

**STORY: BALD EAGLE
SHOOTING**

“Throw the book at him, please.”

— Terry

“The crime here far outweighs the penalty to be imposed, and this man needs to be incarcerated longer

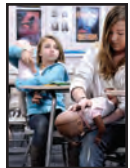


than six months for his senseless actions. These birds are majestic and are a national treasure.”

— Mike Smith

STORY: NEW CPR

“Although I appreciate your article and the efforts to introduce bystander CPR to the public, I believe your title is misleading.



CPR is still taught by both the American Red Cross

and American Heart Association with both breaths and compressions. Compression-only CPR is an exciting new tool for the reasons you detailed, but it is important to realize that all medical personnel is still taught full CPR.

— Sean S.

**STORY: GOOSE
POOP PROBLEM**

“These pests need to be destroyed wholesale. They pollute water, ruin beach-



es, lawns, golf courses and give nothing back

in return. They are a down-bred pond version that is simply a pest.”

— Malcolm

See **ONLINE** on 11A

**HOT LINE
OF THE WEEK**

“TO THE PERSON who didn't like Christmas trees in your lake, guess what? The DNR thanked me for giving a fish and all his little buddies a home.”



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John Wentworth, of Re/Max Platinum in Fenton, has sold 11 waterfront properties in Fenton Township so far this year. “The waterfront seems to be picking back up,” he said. “We’re stabilizing a little bit.”

IN THE MARKET FOR A HOME?

**Now is the
time to buy**

► Statistics show what realtors are seeing — economy and home sales are improving

By Sharon Stone

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Maybe it's the allure of lakefront living or the realization that there are some very good deals out there. Realtors in the tri-county area have been seeing a lot of activity in the real estate market. Nationally, existing home sales fell in February following three straight monthly increases, according to a recent report by the National Association of Realtors (NAR).

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See **ECONOMY**
on 13A

CENSUS: Linden ranks first in county for population growth

► Whopping 39.5
percent increase

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Linden — City officials are basking in some good news recently revealed in the 2010 Census. Linden City saw a 39.5 percent increase in its population from 2000 to 2010,

placing it first for cities and villages, in Genesee County and fifth in Michigan. Linden went from a city with 2,861 residents to a city with 3,991.

See **GROWTH** on 10A

Census summary

► Fenton, Fenton Township, Linden, Holly Township, Argentine Township, Rose Township all gain population; Holly Village, Flint, Detroit all down in numbers. See statistics on 10A.

**Michigan passes
unemployment
reform bill**

► Eliminates six weeks of
benefits as of January 2012

Summary House Bill 4408 is designed to extend unemployment benefits, and also rein in unemployment fraud by claimants. It also cuts six weeks from regular Michigan unemployment.

By Tim Jagielo

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On Wednesday, the Republican-controlled Michigan House of Representatives and Senate passed House Bill 4408, to amend the Michigan Unemployment Security act of 1936. Currently, the bill is on its way to be signed into law by Gov. Rick Snyder.

See **UNEMPLOYMENT** on 8A

Local businessman in Libya still safe

By Tim Jagielo

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As the U.S. and international military have stepped in to protect civilians in Libya, and the bombs have begun falling, those military actions have direct after-shocks here, in Fenton.

“I don’t have contact,” said

**Bombs rain
down in town
where he
is staying**

Lois Van Lente, of Tyrone Township, regarding her husband Mustafa Gheriani who is in Libya.

Gheriani was on business in his home country of Libya when protests began

against Libyan leader Colonel Moammar Muhammad Al-Qaddafi began. He chose to join the rebels and not escape the country.

Van Lente finally heard from her husband via satellite phone Thursday morning, reporting he is safe. She believes he is likely still in Benghazi, but is not sure.

Last week, international forces lead by the United States began striking Qaddafi’s military installations.

See **LIBYA** on 7A



“Literally, if they hadn’t acted when they did, Benghazi would have paid a horrible price.”

Lois Van Lente
wife of Libyan rebel fighter



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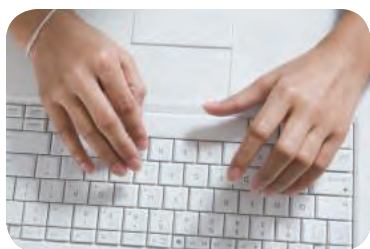
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To ward off a midnight snack attack, try this move. Sitting up in bed, extend the left leg and bend the right knee. Next, place your right hand on your side for balance and touch your left elbow to the outside of your right knee. Hold for three breaths and switch sides. This yoga pose called Marichyasana functions as an internal abdominal massage that triggers the release of appetite-suppressing brain chemicals.

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MUSIC MATTERS

Kids who study music enjoy lifelong benefits

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Just ask Laura Blanchard, owner of the Kindermusik franchise in Fenton, about the benefits of music education for young children, and she'll say that working with children and their parents as they make the joyful noise of music is "music to her ears."

Blanchard believes strongly in the fun music brings, as

"Music touches the soul and brings joy to the tiniest babies, the elderly — and everyone in between."

Laura Blanchard
owner, Kindermusik

well as the value it brings for a child's physical, cognitive, social and emotional development.

"I can't describe to people the sheer joy I feel when I go to work and get to share music with parents and their children," said Blanchard, who also

serves as choir director at Transfiguration Lutheran Church in Fenton.

See MUSIC on 23A



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Teacher Laura Blanchard leads her Thursday morning Kindermusik class in a dance with scarves to Indian Tabla music. The class helps develop cognitive and motor skills through music.

Rape victim's 'help me' changed rescuer's life

► From the projects in Pontiac to the Oprah Winfrey show

By Sharon Stone

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Kenneth Charles Briggs, a Fenton resident, shared an inspiring story of overcoming adversity with the Rotary Club on Tuesday. Former Rotarian Sandra Lemon met Briggs at a gym in Fenton. Being the only black man at the gym, she said he really stood out. She was determined to make him feel welcomed. As the two became acquainted, he told her about his life. He moved to Fenton after marrying Heather Longstreth, of Linden. Since the Rotarians are always seeking interesting speakers, she asked if he would be willing to share his story. He accepted.

Briggs, 38, grew up surrounded by gangs and violence in the low-income projects of Pontiac. His mother, who died when he was 12, worked to instill her



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO

Kenneth Charles Briggs shared his inspiring story to the Rotary members, who attended a breakfast at Spring Meadows Golf & Country Club on Tuesday morning.

Christian values in him, as well as a love for cooking.

After his mother passed away, his life consisted of either staying with relatives or being homeless. The streets of Pontiac were a tough place to grow up. As a 14-year-old boy in 1988, he witnessed his brother and several of his gang friends, rape and torture a young suburbanite runaway at a known crack house in the late '80's.

He said, the girl, clinging to life, whispered to him, 'Help me.' Those two words changed his life forever. He rescued the runaway and helped the prosecutors lock away the men responsible, including his brother. His family turned their backs on Briggs for his actions.

The judge in the case was so impressed with Briggs that he helped him find a new home. As a teen, he moved to Canada and flourished in his new high school. He later returned to Detroit, worked for the Detroit Lions and

See KENNETH BRIGGS on 10A

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Wacky world of words

Like most people, I see and read lots of words every day on computer screens, in newspapers, on TV, signs, menus, billboards, semis, bumper stickers, bills, commercial vehicles — pretty much everywhere you look you will see words.

Most of the words I see affect me in differing ways. Some, like 'willowy,' are pleasant and conjure up a vision of a graceful, long-legged colt. Some, like 'bloated,' are disgusting and remind me of painful episodes of ... um, intestinal distress.

Some, like 'burp, cuckoo, croak, hiccup, meow, ping-pong, zip' and 'sizzle' sound exactly like the event or activity they describe. Some, like 'bimonthly,' are ambiguous as to their meaning (twice a month or every other month — hmmm)?

Some words are virtually unknown, like 'sororal,' which is the opposite of fraternal, or 'cloward,' the term for a group of cats.

Other words are notable for odd reasons — such as words that exist only in plural form, like 'binoculars, forceps, gallows, glasses, pliers, scissors, shears, tongs etc.

Some words are unique, such as 'dreamt,' which is the only English word to end in 'mt.'

There are a few words that I simply cannot tolerate, and so, avoid them whenever possible. A perfect example of

a word that should be replaced because nearly everyone is disgusted by it is 'crotch.' And the names of the parts that generally exist in each human's... um, crotch is just as bad. That whole collection is titled oddly enough without labeling the aggregate as 'crotch.' I am

proud to say that I have never uttered the word 'crotch' in public — not even in reference to a tree.

Another disgusting word is 'bulbous.' Many people (me not among them), think that bulbous is a noun. Example: 'I regret to inform you Mr. Childs that you have a large, stage three, phlegmatic bulbous attached to your sarcophagus, which will now have to be removed — the bulbous, not the sarcophagus.'

Truth be told, bulbous is an adjective. Example: 'The enormous pores in Grampa's bulbous nose could hold enough mustard to supply a New York City deli for a month.'

I don't mind 'bulb.' I can tolerate the versatile and handy 'ous.' It's only when you couple them that the result resembles the genetically-unfortunate child of two beautiful parents who each inexplicably (one of my favorite words) provided their worst physical features and traits to their butt-ugly spawn.

But, I digress.

Another awful word is 'jowls.' Web-

ster's repugnantly defines 'jowls' as 1) a fold of flesh hanging from the jaw, as of a very fat person, or 2) the meat of the cheek of a hog, or 3) the dewlap of cattle, or 4) the wattle of fowls. 'Jowls' is also unique in the sense that the facial contortions required to pronounce it actually produce jowls on the unfortunate speaker — a phenomenon known as 'Nixonitis.'

Even 'word' is weird. Shouldn't it be pronounced like 'lord,' 'cord' or 'ford,' not like turd?

And who came up with philtrum (space between nose and upper lip), glabella (flat space above the nose, between the eyebrows) and tragus (the little bump in your ear, above the lobe).

If I were King, all body part names would be royally restricted to one syllable. If 'brain' and 'heart' can be one syllable, so can any other part.

And what the hell is a dewlap?

Never mind. I don't want to know.

And that's my final word.

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BUY AMERICAN MADE? GM just closed two factories here in the United States because the parts they need for assembly come from Japan. What is American made?

ONLY IN AMERICA do you have to press 1 for English and then wind up with a foreign customer service representative that you can't understand.

NOTHING IS MORE vital to the survival of our country than developing the ample sources of energy that exist in our own territory. Depending on foreign resources is insanity.

IF FENTON'S IB program is generating students, then why are we down 33 and Lake Fenton is up more than 50.

GOD BLESS THE United States of America and God bless you and me.

I FIND IT amazing that everyone is complaining about what our state government is doing, but no one is complaining about what they are not doing. If they did away with all of the state representatives' free medical and pensions that are given to them for their entire lives, then many, many millions of dollars would be saved. It would more than balance our current budget, with a surplus.

YES CONTRIBUTOR, I agree with you, Medicare or any other government money should not pay for Viagra. But, I do know that pregnancy is preventable.

GAS PRICES ARE not set by the gas station. I own one, and most of the time we lose money on gas. As far as the tanker not delivering gas and prices going up, that is because we follow the market and what it would cost us, per gallon to replace it. You wouldn't like it if gas dropped 20 cents and I stayed high, would you. Trust me, most of the time we lose.

THE CITY OF Fenton is looking to build a new library. Why not buy the old Farmer Jack building on Silver Parkway? It sure is big enough. It seems like it would be a lot cheaper to buy an existing building than build a new one. Is this too much common sense?

I SEE THAT the traffic signal timing on Owen Road has started. Our government is spending \$700,000 to time two miles of signal lights on Owen Road. It's no wonder that our government is broke. What a waste of money.

IF YOUR CHILD is fat, blame the fast-food industry. If they get bad grades, blame the teachers. If they get into drugs, it must be the drug dealers' fault. It's a lot easier to blame others than to face your own shortcomings as a parent. If you're not teaching your children right from wrong, don't be surprised if they go down the wrong path in life.

WOW, THE PRISONERS have their work cut out for them this year. Our highways are filthy.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR dogs off the AGS softball fields. We took advantage of the great weather Thursday and held practice, but couldn't even walk on the field without watching every step or where we put our equipment. If you can't pick up after your pet, you shouldn't have one. Stay off our field.

I AGREE TOTALLY about buying locally to help the local economy, but I believe in going a bit further and buying American-made products to help our national economy. Don't just settle for 'distributed by,' look for 'manufactured by' an American company. Americans need jobs and jobs produce American-made products. Go American or go without.

IT SEEMS TO me, most of the people who are too lazy to walk their shopping carts a few feet to the cart corral are the same ones who will block the road waiting for someone to pull out three spaces ahead of an open parking spot. Most of them look like they could use a little exercise as well.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



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What are your thoughts about the housing market?

streettalk



"A few people on my street have lost their homes. I'm very thankful mine is paid for. I worry for my grandchildren."

— Linda Yax, Fenton



"I live in Durand, but we have a lot of foreclosures in our area. You could get a deal on a house if you didn't have to sell."

— Debbie Warth, Durand



"It's a buyer's market. It'd be a great time to invest. I wish I could invest."

— Deb Lucas, Fenton



"The banks are just making it easier for the bigger man to buy it all up. That's what they're doing in downtown Detroit."

