

ONLINE
COMMENTS

**STORY: UNION
BLOCK PROPERTY
FOR SALE, AGAIN**
“They’re good
people, leave them
alone.”

— CR

“It’s their property,
they can do with it
what they want. This is
still America.”

— Jack

**HOT LINE:
TEACHERS**

“OK, my thought
on everybody bashing
teachers is this. Treat
them as you would
any other employee
at any job. If you don’t
do the job right, you’re
fired. I’m
tired of
all the
unedu-
cated
people
out there
that just

get pushed through
schools, because of
No Child Left Behind. I
think teachers should
be hired on a yearly
basis.”

— Lynn

STORY: PATERNITY

“Dude, if you
know the mother is in
Kentucky, get yourself
down
there
and file
for visita-
tion. Dr.
Laura
would
say it’s

your duty to go to the
child, and not take her
away from her ‘other’
family.”

— Robert

HOT LINE**OF THE WEEK**

“TEACHERS,
PEOPLE ARE
not bashing you or
the job you do. The
point is, Michigan
companies have
cut benefits and in
comparison, yours
are still very rich. All
professionals have
to pay for their
college education and
continued training. I
would have been a
teacher but there
were no jobs. Why?
Because there were
so many applicants
due to the rewarding
aspects from teaching
as well as the
benefits and working
conditions.”

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OUR TEACHERS: Everything you want to know

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Tiffany Grove, a sixth-grade science teacher at AGS Middle School Ellen Street Campus in Fenton, uses real-world examples to help the students understand concepts such as convection and radiation.

**What they’re paid, hours they work,
tenure, education, benefits and more**

By Anna Troppens
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These days, it’s a tough
world out there if you’re a
teacher. Tax money supports
the local schools, and many
taxpayers want to know more
about what they are paying
for. This is an in-depth look
at the pay and benefits of
teachers and administrators

“Approximately
86 percent of
our entire
school district
budget goes
to personnel.”

Dr. Timothy Jalkanen
Fenton schools superintendent

in the Fenton school district.

Fenton Area Public Schools
has 198 individuals in the
teacher group with a total pro-
jected payroll of \$12,287,737,
creating an average salary of
\$62,059, according to Doug
Busch, executive director of
Personnel & Finance. There
are 11 steps on the salary scale,
See **TEACHERS on 10A**

**Fenton 911 dispatch
center to stay open**

► DDA will pay for new
dispatch equipment

By Anna Troppens

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Fenton — The Fenton Downtown Develop-
ment Authority (DDA) is reaching out to save
the city’s emergency dispatch center. DDA
board members unanimously decided on an
eight-year, up to \$40,000 annually, lease-to-pur-
chase agreement for new dispatch equipment.
The cost will total approximately \$320,000.

See **911 DISPATCH on 6A**



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Due to a lack of funding for new equipment,
Fenton’s emergency dispatch center was in
danger of closing.

Marathon man

► Fenton man places 687th
out of 26,000 in Boston

By Sally Rummel

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Jayson Doggett almost
didn’t register to run in
Monday’s prestigious Bos-
ton Marathon, even though
he had qualified for the race
at the Chicago Marathon
last October. “My wife and
I were expecting our second
child in late December, and
I just didn’t think I’d be

See **MARATHON on 8A**

**JAYSON
DOGETT****Five vie for two seats
on Fenton school board**

By Anna Troppens

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Five candidates are running for two, four-
year seats on the Fenton Area Public Schools
Board of Education. The two winners of the
May 3 election will replace David Walker
and Roger Ellis, who are not running for re-
election. Walker is the current board president,
a position the board votes on.

See **FENTON SCHOOL on 12A**



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2 Boost productivity

For a no-fail way to combat sluggishness and boost productivity during the inevitable afternoon energy dip, use the last 15 minutes of your lunch break to catch up with a coworker or a pal over the phone. Research shows that engaging in nonwork-related, lighthearted gossip relieves tension and bolsters morale, leaving you able and inspired to perform at your peak until the day's end.

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Spring is here... Get ready to grill

► Local experts offer advice on buying a gas grill

By Tim Jagielo

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Spring is here, and so is grilling season. If buying a new gas grill is an unfamiliar experience, some local experts are here to provide some guidance.

The first thing to consider in buying a gas grill is how much you will actually use it, said Jeff Stone, of Sears Hometown Store in Fenton. Many people look at how many burners a grill has, or how many square inches the cooking surface is, or even how many burgers it can cook at once, he said.

An older couple who only cooks for themselves might be happy with a smaller, three-burner grill. A family that regularly entertains should plan to buy a larger one.

"You really need to buy based on the number of people you'll be cooking for," said Kevin McKay, of McKay's Hardware in Holly. McKay recommends stainless-steel burners because they rust less.

See **GRILL** on 9A



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(Above) Gas grills come with a variety of features and prices. Your grill should be able to accommodate the larger number of people you will cook for. (Below) The ignition switch safely lights the propane or natural gas. Some igniters are on top of the grill.



Tips

- **Buy a grill** based on the number of people you will frequently cook for.
- **Name brands** offer more replacement parts and accessories.
- **You get** what you pay for.
- **The grill** should have several deflecting bars to ensure meat is cooked evenly.
- **Stainless steel** burners rust less.

Gas grills

Gas grills are very popular, and work by heating the meat from below via propane or natural gas. When the hood is closed, the grill acts like an oven, heating the food from all sides. The grilled flavor comes from the juices dripping off the meat onto lava rocks or flavor bars below, and are carried back up through the smoke.

Fenton Ambassadors win big in Nashville

Finale Show set for May 6-7

By Anna Troppens

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Fenton — It's a Tuesday afternoon, and the Fenton High School Ambassadors are gathered on the risers in their classroom, practicing a lively song with teacher Brad Wright. There's no business like show business, and the enthusiastic group is excited to be together and working in class.

On their trip to Nashville, Tenn. two weeks ago, they col-

lected an armful of awards at a high school music contest sponsored by Heritage Festivals. They won gold awards for their show choir medley and vocal jazz, along with all three of the competition's vocal soloist awards — and other honors (see sidebar on page 14A).

