossom more tolerant of her roomie. Teach both cats to associate the clicker sound (clickers are available online and at most pet stores) with a food treat. The clicker is a novel sound, and can be used surprisingly effectively to communicate with your pets. Whenever Blossom is acting kind toward Bill Bailey, click and offer her a yummy. You'll gradually shape Blossom's behavior toward Bill Bailey. Training, though, takes patience and there is some time commitment involved. Thayer, of Lebanon, OR, is concerned that Blossom is pulling out her own hair. If this continues, see your vet. If there's no obvious physical explanation, a referral to a veterinary behaviorist is a good idea; check out www.dacvb.org.

(Steve Dale welcomes questions/comments from readers. Although he can't answer all of them individually, he'll answer those of general interest in his column. Write to Steve at Tribune Media Services, 2225 Kenmore Ave., Suite 114, Buffalo, NY 14207. Send e-mail to PETWORLD(at)STEVE DALE.TV. Include your name, city and state. Steve's website is www.stevedalepetworld.com; he also hosts the nationally syndicated "Steve Dale's Pet World" and "The Pet Minute." He's also a contributing editor to USA Weekend.

Bronchos headed to team state wrestling meet

► Squad is Battle Creek-bound for first time since 2005 By David Troppens coming on and weren't sharp. Then (on

everyone smiling and

feeling that moment in

the parade... It's going

to be a great moment."

Shawn Scott

Holly wrestler explaining what

going to the team state meet

means to him

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Madison Heights — A little dodgeball may have been all the Holly varsity wrestling team needed to earn their second trip to the Team State Wrestling Meet in school history.

Sensing his team was a little tense because they were the favorites to win the Division 2 team regional held at Lamphere High School on Wednesday, Holly coach Don Pluta came up with the perfect medicine some dodgeball. After Tuesday's dodgeball matches, the Bronchos came out a relaxed bunch and dominated the Division 2 regional, de-

feating Warren Woods Tower 54-12 in the semifinals and then crushing Marysville 60-15 in the final. The championship means Holly will be headed to Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena on Friday for the Team State Meet for the first time since 2005.

"We were pretty uptight on Monday and Tuesday, being the favorites," Pluta said. "The kids were a little sick, had some colds

9 Tuesday) about 4:30 with about 20 minutes ittle dodgeolly varsity in the wrestling room. After doing that, it "I thought individual states meant a lot to" "I thought individual"

states meant a lot to me. But now that my whole team gets to go with me, we get to see we won, but that's one of the little things that helped the kids relax." "We just had fun," Holly wrestler Shawn Scott said

wrestler Snawn Scott said about the dodgeball games. "The seniors won a lot, but the juniors came back to beat them. The coaches got involved, so it was great. Everyone was involved."

Everyone was involved in the Bronchos winning a team regional title as well. Just as with the district

meet a week earlier, not only did Holly's top wrestlers win, but what Pluta calls the "second-tier wrestlers also won, setting up the blowout.

"We put a lot of hard work into the room and we have great practice partners," Holly's undefeated senior wrestler Stevie Gonzales said. "The people who were JV last See BRONCHOS on 11B



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Holly's Mason Cleaver (left) works on trying to pin an opponent during Wednesday's team regional at Madison Heights Lamphere High School. The Bronchos are going to the state meet for the first time since 2005, and only for the second time ever.



Tigers cruise past Holly, take sole possession of first place with win

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 **Fenton** — Eric Mowery made his first game back from a concussion count.

The senior point guard led the Tigers with 15 points and also provided pivotal defense on Holly's star guard Josh Fugate, leading Fenton to a 55-44 Metro League victory on Tuesday night at Fenton High School.

The win gave the Tigers (12-2, 14-2) sole possession of first place entering Friday's road game at Swartz Creek. The results of that game can be found elsewhere in this publication.

The Tigers were still hobbled. Mowery was coming back after missing two games and Dylan Hickoff returned from sickness, though not at 100 percent. Still, Mowery provided what may have been one of his varsity basketball games of his career, not only with the 15 points, but more importantly by holding Fugate to 12 points, six during the opening three quarters. He was helped with the process. He was spelled by sophomore guard Damon Thomas, who also played strong defense on Fugate. And underneath, Herzog was a monster, blocking possibly as many as **See TIGERS on 10B**



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SCOTT SCHUPBACH Holly's Nicholas Stoll (left) and Fenton's Ryan Hickoff battle for a rebound in the Tigers' 55-44 victory against the Bronchos on Tuesday night.



