

**COLUMN: NEWT GINGRICH**  
“Could not have said it better myself.”  
— G. F. Cleaver

**STORY: ITEM-PRICING LAW**  
“I am against repealing the item-pricing law. I don't think it will do anything for the consumer. Older people have a hard time reading the price on the shelf below the item. And, many times, this price is not even listed, so you don't know how much it is. When you have many items, you can't keep track of the cashiers checking the items. It is hard to compare with other stores' prices when the sticker is not on the item.”  
— Norma



**HOT LINE: TIPPING**  
“OK, Restaurant Mike, you can double your tips now, as by your request, I am keeping my 'cheap butt home.' You may feel guilty and have to tip because you don't want anyone to know you don't know how to cook your own food, but I do. My tip to you? Learn to cook. My tip to the complaining servers? Get a job where the employer pays you.”  
— Don Cheap

**STORY: GOOD-BYE, JAN**  
“I think that Fenton's gazebo should be named 'Jan Ryneason Memorial Park,' in honor of her. She did more for Fenton than anyone I know.”  
— Larry G.



**COMMENT OF THE WEEK**  
“MY SINCEREST SYMPATHY goes out to the Jawhari family. First, they lose their sister, and now their only daughter. They are truly good people in our community. My prayers are with you and yours, Sam.”  
— MoJo

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is the No. 1 killer of women  
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## Two dads, two daughters — two ODs



Briona Jawhari



Erika Schlosser

►Grieving families share painful details of girls' heroin addictions

**By Sharon Stone**

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Life can change at any given moment. Not too long ago, two teenage girls from Fenton had bright futures

ahead of them.

Briona Jawhari stood out as a star on her school's debate team. Erika Schlosser was a star on the soccer field and volleyball court.

The future, however, changed abruptly when, in less than three days, both girls died from heroin overdoses. Two fathers share their stories.

**See GRIEVING on 6A**

**Summary**

►Sam Jawhari and Ron Schlosser open up about their daughters, Briona and Erika, who died from apparent heroin overdoses within three days of each other.

## Masked gunman strikes Fenton pharmacy — again

**By Sharon Stone**

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In 33 days, B & C Pharmacy on Silver Lake Road has been held up twice, by the same masked gunman. In the first attempt, the unknown white male made off with \$850 in prescription medicine, however, this most recent incident, he fled empty handed.

**Summary**

►Police are attempting to identify an armed suspect who robbed a Fenton pharmacy twice, as well as a pharmacy in Milford.

Det. Ron Skarzynski of the Fenton Police Department said police believe the suspect in Tuesday's attempted robbery is the same individual who held up the pharmacy on Jan. 20.

**See GUNMAN on 8A**



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | SUBMITTED PHOTO  
Police are hoping someone can identify the individual in this photo. Police say this person held up pharmacies in Fenton and Milford.



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | SHARON STONE

Firefighters from Fenton Township, Fenton City and Mundy Township battle the blaze at this Fenton Township home on Torrey Road.

## 'I'm basically homeless'

►Woman, whose home was destroyed by fire, says she is also 'the richest person in the world'

**By Sharon Stone**

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A Fenton Township woman's home was destroyed by fire Tuesday night.

Shirley Walker, who has lived at her home on Torrey Road for more than 30 years, started her car, which was parked in the attached garage, to warm it up.

While the car was warming up, she walked back into her home and made three quick phone calls. She was excited about the opportunity to see the space

**See FIRE on 23A**

**Summary**

►Shirley Walker's Torrey Road home was destroyed by fire Tuesday night. The grandmother lived in the home for more than 30 years and raised her children there.

## Local schools take biggest hit in Snyder's budget

►Townships, cities also lose out on revenue sharing

**By Times Editorial Staff**

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Gov. Rick Snyder's proposed budget has been met with staunch support from some and spirited protests in the capital from others.

A spokesperson said the 2012 and

projected 2013 budgets will bring state spending into line without any one-time funding fixes and create a tax system that is simple, fair and efficient for both businesses and citizens. In addition, the proposals

**See BUDGET on 11A**

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TIM JAGIELO

Fourth-grade students at Central Elementary School in Linden play a song using Orff instruments on Thursday.







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### 2 Icy locks

**To prevent icy car door locks**, cut two large circles out of a flat magnet (the kind the pizza guy leaves). Place the pieces over the locks at the end of each day. The magnet forms a seal that keeps water from getting in the lock and freezing.

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# Fenton native's artwork is official poster for Holland Tulip Festival



"This was the first year that a lot of people got involved in a new process of selecting the winning art."

**Beth "Betsy" Charles**

**By Sally Rummel**

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Fenton native Beth "Betsy" Charles may not have been thought of as a "drama queen" when she graduated from Fenton High School in 1974, but it is how she will be remembered in Holland with her winning "Drama Queens" acrylic painting — now the official poster of the 2011 Tulip Time Festival.

As the winning piece of art promoting this year's festival on May 7-14, reproductions of Charles' original painting will be featured on coffee cups, posters, notecards and high-end archival prints known

### Summary

► Fenton native Beth "Betsy" Charles has made her mark on the art scene in her home community of Holland, submitting the winning painting that will be used as the 2011 Official Poster of the Holland Tulip Time Festival.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Holland artist Beth "Betsy" Charles was born in Holly and raised in Fenton, graduating from Fenton High School in 1974. Her winning entry of a colorful acrylic painting, "Drama Queens," will be the artwork used to promote the 2011 Tulip Time Festival in Holland.

# Is a Smart Car a smart purchase?



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Matt Letten said he spends less than \$100 on gas each month, driving from Howell to his business in Linden. "It's a great car," he said.

**By Tim Jagielo**

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Matt Letten left his business in Linden last Sunday, after the snowstorm had already hit. The snowplows had not touched any of the four inches

### Summary

► Smart Cars made their U.S. debut in 2008, and have built a cult following for their unique looks, and high mpg.

or more of snow that fell by 5:30 p.m., as he headed home to Howell in his Smart Car.

After more than two years of driving the tiny vehicle, he was not surprised that it kept up with the other cars on snow-covered highway. "It doesn't handle too bad in these winter conditions," he said.

**See SMART CAR on 8A**

"If you've got a family of five, in terms of practicality, it wouldn't be that smart."

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# Seen any Pot-bellied Politicians?

If you're a bird-watcher, the state of Wisconsin could sure use your help. They are on the lookout for 37 Democrats, commonly known as Pot-bellied Politicians, who recently flew the coop. Normally they roost in the Capitol Building in Madison, but took flight when they became frightened by picketing teachers and other government employees.

The common Pot-bellied Politician should not be that difficult to spot as they are very vocal, often screeching shrilly from dawn to dusk without ever actually saying anything.

One of their most unusual traits is the marked difference between the male Pot-bellied Politician and their mates. In many bird species, the males and females are virtually indistinguish-

able from each other, with just slight variations in coloring. Not so with the Pot-bellied Politician. Upon spying a pair, even a casual observer will immediately notice that the male nearly always has a very large protuberance directly below his chest. This bulge is often so large that it impairs the male's ability to perform basic functions, such as bathing and mating.

Conversely, the female mates of the Pot-bellied Politician nearly always have two large protrusions located on their upper chest. These protrusions can be of almost limitless size and shape and are usually the first feature noted by the male Pot-bellied Politician. Some experts have suggested that these protuberances may even play

a role in the mate-selection process as they have regularly observed that once these protuberances begin to sag, the male Pot-bellied Politician often searches out a new, younger mate. This is known as the John Edwards syndrome. Pot-bellied Politicians rarely mate for life.

Another striking anomaly is the difference between the coloring of the male and female. Nearly all the females sport a large crest that initially grows in dark, but often turns a bright, yellowish color (usually with darker roots) when they achieve maturity. In some cases, this phenomenon has been perceived to occur literally overnight. The female is also identifiable by her brightly colored red beak, which is used to provide constant instruction for her mate.

The crest of a mature male is predominantly gray, although it has been known to return to its original black or brown color at regular intervals, only to start the graying process again. Many

Pot-bellied Politicians lose their crest entirely as they age, often resulting in an oddity called a 'comb-over,' which gives them a comical appearance to most observers.

The male generally sports a red, bulbous nose, crisscrossed with tiny spider-like veins (called 'Teddys') that grow more numerous and noticeable as he matures.

Pot-bellied Politicians have voracious appetites and will feed nearly exclusively at any available public trough.

As there is no specific mating season for the Pot-bellied Politician, the best place to look for them is at their beloved watering holes, as the male can be found there nearly every evening, searching diligently for a mating opportunity.

If you do spot a Pot-bellied Politician, use caution. While generally harmless — if backed into a corner they will bite.

Even the hand that feeds them.

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**WAY TO GO, Gov. Rick,** on your tax plan of shared sacrifice. Under your plan, a single worker earning \$75,000 will lose his standard deduction and pay \$157.25 more in taxes two years from now, while a retiree receiving \$35,000 in benefits will pay \$1,487.50 more, immediately. That is an increase 19.29 times greater than what a worker will pay. Where is the 'shared sacrifice, Rick? Retirees, unite and vote.

**READ LAST WEEK'S** article on how Fenton schools lost 17 kids this year. The end of the article said they would be reaching out to the families who moved, to find out the circumstances for leaving. Wondering if they will be reaching out to the families who moved to another school district so the kids could wrestle on a good team. How many did you lose to this situation?

**MR. AND MRS. Joe Taxpayer,** have you any idea what GM workers have given up throughout the years? You do not. Yes, thank God we are still employed by GM. Please stop hating GM workers. They really do deserve the money they are getting.

**ANYONE WHO LOVES** theater could not help but be impressed with Fenton

High School's production of 'The Crucible.' The story was vividly told and constantly exhilarating. Congratulations to the cast who delivered every line with such passion. The acting was 'bewitching.' Lori Thompson continues to create an atmosphere for the students at FHS that breeds excellence.

**WHY DOES OUR** government continue to depend on the whims of the Middle East oil suppliers when we have plenty of oil reserves

in America? Are we saving our oil for the future? Hey, the future is now. Our country is broke. We cannot continue to borrow money to pay our bills. Our government is ruining our country. It needs to stop the regulations and let the people get back to work.

**IF YOU WANT** us to place America first, the first step is to vote Obama out in 2012. We are laughed at by other nations. We owe China more money than we can

possibly repay. Read history. Very few nations ever won wars and then became generous and open like we have. Our American culture is kind and generous. How do our current world trading partners compare?

**THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT** bailed out GM. GM expects us to buy American-made cars. What does GM do? They award numerous GM data-center contracts to a company in India, putting hundreds of HP employees in the unemployment line. No more GM vehicles to be purchased in this household. Hypocrites.

**WE ARE GOING** to give tax cuts to billionaires, the big oil companies and balance the budget on the backs of the poor and middle class, and break the unions. Yep, goes to show you, you get what you vote for.

**ALL YOU TEA** Party, right-wing retirees and senior citizens, how is voting for Snyder working out for you?

**DRIVERS BEWARE, ADELAIDE** and Wood streets have huge humps in the road. I hope they get that fixed quick.

**TO THE HOT** line reader who is more concerned about the girls who died of heroin overdoses than medical marijuana dispensaries, connect the dots. Do you think those girls or any other drug users started with heroin? Allow me to help, no, they didn't. All of these people start with lesser drugs and most gravitate to 'higher' drugs. Pun intended.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



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## What is your all-time favorite movie?

## streettalk



"‘It's a Wonderful Life,' with Jimmy Stewart. I loved him. He (George Bailey) had the opportunity to look back on his life. I liked the toast to him, the richest man in town."

— Collene Marx, Holly



"‘The King's Speech,' because it shows how in a difficult situation people try to help us. I like the guy who was the therapist. He didn't give up."

— Ann Connor, Holly



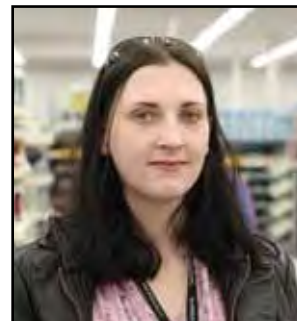
"‘The only movie I've ever really liked was, ‘Dances with Wolves.' I absolutely loved that movie. I love buffaloes anyway."

— Diana Kelp, Fenton



"‘Starship Troopers,' it's like a video game."

— Jason Woodbury, Byron



"‘I'd have to say ‘Super Troopers.' It keeps you laughing through the whole movie."

— Kate Ridley, Fenton



"‘Beverly Hills Cop II.' I just like the comedy and stuff. It's the best out of the three."

— Sean Secord, Fenton



## Silver Parkway crosswalk, lighting, sign work on hold

►Fenton DDA waiting for news from state on personal property tax

By Anna Troppens

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**Fenton** — Construction on new lighting for Silver Parkway, and a crosswalk near the Lockwood housing, could take place this summer or the next. A factor is what happens at the state level with the personal property tax issue, said Michael Burns, assistant city manager and downtown development authority (DDA) director.

If the state of Michigan eliminates the personal property tax, the DDA stands to lose approximately \$193,000 in projected revenue.

The Silver Parkway improvements originally included landscaping and irrigation, which have been removed at this point from the plans, Burns said. The

project budget has been reduced from not-to-exceed \$786,000 to an estimated \$600,000, saving \$186,000. The funding is from the DDA.

### Summary

►The decision in Lansing on whether or not to eliminate the personal property tax could affect whether Fenton's Silver Parkway lighting, sign and crosswalk project takes place this summer or next.

Design engineering and site plan reviews for the work are still taking place. Burns expects to know soon whether the project will be scheduled for this summer or summer 2012.

Lighting, signs and a crosswalk are planned. The crosswalk will include flashing yellow lights, but no stop or traffic light, he said. It will feature a "refuge" in the median, so people can cross two lanes of Silver Parkway at a time. Burns believes the crosswalk and flashing yellow lights could slow traffic, which will help pedestrians.

## Election, but no candidates

►District still required to hold \$5-10k ballot

Even if no one files as a write-in candidate, Linden Community Schools must have its election on May 3. No one filed in time to have their name on the ballot, and the deadline for write-in candidates to register is April 22.

The district is still required to hold the election, Superintendent Ed Koledo said.

Linden's board of education is considering a move to make elections every other year, in even-numbered years. It could save the district \$5,000-\$10,000 annually, Koledo said.

The board will discuss it more at the March 2 worksession.

## Former Fenton city attorney passes away

By Anna Troppens

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The municipal lawyer, who helped pave the way for the village of Fenton to become a city in 1964, passed away at 92 on Wednesday, Feb. 23. Albert H. Callahan, a former Fenton resident, was city attorney from 1954-88.

He moved to Germantown, Tenn. in 2000 with his wife, Eileen Callahan, who survives him. Albert also is survived by his son, Douglas Callahan, who followed in his footsteps by becoming a municipal attorney — also serving as city attorney for Fenton, from 1987-2001.

Albert worked for the Naval Department in Washington, D.C. when he met his future wife in 1940, at a New Year's Eve party in Baltimore, Douglas said. He fell in love at first sight.

Callahan served as a lieutenant in the Navy during World War II in the invasion of Sicily, and North Africa, Italy and Hawaii. Entering the University of Michigan in 1945, he

completed four years of college and three years of law school in 3½ years, under the G.I. Bill.

In addition, he had a career as an FBI agent and was asked in 1949 to guard the president, Douglas said. However, Albert decided to pursue his career as an attorney instead. He became prosecuting attorney for Genesee County and city attorney for Fenton.