Senior MacKenzie McCormick, who has performed with the Ambassadors for four

years, said their vocal jazz set at the competition was probably the

"Since I've been here, we've never done this well on scores or brought home so many awards."

Brad Wright

director, Fenton High School Ambassadors



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Fenton High School Ambassadors has 23 members, who recently won many awards in Nashville, Tenn. at a competition sponsored by Heritage Festivals.

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New rules

The old rules don't seem to be working so well. Ergo, here are some of my new rules, carefully and thoughtfully crafted in order to make all our lives better:

NEW RULE: Stop celebrating unwed motherhood. If your daughter is pregnant, and not married, she should be ashamed, not showered.

NEW RULE: Stop whining! These are the toughest times in the toughest economic climate in the most economically devastated state in America. If you don't like it here, move. There are several states, such as Texas, that are thriving. Heal thyself.

NEW RULE: If you are over the age of 12 and still wear a baseball cap backwards, you are a moron.

NEW RULE: If you have kids, you are a parent for life, not just until a new

hottie comes to work in your office. If I recall correctly, the vows state 'until death do us part.' What part of that do 51 percent of you (U.S. divorce rate) not understand?

NEW RULE: Stop paying good money to see bad sequels. In the entire history of Hollywood there has never been a sequel that was anything but a poorly written, money-grubbing, fast-tracked rip-off of the original. There may be pirates, but they're in Hollywood, not the Caribbean.

NEW RULE: Quit abnormalizing the normal. It's late spring — storms are a normal occurrence. We don't need hysterical weather

forecasters and blaring sirens inciting panic each time a dark cloud passes overhead. There is no such thing as a severe thunderstorm. All thunderstorms are severe. That's why they are called thunderstorms, not serenity storms.

NEW RULE: Stop passing off old

movies as 'remastered, redigitized and with all new scenes.' Those are the scenes that weren't good enough for the original — that's why they were cut in the first place. How many more 'lost' Bambi scenes can Disney possibly have.

NEW RULE: To the whores that operate the new, and classless, Disney empire. Stop threatening us with putting your old, crappy movies 'back in the vault' if we don't buy them. Fantasia, which is simply an elongated version of the score from 1937's 'The Sorcerer's Apprentice,' was crap when it was released in 1940. Ergo, it's even more crappier today.

NEW RULE: Democrats, if you want to be taken seriously then distance yourself from the narcissistic, out-of-touch pansies from the entertainment industry. Rosie O'Barrell...um, I mean O'Donnell, and super-slob Michael Moore have nothing in common with the average American.

NEW RULE: To all networks: Don't expect most Americans to be outraged

when you show video footage of cops beating the \$#!+ out of a criminal. We're not lawyers, we're citizens. We're the ones being robbed, mugged and burglarized. We're rooting for the cops.

NEW RULE: Stop bagging every purchase. It's like the buyer feels cheated if he doesn't force the retailer to absorb the cost of a bag when he has a key made at the hardware store. We throw 100 billion bags away every year. Be part of the solution, not part of the problem.

NEW RULE: If you have a dog or cat, take proper care of them. It's an inferred contract when we get a pet that we, as humans, will provide food, shelter, medical care and affection. They, in turn, provide absolute devotion, protection, loyalty and unconditional love. Damn good deal for everyone if you ask me.

NEW RULE: Stop having babies you can't support. It's a real simple rule: If you can't feed 'em, don't breed 'em, cuz' we sure as hell don't want to.

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THE GUEST VIEWPOINT by Sue Walsh was wonderful. You can tell her heart is in her job. You could tell she cares about her job. They are caring, they put a personal touch in everything they do and I would like to congratulate them.

THIS IS TO the Fenton planning cronies. Here's the plan. I plan on growing 12 marijuana plants in my house and I plan to sue the crap out of each one of you who wants to come into my home to enforce an ordinance that supercedes state law.

IN CASE YOU haven't figured it out yet, here it is. All the community leaders sit in the back room trying to get money any way they can without getting hung, water, sewers, taxes etc. People are leaving. They don't have any money.

THE REASON I didn't think of becoming a teacher was because all of my teachers whined about not getting paid very much. If I would have done my research and saw what a gravy train it was, then maybe I would have chosen that route instead of mechanical engineering.

WHEN WILL AMERICANS wake up? Both parties have done a great job dividing the people of this country.

I don't believe for a minute that the people want anything more than an honest government that protects and watches out for the good of this nation. Let's not fight with each other, we all lose then.

THIS IS TO the person who stole a car seat out of my car in the Loon Lake area. That was my grandson's. I would appreciate you returning it. Thank you.

THE STANDARD & POORS has threatened to lower our debt rating in the United States from AAA and our financial sece-

tary, Tim Geithner, says it is not big deal. This is the same guy that couldn't do his own income tax using the Turbo Tax program. The last time our AAA rating was threatened was Dec. 7, 1941. I wonder what happened then?

MICHIGAN SCHOOLS COULD save a lot of money by eliminating administrators that earn more than \$100,000 a year. The administration and school funding could be consolidated across the state. This would ensure equal education across the state to all districts. Children in Fenton, Holly, and

Linden would be treated like children in Bloomfield Hills, and vice versa.

BANKS, LISTEN UP. There is a bank-owned house on our street and some company has come out twice, in the past two weeks, to cut and trim the lawn. There is no lawn to cut and trim. Nice that they're paying for gas and two people's wages to do nothing. What is wrong with the world?

I WAS A passenger in a vehicle pulled over by the Holly Police Department. As a retired police officer, I have to say the officer used perfect tactics and was courteous. There was a valid reason to stop us. Another car showed up, but left shortly after the ID was collected. He didn't know I was a retired police officer. Keep up the good work, Holly PD.

CAN SOMEBODY PLEASE explain to me why I still see people smoking in city vehicles? I thought that was against city policy.

SERIOUSLY, THIS WAS reported on a local TV newscast. Anyone care to point out the lie? 'The project will cost \$300,000, but will not cost the taxpayers. It is paid for by a federal grant.' Just once, truthful, accurate reporting, please.

SOME SAY WE must increase the debt limit. I say we cannot afford to raise it. Currently, we need to borrow money to pay our bills, including interest on money we already borrowed. That's insane. If everyone doesn't make sacrifices now, later we'll be doomed.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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CATERING

Compiled by Anna Troppens, Associate Editor

What does Easter mean to you?

streettalk



"Family, we do an Easter egg hunt and we paint eggs."