Holly girls edge Fenton Tigers, 38-36

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 The last time the Holly varsity girls basketball team played Fenton, the Bronchos didn't score in the first quarter and lost 46-17.

History didn't repeat itself.

The Bronchos outscored Fenton 12-4 in the fourth quarter, sparking a 38-36 victory at Holly High School on Tuesday.

The win puts both teams at 11-3 in league play and at 13-4 overall, tied for second in conference action with only two games left on each schedule.

It remained a close game throughout. Holly trailed 8-3 after one quarter and 19-13 at the half.

Both teams scored 13 points, setting up the fourth quarter. The Bronchos tied it up when Jenna Mitchell scored on a putback hoop. From there, it remained close. The Bronchos made just enough free throws down the stretch, taking a lead. Fenton had a three-point shot by Jailen Judson in the waning seconds to take the lead, but the shot was missed.

The Tigers were hurt by foul trouble as well. Gabrielle Rivette fouled out with just over three minutes remaining in the game. "We got some steals and turned the

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to Lake Fenton's advantage. Four of Birch Run's first five wrestlers were 40-plus match winners, and the Blue Devils won four of them.

The meet started with Buddy Poyner (130) avenging an earlier loss with a 16-6 major decision win against Damian Johnson. Zach Corcoran (135) followed with a pinfall win in 2:34 against Evan McCann.

Birch Run won the next match, but Lake Fenton followed by winning the next four matches. Justin Melick (145) got it rolling with a pinfall win in 3:37, followed by a big win by Connor Brancheau (152), defeating steals into the baskets," Holly coach David Hall said. "We fell behind in the first quarter, but the girls kept their composure and kept fighting and battling. We had a lot less turnovers in the second half, and that was the biggest thing. We didn't turn the ball over in the second half and they did a little bit more than they did in the first half."

"We got beat," Fenton coach Brad DeWitt said. "Holly played very well. They made shots and made free throws down the stretch, and that was the difference in the game."

"Holly is a much better team than people give them credit for. They are well coached and played excellent."

Ashley Xiong led Holly with 11 points, while Allyssa Copley had eight points and 10 rebounds. Audrey Koons had seven points and Mitchell had six. Hannah Elo had eight points to lead Fenton, while Rivette had seven points. Sam Granger had six points and 12 rebounds, while Alyssa Ostrowski had five points.

TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SCOTT SCHUPBACH Holly's Ashley Xiong scored a team-high 11 points in the Bronchos' victory against the Fenton Tigers on Tuesday night.

Caleb Slavik 4-3 in a battle of two strong wrestlers. Brancheau won the match with a takedown with just 12 seconds left in the final period. Lake Fenton led 19-6.

"Connor stepped up in the final seconds for a huge win. Lots of guys on this team are gaining confidence and moving it up a notch," said Zach Corcoran. "Connor's win was so big."

Birch Run questioned Brancheau being at 152 and after the match talked of protesting. But the ruling went in Lake Fenton's favor, with Vance Corcoran leaving the meeting with a "You are going to state" comment to his team when he returned.

The momentum continued as Christian O'Guinn (160) and Drew Morris (171) fol-

NOTICE

CITY OF FENTON MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW 2011

The City of Fenton Board of Review will meet at Fenton City Hall, 301 S. Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan 48430, at the following times for the purpose of hearing protests to assessed values and the review of poverty exemption applications;

Monday, March 7, 2011 Tuesday, March 8, 2011 Wednesday, March 9, 2011 Monday, March 21, 2011 Tuesday, March 22, 2011 Wednesday, March 23, 2011 Thursday, March 24, 2011 Friday, March 25, 2011 1:00pm-4:00pm 9:00am-1:00pm 1:00pm-4:00pm & 6:00pm-9:00pm 2:00pm-6:00pm 9:00am-1:00pm 1:00pm-5:00pm 10:00am-1:00pm (decisions only) 10:00am-3:00pm (decisions only)

Meetings with the Board of Review are held by appointment only. Appointments can be made by contacting the Assessor's office at (810) 629-2261, or visiting Fenton City Hall at 301 S. Leroy Street, Fenton, MI. 48430.