— Kathy Warfield, Byron



"I know it's down. I know it's bad for the area. We need to do something, get our local politicians involved."

— Les Smith, Mundy Township



"I see that values are still low, and foreclosures are still happening."

— Dory Ruffi, Fenton

Organizers losing hope for Linden Summer Happening

►Park in Mt. Morris suggested as alternative location

By Sharon Stone

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Linden — Unless there is a major turn of events, it appears that the Linden Summer Happening will become a thing of the past.

Tim Murphy, chairperson of the three-day festival, which has been taking place for 37 years, said the event is likely off, unless they are able to move it to Linden County Park on Byram Lake.

Traditionally, the festival has been held in downtown Linden; however, the VFW board no longer gave permission to have the entertainment tent on its property. Murphy suggested the tent be relocated to the public parking lot behind Down the Hatch, but acknowledged that this area was not ideal.

Summary

►Organizers of the Linden Summer Happening are running out of options, and time, to prepare for this year's festival in June. As of Friday, a location has not been finalized.

Murphy submitted a request to hold the festival at the county park in Fenton Township to the Genesee County Parks board; however, the parks board denied that request. One of the reasons was that the park does not allow alcohol on the premises.

As an alternative, the county parks board suggested the Linden Summer Happening be relocated to the E.A. Cummings Center in Mt. Morris, if they could not make arrangements to hold it in downtown Linden. The park in Mt.

Morris has been granted alcohol variances in the past.

Murphy said he and the Linden Summer Happening board have a goal of holding the festival at the county park along Linden Road. He said it's grown so much over the years, that more space, and parking was needed.

See **HAPPENING** on 7A

Anti-drug workshop well attended despite weather

By Sharon Stone

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A string of drug-related deaths has apparently awakened a sleeping giant in the Fenton area. Despite inclement weather, more than 60 people attended an anti-drug workshop Tuesday evening at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center.

The Community Parent, a growing group of community leaders, law enforcement, doctors, judges, counselors, parents, teachers and young people attended and worked together in small groups. The expanding task force has one major mission, to provide the resources to educate everyone about the dangers of drugs.

Tony Brown, a founding member of this group, is a Fenton Township trustee, as well as parent in the Lake Fenton school district. He has been shocked by the overwhelming response of individuals

"It was a good meeting, good turnout."

Tony Brown
Community Parent member

als wanting to help, as well as those coming forward asking for help.

Putting those seeking help with addiction, with the people offering help, has become the topic on everyone's minds as the community tries to heal after three recent drug overdoses.

Summary

►A Community Parent workshop was held Monday. More than 60 people, some seeking help with addiction, others offering help, attended and worked together.

Brown acknowledges the biggest problem right now is that addicts, or their families, do not know who to call or where to go for help. He said they'd start calling places only to be directed to try another place.

The Community Parent is working on publishing a list or directory of available help in this area, as well as continuing its anti-drug presentations at area schools.

Next Community Parent Workshop

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Holly Village Council approves contract for new police chief

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly — As of Tuesday, the village of Holly has a permanent police chief, following the retirement of Rollie Gackstetter in December 2010. Prior to the regular village council meeting on Tuesday, the finance and the personnel committee approved the contract with Elena Danishevskya. The council voted unanimously to approve her contract.

"Welcome chief, you're now official," said Council President Jeff Miller after the vote.

Danishevskya's first day will likely be April 4, or 11. She is leaving her post as police chief of Memphis, a smaller community in St. Clair County.

"The chief comes with the highest recommendations and credentials, so we're very fortunate to have her on board here," said Village Manager Jerry Walker.

Walker conducted an in-person back-



Elena
Danishevskya

"The chief comes with the highest recommendations and credentials, so we're very fortunate to have her on board here."

Jerry Walker
Holly Village manager

ground check in Memphis. "Every comment from every person spoken to had a positive recommendation," he said. He even received a positive response from a server at a restaurant, and a strong response from a group of seniors eating there. "They were pretty upset that we were in there trying to recruit their chief away," said Walker.

Danishevskya's first three areas of focus will be working with the seniors and the youth of the community, and also grant writing.

"Both communities are very charming," she said, adding that Holly is bigger than her last community, and that most communities have similar problems as well as goals.

"I'm very excited to start working here," said Danishevskya. "Everyone that I've met has just been tremendous."

Danishevskya's three-year contract includes a \$60,000 per year salary, and standard employee benefits.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO THE UNION guy who thinks the Democratic senators in Wisconsin should not be fired. Seriously, these people were elected to do a job and running away and hiding is not their job. You should be happy it passed. Fifteen hundred of your union buddies still have jobs, thanks to that bill passing. And there are just as many, if not more, petitions to recall those liberal (democratic) senators who ran away like little children.

TO ALL THE political pundits who whine and say Gov. Snyder is going down the wrong path to bring Michigan back to financial stability, if you are going to point out a problem, also provide an alternative solution. Haven't heard one yet from the naysayers.

I WOULD LIKE the owners of the local gas stations to know that they are missing out on selling more gas by capping the amount you can charge at \$75. I have been told that the credit card companies do this, but some gas stations I go to don't have a limit, and I can completely fill up there. What gives?

PLEASE STOP COMPLAINING about police officers issuing tickets or stopping people for 'stupid' reasons. The law is the law, and it's their job to enforce it, period. They can't pick and choose which laws to enforce. If you think it's a stupid law, then take it up with the lawmakers. Police officers do not make the laws.

FOR SOMEONE WHO is touting the benefits of IB you sure don't know much about it. Investigate yourself, if you really believe that this program provides revenue for the district. Even the people from the IBO recognize that this program is not a revenue maker.

WHAT IS UP with police cruisers leaving the cars running in the police lot for more than an hour. Our tax dollars are going out the exhaust pipe.

THE DEMOCRATS IN Michigan are screaming that the emergency financial manager bill puts people in charge who are not elected, have over-reaching power and no accountability. Have they been sleeping? Obama czars are the same exact thing. Typical liberal, double standard at work.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE REPUBLICANS AND others want to eliminate federal funding of Planned Parenthood to save taxpayer money for more pressing issues. Nobody said anything about closing Planned Parenthood, we just want them to find their own funding.

IF YOU LIVE in Torrey Grove or Golf View subdivisions in Fenton Township and thought you might have lake access, you may have. It doesn't hurt to ask. Stay informed. Knowledge is awesome.

FENTON CITY RESIDENTS, the village of Holly had a three-year increase of 2 mills to pay for their new state-of-the-art dispatch center. The city of Fenton has at least double the population. Maybe someone should start a committee to get a millage passed, say, three years at a 1-mill increase. It would be worth it.

I JUST LEARNED today that 35 percent of all families' income today is handouts, unemployment, welfare, disabilities etc. Now I know what President Obama was campaigning on in 2008 when he said we must redistribute the wealth in this country. At this pace, he will reach it just before the 2012 election, which should ensure a resounding victory. His strategy is beyond reproach.

IF THE ELECTED treasurer of Rose Township is not able to perform the duties, then the board should ensure that the individual is put out of office and an election held. There are provisions in the law to do so. Elective jobs are not welfare, but positions that must be filled in order that the people's business may be conducted. She should have resigned on her own.

I AGREE THAT teachers are one of the most influential people in our children's lives. The problem comes in when the union allows incompetent teachers to stay on the job. That is what is wrong with unions. Tenure is what is wrong with the system. Change tenure and I will strongly support you.

HAPPENING

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The next step, according to Murphy, is to ask the Genesee County Board of Commissioners to overturn the parks board's decision. If that does not work, he said he's been told to try contacting to the Public Works in mid April.

Initially, Murphy was to present site plans, as well as to discuss noise issues and times of alcohol consumption in the entertainment tent with the Linden City Council on Monday. He said it was unfortunate that a few noise complaints have had such an affect on the festival.

Murphy notified the city that he would not be attending the meeting.

Police&Fire report

CONVERTIBLE TOP SLICED

At 9:20 a.m. on March 18, Fenton police were sent to the 500 block of First Street for a larceny from a vehicle complaint. Someone sliced the convertible top of a 2003 Chrysler Sebring and stole a 56-year-old woman's debit card from the console. The bank has been notified and the account was closed.

ILLEGAL ENTRY

At 2:45 p.m. on March 22, Fenton police were sent to an apartment on Read-out Drive to investigate an illegal entry complaint. The 38-year-old resident said a 25-year-old Tyrone Township man knocked on his door to speak with his estranged wife, who was inside the apartment. A struggle ensued between the two men and the resident picked up the younger man and threw him out of the apartment. The case has been submitted to the local prosecutor for arrest warrants.

LOUD NOISE

At 12:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 23, Fenton police were sent to an apartment off Torrey Road to investigate a loud noise and music complaint. Occupants of the apartment would not answer when police knocked on the door. Police recognized one of the men's voices inside from past encounters and issued him a court appearance ticket for playing loud music by sliding the ticket under the door. Police are seeking an arrest warrant for another man inside the apartment. Management told police they would be addressing the loud noise issue.

LIBYA

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Van Lente believes that the international military response saved the city of Benghazi, where Gheriani is probably staying. Qadaffi's forces were encroaching on the outskirts of the city with heavy artillery. "Literally, if they hadn't acted when they did, Benghazi would have paid a horrible price," she said.

"We're incredibly grateful," she said. "And, the people there are incredibly grateful."

Information is tighter than ever from Gheriani, and Van Lente is getting less information than she did before. "We haven't been getting news that he wants us to share," she said. Van Lente and her family are still following the news like always, watching as bombs are dropped on her husband's home country.

As for her and her teenage sons, life is still going on. "We have no choice," she said.

Read the original story "Fenton man joins rebel forces" online at www.tctimes.com

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Support group will help families of addicts

►Father of addict sets up meetings in Fenton

By Sharon Stone
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There are many families in the tri-county area dealing with addictions, be it drugs or alcohol.

One man, a father of a 26-year-old son addicted to prescription painkillers, is stepping up to help others. Jeff (last names are not used with the support group) is making arrangements with Transfiguration Lutheran Church to use one of the meeting rooms every Monday evening.

Set up similar to an Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meeting, Jeff said these meetings are for the family members and friends of the addict. He has been attending similar support group meetings run by the Brighton Hospital for more than three years and felt it was time for him to start a support group in Fenton.

Left unchecked, Jeff said the addict will end up dead, in jail or in a mental institution. He said these known facts affect entire families and these people need an outlet to talk about their problems.

The father has seen it all during the years his son was using drugs. He's been awakened at 3 a.m. when police have dropped his son off at home, he's re-

ceived calls from jail, he's seen his son after he's been beaten up.

Jeff said his son, now in recovery for more than a year, was 15 when he became addicted. His son's drug of choice was Vicodin, Xanax or muscle relaxers. Oftentimes, when a person suffers a sports injury, Jeff said physicians are quick to prescribe Vicodin for the pain. Because the medicine is

so expensive, the person might try heroin or other illegal substances as a cheaper replacement.

Approximately 10 percent of the population is predisposed to addiction, Jeff said he has learned. He added that after a few times, those in the 10-percent category will realize they react differently to the substance than the other 90 percent of the population.

"Our group is about the families," said Jeff. Families attending the support group will soon learn the three Cs — they didn't cause the addiction, they can't cure the addiction and they can't control the addict. "As parents grasp what's going on, it relieves the shame," Jeff said. "When the phone rings, your heart stops. This is how families live."

"When the
phone rings, your
heart stops. This is
how families live."

Jeff

Father of recovering addict

One important thing Jeff has learned through all of this is that, as a family and community member, they need to stop the addict from wanting the drug.

UNEMPLOYMENT

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HB4408 handles a few different functions. It continues extended unemployment benefits, and also attempts to reduce fraud in the Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency (MUIA) system by claimants.

The bill also reduces, by six weeks, the regular Michigan unemployment insurance effective January 2012. Instead of 26 weeks, 20 can be claimed. This change drew ire from democrats like Senator John Gleason from Flushing.

"I think it's absolutely disgusting," Gleason said. "We've had a minimum of 26 weeks since World War II. We always thought it was important to give working men and women a nominal amount of unemployment insurance."

Gleason agreed with extending unemployment benefits. To accomplish this, the Michigan legislature had to bring the state in-line with federal requirements for unemployment. Michigan's unemployment claims had dropped below the

federal requirement allowing extended federal unemployment insurance as of March 13.

Normally, the federal government looks to the last two years to decide if a state qualifies for extended benefits. Michigan's claims for the last two years dropped below the line for federal aid. Essentially, the law changes the years that Michigan is rated by, to continue to receive aid.

"Those people who would have had unemployment benefits will continue to receive benefits," said MUIA spokesperson Melanie Brown.

If the law had not passed, many would have seen their last checks arrive in April, and new claims could not have been made.

The bill requires the MUIA to buy software to prevent fraud in the unemployment system. "Frankly, the agency has to implement whatever is signed into law, obviously the software is new," said Brown, who couldn't comment on how the software would work.

Rep. Brad Jacobson (R) from Oxford is touting \$300 million in savings to Michigan employers. "Rooting out fraud in the system will ensure that unemployment benefits only get to those truly in need," he said in a news release.

The bill also provides for stiffer penalties for unemployment insurance fraud.



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Powerful anti-drug program hits home

Tears they wanted, tears they got. Except for sniffles and a few students making an abrupt exit, those attending a drug program set up the Community Parent and Genesee County Sheriff's Department could have heard a pin drop as a heart-wrenching 911 tape was played.

