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PASSES AWAY**

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— Michael DeMoss

**“Everyone who knew Rick thought of him as an approachable, caring, and strong man. Fenton has lost a legend.”**

— Bob Lamb

**STORY: POT  
GROWING  
DISCOVERED  
DURING FIRE**



**“And, is anyone surprised?”**

— Terry

**STORY: FIRED  
MANAGER  
LAWSUIT**

**“Marsha Powers was an at-will employee. She was terminated without cause.**

**What grounds does she have to sue?”**

— Todd B.

**HOT LINE  
OF THE WEEK**

**“NO, NO, YOU have it all wrong, pesky union member. The correct version is if your company has gone bankrupt, thank a union member. When are you people going to figure it out? Kudos to the governors who recognize when there is no money left in the jar, you can’t keep spending.”**



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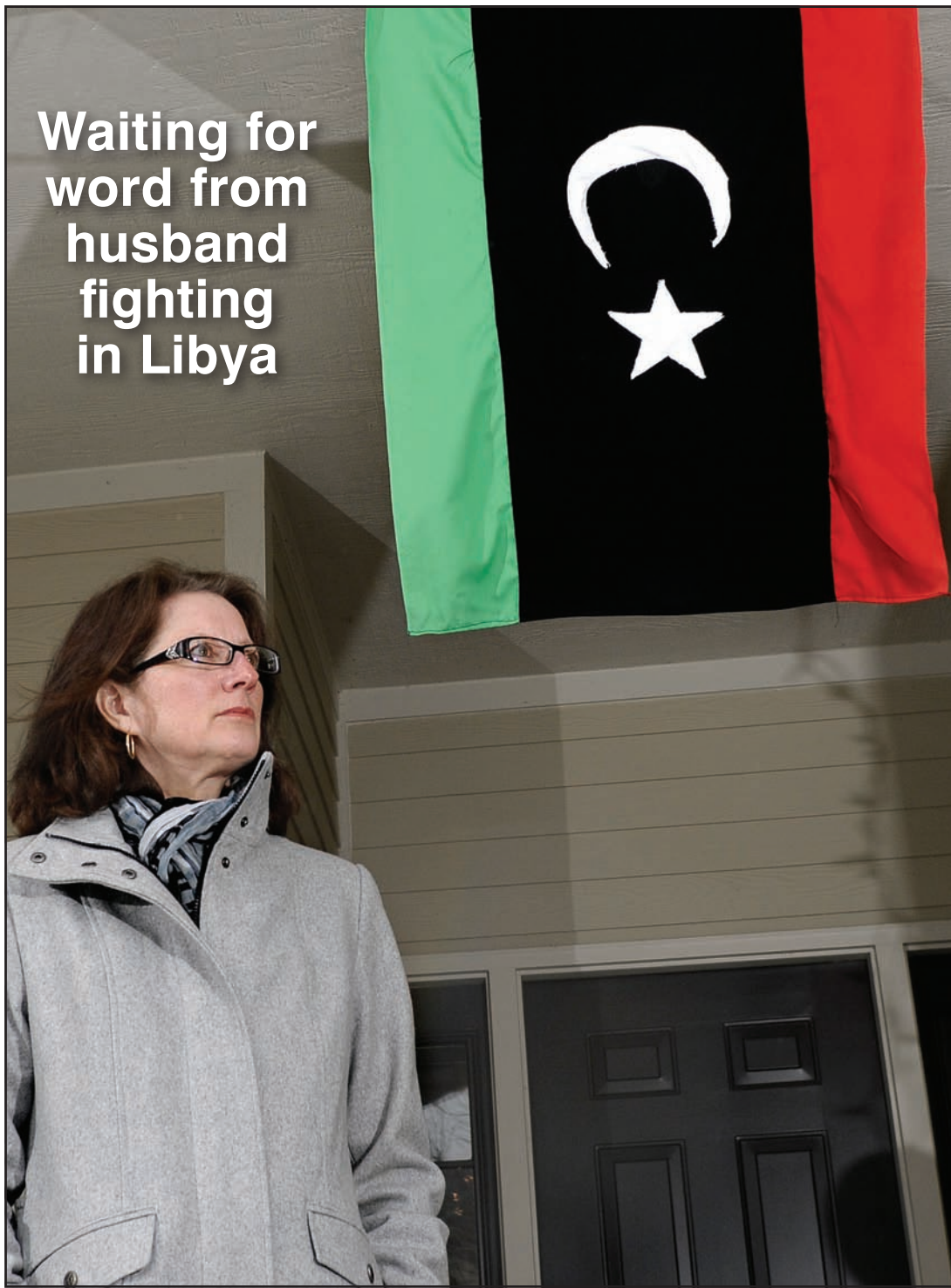
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**Waiting for  
word from  
husband  
fighting  
in Libya**



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Tyrone Township resident Lois Van Lente flies the rebel Libyan flag that she made to show support for the people, and for her husband, in Libya.

**Fenton man joins rebel forces**

**Shares chilling accounts of violence under Qaddafi’s regime**

**By Tim Jagielo**

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On the other side of the world, a rebel fighter working to overthrow a brutal dictator and establish a free country has roots in the Fenton area.

Mustafa Gheriani, of Tyrone Township, was not staying in his birth city of Benghazi, Libya to join the popular uprising. He was there on business, where he spent much of his time.

Then, the protests began.

“It started with a simple protest. The government opened fire on them. People died. They came up for funeral marches the next day. They shot them again. It just escalated from there like wildfire,” said Lois Van Lente, Gheriani’s wife. When Van Lente spoke to her husband on Feb. 17, the protests had started in Libya, and he had an opportunity to leave the brewing re-

bellion, and the possible armed crackdowns from the Libyan leader. However, her husband made it clear—he would not be hiding. He would not be fleeing the country, as he did for his own safety, along with many other young students, in 1977.

In 2011, Gheriani would be diving in to help the anti-government forces.

Van Lente knew Gheriani

**See LIBYA on 14A**

**‘We want to  
declare war on  
drug dealers’**

► **New task force  
gaining momentum**

**By Sharon Stone**

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**Fenton Twp.** — Several elected officials, school administrators and law enforcement members attended an organizational meeting Tuesday night, forming a task force to prevent another drug-related death.

In three weeks, there have been three fatal overdoses in the Fenton area involving either heroin or prescription medications.

**See TASK FORCE on 8A**

**Living in the  
world of drugs**

► **Local mom tells task force of  
daughter’s heroin addiction**

**By Sharon Stone**

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A mother of a heroin addict, who heard about and attended a task force meeting in Fenton Township, shared the story of how her 27-year-old daughter became addicted to heroin, bringing tears to the eyes of those who attended.

**See DRUGS on 23A**

**“My daughter will die from that  
drug. I cry. I worry.”**

**Mother**

*of heroin-addicted daughter*

**Third fatal overdose  
under investigation**

► **Snorted prescription pain-  
killer is likely cause of death**

**By Sharon Stone**

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**Livingston County** — The death of a 22-year-old Tyrone Township man is under investigation with the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office.

The sheriff’s department has not released the name of the victim, but the Tri-County Times learned from other sources that the victim is Adam Harden, 22, of Tyrone Township, formerly of Swartz Creek.

**See  
OVERDOSE  
on 10A**



Adam Harden





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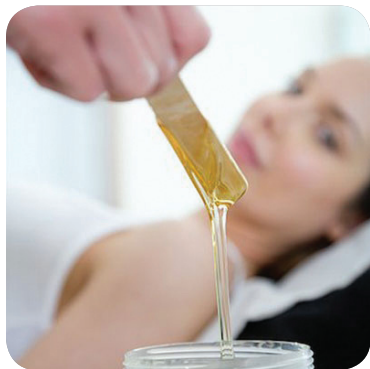
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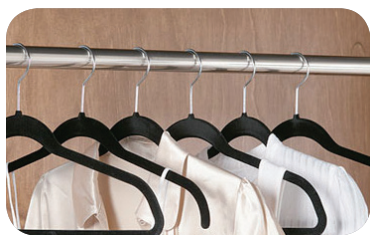
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## 2011 Community Expo biggest ever

By Tim Jagielo

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**Fenton** — The only way to get so many businesses and community organizations into one place is the Fenton Community Expo, and 2011 was no exception.

The 2011 Community Expo, sponsored by the Fenton Area Regional Chamber of Commerce, drew more than 5,000 visitors last weekend to Fenton High School (FHS). The school's halls and gymnasium were filled with more than 130 different vendors, all offering a variety of services.

"The expo is great for our community and great for our member businesses."

**Patrik Welty**  
Legacy Realty Professionals

Admission was free, thanks to Coldwell Banker Realty and Sharp Funeral Homes. "That's really a bonus for everyone," said Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce President Shelly Day.

"It was wonderful, we had a great crowd," said Patrik Welty, of Legacy

See **EXPO** on 12A



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

The 2011 Community Expo was a success, bringing 130 businesses and organizations closer to the community.

## STORE BRANDS

VS.

## NATIONAL BRANDS



### Summary

► Taste tests conducted by Consumers Reports magazine reveal that store brand products have come a long way over the years.

## Comparable taste at a lower cost

By Sharon Stone

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The bottom line is that switching to store brands can be a painless way to cut one's grocery bill without compromising taste, according to a study done by Consumers Reports magazine.

In one of the magazine's recent blind taste tests, trained tasters compared a national brand product with a store brand in 29 food categories. In this instance, store and national brands tasted equally good, 19 times. Four times, the store brand won, and six times, the national brand won.

See **STORE BRANDS** on 13A



## BIG SAVINGS

In the Consumers Reports price study in 2010, filling a shopping cart with store brands saved an average of 30 percent. If shoppers spend \$100 a week on groceries, those savings add up to more than \$1,500 a year.

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Richard Rockman

Straight from the  
Shoulder

## publisher

Editor's Note: This column was written prior to Rick Rockman's death on March 2, 2011.

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THROUGH OUR CHOICES

Every municipal study ever done cites three elements as absolutely critical to healthy communities: 1) Strong school systems with sound infrastructures and solid leadership, 2) A vibrant retail industry supported by a fierce, shop-local mentality and, 3) A quality hometown newspaper.

So where do we stand?

Right at the top.

Our area school systems are simply the best — by any measurement. They are state-of-the-art facilities with in-

involved parents and dedicated staffs.

Unlike many other communities whose businesses are struggling, our retail base is thriving, because our residents have answered the call and are passionately embracing a 'Shop Local' mentality that is growing daily. Shopping local ensures a strong tax base that supports premium schools, exceptional police, fire and emergency services, and stable housing values.

The third component of this critical, three-legged stool is your local newspaper, the Times. The impact of a strong hometown newspaper on our communities cannot be overstated.

The Times aggressively endorsed the passing of the school millages that resulted in the showcase facilities that are the cornerstone of our communities today. The Times initiated, and is funding, a massive 'Shop Local' campaign, created with the singular goal of educating our citizens as to the immeasurable

benefits to themselves and their communities when we spend our dollars locally.

The Times is your community watchdog, via a presence at every municipal meeting in every city, village and township in our circulation area. We go to the meetings so you don't have to.

The local news that we compile, compose, print and deliver to your doorstep each week has an enormous impact on every facet of our communities, our families and our lives.

The simple truth is that if you want a hometown newspaper and all the benefits that accompany it, you have to support it. We all pay \$50 - \$100 a month for cable TV, and \$50 or more a month for our cell phones. Yet the Times, the key component to keeping our communities healthy and safe, is less than the price of a postage stamp each week. For this investment, you get a savings of hundreds of dollars a week

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Thank you. I look forward to serving you in the future.

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**I AM DOWN** South on vacation and just got on my computer and saw that Rick Rockman, Sr. had passed away. I am so sorry to hear that. I have loved this newspaper since the day I moved into Fenton. He was a straight shooter and talked straight from the shoulder. He is going to be missed. My prayers go out to the family.

**IT'S WITH DEEP** regrets that I read about the death of Rick Rockman, Sr. He was a dear friend and treated me very well. I am sorry to hear about his passing.

**HEY, YOU ELECTED** Snyder. Good job. Where is all the money from the lottery being spent? I don't think it's on the schools at all.

**REPUBLICAN, DEMOCRAT, TEA** Party, who cares? Shouldn't we put our political differences aside enough to work together to fix what's wrong, instead of hiding behind pointing fingers?