Property owners who reside out of the area may appeal in writing to the Board of Review. Written appeals must be received by the assessors office no later than 5:00pm on Wednesday, March 23, 2011.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2011 are as follows:

Commercial	51.60%	0.9691
Residential	58.43%	0.855
Industrial	55.01%	0.9089
Personal Property	50.00%	1.000



lowed with fall wins. Birch Run then had two pins and a major decision win. However, James Demember (103) came up with a 13-2 major de-

STATE MEET

▶ When: Friday

and Saturday at

logg Arena.

Battle Creek's Kel-

Time: Division 3

quarterfinals start at

5:30 p.m. on Friday.

Lake Fenton should

chance to advance

to Saturday's sec-

ond day. The Blue

Devils won't be the

favorites to win a

title, but don't be

shocked if they do.

Comment:

be seeded and

will have a good

cision. Birch Run cut the lead to 35-28 with a pinfall at 112, but Todd Melick (119) delivered the knockout blow with a 48-second pin to seal the win. "It's exciting," Poyner said. "We have to keep coming together. It will be nice as a team to win a state title," said Poyner.

In the opener Swan Valley led 9-0 early, but

Lake Fenton won the next four matches, three by pinfall, to take control. Poyner (135), Corcoran (140) and O'Guinn (152) had the pinfalls, while Justin Melick (145) won a major decision.

Other Lake Fenton winners against Swan Valley were Morris (171), Chase Hull (189), Nate Franks (215), Mike Connelly (285), Demember (103) and Todd Melick (119).

TIGERS

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bounds. "We knew coming in, he can score on will on anybody," Mowery said about Fugate. "Me and Damon were going to stay in front of him, and anytime he got passed us in the lane, Charlie was there. And Charlie can alter any shot.

"It's great (having Charlie). If he plays like that, you know you can get up there in the passing lanes, and take risks. You know if you get beat, Charlie is there."

"Holy gets a lot of their points driving to the basket," Herzog said. "We have been working on defense. If someone gets beat, I step over and help out and hopefully get the block, or someone gets the charge. We work a lot on that, to key our defense."

"Eric played a great game," Fenton coach Tim Olszewski said. "Eric is the best at running the point in this league. He manages the floor and does everything you want a point guard to do. And Charlie really played well tonight. I'm really proud of what Eric and Charlie did tonight."

Neither team shot particularly well in the first half. Both teams turned the ball over 12 times, while Fenton hit on just 10-of-29 shots. Holly, however, was much worse at 6-for-22, helping aid the Tigers' 26-14 halftime lead.

The Tigers' offense got going in the third quarter, while Holly's still struggled. Fenton took a double-digit lead after Ryan Hickoff assisted Mowery's jumper with 6:08 left in the third quarter. It remained that score until the pair teamed up for a Mowery three-pointer, making it 32-18. Finally, Mowery returned the favor, dishing to Hickoff for a trey. Fenton had its biggest lead of the game at that time at 35-18 with only 3:20 left.

The rest of the game, Holly tried to fight to get back into the contest, but never did. The Bronchos (11-3, 12-4) scored just 22 points in the first three quarters. Holly only got it to singledigits during the final minute of the game. Fenton iced the contest by netting 8-of-11 free throws during the final 1:05.

"We killed ourselves in the first half. We played a bad, bad first half of basketball," Holly coach Lance Baylis said.

Dylan Hickoff brushed off illness, scoring 10 points off the bench. Ryan Hickoff, had nine points. Jared Plawski chipped in 11 points for Holly.

REQUEST FOR BIDS CITY OF LINDEN

The City of Linden will receive sealed bids at the City Clerk's Office,132 E. Broad St., P.O. Box 507, Linden, MI 48451, for auditing services at the Linden City Hall on **APRIL 1, 2011 at 10:00 am.**

Bids will be publicly opened and read at that time in the main office of the Linden City Hall, 132 E. Broad St., Linden, Michigan. Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and plainly marked "AUDITING SERVICES – CITY OF LINDEN."