Callahan moved to Germantown, Tenn. in 2000, where he and Eileen were members of Our Lady of Perpetual Health Catholic Church. In addition to his wife of 68 years and son Douglas, daughter Diane Beth Callahan and grandchildren Brennan Callahan, Taylor Blackwood and Christopher Blackwood survive Albert.

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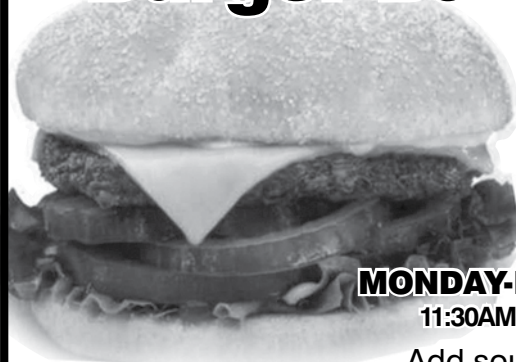
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## GRIEVING

Continued from Front Page

### Briona Jawhari

Briona Jawhari died on Valentine's Day from a heroin overdose. She was 17 years old.

One can see the sparkle in his eye as Sam Jawhari speaks about his daughter. But, one can also see the tears, as he shares painful memories of his troubled daughter.

Briona was the biological daughter of Sam and Teena Brinkley. Brinkley abused drugs and led a troubled life. In 2007, when Briona was 13, Brinkley died from a heroin overdose. "When her mom died, something inside her (Briona) died," said Jawhari. Briona struggled because of her mother's death.

Jawhari married Enaya in 1996 and the couple had two boys, who are now in the fifth and eighth grade.

### Briona's last moments

Briona returned home on Sunday, Feb. 13. She had been in and out of runaway programs, jail and treatment centers for the past few years. Jawhari believed they were going to have a fresh start.

As Jawhari got ready for an appointment Monday morning, he saw Briona coming out of her bedroom. She gave a casual wave. "I didn't know she was saying good-bye," said Jawhari as he wiped away a tear.

Jawhari returned home about 1 p.m. He called up to Briona's room to make sure she was out of bed. As he continued to call

her name, he pushed open her bedroom door, partially blocked by Briona's body. "She was blue," said Jawhari. "I knew she was gone." Jawhari called 911 and tried to bring his daughter back to life with mouth-to-mouth resuscitation until paramedics arrived.

It was apparent to Jawhari that his daughter's death was due to drugs. Deputies found a spoon, a strap, a needle and more suspected heroin.

### Briona's troubled past

After Briona's mother died, Jawhari said his daughter started drinking, and other unhealthy habits. Briona asked to be transferred from Lake Fenton to

Fenton schools.

In the summer of 2009, Jawhari received a phone call from Holly police. They had his daughter in custody and her boyfriend had overdosed. Briona's boyfriend survived. The two were later caught stealing jewelry and cash from a family member's home.

Jawhari tried desperately to find help for Briona. She spent her 16th birthday in jail and one Christmas in foster care. She was in and out of treatment centers and when she did come home, she would just run away again.

After five months at a treatment center for troubled teens, Briona came home last summer. In January, she relapsed and overdosed from snorting heroin.

Jawhari recalled how Briona would often tell him how easy it was to get drugs in this area, even in the schools. He said if parents suspect their kids are involved with drugs, while living at home, they should search through their room and belongings. Removing bedroom doors is another option. "You try to protect your children," he said.

The two years of searching for clues about Randa Jawhari's (Briona's aunt's) disappearance has pulled apart the Jawhari family, said Jawhari. "Briona, she brought us back together. God knows what you need. We suffer. We miss her, but she's in a better place.

"I thank God for the 17 years that I had her. It hurts."

Briona was friends with Erika Schlosser, the 19-year-old former Fenton High School student who died late last Wednesday night from a suspected heroin overdose. "I just met Erika the week prior," said Jawhari.

"Erika called me the day after Briona died. I told her to get some help. She was crying. The next day, she died."

### Erika Schlosser

Ron Schlosser believes that if he could be fooled, it could happen to any parent. He and his daughter Erika were always very close.

Erika was a bright child and active in sports. Schlosser remembers her joining him while he worked on his carpentry work in his garage, always wanting to help.

About 18 months ago, Erika first tried heroin. Her friends introduced it to her. He said she tried to help them, but one evening, she made a wrong decision and tried it. She told her dad that she was trying to understand their attraction to it.

Erika attended Fenton High School but later attended an alternative high school in Hartland. She recently earned her GED. She was also working, bringing in her own paycheck.

Looking back, telltale signs were there, said Schlosser. He knew Erika and Briona's paths crossed often and the two were secretly dealing with their addiction to heroin. Mood changes and lying were common.

When the Schlossers heard of Briona's death, Erika was devastated, said Schlosser. Erika came home around 7:30 p.m. or so on Wednesday. They talked for a bit and she asked if it was OK for a friend to come over. Schlosser said he did not know the boy and made Erika introduce him.

### Erika's last moments

Suspicious of the boy, Schlosser listened intently to make sure things were all right with his daughter. Somehow, Erika's friend left the house without his knowledge. "It was quiet," he said. He and his wife, who had just gotten home, talked for a few minutes and decided to check on Erika. His wife went upstairs, while calling out Erika's name. There was no response.

Schlosser and his wife walked into Erika's room and found her sitting up on her bed. Her arms were blotchy. They knew instantly there was something wrong with her. "I started CPR immediately," he said. He called 911 and a firefighter, who lives next door, came over to help. Doctors at the hospital declared her dead at 11:51 p.m.

"You can't keep them too close," said Schlosser. "You can't do enough." Within the past two weeks, Schlosser said Erika knew she needed help to fight her addiction. She was registered to begin rehab on Thursday, the day after she died.

### Dad on a mission

Since Briona and Erika's deaths, Schlosser is on a mission to make other parents aware of what is really going on in this community. Even if it embarrasses their children, parents must check out every one of their friends.

If their teens are asking for money to go out to dinner or a movie, follow up to make sure that's where they spent the money. If they say, they're spending the night at a friend's home, drive by and make sure they're there.

"If you have a hunch, it's probably correct," he said. It's like a parental sixth sense.

"Now that it's too late, a lot of bits and pieces are starting to come together and make sense. It's like a puzzle."

Schlosser worries about other young people being sucked into the web of this dangerous drug. His daughter told him that it's nothing for a heroin dealer to give away the drug, knowing that the person will become addicted to it and come back to buy more. "If they can get the kids involved, it's an endless supply of money."

## SHERIFF FORMS JOINT INVESTIGATIVE TEAM

Genesee County Sheriff Robert Pickell said the sheriff's department and Fenton police have formed a joint investigative team to investigate the two recent fatal heroin overdoses in the Fenton area.

The sheriff said they are waiting on autopsy and toxicology reports to come back from the labs. They have expedited the blood testing. Fingerprints taken from the both homes are also being analyzed. Investigators are researching the phone records of both girls and are looking for common friends.

"It's (heroin use) exploded outside the city of Flint. It's in every single community."

**Robert Pickell**  
Genesee County sheriff

Pickell said they are looking at a person of interest, who may be responsible for one, or possibly both of the deaths.

"Heroin is a very serious problem," said Pickell. In recent months, it has become much more of a problem in the out-county area, which

See **INVESTIGATE on 7A**

For \$20 to \$30, Schlosser said kids could get enough heroin to get high on. "It's very inexpensive and so easily obtained," he said.

Schlosser believes the drug is making its way to the suburbs because the kids have access to cash. He wonders how many parents keep track of the number of video games, iPods, cell phones and other electronics in their home. These items are easily sold, with the cash going toward drugs. He said it is natural for parents to want to believe and trust their kids, but "This drug turns them into professional liars. They're so good and very convincing."

Schlosser knew his daughter was dealing with addiction and they tried to help the best they could, but looking back, there was so much they didn't know. "I'm still finding out more every day. What a

shock this will be for some parents. It eats them alive."

Agreeing with Sam Jawhari, Schlosser believes it would be a good idea for the two of them to join forces and reach out to the young community to share their daughters' stories —

hoping to save a life.

### Investigation continues

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said they are continuing to investigate Erika Schlosser's death while waiting for the autopsy and toxicology reports. He said they need to know what drug they are dealing with. If the drug in her body is heroin, the toxicology report will reveal the strength or if it contained any other substance.

Detectives also collected evidence from Schlosser's home. Fingerprints found at the scene are being tested. Aro said they are trying to determine what happened there.

Police have identified a person of interest who was at Schlosser's home, said Aro. The male individual might have been involved with her death, however, at this time, police are not sure what that involvement is. "He was the last person to see her alive," Aro said.

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## INVESTIGATE

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includes Fenton. "It's exploded outside the city of Flint. It's in every single community."

The sheriff's department recently arrested a man who was in the possession of 45 grams (1.25 ounces) of heroin. With a street value of \$300 per gram, this arrest removed \$13,500 worth of heroin from the area.

Pickell said the Posse Drug Team, which is part of the sheriff's department, has been working on a major drug investigation. They believe this individual under investigation is the biggest heroin dealer in the county and a major source of heroin for this area. He declined to reveal any more information until this person is in custody.

Those using heroin has shifted in recent years. Pickell said what use to be a drug of choice with African-Americans in the Flint area has shifted to young, white residents in the suburbs. "Heroin is prevalent with young whites," he said.

"It's a very tough habit and quickly addicting."

Depending on the potency of the heroin, or what it has been cut with, a fatal overdose could occur within seconds or minutes, said the sheriff. Pickell said users sometimes mix pure heroin with phenitol, an analgesic, which produces a bigger high.

"It's like getting injected with morphine and heroin," said Pickell.

The schools have been very cooperative with the sheriff's department, said Pickell. He did say, however, even though the schools teach so much about the dangers of prescription medications, it might be time to broaden those discussions to include heroin.

### 'Chasing the dragon'

When users inject heroin for the first time, Genesee County Sheriff Robert Pickell said the high is unbelievable. That initial experience, however, can never be reached again. Many on the streets refer to that need of experiencing that extreme high again as "chasing the dragon."

## Police&Fire

# report

### LARCENY OF METAL ORNAMENTS

Holly police received a report of \$350 in stolen, metal yard ornaments, on Saturday, Feb. 19. The complainant, from the 400 block of Hastings Street, reported the loss. Suspects are unknown at this time.

### THEFT OF VEHICLE

Holly police received a report of a stolen vehicle, on Tuesday, Feb. 22. The owner is missing a 1990 Chevrolet 2500 regular cab pickup, red, with a red snow plow. Anyone with information is asked to call Det. Julie Bemus at (248) 634-8221.

### SIGNS STOLEN FROM CEMETERY

Holly police were advised on Tuesday, Feb. 22, that two wooden signs for Lakeside Cemetery were stolen. There are no suspects at this time.

### RETAIL FRAUD, THIRD DEGREE

Holly police went to a store in the 15000 block of North Holly Road on Feb. 21, for a shoplifter. The subject, a 25-year-old Holly man, was known to police from prior contacts. The man said he took a 20-can case of Coke to go empty the cans, return them for the deposit money and buy gasoline. He needed gas to go look for work, he said. The storeowners wanted to press charges, and police arrested the man.

### BURGLARY, FORCED ENTRY

Michigan State Police received a report of a breaking and entering in the 17000 block of Fish Lake Road, Rose Township. The house was vacant. Someone discovered the back door window was smashed with a rock. Copper pipes were removed from the basement.

### TRESPASSING ON PRIVATE LAKE

State police from the Groveland Post received a complaint of a man trespassing, fishing on a private lake in the 9000 block of Milford Road, in Rose Township. The trooper told the trespasser he was on clearly posted private property and issued him a citation.

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

On Thursday, Feb. 10, at 3:17 a.m., two Michigan State Police troopers from the Groveland Post were called to an assault in progress, in the 18000 block of Ledgestone. The victim, 17, was crying and had several red marks on her face. She identified her brother, 21, as her attacker. He continued to be loud, abusive and threatening toward her and resisted officers, one of whom used a Taser on him. Troopers arrested the man and he was taken to the Oakland County Jail. He registered a .24 on a breath test.

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**GUNMAN****Continued from Front Page**

At about 3:30 p.m. police received the 911 call from employees, who had fled the pharmacy and sought refuge in Café Aroma, located next door. Employees said a man, wearing a knit cap, scarf, coat and sunglasses walked into the pharmacy and demanded high-strength painkillers, while he displayed a handgun.

Instead of giving into the robber's demands, the employees walked out the back door. The gunman failed to get any medication and fled the scene.

A suspicious, smaller-size, red car was seen in the parking lot earlier in the day, but police are unsure if that car belonged to the suspect.

The suspect has been described as a

white male, in his 20s, about 5-feet, 8-inches tall and weighing about 150 pounds.

Fenton police are working with Milford police, who are investigating a similar robbery, which occurred Monday morning at the Milford Sav-Mor Pharmacy. The description of the suspect provided by employees at each pharmacy is similar and Milford police are looking into the possibility of a small red car.

Milford police have released a still photo captured from the surveillance video at the Milford pharmacy. Skarzynski said both police departments believe they are looking for the same suspect.

If anyone has information, they are to call Fenton police at (810) 629-5311.

**SMART CAR****Continued from Page 3A**

Smart cars are rear-wheel drive, but have traction control and ABS.

Letten said he has total confidence in his car. "I used to have a station wagon. I feel more confident in my Smart Car than I did in that," he said. The Smart Car is equipped with airbags and a rigid steel frame.

Smart Cars arrived in the United States only a few years ago, but have been driven in Europe since 1998. When Letten purchased his, there was a nine-month waiting list for the odd-looking car.

So, are Smart Cars actually a smart buy?

"If you've got a family of five in terms of practicality, it wouldn't be that smart," he said.

Letten is single, and finds that the tiny Daimler-Benz built micro car suits his needs, and is the only car he owns.

"How do you like your little car?" asked one of his business patrons Wednesday night. "Your car is adorable," she said. Letten said he gets that reaction all the time. He also hears that it looks like a roller skate going down the highway.

It's commonly known that Smart Cars are very, very small, but Letten said that even for a bigger adult male, it's pretty comfortable. Behind the seating area for two, is storage for groceries.

If he needs to haul something larger, he just borrows a friend or family member's car. "I'll swap with them because everyone wants to drive the Smart Car," he said.

Smart Cars are still a rare sight, but Lasco Ford currently has a used 2008 model for sale. "It's definitely a marketable car," said Jay Lasco. "It's a head turner."

Letten bought the Smart Car as another way of being environmentally friendly, and tries to be as 'green' as possible. It has an 8.7-gallon gas tank. The two-seater

gets an average of 40 mpg, which is only about 10 mpg more than a larger motorcycle.

To Letten, the Smart Car has been inexpensive to own, costing about \$120 in regular maintenance over the last two years.

With gas prices back on the rise, Letten said he would not be surprised if

there is another long waiting list for the gas-sipping micro car.

Some automotive review websites like Edmunds.com and U.S. News: Best Autos have given the Smart Car decent marks, but steer a potential buyer to the more expensive Ford Fiesta or the Honda Fit for better acceleration, storage, and safety rating.

Letten has no plans of selling his car anytime soon, and has enjoyed its unique qualities, and the camaraderie that goes along with owning a niche-market vehicle. For him, it has been a smart car indeed.

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as "giclees" (pronounced "g-clays").

"This is really meaningful to me," said Charles, who paints acrylics and teaches out of her downtown Holland art studio, Beth Charles Art.

"This was the first year that a lot of people got involved in a new process of selecting the winning art."