■ See complete story at www.tctimes.com

Fenton schools mulls \$1.7 million in cuts

Fenton Area Public Schools' Board of Education discussed ways to address a funding shortfall by cutting a possible \$1,758,328, for 2011-12. Ideas being considered include moving sixth graders from AGS Middle School's Ellen Street Campus to Donaldson Drive and increasing class size.

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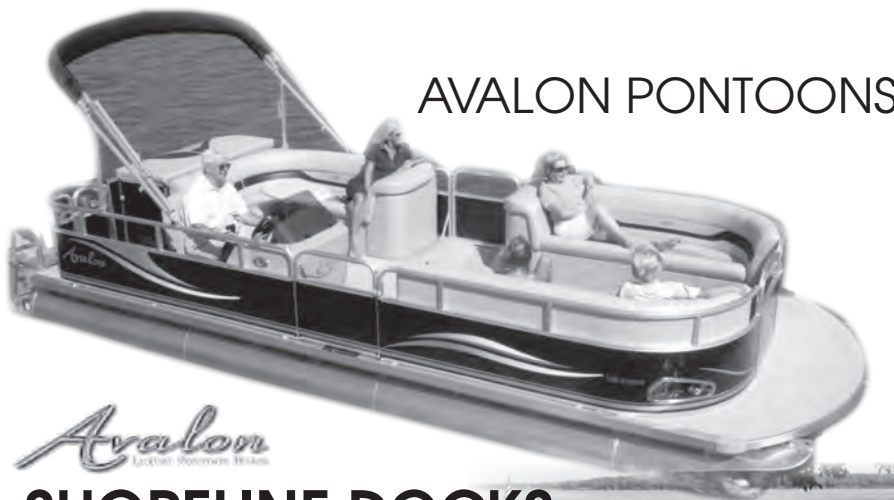
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KENNETH BRIGGS

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studied psychology at Oakland University. He was known as a budding leader of black students.

Briggs was later presented with the keys to Pontiac.

"Things come full circle," said Briggs. He spoke of his mentor at Oakland University, who was a Kent State University alumnus. His mentor witnessed the horrifying Kent State shootings, which compelled him to help others.

Briggs is now a mentor himself, counseling at community programs and rehabilitation centers.

Knowledgeable of how drug users obtain their drugs, Briggs said oftentimes users would utilize the well-known 560-busline to Gratiot for heroin or they'd use US 23 to Flint or I-75 to John R. "If they go to Flint, John R or 560, start to worry," he said.

Briggs also said there is a direct link from prescription drug use to heroin. "We have ignored it and it's come full circle. Now there's an epidemic in suburbia."

He is certain that the drug problem can be stopped, but parents must learn their children's lingo. Where he grew up, drugs, violence, death and non-educated people



"We have ignored it (drug abuse) and it's come full circle. Now there's an epidemic in suburbia."
Kenneth Briggs
Fenton resident

CUT THE LINK

One way to stop the link from prescription medication to heroin is for parents to lock up their prescriptions and to discard and/or destroy any unused medications. Kenneth Briggs said the reason so many turn to heroin is because it is much cheaper than prescription painkillers. "It's way more deadlier and potent," he said.

were the norm. "To have nothing was part of the environment," he said.

"The judge saved me. He showed me something better.

"That's why I mentor. "Don't turn a blind eye."

On a past Oprah television show, Briggs was reunited with the runaway girl he saved years ago. Though it was the most brutal rape in Oakland County's history, a couple of the men convicted were released from prison. Once out, they moved to Flint and murdered two people, according to Briggs.

He urges adults to teach kids right from wrong, as well as living by those guidelines themselves.

Embracing his role in life, Briggs said, "I support mentoring. These are going to be our leaders."

GROWTH

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City Manager Christopher Wren said the census data revealed growth in southern Genesee County and substantial growth in Linden. Wren, the mayor and council members give credit to new developments, great public schools and great public safety.

"It's a great place to raise a family," said Wren. Many want to be part of a small town to raise their family."

While the city saw substantial growth, Wren said there is room for more growth. Residential developments, such as Saddlebrook Farms, Forest Ridge and Chestnut Grove are not yet complete.

Wren said it was nice hearing some good news for a change, especially as the city continues to make cuts to balance its budget.

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Detroit	951,270	713,777	-25%

	2000	2010	change
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	2000	2010	change
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— Debra

**HOT LINE: FAIR SHARE OF TAXES**

“To the senior citizen who pays taxes, when your kids were in school did other citizens without kids help pay for yours? Yes, they did. No one

wants to give up anything, but they all want the benefits.”

— Lor

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Lobdell Lake
Sold for \$295,000

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Fenton Township
Waterfront on
Lake Fenton
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ON THE MARKET...

Lobdell Road
Argentine Township
Waterfront on
Lobdell Lake
Asking - \$569,000



Silver Shore Drive
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Silver Lake
Asking - \$349,900

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Patrik Welty

THREE RECENT SALES

South West Street
Neighborhood Stabi-
lization Program sale
for the city of Fenton.
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Denton Hill Road
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above ground pool.
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Allison Lane
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Torrey Road
Waterfront home
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ECONOMY

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Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, expects an uneven recovery.

"Housing affordability conditions have been at record levels and the economy has been improving, but home sales are being constrained by the twin problems of unnecessarily tight credit, and a measurable level of contract cancellations from some appraisals not supporting prices negotiated between buyers and sellers," Yun said. "This tug and pull is causing a gradual but uneven recovery."

How does the national trend compare with sales locally? Are there good deals out there and what does it take to buy a house today?

John Wentworth of Re/Max Platinum said, "I've been busier than heck right now. I've been swamped. It's been great."

In contrast to the national trends, Wentworth said last year was his best year. He expects this year to be even better. "The activity is out there. Real estate is what you make of it."

People shopping for homes expect to pay more for lakefront homes. Wentworth believes there is nostalgia of living on the water, which will always be a draw to buyers. Although lakefront prices of the past have been inflated, buyers in the market now can expect to get more home for their money.

"I've sold 11 waterfront homes in 2011," said Wentworth. "But, (home) values are not what they used to be."

Wentworth believes the declining home values have hit a plateau. "That's better than dropping. The confidence is coming back."

Patrik Welty of Legacy Realty Professionals says it's very difficult to compare specific regions with national trends. When he compiles his weekly statistics for his associates, he bases them on this immediate area only.

Though activity is high, Welty and his clients see challenges with financing, appraisals and a restrictive inventory. He said when a good deal comes along, there are usually multiple buyers bidding on that property. "Only one (buyer) can win," he said.

As for financing, Welty said lenders are very tight with credit. Issues with the property or with the buyer's credit history could prompt the lender to walk away from the deal. Lenders rely on appraisals to help them determine the amount they would allow on a loan.

Welty said he will be closing soon on a property in Brighton. The beautiful waterfront home, with extensive landscaping would have appraised at \$450,000 in the past, but recently, it appraised for \$275,000. The lender rejected that appraisal and another one done came in at \$267,000.

This lower appraisal is making it challenging for the buyer and seller since lenders will not approve a loan for an amount higher than what the property was appraised, according to Welty. "Every stage of the sale has more challenges to it," he said.

"Buyers and sellers need to be prepared and just go into it with their eyes open."

Welty added that real estate in the Lake Fenton, Fenton and Linden school districts has been "amazingly" stable. The average price of a home (waterfront and non-waterfront combined) is \$120,000. In 2004, the average price would have been in the \$200,000 range. In the last six months, buyers have paid an average of \$70 per square foot.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

(Left) Steve Bose, of Clarkston, looks at a summer cottage on Lake Fenton on Wednesday with the help of Realtor John Wentworth, of Re/Max Platinum. Bose has other properties and is looking for property to use during the summer.

The number of transactions has increased about 10 percent, said Welty. In the last six months his office sold 400 homes in the three school districts, compared with 359 during the same time last year.

"Over the last year, things have stabilized on a gradual improvement, Welty said. "It's an awesome time to purchase real estate."

Facts and figures

- **All-cash sales** were a record 33 percent in February, up from 27 percent in February 2010.
- **Existing-home sales** in the Midwest dropped 12.2 percent in February, to a level of 1 million and are 9 percent lower than a year ago.
- **The median price** in the Midwest was \$122,000, which is 5.4 percent below February 2010.
- **The national median** existing-home price was \$156,100 in February, which is 5.2 percent below February 2010.

Source: National Association of Realtors

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- The majority of buyers choose 30-year conventional loans. Although the rates fluctuate daily, buyers now could see an interest rate as low as of 4½ percent on a 30-year loan.
- Buyers need to be aware of their credit score and clear up any inaccuracies, which could negatively affect their buying power.
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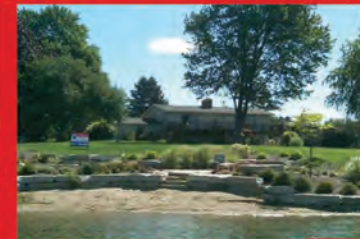
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

At their meeting of March 21, 2011 the Fenton Township Board conducted the first reading of the following proposed ordinances:

1. A proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the design standards for landscape contractors to permit onsite sale of landscaping material.
2. A proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to establish a definition for Doggie Day Care and to designate it as a use permitted by special use permit in the C-2, C-3 and M-2 zoning districts.
3. A proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the definition for Front Lot Line.
4. A proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to create a definition for Recreational Vehicle and to establish provisions and standards for the parking of recreational vehicles on vacant commercial property.
5. A proposed amendment to the Sign Regulation Ordinance to revise provisions regarding home occupation signs and digital signs.

The second reading for each of the proposed ordinances is scheduled for April 4, 2011.

Complete copies of the proposed ordinances may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The proposed ordinances are also available on Fenton Township's website at www.fentontownship.org.

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2011 AT 7:00 PM BY THE FENTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION AT THE FENTON TOWNSHIP CIVIC-COMMUNITY CENTER, 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

PUBLIC HEARINGS

SUP11-001 Adopt-a-Pet, 13575 Fenton Rd.:

Requesting to amend their Special Use Permit to be open on Saturdays. Parcel 06-13-300-001.

YOUR OPINIONS MAY BE EXPRESSED VERBALLY AT THIS HEARING OR IN WRITING TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION PRIOR TO THIS HEARING. THE PLANNING COMMISSION ENCOURAGES YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS MATTER.

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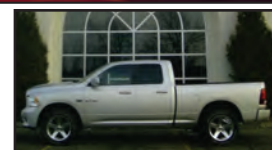
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, to the residents and property owners of land within the **Williams Drive Road Maintenance Assessment District #008 (all properties adjacent to Williams Drive, Rose Township, Oakland County, Michigan)** and any other interested persons that the supervisor and assessing officer of the township has reported to the township board and filed in the office of the township clerk for public examination, a special assessment roll prepared by him covering all properties within the proposed Williams Drive Road Maintenance Assessment District #008. Said assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of road maintenance within the district which assessment is in the total amount of \$4,515.68 for the first year and \$3,914.00 for each subsequent year. The term of the Williams Drive Road Maintenance Assessment District #008 is five years.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the assessing officer has further reported that the assessment against each parcel of land within said district is an amount that is the relative portion of the whole sum to be levied equally against each parcel of land in the S.A.D. as the benefit to the parcel of land bears to the total benefit to all parcels of land in the S.A.D.

NOTICE IS FURTHER NOTICE, that the township board will meet at the Rose Township Hall, 204 Franklin Street, Holly, Michigan on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at 7:30 P.M. for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto. Said roll may be examined at the office of the township clerk during regular business hours of regular business days until the time of said hearing and may further be examined at said hearing. Appearance and protest at the hearing held to confirm the special assessment roll is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP

The Argentine Township Planning Commission has prepared draft text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding modifications and updates of the following sections:

AG, R-1, and R-2 – Right to Farm update
AG, R-1, R-2, RM, C-1, and C-2-State Licensed Facilities update
AG, R-1, R-2, C-1, C-2, M-2-addition of special uses
Planned Unit Development regulations
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Other amendments

The proposed text amendments will be considered at a public hearing conducted by the Planning Commission on April 14, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Argentine Township Hall, located at 9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden, Michigan, 48451. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public input on the proposed changes. The complete text of the draft amendments can be reviewed at the Township Hall during normal business hours.