**THANK YOU DAN,** Evan and Dylan for keeping all of the neighbors' sidewalks clean and for the times you have snow plowed the driveways.

**HEY, KING,** I agree with your article about buying American. I put it on my refrigerator. God bless America.

**I WOULD NEVER** be a teacher in this day and age. Parents think their kids are perfect little angels. There is no way I would want to deal with those parents. I commend you teachers. Hang in there and do the best you can with what you have to work with.

**I AGREE, THE** IB program should be eliminated. It's costing a fortune and only a handful of students are even enrolled in the full program. An IB diploma is not even recognized by Michigan universities. It's meant to be a diploma used if you are studying abroad. I bet a lot of people didn't even know that.

**REGARDING HEROIN USE,** I bet if you did a study, the people that overdose started out on a legal drug, alcohol. Marijuana may have been a stepping-stone, but alcohol started it. Marijuana should be legal. If you want to fight a deadly drug, why don't you fight against alcohol or tobacco. People are stopped for drunk driving, but I don't recall ever hearing about someone being stopped for stoned driving.

**I SEE OBAMA** is in bed with 'big oil.' I wonder how much BP stock he owns.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

Readers  
write

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## Dear editor:

Gasoline prices are on the way toward \$4 a gallon, and most people want someone to do something about it. By someone, they probably mean that the government should regulate the oil companies, the same way they do the electric and natural gas companies. They say that we need gas to survive in this world just as much as we need heat and electricity. I agree, to a point. But, I say the people can set the price of gas fairly well all by themselves. When gas got near the \$4 a gallon range, a couple of years ago, people stopped driving so much. The oil supply started going back up and the price started coming down again. The prices came down so far as to go under \$2 a gallon, a price I was positive we would never see again. But then people started driving more and more. They started buying SUVs and trucks again. They used more and more gas and the supply started running low again. The gas prices start going up. The sad thing in all this is, most people refuse to see the connection. All they want to see is the oil companies make big profits so the, rise in gas prices is all the oil companies', fault. Well, folks, recent history proves that if you use less, the price will come down. It's up to you.

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Compiled by Sharon Stone, Staff Reporter

## What are your thoughts about Charlie Sheen?

## streettalk



"He's an idiot. He needs professional help. His family should do an intervention."

— Nick Salisbury  
Rose Township



"They should stop all of the publicity and feeding his ego. It's totally absurd."

— Kay Miller  
Fenton



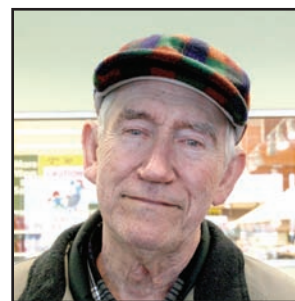
"I think he's pathetic. I wish people weren't so interested in seeing a mental breakdown."

— Nancy Curtis  
Fenton



"I don't care for the guy. I don't know why they give him any airtime."

— Ed Anderson  
Fenton



"If he hasn't done anything wrong, leave him alone. The media eats this stuff up and are making way too much out of this."

— Thurman McCoy  
Rose Township



"He's an idiot. It's a shame all these young kids idolize him. He needs help."

— Chris Curtis  
Fenton



## Board delays decision on all-day kindergarten

By Anna Troppens

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**Fenton** — The board of education has postponed action on a proposal for all-day kindergarten, until its May meeting. During that time, more information will be gathered, said Superintendent Dr. Timothy Jalkanen.

In a survey, 75 percent of 230 parents of 3 to 5 year olds said they would be very interested in full-day kindergarten.

The vote by the board to postpone action on the proposed program, KindergartenPlus, was 3-2. Secretary Nora Kryza, who voted against postponing it, raised the issue of the timing of Kindergarten Round-up and having the Kindergarten-Plus Program for the 2011-12 school year.

It is still possible Fenton could have all-day kindergarten in the fall, Jalkanen said. Half-day kindergarten would still be available.

Part of the KindergartenPlus proposal could eliminate mid-day bus transportation, Jalkanen said at Monday's meeting. Administration is gathering more information on it. The change would offset the cost of offering KindergartenPlus, except for around \$10,000.

The full-day experience for kindergarten students would include a half-day of state-approved curriculum and the other half-day with a kindergarten facilitator, where students would still be working on the curriculum in different ways, such as art projects.

### LOCAL SCHOOLS WITH ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN

- Holly Area Schools
- Linden Community Schools
- Holly Academy (charter school)
- St. John Catholic School

*Lake Fenton Community Schools is developing an all-day kindergarten program.*  
Source: Fenton Area Public Schools

There are around 300 kindergarten students this year, he said.

Kryza asked whether any other local school districts, besides Fenton, don't have full-day kindergarten. Jalkanen said Holly Academy, Linden and Holly Area Schools have it, and St. John's Catholic School has a fee-based, all-day kindergarten program.

Lake Fenton schools are in the process of starting one. There are not many districts that don't have it, Kryza said, and Fenton is at risk of losing some of its students to other districts because of this.

Carla Juarez, president of the Fenton Education Support Personnel, asked the board not to vote on the issue Monday night. There hasn't been enough information out on it, she said.

Vice President Lynn Hopper made the motion to postpone a decision on KindergartenPlus, so more information can be gathered. It will be the board's first action at its May meeting.

Trustee Sandra Mathews-Barnes and Treasurer Richard DesJardins were absent.

Fenton is at risk of losing some of its students to other districts because of this.

**Nora Kryza**  
Secretary

## End of automatic pay increases for teachers?

### ► Rep. Scott sponsors controversial bill

A bill that would stop automatic salary increases when a public education employee's contract expires is under consideration by the Michigan House of Representatives.

Rep. Paul Scott (R-Grand Blanc) chairs the House Education Committee. He announced that the committee is recommending that the House pass Rep. Marty Knollenberg's HB4152. The Senate's approval and governor's signature would also be required for the bill to become law.

Under current law, public educators receive salary increases after their contract expires without having to negotiate a new contract.

Knollenberg and the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) believe the main benefit of the bill is that it will encourage all participants in the negotiating process to come to the bargaining table in good faith.

Currently, the bargaining units have little incentive to negotiate because they are receiving pay and benefit increases even when their contract expires, said Scott.

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Scott Fairbanks  
Sexton of Fairview Cemetery

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## Village council interviews top two candidates for police chief

By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly** — Village Manager Jerry Walker, along with a six-member panel, interviewed the top two candidates for police chief on Wednesday, bringing the search process to the home stretch.

The first applicant interviewed was Elena Danishevskaya, who is the current police chief for the city of Memphis, a city of about 1,500 in St. Clair County. The second applicant is Lt. Tim Jones, of the Flint Township Police Department.

"They're both outstanding candidates," said Walker. "We were very fortunate. I think we had the cream of the crop."

One of the applicants will fill the

shoes of former chief, Rollie Gackstetter, who retired in December. "He's a tough act to follow," said Walker.

The open interview on Wednesday began with a mock budget presentation to the panel, who acted as a mock village council.

**"They were both skilled and able candidates."**  
**Sgt. Michael Story**  
*interim police chief*

After the 12-minute presentation, both candidates were interviewed by Walker, answering 12 questions as the rest of the panel watched. The final question was task oriented,

and required the applicants to type a short letter on the spot.

Next week, Walker plans to visit the current work places of both applicants.

In the interim, Sgt. Michael Story has filled in as police chief.

## Tahoe or Impala?

### ►Fenton police need new vehicle

By Anna Troppens

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**Fenton** — Fenton police are minus one patrol vehicle after a Jan. 28 crash totaled their 2007 Impala. A debate is taking place, over the replacement and its costs. Chief Rick Aro is recommending the purchase of a Chevrolet Tahoe, for around \$26,000. A Chevrolet Impala sedan would cost about \$21,000, he said. City council will consider the issue at Monday's meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Fenton City Hall. Aro said Tahoes might seem like a luxury to many, but they make more sense financially. Impala sedans typically last the police department three years, while Tahoes are in service for four or more years.

"We are still using our 2005 Tahoe," Aro said. It has 142,000 miles.

In addition, the department's 2003



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO

A Jan. 28 accident, at Adelaide Street and Silver Lake Road, totaled a Fenton Police Department patrol car. The officer was on the way to a call with lights and sirens on and was not at fault.

Tahoe, with 157,000 miles, still sees some use. It's no longer used for everyday patrol, but it can be a utility vehicle to tow the radar trailer and be driven during heavy snow, since it has four-wheel drive.

For repairs, police have needed replacement transmissions on all of the Impalas they've had, at approximately 100,000 miles. And, in the Fenton Police Department's experience, repair costs on Tahoes have not been as much.

Tahoes also have higher residual prices than Impalas, when police sell old vehicles no longer in service, he said.

The extended service life of a Tahoe outweighs the fact it uses more gasoline than an Impala, Aro said. For gas mileage, there is a two-to three-miles per gallon difference — a high estimate, he said. Police do not get the gas mileage an average driver does. Officers track their gasoline mileage every day, and their work involves a lot of idling, stopping to talk to people or other traffic stops.

#### More about the proposal

Chief Rick Aro said the 2011-model Chevrolet Impala is no longer available. Police would not be able to get an Impala until July, when the 2012 model becomes available. In the meantime, the police department is down to four patrol vehicles. Fenton police obtain vehicles through the state of Michigan, from Shaheen Chevrolet. This enables them to obtain a better price, he said. Aro has presented Vic Canever Chevrolet, in Fenton, the opportunity to bid. He has not heard back from them yet, but if the Fenton dealership can match Shaheen Chevrolet's price, he — and city council — would support obtaining the vehicle locally.

### ABOUT THE CRASH

The Fenton Police Department's 2007 Chevrolet Impala was totaled Jan. 28, when an officer on her way to a bank robbery alarm was hit by another driver who didn't see the lights and sirens, Chief Rick Aro said. The accident occurred at Adelaide Street and Silver Lake Road. The insurance company is awarding Fenton about \$8,000 for the totaled vehicle.

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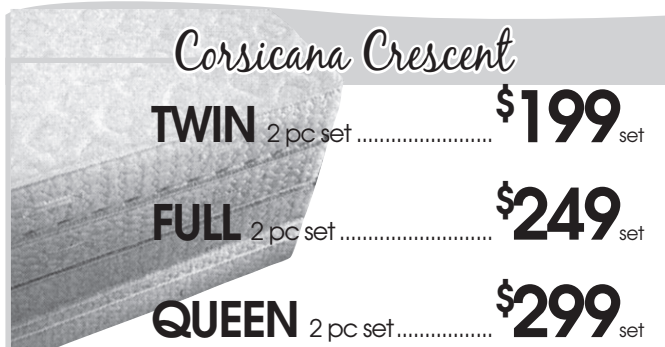
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## Fate of emergency dispatch up in air

►Council will make decision in upcoming budget discussion

By Anna Troppens

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**Fenton** — Fenton's new budget is coming up, and an issue is keeping the city's emergency dispatch or going with another provider. Police Chief Rick Aro said it would cost the city \$60,000 to \$70,000 over and above its 911 revenue to keep it. Fenton receives approximately \$147,000 to \$150,000 annually in 911 revenue from people's phone bills. The cost of having the city's own emergency dispatch for another year would be \$210,000, Aro said.

Another issue in maintaining the 911 dispatch is replacing the aging equipment in the dispatch center at the police station. Its service life has ended, and it would cost almost \$300,000 to upgrade and replace, he said. "That money's very hard to come up with."

However, if Fenton is going to keep its dispatch center, the equipment needs replacing. And, if the city buys new equipment, a question is whether it can maintain its dispatch center over several years, Aro said.

### WHERE COULD FENTON RECEIVE DISPATCH SERVICES?

City administrators met with representatives from Genesee Central, regarding emergency dispatch services, said Police Chief Rick Aro. Another meeting is approaching soon. In addition, Oakland County has approached Fenton about providing dispatch services for it, and the Village of Holly Police Department is interested. It's not at the point where they are discussing prices for service, Aro said. Once

### Summary

►Fenton administrators are waiting for direction from city council, on what council members want to do for emergency dispatch services. Fenton has its own dispatch center, and officials have been discussing costs of keeping it and replacing the old equipment, versus going with another dispatch service provider.

administration receives direction from Fenton City Council on where Fenton's dispatch operations are headed, they can look at cost. If Fenton went with another provider, its annual 911 revenue of \$147,000-150,000 from residents' phone bills would go to that provider.