Proposal forms and specifications are on file for the inspection of bidders at the Linden City Offices, 132 E. Broad St., Linden, Michigan and copies may be obtained by qualified bidders. Sealed proposals must be submitted on the bid forms furnished by the City.

The City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to accept any bid which, in their opinion, is most advantageous to the City.

What's On **Television**? SATURDAY

COLLEGE BASKETBALL ESPT Pittsburgh at St. John's Noon CBSO...Regional basketball coverage1 p.m. (B10) Women: Michigan at Wisconsin 1:30 p.m. ESFT Colorado at Kansas......2 p.m. **ESFT** Boston College at North Carolina4 p.m. (FSD) Oregon at Oregon State......4 p.m. Michigan at Iowa...... 4:30 p.m. (B10) ... Missouri State at Valparaiso......5 p.m. Northwestern at Indiana.....7 p.m. (B10) . George Mason at Northern Iowa......7 p.m. eseñ/ . Montana at Long Beach State 11 p.m. GOLF

(GOLF) PGA: Northern Trust Open1 p	.m.
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COLLEGE HOCKEY

(FSD) Western Michigan at Michigan ... 7:30 p.m.

AUTO RACING

Nationwide: Daytona	
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SUNDAY

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

CBS©	Ohio State at Purdue1 p.m.
_	Florida at LSU1 p.m.
=====	Cleveland State at Old Dominion1 p.m.
	Women: Minnesota at Northwestern1 p.m.
=== 12	Women: Maryland at Florida State3 p.m.
	Women: Michigan State at Illinois3 p.m.
ESPN .	Women: Ohio State at Purdue5 p.m.
(FSD)	North Carolina State at Maryland 5:30 p.m.
(B10)	Penn State at Wisconsin6 p.m.
(FSD)	Georgia Tech at Duke 7:30 p.m.
(FSD)	UCLA at California 10 p.m.
PRO B	ASKETBALL
(TNT)	NBA All-Star Game 8:30 p.m.
GOLF	
(GOLF)	PGA: Northern Trust Open1 p.m.

AUTO RACING

(FOX) NASCAR: Daytona 500..... Noon

HOCKEY

NBC Detroit at Minnesota).m.
Pittsburgh at Chicago).m.
(Vs) Montreal vs. Calgary6	p.m

BRONCHOS

Continued from Page 9B year are varsity now, stepped it up and now we expect wins out of them. Instead of taking easier wrestling partners, they took the harder partners and that has helped them get better.'

Warren Woods Tower never had much of a chance. The seventh-ranked Bronchos lost the first match, but followed it with wins by Joey Spencer (145), Mike Neal (152), Cas Guzdzoil (160) and Scott (171), establishing a 15-3 lead. After one loss after that, the Bronchos (27-5 overall) won seven of the last eight matches, including pinfall wins by Joel Schuerman (215), Anthony Gonzales (119), Tyler Gibson (125), Stevie Gonzales (130) and Zack Jones (135). Joe Piwowarski (285) and Mason Cleaver (112) also had wins during that stretch, sparking the win.

Against Marysville, Neal (152), Scott (189), Cleaver (112), Dominic Russ (119), Anthony Gonzales (125) and Jones (135) each earned pinfall wins, while Spencer (145), Jose Martinez (160), Guzdzoil (171) and Stevie Gonzales (130) earned wins.

The team can't wait to go to team states. Many have gone to individual states, but we had team states as a primary goal this season.

"It means a lot. I'm really excited to be

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Holly's Andrew Scott (top) works on getting a pin during the Bronchos' team regional championship on Wednesday.

a part of this," Gonzales said. "If we didn't move, I don't know if I would've ever done this. It's a once in a lifetime thing.

"All of my teammates will be there to support me, and I get to watch all of my teammates wrestle and support them. I can't even describe it."

"It's only been done twice in Holly history," Scott said. "It means a lot. First, because our coaches earned it. The whole thing started after we lost to Corunna (in regionals last year). For 365 days, that's all we've worked on and focused on is getting to team states. And now that we are going, it's crazy."





TRI-COUNTY SPORTS