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6	8	9	7	1	7	9	7	8
1	7	9	9	6	8	8	7	7
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ANSWERS

SUNDAY SUDOKU

8	6	9	9	7	7	8	1	7
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ANSWERS

WEDNESDAY SUDOKU

8	6	9	9	7	7	8	1	7
7	1	8	7	9	8	7	9	6
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SuperCrossword

ACROSS
1 Press
6 Press
11 Press
16 Ramis or
Robbins
17 Immature
insect
18 -than-
thou
20 Dressed
down
21 Stage
backdrop
22 Displayed
24 TV's "The
Patrol"
25 Rock's — &
the Juniors
27 Triangular
sail
29 — later
date
30 Gung-ho
32 Cassowary
kin
33 Muff
34 Starting at
35 Salami city
37 Bouillabaisse
or burgo
40 "An apple
—"
42 Deck type
43 Reel
45 Reel
47 Reel
48 Choir
member
50 "Don't Be
—" ('56 hit)
51 Have in
mind
52 Sound
55 Sound
56 Sound
59 Nobel
Wiesel
60 Dundee
denizens
62 TV's "—
Incredible!"
64 Trickle
66 Sticky
stuff
67 Tint
68 Broad st.
69 Fairy queen
70 Creative
work
72 Terra —
74 "What —
boy am I!"
76 Lowdown
singer?
77 Pop
79 Pop
81 Pop
83 Charged
atoms
84 Musical
movement
86 Sheep's
shaker
87 Bar
89 Bar
91 Bar
94 Move
swiftly
95 Hammer
part
96 Campus
grp.
98 Chou —
100 Artist
Benjamin
101 Pres.
candidate
of 1952
102 Wee one
104 TV's "The
— Show"
105 Parker of
football
106 Vintner
Gallo
109 — blade
111 Compass
pt.
112 "Vostok I"
passenger
114 Nest and
burrow
116 Lamb, e.g.
119 Indian
Zoroastrian
120 Boxer
Griffith
121 Perfect
examples
122 Bear
123 Bear
124 Bear
DOWN
1 Arroyo or
Hingis
2 History
division
3 Speck
4 — France
5 Cartoonist
Charles
6 Panache
part
7 Cole or
Coleman
8 Weimar
aner's
warning
9 Ellipse
10 Out-of-this-
world org.
11 Joyful
12 Fido's
friend
13 Golfer
Dutra
14 Place
before
place
15 Yvonne of
"The
Munsters"
16 Flung
19 Update a
factory
20 Improve
oneself, in
a way
23 Clammy
26 Tavern
staples
28 Glum drop?
31 Contribute
34 Covers
36 Bill of
Rights
grp.
38 Catchall
abbr.
39 City
districts
40 "Secret —
Man"
(66 song)
41 Singer
Shannon
42 Autumn
birthstone
44 Greek
vowels
46 Computer
abbr.
47 Vast
quantities
49 Nero
Wolfe's
hobby
51 Apportion
52 Take the
honey and
run
53 — City, IA
54 "—
Sixteen"
(60 song)
56 Destruction
57 Tarzan, for
one
58 It makes
rye high
59 Freud topic
61 Pro —
(for now)
63 Crone
65 "Nova"
network
71 Tap
72 Baptism
site
73 Descend-
ing, to
Donne
74 Calculating
reptile?
75 Olive —
76 Fit in
78 Plunder
80 "Ask —
Girl"
(59 film)
82 Annoy
84 Actress
Charlotte
85 Granada
gold
87 North Pole
sight
88 Bouquet
89 — majesty
90 Footfall
92 "—
Watched
Trains"
(66 film)
93 Kirstie
Alley's
birthplace
94 Kind of
curtain
95 Wrote
97 Priest or
rabbi
99 "— Weak"
(88 hit)
101 Shake-
spearean
sprite
103 Singer
Payne
106 Celtic
107 New York
stadium
108 Pyramid,
for one
109 Put the
metal to
the metal
110 "Under-
stood!"
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nickname
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Tiberius
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article
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Misc. For Sale 26

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Household For Sale 29

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Lost & Found 31

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Pets 34

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TENTATIVE AGENDA
MARCH 29, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.
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APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting Minutes – March 1, 2011
Treasurer's Report – February 28, 2011
Clerk's Warrants & Bills

COMMUNICATIONS

- #1 Livingston County Sheriff Report - February 2011
- #2 Fire Billing Activity Report - February 2011

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- #1 Recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval of the AT&T-Fortune Wireless Communication Tower Special Land Use Permit.
- #2 City of Fenton Fire Contract for fire and emergency services.
- #3 Appointment of Colleen Ameel as Chairperson to the Strategic Planning Committee.
- #4 Accounts receivable adjustment of obsolete invoices prior to 2008.
- #5 Reconciliation and adjustment of the 2010-2011 Departmental Budgets.
- #6 Resolution #110304 To Establish the Township Supervisor's Salary for the 2011 2012 Fiscal Year.
- #7 Resolution #110305 To Establish the Township Clerk's Salary for the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year.
- #8 Resolution #110306 To Establish the Township Treasurer's Salary for the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year.
- #9 General Appropriation Measure Resolution #110307.
- #10 Resolution #110308 Setting Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Meeting Dates.
- #11 Resolution #110309 for Livingston County sewer bond residue.
- #12 LESA and Hartland School Summer Property Tax Agreements.

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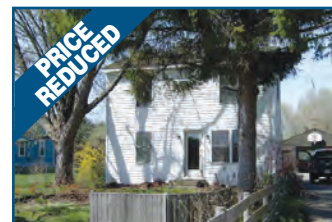
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MUSIC

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"There is truly nothing like it," she said. "I get to see them learn together, play together, laugh together, dance together and develop a bond that will forever be solidified through that shared musical experience, not to mention that I know for a fact that these musical experiences are providing the children with a very strong foundation for future learning in all areas."

But, it's not just children who reap all the benefits from music. Jenny Clapp, 54, of Fenton, who just a few weeks ago joined the Fenton Community Orchestra to play her clarinet, said that as a child, learning an instrument "makes you smarter." You have to be organized with your time, and you have to learn the discipline of practice, she added.

Jennifer Fleck, 41, of Fenton, co-founded the Fenton Community Orchestra along with Lisa Bayer of A Joyful Noise Music Studio. "Being part of an orchestra has taught me many things about being a member of a group," she said. "As a young person, it opened a lot of doors for me for college experiences, too. I was able to find a group of people I enjoyed being with. It helped make me a much more well-rounded person."

For students who are studying music at a young age, these are some of the benefits they'll likely experience.

Physical development

Gross motor skills are developed through dancing and other movement activities. Fine motor skills are enhanced through playing instruments and doing finger plays to music.

Cognitive development

Doing any musical activity stimulates the brain in many areas, which improves cognitive functioning.

Social development

Music is a very social activity, whether it is singing in a group, performing in an ensemble or dancing in a group. Music helps people develop relationships and learn to relate better to others.

Emotional development

Performing music or just experiencing music with others makes people feel good and raises self-esteem.

Language development

Music helps to develop listening skills, which, in turn, improves language.

Music is also a "universal language." All over the world, parents bond with their babies through musical sounds and rhythmic movement, according to Kindermusik. They rock and swing their children, put them to sleep with lullabies, make them laugh with nursery rhymes. Parents know instinc-



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Anna Holmes, 3, of Fenton, uses sand blocks during a Kindermusik program at the Transfiguration Lutheran Church in Fenton with her dad, Scott.

Benefits of music

- **Gain the phonological** processing, spoken language, and comprehension skills that are the foundation of reading.
- **Build the spatial-temporal** and reasoning skills required for math, science, and engineering.
- **Develop social** and emotional skills that are essential for school readiness — like the ability to regulate their responses and relate to others in complex ways.
- **Improve their gross** and fine motor skills, when playing simple musical instruments. Activities that encourage freedom within a fun and friendly structure spark their creativity.

Source: www.kindermusik.com

tively what scientists have now proven — young children thrive on music.

Psychologists, neuroscientists, and experts in early childhood development have demonstrated that music does more for children than bring them joy. It helps their brain cells make the connections needed for virtually every kind of intelligence. And, of course, they develop a lifelong love of music, which enriches the lives of people of all ages.

"There are many, many studies about the benefits of music but the biggest benefits are the ones that you can't calculate," said Blanchard. "Music touches the soul and brings joy to the tiniest babies, the elderly and everyone in between. It brings us together and unites people across the nations."



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Children and their parents shake their toes together during a musical activity at a Kindermusik class on Thursday morning at Transfiguration Lutheran Church in Fenton.



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By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

ABFRACTIONS

Have you noticed your gums receding slightly with a notch developing at the gum line? If so this could be an abfraction. An Abfraction is a notch in the tooth structure near, or even under, the gum line, usually on the cheek side of the tooth. All the causes of abfractions are not known, but an important factor is improper bite forces on the teeth. These forces can be caused by a misaligned bite or the grinding and clenching of teeth, a destructive process known as bruxism. Our front teeth, especially the eye teeth were designed to help guide the lateral, side to side movement of our jaws. Our posterior teeth, the molars and bicuspid, are built to withstand tremendous direct up and down biting forces. But our back teeth can tolerate little side to side forces. If the bite is misaligned such that one or more of the back teeth contacts when the jaw moves side to side then trouble can occur. This can cause flexing and bending of the tooth which over time causes the enamel to separate from the underlying dentin layer of the tooth, forming a notch at the gum line. Treating the abfraction problem may include two or more steps, such as adjusting the bite, fabrication of a bite splint, and restoring the tooth. Finding and treating abfractions early can prevent further damage and restore your teeth to beautiful good health.

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Academic achievements

Ferris State University has named the following students to the Academic Honors List for the semester ending December 2010: (Fenton) **Anita Beaulieu, Rachel Holcomb, Darlene Mallory, Jessica Monitz, Carl Pearson, James Priestly, Britny Raser, Lindsey Selves, Bryan Berry, Polly Ladd, and Nathan Whitney;** (Holly) **(Courtney Serra;** (Linden) **Corey Brecht, Angela Common, Chris Common, Lora Frasier and Danielle Regis.**

■■■

Grand Valley State University has named **Erika Peruski**, of Davisburg, to the Dean's List for the fall semester of 2010.

■■■

Baker College has announced that **Sharon Jones Smith**, of Davisburg, has earned her master's degree in business administration in December 2010.

Web Poll

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SALONS

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By Sally Rummel

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Women, move over. That styling chair next to yours at your favorite hair salon might be taken up by a man.

Today's men are getting more and more comfortable using salon services that used to be "for women only" — from manicures and pedicures to brow waxing and moisturizing skin treatments.

Whether they want to look younger or hope to boost their professional image, men today are using the salon as a "fast track" for a clean-cut and well-groomed appearance.

"Men like to feel good about taking care of their appearance and don't feel like that's being at all 'feminine,'" said Angie Wynn, manager at Allure Hair Company in Fenton.

Summary

Today's men are more comfortable than ever before going to beauty salons for services that used to be "for women only."

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO
(Right) Bert Bossardet, of Linden, gets a haircut by Barber/Stylist Robyn Wells at CC and Co. Salon in Fenton on Wednesday. "People do make a decision on you based on how you look," said Bossardet, who works in management and sales. (Above) Bossardet runs gel through his hair after the hair cut. Maintaining a professional appearance is important in his field of sales and management.



"It's all about being comfortable taking care of their masculine selves." She estimates that about 15 percent of their customers are men, many of whom started coming in with their wives and kids, and then found that they like the atmosphere and the services.

Teenagers and "20-somethings," who want to wear a more trendy style, often find
See SALONS on 12B

“Men like to feel good about taking care of their appearance and don't feel like that's being at all 'feminine.' It's all about being comfortable taking care of their masculine selves.”

Angie Wynn
Allure Hair Company



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See SKIN CARE on 13B

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EARTHQUAKE SHIFTS EARTH

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Propulsion Laboratory in California. The massive quake, caused by the sudden slipping of one giant tectonic plate under another, moved Japan 12 feet closer to North America.

Los Angeles Times

THE BOTTOM LINE

AMERICANS REDUCING DEBT

U.S. households have cut their debt burden to the lowest point in six years.



At \$13.4 trillion, total consumer debt, including mortgages and credit cards, is equal to 116 percent of disposable income — well off the peak of 130 percent attained in 2007.

The Wall Street Journal

SPAT OF THE WEEK

BON JOVI VS. STEVE JOBS

Rock-and-Roll frontman Jon Bon Jovi griped that Apple CEO Steve Jobs wrecked music by creating iTunes. "Steve Jobs is personally responsible for killing the music business," the Jersey boy wailed. Jobs, who is on medical leave, had no reply.



Emergency workers tend to bus crash survivors in New York City.

Ex-con driver causes grisly crash in Bronx

► Highway littered with body parts

The driver in a horrific predawn bus crash that killed 15 and left a Bronx highway littered with body parts had a long criminal record, including prison terms for forgery and manslaughter. He had also been arrested after ignoring tickets for speeding and driving without a license. Ophadell Williams, 40, who police believe fell asleep at the wheel, was a regular on the demanding route, a same-day turnaround that takes passengers to and from the Mohegan Sun Casino in Connecticut. Returning to New York's Chinatown on

I-95, Williams lost control of the bus at about 5:30 a.m. It careened into a guard-rail, tipped on its side, and skidded some 300 feet into a steel exit-sign stanchion. The bus roof was sheared off, and the sign pole sliced through the cabin at "passenger eye level," said Capt. James Ellson of the New York Fire Department. At least one rider was decapitated, and several lost limbs. Federal authorities are investigating, and New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo is looking into how he was able to "obtain and retain a commercial driver's license."

Police captain refuses duty at mosque

A Tulsa police captain has been transferred within the department for refusing to assign subordinates to attend an evening at a local mosque. Capt. Paul Fields disobeyed Chief Daryl Webster's order to send at least six officers and three supervisors to the Islamic



Capt. Paul Fields

Society of Tulsa's law-enforcement Appreciation Day in March, saying that the order conflicted with his religious beliefs and violated his civil rights. Webster disagreed, saying attendance was part of the police department's community-outreach efforts.