## Fenton fire to host EMT courses

By Sharon Stone

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Beginning in April, STAT EMS will be hosting basic EMT courses at the Fenton Fire Department.

The State of Michigan EMS Education Department has approved both Flushing and Fenton City fire departments as satellite facilities for STAT to host their EMS Education programs. STAT EMS has an existing agreement with Fenton City to provide ambulance service.

"We are excited for the opportunities we can provide for individuals seeking a medical career, whether it is an EMT or entering nursing school," said Gary Denman, STAT's education coordinator.

"We are pleased to have STAT EMS

### BASIC EMT COURSES

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hosting a daytime EMT class here at our facility," said Bob Cairnduff, fire chief. "Not only can we get EMTs trained in the local area, my firefighters can get continuing education credits by sitting in on the classes."

## Police&Fire report

### DOMESTIC ASSAULT

Kevin Watson, 18, of Fenton, was arraigned on March 8 for domestic assault and battery stemming from multiple police visits to his apartment on Trealtout Drive. Fenton police responded to the apartment on March 6 after neighbors reported a loud dispute between him and his girlfriend. The 22-year-old girlfriend said he had assaulted her after an argument, as well as the previous day. He took her phone so she could not call police. Police were unable to locate the boyfriend. Police were called back to the apartment at 7 a.m. on March 7 after neighbors reported loud arguing. Police arrested Watson and lodged him at the police station, pending his arraignment. Released on bond, Watson is to be back in court on March 16 for a pretrial.

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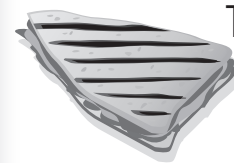


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## TASK FORCE

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The first death was that of Briona Jawhari. The 17-year-old Fenton Township girl died from an apparent heroin overdose on Valentine's Day. Two days later, her 19-year-old friend Erika Schlosser, of Fenton, died from an apparent heroin overdose. The third death came on March 5, when 22-year-old Adam Harden, of Tyrone Township, died from an apparent overdose of Opana, which contains a Schedule II controlled substance, oxymorphone.

The three deaths remain under investigation.

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### Community Parent

Genesee County Commissioner Joseph Graves, of Argentine Township, is chair of the newly formed task force, called "Community Parent." The task force's mission is to provide the resources to educate everyone about the dangers of drugs.

"We want to declare war on drug dealers," said Graves.

Efforts are underway to take a hard-hitting, graphic presentation to all of the area schools, beginning with Lake Fenton High School.

Fenton Township Trustee Tony Brown, who has children in the Lake Fenton school district, has been vocal with his desire to rid the area of drugs, along with educating the students and their parents. School board members at Lake Fenton were receptive to working together.

#### Anonymous tip line

Graves suggested an anonymous hotline be created so that anyone can call with tips about drug deals and/or dealers. The Genesee County Sheriff's deputy informed the audience that it already has an anonymous hotline, (810) 424-4444.

#### Drug dealer registry

The idea of a drug dealer registry was urged. Similar to the sex offender registry run by the Michigan State Police, this proposed drug registry, to be named "Briona's List" in memory of Briona Jawhari, could

reveal the identities of convicted drug dealers and where they live.

"They (drug dealers) work in a cloud of secrecy," said Brown. "Our kids are their number one target."

"Let's exploit them like they're exploiting our kids."

#### Legislation

State Senator Dave Robertson said he would look into possible legislation for the registry. Judge Duncan Beagle said the idea should be put on the table for discussion. "It's worth considering," he said.

John Kupiec, a former candidate for Michigan 5th U.S. Congressional District, said communication really begins at home and parents need to strive for more dialogue with their kids so that their kids will be comfortable going to them. He also suggested more public service announcements be provided to the local media.

#### A grieving father's story

Sam Jawhari, Briona's father, is working with this task force so that his daughter's death is not in vain. He said his daughter believed her boyfriend, who introduced her to heroin, was a savior. "It's not the drug pushers; it's sometimes the ones that they love. They blindside you."

Jawhari is compelled to help. "I want this torch to keep going. These children are our future. Let's come together and do something."

Brown worked with Briona as her debate coach. He wants to make sure she does not just become a statistic as a white suburban female who died from a heroin overdose. "I don't want her to be anonymous. The last thing she said to me was, 'I love you,'" said Brown.

"There are problems here in Fenton and we need to resolve it."

Community Mental Health representatives offered their help. They also said there are ongoing, open and closed Narcotics Anonymous meetings in the Fenton and Grand Blanc areas.

#### Law enforcement

An undercover narcotics officer for Genesee County said his three-member team is working around the clock in their attempts to rid the streets of drugs. Drug cartels and gangs out of Detroit are what they're seeing now. "They're changing the

"I want this torch to keep going. These children are our future. Let's come together and do something."

**Sam Jawhari**

Father of Briona Jawhari

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way they do business," the officer said. "We are committed to this. Education is the key. Get the parents involved."

Ideas, such as taking field trips to the county jail, billboards with photos of convicted drug dealers, obtaining input from young people, public service announcements and hard-hitting presentations and ongoing programs at the schools are being considered.

Tom Richard, a Fenton Township planning commissioner and retired narcotics officer from Detroit, said he routinely investigated doctors and pharmacists, even 40 years ago. "Those doctors are no better than the drug dealer working in the gutter," he said.

Richard added that addicts and drug dealers steal prescription pads, write prescriptions, drop-off the fake prescriptions at pharmacies and get what they want. "It's extra money in their pocket," he said.

The mother of a 27-year-old heroin addict also shared her story. The room fell silent as she shared details of her daughter's addiction, which evolved from taking prescription Vicodin for pain. (See accompanying story.)

## Statistics

(Treatment programs funded by Community Mental Health (CMH) during the last 15 months)

- **Gender breakdown** – 54 percent male, 46 percent female
- **460 of the 789 admitted** were in the 18 to 29 age group
- **92 percent** of those admitted were white
- **52 of the 789 clients** came from the Fenton (48430) zip code, 33 from Grand Blanc and 45 from Swartz Creek.
- **Within the 18 to 29 age group**, 28 percent were treated for heroin addiction.

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## OVERDOSE

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In a Tuesday press release, Sheriff Bob Bezotte said the Livingston County Sheriff's Department Detective Bureau responded to an apparent fatal overdose in Tyrone Township. Preliminary indications were that the victim crushed multiple Opana tablets and "snorted them."

### Summary

► The Livingston County Sheriff's Department is investigating its first fatal overdose involving Oxymorphone, a Schedule II controlled substance.

Detectives believe the crushed tablets were ingested at approximately 3:30 p.m. on Friday, March 4. The victim was later found to be unresponsive at 7:30 a.m. on March 5. He was transported to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township, where he was pronounced dead.

The investigation is open pending the results of the autopsy and toxicology report.

Bezotte said they are investigating as to how the victim obtained the tablets, since they were not prescribed to him.

This is the first suspected overdose death related to this substance in Livingston County.

"It was not his prescription. We're looking into that."

**Bob Bezotte**

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## EXPO

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Realty Professionals, who served as chairperson for the chamber's board of directors for the expo.

"People thought it was a good show," said Day. "They're building their clientele through the expo."

Free samples were everywhere, including back massages, pens, candy, and small plungers from Benjamin Franklin Plumbing.

"The business people I spoke to thought attendance was very good," Welty said. "They were very pleased with the amount of community interaction." He said the feedback he got was overwhelmingly positive from the community.

The expo also held a drawing for a \$500 shopping spree, which was won by Kelsey Vuillemont, of Fenton. The 50/50 raffle winner

was from Fenton, and took \$450.

The entertainment brought many guests to the food court area, where they were able to see ballroom dancing and, a Zumba demonstration by Chasse Ballroom & Latin Dance Studio. Little Blessings Boutique and Reboot Resale had fashion shows. The pool area was home to a live kayaking demonstration.

Food was available from Jet's Pizza, Tropical Smoothie, and others.

Several children's activities were available in the FHS auxiliary gym, including several inflatable blow-up items provided by Valley Tent Rental, and a Soccer Shootout by LaForza Soccer. "The kids' area is always a huge hit," said Day.

"The expo is great for our community and great for our member businesses," said Welty. "It's one of the highlights of the year for the chamber."



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# Interim manager now permanent

By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly** — The village now has a permanent manager. The council approved the professional services contract between interim manager Jerry Walker and the village of Holly on Tuesday. Walker signed the contract after the village council meeting, filling the seat that had been vacant since the firing of Marsha Powers in September.

“Hallelujah,” exclaimed Jeff Miller, village council president, for finally filling the vacant position after a lengthy interview process.

“We have a lot to tackle, so we’re looking forward to getting to it.”

**Jerry Walker**  
Holly Village manager

“I’m happy to move forward,” said Walker.

The first issue he’ll tackle as manager is the budget, in light of possible deep revenue sharing from the state of Michigan. “A lot of things they talk

about with shared services and collaborative efforts we already have underway,” said Walker. “We have a lot to tackle, so we’re looking forward to getting to it.”

Walker’s contract is similar to the previous manager’s. He will be compensated \$80,000 per year, with a zero percent contribution retirement plan, and a life and health insurance policy.

## STORE BRANDS

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According to the study, store-brand foods cost, on average, 27 percent less than the national brand counterpart. Researchers found that price gaps have less to do with what goes into the package than with the research, development and marketing costs that help build a household name.

Because more money is spent on national brands, those products are likely to have the latest in convenient packaging, newest tastes or fortified with trendy supplements, according to Harry Balzer, chief industry analyst for the NPD Group, a leading market research company.

Some people might remember the plainly packaged generic food products of the ‘70s. These alternative products were offered to offset the double-digit inflation of those years. Many found those foods not quite as tasty as the national brands. Based on the recent taste tests, store brands are much improved.

Respondents, 18 to 39 years old, were particularly likely to question the quality of store brands. Those surveyed said store-brand paper goods and plastics were fine, however, when it came to other products, such as wine, pet food, soda or soup, shoppers tended to stick with the national brands.

Although 17 percent of survey respondents said, “name-brand foods are more nutritious,” they found nutrition similar for most of the tested products. The most notable differences: Mott’s applesauce has more sugar than Publix, Ore-Ida fries have more sodium

than Jewel, and Kellogg’s Froot Loops have 3 grams of fiber vs. 1 gram in Stop & Shop Fruit Swirls.

Some companies manufacture store brand and national brand products. Among those companies making both are Sara Lee, Reynolds, 4C, McCormick, Joy Cone and Royal Oak (charcoal).

Spartan Stores is a leading regional grocery/drugstore retailer and wholesale distributor based in Grand Rapids, Michigan. It owns and operates 97 supermarkets throughout Michigan, including VG’s grocery stores.

According to Spartan Stores, it supplies more than 40,000 private-label and national-brand products to nearly 400 independently owned grocery stores in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana.

Chris Palmer, manager of VG’s Grocery on North LeRoy Street, said on average, two shoppers out of three are selecting the lower-costing store brand. The trend to buy store brands has really gone up, he said, adding that some of the national manufacturers also make store brand products.

According to Palmer, the grocery store has a program that is going over well with customers. It’s called “Take the Challenge.” With this program, the store rotates three to seven products every two weeks to give shoppers a no-cost opportunity to try the store brand.

With selected items, when a customer purchases a national brand, they receive a like store brand item, at no cost. “It gives them an opportunity to try a Spartan brand,” he said. “It’s a very popular program and shoppers are not out anything if they don’t like it.”

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Libya is located in North Africa, situated between Algeria and Egypt. Its northern border is met with the Mediterranean Sea, to the south, the countries of Chad, Niger, and Sudan. For 41 years, Colonel Moammar Muhammad Al-Gaddafi has remained in power in Libya, and has a bloody track record that included public, televised hangings. Gheriani fled the country in 1977, and pursued an education and a life in the United States. Spouse Lois Van Lente met Gheriani in 1979. They were married and had two sons; one is in college and one in high school. Van Lente has stayed in Tyrone Township with her sons, while Gheriani conducted business in Libya. Following the ousting of the Egyptian leader, protests began in neighboring-country Libya, where Gheriani was working. His offices are in the Libyan capital Tripoli, which is currently under rebel control. Currently there are about 100,000 citizens prepared to fight the government, hand to hand.