— Amy White Byron



"Family, friends, getting together, having a great dinner, having an Easter egg hunt. My grandkids dressing up."

— Linda Phillips, Fenton



"Easter means getting with family, enjoying each other's company."

— Zach Chopp-Adams Tyrone Twp.



"Salvation, church and family."

— Ryan Croney Fenton



"Easter means spending time with my family and getting a whole bunch of candy."

— Carli Messler Fenton



"It's time for remembering."

— Phillip Jenkins Linden

DDA may pay for community center updates

► Estimate for improvements, repairs is \$1.3-\$1.5 million

By Anna Troppens

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Fenton — The Fenton Community & Cultural Center (FCCC) is in need of restoration and the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) may pay for it.

A March 30 preliminary report from John Dziurman Architects Ltd. shows areas where improvements could be made. With many of the suggested improvements cut, the cost will probably be \$1.3 million to \$1.5 million, according to Michael Burns, assistant city manager/DDA director. "There are lots of things we don't feel are necessary," he said.

The DDA is the most likely source of funding. There is \$300,000 in its budget in the current and next fiscal year, Burns said. Options include a construction loan, which would allow all of the work to take place at once. Fenton would pay off the loan over time.

"If we do nothing with it, the building will deteriorate; something needs to be done with it."

Michael Burns

Fenton DDA director,
assistant city manager

the building, with an elevator and entrance corridor. A big issue is handicap-accessibility. In addition, the FCCC needs fire suppression, electrical and mechanical upgrades.

Structurally, the building — designed by famed Finnish-American architect Eliel Saarinen and his son Eero Saarinen — is sound, Burns said. The roof was fixed after the 2007 tornado, but there are still drainage issues because of storm damage.

Other portions of the project will include restoring the steps, improving acoustics inside the building and restoring some things inside, he said. There are many items to address.

Fenton City Council will discuss it during its all-day budget worksession, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Fenton Fire Department on Saturday, April 30.

"We'd love to start doing some work this year," Burns said. "We'd like to be moving along on this soon."

Summary


► The Fenton Community & Cultural Center, built in 1938, needs restoration. The Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is the most likely source of funding.

A committee, including two DDA members, two city councilors and two members of the community center's board of governors, has been meeting. The FCCC is a unique building, because the city

owns the property, the board of governors operates it and the DDA will probably pay for the project, Burns said.

The committee would like to extend

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911 DISPATCH

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Fenton's 10-year-old system is obsolete, said DDA Director/Assistant City Manager Michael Burns. The city's general fund didn't have enough for the expense.

A lease-to-purchase agreement is less expensive than selling bonds, City Manager Lynn Markland said. At the end of the last payment, Fenton will own the equipment.

As alternatives to getting new dispatch equipment, city administrators investigated obtaining 911-dispatch service from Genesee County Central or the village of Holly. There was no cost savings for Fenton if it went with Genesee County, Burns said. The approximately \$150,000 the city receives for 911 funding, from people's phone bill fees, would go to the county.

Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff said, if Fenton switches to Genesee County for dispatch service, the city would also change to a new rule the county has for ambulances. The new protocol states ambulance services must be housed in a building. Fenton (and Linden) contract with STAT EMS, which stations ambulances in a couple of spots around Fenton.

Automatic Vehicle Locators on the ambulances register on a computer system in Fenton's dispatch center, so the dispatcher can send the closest ambulance.

Response times are five minutes for priority calls, like someone having chest pain or trouble breathing, he said. Officials want to keep STAT EMS as an ambulance provider, but other ambulance companies could start "cherry

"I think it was the right decision. Quite honestly, the quality of life in the community wouldn't be the same."

Michael Burns
Fenton DDA director/
assistant city manager

How is the DDA funding the dispatch equipment?

It is an eight-year, lease-to-purchase agreement, not to exceed \$40,000 per year. The DDA is reducing the percentage it pays for DDA Director/Assistant City Manager Michael Burns' salary and benefits. The DDA will decrease from paying 75 percent of his salary and benefits, to 50 percent. The Fenton Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) will increase from paying 25 percent of Burns' compensation, to paying 50 percent. This will provide the DDA with \$20,000 for the dispatch equipment. In addition, there is a Fenton Gazebo improvement project, previously budgeted at \$100,000, Burns said. This was based on estimates from the previous engineering firm. The new engineering firm's estimates are much less expensive, and this will provide the DDA with the other \$20,000. With these budget amendments, the DDA can cover the dispatch equipment expense with money it already has, he said.

picking" 911 calls in Fenton if the city goes to Genesee County for dispatch service, Cairnduff said. With numerous senior care facilities and a dialysis center in the city, other ambulance companies might begin parking near these areas.

Holly Village has an excellent dispatch system, Mayor Sue Osborn said.

"Our radios are not compatible with theirs."

Another reason Fenton dispatch is important is, dispatchers watch the city's lock-up via an electronic monitor and periodically check on prisoners. Police Chief Rick Aro said it deters crimes like shoplifting and is a benefit to the city's retailers. Shoplifters, like other misdemeanor and nonviolent criminals, can't be placed in the Genesee County Jail. But, they are locked up overnight in Fenton.

Fenton resident Scott Grossmeyer thanked the DDA for funding the dispatch equipment. "I don't believe the majority of the public understands how many problems you make go away."

Markland agreed. The DDA makes his job easier, although it's not easy with the city's current budget situation.



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Police&Fire report

ROLLOVER CRASH ON U.S. 23

The Fenton police and fire departments, as well as STAT EMS ambulance responded to a one-vehicle rollover crash at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 17 on northbound U.S. 23, near North Road. Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff said the driver; a male from the Dexter area, was transported to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township for treatment of injuries.

HIGH WINDS SNAP POLE

At approximately 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 16, the top of a utility pole snapped off due to strong winds, causing a power outage to several Consumers Energy customers in the area of Jean Street and White Lake Road in Tyrone Township. Fenton Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff said the fire department stayed on site until Consumers Energy arrived to erect a new utility pole and restore service.