Chávez rails against breast augmentation

President Hugo Chávez used his regular television address this week to rail against breast-augmentation surgery. Chávez criticized doctors who he said "convince some women that if they don't have some big bosoms they should feel bad." Chávez said it was "a monstrous thing" that poor women who are struggling to pay bills waste their money on costly operations. According to estimates by the Venezuelan Society of Plastics Surgeons, between 30,000 and 40,000 women in Venezuela get breast implants each year, making the country one of the world's leading markets for the procedure.



Qaddafi's nurse flees to Ukraine

The turmoil in Libya has cost Muammar al-Qaddafi the services of his personal Ukrainian nurse. Galyna Kolontnytska, described in a diplomatic cable published by Wikileaks as a "voluptuous blonde" who "travels everywhere" with Qaddafi, flew back to Ukraine this week, saying she would miss "Papa," as she calls her former boss.



Galyna Kolontnytska

The Wall Street Journal

POLL WATCH

- 43% of Americans side with NFL players in their ongoing dispute with owners over revenue sharing.
- 20% side with the owners.

Bloomberg News National Poll

Man's body covered with tattoos of Julia Roberts

A Mexican man is closing in on his goal of covering his entire body with tattoos of actress Julia Roberts. Miljenko Pariserisas Bukovic, 56, a newspaper seller from Valparaiso, says he was inspired to get his first tattoo by Roberts' Oscar-winning performance



in 2000's Erin Brockovich. Since then, Bukovic has added another 81 tattoos depicting Roberts from various movie scenes, up and down arms, back and chest. He says he will continue to add new Roberts tattoos until he runs out of body parts.

WIT & WISDOM

"For most of history, 'Anonymous' was a woman."

Virginia Woolf, quoted in Huffington Post.com

"A person often meets his destiny on the road he took to avoid it."

Jean de La Fontaine, quoted in Real Simple

"Good artists borrow, great artists steal."

Pablo Picasso, quoted in the San Diego Union-Tribune



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Tri-County Tigers tryouts slated for Sunday

Wonder how the Fenton varsity boys basketball program has been able to maintain its level of excellence in recent seasons?

One of the reasons has to do with the Tri-County Tigers.

The Tri-County Tigers AAU program will be holding tryouts today at Fenton High School's gym.

Last season, teams from the program qualified for the national meet, and had its 15U team win the first annual Tri-County Trophy Tournament held in Howell. They also won several other tournaments at various age levels.

The staff includes several people from the Fenton coaching staff, including varsity head coach Tim Olszewski. Other area coaches also mentor within the program.

Those wanting to compete for the 11-under and 12-under team have their tryout from 9:30 a.m. until 11 a.m. The 13U session session is at 10:30 a.m., followed by the 14U practice at 12:30 p.m. The 15U tryout at 2:30 p.m. followed by the 16U and 17U teams at 3:30 p.m. Please 30 minutes before your tryout session begins. The fee is \$15. Participants may tryout for more than one age bracket at no extra cost.

For more information, go to www.tricountytigersaaau.com.

News briefs

TOWNSHIP BOARD SUPPORTS LIBRARY MILLAGE INCREASE

The Fenton Township Board of Trustees voted unanimously Monday in favor of a resolution showing support for the library millage increase, which is to be decided by voters on Tuesday, May 3. The Genesee District Library is a community-based network of 19 libraries. In 2007, voters renewed the .7481 mills to operate the libraries for the 10-year period from 2007 to 2016. Rather than instituting further reductions in library services, the library board proposed an additional millage. Voters will decide if they want to pay for an increase of .25 mills (25 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) on the existing millage, through 2016.

CONFERENCE FOR CHRISTIAN WOMEN PLANNED

Be Free Forever (BFF) Ministries, for multiple religious denominations is a group to motivate Christian women to support each other and the community. Mother/daughter relationships, and the growth and support of young girls, are goals as well. The group is hosting the Freedom in Christ Women's Conference, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 16, at The Coyote Preserve, 9218 Preserve Dr. There will be speakers, spiritual renewal through music, drama and fellowship. Tickets must be purchased by Friday, April 8; see www.befreeforever.org. BFF Ministries also will have a table at the Winter Blues silent auction, 1-9 p.m. Thursday, March 31, at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center.

FOUR LF STUDENTS ARE WIN- NERS AT REGIONAL SPELLING BEE

Four students from Lake Fenton Community Schools were winners in the Genesee County Regional Spelling Bee for eighth, ninth and 10th grades. The competition was held Tuesday, March 22 at the Genesee Intermediate School District's Davis Education Center. In the eighth-grade competition, Peyton Knoll, of Lake Fenton Middle School, took third place. The final word spelled correctly by the winner was "condiment." In the ninth-grade competition, Nick Mitchell of Lake Fenton High School took second place. The final word spelled correctly by the winner was "manslaughter." In the 10th grade competition, Wayne Ferris took first place and Nick VanDuser took third place. Both boys attend Lake Fenton High School. The final word spelled correctly by the winner was "opulent" and "posse."

LF EIGHTH GRADERS RECOG- NIZED FOR VOLUNTEER WORK

The eighth-grade Academic Service Learning program at Lake Fenton Middle School has been recognized by the North End Soup Kitchen as the Youth Group Volunteer of the Year. The program will be recognized at a dinner on April 13. As part of the school's Character Education program, the eighth graders go to the soup kitchen and Carriage Town Ministries throughout the year. Recently, the students packed more than 1,400 lunches for a St. Patrick's Day meal.

Calendar of events

Prayer Breakfast tickets on sale

The Fenton Kiwanis Club and Clergy are sponsoring a **Prayer Breakfast**, from 7 to 8 a.m. on Thursday, May 5 at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center, 125 South LeRoy St. Tickets are available at the community center, Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce, area churches and from members of Kiwanis. Questions may be directed to Bob Burek (810) 750-6978 or Dale Swihart (810) 629-7801.

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Look Who's Talking

By Sharon Stone • Tri-County Times Staff Reporter



Audriana Buchanan

16-year-old Junior

Linden High School

FAMILY:

My parents are Carson and Patti Buchanan. I am an only child, but I have a cousin who attends Linden High School with me.

SPORTS AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES:



I'm president of my junior class. I'm in National Honor Society. I dance at Ms. Bridget's School of Dance and I volunteer at Kidz Theatre Kompany. I choreograph and teach dance there. I babysit three boys every day. I also like to do a lot with my friends since I don't have a brother or sister.

PERSONAL MOTTO:

Bob Marley's quote, 'Love the life you live, live the life you love.'

MY DREAM CAR:

That would be a 1969 Mustang, lime green with a black racing stripe. A convertible would be great.

ALL TIME FAVORITE MOVIE:

'My Girl,' it gets me every time. It's a great friendship movie. It moves you. It's a comedy, plus a childhood movie about innocence.

Audriana Buchanan

My parents are: Carson and Patti Buchanan.

OK, you're the school principal. What's the first change you would make? iPods would be allowed at lunch.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be, and why? Since I'm so busy, I'd like to be able to snap my fingers and travel to anywhere I want, like teleport.

What is your earliest memory?

When I was 2, I fell down the stairs and broke my arm. My grandma was babysitting at the time and she didn't tell my mom, right away.

I always: try to be optimistic.

I never: judge.

Is there an event in your life for which you would like a "do-over"? No. I've learned from it all. Everything's given me a lesson and made me who I am.

If you could ask the president one question, what would it be? I'd ask him, 'When you were a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?'

If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be? The civil rights movement. I would stand up and try to fight segregation.

If you could make one rule, everyone had to follow, what would it be? Smile, always smile. It's a proven fact that it will raise your mood.

What physical or mental attribute, if any, would you change about yourself? Sometimes I need to put myself first. I sometimes let myself suffer.

If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say? Don't worry, be happy.

What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to?

Prom, I've been working my butt off on that. The junior class puts the junior/senior prom on. I'm also looking forward to my birthday.

My most valued possession are: my pictures.

My children will never be allowed to: drive in a car with teens until they're 16.

Front row seats and backstage passes. Who are you seeing? Train, hands down. They're so good.

The best day of my life so far was: Homecoming week or my 16th birthday. I was on the homecoming court. For my birthday, my cousin put on a party at Buffalo Wild Wings and a scavenger hunt in Royal Oak.

My parting advice for a better world: Everyone deserves a second chance.

Student Body asked at Linden High School

How have you benefited from music education?

BRODIE LEWIS, SENIOR



"The greatest part I've found is that it's not only about self-fulfillment. I've also learned life lessons and discipline."

EMILY EICHER, JUNIOR



"I've grown in my own creativeness. By knowing music you discover different ways of using it."

TAKOMA CURTIS, JUNIOR



"I'm in concert band, wind ensemble, jazz after school, marching band in the fall and a rock band out of school. I'm also in the drum corps. I'm very involved."

ERIN GRAHAM, SOPHOMORE



"It's a great atmosphere, like family. It's a great skill that helps with other aspects. It helps with my math."

COLIN WESTPHAL, SENIOR



"I have appreciation and an understanding of music. I've benefited mostly by the friendships I've made along the way."



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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Staci Miracle runs Little Kritters Soccer programs at various daycare locations in the area, and uses creative methods to teach children ages 2 to 6 the basics of soccer. "I hope they develop a healthy lifestyle," she said.

Little Kritters Soccer teaches sports skills, healthy habits

By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

Even if your young child doesn't know much about playing soccer, he or she will benefit from a unique educational fitness program that uses the sport as a basis for learning about healthy living.

Locally, Little Kritters Soccer's spring program for children ages 2 to 6 begins Saturday, April 16 in several nearby locations, including Fenton/Linden, Grand Blanc and Swartz Creek. Another affiliated program, Junior Kritters for children ages 5 to 8, will kick-off in September.

The power of this program is evident by the endorsement of Little Kritters' parent company, Midwest Soccer Academy (MSA), by the Walt Disney Company. Disney will partner with MSA, founded by Tony Shard of Fenton, in their first Disney Soccer Academy this summer at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando.

"We use soccer as a way to relate to young children in teaching them healthy habits that will last a lifetime," said Staci and Rick Miracle, of Linden, a brother-sister coaching duo who have been hand-selected by Shard to serve as MSA national directors of coaching. These local siblings share their love of soccer with their interest in healthy nutrition, oral hygiene and early childhood education.

In Little Kritters Soccer, the young participants are grouped together by age and gender in a one-hour program that will help them remember different skills they learn with a soccer ball, so they can build upon their soccer knowledge each week. Most importantly, they learn other life skills, too.

Called the 20/20/20 Program, this weekly one-hour Saturday session will include 20 minutes of skill instruction and reinforcement, followed by 20 minutes of games developed using these skills and ending with 20 minutes of a scrimmage



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Staci Miracle, of Linden, wraps up an activity with her Little Kritters Soccer program students on Tuesday. "Most of them are like my little best friends," she said.

as an introduction to the sport.

"Our main goal in presenting this soccer education program to young children is the foundation it builds for healthy living, in fighting childhood obesity, which now affects more than 30 percent of children in the United States," said Staci.

The Little Kritters Soccer 20/20/20 Program is an extension of the current Little Kritters program now offered at schools, daycare facilities and preschools across the country — with between 5,000 and 7,000 young participants.

"This is our first local program offered to families in the general public," said Rick. The six-week Saturday programs will be offered at following times: Fenton/Linden at Linden High School at 9 a.m., Grand Blanc at Genesee Fieldhouse at 9 a.m. and Swartz Creek at Mary Crapo Bldg. at 11 a.m.

To register your child or for more information, call (810) 714-5575 or go to www.littlekrittersoccer.com.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

This new outdoor dining area at Broadstreet Station in Holly won an award for owner Kim Butts through the Holly Downtown Development Authority.

Broadstreet Station in Holly wins award

By Sally Rummel

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Kim Butts, owner of Broadstreet Station Pub & Grill in Holly, has more than one reason to look forward to spring.

He will be able to reopen the outdoor wooden dining deck he had installed at his eatery last year — a business move that earned him the "Outstanding Business Development Incentive Program" award from Oakland County last year. Butts received the award on March 4 through the Holly Downtown Development Authority Main Street Program.

The handicapped-accessible, removable dining deck also features an angular entryway off the street. It's big enough to house six dining tables with umbrellas — a perfect spot to enjoy outdoor dining, especially with weekend music planned in Holly this year, he adds.

Butts has owned this casual downtown restaurant for 34 years. He and his staff plan to put up the outdoor dining deck this year in mid-May, weather permitting.

Broadstreet Station Pub & Grill is located at 208 S. Broadstreet in Holly. For more information, call 248-634-1890.



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Owner Kim Butts holds the plaque he received that recognizes his efforts in business development in Oakland County.



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Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memoriums

Lawrence E. Walter,
Lawrence E. Walter - age 68, died March 23, 2011. Share memories at www.temrowskifuneralhome.com.



Donald L. Pratt,
Donald L. Pratt - age 72, died March 19, 2011. Share memories at www.temrowskifuneralhome.com.



Howard P. Paye,
Howard P. Paye - age 82, died March 25, 2011. Share memories at www.temrowskifuneralhome.com.