## LIBYA

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would be compelled to help his people. "It would have ruined him," she said. "If he was here while this was going on, he would be dying inside."

Their oldest son posted on Facebook, "You've been dreaming of this all your life — go for it."

Since mid February, Gheriani has worked solely for the resistance movement in Libya, and Van Lente has kept a wary eye on the unfolding events. "That's where all my attention's going, I haven't been able to read a book, I haven't been able to read a magazine."

She has become the conduit between Gheriani and his friends and family. "I'm constantly checking the news, watching the tweets, sending e-mails," she said.

Van Lente will rise in the middle of the night to check the news, as events are unfolding that could affect her family, while she sleeps. Sometimes communication is spotty, and she has to search the news to look for his name to know he is still safe.

Van Lente calls her husband on a very limited basis, each day.

Their calls are short and lacking detail about exactly where he is, or what he is

doing, as the calls are likely monitored by the very government he is fighting against. "It's mostly been, 'Tell the kids I love them, how are they, how are you holding up? I love you,'" she said. "It's very short."

Gheriani frequently sleeps in a different place for his own safety.

Van Lente has few details on what her husband is doing, but she knows he has a role assisting the new provisional

### Summary

► Mustafa Gheriani, of Tyrone Township, was in Libya on business when the uprising against the Libyan government began. Now, he works with the anti-government forces, while his family waits at home.

"He was standing on his balcony, with his phone held high and said, 'listen to these large caliber weapons they are shooting people with,'" she said. "The rebels, they have no training, no uniforms, no equipment," she said. "All they have is heart."

government challenging the Gaddafi regime — quite literally helping form a new government, from the ground up, as fighting is waged everyday.

He has relayed some chilling accounts of the violence to Van Lente.

"You've been dreaming of this all your life — go for it."

**Mustafa Gheriani's son**  
Facebook posting

On her kitchen table in her Tyrone Township home is a laptop with news website AlJezeera, an established independent Arab news outlet that is closely covering the Libyan uprising. Next to the laptop are two notebooks with notes from phone conversations with her husband.

Atop the notes is a printout of the Libyan "Declaration of the Establishment of the National Transitional Temporary Council," stamped with an official seal.

In other words, the document on the table is part of the Libyans' own brand new, declaration of independence. "They want transparency, they want a reduction in corruption, democracy, they want a constitution, they want law and order, it doesn't get any purer than that," said Van Lente. They want Gaddafi out, and they want the help of the international community, she said.

Van Lente speaks with clear, focused passion, describing the people she has learned about, and lived side by side with for around three decades. "The Libyans have a great love for their country and they have great pride in their country, but it was an embarrassment always to them, that Gaddafi was their leader," she

said. "That was a painful thing to carry, all those years."

"They finally overcame their fear. They finally reached with critical mass and all joined in together to fight this fight."

"To even begin it, they knew they might have to pay the ultimate price. And all of them without hesitation have gotten out there, and are ready to do that."

Gheriani has been a spokesperson for the new movement, coordinating media coverage including the BBC, and AlJezeera and many others. His name can be found on Google, and in the news.

Currently, more air strikes have not been called on Benghazi, where Gheriani is staying, since the first two sets of planes Gaddafi sent defected, instead of firing on their own people.

The government has been attacking rebels in the oil hub of Ras Lanuf, and the U.N. is considering imposing a no-fly zone to stop Gaddafi from using planes against his people. "We can't fight planes with machetes," Gheriani had said to Van Lente.

The French government on Thursday recognized the provisional, rebel government as legitimate.

Recently, Van Lente made her own Libyan flag, the version the rebel groups have been flying, and hung it outside her home. "To me, it means I'm showing support for those people, for their bravery. I'm so proud of them," said Van Lente. Tears form in her eyes, and she pauses. "For their determination," she continues. And, I want them to succeed. (I'm) so proud of them. They are kind. If you go into a Libyan home you will be treated so well, as a guest."

The future is unclear. Van Lente does not know when her husband will be back, or when the country will stabilize.

Van Lente explained what it felt like to have a loved one so far away, in harm's way.

"It's similar to a military family. There are those people that, when the building is burning, they run in instead of running out, and that's kind of what this situation is like for us. It's so much a part of who my husband is. We have accepted this as what he has to do."

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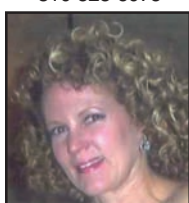
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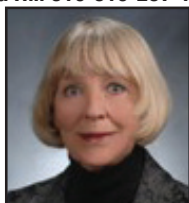
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RENT** - 35 tillable  
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Lake Rd., Fenton.  
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### Misc. For Sale 26

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bikes-Novara and Townie,  
brand new condition; camping  
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lightweight. Regular \$499. 3  
mattresses. Make an offer on all  
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### Misc. Wanted 27

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### Free Items 28



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FIV tests. Noelle will  
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pet for many winters to  
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### Lost & Found 31



**LOST PUPPY** - 3/8/11.  
Shih Tzu, 10 weeks  
old Max - blue collar,  
lost near Owen Rd.  
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Please call 810-714-  
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A Fenton Township woman's home was destroyed by fire on Tuesday night, February 23rd, 2011. Shirley Walker, who lived in her waterfront home on Torrey Road for more than 30 years, was comforted by her grandchildren as she watched her uninsured home burn to the ground. In 2006, she was the recipient of the National Crime Victims' Rights Week Award. She earned this honor because of her work with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). In 1989, her son was killed by a drunk driver. Shirley Walker has offered support, comfort and guidance to others who have been victimized by drunk drivers & now it's our opportunity to give back to her. For anyone who buys or lists their home in the month of March, I will donate a portion of my commission to our 10k goal!

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**Lake Fenton Waterfront.** Beautiful home, built in 2002, low maintenance, 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, CA, natural fireplace in living room, Master Suite w/private deck, den, bonus room, 2930 sq. ft., +1200 sq. ft. in finished walkout w/9+ Ceilings, DayLight Windows, complete 2nd living area w/private courtyard, deck, patio, 2 car garage, nice sandy swimming beach & fenced area for pets. Too many amenities to list.  
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## DRUGS

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The woman, who wishes to remain anonymous, said she was saddened to hear about the three recent drug-related deaths and felt compelled to do whatever she could to stop someone else from taking that first step down the same deadly path.

Her daughter became hooked on heroin about four years ago, after the Vicodin she was taking failed to ease her back pain. The two are in regular contact, however, no longer live in the same house.

### Summary

►The ever-loving mother of a 27-year-old heroin addict sheds light on a life consumed by the deadly drug.

The woman told the captivated audience that her daughter prostitutes herself for \$20 just to pay for her drug.

"She burned my house down. She's stolen my identity. She lost her kids. She lost her teeth," said the woman. "But, I love her. It will be a bit of relief, but I'm planning her funeral, too. She's so far in, that her death would be more comforting to me."

While living through her daughter's drug induced world, the mother knows that to treat the drug problem, the underlying cause has to be dealt with, first. "Those who turn to drugs, do it out of emotional distress or physical pain," she said.

Although some people might think heroin is a new problem, it is not. The mother said, "Heroin is not grown in Fenton. It comes from out of the borders," she said.

The mother is convinced the drug

scene is endless because there are payoffs at every level. "It's a big, bad world. It's always been there. It's here and coming in waves right now.

"My daughter will die from that drug.

"I cry. I worry. But, I have an awesome God and he picks me up and carries me."

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**GOV. SNYDER SHOULD** be commended, not criticized, for taking a \$1 paycheck. Name one politician, Republican or Democrat, from our small local government to the president who would willingly take a pay cut, let alone no pay at all. Give the man a break and let him try to fix this mess we're in.

**MRS. WARNER'S PRESCHOOL** program at Lake Fenton has exceeded all expectations I had for school programs. My child has a huge advantage going into kindergarten, socially and academically. The children experience 110 percent of Mrs. Warner's enthusiasm, knowledge, and

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## News briefs

### BOARD ALLOWS RESIDENTS TO APPEAL PROPERTY TAXES IN WRITING

The Tyrone Township Board has approved allowing residents to make board of review appeals in writing. Previously, without this authorization by the township, nonresidents could appeal in writing but residents could not, Clerk Keith Kremer said. Many Tyrone residents go to Florida for part of the year, and the change accommodates them.

### RIGHT OF WAY PERMIT EXTENSION

Tyrone Township has approved a permit extension for AT&T, for work in the township's road right-of-ways. AT&T pays Tyrone \$9,000 annually to use township right-of-ways for its telephone wires, etc., said Clerk Keith Kremer.

### MICHIGAN CHLORIDE SALES

Tyrone Township's board has approved contracting with Michigan Chloride Sales Inc., of St. Louis, for the 2011 dust control season, on gravel roads. The price is the same as it was for the last two years, said Trustee Steve Hasbrouck. The price for Michigan well brine is 14 cents per gallon, with discounts of 13.5 cents/gallon for certain time periods.

### TYRONE MOWING AGREEMENT

The Tyrone Township Board has renewed its agreement with Murph's Turf, for mowing at the township hall and the Clough, Colwell and Gardner cemeteries. The price is \$120 per cemetery mowing, \$40 per mowing for the township hall, and \$10 per hour for additional services. Township officials bid the work out last year, and the price has not increased since then, Clerk Keith Kremer said.



**YOUR  
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By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

### TMJ


The Temporal Mandibular Joint is the technical name of the jaw joint. It joins the lower jaw, called the mandible with the temporal bone of the skull. Your TMJ is the most complicated and complex joint in the entire human body. It is the only joint in our bodies that can move in three different ways. The TMJ can slide forward and backward. It can pivot open and closed like a door-hinge. And the TMJ can swivel or rotate side to side. For the TMJ to function in all these complex movements it takes the coordinated efforts of dozens of different muscles, nerves, tendons, ligaments, cartilage, and teeth. When everything is working smoothly, our TMJ's are an evolutionary marvel designed by our creator. However there are times when things aren't working together so well. This can lead to a condition we refer to as TMJ Dysfunction. Signs and symptoms of TMJ Dysfunction include pain in the area on the joint, headaches and neck pain, clicking and popping noises when moving the jaw, limitations in movement of the jaw, changes in the bite of the teeth, excessive and abnormal wear of the teeth, breakage of teeth and restorations and mobile or loose teeth. Some TMJ dysfunction is mild and will correct itself without any permanent damage. Other cases of TMJ Dysfunction are severe and will cause permanent damage to the joint and teeth if left untreated. It is best to see your dentist if you are having TMJ trouble that is not improving after a week or more.

I welcome your questions and comments.  
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**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | SUBMITTED PHOTOS  
(Right) Bruce and Beth Bair, of Fenton, have been married for 10 years, with five children between them — Ashley, Chris, Calli, Kirsten and Bailey. (Below) The Frantz's said it took three years for their blended family to feel comfortable enough to sit for a professional family photograph.



# Blended families

By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

Phil Frantz had been divorced for more than 11 years. While at a local bank about five years ago, he spotted Melissa behind the teller counter. He found her very easy to talk to, and stopped in more often than his banking required, just so he could see her.

**Summary**  
▶ With 67 percent of second marriages ending in divorce, many local families in tri-county area are struggling with stepfamily issues.

When she walked into the children's ministry room at The Freedom Center in Fenton, Frantz, the family ministry pastor, knew he had found someone special, with whom he wanted to spend the rest of his life.

Did Phil, 46, and Melissa Frantz, 35, live "happily ever after," when they decided to marry almost four years ago?

Each with children and marital baggage of their own, the couple had no idea what the

"Couples need to understand that it is much harder to be a family, than it is to be a couple."

**Ron Deal**

licensed marriage and family therapist

See **BLENDED FAMILIES** on 6B

"Building a Successful Stepfamily" conference is set for Friday and Saturday, June 3-4 at The Freedom Center in Fenton.

**42%**  
OF ADULTS HAVE A STEP RELATIONSHIP (stepparent, step/half sibling, or stepchild). This translates to 95.5 million adults.

**13%**  
OF ADULTS ARE STEPPARENTS. 15 percent of men are step dads (16.5 million) and 12 percent of women are step moms (14 million).

## How to find a family counselor

▶ A good therapist can help navigate life's tough challenges

By Anna Troppens

atroppens@tctimes.com

Mom isn't as strict, but Dad

really believes in discipline. Their respective children don't always get along, and the couple's new baby is causing some jealousy among the older siblings.