This new selection process, known as the Art in Bloom Poster Competition, drew 160 entries, and was a collaboration between the Tulip Time Festival and the Holland Area Arts Council. Charles felt it was modeled after the widely popular ArtPrize competition in Grand Rapids.

Charles' submission of "Drama Queens" followed her own personal style of using square themes in her art — this time, six

squares featuring six different tulips. She named it "Drama Queens" because of the instructions she gives her students to "add drama" to their art by using shaded backgrounds from light to dark.

Charles and "Drama Queens" were honored at a Poster Reception in Holland on Feb. 16.

While Charles left the Fenton area 22 years ago after marrying Fenton High School 1969 graduate Craig Anderson, she and her husband have been frequent visitors back to their home area. Her parents, Hubbard and Anna Charles, owned Hammond's

Rest Home on Adelaide St. in Fenton for more than 25 years.

For more information about Holland's upcoming Tulip Time Festival and the role of Charles' art in promoting it, visit [www.tuliptime.com](http://www.tuliptime.com).

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### Michigan 18th in nation for identity theft complaints



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Todd Davis, chairperson  
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### Fenton business reopens, creating 50 new jobs

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## BUDGET

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are to “energize the economy and create jobs.”

Local governments and school districts would be among those taking funding hits under Snyder’s proposals.

### Fenton City

It appears the city of Fenton would lose \$18,000 in state shared revenue, said City Manager Lynn Markland. Last year, the city received \$722,000 in state shared revenue, so an \$18,000 reduction would leave Fenton \$704,000 in this type of funding.

This is added to at least \$320,000 less in property tax revenue Fenton officials are expecting, due to declining property values. They will have to look at their budget and make cuts, as they’ve been doing for the last three years, Markland said. Fenton is looking at ways to do this.

It’s getting more and more difficult to balance Fenton’s budget, which is already down \$850,000 annually from previous years. City council usually receives administration’s proposed budget in April, with the annual, all-day budget workshop on the last Saturday in April. Council approves the budget in May.

With less funding to work with, Fenton doesn’t have a lot of projects lined up. The Walnut Street construction, and the second half of the Adelaide Street project, will begin around April 1, he said. In addition, the downtown development authority (DDA) has a couple of projects planned.

### Fenton Area Public Schools

Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS) is facing the same \$470 per pupil cut as other Michigan districts. It would mean the loss of \$1.6-1.7 million to FAPS, said Superintendent Dr. Timothy Jalkanen.

Regarding more reductions, “a lot of our budget goes toward people,” he said. Fenton will definitely need to work with its employee groups. It’s already conserving energy costs, such as electricity and heat. When the reduction in funding is that large, “we’re going to have to look at everything,” Jalkanen said.

It will be even more challenging this year. “There is no low-hanging fruit anymore,” he said. “We’re really going to have to take a hard look.”

Like others, FAPS is waiting for the news from Lansing. Fenton schools will still offer high quality programs, do what’s right for kids and try to provide the best possible education in Genesee County, Jalkanen said.

### Linden Community Schools

Linden Community Schools is looking at the same possible loss of \$470 per student. Superintendent Ed Koledo said, “We waited for the announcements from the

## WHAT CITY AND SCHOOL LEADERS HAD TO SAY...

“It’s going to have a dramatic impact on us, there’s no question about it. We’ve tried to be fiscally responsible for many years. We’ve shared services when we can, and we’ve reduced when we can.”

**Dr. Timothy Jalkanen**  
Fenton schools’ superintendent

“It’s going to be a really tight year.”  
**Lynn Markland**  
Fenton city manager

“We’re going to have to look for other places to cut.”  
**Ed Koledo**  
Linden schools’ superintendent

“This could be an extra \$100,000 a year. We don’t want to count on it yet. We’ll have to wait and see.”  
**Thomas Broecker**  
operations manager/deputy clerk Fenton Township

“They were not as severe as the city planned for. We don’t budget statutory revenue sharing.”  
**Christopher Wren**  
Linden city manager

governor before we started budget planning for next year.”

This year, the funding cut from the state was \$176 per pupil, leaving Linden at \$7,130 per student. The district has 2,977 students.

Federal Education Jobs money will make up some of the gap, but only about half of the difference. “We’re going to have to look for other places to cut,” Koledo said.

A positive is the February student count, which is down seven from the fall count day. Traditionally, Linden has 25 fewer students in the spring, he said.

### Fenton Township

Although there are still unknowns in the proposed package, Fenton Township will likely come out ahead.

Thomas Broecker, operations manager/deputy clerk for the township, said there

are only about 40 townships that still receive statutory revenue sharing, and Fenton Township is not one of them. He said the township has not received this type of funding in nearly a decade.

He expects to see an increase in sales tax. With constitutional revenue sharing, Broecker expects the township to see an increase of about 4 percent, or between \$18,000 and \$19,000.

Broecker said he expects to see more in revenue sharing after adjustments are made, based on the latest census figures. He estimates the township’s population increased from 12,968 in 2009 to 14,500. “This could be an extra \$100,000 a year,” he said. “We don’t want to count on it yet. We’ll have to wait and see.”

### Argentine Township

Clerk Denise Graves said the constitutional revenue sharing is based on a formula, which has a population factor. The township’s population is expected to increase once the census information is released in early March. “I expect that we will get approximately \$10,000, or more, extra,” said Graves.

Graves also said that in March, the governor would release information on how extra revenue sharing can be earned. This will be incentive based.

### Linden City

City Manager Christopher Wren said, the city would be affected, however, officials were prepared. “They were not as severe as the city planned for,” he said. “We don’t budget statutory revenue sharing.”

Wren said any statutory dollars the city receives adds to the city’s fund balance and any reduction is taken from the fund balance.

### Lake Fenton Community Schools

Superintendent Wayne Wright said with the budget that the governor has proposed, Lake Fenton schools would expect a loss

in revenue of approximately \$1.2 million. This figure comes from the \$470 decrease in per pupil funding and the 3.8 percent retirement increases.

### Holly Area Schools

According to Superintendent Kent Barnes, Holly Area Schools (HAS) will face a \$470 per student revenue loss with the proposed state budget, which adds up to a \$1,715,000 loss in total.

Federal revenue for HAS will drop by about \$2 million, because of the loss of the Education Jobs Program, and other grants funded by stimulus dollars.

Loss in county property revenue will reduce the HAS budget by \$500,000, and the loss of students will also negatively affect the HAS bottom line.



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By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

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This bald eagle, injured from a gunshot, was rescued in Gaines Township on Thursday, Feb. 17. DNRE officials are seeking information about the shooting.

## DNRE rescues injured bald eagle

### ► Seeks information about its shooting

Several Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) employees led the team that rescued an injured bald eagle in Gaines Township on Thursday, Feb. 17. Medical examination and X-rays revealed that the eagle was shot, and DNRE officials are seeking information about the shooting.

The eagle was recovered on the Gaines Township/Argentine Township line, near Ray and Van Vleet roads. It likely did not fly far from the location it was shot.

"We urge anyone who knows anything about this shooting to help us find whoever is responsible," said DNRE Law Enforcement Chief Gary Hagler.

"The injured eagle was rescued, thanks to a call from a concerned citizen, and we hope others step forward with information that leads to the arrest of the person who shot one of our national emblems."

Anyone with information pertaining to this investigation is encouraged to call the DNRE's Report All Poaching (RAP) line at (800) 292-7800. Information can be provided anonymously. Those providing information leading to an arrest and conviction are eligible for a cash reward funded by the Game and Fish Protection Fund.

An online form to report poaching violations is available on the DNRE's Web site at [www.michigan.gov/conservationofficers](http://www.michigan.gov/conservationofficers).

Earlier this week, a Genesee County resident contacted the local DNRE office after he spotted the injured bald eagle near

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his property. DNRE wildlife biologists Julie Oakes and Jon Curtis, along with Conservation Officer Mark Papineau, responded and located the bald eagle, a male estimated to be approximately 5 years old. Despite its broken wing, the eagle was still very mobile and eluded capture.

The DNRE called upon several individuals

with expertise in birds of prey, including sport falconer Jeff Alkire, wildlife rehabilitator Dave Hogan, and Bonnie VanDam and Tom Schneider, avian experts from the Detroit Zoo. With their assistance, the bald eagle was successfully rescued and turned over to Hogan, who examined it and discovered it had been shot.

"We want to thank the team that helped us rescue this majestic bird. We hope that it can be rehabilitated and returned to the wild."

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## News briefs

### FENTON TO CONSIDER PURCHASE OF VEHICLE

The Fenton City Council will consider the purchase of a new police vehicle at the Monday, Feb. 28 meeting, 7:30 p.m. at city hall. A police car was totaled recently when someone hit it at Adelaide Street and Silver Lake Road, as an officer was responding to a call. City Manager Lynn Markland said Fenton has less than \$8,000 from its insurance company for the totaled police vehicle, and a new one costs around \$26,000. He will have a recommendation for council on the purchase, from a yet-undetermined vendor.

### HOLLY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSIONER RESIGNS

The Holly Township Board of Trustees has accepted the resignation of planning commissioner and member of the Zoning Board of Appeals Rick Stevens. "Mr. Stevens was a good planning commissioner and a very professional individual," said Supervisor Jesse Lambert. "His absence has left a hole on the planning commission." Stevens' term ended in December, and he chose not to pursue another one. "It was very rewarding to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals as a member and chairman, in order to protect the zoning regulations of this community," said Stevens, in his letter of resignation to Lambert. "Thank you for the opportunity to be of service." Lambert said he would be recommending a new person to fill the gap in the planning commission.

### HOT LINE CONTINUED

**I KNOW THIS** won't print, but we are on the verge of World War III. It won't be the apocalyptic melodrama that most of us practiced in school, but the world is ready to explode. We even have it here in America, in Wisconsin, of all places. People aren't happy, and we're not afraid anymore. The world is about to change and we Americans, are not ready. But, it's happening. Get ready.

**GOV. SCOTT WALKER** of Wisconsin is being criticized by some for not negotiating with the teachers' union. His answer to the criticism is great. He said, 'I cannot negotiate in good faith, because I have nothing to bring to the table. The state of Wisconsin is broke.' I wish Obama would get that message and stop spending money we don't have.

**I WONDER HOW** many people living on a pension voted for Snyder. Surprise, your taxes are going up.

## 'Back to the Bricks' to roll into Fenton

►Car show expected to attract 1,500 visitors to downtown

By Anna Troppens

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**Fenton** — The Fenton City Council has given its official "thumbs-up" for the Back to the Bricks Tune Up car show to drive into Fenton, the evening of Thursday, Aug. 11.

Director Vince Paris, of Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation (SLPR), and organizers from Back to the Bricks attended a recent council meeting. Paris said he talked with Police Chief Rick Aro and he believes everything is set.

Council unanimously approved the request.

In a Feb. 10 memo, Aro recommended approval of the request. From 350-500 car enthusiasts are expected to participate, along with more than 1,000 spectators. The event is scheduled for 5 to 9 p.m. on Aug. 11.

The sponsors have asked to close South LeRoy Street, from Silver Lake Road south to West Shiawassee, which would allow cars to park diagonally along the roadway. In addition, some of the public and private parking lots adjacent to LeRoy Street would be reserved for vehicles.

### Summary

►Fenton City Council has approved allowing the Back to the Bricks Tune Up car show to visit Fenton on the evening of Aug. 11. It is expected to bring 350-500 participants, who will bring their vehicles for others to see and enjoy.

The Concert in the Park that week will feature music from the '50s and '60s music, to go along with the event. In addition, the Farmers' Market will take place as planned.

The Fenton Police Department will have two additional officers on overtime for the four-hour event.

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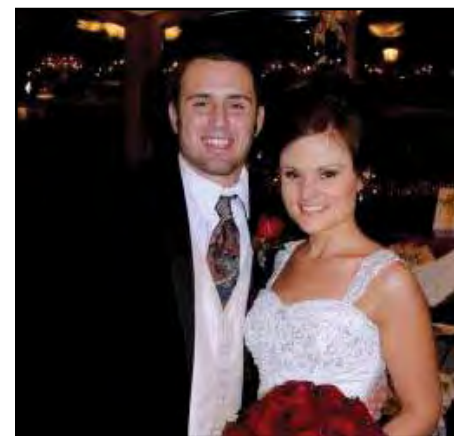
### LATHROP-ROUSSEAU

The engagement of Kelley Ann Lathrop of Linden to Jamie Lee Rousseau of Davison has been announced by her parents, Leslie Lathrop-Turnbull of Linden and Robert Lathrop, Jr. of Linden. His mother is Laura Adams of Burton. The bride-elect is a 2005 graduate of Linden High School and a 2011 Ross Medical School graduate. She is employed by Dr. Jibaly. Her fiancé is a 1998 graduate of Bendle High School. He is employed by General Motors. An August 2011 wedding is planned in Fenton.

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## WEDDING



### FLEMING

Adrienne Podjun of Hays, Kan., became the bride of Weston Fleming of Hays, Kan., on Dec. 31, 2010. The ceremony was held at Lake Fenton United Methodist Church in Fenton, and was performed by Pastor Hal Phillips. Serving as attendant of honor was Michael McGreevy of Bowling Green, Ohio, and Joshua Brown of Concordia, Kan., as best man. Bridesmaids were Lyndsey Perry of Gaines, Lori Grindstaff of Linden, and Jessica Francis of Gaines. Groomsmen were Kit Ringer of Concordia, Kan., Jesse Pounds of Manhattan, Kan., and Ryan Demel of El Dorado, Kan. Ushers were Dan Podjun, Nathan Podjun, Brice Bowers, and Ryan Kromer. Also attending was their parents, Christopher and Mary Ann Podjun of Gaines, and Dennis and Lisa Fleming of Concordia, Kan. A reception followed at Bavarian Inn Restaurant, in Frankenmuth. The newlyweds honeymooned at Disney World, Epcot and Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida.

## ENGAGEMENT



### SHARPE-WILHELM

The engagement of John Sharpe to Anita Wilhelm has been announced by his parents, John and Cheryl Sharpe of Linden. Her parents are Rudolf and Eva Wilhelm of Scoul, Switzerland. The groom-elect is a 2000 graduate of Lake Fenton High School and is in his third-year general surgery residency at the University of Tennessee. His fiancé is an organ recovery nurse and is employed by the Mid South Transplant Foundation in Tennessee. A May 2011 wedding is planned in Detroit.

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The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday February 21, 2011 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as presented.
3. Approved invoices & expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$1,061,437.58.
4. Received the Investment Report for the quarter ending 12/31/10 from Treasurer Tucker.
5. Granted a variance from the lot depth-to-width ratio provisions of Land Division Ordinance No. 516 to permit the requested division of parcel 06-32-300-050 as presented.
6. Adopted Resolution No. 2011-03, authorizing the Fenton Township Firefighters Association to apply for a permit from the Genesee County Road Commission to conduct a 5K/10K road race.
7. Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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

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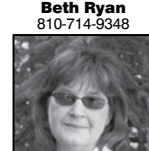
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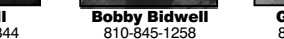
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Ad #9980: 2011-02-13 2011-02-20, 2011-02-27 2011-03-06

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Ad #9677: 2011-02-06 2011-02-13, 2011-02-20 2011-02-27

## TYRONE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BOARD MEETING TENTATIVE AGENDA MARCH 1, 2011 – 7:00 P.M. (810) 629-8631

*The regular meeting will recess after Roll Call for a public hearing.*

### PUBLIC HEARING

The purpose of the public hearing is to review the Proposed 2011-2012 Fiscal Year Township Budget. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting Minutes – February 1, 2011  
Special Meeting Minutes – February 9, 2011  
Treasurer's Report – January 31, 2011  
Clerk's Warrants & Bills

### COMMUNICATIONS

- #1 Livingston County Sheriff's Report- December 2010.
- #2 Livingston County Sheriff's Report- January 2011.
- #3 Zoning Administrator's Report- January 31, 2011.
- #4 Zoning Administrator's Report- February 28, 2011.
- #5 City of Fenton Fire Department 2010 Annual Report.
- #6 Tyrone Woods revised closure plan.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- #1 Sewer ordinance amendments.
- #2 Set date for Planning Commission/Board Joint Meeting.