Carroll Johnson,
Carroll Johnson - age 61, died March 21, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Eleanor Swyers,
Eleanor Swyers - age 85, died March 21, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Janis Alex,
Janis Alex - age 51, died March 19, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Andy Parra,
Andy Parra - died March 25, 2011. Services to be provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Garth Frost,
Garth Frost - age 82, died March 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Marge Kathleen Kelley

1914-2011

Marge Kathleen Kelley - age 96, of Fenton, died Monday, March 21, 2011 at Genesys Hospice Care Center. Services will be



held 11 AM Saturday, March 26, 2011 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery. Visitation was held 5-8 PM Friday. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to Genesys Hospice. Marge was born August 11, 1914 in Linden, the daughter of Frank and Mary Johnson. She was a 1931 graduate of Fenton High School. Marge married Lee E. Kelley on April 18, 1936; he preceded her in death on March 1, 1981. Mrs. Kelley owned and operated Kelley's Ice Cream Parlor in the 1940's and 1950's. She also owned Kelley's Virginia Bar until 1963. Surviving are: son, Jon C. and wife Jodi Kelley of Pinckney; daughter, Norma Foley of Fenton; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; many nieces and nephews. Tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Robert Bloss,

Robert Bloss - age 80, died March 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Bradley S. Ellis

1969-2011

Bradley S. Ellis - age 41, of North Carolina, formerly of Fenton, died March 17, 2011. He was born April 9, 1969 in Bay City. He was a 1987 graduate of Fenton High School. He married Allison Walroth of Lake Fenton in 1999 and also moved to North Carolina in 1999. He was a member of The Church of Clayton Crossings and was also active as a bible school teacher and his boys youth programs in sports. He is survived by: wife, Allison of Clayton, N.C.; sons, Shane and Brady; father, Roger Jr. and Sandy of Midland; brothers, Roger III and Lisa of Fenton, Steve of Fenton; nieces, Megyn and Kristyn of Fenton, Madeline of Linden; nephew, Tyler of Linden. He was preceded in death by his mother, Betty.



Marie Drago,

Marie Drago - age 88, died March 22, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Mary Pool,

Mary Pool - age 67, died March 21, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Maye Meakin,

Maye Meakin - age 102, died March 18, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Roger Scott,

Roger Scott - age 64, died March 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Sotir "Rocky" Dimitry,

Sotir "Rocky" Dimitry - age 74, died March 19, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

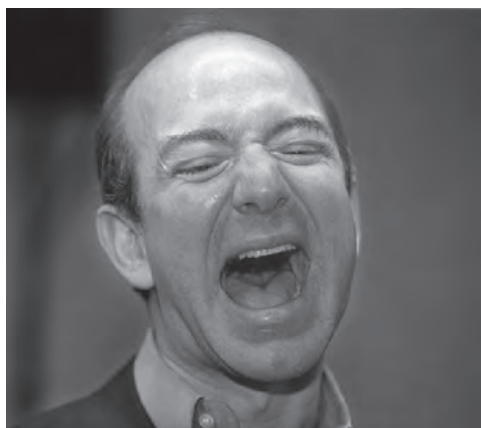


Patricia Frantom,

Patricia Frantom - age 68, died March 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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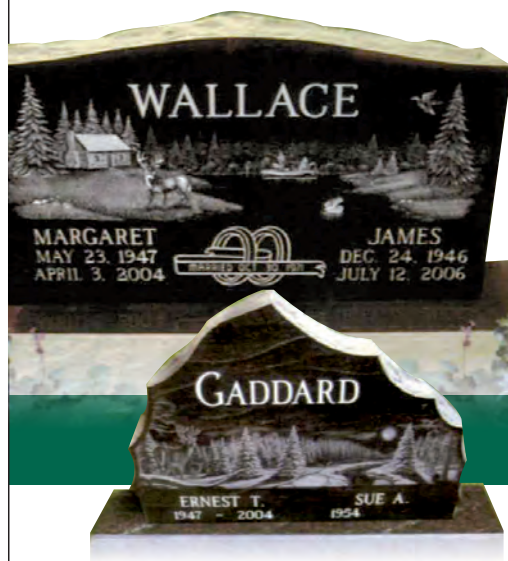
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- 1 1/2 pound piece sirloin, 1-inch thick
- 2 pounds Idaho potatoes, peeled and cubed
- Salt
- 3 tablespoons vegetable, peanut or canola oil
- 2 large red bell peppers, seeded and sliced
- 1 large green bell pepper, seeded and sliced
- 1 bunch scallions, cut into 2 to 3-inch pieces on bias, greens and whites
- 2 cups shelled frozen edamame
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar
- 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1/4 cup yellow mustard
- 1/4 cup ketchup
- 2/3 cup buttermilk
- Freshly ground black pepper
- A few dashes hot sauce
- Handful fresh flat-leaf parsley, chopped
- Handful fresh dill, chopped
- Handful fresh chives, chopped



DIRECTIONS

Pop the meat in the freezer for a few minutes to stiffen it up for slicing. Place potatoes in a pot and cover with cold water. Bring water to a boil. Salt the water and cook the potatoes until tender, 12 to 15 minutes. Drain. Halve the steak lengthwise, then very

thinly slice the meat. Heat the oil in a very large skillet over high heat. When oil wafts smoke and ripples, add the meat and stir-fry until caramelized 3 minutes. Add peppers and stir-fry 2 minutes then add in scallions and edamame for 2 minutes more. Stir together the sugar, soy, mustard and ketchup and pour over stir-fry the last minute of cooking. Season, to taste, if necessary.

Mash potatoes with buttermilk, salt and pepper, hot sauce, parsley, dill, chives, adjust seasoning with salt and pepper, to taste, and serve with stir-fry on top!

BY STEVE DALE

my pet world

Q: Sophie, our Brittany, is afraid of the toaster. She'll try to climb into my husband's lap trembling, or she'll run away, ducking as if someone is shooting in her direction whenever the toast pops. Can we resolve this problem, or should we just stop eating toast? — D.M., Stafford, TX

A: Dogs can develop all sorts of inappropriate fears. It might be that early on, someone tried to train Sophie as a gun dog, and using force made matters worse. Now, Sophie generalizes about all sorts of sounds. However, if her fear is centered on the toaster alone, my guess is that the sounds it makes once startled your pup. Then, you may have payed attention to Sophie, unintentionally reinforcing the fear when you only meant to comfort her. In any case, the fix (if the sound of the toaster is Sophie's sole fear) is desensitization and counter-conditioning. Begin by placing Sophie's food bowl in a room far away from the toaster. As Sophie eats, pop the toaster. If she responds with even the slightest hint of fear, she's too close. Once Sophie is chowing down without a care in the world, gradually move her dish closer and closer to the toaster. Take your



time. This conditioning program could take several weeks, but eventually, this problem should be 'toast.' If Sophie fears other loud noises, like the dishwasher, thunderstorms, cars back-firing, etc., contact a veterinary behaviorist or a certified dog behavior consultant.

Deception about pregnancy puts family on alert

DEAR AMY: My son and his wife are expecting their third child. We learned this news from our other son whom he confided in. He told his brother how unhappy he is. Apparently our daughter-in-law was supposed to be using birth control, but she claims she didn't use her birth control correctly. This is the third time she has given this excuse. For the past few months she has hinted about wanting another baby; she says she is eager for a baby shower. In our presence, our son said he didn't want to have another child. We feel hurt that our son has been tricked into having three children. Don't misunderstand, he is a great father and loves all his kids. However it is difficult for us to respect our daughter-in-law. We question why our son would continue to allow this behavior from her. We still have not been told of this pregnancy and can only deduce our son is not thrilled about the news. How should we approach this? Should we wait for him to tell us in his own way, or should we approach him? And how do we continue to put on a happy face when dealing with the mother — even though we have lost all respect for her? There is a life being brought into this immature relationship of theirs filled with lies and deception. I know that when the child is born we will love it no matter what, but how can we show excitement, knowing our son feels duped?

— Concerned Grandparents

DEAR CONCERNED: You should maintain some skepticism about your third-hand information, but assuming it is true, your daughter-in-law has been dangerously deceptive. When your son comes to you and tells you of this pregnancy, you could ask him, simply, how he feels about it. Depending on how he responds, you can say that he told you both that he didn't want to have any more children and that his brother reported that he has been duped or tricked into fatherhood. Encourage him to explore his options and tell him you will support his decision. If he decides to stay in the marriage, he should see his physician regarding his birth control choices. He may want to get a vasectomy; at the very least he should never have unprotected sex with his wife. Your behavior toward your daughter-in-law should fall somewhere on the spectrum between throwing a baby shower for her and shunning her. She sounds like bad news, and this couple needs to successfully deal with her behavior before they can succeed as a family.

DEAR AMY: How would you respond to personal questions that are clearly none of the asker's business? Examples would be: "How old are you?"; "Why don't you have any children?"; "How much money do you make?"; "How much did you pay for your house?" "That is none of your business" seems rude to me.

— Surrounded by Barracudas

DEAR SURROUNDED: My mother always told me to say, "Why do you ask?"

(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.)

Amy Dickinson

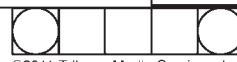


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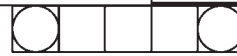
Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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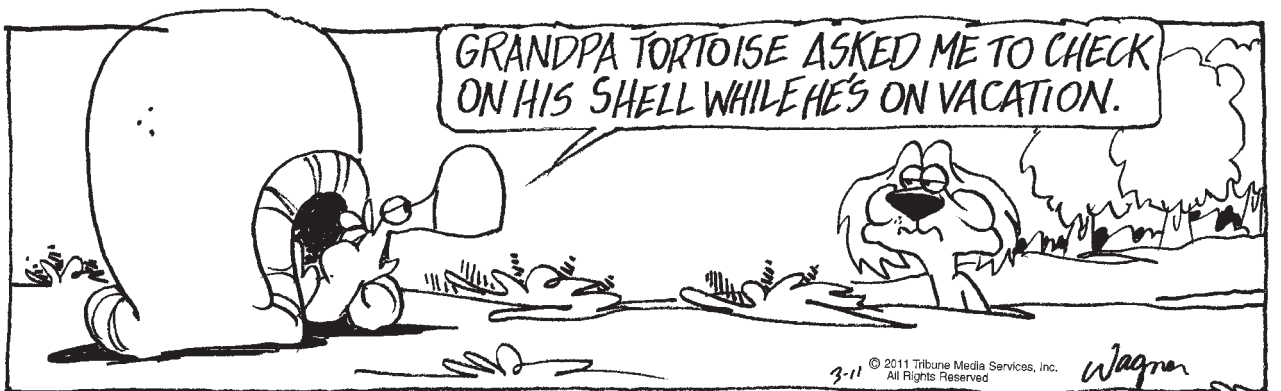


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To your
good health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: About 40 years ago, when I was in my 30s, I was examined by a famous heart doctor who went over me with great care and concluded I had mitral valve prolapse. He put me on medicine, which I have taken to this day. He also insisted I take antibiotics before dental work. That doctor died, and my new doctor, quite young, says I don't have mitral valve prolapse and that I don't need medicine or antibiotics before dental work. He saw that I doubted him, so he had me get an echocardiogram. It showed no mitral valve problem. I still wonder about this. I can't accept that my former doctor was wrong. — J.P.

ANSWER: The mitral valve regulates blood flow from the upper left heart chamber — the left atrium — to the lower left heart chamber, the ventricle. When the ventricle contracts, it pumps blood out of the heart. Simultaneously the mitral valve closes to prevent back-flow of blood into the left atrium. Mitral valve prolapse means that the mitral valve balloons upward into the left atrium during heart pumping and might leak blood. In the 1960s, around the time you were diagnosed with this condition, mitral valve prolapse was first described and became a very popular diagnosis. Many of those who were then given a diagnosis of it really didn't have it. The condition was written about in newspapers and magazines, and dire consequences were ascribed to it. Now, with new knowledge of how this valve works and with new equipment such as echocardiograms (sound-wave pictures of the heart), a clearer picture of the mitral valve is obtainable. Most people who have a ballooning valve are not considered to have a serious medical condition. In only a handful of these people does a significant leak of blood occur. Those are the people who require treatment, and those are the people who take antibiotics before certain dental procedures. Your doctor wasn't wrong. He was a victim of the inadequate knowledge of that era. Heart-valve disease is quite common. The booklet on it describes the more prevalent varieties. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 105W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.



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Dating after 50

► Seniors re-entering dating world after divorce or death

A growing number of people entering the world of dating are over the age of 50. While some things have changed since they did this the first time around, the rules of dating have largely remained the same.

During an episode of the popular sitcom, "Seinfeld," George Costanza experiences extreme anxiety from the thought of his recently separated mother being "out there" in the dating world.

"I'm out there," offers Estelle.

"No, you're not! Because I'm out there, and if I see you out there, there's not enough voltage in the universe to electroshock me back into coherency," George says.

However, the fact remains that many seniors are re-entering the dating world after divorces or the death of a spouse. Some eternal bachelors and bachelorettes may have never left.

For those about to re-enter the dating game in their senior years, these tips and tidbits may help make the process a bit easier.

• **Use dating sites.** For those shy about simply mingling in the singles' social scene,



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Many seniors are re-entering the dating scene through online dating web sites.

online sites offer a measure of anonymity and can take away some of the pressure. Plus, they enable daters to pool from a wide array of potential mates. Dating sites also give those seeking mates a chance to learn a little about what makes the other person tick, which can be a good starting point for conversation when a date is eventually set.

• **The numbers are favorable for men.** Senior men entering the dating world have an easier time finding a potential date

simply because there are more women than men in the senior age bracket. Women tend to live longer than men do, which widens the dating pool for men.