With pressure on modern

families coming from different directions, sometimes a counselor is helpful in straightening things out. A good therapist can help with almost any problem — and

See **COUNSELOR** on 11B



**When deciding on a counselor, some questions to ask could include:**

- **What is** the therapist's training? How long has he or she been in practice?
- **There are** confidentiality guidelines therapists must follow. Find out what is confidential, and what is not.
- **How much** will it cost to see the therapist?

See **QUESTIONS** on 11B



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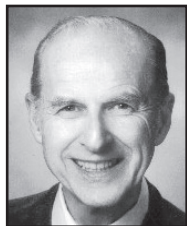
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## Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



### The high cost of getting even

'I'll get even with you.'

We've all heard these five wounding words and some of us have spoken them, not really being aware of their destructive power or the negative influence they can have on both the speaker and hearer. This seething desire for retribution can sentence one to the prison of anger — the cell of recurring rage — where revenge is the jailor and release from selfishness is the only key to freedom.

The desire to get even creates playground bullies, workplace tyrants and miserable marriages. Those who stay angry because they feel life hasn't been fair can expect their misery to continue until they've shed the 'get even' complex. But how can those enslaved by selfishness break free from the desire to get their due from all who they're convinced owe them?

Freedom begins with forgiveness.

In his book, 'Total Forgiveness,' R.T. Kendall posts this freeing statement on the title page. 'When everything in you wants to hold a grudge, point a finger and remember pain, God wants you to lay it all aside.' He then adds that God can enable us to forgive no matter how deeply we've been wounded by another person.

Our Lord's first words from the cross, 'Father, forgive them,' should

challenge all who feel they've been cheated in life and must get even.

Entering the office supply store of a man of faith, I asked how he was doing.

'Better than I deserve,' he replied.

And, he could have spoken for us all. Not one of us is worthy of God's love or His many blessings. Yet, He loves us and gives far more than we deserve.

A man once came to the noted devotional lecturer, F.B. Meyer, saying he had lost the joy of living. He then explained that his misery had begun when his brother had treated him unfairly at the death of their father, causing a breach between them over their inheritance. At that time, he had vowed never to forgive his brother.

Now, however, the brother was going through many trials. His wife and child had died and he was seriously ill. This joyless man wanted to go to his brother and make peace with him, but had declared he would never do so.

'It is better to break a bad vow than to keep it,' said Meyer, urging the troubled man to go to his brother and be reconciled to him while he had time.

'He went, and the smile of God went with him,' wrote Meyer, describing the positive results of breaking down barriers between the man and his brother.

Who awaits your forgiveness?

What barriers now exist between you and another person that ought to be broken down?

To whom should you go offering reconciliation instead of seeking revenge? Go!

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



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(Information and Registration)

**March 15<sup>th</sup> 2011**  
6:00 - 8:00 pm

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## KINDER KARE OPEN HOUSE

**March 15<sup>th</sup> 2011**  
6:00 - 8:00 pm

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## AAUW offering scholarships for women

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This year, it is offering several scholarships at \$600 each to women attending C.S. Mott Community College, U of M – Flint,

Baker College of Flint or Oakland Community College.

Applications are at college offices or their websites. A letter of recommendation and recent transcript are also required. All materials are due by May 21, and directions are with the application.

AAUW holds a book sale in Fenton each August in conjunction with "Art at the Center." Part of the proceeds goes toward these scholarships.

For more information or an application, please call (810) 629-1090.

## Student film festival set for Saturday

**Fenton** — The Fenton Area Public School Education Foundation (FAPSEF) and the Sarah E. Warner Endowment for the Arts have partnered to establish the Ruby Zima Student Film and Arts Festival.

Joe Kryza, president of the FAPSEF, said this year's event will be held on Saturday, March 19, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the arts wing at Fenton High School. The festival is open to any Fenton, Lake Fenton or Linden student. Awards will be given for top finishers in the visual, performance and film/multimedia arts. An awards ceremony will follow the arts festival to recognize the best submissions by students and classrooms.

The Sarah E. Warner Endowment for the Arts was established through The Community Foundation of Greater Flint shortly after her death in October 2001. Advisers to the

fund are Warner's son Stephen Warner, his wife, Maribeth, and Carol Masse.

Steve Warner became aware of the Fenton Student Film Festival after attending last year's event. "Maribeth and I thought this is something we need to support. We discussed this with Joe Kryza, and asked how we could get involved," Warner said. "We discussed the need for funding the arts within the school system, and he suggested endowing the festival in memory of my mother and naming it for her."

"After thinking about it, I thought it would be more appropriate to name it for someone synonymous with performing arts in the Fenton Schools. For me, only one name came to mind — Ruby Zima. We are very happy that Ruby has accepted our idea and the Sarah E. Warner Endowment for the Arts is pleased to make a significant commitment over the next five years to support this event."

The community can support the arts in Fenton by attending the festival. Contributions in support of the Ruby Zima Student Film and Arts Festival can be made to the Sarah E. Warner Endowment for the Arts and/or the Fenton Area Public School Education Foundation. Both are administered through the Community Foundation of Greater Flint.

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## Calendar of events

### Saturday, March 26

**"Running with the Best" charity 5K/10K run/walk** is set for Saturday, March 26, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Proceeds will be donated to E.J. Rosario and his family. In September 2010, Rosario was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma (Stage 4 cancer). The race will begin and end at the Fenton Township Fire Station No. 1, on Bowles Road, just off North Long Lake Road. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and race starts at 10 a.m. The cost to enter is \$20, which includes refreshments after the race and a Running with the Best T-shirt. Runners are asked to register by March 14 in order to reserve a specific shirt size. Donations can also be made online at [www.runningintheusa.com/Race/SignUp.aspx?RaceID=35318](http://www.runningintheusa.com/Race/SignUp.aspx?RaceID=35318).

### Saturday, April 16

An **Easter event** will be held on Saturday, April 16, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Linden Masonic Lodge. Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 11:15 a.m. in Wood Park. The cost is \$3 per child, which includes doughnuts, picture and egg hunt or \$1 per child, which includes egg hunt only. Adults are free.



## 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**

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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.

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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.**

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

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.

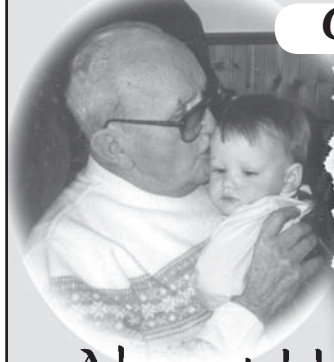
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## BLENDED FAMILIES

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challenges would be in trying to “blend” their new family. Phil had two children, Christian and Aubrie, now 18 and 16, who live with his ex-wife, Karen, and her husband, Lonnie, in DeWitt. Melissa had joint custody of her children, Grace and Gavin, now 10 and 8, although they spend every weekend with their dad, Jay, in Mt Pleasant.

“The ‘Brady Bunch’ is a lie,” said Phil. “That first year was brutal. There were more challenges than you could ever anticipate.”

They sought help by researching the Internet, and attended a conference in Nashville, Tenn., hosted by Ron Deal, a licensed marriage and family therapist, now an author, speaker and leader, who specializes in stepfamily relationships. “It turned things around for us, by changing our perspectives,” said Frantz.

“Couples need to understand that it is much harder to be a family, than it is to be a couple,” said Deal. “What eHarmony never tells anyone is that they may be compatible as a couple, but the stepfamily dynamics often wear and tear at the relationship to the point of divorce.”

In fact, the rate of divorce for remarriages is actually 67 percent, and 50 percent of those are usually within the first two years. The divorce rate for first marriages is about 50 percent, according to www.marriage101.com.

Deal will host a weekend conference at The Freedom Center on June 3-4, entitled

“When the weekends come, I go into a funk. It still hurts. I want to be with my kids. I have had to learn to be happy, instead of jealous, for my wife being with her biological children.”

**Phil Frantz**

## Conference

“Building a Successful Stepfamily” conference is set for Friday and Saturday, June 3-4 at The Freedom Center in Fenton. Workshop leader will be Ron Deal, licensed marriage and family therapist, who specializes in blended families. For more information or to register, visit www.tfconline.org or call (810) 629-5261.

“Building a Successful Stepfamily.” The conference is intended for couples who are struggling in blended family relationships, are thinking about blending a family in the future, or for pastors/leaders who counsel blended families.

If you are in a blended family or in a relationship that may result in one, you are not alone. “It affects over half of our community,” said Frantz. “Many of these families are truly hurting.”

Any relevant message about stepfamilies has to address the needs of the children in the events of divorce, re-marriage and step parenting. Having to share biological par-

ents with a new spouse and step-siblings, sharing limited space and adjusting to new extended families and holiday situations are just a few of the issues that come up in a new marital relationship.

Christian and Aubrie were just 7 and 5 years old when their parents, Phil and Karen, divorced. But, they both remember how much their parents’ remarriages changed their lives.

“It was especially hard at the beginning to make all the adjustments when Christian and I would spend weekends with dad and his wife, Melissa, plus Melissa’s two kids,” said Aubrie, a junior at DeWitt High School. “I get along really well with Melissa, so we were able to work it all out. I just wish I could spend more time with dad. We’re still really close.”

Christian, 18, a freshman at Lansing Community College, remembers sharing space and time with his new stepsiblings

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Aubrie Frantz and her stepmother, Melissa Frantz, of Fenton, said it took major adjustments on both of their parts to create the atmosphere of respect and affection they feel for each other today.

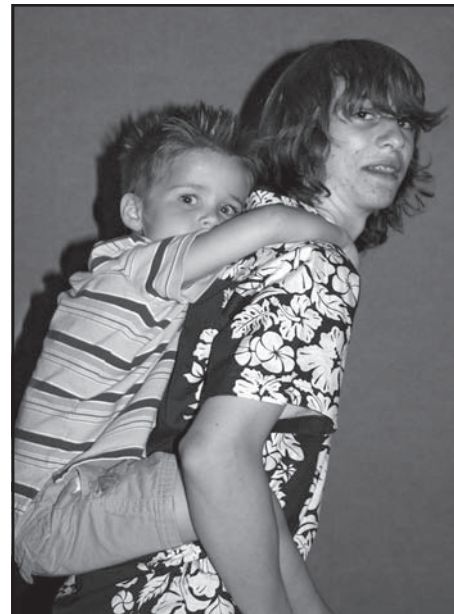
to be a big adjustment at the time. But, when his mom and stepfather had two children of their own, he found it easier to connect with them because they were born into the family.

“I’m closest to my mom and feel I can talk about a lot of things with her,” said Christian. “I text my dad. I’d like to spend more time with him, but work and school always get in the way.”

The difference in relating to a stepchild compared to a biological child can create a giant tension in a blended family. Bruce and Beth Bair, of Fenton, have been married for 10 years, with five children between them — two each from a previous marriage and one born since their marriage.

After years of praying and hard work, Beth said she loves her stepchildren as much as she loves her own children and would do anything for any of them. “I call them all my children,” she said of her large brood, Ashley, Chris, Calli, Kirsten and Bailey.

But, it hasn’t been a smooth road, especially with some of the pain caused by the unexpected death of her ex-husband, Ron Humitz, in November. “Ashley really reached out to Calli and Kirsten. That was huge,” said Beth. “Since the beginning, I’ve prayed that God would help me love my stepchildren as much as my own. I have that love in my heart.”



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Christian Frantz gives a piggyback ride to his stepbrother, Gavin, admitting that having “instant” stepsiblings at his dad and step-mom’s home took awhile to adjust to.

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# Look Who's Talking

By Anna Troppens, Associate Editor



Ali Baker

15-year-old (sophomore)

Holly High School

## FAMILY:

My parents, Scott and Mary Baker. I have a sister, Paige, she's 14 and she's a freshman here.

## SPORTS AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES:



I'm in the theater production now, 'Our Miss Brooks,' and I'll be doing track when it starts. I throw a shot put and discus. I did basketball and the musical, 'Seussical.' I was a Who, in the chorus.

## PERSONAL MOTTO:

Livin' the dream.

## MY DREAM CAR:

I guess a truck, they're cool.

## ALL TIME FAVORITE MOVIE:

'Meet the Robinsons' and 'How to Train Your Dragon.'

## EARLIEST MEMORY:

It would be with my cousins, because that's where all my earliest memories are from. They live in Brandon, so I get to see them a lot.