### NEW BUSINESS

- #1 Liability insurance renewal.
- #2 MTA Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Fund proposal.
- #3 Jayne Hill Subdivision waste collection bid.
- #4 Adoption of the 2011-2012 fiscal year budget.
- #5 Resolution to allow Board of Review appeals by writing.
- #6 Lawn maintenance contract renewal for the hall and cemeteries.
- #7 Pitney Bowes postage machine lease renewal.
- #8 Road chloriding contractor approval.
- #9 AT&T METRO Act Right of Way Permit Extension.

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Supervisor Mike Cunningham

Clerk Keith L. Kremer



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:

<b>TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2011</b>	Organizational Meeting 10:00 am
<b>MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011</b>	9:00 am -12:00 pm., 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
<b>TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011</b>	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
Tentative Factor	.5565	0.9323	0.6832	0.9486	.9667	1.00000

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:

<b>Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 1:00 PM</b>	Organizational Meeting to receive 2010 Assessment Roll from Assessor [MCL 211.29(1)] No Public Appointments
Appointments will be taken for:	
<b>Tuesday, March 8, 2011 from 2:30 PM</b>	4:30 PM and 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
<b>Monday, March 14, 2011 from 1:00 PM</b>	4:30 PM and 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
<b>Tuesday, March 15, 2011 from 1:00 PM</b>	4:30 PM and 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (Appointments only if necessary)
<b>Thursday, March 17, 2011 from 1:00 PM</b>	4:30 PM and 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
<b>Friday, March 18, 2011 from 9:00 AM</b>	12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (Appointments only if necessary)
<b>Monday, March 21, 2011 at 1:00 PM</b>	Business meeting, only if necessary, to conclude Board of Review business. 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 Elizabeth 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 REQUIRED 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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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	1:00pm-4:00pm
Tuesday, March 8, 2011	9:00am-1:00pm
Wednesday, March 9, 2011	1:00pm-4:00pm & 6:00pm-9:00pm
Monday, March 21, 2011	2:00pm-6:00pm
Tuesday, March 22, 2011	9:00am-1:00pm
Wednesday, March 23, 2011	1:00pm-5:00pm
Thursday, March 24, 2011	10:00am-1:00pm (decisions only)
Friday, March 25, 2011	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
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# 'All in...'

## ►Texas Hold 'em tourney back for its sixth year

**Fenton**—In the mid-1800's, Colonel William Fenton and Robert LeRoy played poker to name the town and main street. Fenton won and, as they say, the rest is history.

Now, for the sixth consecutive year, the Fenton Area Public Schools Education Foundation (FAPSEF) is holding a tournament honoring this historic event.

The 2011 Colonel Fenton's Texas Hold 'em Poker Tournament will be held on Thursday, March 3 at The Fenton Hotel Tavern & Grille. Check-in is at 6 p.m. with play commencing at 6:30 p.m. Buy-in is

\$100 with a grand prize of \$1,000. LeRoy Street is ceremonially renamed in the winner's honor for approximately one year.

Other cash prizes are available depending on how long each player progresses. Along with the \$100 buy-in, each player will receive free hors d'oeuvres and a free guest admission. Other spectators are encouraged to attend at a \$10 cover charge.

The event benefits the FAPSEF. Each year, the foundation provides funding to teachers and students in the fields of arts, academics and athletics.

Tickets are now on sale. They can be obtained from any foundation board member, at the Fenton schools' administrative office, or The Fenton Hotel Tavern & Grille.

## FIRE

### Continued from Front Page

station high up in the sky and wanted to make sure her daughter and friends knew to look up in the sky at 7:30 p.m. With her coat on, and holding her purse and cell phone, she proceeded to go get in her car. As she walked through the utility room, it became apparent that something in the garage was on fire.

Believing that the fire was too big for a fire extinguisher, she walked out another door and called 911. She lived alone.

Walker learned she was not the only person to call 911. Neighbors across the street heard what sounded like explosions, which prompted them to look toward Walker's home. When they spotted flames, they, too, called 911.

As firefighters battled the blaze, Walker's grandkids stood by her and watched the home go up in flames. Walker said her home, which was destroyed, was not insured.

Community members might recall past stories written about Walker. In 2006,

she was the recipient of the National Crime Victims' Rights Week Award. She earned this honor with her work with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). In 1989, her son, Tony, 23, (a month before his 24th birthday), was killed by a drunk driver. She and her late husband, Richard, have a son, Benny, and a daughter, Kelly Narring.

Through the years, Walker has offered support, comfort and guidance to others who have been victimized by drunk drivers.

Fenton Township Fire Chief John Moulton said the fire department got the emergency call at 7:04 p.m. Fenton City and Mundy Township fire departments responded through automatic mutual aid. Crews left the scene around 1 a.m.

Moulton said the fire began in the garage, however, the exact cause has not been determined.

Walker's daughter said all of her mother's belongings were in the home. Some photos and other personal belongings have been salvaged. A fund, to assist Walker, is being set up by friends.

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**I LIKE THE,** let's balance the budget on the backs of our elderly and schoolchildren. Way to go, Rick Snyder.

**TO THE GUY** in the burgundy Dodge truck that flies up and down Worcester Drive, stop before you hit one of the kids in the neighborhood.

**THE MADISON, WISCONSIN** situation reminds me of a bunch of spoiled kids protesting their nanny. If this protest really has merit, why do the teachers have to lie, get fake doctors slips, and recruit socialist and communist organizations to march in the streets with them? When fiscal responsibility is called for, it means all of the people, including the unions, will have to endure cutbacks, give-ups and budget cuts. When states spend and fund like there is no tomorrow, the road to recovery is painful. The liberals never seem to grasp this basic principle. Granholm and Obama are living proof.

**IT'S 9:15 ON** Monday night after the snow. Whoever shoveled my driveway, sidewalk and porch over here on Torrey Road out by Baldwin, thank you so much. I'm surprised, thank you again.

**ALL OF YOUR** concerns, troubles, stress, and views would mean nothing if you were in a war zone. Think about that next time you think you have it bad, or see a vet to thank.

**HI, THIS IS** North Adelaide Street. I am just breaking up with anticipation for spring and my new facelift. Sorry for you who may break a shock or lose a hubcap before it is done.

**HOW DID GM** bonus cash come from Joe the Plumber and Joe Taxpayer, you ask. The federal government fronted GM \$18 billion. Do you pay federal income tax? If so, you paid for some of this, just like the rest of us. Having to explain this to anyone scares me even more. P.S., if you haven't paid federal taxes, watch out. The IRS is on a hiring binge.

**THE RIGHT TO** work thing is a crock. By supporting it, you're signing away your right to collectively bargain and you can't go on strike. It's a way of legally busting unions.

**WHERE CAN I** make a donation to the Democratic Wisconsin senators? I'm so glad they actually stood up for the middle class, Wisconsinites, as well as the rest of us little guys across the country. Thank you for not bending over to the Republicans' corrupt agenda. Keep up the good work.

**HOW MANY READERS** have not received a raise or have seen their raise not even keep up with the added cost they must pay for healthcare from their employer? How many readers have lost their jobs because the organization they work for cannot afford them? So, why do teachers feel they should be exempt when we pay their salary and benefits? Must be the new math taught in college.

**MANY OF YOU** seem to like paying Hollywood to come to Michigan to film, provide just a few jobs, and then you must pay huge amounts at the box office. They have been laughing at all of you who cannot see the fool they are making of you. Bravo to Gov. Snyder for stopping the Hollywood bridge to nowhere.

## Snow cones



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Victoria McLaughlin, 5, plays with snow mixed with green food dye at Pooh's Playhouse in Linden on Tuesday.

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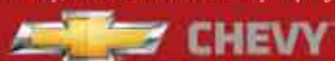
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## Military milestones

**Kyle Muehl** graduated from the U.S. Air Force basic training at Lakeland Air Force Base in San Antonio Texas on Dec. 3, 2010. He is the son of Brad and Christina Muehl of Linden. Muehl is a graduate of St. John School and Powers Catholic High School.

## Calendar of events

### SUNDAY, FEB. 27

There is still time to join the **Financial Peace** seminar at **First Baptist Church of Holly**. This Sunday is the second session, but people can still become involved, said Pastor Ed Pedley. The Financial Peace seminar takes place at 6 p.m. on Sundays, at the church. For more information, contact (248) 634-8772.

### MONDAY, FEB. 28

John J. Gleason, state senator for the 27th District, is holding a **Coffee Hour** at the Linden City Council Chambers, from 9 to 10 a.m., on Monday, Feb. 28. Residents are invited to stop by for a cup of coffee and to ask questions or share concerns with Gleason.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 1

The **Holly Area Community Coalition** is sponsoring a free program, **Drugs 101: What Parents Want to Know**, at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 1, in the Karl Richter Campus Auditorium. For more information, call (248) 328-3135.

## Academic achievements

**Amanda Constable** has been named to the Honors List, first semester, at Fin Landia University in Hancock. She is a 2006 graduate of Linden High School. Her parents are Dale and Lorie Constable of Fenton.

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## Training camps have started, it's time to **PLAY BALL!**

By Sally Rummel  
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Jack and Maxine Frost won't be traveling to Lakeland, Florida for this year's Detroit Tigers' Spring Training, but you can bet that "baseball fever" will be catching this couple as they watch all of the excitement from the comfort of their Flint home.

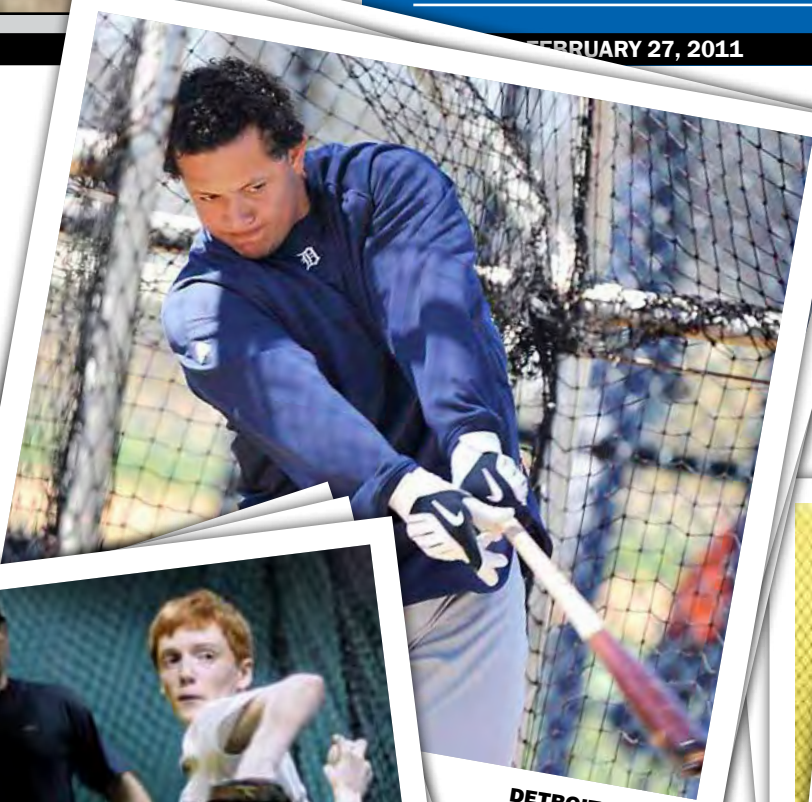
### Summary

► Opening Day of Detroit Tigers' Spring Training games began Friday in Lakeland, Florida. This year marks the 75th anniversary of the Tigers in Lakeland, the longest-lasting relationship of any major baseball team and a spring training host city.

They used to spend the late winter months making their way down to Lakeland, so they could follow their favorite players. "We're both still very interested in baseball," said Maxine. "But, we don't feel up to traveling like that anymore."

She even remembers having a picture taken one time with long-time Detroit Tigers Manager

See **TRAINING CAMP** on 6B



**DETROIT TIGER  
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**TRI-COUNTY  
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## HEART DISEASE No. 1 killer of women

By Anna Troppens

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Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women age 20 and over. One in three women have some form of cardiovascular disease, which kills about 433,000 women annually — almost one per minute.

About 64 percent of women who die

suddenly from coronary heart disease have no previous symptoms. Heart disease in women is very under diagnosed and largely preventable.

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See **HEART** on 10B

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Me & My Girls Coney Cafe is actually a description of the trio of owners, including Jamie Jacobs (left), Denise Allen (top), Jodie Tessmer (right), plus Jodie's daughter, Ryan Robinson (center), a server at the restaurant.

## Good food served at Me & My Girls Coney

By Sally Rummel

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Me & My Girls Coney Cafe is the new Coney Island restaurant in downtown Linden. Experienced in all phases of restaurant ownership and management, sisters Jamie Jacobs and Jodie Tessmer love running their own place, with the help of their mom, Denise Allen, a retired GM employee who had a little too much time on her hands, she admitted. That is, until now.

"We're open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. every day, so we're pretty busy," exclaimed the

owners, who are pleased to be assisted by another generation with Jodie's daughter, Ryan Robinson, serving on the wait staff.

Topping the menu are Coney dogs, available in either Flint-style or Detroit-style (see sidebar).

This home-style, family diner features just about everything on the menu made on the premises — from dressings and sauces to soups and "diner entrees" like meatloaf, pot roast and mashed potatoes. They have a "from scratch" carrot cake they admit is to die for, along with other homemade desserts. **See CONEY on 10B**

**Whether you prefer Flint-style Coney dogs or Detroit-style, you'll find both in abundance at Me & My Girls Coney Cafe in downtown Linden.**

**Flint-style Coney:** A Koegel dog topped with spicy ground beef, onions and a stripe of mustard.

**Detroit-style Coney:** A Koegel dog topped with a chili-style sauce, onions and a stripe of mustard.

**Bridge St. Coney:** A Koegel dog topped with chili, mustard, onion, cheese and jalapeños.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Oil Experts General Manager Dave Kleinedler performs an oil change for a customer, noting that name-brand oils are available upon request.

## Oil Experts provides top customer service

By Sally Rummel

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With more than 12 years of automotive experience to his credit, Stephen Thomas has added a new expertise to the Thomas Auto Collision family of businesses in Fenton.

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**"We listen and we care — we don't do high pressure sales tactics. We do what's best for each customer, that's our specialty."**

**Stephen Thomas**  
owner

They also pride themselves on affordable pricing, making top-quality car care within reach of most people during this economy. "Watch for our oil change specials in the Tri-County Times," said Thomas.

Oil Experts is open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (810) 714-5191.

# Canever honored for 25 years as Chevy dealer

By Sally Rummel

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In 1986, gasoline prices hovered at around 89 cents a gallon and the price of a new car averaged \$9,255. That was also the year that Richard Canever assumed leadership of the Fenton dealership founded by his father, Vic Canever, in 1969.