BARN BROKEN INTO

Troopers with the Michigan State Police Groveland Post responded to a home in the 2300 block of East Rose Center Road to investigate a forced entry into a barn complaint on April 4. The 80-year-old homeowner said several old radiators were taken from the barn. There are no suspects.

TREES CUT DOWN

A trooper with the Michigan State Police Groveland Post responded to a home on Primrose Lane in Rose Township after a 48-year-old homeowner reported that someone had cut down trees on her property. The trooper noticed that trees had been cut down in the right-of-way and ditch area, which resulted in more visibility to the stop sign.

INTRUDER

On April 9, state police responded to a home in the 6000 block of Lahring Road in Holly Township to investigate a suspicious person trespassing complaint. The 49-year-old homeowner told the trooper that while he was in his garage, an unknown white male, smelling of intoxicants, walked in. The resident told the intruder to leave and he did. A K-9 unit tracked the suspect to the area of I-75. There are no suspects.

DIRT BIKE COMPLAINT

At 5 a.m. on April 11, homeowners in the 2000 block of East Rose Center Road in Rose Township called state police and reported that a person was riding a dirt-bike on their property without their permission. The residents told the trooper that as they approached the white and purple dirt bike on their path, the driver accelerated and popped a wheelie, nearly striking the residents. The bike sped away. The residents requested extra patrols in the area.

ASPHALT BREAKS WINDSHIELD

On April 11, a state police trooper responded to the 1800 block of East Davisburg Road in Rose Township after a 43-year-old motorist from Davisburg reported that a huge chunk of asphalt had landed on their Ford Focus' windshield, shattering it. Neither the trooper, nor the motorist could determine how the asphalt landed on the windshield.

SUICIDAL SUBJECT HOSPITALIZED

A trooper with the Michigan State Police Groveland Post responded to a residence on Munger Road on a report of a suicidal subject outside, armed with several knives. The trooper convinced the subject to walk away from the knives unharmed. The North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) responded and transported the subject to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township for observation.

Fenton Road crash



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The 17-year-old driver of this Mercedes was listed at-fault on the accident report after she rear-ended a vehicle on southbound Fenton Road, in Fenton Township last Saturday. The 59-year-old driver of the struck vehicle was waiting to make a left turn into his driveway. He had a 10-year-old child passenger. Det. Sgt. Michael Ignash of the Genesee County Sheriff's Department said there was a paper delivery vehicle in one shoulder and a female pedestrian in the other shoulder.

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Medical marijuana law

►Holly Area Community Coalition seeks to inform on controversial topic

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly — At the regular quarterly public meeting of the Holly Area Community Coalition (HACC) on Monday, Oakland County prosecuting attorney Jessica Cooper was invited to make a presentation on medical marijuana, and also answer questions.

The village of Holly recently passed its own ordinance on medical marijuana

dispensaries, and an ordinance is in the works in Holly Township.

The medical marijuana law is only three years old, and HACC organizers believe there are many misconceptions on how the laws apply. "There's a lot of talk within our community about ordinances regarding medical marijuana and there's also a lot of confusion," said Mary Ann Vergith, project director for the HACC.

The goal of the presentation was to educate the community, she said.

Cooper made a no-frills presentation on the medical marijuana law in Michigan, and she fielded questions from the 25 or so in attendance.

"I was very pleased with the presentation that she gave," said Vergith. "She was very straightforward."

Vergith is concerned that the youth of the community think that marijuana is no longer illegal for them to use. "They don't think it's bad, they think it's medicine," she said. "It's not medication, or a regulated substance, and there are problems inherent with that."

Vergith is worried that medical marijuana dispensaries could be a front for illegal growing and selling activities. "Unfortunately, there are people out there abusing the system," she said. "It's not fair to people who really need it."

Cooper also discussed medical marijuana dispensaries, and how they are not provided for in the law.

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MARATHON

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able to devote the time and energy into training," said Doggett, 32, of Fenton.

Not only did he finally take Michelle's advice to register and train for the race after 4-month-old Aiden's birth, but he also came in at 687th place out of a field of 26,895 runners. His time was 2 hours, 52 minutes and 50 seconds. "I'd estimate I was about 500th or so in my age group," he said.

Summary

►Fenton resident Jayson Doggett just returned home Wednesday, after running the Boston Marathon on Monday.

Doggett came into the race with high expectations, setting a goal of 2 hours and 45 minutes for the run.

He was pleased to have come close to his goal, especially with taking an unexpected "break" between mile 7 and 8. "I didn't feel it was detrimental to my race to make that 15- to 20-second stop," he admitted. "It made the rest of the race much more comfortable."

While the Chicago Marathon had trained him in discipline for the distance of the Boston Marathon, it hadn't prepared him for the winding roads and the challenges of the course, itself.

"The Chicago Marathon is known for its flat course," said Doggett, "while the Boston Marathon is a mostly downhill course until you get to miles 16 through 22, there are a series of four hills known as the Newton Hills that you've got to climb. The fourth hill is known as Heartbreak Hill for a reason."

The Boston Marathon is different from many other races in that it's from "point to point," rather than a circular-type route, according to Doggett. "They ship you out by bus for 26.2 miles to rural Hopkinton, then you start there and run into the city," he said. The hardest part of the race for Doggett actually came at the beginning, just trying to manage his way through the congestion of almost 27,000 people on narrow roads during the first three miles of the race.

Doggett has only been running for the past four years, after a 10-year hiatus from a high school sprinting career. "I never ran long distances in

"What really gave me the edge for Boston was upping my mileage those couple of times. Just increasing my volume of running hours made a difference."

Jayson Doggett
marathon runner

About the Boston Marathon

The Boston Marathon is the oldest annual city marathon in the world, run for the first time in 1897. Eighteen runners entered in the race. The largest field of runners so far was in 1996, when more than 35,000 people finished the 100th Boston Marathon. Ranked as one of the most prestigious running events in the world, the Boston Marathon has achieved this status through its long history, its challenging course and the fact that participants have to pre-qualify from another qualifying race to register. The Boston Marathon is one of five members of the World Marathon Majors, consisting of marathons in Berlin, Chicago, London and New York.

high school," said Doggett, who wishes he had never stopped running. "I put on some weight during those years when I wasn't running and my job was less physically demanding. Now I love racing, but not so much the day-to-day training. Running with no purpose just isn't my thing."