## Ali Baker

**OK, you're the school principal. What's the first change you would make?:** Giving more passing time after lunches. That hallway is a pain to get through, because nobody walks fast enough.

**If you could have one superpower, what would it be?:** Flight, it'd be sweet to fly. You wouldn't feel afraid of heights, then.

**I am always:** using up my eraser before I use up the pencil. I use, like, seven cap erasers.

**I never:** slam my locker.

**Is there an event in your life you would like a 'do-over' for?:** All I can think about is French final exams, because I just took them, just the speaking part.

**If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be?:** Probably the first time people came to America, not even the people who settled here. The Vikings who came to Canada, the first time people found this land and didn't stay here. It'd either be that, or cavemen.

**If you could make one rule everyone had to follow, what would it be?:** You can't spit your gum out in the drinking fountain — I hate that — or in the halls.

**What physical or mental attribute, if any, would you change about yourself?:** Is procrastination a mental thing? Willingness to start things and work on them.

**If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say?:** 'Don't worry about what you look like. Don't be self-conscious too much. Don't be afraid to wear a sign.'

**What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to?:** The showing of our play. I'm looking forward to performing.

**My children will never be allowed to:** get in a pointless fight at school.

**Front row seats and backstage passes. Who are you seeing?:** 'Everline,' it's pop rock.

**What has been the best day in your life so far?** I really like holidays in general, with my family, Christmas and Thanksgiving holidays. I really like all of them. I like hanging out with my family; I have a really cool family. I like hanging out with my cousins. We're all really close. And, in Florida, they just had the new Harry Potter park open. That was really fun. I read all of the books. I need to reread them, because I read them so long ago. I've seen every single one in theaters.

**What are your plans after graduation?:** Hopefully, I will have found a good college. I'm undecided.

**What are your spring break plans?:** We're going down to Florida. First, we're going to see our great-aunt and uncle and then we're going to go to the beach afterward.

**My parting advice for a better world is:** Don't make a big deal out of nothing.

## Student Body asked at Holly High School

### What are your plans for spring break?

#### TODD REY, SENIOR



"Probably working, I work at Aco Hardware."

#### WILL EVANS, SENIOR



"Flying out to Boise, then down to the Mojave Desert. Me and my mom are going to rent some four-wheelers and do some sight-seeing."

#### CORTNEY MUNGER, SENIOR



"I am going to Pompano Beach in Florida with my best friend."

#### LANDREA HILL, FRESHMAN



"To stay home and sleep."

#### FELICIA HANG, SENIOR



"Just hanging out with my family and friends, and probably going down and seeing my hometown, Ferndale."



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## Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memoriums

### Albert Dakoske,

Albert Dakoske - age 72, died March 11, 2011. Services to be handled by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Emma Vinyard,

Emma Vinyard - age 95, died March 10, 2011. Services to be arranged by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Gerald Shepard,

Gerald Shepard - age 96, died March 5, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Phyllis Mary Rabidoux 1933-2011

Phyllis Mary Rabidoux - age 77, of Fenton, passed away Thursday, March 10, 2011 at Genesys Health Park. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11AM Monday, March 14, 2011 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St.



Fr. Bosco Padamattummal celebrant. Visitation will be 1-5 PM Sunday at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Memorial donations may be made to University of Michigan Marching Band or Fenton Adopt-a-Pet. Phyllis was born May 9, 1933 in Flint the daughter of Russell and Reo (Brownell) Roberts. She was a 1951 graduate of Fenton High

School, earned her associates degree from Stratford College and attended the University of Kentucky. She was employed by Al Serra Chevrolet and later by Vic Canever Chevrolet until her retirement in 2009. Surviving are her 4

children, Mark Rabidoux (Sandy) of Ann Arbor, Kim McInerney (Michael) of Bloomfield Hills, Mary Ellen Smith (Thad) of Commerce Twp, Jeff Rabidoux (Katie) of Glen Arbor; 10 grandchildren; brother, Col. Russell "Bud" Roberts Ret. of Phoenix, AZ; nieces and a nephew. Online condolences and tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).

### Louise B. Blackmon,

Louise B. Blackmon - age 93, died March 10, 2011. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com).



### Donald E. Austin,

Donald E. Austin - age 48, died March 7, 2011. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com).



### Charles R. Morter,

Charles R. Morter - age 66, died March 4, 2011. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com).



### Richard Siwek,

Richard Siwek - age 67, died March 7, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Richard T. Sleeman 1937-2011

Richard T. Sleeman - age 73, of Rochester Hills, March 9, 2011. Beloved son of the late Robert and Clarinda Sleeman of Fenton. Loving husband of Lynn. Dear father of Jeffrey (Julie), Erica (Eric), and Lesley. Grandfather of Ethan and Chloe. Brother of Donald (Kathy). Richard had a 40 year career in Advertising/Broadcast Production. He had a passion for birding and nature/bird photography. Visitation Sunday, March 13, 2011 from 2-8 PM at the

### Modetz Funeral Home,

100 E. Silverbell Road, Orion. A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 2 PM on Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at University Presbyterian Church, 1385 Adams Rd., Rochester Hills. Interment at Guardian Angel Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Church or Seven Ponds Nature Center, Dryden, MI. Online guest book [www.modetzfuneralhomes.com](http://www.modetzfuneralhomes.com).

### Eugene Glass,

Eugene Glass - age 92, died March 10, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Dr. Barth E. Wheeler 1933-2011

Dr. Barth E. Wheeler - died in the comfort of his home with his wife, Carol, at his side after a long illness on Sunday, March 6, 2011. He was born November 11, 1933, Veteran's Day, in Indianapolis, IN. Dr. Wheeler graduated from Hanover College pre-med in 1955 and Indiana University School of Medicine in 1959. He served as a Captain Flight Surgeon in the United States Air Force from 1960-1963. He began his solo practice in Huntington, IN in 1963. He then became a partner of Family Practice Associates in 1973. Dr. Wheeler was a man of many talents, as well as a respected physician. He was the emergency room director of Hilton Head Hospital in South Carolina for four years. He retired to a farm that he loved in 1995. He was married to Sue Barnhisel Graham and they had five children together. Lisa, Brett, Jennifer, Chris and a son, Stuart, who is deceased. They shared four grandchildren, Ashton, Matthew, Maria and Elizabeth. Dr. Wheeler married Carol J. Kastner Burke in 1988. Carol has five children, Robin, Angie, Amy, Chris and Joy. Together they shared four grandchildren, Fleetwood, Vicari, Logan and Lauren. Dr. Wheeler enjoyed his family and many hobbies. He loved to take his folboat, which he built, into the Canadian Quetico. He was an avid camper and fisherman. Spring was his favorite season, as he was reigned the Mushroom King of the Morel Hunt within his family. Services were held at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel with interment at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly. A special thank you to Heartland Hospice and to the staff of the Radiology Department at Genesys Hospital. Tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Alma Warland,

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### Adam Harden,

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## Parmesan Crusted Chicken Breasts

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### Ingredients

- 1 1/2 to 2 pounds fingerling potatoes or red skin baby potatoes
- 1 small red bell pepper, seeded and cut into thin strips
- 1 Italian mild green pepper, cubanelle, seeded and thinly sliced
- 1 medium yellow skinned onion, thinly sliced
- 4 large cloves garlic, cracked away from skin
- 1 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- 1/4 cup tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- Coarse salt and pepper
- 2 cups shredded Parmesan, available in tubs near deli — make sure to get shredded cheese, not grated
- 4 (6 to 8-ounce) boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 4 plum Roma tomatoes or small, vine ripe tomatoes, seeded and chopped
- 15 to 20 leaves fresh basil, pile leaves, roll then thinly slice — chiffonade

### PREPARATION:

Preheat oven to 500 degrees F. Cut fingerling potatoes into halves or quarters, depending on thickness of fingerlings — thin, small fingerlings may also be left whole, larger potatoes should be quartered to speed cooking process. If you are using small red potatoes, halve or quarter them in the same way. Cover a large cookie sheet with foil. Place potatoes on cookie sheet. Combine with peppers and onions, garlic and crushed red pepper flakes. Coat the potatoes, peppers and onions with extra-virgin olive oil just enough to coat vegetables in a thin layer, 2 to 3 tablespoons. Season liberally with salt and pepper. Place potatoes in the oven and roast 20 to 22 minutes, until potatoes are just tender and peppers and onions are crisp at edges. Toss mixture with tongs, turning the potatoes after 15 minutes. When the potatoes are cooked, transfer them to a serving dish and peel the foil off the cookie sheet and discard for super-quick clean up! While potatoes cook, prepare chicken. Roll out a 2-foot piece of waxed paper or foil near the stove top. Heat a large nonstick skillet over medium high heat — your pan must be very hot when the chicken is added. Pile the shredded cheese on the work surface created with the waxed paper or foil. Season your chicken breasts with black pepper but no salt; the cheese will add enough salt to the taste of the dish. Press the breasts firmly into the cheese. Coat both sides of breasts with as much cheese as possible. Add 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil to the skillet, 1 turn of the pan. Set breasts into the skillet and cook 7 minutes on each side, until cheese forms an even, golden casing around the tender chicken breasts. While chicken cooks, combine chopped tomatoes with basil in a small bowl. Season with salt and pepper, to your taste. Drain off any excess oil from chicken as you remove it from the skillet. Top chicken with big spoonfuls of raw sauce and serve with potatoes, peppers and onions.



# Three on a date is one too many

**DEAR AMY:** After a few years of being a hermit, I recently tested the dating waters. Two out of the two women I went out with spent most of the time on our first date talking about their ex-husbands and ex-boyfriends, thus creating a situation in which I felt as if I were out with them and their exes — rather than them and me. Is this a common phenomenon? Do others share this feeling of alienation on dates? What is the point? I suppose if I was only looking for a roll in the hay, I wouldn't care; but I do care.

Amy Dickinson



Ask Amy

— Perplexed

**DEAR PERPLEXED:** Your two dates broke the cardinal rule of first dates, which is to leave the ex at home. You're a rookie, too — otherwise you would know that screenwriter Cameron Crowe crafted the perfect response to this breach in the great date movie "Jerry Maguire." You'll have to channel and paraphrase Renee Zellweger in this scenario, but trust me — this is a genderless classic. When you're out on a first date and your date talks about her ex, you reach across the coffee shop table, place one hand, gently, across her lips and soulfully say, "Please — let's not tell each other our sad stories. ..." And then you change the subject.

**DEAR AMY:** I live in a rather small apartment complex and know just about everyone in the building — at least to say hello. A wonderful older woman in the building passed away a couple of weeks ago. I didn't know her family, except her brother-in-law. He came by like clockwork to take her shopping, to church, etc. I slipped a sympathy card in her door for her family. I wrote what a sweet person she was and said she would be missed. I added that if there was anything I could do to help the family, to call me. I included my phone and apartment number. The family had her apartment cleaned out in a week, and I never knew if there was a memorial for my neighbor. Then, yesterday, I received a gratitude card from the family. The strange thing is that this card contained a \$20 bill. I want to send it back but don't know if it would offend them. I'm not sure if sending this money is part of a custom I don't know about. What should I do?

— Apartment Dweller

**DEAR DWELLER:** This family may have assumed that your kindness after their relative's death meant that you had done things for her when she lived down the hall. Sometimes people don't know how to express their gratitude, other than to try to compensate someone financially. You might want to pop that \$20 into the collection plate at your place of worship (or hers), donate it to your favorite charity, or take a friend out for a drink and raise a glass to your late neighbor. Don't return this money. The family was trying to do something nice for you, and though their gesture was clunky, they meant well.