Canever was honored by the Chevrolet division of General Motors on Thursday, Feb. 24, with a presentation of a plaque by Steve Fahner, Chevrolet Detroit zone manager, honoring him as a dealer "for his dedication and service in the Fenton area." Approximately 60 of the dealership's employees gathered in the lobby listening to remarks offered by Canever, followed by an informal luncheon and a 25th anniversary cake.

"My dad and then-general manager Marie Langworthy would be very proud of the dealership today, especially the renovations and updates that have taken place since 2008," said Canever. "Our newly-remodeled facility is my best memory of the past 25 years. The timing of it in these economic times was a challenge, but it was definitely the right thing to do."



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Richard Canever takes a close look at the plaque presented to him by the Chevrolet division of GM, in recognition of his 25 years of service as a Chevy dealer in Fenton.

Canever noted that his dad founded the dealership at an age when many people were thinking of slowing down or retiring. "He was 55, just two years younger than I am when he started Vic Canever Chevrolet," said Canever. Now a third generation is moving up at Vic Canever's, with Richard's son Jeff assuming roles in Internet sales management and client care.

Environmental issues are now at the forefront of the automotive industry, with new electric cars like the Chevy Volt taking center stage. "It's the way automotive dealerships need to head into the future," said Canever. "The Volt is the most exciting car to have ever been produced by GM." However, his own personal favorite car has been the re-done 2010 Camaro.

Canever credits the loyalty and longevity of his staff for the success of this local dealership. When asked how many of his employees had been with Canever for the full 25 years of his leadership, several hands went up in the air, as well as many more who have 15 to 20 years of employment at Vic Canever Chevrolet.



Three generations of Canever leadership are pictured here, with a photograph of Vic Canever in between Richard Canever (left) and his son, Jeff.

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**Richard Canever**  
Vic Canever Chevrolet in Fenton



# Look Who's Talking

By Anna Troppens, Associate Editor



**Brittani Torok**

**17-year-old senior**

**Linden High School**

## FAMILY:

Keith and Bobbi Jo Torok. I have a little brother, Ryan, 13. He attends Linden Middle School.

## SPORTS AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES:

I just go to youth group. We go on trips and go to church. I get to be with my friends. It's just a lot of fun.

## MY DREAM CAR:

a blue Mini Cooper convertible.

## ALL TIME FAVORITE MOVIE:

I'd have to say 'Alice in Wonderland,' the new one.

## Brittani Torok

**OK, you're the school principal. What's the first change you would make?:** To let us have off-campus lunches.

**If you could have one superpower, what would it be?:** To fly, because I think it would be awesome.

**I am always:** smiling.

**Is there an event in your life you would like a 'do-over' for?:**

No, because everything that has happened has happened for a reason. It's helped make me who I am today.

**If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be?:** Probably to see when they were building the temples, to see how they did it.

**If you could make one rule everyone had to follow, what would it be?:** To always be nice.

**What physical or mental attribute, if any, would you change about yourself?:** I'd be more helpful to people.

**If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say?:** 'Free Hugs,' because I just like to give hugs to people.

**What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to?:**

Spring break. We might go to Florida.

**My most valued possession is:** probably my phone, because I always have it.

**Front row seats and backstage passes. Whom are you seeing?:** Bree Carolina. They're an alternative group.

**Who is your favorite teacher?:** Ms. (Melissa) Leighton. She is really nice; I had her for yearbook.

**My postgraduate plans:** To go to college to be a teacher, kindergarten to fifth grade. I've always liked working with kids.

## Student Body asked at Linden High School

### Who is the first person you would share good news?

**CHRIS JACQUES, SENIOR**



"Probably my grandmother, she's one of the only people I can trust, and she is my mentor."

**ERICA KERSHAW, SOPHOMORE**



"I tell my parents or sisters because they are my family, or my friends, if they are with me."

**MORGAN SCHULER, FRESHMAN**



"My mother, she's just been there by my side."

**SARA KENNEDY, SENIOR**



"My parents, they're the people you're closest to and you're around the most."

**MEGAN GUIDRY, SOPHOMORE**



"My best friend, because she'll be excited with me."



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## Reading revolution in Mexico

► Student raising \$2,000 for school supplies, computer

By Anna Troppens

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**Fenton** — A Fenton High School senior will be spending spring break helping others in Mexico.

Jessica Ulrich, 17, is raising money at home to take to the Hekab Be Biblioteca, a grassroots library, literacy and learning center in Akumal. Her youth group from St. John's Catholic Church is sponsoring the project through the end of March, with the goal of raising \$2,000. All proceeds will help pay for school supplies and, hopefully, a computer.

The center's name, in Mayan, translates into "Children of the Road," said Jessica's mother, Elaine Ulrich. Children as young as first grade use it, along with adults.

The one-room center is a driving force behind a "reading revolution" in its area, where the adult literacy rate is about 50 percent and public schools are poorly funded and overcrowded. In Akumal, literacy can enable a worker to move from a job earning about \$6 per day to one that provides more than basic shelter and food.

Jessica had the idea after her parents, Elaine and William, met and accompanied a mission trip while traveling last fall. The mission group was headed to Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula, to provide school supplies. The Ulrichs

### How to help...

• **With the bake sale** this Sunday — buy baked items from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at St. John's Activity Center, 600 N. Adelaide St. in Fenton. Or, help operate the bake sale or donate baked goods for it. For more information, contact (810) 938-9412.

• **Send a donation**, made payable to St. John's Church Youth Group, with a notation on checks "For Akumal Project." These can be mailed to St. John's Church, c/o 4119 Autumn View Ct., Fenton, MI 48430. All donations will help the Akumal Project, and receipts are available for tax purposes.



Jessica Ulrich

went along and told Jessica about it when they got home.

She went online and found a one-room library/learning center "off the beaten path" in Mexico, just south of Playa del Carmen in the Yucatan Peninsula. Jessica will collect money for the Akumal Project, fly to Mexico with her parents, and buy supplies for the center at a Wal-Mart there.

The project fits into her International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum at Fenton High School, she said.

Members of the St. John's Catholic Church Youth Group will be helping Jessica with a bake sale from 9 a.m.

to 12 p.m. this Sunday, Feb. 27, in the St. John's Activity Center, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton.

"If they know how to read, they have opportunities of getting a better job."

**Jessica Ulrich**  
Akumal Project



## When's the right time for children to start school?

Many parents feel that early enrollment in school is a good first step for kids' academic careers. However, some experts warn that too much, too soon may not be the way to lay the groundwork of a successful academic career. Some believe that waiting until a child is age 6 for formal education provides the best opportunity for learning advantages.

According to a study published in The Cambridge Primary Review in October 2008, the consensus was that formal schooling should be delayed until children reach 6. The findings offered that trying to teach literacy and math at a young age is counterproductive. If children under 6 are in school programs, they should continue to learn through play-based initiatives.

An early start in school isn't necessarily a good start. Children may show the maturity and the social readiness to

attend school, but they may not have the capacity to grasp concepts outside of their play-based way of learning. Forcing information on a child who is not ready could set him or her up for aversion to school.

What's more, there's no evidence that early schooling produces a more educated child in the long run. Many countries in Europe start school later than Britain or the United States. Finland, for example, begins formal training at age 7. When studied, children who started school at the age of 6 or 7 often overtook English pupils in tests of reading before the start of secondary education.

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**Gary Bacon owner & Charlene Benmark purchaser, 8337 Pineview Lk Dr. is requesting a Special Use to operate a licensed daycare business from the home. Described as 01-26-552-019, Lot 26 Pineview Lake Estates #1.**

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Denise Graves, Clerk  
Argentine Township

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TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2011	1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM 6:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

Meetings will be held at the Linden City Hall, 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, Michigan, 48451, for the purpose of reviewing the City of Linden Assessment Rolls. The tentative equalization factors for the City of Linden are: Commercial 1.0, Residential 1.0, Industrial 1.0, and Personal 1.0. To schedule a meeting with the Board of Review, you may submit your petition to the City Offices prior to or during the Board of Review. Petition forms are available at the City Hall and appointments should be made by 5:00 PM, Friday, March 18, 2011 by calling the City Offices at 735-7980 or 735-9624. Written protests will be accepted and additional dates will be scheduled by appointment if necessary.

Martha A. Donnelly, City Clerk

## TRAINING CAMP

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Sparky Anderson. "I don't have any idea where that photo is anymore, but it might be put away in the same place I kept a baseball that was thrown to me by some of the players one year," she said, with a smile.

This year's Spring Training is already in action, marking the Tigers' 75th season in Lakeland — the longest-lasting relationship between a major league baseball team and a current Spring Training host city. The Detroit Tigers began going to Lakeland for Spring Training in 1934 and have been coming back each year ever since.

The Spring Training exhibition games started Friday, giving the first glimpse of spring to winter-weary Michiganders. The Detroit Tigers will be taking on the Toronto Blue Jays at 1 p.m., capping a pre-week series of games and festivities leading up to Opening Day. The first 5,000 fans through the gates will receive a commemorative Detroit Tigers 75th anniversary pin, according to the Detroit Tigers training website.

While many fans are eager to follow the games and the stats of the season, for others, it's just a sign of a simpler time, when life truly mirrored the Chevy slogan, "Baseball, hot dogs, apple pie and Chevrolet."

"You can see the joy in people's faces as they watch Spring Training, enjoying 'T-shirt weather' while eating a hot dog in the stands earlier than anyone else can," said former Major League Baseball player Lee Gardner, 36, a native of Hartland, now a pitching instructor at Premier Indoor Sports in Fenton.

While Gardner won't be on the field at Spring Training, he's helping the next generation of ball players hone their skills for high school team play and beyond. Gardner was a pro ball player for 10 years, pitching for Tampa Bay and Florida in the Major Leagues. He also pitched with the Detroit Tigers and San Francisco Giants Minor League organizations, before a major shoulder injury "blew out" his career in 2008.

He remembers well the excitement of the 2006 ball season when he "made the big leagues," practicing at that season's Tiger Spring Training, then was assigned to the Triple-A Tiger affiliate, the Toledo Mud Hens. "The Tigers ended up going to the playoffs that year," recalled Gardner, who's still a huge fan of his hometown team.

This time of year, "baseball fever" hits Gardner, too. "By this time of year, I'd have already left to go early to Florida to work out before Spring Training," he recalls. "When the weather breaks, it's time to play ball!"

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Sat, Mar 26, 2011 ..... Phillies @ Tigers  
Sun, Mar 27, 2011 ..... Tigers @ Astros  
Mon, Mar 28, 2011 ..... Tigers @ Orioles  
Tue, Mar 29, 2011 ..... Tigers @ Yankees

### Spring training begins locally

Baseball seems to have had a resurgence of interest, after a leveling off period a few years ago. Fenton Little League President Kevin Johnson and his wife, Kim, have been active in local baseball for almost a decade, and have seen interest in the sport wane and then regain a strong footing. "We've been pretty steady the last couple of years," said Johnson, who recalls his childhood years of being outdoors all summer to play ball.

Paul Penwell, assistant coach of the freshman baseball team at Fenton High School, believes that the opportunities available to kids now through traveling leagues plays an important role in the resurgence of popularity in baseball. "There are so many positive experiences that go along with the sport," said Penwell. "It's a very competitive atmosphere with six to seven months of play all over the Midwest."

Local players find lots to love about baseball. Fenton High School freshman Max Lebrato, 15, has been playing since he was 7, when he discovered how much fun it was to enjoy playing baseball with his friends. Now, he's taking the sport a lot more seriously, taking pitching instructions from Gardner, hoping to land a position on the Fenton Tigers team.

For two Linden brothers, Bryce and Tyler Benedict, 15 and 16 respectively, it's all about the competition. "I've always loved baseball," said Bryce, who has been playing since age 5. Both Tyler and Bryce play for the Linden Eagles.

Whether you like to play baseball or follow the players and stats of the game, this weekend's official start of the season provides a glimpse of hope that this winter, too, shall pass and the traditional spring shouts of "Play Ball" will be here before we know it.



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# Parents can help ease transition from elementary to middle school

By Sally Rummel

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Put yourself in your child's shoes. Moving from the relatively safe environment of elementary school to the "unchartered territory" of middle school is enough to create anxiety for anyone in this age group — and his or her parents.

Students in middle school (typically sixth, seventh and eighth grade) need to be prepared to meet a teacher's expectations and follow the rules at their new school. In elementary school, students are often allowed a bit of leeway as they learn the rules and expectations, because they are still children who are growing and maturing. However, these expectations begin to tighten in middle school.

Switching to different classes throughout the day and learning to keep their work organized and at a higher standard than in elementary school put stress on a child — not to mention the social changes that take place in middle school.

Students entering middle school are beginning a new stage in life, where hormones are changing. Boys and girls are discovering each other and friendships take on a new dynamic. Wise teachers will often help students navigate these new areas by using role-play techniques to teach students how to handle situations such as a classroom romance, appropriate interaction with students of the opposite sex, learning how to be a good friend, how to use honesty in every situation and handling a bully or name-caller.

As a child learns to become more independent in the middle school years, parents need to realize that they are needed now more than ever. Research shows that children whose parents are engaged in their education are more likely to be successful academically.

Parents are encouraged to get to know



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Experts say talking to your children about school and asking specific questions will illicit a thoughtful response.

their child's teachers, asking them about expectations, homework, tests, communication, etc. They should also find a niche for themselves in the classroom, serving in a volunteer capacity as an adviser for an extracurricular activity, the computer lab, etc. Being on-site in the school is the best way for parents to get a feel for what goes on there. Even parents who work during the day can get involved with other projects or groups that conduct evening or weekend activities.

Parents who want to maintain close with relationships with their middle-school-age children will want to spend time volunteering to chaperone school dances, driving kids to sport competitions, etc. Parents who attend school meetings and events will become much more familiar with their child's school community.

While parents don't want to actually do their child's homework for them, there is a benefit with parents keeping up with their child's homework assignments and school tests. Providing your child with a quiet place to study and do homework will help your child academically. Offer to check problems, proofread written papers and look over spelling words, but let him or her figure out the correct answer.

Most importantly, according to experts, is to talk to your children about school, asking specific questions that will illicit a thoughtful response.

## How a parent can help

- **Visit the school before enrollment.** Most middle schools offer an orientation for incoming students and parents. Tour the school with your child ahead of time. Register for classes well before the school year actually begins.
- **Discuss expected changes.** Middle school students will have more responsibilities, from changing classes, having multiple teachers, to more supplies and finding their way around. The setting is usually larger than elementary school, and there may be many students coming in from different schools. This is a time when parents need to listen more than talk.
- **Talk to your child about the opportunities he or she will have at middle school.** There are more elective courses, clubs, music and sports. Middle school is about developing socially and emotionally as well as academically, according to school counselors who work with this age group.
- **Find out about dress codes.** Dress codes will be different from elementary school. Find out whether lockers will be available to your student, or if they'll have to carry all their books and supplies in a sturdy backpack. Wait to purchase school supplies until you find out specific requirements for each class.
- **Daily communication with your child will ease the transition.**

## SCHOOL

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- **Emphasis** on play-based learning, with more time geared to kids being kids than sitting behind a desk.
- **Access** to a computer, since so much of students' lives involves computer literacy.
- **Opportunities** to go outside and play when weather permits.
- **Interaction** with books, so parents can read with their children and spend time together.
- **Limited** focus on grades and performance. Does a 3-year-old child really need a report card?
- **Activities** that involve the family so parents are participating in their child's education.
- **Small** class sizes, optimizing the teacher-to-student ratio.
- **A relaxed** atmosphere, with the time and space to explore physical and social environments.