Twice, while training for the Boston Marathon, Doggett logged 70 miles a week, but usually averaged 60 to 65 miles. "What really gave me the edge for Boston was upping my mileage those couple of times," he said. "Just increasing my volume of running hours made a difference." He admitted that this past winter made training

outdoors a challenge, and sometimes he had no choice but to hit the treadmill instead of the trail.

While running the Boston Marathon didn't fall short of any of Doggett's expectations, he's not sure if he'll run it again or not — a change in

priorities with two young children at home. "It's not cheap to run the Boston Marathon," he said. "From the \$150 registration fee to airfare, three nights in a hotel, it's an expensive hobby," he said with a smile.

One thing is for sure, though. Doggett plans to keep running, including the Bay Shore half-marathon in Traverse City in five weeks, plus the Crim Festival of Races in Flint in August. "I plan to do a lot of 5Ks and 10Ks locally."

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GRILL

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You get what you pay for in a grill, said McKay. If you cook out occasionally, that large, expensive grill might not be worth the money.

A cheaper grill will have thinner housing, and less replacement parts available. Name brands will have accessories like fitted covers, and more replacement parts.

Summary

►When buying a gas grill, think about frequency of use, and for how many people you will be cooking.

A very important part of the grill is the igniter, according to Ileen Holsinger, a manager at Ace Village Hardware in Linden. It safely ignites the propane or natural gas to cook the food. She recommends buying a grill with the igniter on top of the table next to the dials, instead of on the front of the grill. The igniter that she prefers would be pushed down, instead of in. "They seem to hold up longer," said Holsinger, who sees customers come into her store for replacement igniters.

Holsinger also recommends buying a grill with several V-shaped flavor bars, which will deflect the heat evenly into the meat. Otherwise, the meat in the front and back will cook more thoroughly than the center.

Another feature to consider is a side burner, which can be used to heat vegetables or cans of beans. Newer models can even steam vegetables. Some grills feature a searing stone that cooks in the juices before the regular grilling, said Stone.

"You really need to buy based on the number of people you'll be cooking for."

Kevin McKay
McKay's Hardware, Holly

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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TEACHERS

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which include pay increases, according to years of employment and levels of education. The lowest teacher salary is \$36,621 (for new teachers with a bachelor's degree), while the highest salary is \$74,325 (11 years' experience with a master's degree plus 40 credit hours).

Fenton Education Association President Lynn Thompson said, for the level of education teachers have, their salaries are not comparable to other professions. Most Fenton teachers have a master's degree. Compared with other professionals with master's degrees, teachers' pay doesn't stack up. "We're below that level," she said.

In Fenton schools, there are 183.5 teacher workdays. Teachers select, in the fall, 21 or 26 paychecks. If they choose 21, they receive their first check in August and last one in June. If they select 26 paychecks, they receive part of their salary during the summer months. They don't get more money. It's just spread out differently, said Fenton Superintendent Dr. Timothy Jalkanen.

In addition, the state requires that teachers take continuing education after receiving their teaching certificates. Within five years, they need to have obtained a certain number of credit hours from an approved program, Busch said. Teachers pay for their own continuing education.

And Thompson said it isn't cheap. For Fenton teachers, they can only take graduate-level classes. "That really adds to the expense." In addition, most Fenton teachers take their graduate classes during the summer, since it's too difficult to do so during the busy school year.

The school district can't employ a teacher if he or she doesn't meet the requirement and has an expired teaching certificate as a result, said Jalkanen.

For length of service, 104 teachers received longevity payments. The total longevity payment cost last year was \$92,250, Busch said.

Benefits

The district's total projected teacher health care cost is \$3,124,040, Busch said. Fenton teachers have MESSA Choices II PAK for health insurance. The PAK program means that the district purchases health, life, vision, long-term disability and dental "packed" together from the same carrier, which is MESSA, he said. The cost per year for these insurances is \$18,684 for family, \$16,968 for a couple and \$8,424 for a



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Andrew G. Schmidt Middle School Ellen Street Campus sixth-grade math teacher Rebecca Kelly helps students with an exercise on Wednesday.

single. The teachers do not contribute for insurance premiums.

Regarding benefit levels and co-pays, Fenton schools' teachers pay \$5 per office visit, \$25 for an emergency room visit (waived if admitted or for accidental injury), and \$10 per urgent care visit (waived if a medical emergency or accidental injury).

There is no deductible for them if they use a doctor who is part of their network. Prescription co-pays are \$10 for generic and \$20 for name brand. Life insurance provides a \$40,000 benefit. Long-term disability benefits are available for all teachers under 65 who work at least 30 hours weekly. Vision and dental benefits are available for teachers and their dependents.

Chiropractic/massage

Chiropractic services are covered, for up to 38 office visits including modalities. On the issue of teachers having massages as a health benefit, Thompson said they must be under the care of a physician. Their doctor can refer them to a chiropractor, who determines whether massage would help an orthopedic problem. If it would, teachers can get a massage, but it is by prescription.

"It's not that we go to spa treatments and have that covered," she said. "It is all through a prescription by a doctor and/or a chiropractor."

What are they paid?

- Lowest-paid administrator: \$44,523
 - Highest-paid administrator: \$125,000
- There are 16 administrators with a total

payroll of \$1,337,904, creating an average salary of \$83,619. Depending on their building assignment, there are 230-260 administrative workdays, Busch said.

Tenure

Teachers working in the state of Michigan are granted tenure after teaching for four years if they have satisfactory annual evaluations, Busch said, per the Tenure Law.

If a teacher establishes tenure at one school district, leaves and then hires with another school district, they can establish tenure at the new district after two years. If a school district decides it does not want tenure granted to a teacher, a process must be followed. Once a teacher establishes tenure, school districts must follow another process to dissolve that tenure.

Teachers who have not reached tenure do not have access to the appeals process offered through the Michigan Tenure Commission, Busch said.

Maintain teaching certificate

Teachers in Michigan must maintain their teaching certificate by taking two classes every five years. Classes are generally worth three credits costing the teacher approximately \$1,200, according to Wayne Wright, superintendent of Lake Fenton schools.