• **Use tried and true tactics.** Some of the same ways people landed a date in the past remain the best ways to land one now. Individuals can ask to be set up by friends with single acquaintances. People can participate in activities they enjoy and chat with others who share the same likes. Simply being friendly and getting the word out that there is an interest in dating may help.

• **Get a makeover.** Now may be the time to explore some new wardrobe options or experiment with a different haircut. Potential mates will likely want a date who looks put together and current. Although you shouldn't judge a book by its cover, most people still do.

• **Realize it may take time.** Finding the right match may take several dates and patience. Just because a person is now older doesn't mean he or she has to be desperate and accept the first person who comes along. If there's no chemistry, say so and move on. Once that special person is found, it will be worth the effort.

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Child advocacy center to hold conference

Faith based response to child abuse is highlighted

In honor of National Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Weiss Advocacy Center is sponsoring a Faith Based Response to Child Abuse Conference on Thursday, April 7, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Peace Presbyterian Church on Elms Road in Flint. The cost is \$15 (\$10 if registered before April 1) to cover materials and a light lunch.

"Each year, there are about 2,000 children in Genesee County who were confirmed victims of abuse or neglect," said Jonquil Bertschi, executive director of the Weiss Advocacy Center. "Religious families are not immune from child abuse."

"This conference is open to anyone

in the faith community who wants to improve the lives of their children."

Highlights from this conference include presentations from the Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton, DHS Child Welfare Director Stacie Bowens, Clayton Township Police Chief Mike Powers and other professionals.

Conference topics include recognizing child abuse and neglect, parenting programs and support, "who is hurting our kids," and policies and procedures to keep kids safe.

To find out more about the conference or to register, contact Jonquil at the Weiss Center, call (810) 238-3333 or e-mail jonquil@weissadvocacycenter.org.

Registration is also available online at www.weissadvocacycenter.org/faith.

Summary

In honor of National Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Weiss Advocacy Center is sponsoring a Faith Based Response to Child Abuse Conference.

NOTICE ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Please be notified that the Argentine Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a meeting on Monday, April 4, 2011, 7:00 p.m. at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lake Rd, to consider the following:

Gary Bacon owner & Charlene Benmark purchaser, 8377 Pineview Lk. Dr. is requesting a Special Use to operate a licensed daycare business from the home. Described as 01-26-552-019, Lot 26 Pineview Lake Estates #1.

A complete copy of this tax description may be viewed at the Township office During regular office hours.


Denise Graves, Clerk
Argentine Township

ROSE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

March 9, 2011

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

- Roll Call: Board Members Present: Kalcec, Miller, Gordon, Scheib-Snyder
Board Members Absent: Slaughter
- Approved: Agenda for the March 9, 2011 regular meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees with the addition of item H. Adoption of Parks and Recreation Plan Resolution.
- Approved: Consent agenda with the meeting minutes of February 9, 2011 and February 23, 2011
- Presentation: NOCFA Chief Lintz – Update on NOCFA Station #3 in Rose Township.
- Approved: Hire a bookkeeper/administrative assistant, offer this position to Linda Kerr, position would report to Township Supervisor, Deputy Treasurer position would become part-time at same pay rate as Deputy Clerk.
- Postponed: Award Contract for Removal of Various Items from Property.
- Appointed: Debbie Miller as the alternate representative to the HAYA Board.
- Approved: Resolution for Rakowski Fireworks Display Permit.
- Approved: Correction on the transfer of budgeted amounts to the building department.
- Tabled: Proposed Township budget amendment resolution.
- Approved: Exploration of Zoning Liability Coverage Limits for Regulatory Takings.
- Rejected: Participation in Traffic Improvement Association Request for Payment.
- Adopted: Parks and Recreation Plan.
- Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.


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NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF TYRONE TOWNSHIP LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 3, 2011

All electors are hereby given notice that an Election will be held in all voting precincts of Tyrone Township, Livingston County, Michigan, on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Electors of the Fenton and Linden School Districts will be voting for Board of Education Candidates and Mott Community College Board of Trustee Candidates. Electors of the Hartland School District will be voting for one Board of Education candidate position and for the following proposal:

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Full text of the ballot proposal may be obtained at the administrative offices of Hartland Consolidated Schools, 9525 Highland Road, Howell, Michigan 48843, telephone: (810) 626-2100.

Electors who wish to vote in the May School Election must be registered to vote no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 4, 2011.

To register, visit any Secretary of State Branch Office, the County Clerk's Office, or the Tyrone Township Clerk's Office. The Tyrone Township Clerk is available for the purpose of receiving registrations at the following location and times:

Tyrone Township Hall
10408 Center Road
Fenton, Michigan

Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Keith L. Kremer,
Tyrone Township Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS MARCH 21, 2011

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

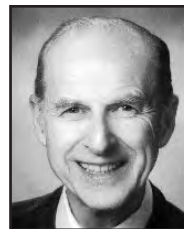
1. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as presented.
3. Adopted Resolution No. 2011-04, supporting the May 3, 2011 millage request of the Genesee District Library.
4. Approved invoices & expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$1,128,653.31.
5. Conducted the first reading of a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the design standards for landscape contractors to permit onsite sale of landscaping material.
6. Conducted the first reading of a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to establish a definition for Doggie Day Care and to designate it as a use permitted by special use permit in the C-2, C-3 and M-2 zoning districts.
7. Conducted the first reading of a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the definition for Front Lot Line.
8. Conducted the first reading of a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to create a definition for Recreational Vehicle and to establish provisions and standards for the parking of recreational vehicles on vacant commercial property.
9. Conducted the first reading of a proposed amendment to the Sign Regulation Ordinance to revise provisions regarding home occupation signs and digital signs.
10. Approved the 2011 Dust Control Agreement with the Genesee County Road Commission.
11. Approved the extension of the provisions of the 2010-2011 Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Genesee County Sheriff Department through December 31, 2011.
12. Approved a motion to support the request of the Silver-Marl Lake Association for goose population reduction measures.
13. Adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



Freedom from guilt

A grandmother, tormented by feelings of guilt, wrote to a television minister asking how she could be forgiven for an unnamed sin in her past. This woman of faith had lived an exemplary life and had raised her children on the principles of faith given in the Bible. Now, she was doing her best to pass this wonderful gift on to her grandchildren.

In spite of her efforts to do right by her family, however, this grandmother was secretly struggling with guilt feelings prompted by something she had done many years earlier. This sin was, in her mind, not forgiven and its memory haunted her almost every day. At the time she wrote for help, she was considering telling her family the specifics of this break with her moral values, hoping this might finally bring relief.

The counselor assigned to answer this troubled woman sensed that disclosing the details of her past transgression to her family might severely damage her relationship with them. How could he lead her to freedom?

He reviewed the problem, considering the facts she had given to him. She was, without question, a woman of

faith. She had confessed this sin to the Lord (probably hundreds of times).

What more need she do to be forgiven?

Nothing, he concluded.

According to the Bible, sins that are confessed are immediately forgiven (1 John 1:9).

The counselor's answer to this troubled woman was that since she had met the conditions of forgiveness, she must simply accept the promises that accompany them and be free.

The counselor was correct. Our feelings may deceive us and keep us in bondage. The truth about God's free forgiveness can set us free, but we must personalize these Biblical promises through faith in order to experience the freedom they're intended to bring.

Martin Luther said it well. 'Feelings come and feelings go and feelings are deceiving. My warrant is the Word of God; Naught else is worth believing.'

Luther had learned to simply accept God's forgiveness by faith. And so must we, if we are to feel forgiven. Perhaps you can identify with this troubled grandmother, who for so long had allowed her unnamed past failure to rob her of the peace she deserved because she had already asked for forgiveness.

How long will you keep on doubting God's love and His guarantee of forgiveness?

Doubt your doubts and believe your beliefs. Relax in God's love...and be free.

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

SALONS

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themselves at a salon, especially with today's longer cuts and more styled appearance. "They're getting used to having their hair shampooed and the pampering that goes along with other services," said Wynn. "Men enjoy the relaxation of a pedicure or manicure as much as women do—minus the polish."

CC & Co. Salon in Fenton estimates that about 20 to 25 percent of their customers are men. For Bert Bossardet, 47, of Linden, it's all about feeling the best you can about yourself. "I'm 'ugly,'" he said, with a laugh. "I don't need a bad hair cut on top of it—that's really important to me, because I'm picky."

He has been going to hair stylist Robyn Wells at CC's for the last five years, and hasn't had a bad haircut yet. "I love the fact that I can make appointments, rather than having to wait in line at a barber shop," said Bossardet, a busy business owner and father of three. "There's no down time for me. I'm a 'guy on the fly.'"

He admits to having "a little help" covering up the gray once or twice a year, just for a bit of maintenance, he says, and feels very comfortable in a salon setting. "I don't know about what works for other guys, but this definitely works for me," he said.

Wells enjoys styling hair for men, just because she offers a different salon experience from her end of the chair. "All my clients talk, but men really want to know about what's going on in my life, with my family. They're all very chatty," she said, with a smile. "Men also want to talk about golf, exercise and travel, and even though many women

have these same hobbies, women want to talk more about 'private stuff.' It's very different."

Wells also believes that one of the aspects of salon services that men like most is the shampoo. "Men love the shampoo and the scalp massage," said Wells. "They love that extra step that they don't get from a barber."

Jenny Ross, is a stylist at J.D. Michel Salon in Fenton, sees more and more young men coming in, as well as men in their 40s who are seeking a clean, well-manicured look.

"We provide a style to a cut that you can't just get 'anywhere,'" she said. "You get what you pay for."

Many of her male customers get their eyebrows waxed and their backs waxed, and take advantage of the relaxation of a massage while they are at the salon. "We can totally groom a man with a mustache trim, nose/ear hair trim, eyebrow trim, etc.," said Ross. "Just like other salons, the only thing we can't use is an open-ended razor. That's just for barbers."

At The Retreat Salon & Skin Spa in Fenton, about a quarter of their customers are men, who take advantage of massages and hair-styling services, most of all. "We've also got a few male clients who come in for eyebrow waxing and coloring, plus back waxing, but massages are the most popular 'extra' service," said Amy Green, administrative assistant at the salon.

For Kirk Johnson, 50, assistant manager at Panera Bread in Fenton, going to Allure Hair Company is all about following hair stylist Cheri Proffer. "I've been going to her for 20 years and I go where she goes," he said.

Groups to distribute Easter baskets

Efforts are underway to help families in need in the Fenton community by providing Easter baskets for children age birth through eighth grade. This project involves the combined efforts of local area churches, school counselors, businesses, and volunteers. The group is asking the community for assistance to ensure that each child has their own Easter Basket to enjoy.

Easter baskets will be assembled on Thursday, April 21 at 9 a.m. at the Family Life Center next to the Fenton United Methodist Church (FUMC), 119 S. Leroy St. Baskets will be available for pick up from 1 to 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 21. Volunteers are welcome to assist with the basket assembly.

If you need or know of a family in need of assistance in the Fenton area, call

LOVE INC at (810) 235-4990 to request an Easter basket.

There are two ways individuals or businesses can contribute to this project. Monetary donations (check payable to FUMC, with "Easter Basket" written in the memo) may be dropped off or mailed to FUMC, 119 S. LeRoy St. Fenton 48430. All monetary donations will help purchase needed items for the baskets.

Donate or collect items needed for baskets, including individually wrapped candy, chocolate bunnies, small books, small stuffed animals, small toys (i.e. bubbles, chalk, jump ropes, cars, balls, etc.).

If you have any questions, contact coordinator Teri Sydenstricker at terisyd@charter.net or Fenton United Methodist Church at (810) 629-8994.

SKIN CARE

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Serendipity Day Spa Aesthetician Megan Starrs, a skin-care specialist, said it just takes three steps — cleansing, exfoliating, and moisturizing on a semi-regular basis, to have healthy skin.

"Just like women, it's very important to use proper facial cleansers for their skin type," said Starrs. She does not recommend using regular body wash or bar soap for the face. "Regular soap is way too drying," she said.

Facial cleansers should be used for the right skin type. Serendipity Day Spa has its house brand, Povonia. Men with larger pores have oilier skin. Smaller pores indicate drier skin. "If you feel like you have a glow, use (a cleanser) that is for oily skin," Starrs said. For men with acne, there are cleansers that contain benzyl peroxide.

She also suggests cleansers with a sun protection factor (SPF) of 15, for any time of the year. "The biggest mistake you can make is not protecting it from the sun," Starrs said. "You can still get sunburned in the winter."

The right cleanser will properly clean the skin without drying, or leaving it too moist, and also provide UV protection. Use the cleanser every time you wash your face.

Exfoliating is the process

of removing dead skin, which keeps the pores open, skin soft, and prevents acne breakouts. Exfoliates can come in the form of an abrasive pad, or a cream with granules, or even regular cane sugar. "Some salt scrubs that you would use on your body are way too rough for your face," said Starrs.

Exfoliating only needs to be done once per week, but skin should be moisturized at least once per day.

Starrs said to cleanse first, exfoliate one to two times per week, and moisturize at least once per day. "You'll be able to tell by the feel of it," she said. Skin shouldn't feel dry, tight, or oily. She recommends going to a spa once per month for a deep exfoliating cleanse, and just to relax.