Some children are naturally more advanced than others are and may benefit from earlier, more structured schooling. However, the vast majority will do fine during their academic career if they begin formal education at age 6. That doesn't mean that children can't attend school at 5. The programs should just be less structured and more play-based.

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**Ralph David Van Luven**  
**1933-2011**  
Ralph David Van Luven - age 77, of Fenton, passed away Thursday, February 24, 2011 at home. Funeral services were Saturday, February 26, 2011 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Interment was in Fairview Cemetery, Linden. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society. Ralph was born April 12, 1933 in Detroit the son of the late John Donavan and Ida Mae (Beane) Van Luven. Surviving are his loving wife of 56 years, Sally; five beloved daughters, Sherry Daniels (John), Vicky Lynn Yinger (Jonathon), Cynthia Ann Gresock (Alex), Patricia Van Luven (Cyrus Miller), Susan Joy Graham (Aaron); 12 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.



**Erika Schlosser,**  
Erika Schlosser - age 19, died February 16, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Georgie C. Frink,**  
Georgie C. Frink - age 59, died February 20, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Madeline Swift,**  
Madeline Swift - age 90, died February 22, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Orville Banks,**  
Orville Banks - died February 21, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Pauline Bard,**  
Pauline Bard - age 86, died February 21, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Sheryl Malick,**  
Sheryl Malick - age 57, died February 25, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Olaf Brown,**  
Olaf Brown - age 95, died February 23, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Jeanette Barber,**  
Jeanette Barber - age 76, died February 23, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Annie Grate**  
**1920-2011**  
Annie Grate - age 90, of Holly, died Sunday, February 20, 2011. Annie was the beloved wife of the late Ralph Grate. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Funeral services were held at 10 AM Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly with Rev. Jeff Miller officiating. Visitation was from 9-10 AM Tuesday. Memorial donations may be made to the Holly Presbyterian Church. [www.dryerfuneralhome-holly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhome-holly.com).

**Dale Neil,**  
Dale Neil - age 64, died February 19, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Deborah Smith-Westrum,**  
Deborah Smith-Westrum - age 47, died February 20, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Dean Jagger,**  
Dean Jagger - age 76, died February 20, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Robert Amble,**  
Robert Amble - age 50, died February 22, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



**Norma Gilbert,**  
Norma Gilbert - age 75, died February 23, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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**Dennis Michael "Mike" Burris**  
**1946-2011**  
Dennis Michael "Mike" Burris - age 64, of Fenton, passed away Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at Genesis Health Park. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10:45 AM Saturday, February 26, 2011 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton. Rev. Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Interment will follow at St. John Cemetery. Visitation was held 5-8 PM Thursday and 2-8 PM Friday at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Contributions may be made to Eastern Michigan Food Bank or the American Heart Association. Mike was born June 22, 1946 in Flint the son of the late James Howard and Leah Louise (Segren) Burris. He was a 1964 graduate of Davison High School and attended Flint Junior College. Mike married Mary Louise Jupe on April 5, 1968 in Mt. Morris. He was currently employed by Dental Art Laboratories as a certified dental technician. Mike enjoyed fishing and all sports, especially Detroit Lions Football. He will be remembered for his infinite knowledge of trivia and as a connoisseur of restaurants. More than anything Mike loved his family and really enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. Surviving are his wife of 42 years, Mary; son, Eric Burris and wife, Cathy of Chelsea; daughter, Jennifer Goings and husband, Robert of Gaines; 5 grandchildren, Nicholas, Jacob and Abigail Burris, Bryce and Allyson Goings; 3 brothers, Richard Burris and wife, Donna of Swartz Creek, Paul Burris and wife, Tammy of Columbia City, IN, Patrick Burris and wife, Dana of Gaines; sister, Dawn Warren and husband, Tim of Montrose; and several nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by a sister, Leah Krish. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of [www.sharpfuneral-homes.com](http://www.sharpfuneral-homes.com).



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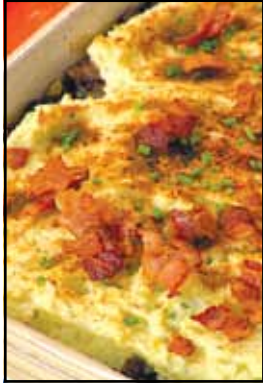


## 30 Minute Meals

### Steakhouse Shepherd's Pie

#### Ingredients

- 2 lbs. Idaho potatoes, peeled/cut into chunks
- 4 slices bacon or peppered bacon, chopped
- Salt
- 1/2 T. extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 lbs. ground sirloin
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1/2 lb. mushrooms, quartered
- Black pepper
- 2 T. butter
- 2 T. all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 cups beef stock
- 2 T. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 egg yolk
- 3 T. sour cream
- 1/2 lb. blue cheese, crumbled
- 3 to 4 T. chives
- 1 t. paprika



#### PREPARATION:

Place potatoes in a pot, cover with cold water and bring up to a boil. Season water with salt and boil potatoes until tender, 12 to 15 minutes. Heads up: save a ladle of starchy cooking water just before draining. Heat a skillet with high sides over medium high heat. Add extra-virgin olive oil, half a turn of the pan and the bacon. Crisp bacon and remove to paper towel lined plate. Add sirloin to the pan and caramelize the meat, 4 to 5 minutes. Add in the mushrooms and onions and cook until tender, 6 to 7 minutes more then season with salt and pepper. While meat cooks heat a small sauce pot over medium heat and melt butter, whisk the flour into butter, cook 2 minutes then whisk beef stock into flour, add Worcestershire and season sauce with salt and pepper, to taste. Thicken 6 to 7 minutes. Pour gravy over meat and turn on broiler. Temper egg yolk by beating it with the starchy potato cooking water. Place drained potatoes back into the pot you cooked them in to dry them out a little. Mash potatoes with egg yolk and sour cream then fold in crumbled blue cheese and chives. Season the potatoes with salt and pepper and spread across the top of the meat in an even layer. Garnish the potatoes with paprika and place under broiler to crisp and brown the potatoes, 2 to 3 minutes. Crumble reserved bacon over top. Serve immediately right from the hot skillet.



**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** My friend and I have an ongoing discussion about how we catch colds. I believe the only way is by being exposed to a germ. My friend agrees, but also says you can become chilled, and that results in a cold. Please settle this once and for all. — L.G.

**ANSWER:** The only way to catch a cold is to meet up with a cold virus. But let's kick this around a little while it lies there quivering. Rhinoviruses are responsible for many colds. This virus is passed from one person to another most often via the hands and fingers. An infected person invariably will have virus on his or her hands and fingers. If that person touches another person's hands or fingers, the virus is transferred. All the second person has to do is touch his or her nose or eyes and the virus has found a new home. (The drainage channel for tears siphons viruses into the nose.) It's also possible to spread a cold through sneezing or coughing, but that's a secondary route. Many colds are preceded by a body chill. That's part of the infection symptoms, and that might be what your friend refers to. Once a virus lands in a person's nose, the time till the development of cold symptoms is short — eight to 12 hours. Runny nose, nasal stuffiness, scratchy throat, cough and sneezing are typical symptoms. They peak in 48 hours and are gone in about one week. A person is most contagious during the first three days of symptoms, when nasal discharge is at high volume and when it contains the most viruses. If by "chilling" your friend means being in a cold blast of air or getting your feet wet in frigid weather and shivering as a result, she has a slight point. That kind of chilling constricts the nose's blood vessels and decreases mucus production. It might, therefore, permit cold viruses to mount a more effective attack and can contribute to the ease of catching a cold. All the same, without the virus there is no cold.

## Stepmom not a fan of groupie behavior

**DEAR AMY:** My husband has a daughter by a long-ago relationship. This daughter (my stepdaughter) is in her 30s now. She has been very happily married for 10 years. Her husband is devoted to her, but is a workaholic. They do not have any children. When my stepdaughter was a teenager, she was completely enamored of a boy band. Her mother encouraged groupie-like behavior by traveling around the country with her for concerts. They even hung out in front of the favorite group member's house until the police asked them to leave. Eventually, the boy band's popularity faded, and my stepdaughter grew up. Her mother passed away. About three years ago the boy band (all grown men now) made a comeback. Immediately, my stepdaughter started spending lots of money going to every concert. She springs for cruises and high-dollar tickets for meet-and-greet parties. She follows them around the country. Her husband seems to support her in this pursuit. My husband and I see her spending lots of money, taking time away from her job and her husband, and wonder if she is out of control. It seems like an obsession. We feel that she may have a void in her life because she lost her mother. We have let her know that we disapprove of her obsession and she has said to us that she knows "it's crazy." However, she still continues the immature behavior. If her husband doesn't have a problem with her behavior, should we just butt out? Should we try more pointedly to show her the error of her ways? Should we recommend therapy?

— Concerned Stepmother

**DEAR STEPMOTHER:** Some people drop everything to attend golfing tournaments, religious revivals or baby beauty pageants. If this pursuit is interfering with your stepdaughter's ability to hold on to her job or her relationships, then she has a problem, but so far, this seems mainly to bother you. I appreciate your assessment of this and agree that her behavior could be related to a void in her life. If you decide to talk to her again, don't frame your conversation around your disapproval of her behavior. Ask her what she thinks about it and if her obsession enhances or detracts from the most important things in her life. Therapy could help her explore all of her relationships — including her feelings about and relationship with you and her father.

**DEAR AMY:** "Frustrated Mother" was complaining about her guests' behavior at her children's elaborate birthday parties. I think it's possible that with three over-the-top birthday parties to attend each year, these guests are just burned out and tired of all the craziness over young children.

— My Two Cents

**DEAR TWO:** I agree with your theory.

(Send questions via e-mail to askamy@tribune.com or by mail to Ask Amy, Chicago Tribune, 11500, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611. Amy Dickinson's memoir, "The Mighty Queens of Freeville: A Mother, a Daughter and the Town that Raised Them" (Hyperion), is available in bookstores.)

Amy Dickinson



Ask Amy

## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Mike Argirion and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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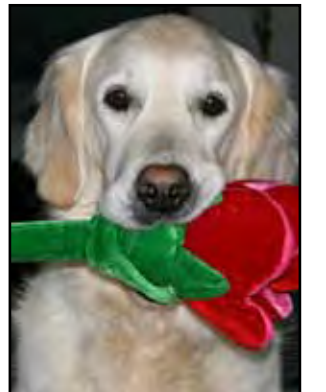
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BY STEVE DALE

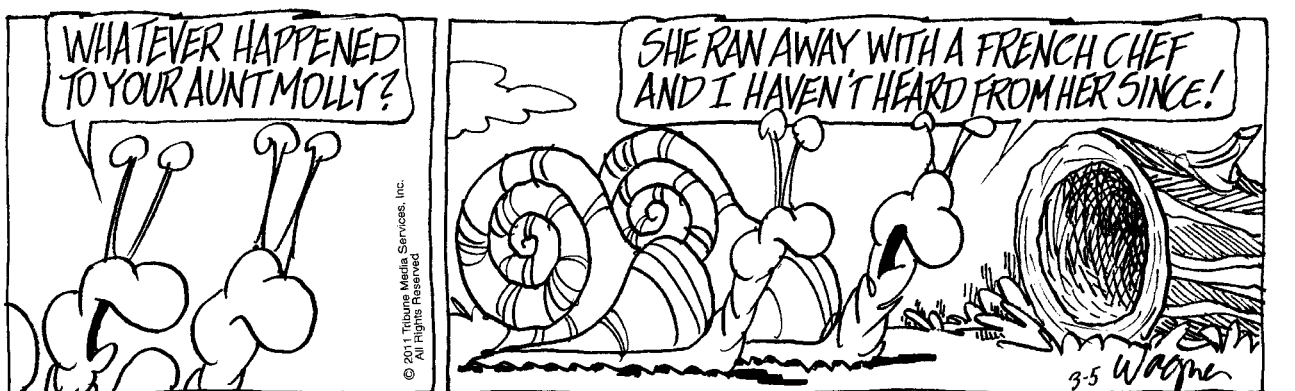
## my pet world

**Q:** I saw on your blog a YouTube video of a dog saying, "I love you." I wouldn't have believed it. Can you teach dogs to talk? Also, I think the dog in the video really knows what he's saying. Do you agree? — B.J.J., Orlando, FL

**A:** Dogs don't have the physiological capability to produce speech patterns as we do. In fact, parrots are the only other group of animals who seem able to accomplish that (some species are more adept than others). We now know that while sometimes parrots are only mimicking or "parroting," at other times they really do seem to understand what they're saying. Of course, great apes have been taught American Sign Language. And lots of species do communicate with one another, ranging from whales to wolves. Whether or not some of this communication could be described as language is open to debate. Some dogs are naturally "talkative." Aside from barking or howling, they make a wide assortment of entertaining sounds. It's true that these dogs are talking, though there's no language involved. We reinforce their behavior with our attention because it's so cute. It's true that in the video, it does sound like the dog is saying, "I love you." What likely happened, however, is that the dog frequently made "Scooby Doo" sounds. This behavior was reinforced by family members, at some point only when it sounded like "I love you." While the dog no doubt "loves" his people, the "words" he uses aren't an expression of his emotions, per se. I'm pretty certain he doesn't know the meaning of "I love you," but he does know people enjoy his "talking." By the way, my blog is: [www.chicagonow.com/stevedale](http://www.chicagonow.com/stevedale).



(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@STEVE-DALE.TV](mailto:PETWORLD@STEVE-DALE.TV). Include your name, city and state. Steve's website is [www.stevedalepetworld.com](http://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.





## CONEY

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Chili and soups, Mexican entrees, salads, burgers and sandwiches round out this eclectic menu.

What packs this place early in the morning are inexpensive early bird breakfasts, served up abundantly from 6 to 9 a.m. A Friday night fish fry brings in the regulars every week for bottomless cod or perch, plus all the accompaniments. Lunch specials and dinner specials

change all the time, so customers always have something new to try. "Every day is something new and different," said Allen.

There are also two TVs to watch, so dining patrons have all the comforts of home while eating out.

Me & My Girls Coney Cafe is located at 123 N. Bridge St., in the former location of Tom's Coney Island. "We have totally refurbished the interior," said the trio. "Come in and see for yourself!"

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**TO THE LOCAL** law enforcement, how does this sound? Instead of hanging around the bars for easy money, how about going after some of these drug dealers for a change? Heroin in Fenton and the surrounding communities, why?

**I'M SURE THIS** will be unpopular, but my thought is that it's time to throw government pensions out the window (including teachers). Here are the facts. Eighty percent of government workers get a pension, and they have a better average salary than the public sector. Shouldn't they be paid less, since they are our civil servants? They can contribute to their own 401k.

**WHAT CITY LEADERS** don't want to tell you is all the benefits they get to retain long after they are out of office, like health care and pensions, which they will not give up if Snyder

makes cuts. They would rather lay off police, firefighters, close the library early and other things that directly affect the taxpayer rather than make real cuts to their meal ticket.

**WE HAVE A TOTALLY** awesome neighbor on Main Road in Fenton Township, who plows out his neighbors' driveways when it snows. He is out there, sometimes before the county snow plows arrive. We would like to say thank you for being such a nice neighbor and helping others. We appreciate it.

**TODAY, INDIANA MADE** its first step toward job recovery by drafting legislation to appeal the right-to-work law, which 22 other states have. Ohio and Michigan have lost the most auto jobs and would have attracted foreign auto companies, if it were not for unions. Four liberal congressional representatives, Kildee, Levin, Conyers and Dingell have been in office for a combined 194 years. Michigan evidently does not want to survive.