"Approximately 86 percent of our entire school district budget goes to personnel," said Jalkanen.

This is the first of a two-part series. For information on Lake Fenton, Linden and Holly schools, see the Sunday, May 1 edition of the Tri-County Times.

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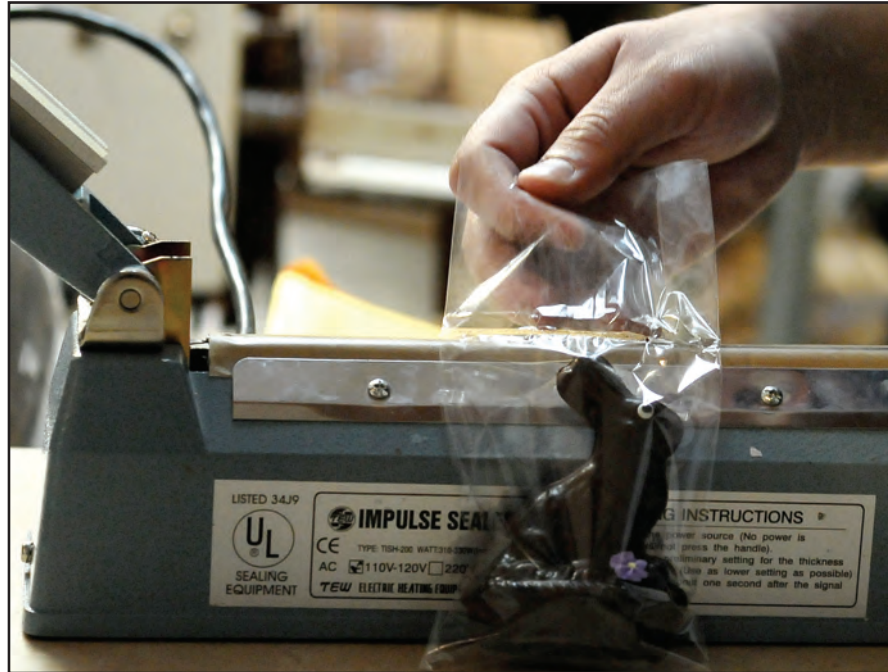
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Library millage on May ballot

► Increase, if approved, is \$25 per year, based on \$100,000 home

By Anna Troppens

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Genesee County voters will decide a large chunk of the district library system's future budget, with a May 3 millage proposal. The .25-mill would be for six years, beginning in 2012, and raise an estimated \$2.2 million per year, for a Genesee District Library (GDL) budget of \$8 million annually, Executive Director Carolyn Nash has said.

Fenton City Council approved a resolution in support of the millage, at its April 11 meeting. Mayor Sue Osborn said she supports it 100 percent, and libraries are very important in communities.

Bev McKenna, speaking in support of the millage, said some Fenton residents are confusing the millage with Fenton's discussion on getting a new library. The millage proposal, if approved, would not go to that. Instead, it is for the GDL, which has 19 libraries in Genesee County, including the Jack R. Winegarden Library in Fenton.

The GDL provides staff, books, computers and other materials, all but the buildings and utilities. All of its employees have a four-year salary and benefits freeze, even if the millage passes, McKenna said. The GDL's budget has been cut to "bare bones," she added.

The GDL, like many entities in Michigan, is receiving less tax funding due to economic conditions. It was receiving more than \$7 million in tax revenue, Nash said. This year, it's \$6 million.

The GDL has lost more than 15 percent of its taxable value, and officials expect more declines. And, 57 percent

THE MILLAGE PROPOSAL

It is for .25 mills, for six years, with collections starting in 2012. The proposal is for Genesee County residents, not including the city of Flint, which is served by the Flint Public Library. For a \$100,000 home, the cost would be \$25 per year.

(Source: Genesee District Library)

What happens if voters don't pass the millage?

If voters do not approve the May 3 millage proposal, the Genesee District Library (GDL) will have to decrease service hours, and possibly services, even more than it has, said Executive Director Carolyn Nash.

of state aid has dried up as well. Interest income on money the GDL has in the bank has decreased by 90 percent. This income was more than \$400,000 annually, and now it will be less than \$15,000, she said.

The library has cut all areas of its budget, and renegotiated its contracts to save money. "We would like to maintain services in each community," Nash said. "We do need an increase in mills."

With the current level of revenues, the GDL won't be able to maintain even its current, reduced level of services. It is one of the few times in the GDL's history that it's asking for an increase. Costs have increased over the last few years. More and more patrons are using the GDL's e-book service, which they can download at no fee onto a mobile device or computer. E-book circulation increased by more than 900 percent in January, Nash said.

All library services are provided with tax revenue, at no additional fee for patrons.

FENTON SCHOOL

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DAN CARTER

Age: 39

Education: Bachelor's degree, Ferris State University

Family: Wife Sherri; daughter, Logan (sixth grade) and daughter, Erin (fourth grade)

Employment: General Motors Customer Care & Aftersales

"A few years ago I started to consider running for school board. I became involved in the IB Committee and worked to communicate its impact on both our children and community. I have recently become a member of the Fenton Athletic Foundation. Academics, arts and athletics all play an important role in educating our children. I have worked to educate myself in regards to school funding, what budgets pay what expenses, 20j/hold Harmless districts and I look forward to learning much more."

"I feel strongly about supporting organizations like Fenton Area Public Schools Education Foundation (www.fapsef.org) and challenging the state of Michigan's current school funding model."

PHILLIP A. PRICE

Age: 64

Education: Graduate, Eastern Michigan University

Family: Married to Judy; two children, Carrie and Christina

Employment: Business owner, recently retired

"Massive state budget cuts are forcing school districts to reexamine their K-12 programs. Our Fenton schools have not been spared in this and the outcome could affect our community as well as our children's future. In the past, programs, extracurricular activities, length of day, calendar, transportation, benefits, staffing and salary have all been on the table. Each board had the difficult task of sorting through the various items, making surgical cuts if necessary."

"What I bring to the table at this critical time is experience. My background includes five years as a classroom teacher, 30-plus years as a business owner and 12 years as a member of the Fenton Board of Education. It is my belief that the insight I garnered from each of these experiences will allow me to make an immediate contribution to the difficult task at hand."