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

# JUMBLE

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

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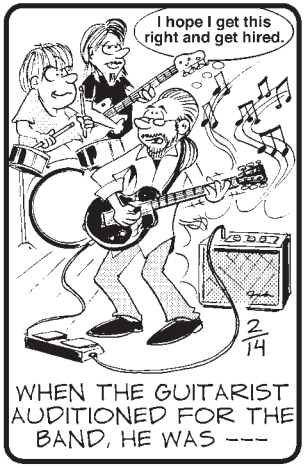
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Wednesday's jumble answers

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Answer: This comes out during a debate — YOUR OPINION



THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Mike Argirion and Jeff Knurek



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Answer: This comes out during a debate — YOUR OPINION

PAUL G. DONOHUE, M.D.  
To your good health

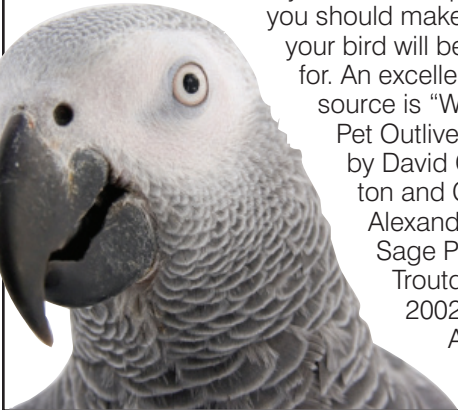
**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** Please explain why I have to take my shoes off late every day because my feet and ankles have swollen and don't fit into the shoes. I flop around in slippers without heels. In the morning, after a night's sleep, my feet are back to normal. I am 77 and take no medicines. — K.M.

**ANSWER:** I can't give you an unequivocal response because there are numerous causes of foot and ankle swelling. The medical name for such swelling is edema. Even in relatively healthy people, it occurs if people sit or stand for any length of time. Gravity pulls fluid out of the circulation, and it accumulates in the feet and ankles. This is especially true at older ages, when the circulatory system becomes somewhat leaky. For this kind of swelling, the solution is to elevate the legs when sitting. The most effective elevation is raising the legs above heart level, something that can be done only by lying down with pillows propping up the legs. Getting up and moving about is another way to prevent fluid accumulation in the feet. Heart failure is a more serious cause of such swelling. When the heart's pumping action becomes feeble, fluid escapes from blood vessels and again accumulates in the ankles and feet. Kidney disease with retention of body fluid is another cause of edema. Liver disease does the same. Another condition called lymphedema produces the same picture. Lymph is fluid that normally escapes the circulation to percolate around tissues and organs to provide nourishment and to wash away germs. Small vessels called lymphatics vacuum up this fluid and return it to the circulation. Anything that disrupts lymphatics can lead to ankle/foot swelling. An old infection and surgery are two such disruptors. Since ankle and foot swelling is a sign of many urgent medical conditions, don't fool around with this. See your family doctor. The booklet on edema and lymphedema clearly describe these conditions and their treatment. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 106W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

## BY STEVE DALE my pet world

**Q:** Is it true that an African grey parrot can live up to 60 years? I was thinking about getting one, but I'm going to be 60 in two weeks. Would I have to leave my bird in my will? — S.J., Indianapolis, IN

**A:** African grey parrots typically live 40 to 60 years, so unless you can guarantee that you'll live well past 100, you should make certain your bird will be provided for. An excellent resource is "When Your Pet Outlives You," by David Congalton and Charlotte Alexander (New Sage Press, Troutdale, OR, 2002; \$12.95). And Happy Birthday!







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## Holly Village clerk/treasurer resigns

By Tim Jagielo

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The Holly Village Council has begun the process of finding a replacement for Clerk/Treasurer Susan Nassar, who is responsible for overseeing the village office administrative operations, such as payroll, and water and sewer billing and collections. Nassar announced her resignation at a special meeting last week, and has mostly been at home. Technically, her last day is March 18.

Soon, the village will be posting an advertisement for the new position, and has already received one application.

"I'm going to miss the village, I love the village," said Nassar, who said she was leaving for personal reasons. "I can't clone myself," she said. "It is a big responsibility."

In the interim, the council voted 4 to 3 to give the deputy clerk/treasurer Cherie Hedrick the extra responsibilities of clerk/treasurer, with about a \$1,200 pay increase while she performs both jobs. "I'm glad I can help out," said Hedrick. "I'm running around like a dog chasing its tail."

This new hiring process comes on the heels of a complete manager hiring process, and an in-progress police chief search.

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**IF OUR FEDERAL** government would sign all the permits for exploration of oil, gas and coal, the five million people that have quit looking for work could possibly find jobs, and the 8.9 percent reported unemployment would be under 4 percent. Instead, we have to protect Saudi Arabia because they supply 65 percent of our oil usage. This is not rocket science.

**MICHIGAN IS ONE** of 19 states that do not tax pensions. I find it unfair that I will be taxed when I draw from my 401K, and those who receive pensions do not pay tax. I think it is about time that they did.

**PLEASE TELL ME** why the politicians in Washington won't allow drilling for oil in this country, when indications are that we have more oil below ground here than there is in the Middle East. It certainly can't be all about pushing us into buying electric-fueled cars. We need to stop buying overseas oil, as well as other overseas products, that can be produced right here in the once great USA.

**SOMETHING NEEDS TO** be done about the excessive potholes and flooding on Sharp Road, about 100 yards off Lahring Road. It is flooded out so badly that my sedan can no longer make it past without bottoming out, which is ridiculous. The township claims it's the county's problem, yet the county claims it's the township's. Does anybody know whom I can contact to have this issue resolved?

**'DRILL, BABY, DRILL.'** Not so funny now, is it?

**RICK ROCKMAN LEFT** his mark on the area as few do. I was a volunteer police officer in Linden when he was commissioner of the first Linden police department, ever. He was one of a kind.

**A PARENT IS** a child's most important teacher. Teachers at school come second and help to provide additional knowledge that the parent cannot. If you do not approve of your child's teacher and do not think they are doing a good job, remove your child from their class. If all parents did this, then the bad teachers will get fired. Whining gets you nowhere. Put your action where your mouth is.

**WHY WOULD ANYONE** think that without unions we would not have the advantages of white teeth, a car or a higher education? Do they really have no faith in the American ingenuity and hard work ethic? My parents taught me to work hard and be honest. I have a car, white teeth and a higher education, and I never worked for a union.

**MICHIGAN IS ALREADY** a 'right to work' state. You can work anywhere you like and are qualified for. Some jobs require a suit and tie, or you don't work there. Some require a degree, or you don't work there. Some require you are part of a bar association, or you don't work there. Finally, some require union membership that protects workers' health/safety, seniority rights, and reasonable work for reasonable pay. Wake up, people.

**SORRY TO THE** pot smoker, but it is a known fact that most people who start out smoking pot, do progress to heroin and other substances. Maybe you would have graduated with a 4.0 if you didn't smoke pot.

**PLEASE, WHEN IT'S** icy or snowy, clear handicapped parking spaces so the people who need them can use them safely.

**PLANNED PARENTHOOD SHOULD** be de-funded (along with NPR). Why should taxpayers pay for your women's reproductive rights?

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## COUNSELOR

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put the family on the path to harmony (ehow.com).

A family should begin by answering some questions. Decide what issues to work on, and what to accomplish. Does it make a difference if the counselor is male or female? In addition, decide whether day appointments will work, or if weekend/evening ones are needed.

### Summary

► Blended families have their own, unique challenges. A family counselor can help when the going gets rough.

Is the counselor's office in a convenient location? How will you pay, and what can you afford?

To locate a counselor, ask around. If friends or family members have mentioned receiving counseling, find out whether they liked their counselor,

ehow suggests. Many couples' counselors and some individual counselors also offer family therapy.

Livestrong.com suggests checking the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapists' website (aamft.org) for AAMFT clinical members found in one's area. The association has strict qualifications for its members, and parents might select at least three counselors for a phone interview.

Another option is asking a clergy member — many of them even offer counseling services. If a family doesn't want to obtain counseling from their clergy member, a religious leader can often help find a counselor who is in line with their values.

When calling a counselor, spend a



## QUESTIONS

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- **How soon** is an appointment available? What times and days are appointments available?
- **What issues** does he or she work with, and what is their specialty?
- **What experience** does the counselor have with the issues the family wants to work on? Can the therapist help, or provide a referral to another counselor?
- **How would** the family and the therapist work together on issues?
- **How long** will it take?

few minutes talking. If one feels pressured by the office administrator into making an appointment or hurried off the phone, it could mean the counselor is high-pressure or too busy to provide his or her full attention. If the receptionist is friendly and not hurried, it often means the counselor has established a supportive atmosphere (ehow.com).

Discover the counselor's specialty. Therapists often have certain areas of expertise. If a family's issue or issues are complex or unique, they might need to find out whether potential therapists have dealt with a specific challenge before.



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## VILLAGE OF HOLLY ORDINANCE NO. 407

An ordinance to amend the Village Zoning Ordinance to regulate medical marijuana dispensaries.

### THE VILLAGE OF HOLLY ORDAINS:

#### Section 1. Amendment to Section 201 of Article 2 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance.

The Village hereby amends Section 201 of Article 2 of the Village Zoning Ordinance by adding thereto the following definition:

#### Medical Marijuana Dispensary.

A medical marijuana dispensary shall mean a facility, jointly owned or operated by two or more "primary caregivers," where marijuana is grown, cultivated, stored, dispensed or offered for sale to "qualifying patients" under the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act of 2008. A "primary caregiver," "qualifying patient" and "marijuana" shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act of 2008.

#### Section 2. Amendment to section 1102 of Article 11 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance.

The Village hereby amends Section 1102 of Article 11 of the Village Zoning Ordinance by adding thereto a "medical marijuana dispensary" as a principle use permitted as a Special Land Use in the Commercial zoning district.

#### Section 3. Amendment to Section 1710 of Article 17 of the Village Zoning Ordinance.

The Village hereby amends Section 1710 of Article 17 of the Village Zoning Ordinance by adding thereto a new subsection 31, labeled "Medical Marijuana Dispensary" to read as follows:

#### 30. Medical Marijuana Dispensary.

##### a. Locational Limitations.

A medical marijuana dispensary shall not be permitted:

- (i) within five hundred (500) feet of any other medical marijuana dispensary;
- (ii) within five hundred (500) feet of a residential district or use;
- (iii) within one thousand (1000) feet of any school, nursery, licensed day care center or other building used for the care or instruction of children under 18 years of age;
- (iv) within one thousand (1000) feet of any church, house of worship or other religious facility or institution;
- (v) within one thousand (1000) feet of any public or municipal park.

##### b. Operational Limitations.

- (i) a medical marijuana dispensary shall only operate between 8:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M., Monday through Saturday;
- (ii) a medical marijuana dispensary must comply at all times with each and every provision of the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act of 2008 (MCL 333.26421, et seq. );
- (iii) marijuana or cannabis shall only be grown, manufactured or harvested inside a fully enclosed structure or building that is kept secured with locks to prevent unintended or uninvited access;
- (iv) persons under the age of eighteen (18) years of age are not permitted to be on the premises of any medical marijuana dispensary unless they possess a valid Medical Marijuana Registry Card issued by the State of Michigan or another state;
- (v) the owner of a medical marijuana dispensary who violates these sections shall be liable for all costs associated with the investigation, prosecution and enforcement of that violation;
- (vi) the cultivation, manufacturing, growing or distribution of marijuana shall not occur in connection with or at a location at which any other commodity, product or service is also available.

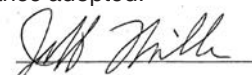
#### Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after publication.

At a regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Holly held on Tuesday March 8, 2011, adoption of the foregoing ordinance was moved by Kleven and supported by Hughes.

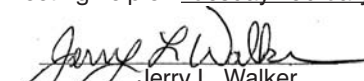
Voting for: 7  
Voting against: 0

The Village President declared the ordinance adopted.

  
Jeff Miller  
Village President

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 407 which was enacted by the Village Council of the Village of Holly at a regular meeting held on Tuesday February 8, 2011

  
Jerry L. Walker  
Village Manager



# Turnovers cost Bronchos against Clarkston, 58-40

By Al Zipsie

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**Fenton** — Holly varsity boys basketball's season ended Wednesday.

Like Fenton two days earlier, they were a victim of Clarkston and their run of 17 district championships in a row.

The Wolves knocked out the Bronchos 58-40 in the MHSAA Class A District semifinal. Clarkston started the season slowly at 4-5, but have not lost since, as they ran their winning streak to 13. The Wolves (17-5) went for their 18th straight District championship Friday against Grand Blanc.

The Bronchos scored only one basket in the opening quarter. Brent Staffne scored that one with 4:13 left in the period. Meanwhile, the Wolves scored 13 unanswered points, making a 4-2 lead into a 17-2 one at the end of the first quarter.

In the second quarter, Nick Stoll and Jared Plawski converted offensive boards into hoops, cutting the lead to 23-11, but Holly never got the lead back to single-digits. The Bronchos' leading scorer, Josh Fugate, was held scoreless in the first half as his jumper rimmed out as time ran out in the second quarter, with Clarkston holding

a 27-11 cushion at intermission.