## HEART

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participate in a national, first of its kind, pilot study to increase awareness of heart disease in women, and improve diagnosis and treatment in women with the disease (see sidebar).

All women face the threat of heart disease, a spokesperson for the Mayo Clinic said. But, becoming aware of their unique symptoms and risks, eating a heart-healthy diet and exercising, can help.

Although traditional risk factors for coronary artery disease — including high cholesterol, high blood pressure and obesity — affect both sexes, other factors might play a bigger role in causing heart disease in women. These can include metabolic syndrome, which is a combination of fat around the abdomen and high blood pressure, blood sugar and triglycerides.

In addition, mental stress and depression affect women's hearts more than men's. Depression makes it difficult to maintain a healthy lifestyle and follow recommended treatment, so women should talk to their doctor if they are having symptoms of depression ([www.mayoclinic.com](http://www.mayoclinic.com)).

Smoking also is a greater risk factor for heart disease in women than in men. Low estrogen levels after menopause pose a significant risk factor for developing cardiovascular disease in the smaller blood vessels.

Women under 65 with a family history of heart disease should pay particularly close attention to the heart disease risk factors.

Ways to reduce risks include exercising 30 to 60 minutes a day on most days and maintaining a healthy weight. Losing 10-15 pounds can lower blood pressure and reduce risks of diabetes, both of which can increase the risk of heart disease. In addition, quit or don't start smoking and eat a diet that's low in saturated fat, cholesterol and salt.

A doctor might prescribe medications, such as blood pressure medications, blood thinners and aspirin.

Women need to better manage other conditions that are risk factors for heart disease, such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol and diabetes. Some women at high risk of heart disease may also benefit from the use of supplements, such as omega-3 fatty acids.

## Genesys to participate in national women's heart disease study

Nationally, about 3,000 OB/Gyn patients over 40 will take a questionnaire to identify their risk factors for heart disease at an earlier age so they can begin to obtain preventive care. Only 10 sites in the United States have been chosen to participate, and Genesys is the Midwest's pilot site.

"Historically, about 75 percent of the information available on diagnosing heart disease is from studies in men," said Dr. Kimberly Barber, director of the Genesys Office of Research, which is coordinating the study with Abbott Vascular Research. "Very few heart studies on women exist. There truly is a gender gap in awareness. In addition, symptoms of heart disease can be very different in women, and it can be more difficult to diagnose heart disease in women. That is why the information obtained from this national study is so invaluable to the future heart health of women."

## Heart attack symptoms in women

Women are more likely to have heart attack symptoms unrelated to chest pain. These can include:

- Neck, shoulder, upper back or abdominal discomfort
- Shortness of breath
- Nausea or vomiting
- Sweating
- Lightheadedness or dizziness

- Unusual fatigue

These symptoms are more subtle than the obvious, crushing chest pain often associated with heart attacks. This may be because women tend to have blockages not only in main arteries, but also in the smaller arteries leading to the heart.

Many women show up in emergency rooms after a lot of heart damage has been done, because the symptoms weren't ones typically associated with a heart attack. If women experience these symptoms or suspect a heart attack, they should call 911 immediately.

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

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# 'Let's build something'

► Know of a senior who needs home repairs?

By Anna Troppens

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Volunteers and donors are being rounded up for the annual Christmas in Action workday on April 30, but no income-qualified seniors have applied for the free home repairs. "That's actually our toughest thing, to find the homes," said Kelly Williams, president of Tri-County Christmas in Action. "There's a lot of pride involved. No one wants to admit they're low income or need help."

But, home repairs, for some seniors, spiral out of control. They have contributed to their communities for years but are reluctant to accept assistance. "Sometimes, it takes some convincing that we can help them and it doesn't need to be a pride situation," Williams said.

Tri-County Christmas in Action addressed issues at nine homes in 2010. It works in the Fenton, Fenton Township, Argentine, Linden, Tyrone, Holly and Holly and Rose townships area. The organization considers all applications for assistance on a case-by-case basis, she said. The board votes on which applications fit the organization's criteria.

Volunteers have fixed electrical and plumbing problems and gutted bathrooms. "We are a health and safety issue organization," Williams said. Volunteers

make seniors' homes safe for them, if they moved into their house 30 years ago and are now wheelchair-bound, for example. Depending on what a home needs, they add handrails, fix tripping hazards, make homes handicapped-accessible, replace broken windows and fix flooring and roofs. Yard work, painting and cleaning are other jobs they perform.

Christmas in Action is looking for volunteers and donations, including house sponsors, materials, food for the work crews and funding. Everyone is welcome to volunteer, and those who know a skilled trade, such as electrical or plumbing, are especially needed, she said. Workers receive free breakfast, lunch and dinner on the workday.

A Winter Blues Silent Auction fundraiser will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 31, at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center, 150 S. LeRoy St. For more information, see [www.winterbluessilentauction.org](http://www.winterbluessilentauction.org).

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Volunteers help make Tri-County Christmas in Action's work possible.

## SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER FOR TRI-COUNTY CHRISTMAS IN ACTION, HOLLY AREA

It will be from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 6, at First Baptist Church of Holly, 15030 N. Holly Rd. Admission is by donation.

## Neighbors will help neighbors in Holly area

Since it began eight years ago in the Holly area, Christmas in Action has rehabilitated 14 homes.

On the last Saturday in April, they perform free home repairs, yard work and cleaning for low income and handicapped seniors, said Pastor Ed Pedley, of First Baptist Church of Holly. Volunteers are needed and organizers for the Holly area are in the process of selecting homes for the workday.

Volunteers and donors step up every year, and are being lined up for this year's projects. A large donation will be from Kerton Lumber Co., of Holly, which has volunteered around \$20,000 in decking materials, Pedley said.

The pre-meeting for volunteers will be 7 p.m. Thursday, April 21, at First Baptist Church of Holly.

For more information, contact First Baptist Church of Holly at (248) 634-8772.

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# Fenton's Kozlowski headed to Grand Valley to run track

By David Troppens

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Alessandra Kozlowski has enjoyed running track ever since she took up the sport as a freshman at Fenton High School.

And when her prep career ends this spring, she will be given a chance to continue the sport she enjoys at the collegiate level.

Kozlowski will be running indoor and outdoor track and field for the Grand Valley State University squad next year.

"I started running track my freshman year, and I really liked it," Kozlowski said. "I guess the past couple of years of doing it, I got into it and I

wanted to take it to the next level."

Two schools were on the sprinter's list of potential track destinations — Grand Valley and Hope College. Kozlowski said she like that Grand Valley had a more distinct indoor track season.

"Grand Valley has a 300-meter track, and it's one of the nicest indoor tracks in the country," Kozlowski said. "Grand Valley is Division 2, and Hope is Division 3, and indoor track is more 'official' at Grand Valley. It's like a longer season at Grand Valley. It's like I'll be running through the whole year."

It also helps that Kozlowski is planning on going into nursing, and that she likes their academic

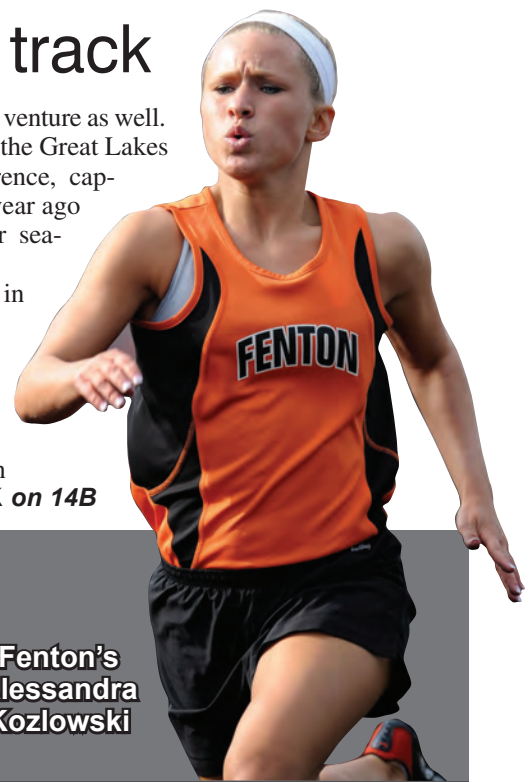
program at Grand Valley for that venture as well.

Grand Valley is a member of the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, capturing the GLIAC Meet title a year ago during the indoor and outdoor seasons.

Kozlowski plans on running in sprint events.

"I talked to the coach and I'll probably run in the 100, the 200 and maybe the 400," Kozlowski said. "I'll probably stay with

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Fenton's  
Alessandra  
Kozlowski

## SPORTS TRIVIA

**Q** Can you get arrested for playing golf on a Sunday in South Carolina?

**A** Probably not anymore, but in 1927 four men were arrested in Greenville, S.C. for golfing on a Sunday.

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# Tigers capture Metro title outright

►Fenton's title is its third straight league crown

By David Troppens

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**Fenton** — Tim Olszewski is the first one to admit maybe he made a mistake.

When Eric Mowery was a freshman, he thought about bringing the rookie player up to the varsity, but didn't.

"He is a three-year varsity starter and could've been a four-year starter," Olszewski said recently after a key Metro victory. "It's my mistake. I was talked out of it."

Since Mowery has become the varsity point guard for the Fenton varsity boys basketball team, the squad has earned at least a share of each of the last three Metro League championships. On Wednesday, the Tigers made a co-title into an outright championship when Mowery and the Tigers won a 65-53 home contest against the Brandon Blackhawks.

"(Winning the title outright) was very important," Mowery said. "We stressed that from day one. We didn't want to tie or share anything. It was ours this year."

For a bit on Wednesday, it looked like the Blackhawks wanted to play the role of spoiler. Brandon netted 7-of-9 three-pointers in the opening half, and held the lead for almost the entire first 16 minutes, leading 35-32 at the break.

However, the Tigers' defense started to dominate in the second half. After Brandon netted 14-of-31 shots, including seven treys, from the floor in the opening half, they didn't come close to those numbers in the second half. The Blackhawks made just 8-of-34 shots in the final 16 minutes from the field and only attempted one free throw. They also saw their turnovers double from six in the first half to 12 in the second half.

"They did what they had to do. They were pulling the trigger," Fenton coach Tim Olszewski said. "They were going in. But you have to give our guys credit for not getting down and keep working. Eventually you could see our defense wore them down. Their shots were short and they were not able to get the shots like they were in the first half. And that's a credit to the type of defense our guys play."

"They were making them (the three-



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Fenton's Eric Mowery cuts part of the net down just minutes after the Tigers defeated the Brandon Blackhawks on Wednesday night.

pointers)," Fenton senior Joey Eddy said. "Teams are going to hit shots. But you have to keep on fighting and get the dirty points down low. That's why we won the game."

It didn't take long for Fenton to get the lead in the second half for good. Charlie Herzog opened the third quarter with a hookshot, cutting Brandon's lead to just

35-34. Just 10 seconds later, Mowery earned a steal and dished to Dylan Hickoff for a breaking layup. Fenton led 36-35 just 38 seconds into the second half, and never trailed again.

The Tigers' lead was still only 49-46 entering the final quarter, but Fenton's Conor Muntin hit a 15-foot jumper and then Ryan

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# LF wrestlers advance, Holly loses at state meet

By David Troppens

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**Battle Creek** — One tri-county state-qualifying wrestling team is headed to the semifinals.

Another saw its dream season end in the quarterfinals.

Third-ranked Lake Fenton in Division 3 won a 36-27 quarterfinal match against the sixth-seeded Otsego Bulldogs, while Holly lost a 37-23 Division 2 verdict against No. 3 Greenville.

Lake Fenton's Nate Franks won the Blue Devils' first match 7-3, and that was a pretty typical result. The Blue Devils won nine of the 14 matches, but only two were won by pinfall. Todd Melick (119) had the first one in 58 seconds. The second Blue Devil pinfall was posted by Conor Brancheau (160) in 4:40. By then, the Blue Devils held a sizeable 36-17 lead, earning a spot in the semifinals against second-ranked Dundee on Saturday morning.

Other decision winners for Lake Fenton were Buddy Poyner (125), Bryce Hopkins (130) and Zach Corcoran (135). Major decision winners were James Demember (103), Justin Melick (140) and Christian O'Guinn (152).

The Bronchos opened their match with Zack Jones' (135) 8-6 decision win, but the Bronchos only managed one more win among the next nine matches. Mike Neal (152) had that victory, posting a 7-3 decision win, cutting Greenville's lead to just 8-6. However, Greenville got pinfall wins in the next two matches, pretty much icing Holly's fate.

In a matchup of undefeateds, Holly's Shawn Scott (189) lost to Jordan Thomas by a 4-2 decision.

Holly trailed at one time 37-6, but won the final four matches of the night. Those wins were posted by Mason Cleaver (112) by a 7-3 decision, Tyler Gibson (119) by a 5-2 decision, Anthony Gonzales (125) by pinfall and Esteban Gonzales (130) by tech fall.

For more information on these matches and on other Saturday matches, read Wednesday's Tri-County times.

## did you know?

When Wayne Gretzky broke the single-season goal record, he broke Phil Esposito's previous record.



# Holly's balance sparks win vs. Almont

By Al Zipsie

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**Holly** — Not many teams in the state can say they have had everybody on their team start at one time during the prep basketball season.

With the luxury of a deep bench, Holly started a lineup that included four players that hadn't started until this game — Jacob Schuermann, Donovan Williams, Ryan Houldsworth and Michael Alexander. Senior scoring leader Josh Fugate joined them in the starting lineup, and the Bronchos beat Almont 65-48 Wednesday in a non-league game.

"We have done that two years in a row now, letting the guys start who have not yet this season," Holly coach Lance Baylis said. "To be announced in the starting lineup, it is good for those kids. Those four guys scored 21 points and got us out to an eight-point lead after the first quarter."

The starters accounted for 39 of the Bronchos' 65 points, as Fugate took game scoring honors with 18 points. He also grabbed eight rebounds and dished five assists. Schuermann reached double-figures with 10 points, eight of those in the second half. Williams had seven, while Alexander and Houldsworth had two points each. Houldsworth also had five rebounds. Anderius Gray, who usually starts, came off the bench and scored 11 points. Aaron May led Almont with 14 points.

"It feels good, I have been working hard for a chance to get some playing time. It feels good to see that pay off tonight," said Schuermann. "We have a lot of talented players and depth, and what makes us better is the starters have solid players to play in practice."

"We have all the X's and O's down. It is a matter of executing, not making mistakes and taking care of the basketball."

Despite the strange starting five, the Bronchos didn't miss a beat, leading 16-8 after the first quarter, and holding a 28-20 halftime lead. Fugate displayed his skills in the third quarter with a slick move to the hoop for a score. He then snared a rebound and pushed it up court with an assist to Gray to build a 39-23 cushion. Almont had one last threat, cutting the gap to 45-39 with 6:37 left in the fourth quarter.

Holly bounced back, going on a 10-2



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Holly's Josh Fugate attacks the rim in a recent game. He scored 18 points in the Bronchos' 65-48 victory against Almont on Wednesday.

run as Nick Stoll scored on a old-fashioned three-point play and scored a hoop in the paint. Fugate made a free throw and missed the second, got possession back and banked in a shot. Fugate then got  
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## PREP REPORT

### SKIING

► **SEMSL Championships:** The Holly/Oxford boys took eighth place at the meet, while the Fenton boys placed 12th.