TAMARA VALLEY

Age: 44

Education: BBA, University of Michigan-Flint

Family: Married to Don for 20 years. Mother of two daughters, 16 and 8. They attend Fenton High School and State Road Elementary School.

"I am a parent, first of all. One of the most important things a parent can give their child is a well-rounded education. I have two children in this school district but I care about all of the kids in Fenton. I want to make sure, that during these fiscally difficult times that we remember that the schools are here to serve the students."

"I would like to bring my 20-plus years of corporate finance and accounting experience to the board and attempt to bring a business mindset to the school district budget while keeping the highest level of education for our students."

CHARLES F. COLOMBO

Age: 33

Education: Juris doctor, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, bachelor's degree, Siena Heights University

Family information: Married, two children

Employment: Colombo Law, PLLC

Colombo has been a resident of the city of Fenton for 10 years and currently owns and operates his own law practice. With two kids in the Fenton school district, he has a vested interest in devoting time and talents to ensure the students and parents of Fenton continue to receive an outstanding educational experience, he said. Colombo has extensive experience writing reports and conducting research for complex issues, financial analysis, contracts and government statutes.

He has demonstrated the ability to work with diverse groups, and solve problems under stressful conditions, he said. "I will bring a unique perspective and critical thinking that will help guide the board to make informed decisions," Colombo said. "If elected, I will seek fiscal solvency and accountability. I will work to find alternatives to make the district more efficient without sacrificing the educational experience."

JAMES SHAW No information available.

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Four seek two seats on Lake Fenton Board of Education

By Sharon Stone

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Lake Fenton — There are four candidates seeking two four-year terms on the Lake Fenton Board of Education. The election is Tuesday, May 3.

Another person is seeking a partial term made available after former member Stan Bragg resigned last fall. Bragg was re-elected to a four-year term in May 2010. The board appointed David Foerster, a former school board member, to fill in for Bragg until the end of this school year. Kristi Ocenasek, a former school board member, is seeking to serve the remainder of Bragg's seat, currently filled by Foerster.

John Lamb, the current vice president, and Tammy Harbin, a trustee, are not seeking reelection.

Foerster, Christopher Fletcher, Larry Godlewski and Carrie Dershem are each seeking a four-year spot on the board.

KRISTI OCENASEK Position seeking:

Partial term

Age: 50

Education:

Studied health care education at the University of Michigan-Flint.

Registered dental assistant with state of Michigan. Mott Community College certificate in dental assisting.

Family: Married, one child

Employment: University of Michigan, School of Dentistry, Ann Arbor

"I feel I am the best candidate be-



cause I previously served on the board, from 2004-2008. I am a Level II Certified Board member of the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB). I am very active legislatively and served on the Government Relations Committee for the MASB from 2005-2006.

"As a trustee for the Lake Fenton Board of Education, I plan to work together with the administration and my fellow board members to make appropriate decisions regarding our programs, academics and curriculum during these tough economic times that will have the least direct effect on our students and their education."

CARRIE DERSHEM Position seeking:

Four-year term

Age: 47

Family: Married, five children

Education: Business degree

Employment: Self employed for 23 years, account executive for Online Auto, LLC

"I have lived and worked in Fenton for 23 years. My husband I started our business. I have two children that have graduated and three more that will graduate from Lake Fenton.

"I feel I am an effective communicator, not only for parents, but for the teachers and staff. I am very goal oriented. I am willing to work hard on learning the policies that are set. I feel I am a team player. I would work very well with the current board members."



CHRISTOPHER FLETCHER

Position seeking:

Four-year term

Age: 38

Education: BSE in chemical engineering from the University of Michigan

Family: Married, four children

Employment: Director of engineering and technical service at IRMCO.

"As a Lake Fenton school board candidate, I bring honesty, integrity, management and people skills, with a fervent desire to maintain Lake Fenton's high standards.

"My work and community experience are of great benefit in making sure that our school board is reaching out to, listening and cooperating with the community, while managing our district's financial responsibilities with a decreasing budget.

"My expectations are to improve our scholastic integrity for our children over time with informed and efficient decisions. One area of focus would be the state mandated curriculum and all of its requirement and demands, at the high school level."



DAVID FOERSTER Position seeking:

Four-year term

Age: 41

Family: Four children

Employment: Owner of Pooh's Playhouse daycare in Linden.



LARRY GODLEWSKI

Position seeking:

Four-year term.

Age: 40

Education: Master's degree from the University of Michigan, in materials sciences and engineering.

Family: Married, two children

Employment: Research engineer at the Ford Research and Innovation Center, in Dearborn

"Because of my extensive background in working with groups and being active in the schools, I feel that I have the knowledge and values to be an asset on the school board.

"As a board member, I will promote high expectations for students and encourage the district to provide them with a quality education that they need in the future. Through my own training and experience, I know I have the skills to drive continuous improvement and commitment to our educational programs so that the students become successful members of society."



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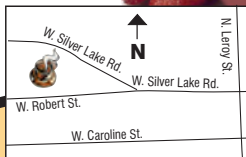
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Three run for one write-in seat on Linden school board

By Anna Troppens

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There is one open seat on the Linden Board of Education for the Tuesday, May 3 election. Voters need to write in the name of their candidate on the ballot. It is a four-year term.

Incumbent Rick Kursik has decided against running for re-election. Write-in candidates include Steven Losey, Marty Rymarz and John Walsh.

STEVEN LOSEY

Age: 45

Education: BS/MA
Eastern Michigan University

Family: Married
18 years, three children

Place of employment: Redford Union Schools

"I've been a teacher for 16 years. I've taught at all levels, including adult ed. I've been in a union leadership position for over half of those years. I've seen what 'works' in public education and what doesn't. I have a solid understanding of education and labor law. My hope is that I can be positive and proactive in growing Linden's student enrollment."