"The story was, simply, our turnovers," Holly coach Lance Baylis said. "They have a good defense, but the factor was we had 14 unforced turnovers in the first half, just throwing the ball away for whatever reason."

"We played them pretty even after that. Our defense was fine. It wasn't the fact of missing a lot of shots. It's just, with that many turnovers, you don't get many shots off."

"It was hard to drive and then kick it out for shots like we like to do," Fugate said. "They played great defense, always with two guys right on you."

Fugate scored his first points on a drive and a flip reverse with just over a minute elapsed in the third quarter. At the 2:13 mark, Stoll was called for a technical for hanging on the rim. Tatu sank both free throws. Then the lanky 6-foot-7 Marcus Hardy had a hoop for a four-point play on the possession. Tatu's free throw with 1:39 left gave the Wolves a 24-point lead, which was their biggest of the game.

Fugate led Holly with 11 points. The 6-foot-6 junior Stoll had 16 rebounds. The

**See BRONCHOS on 15B**



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Holly's Brent Staffne (right) prepares to take a shot during the Bronchos' district loss to Clarkston on Wednesday.

## What's On Television?

### SATURDAY

#### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

(CBS)..... Conference USA final..... 11:30 a.m.

**ESPN2**..... America East final..... Noon

**abc**..... SEC semifinal..... 1 p.m.

**ESPN**..... ACC semifinal..... 1 p.m.

(CBS)..... Big Ten semifinal..... 1:30 p.m.

**ESPN**..... ACC semifinal..... 3 p.m.

**abc**..... SEC semifinal..... 3:30 p.m.

(CBS)..... Big Ten semifinal..... 4 p.m.

**ESPN2**..... Southland final..... 4 p.m.

(CBS)..... Pac 10 final..... 6 p.m.

**ESPN**..... Big 12 final..... 6 p.m.

**ESPN2**..... MAC final..... 6 p.m.

**ESPN2**..... Big West final..... 8 p.m.

**ESPN**..... Big East final..... 9 p.m.

**ESPN2**..... WAC final..... 10 p.m.

**GOLF**

(GOLF)..... PGA Tour: Cadillac Championship..... Noon

**NBC**..... PGA Tour: Cadillac Championship..... 2 p.m.

#### HOCKEY

(FSD)..... Red Wings at Blues..... 8 p.m.

#### PRO BASKETBALL

(FSD+)..... Pistons at Nuggets..... 9 p.m.

### SUNDAY

#### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**abc**..... SEC final..... 1 p.m.

**ESPN**..... ACC final..... 1 p.m.

(CBS)..... Big Ten final..... 3:30 p.m.

#### PRO BASKETBALL

**abc**..... Magic at Suns..... 3:30 p.m.

#### HOCKEY

(FSD)..... MHSAA D2 final..... Noon

**NBC**..... Blackhawks at Capitals..... 12:30 p.m.

(FSD)..... MHSAA D3 final..... 2 p.m.

(FSD)..... MHSAA D1 final..... 4 p.m.

**GOLF**

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**NBC**..... PGA Tour: Cadillac Championship..... 3 p.m.

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- 15U ..... 2:30-4:00pm
- 16U/17U ..... 3:30-5:00pm

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# Yovich enjoying life on snowmobile race circuit

►Rose Twp. resident's team in first entering final race of the year

By David Troppens

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Dave Yovich has always had a passion for snowmobiles.

"I used to race when I was a kid — when I was 20 years old until I was 24, I think," said Yovich, who is now a few decades older than that. "I've always been into racing."

And now the Rose Township resident and Holly businessman is back into the sport he loves.

Yovich, a collector of snowmobiles, is the owner of a snowmobile that races in the Great Lakes Antique Snowmobile Series during the winter season. And right now, his team is doing pretty good.

With one race remaining in the season, and that race was this weekend, Yovich's Team 407 North snowmobile team is in first place in the season point standings.

And his team is on a hotstreak. The team's

most recent race — the Lincoln 150 — was a victory. While it was a non-points race, it did help the team test out a new motor in preparations for this weekend's race in Sault Ste. Marie.

## Snowmobile Racing

► **Organizations:** There are several snowmobile racing organizations throughout the Great Lakes area, one being the Great Lakes Antique Snowmobile Series, the one in which Dave Yovich competes.

► **GLASS:** GLASS is a northern Michigan vintage snowmobile racing organization. All snowmobiles must be a 1975 model year or older. It holds for points races during the winter.

► **Qualifying:** It's very much like NASCAR racing, in that the driver with the best qualifying time starts on the pole. On difference is, a team can try to qualify more than once.

► **Race:** Races consist of a set number of laps. During those laps, a driver can be replaced, will need to pit and may have mechanical issues.

► **End of season:** Yovich's team is in first in the season point standings entering the final race of the year, in Sault Ste. Marie. The event was this weekend.

"We ran it 88 laps with Nate Woodward, and then Justin Waleski raced it the last 62," Yovich said. "We went to test a new motor and it ran really good."

Snowmobile racing is much like a NASCAR event. Before each race, there is qualifying. The fastest lap times take the better starting positions. Drivers can try to improve upon their qualifying time as many times as they want. Most races have just over 30 drivers and each race has a designated number of laps. But while there are laps, not all tracks are clean ovals. There

are pitstops to refuel and for mechanical problems, which happen frequently. But unlike NASCAR racing, the teams do change drivers frequently during



stops. For Yovich, who serves as a mechanic for his snowmobile, he has three drivers — Woodward, Waleski and Eric Zellar.

The team runs in a division that includes vintage snowmobiles. What qualifies as vintage in this case are snowmobiles that were built in 1975 or earlier. There are modifications to the snowmobiles and newer, or even fabricated parts, are added to the snowmobiles, but crucial parts must remain from 1975 or earlier. A couple of those parts are the chassis and the engine.

Yovich got back into racing about three years ago.

"A bunch of my friends were getting into it, so that's why I did it," Yovich said. "The first year I ran and I liked it so much, I decided I was going to build my own snowmobile."

His first year, he ran the one race, but then joined the four-race GLASS season last year. He ended up taking third during what was the first points season ever.

This year, his team has remained very strong. The team won its first race of the season, but it was a non-points race. They have taken ninth, first and third in the three points races, giving them a slight, 10-point lead in the standings.

The races involve much more than actual racing. In fact, that may take the least amount of time to be successful.

Yovich's team takes apart their snowmobiles completely after every race, looking for mechanical issues and other problems.

"It involves hundreds of hours," Yovich said. "I have a guy that all he does is work on my stuff."

Because the snowmobiles are so old, it's hard to find some of the parts needed. Yovich has at least "two of everything," and much of that was collected by traveling the



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Justin Waleski (both pictures) drives Rose Township's Dave Yovich's snowmobile during a recent race. The team enters this week in first place in the season point standings in the GLASS series.

country for those pieces.

And because the snowmobiles are old and only have 350 CC engines, mechanical problems always arise. In fact, it's how teams deal with these mechanical problems that will dictate much of your race success.

"At Newberry, we found a problem with the motor at 9 a.m. and the race started at 10 a.m.," Yovich said. "We had the motor tore apart, back together and out to race in 45 minutes."

"Pretty much something is going to happen every race. These snowmobiles aren't designed for 200 laps a race. If you don't have problems, you are going to win."

The sport doesn't pay much. In fact, once expenses are figured in, it doesn't pay at all. Most races pay about \$3,000 for winning and about \$250 if you qualify for the pole. Other tracks may give a small bonus (maybe \$1 a lap) for each lap a driver leads.

Yovich hopes to create a sled for the stock class, which would allow him to compete in the Soo 500, the Indianapolis 500 of snowmobile racing.

"We just got a sled," Yovich said. "We are just getting started."

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Lake Fenton's Spencer Quick (left) is defended by Linden's Shayne Brown in the Blue Devils' win against the Eagles on Wednesday.

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body on the line to help our team out," Quick said. "It helps us get momentum in the game, and it seemed to work (with the charge). After we got that charge, we seemed to go on a run. The defense got into it, and we had way more momentum."

Right after the charge, another Lake Fenton player that isn't afraid to get physical, Mitch Kirk, drove inside and was fouled, scoring two free throws. Linden followed with a Shayne Brown three-pointer, but Quick followed just eight seconds later with an inside hoop. Lake Fenton led 29-28 with 5:32 left in the third quarter, and would never trail again.

Lake Fenton would go on to score on each of its next three possessions — four points by Sean Canning on shots inside and two on a Devin Evans fastbreak layup, putting Lake Fenton up 38-29 with 3:10 left in the quarter.

Linden remained competitive, but never really made a dent into that lead the rest of the game, usually trailing by nine to 12 points. The deficit did get knocked down to eight points a couple of times. The last time came at 47-39 on a baseline layup by Linden's Brad Farthing with 3:08 left in the fourth, but the Blue Devils ended the threat on their next possession. Canning was fouled and made the first of two free throws. He missed the second, but Quick got the rebound and scored on the putback. The Lake Fenton lead was back up to 50-39, and it never got under double-digits again.

The Blue Devils are usually an uptempo

team, but used a patient halfcourt game to attack Linden's defense, and it worked. Canning led three double-digit scorers with 23 points, while Kirk had 12 points and Quick, 10. The Blue Devils hit on 20-of-34 shots from the field. Canning had eight rebounds, while Quick had seven.

"Actually, that was a shocker," Kirk said about the Blue Devils' halfcourt efficiency. "We don't do it too much. We had one game blown away, because we slowed it down like that, but we slowed it down. We didn't turn the ball over, and just penetrated and kicked. It worked."

The Blue Devils took a 21-14 lead on a driving hoop by Canning with 4:22 left in the first half, but Linden went on a 9-2 run to end the half, tying the game at 23-all. It was a layup by Brown off an assist from Max Powell that tied it. However, the second half was all Lake Fenton.

"We came out with more energy and shot the ball better," Kirk said.

Linden had to play much of the game without Brad Farthing. He had his third foul just 1:59 into the game, and was forced out of it until the start of the second half. He finished with six points and fouled out with 3:05 left. Without him, Powell led Linden with 11 points, but he also fouled out with 2:32 left. Kevin Backer had 10 points, but didn't score in the second half.

"We missed so many shots in the lane," Linden coach Denny Hopkins said. "We had 18 shots within three feet of the basket. That's probably as bad as we've played in a long time. Not having Brad for 1 1/2 quarters didn't help, either. We had our chances, we just didn't convert. That's the game of basketball."

here and we were excited to play them. Of course, you are never happy losing but we have something to build on."

"You look at how many players we lost and I think we had a great season," said Fugate.

"The guys really stepped up with our other seniors in Brent Staffne, Matt Beckner and Anderius Gray."

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back and separated a shoulder and got in only eight matches. Jake Hosking had two impressive wins but then broke a hand in a match with New Lothrop. He returned, but wasn't able to return in time to qualify for the individual state tournament. Still, the Blue Devils always pushed forward.

Personal records were set. Zach Corcoran and Vance Corcoran became the first Lake Fenton father-son combination to each win individual state titles. They celebrated Corcoran's 16-4 major decision win over Fremont's John Wiggers with an emotional leap and embrace. Zach Corcoran went 60-1, with his only loss being a disqualification. He accomplished a few other things as well. He reached the 200 career win mark (206-13) and also became a four-time state placer.

"I have worked hard for all of this," said Corcoran. "I liked going first in the weight classes at 135 (at the Palace). I did not have to wait around and feel the

pressure build up. (I) just had to go out right away and get it done. It was a great year to get Lake Fenton on the map.

"It was the first year we went to the Team State and made it to the championship match. I got my first State title and broke the school record for career wins, and the one I wanted the most was hitting the 200 career wins."

Poyner (125) had a memory he'll never forget. At the team state meet, he had one of the most memorable matches in Lake Fenton history, defeating Dundee's Joey White, placing the team into the state finals. However, the next week, White kept the senior from winning a state title, in an overtime victory against Poyner. Poyner finished his career with 199 wins.

Justin Melick (145) capped off a dazzling career as he won his second straight state crown with a 6-4 decision over Dundee's Travis Reinhart. He won an individual and a team state last year with Detroit Central Catholic.

It was a year of great memories. These were just a few.

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