Holly/Oxford's Dalton Sink placed 17th overall in the giant slalom (39.24), while teammate Alex Schultz took 21st in the slalom (46.53). Fenton's Julian Weinberg placed 23rd in the slalom (46.89).

The Fenton girls placed ninth overall in girls action.

McKenna Valley placed 14th in the slalom (48.42), while Lauren Rhoads placed 17th in the giant slalom (40.84).

### BOYS BASKETBALL

► **Swartz Creek 60, Linden 55:** The Dragons outscored Linden 33-22 in the second half to earn the win. Brad Farthing led Linden with 29 points, while Kevin Baker and Dylan Nash had seven points each.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

► **Fenton 50, Brandon 35:** The Tigers led 31-10 at the break and got everyone into the contest. Gabrielle Rivette led Fenton (15-4) with 10 points, while Payton Maxheimer and Julie Gilbert had eight points each. Alyssa Ostrowski had seven points.

► **Goodrich 77, Lake Fenton 27:** The Martians outscored Lake Fenton 53-19 in the first half. Faith Weier led Lake Fenton with 11 points.

► **Holly 49, Carman-Ainsworth 44:** The Bronchos scored 20 points in the third quarter, helping spark the win. Allssa Copley led Holly with 14 points, while Ashley Xiong had 11 points. Lauren Maher had 10 points.

► **Swartz Creek 59, Linden 20:** Trailing just 9-6 after one quarter, Linden was outscored 14-3 in the second period. Megan Harp led Linden with five points.

### HOCKEY

► **Lapeer West 6, Fenton 2:** The Tigers got goals from Ryan Delecki and Ben Hackney in the first period. West scored each of the final six goals.

## NOTICE ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS MARCH 2011 BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING DATES

The Argentine Township Board of Review for 2011 will be held at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden MI 48451 on the following dates:

Tuesday March 8, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.-**Organizational Meeting**

### Appeal Hearings:

Monday, March 14, 2011..... 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 15, 2011 ..... 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 16, 2011..... 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 17, 2011..... 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### CALL (810) 735-5050 TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

The Board of Review will meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests, and to equalize the 2011 assessments. **By Board resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 17, 2011.**

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

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The Fenton Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America hosted its 43rd Annual Ice Fishing Derby Day on Feb 19. Just over 50 adults and children took advantage of the event during the unseasonably warm temperatures on the ice at Seven Lakes State Park. The largest fish caught was a 7.25-inch crappie by Chase Hart. (Above) Fenton's Matt Donar, 13, fishes in his hole at Seven Lakes State Park.

# Fenton cruises past East, 6-3

By Al Zipsie

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**Lapeer** — Fenton and Lapeer East appeared headed for a high-scoring but close game.

The teams were tied at 1-, 2- and 3-all at different times in their contest at the Polar Palace on Monday.

But then the Tigers scored the game's final three goals, earning a 6-3 Metro win.

"When we came out, we didn't hustle," Fenton coach Matt Krusniak said. "We are not where we can be when it comes to how we can play on offense."

Fenton (13-10) has won three straight games in four days, notching wins over Linden Friday, Freeland Saturday and now the Eagles.

"It was a challenge to come out strong, even though it wasn't a high-caliber team," said senior David Johnson.

"We did get on track and kept our composure," Krusniak said. "We are out of the Metro League race and at this point are just getting ready for districts."

The Eagles took an early 1-0 lead on a goal by Tyler McCleery, but Fenton's Jake Foguth tied the clash at 1-all with a goal that was assisted by Johnson and Tyler Delong three minutes into the second period.

A few minutes later, McCleery scored his second goal, but Fenton tied it at 2-all when Jeff Moran scored on assists from Alex Broadworth and Johnson with 3:29 left in the second period.

That's when the scoring really got crazy. Less than a minute later, the Tigers' Delong found the mark with the assist from Johnson and Kevin Berry for a 3-2 lead. Just 26 seconds later, East's Tadzak scored on an assist from Pekala and McCleery, tying it at 3-3. However, the scoring parade continued when Fenton scored what was the game-winning goal with 33 seconds left in the second period. Delong scored his second



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Fenton's Kevin Berry drives down the ice with the puck in a recent contest.

straight goal with assists from Johnson and Jake Foguth.

Berry scored a power-play goal, set by Delong and Pekala, to put Fenton up 5-3 early in the last period. The puck was initially stopped by East goalie Dillon Deloye, but it slipped out of his glove and just rolled into the crease for a goal. The scoring was closed out by Johnson with an assist from Delecki for a 6-3 win. It was Johnson's only goal of the night to go along with four assists, as he was in on five of his team six goals.

"My role is to be in the middle of things and try and make things happen," Johnson said. "These guys can score on their own. But tonight, I got good help from line mates who set me up, and I had good shots on net. Good things happen when you just keep firing it at the net."

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those events."

Kozlowski is running indoor track right now and has qualified for the indoor state meet with a 60-meter dash time of 8.2 seconds. Her best time in the 100 is 12.5. She ran a 26.5 in the 200 and 1:00 in the 400. Her times in those events already reflect reasonably well with the times posted at the GLIAC meet last spring.

Kozlowski still has some goals she's concerned about this season before becoming a Laker.

"I'm thinking about going to the state meet this year," Kozlowski said. "I've

gone to regionals all four years, and now I want to go to state. Last year I needed to run a 12.5 (at regionals) and ran a 12.55. It was really close and I was upset. I also want to break the school record (in the 100). I want to get to 12.4."

Kozlowski already has the added benefit of knowing a couple of performers at Grand Valley. The men's team includes two Fenton graduates — Ryan Brown and Hayden Brown.

"I've talked to them, and they love it up there," Kozlowski said. "Ryan told me they have two new sprint coaches and they are really nice. They said the track team is really close. I'm glad I picked Grand Valley."

### 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.

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Debbie Miller  
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### REQUEST FOR BIDS CITY OF LINDEN MOWING AND TRIMMING

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 mowing, trimming, and general maintenance of public lands on **MARCH 9, 2011 at 2:00 pm.**

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 "MOWING AND TRIMMING BID – 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.



# March Madness begins for prep girls basketball

► Hockey teams start tourney action this week

**By David Troppens**  
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March Madness will start on the last day of February for one area tri-county girls basketball team.

Class A district action starts on Monday at Ortonville-Brandon High School for the Fenton Tigers (14-4) at 7:30 p.m. The Tigers are playing the tourney hosts, Brandon Blackhawks (2-16) in that quarterfinal contest. That game starts about 20 minutes after the first game of the day between the Swartz Creek Dragons (7-11) and one of the district favorites, Grand Blanc (17-2). That game starts action at 6 p.m.

On Wednesday, the other three tri-county girls teams start district action. At Brandon, Holly (14-5) plays the winner of the Swartz Creek-Grand Blanc contest at 6 p.m. That game is followed by the winner of Fenton's Monday game going against another strong squad, the Clarkston Wolves, at about 7:30 p.m.

The winner of those two semifinals games plays in Friday's title game at 7 p.m. The Linden Eagles, who won a Class B district title a year ago, and Lake Fenton Blue Devils have a bit easier path towards a Class B district title. Both start action on Wednesday in the semifinals.

Lake Fenton (11-7) plays in Wednesday's 5 p.m. semifinal against the winner

of Monday's game between Williamston and South Lyon East in the Class B Fowlerville High School district.

Meanwhile, Linden will play in the night's second semifinal contest at about 7 p.m. against the winner of Monday's quarterfinal matchup between Stockbridge and Fowlerville.

The two semifinal winners will play in Friday's 7 p.m. district title game at Fowlerville High School.

## HOCKEY PRE-REGIONALS

The Fenton varsity hockey team will be the first area squad to compete in pre-regional action, starting on Monday at the Polar Palace. They face Godrich in a 6 p.m. contest. The winner of that game plays Ortonville-Brandon at 8 p.m. for a chance to make it to the regional title game at the Troy Sports Center March 5 at 5:30 p.m.

The Lake Fenton/Linden/Durand co-op hockey team begins action on Tuesday in its Davison pre-regional to be held at Perani Arena.

The Tri-City Chiefs play Clio for a 5 p.m. contest. The winner of that game then faces either Swartz Creek or Davison in a 7 p.m. contest on Thursday, with the winner advancing to the regional title game Saturday at Perani Arena at noon.

Finally, the Kearsley/Holly co-op hockey team won't play in pre-regional action until Thursday when they'll face the winner of the Clarkston-Grand Blanc game 6 p.m. at the Detroit Skating Club. The winner of that game plays in the Kearsley regional title game at Perani Arena Saturday at 2:30 p.m.

## What about the boys?

March Madness begins a week later for boys basketball.

► **At Fenton:** Fenton hosts a Class A district and opens action March 7 against Clarkston at 7:30 p.m. Holly plays that winner on March 9.

► **At Stockbridge:** Lake Fenton plays South Lyon East on March 7 at 6 p.m. Linden plays the winner of that game in the semifinals on March 9 at 6 p.m.

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a rebound and triggered the fast break, dishing off to Brent Staffne for a score. Holly scored 20 fourth-quarter points.

"For me it is not about scoring points," gray said. "If they come like tonight on some fastbreaks, then fine. My main thing is to play defense, get some steals and rebounds. We are getting pre-

pared for the districts, and one thing that helps us is some teams only have one scorer. We have everybody that can score and do many other things."

Holly (14-4) has won nine of its last ten games. The Bronchos played at Swartz Creek Friday and can close out the Metro League with sole possession of second place. Holly has a final tune-up before Districts, hosting Flushing Thursday at 7 p.m.

## REQUEST FOR BIDS CITY OF LINDEN DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DOWNTOWN STREET LIGHTING

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 street lights at the Linden City Hall on **MARCH 11, 2011 at 10:00 am.**

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Hickoff hit a three-pointer early in the fourth, putting Fenton up 54-46. The Tigers never really blew the game open, but Brandon never got any close than five after that as well.

Ryan Hickoff led Fenton with 19 points, 12 rebounds and three steals, while Damon Thomas and Dylan Hickoff had nine points each. Mowery had eight points and six assists. Herzog had

seven points and five rebounds, while Eddy had six points.

"It's a lot of fun. All the hard work is paying off," Eddy said. "That's what we came out here to do, and that's what we've done."

Fenton has games against Flushing and Powers before districts open.

"We want to keep moving forward and stay together," Eddy said. "We want to beat Flushing and Powers and keep moving up so we can be at a high point for districts."

## What's On Television?

### SATURDAY

#### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**CBS** ... Syracuse at Georgetown ..... Noon  
**ESPN** ... Missouri at Kansas State ..... Noon  
**ESPN2** ... Wichita State at Missouri State ..... 1 p.m.  
**CBS** ... Brigham Young at San Diego State ..... 2 p.m.  
**ESPN** ... St. John's at Villanova ..... 2 p.m.  
**ESPN2** ... Memphis at Texas-El Paso ..... 3 p.m.  
**CBS** ... Florida at Kentucky ..... 4 p.m.  
**ESPN** ... Kansas at Oklahoma ..... 4 p.m.  
(FSD) ... Arizona at UCLA ..... 4 p.m.  
(B10) ... Michigan at Minnesota ..... 4:30 p.m.  
**ESPN** ... Mississippi State at Tennessee ..... 6 p.m.  
(B10) ... Iowa at Illinois ..... 7 p.m.  
**ESPN2** ... UC Santa Barbra at Long Beach St. .... 8 p.m.  
**ESPN** ... Duke at Virginia Tech ..... 9 p.m.  
**GOLF**  
(GOLF) ... PGA: Match Play Championship ..... Noon  
**NBC** ... PGA: Match Play Championship ..... 2 p.m.  
**HOCKEY**  
(FSD) ... Detroit at Buffalo ..... 7 p.m.

#### NBA BASKETBALL

(FSD+) ... Utah at Detroit ..... 7:30 p.m.

#### AUTO RACING

**ESPN2** ... Nationwide series racing ..... 5:30 p.m.

### SUNDAY

#### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**ESPN** ... Purdue at Michigan State ..... 1 p.m.  
**ESPN2** ... Xavier at Dayton ..... 1 p.m.  
**CBS** ... Pittsburgh at Louisville ..... 2 p.m.  
**CBS** ... Indiana at Ohio State ..... 4 p.m.  
(B10) ... Northwestern at Wisconsin ..... 6 p.m.  
(FSD) ... Maryland at North Carolina ..... 7:30 p.m.  
(FSD) ... Washington at Washington State ... 10 p.m.

#### PRO BASKETBALL

**CBS** ... LA Lakers at Oklahoma City ..... 2:30 p.m.  
**ESPN** ... New York at Miami ..... 8 p.m.

#### GOLF

**NBC** ... PGA: Match Play Championship ..... 2 p.m.

#### AUTO RACING

**FOX** ... NASCAR Sprint Cup Series ..... 2:30 p.m.

#### BOWLING


**ESPN** ... US Open ..... 3 p.m.


## ROSE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TUSTEES REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

February 9, 2011

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

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Kalcec, Miller, Slaughter, Gordon, Scheib-Snyder  
Board Members Absent: None  
Approved: Agenda for the February 9, 2011 regular meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees.  
Approved: Consent agenda with January 5, 2011 and January 12, 2011 minutes as corrected.  
Approved: 1) Hire a bookkeeper. 2) Have Department of Treasury conduct review of procedures. 3) Each office respond individually to Department of Treasury letter by 2/17/2011.  
Approved: Resolution to re-program the 2008 CDBG funds in the amount of \$2,873.00 to be given to Neighbor-For-Neighbor and \$10,000 to include Parks & Recreation facilities and remove safety hazards, purchase equipment and fencing for Dearborn Park.  
Date Set: Re-Use - May 13, 2011 and Spring Clean-Up Day - May 14, 2011.  
Approved: Resolution To Request Reimbursement for Special Elections to be held in May and August 2011.  
Approved: Resolution to Recognize Cemetery Sexton's Years of Service to Rose Township.  
Approved: Resolution to authorize transferring budgeted amounts of \$10,000.00 to building inspection fund and \$6,000.00 to the cemetery fund.  
Approved: Resolution deferring penalties on late property tax payments to qualified individuals.  
Accepted: Resignation of Chris Baum from the Rose Township Planning Commission and appoint Jim Porter to fulfill the remainder of the term.  
Date Set: Budget workshop meeting February 23, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., Rose Township Hall.  
Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

  
Alison Kalcec, Supervisor

  
Debbie Miller, Clerk





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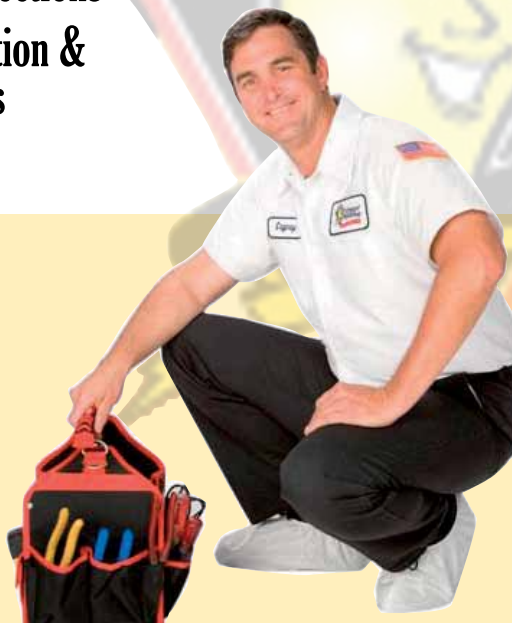
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