Mary Kay Cosmetics learned that men were also interested in healthy youthful skin. The company discovered that many men were actually using their wives' beauty products. "So, Mary Kay Cosmetics decided to package their own line of products for men,"

said Mary Kay Sales Director Bonnie Leyder, of Fenton. "There's no age limit on the popularity of these products, and you may be surprised to learn that some of our consultants in Genesee County actually host men's skin care parties, just like we do for women."

"Just like women, it's very important to use proper facial cleansers for their skin type."

Megan Starrs
Aesthetician,
Serendipity Day Spa

Summary

►Skin care for men is accomplished in three steps, cleansing, moisturizing every day, and exfoliating once per week.

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NOTICE OF REVISIONS TO SEWER ORDINANCE #43

Notice is hereby given that the Tyrone Township Board, at the Regular meeting held on March 1, 2011, approved for adoption revisions to the Sewer Ordinance #43. The entire ordinance is available for review during the regular business hours at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430 and on website www.tyronetownship.us. A summary of the revisions is as follows:

General: Updated multiple sections of the ordinance to reflect that Livingston County is the operator and further define their role in the sewer system. Corrected grammar and spelling errors throughout. Updated references to the DNRE to reflect current and future changes to the State of Michigan organization. Corrected the signatory area.

Sec 2. Clarified the definition of property owner. Added definitions for *Groundwater* and *Surface Water*. Corrected references for *Wastewater* and *Trunk Line*.

Sec. 6.10 and 9.18. Changed *will* to *shall*.

Sec. 10.4. Changed *will* to *may*.

Sec. 6.6, 6.8, 17.1, 17.7. Provided additional clarification for these sections.

Sec. 17.8 & added 17.9. Clarified to define purchase and resale of REUs.

Sec. 19. Removed section regarding hardship appeals.

Additional Information Section. Corrected technical specifications for the grinder pumps and provide for changes by the operator or manager as technology advances. Inserted a REU Table, phone number for assistance and replaced *will* with *shall*.

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Holly's
Ashley Xiong

The winter season is over and soon, we'll be doing our All Tri-County teams. Actually, the first one is located right below. So now seems to be a good time to do a poll that is a bit less official, but fun nevertheless. Here are some of the athletes I enjoy watching compete every time I see them on a court, field or mat. This is biased towards the athletes and sports I see a bit more than others. Sorry about that. But for them to be exciting to you, you do have to see them. In no particular order,

ENTERTAINING PREP ATHLETES OF 2010-11 WINTER

except for No. 1....

Mitch Kirk - Lake Fenton basketball - He brings a football mentality to the basketball court and isn't afraid of some contact. Yet, it's not like he's a thug player, either. Kirk has talent on the court. Every team needs a Mitch Kirk.

Buddy Poyner - Lake Fenton wres-

ting - Poyner earned this spot at the team state meet and then the individual state meet, mainly due to his bouts with Dundee's Josh White. In one week, he defeated White in overtime to put the Blue Devils in the state finals, a match no one that saw it will soon forget. In the individual state finals a week later, he lost a heartbreaking verdict to White in the state title match. Those two were so evenly matched that they should meet up every year at a given time and wrestle for bragging rights. It would be a match well worth watching.

Hannah Fremd - Tri-City goalie - When I heard that the Tri-City team was going to have a girl goalie, I thought

about other teams that I knew that tried it and it seemed to fail. I expected the same results this year with Fremd. But, Fremd proved me wrong. I never saw her play a bad game. In fact, in every game I went to, she would've been one of the three stars at the end of the game.

Esteban Gonzales - Holly wrestler - Right up until the state tournament, Gonzales was undefeated. And he was an "impressive" undefeated. Man, he just swallowed up opponents this year. There were times I was writing down the match in my notebook, I'd look up and Gonzales was about to pin his foe. He just didn't allow you to blink.

See **PREP ATHLETES** on 15B

Times sports

SPORTS TRIVIA

Q Who was the last Detroit Tigers pitcher to strike out more than 250 batters in a season?

A I bet a lot of people said Jack Morris or Mickey Lolich. Actually, the ones that said Justin Verlander were right. He struck out 269 batters last season.

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Rivette leads All Tri-County Girls team once again

By Al Zipsie

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For the second straight year, Fenton's Gabrielle Rivette is the Tri-County Girls Basketball Player of the Year.

It shouldn't be a shock. When the First-Team All-Metro League squad was released recently, she became only the second four-time member.

Who was the first? Of course, her sister Christina Rivette.

And that shouldn't come as much of a shock, either. When it comes to Fenton varsity girls basketball, the Rivette name seemingly has always been around.

Before Gabrielle, there was her older

Four-time All-Metro League selection finishes career at top in school history in assists and third in scoring

sister, Christina, and before her, oldest sister, Ali. Among them, the sister trio has had 11 years varsity experience with Fenton coach Brad DeWitt, and has scored more than 3,000 points combined. It does lead to some interesting family conversations.

"We do joke about each others' re-

cords," Gabrielle said. "It is all in fun and nobody has gotten mad."

Gabrielle has her share of records. She's the school's all-time assist leader with 224, and ranks third in career points with 1,127. She's only behind, of course, big sis Christina's 1,439 and Dru Bishop's 1,182. Gabrielle also ranks high in a couple of other categories. She's fifth in career steals

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For the second straight year, Fenton's Gabrielle Rivette is our Tri-County Girls Basketball Player of the Year.



Rivette finished her career as the school's all-time career assists leader

Our First Team

All Tri-County Girls Basketball

MVP Gabrielle Rivette **Team** Fenton

Note: Fenton school's all-time assist leader (224 assists) is also third in all-time scoring with 1,127 points. Rivette was a four-time First-Team All-Metro player. The Tigers posted a 73-18 record during her four varsity seasons.

THE REST OF THE TEAM

Player **Team**
Ashley Xiong Holly
Allysa Copley Holly
Sam Granger Fenton
Alyssa Ostrowski Fenton
Maija Satkowiak Linden
Sidney Scott Lk. Fenton

THE RIVETTE FILE

Gabrielle Rivette's varsity basketball career at Fenton

Freshman season

Rivette shoots 49 percent from the field, averaging about nine points, four rebounds and two assists a game. The team finishes the season with 20 wins.

Sophomore season

Rivette nets 302 points and 80 assists, while also grabbing 77 rebounds. She also has 40 steals.

Junior season

Rivette scores 354 points, the most she does in any season of her career. She does it by shooting 48% from the field and 84% from the free-throw line. She also has 102 rebounds, 55 steals and 50 assists.

Senior season

Rivette finishes her career as the No. 3 scorer in school history, netting 266 points. She also collects 72 rebounds, 60 steals and 48 rebounds.

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- Grand Blanc – Genesee Fieldhouse at 9am
- Fenton/Linden – Linden HS at 9am
- Swartz Creek – Mary Crapo Bldg. at 11am



What's On **Television?****SATURDAY****COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

ESPN Women's NCAA tourney Noon

CBS Men's NCAA Division 2 Final 1 p.m.

ESPN Women's NCAA tourney 2 p.m.

CBS Men's NCAA Regional Final 4 p.m.

CBS Men's NCAA Regional Final 6:30 p.m.

ESPN Women's NCAA tourney 9 p.m.

ESPN Women's NCAA tourney 11:30 p.m.

GOLF

(GOLF)..... PGA: Arnold Palmer Invitational 12:30 p.m.

NBC PGA: Arnold Palmer Invitational.. 2:30 p.m.

(GOLF)..... LPGA: Kia Classic 6:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

(FSD)..... Maple Leafs at Red Wings.....7 p.m.

PREP BASKETBALL

(FSD)..... MHSAA Class D Final 10 a.m.

(FSD)..... MHSAA Class A Final..... Noon

(FSD)..... MHSAA Class C Final.....4 p.m.

RACING

ESPN Nationwide Series 5:30 p.m.

SOCCER

ESPN Wales vs. England..... 10 a.m.

ESPN USA soccer friendly 7 p.m.

BASEBALL

Cubs at Rangers.....4 p.m.

SUNDAY

(ESPN) Women's NCAA..... Noon

CBS NCAA Men's Regional Final.....2 p.m.



Women's NCAA..... 2:30 p.m.

CBS NCAA Men's Regional Final..... 4:30 p.m.



Women's NCAA..... 4:30 p.m.



Women's NCAA..... 7 p.m.

NBA BASKETBALL

ESPN Trail Blazers at Thunder 8 p.m.

ESPN Mavericks at Suns..... 10:30 p.m.

GOLF

(GOLF)..... PGA: Arnold Palmer Invitational 12:30 p.m.



PGA: Arnold Palmer Invitational.. 2:30 p.m.

(GOLF)..... LPGA: Kia Classic 7 p.m.

BASEBALL

(FSD)..... Astros at Tigers 1 p.m.

RACING

(ABC) Indy Car Racing..... 12:30 p.m.



Sprint Cup Series..... 2:30 p.m.

RIVETTE

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with 193, and found time to grab 357 career boards.

And all those numbers led to some great seasons. Fenton won league titles each of her three seasons and finished a combined 73-18 during her four seasons with the varsity team.

She also had the pleasure of starting her career with Christina, playing two seasons together. The combo was deadly, as Fenton finished the season with a 20-4 mark.

"Coming in as a freshman is tough anyhow, but I was lucky to have Christina on the team as a junior," Gabrielle said. "She looked out for me and pushed me to improve. I always looked up to her, and to have her on the team that year helped a lot."

But the last two seasons, Rivette has had to carry the family name herself, and has done quite well doing just that. She broke the coveted 1,000 point-mark for her career on Jan. 21 against Kearsley. She scored 20 points in that contest, with breaking the 1,000 barrier with her 12th point.

She ended up the third highest scorer in Fenton girls basketball history, and the sixth-highest in Metro League history.

She also helped another milestone happen during her 17-5 senior season. DeWitt became the winningest girls basketball coach in Metro League history.

Both Rivette and DeWitt were honored during a boys basketball game for their milestones and received the game balls with the date and record on it.

It was fitting, because Rivette gives much of her high school credit to DeWitt. She also credits her teammates.

"It's exciting to win this award again," Rivette said. "I could have not done it without my teammates and coach DeWitt."

Next season will be the first in six that the Tigers won't have a Rivette on the court. Minus a small gap between Ali and Gabrielle, the Tigers have had nine seasons of Rivettes, combining for 10 First-Team All-Metro League selections.

"It is going to be unusual without having the name (Rivette) in the lineup," Fenton varsity coach Brad DeWitt said. "I was spoiled to be able to coach all of them. Coaching 'Gabs' was an honor. Maybe she could have scored more points. With



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Fenton's Gabrielle Rivette (right) is the Tri-County's Girls Basketball Player of the Year for the second straight season. She led the Tigers to a second-place team finish in the Metro League this winter, capping her career on the top of Fenton's career assists list.

some of the large leads we had in some games, she did not play in a lot of fourth quarters.

"They are a great family. They take basketball serious (and) have good-natured fun with the records. Gabby could say she would have scored more if not for the fourth quarters, Ali can say she didn't reach 1,000 because I only played three years to you guys playing four, and then Christina might just sit there and smile knowing she has the record."

And while her prep career may be over, Rivette's basketball talents will continue to the next level, at Northwood University.

"I think 'Gabs' will get some minutes as a freshman," DeWitt said. "They need some guards at that school, and she should contribute right away."

"All I can do is keep working hard, and, hopefully, they like what I am doing and it fits in," added Rivette.

She fit in just fine the last four years at Fenton.

PREP ATHLETES

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Spencer Quick - Lake Fenton basketball -

You can see the soccer keeper in Quick when he plays basketball. He doesn't mind contact, throwing his body in traffic wherever needed. He goes after loose balls and draws charges. He's just an entertaining player no matter what sport you watch him play.

Ryan Hickoff - Fenton basketball - He's the area's top player, the player that the Metro fears more than any other, yet, by his demeanor you'd never realize it. In this era of the ego-filled superstar, it's a pleasure to watch someone like Hickoff. Thankfully, we still have one more year to watch him and his brother.

Josh Fugate - Holly basketball - There was a period this season where Fugate was scoring 20 points in a game, and you almost didn't realize it because nothing was forced. The only real player with great experience from Holly's varsity team a year ago, Fugate was a great leader and a pleasure to watch this season.

Sean Canning - Lake Fenton basketball - There's a lot of Lake Fenton basketball players on this list. Canning looks really unorthodox. He doesn't look particularly fast or anything. Yet, when a game ends he has 20 points and has dished to teammates for another couple of buckets. He doesn't look like he'd be that deadly, even after you see him play a few minutes. But he is.

Todd Melick - Lake Fenton wrestling - A wrestler put on this list for what he did at team state meet. Three pins against three teams at the state meet. Now that's impressive.

And this year's most entertaining winter athlete is... Ashley Xiong - Holly basketball - Anyone that's followed these lists the last few years probably could've figured this one out. A lot of coaches will say this or that person is valuable to our team even if they don't score a single point. With Xiong, it's

100 percent true. Probably around five-feet tall, no one gets more out of her frame on the basketball court more than Xiong in the Tri-County area — boy or girl. She's the epitome of why prep sports are so cool. She hustles, mixes it up with the big girls and is flat out the team's heart and soul. If she leads the team to victory by scoring just three points during that night, that's fine with her. I honestly think she'd rather have the three points and the win than even 55 points and a loss. It's hard to envision Holly girls basketball without Xiong next season.

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