MARTY RYMARZ

Age: 44

Education: MBA
with specialization in global management

Family: Engaged to Gidgett Barlow, five children, ages 13-21

Place of employment: General Motors

"I have a strong professional business management and community involvement background. All five of my children have been or are currently enrolled in



the Linden school system. As a coach at Linden High School for the last five years, I know many of the parents and children in the school district and understand firsthand the funding, outsourcing and social issues that the school district, its employees and its students must deal with. "As a resident of the school district, I would hope to help develop resolutions to the issues that would maintain the high level of education for our students that Linden is known for, while not putting undue financial burdens on the taxpayers of the community."

JOHN WALSH

Age: 60

Education: Associate degree in business

Family: Married, one daughter

Place of employment: Retired from

General Motors Proving Grounds

"My primary goal as a Linden school board member will be to establish a priority process to utilize the anticipated revenue based on the needs of the district. The academic needs of the students, staffing levels and facility maintenance must be a part of that process. The amount of money available from the state and other funding sources is always a moving target but you simply cannot spend more money than you have, and at the same time, you have to maintain the schools' integrity for current and future generations."



"I have lived in Linden since 1957, graduating in 1969. My wife, Deb, and I raised two children who also graduated from Linden. We choose to live in this community because we love it, and I would like to be a member of the board to help keep Linden schools as great in the future as it has been in the past."

AMBASSADORS

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best he's heard them sing all year. "I thought that was a really proud and good moment. It really just made me feel like a proud papa."

After graduation, he plans to go into the music program at Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids. McCormick has really enjoyed learning and working with an amazing group of individuals during his time with the Ambassadors, he said.

Another four-year senior in the Ambassadors is Ryan Maher. The Ambassadors sang 180 feet below ground, in a cave. "The acoustics were really good," Maher said.

They also performed onstage at the Grand Ole Opry and the Gen. Jackson Showboat, Wright said.

Maher has enjoyed being in Ambassadors with his brother Devon and sister Brittney. His siblings have both graduated, but Maher still enjoys singing sweet harmonies with them that they learned in Ambassadors.

Band Director Andy Perkins, choreographer Karen Whitaker and sound man Neil Wakeman accompanied the Ambassadors on their trip.

Summary

► Fenton High School Ambassadors are finishing their year on a high note, with a collection of awards from the Heritage Festival they recently performed at in Nashville.

Where to see them

The Fenton High School Ambassadors' last show of the school year, their Finale Show, will be at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 6 and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 7, at Fenton High School. They are preparing a new performance, "The Late Medley." It will include a variety of music from Broadway, mainstream pop, vocal jazz and Latin. In addition, soloists will be featured.

"There will be something for everybody," Wright said.

Advance tickets are available from the high school main office, from Director Brad Wright, or from members of the Ambassadors. It is \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door on the night of the performance.

What they won

Fenton Ambassadors won **two gold** awards, in Show Choir and Vocal Jazz.

Because of the scores the Ambassadors received, they received **two Adjudicator Awards** for scoring 95 or higher out of 100 in choir and jazz. The Ambassadors also won **Outstanding Choir** of the festival, for their performance and professionalism.

And there were three instrumental and three vocal soloist awards given at the competition, with the Ambassadors winning all **three vocal soloist awards**. The winners from Fenton High School are Ryan Maher, Meghan Placek and Jannah Garback.

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ROSE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NUMBER 160

Chapter 6, Article II, Section 6-28 of the Rose Township Code of Ordinances is hereby created to read as follows:

Sec 6-28 – Violations

Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be responsible for committing a municipal civil infraction and subject to the penalties set forth in chapter 18, article III, pertaining to municipal civil infractions.

Moved by: Slaughter

Seconded by: Gordon

Ayes: Scheib-Snyder, Kalcec, Gordon, Slaughter, Miller

Nayes: None

Absent: None

The Supervisor declared the ordinance adopted.

I, Debbie Miller, the duly elected Clerk of Rose Township, Oakland County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an amended ordinance made and adopted by the Rose Township Board of Trustees at its regular meeting held on April 13, 2011 at which time a quorum was present.

Dated: April 19, 2011

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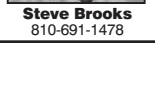
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Carey Camp L-6, Miscellaneous Household Items.

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SundaySudoku

	9	2	1		5			
	7					4	2	
		3				1		
	1			8			6	
			3		2			
	6			1			7	
		6						
	4	7				3	9	
			4		6	5	1	

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ACROSS

1 Big —
4 "Stop,
sailor!"
9 James of
"Misery"
13 Swash-
buckling
novelist
18 Grand —
Opry
19 Actress
Berger
20 Mournful
music
21 "F Troop"
corporal
22 Start
of a remark
by Milton
Berle
24 Mid-size
band
25 "Andrea —"
26 Costa —
27 "Family
Feud"
host
29 Division
word
31 Aachen
article
32 Basilica
feature
34 Part 2 of
remark
38 TV's
"General —"
42 Like some
sheep
43 Part of
HOMES
44 Inclined
45 Senator
Thurmond

47 "Waking —
Devine"
(98 film)
49 Wee serving
52 Composer
Schifrin
54 Circus
performer
57 Put on a
pedestal
61 Soft tissue
63 Tangle
64 Damage
65 Actress
Ward
66 Baseball's
Boudreau
68 Enchilada
alternative
70 "Trinity"
author
72 Neighbor of
Wyo.
73 Obeys the
dentist
77 Part 3 of
remark
78 '80s Joe
Penny
series
80 Crank's
comment
81 Skater
Lipinski
82 Noun suffix
84 Sundown, to
Shelley
85 Actor Arkin
87 See
106 Across
88 "Love Train"
group
91 Thick of
things
95 Denizen

97 Geological
phenome-
non
99 The Chip-
munks, e.g.
100 Comic
Carvey
101 Galena, for
one
103 —ski party
105 Priest's robe
106 With 87
Across, type
of liqueur
109 Merit
112 — blanket
114 Part 4 of
remark
118 Well-
informed
119 "So that's
your game!"
120 Nonflowering
plant
121 "The
Addams
Family"
uncle
125 Does Little
work
128 Croc's kin
131 Chateau
valley
133 End of
remark
135 Wear
away
136 Computer
key
137 "The Lady
—" ('79 film)
138 Child welfare
org.
139 Rock's
Meisner

140 Stocking
stuffers?
141 Dispositions
142 "The Bells"
monogram

DOWN

1 Physicist
Niels
2 "The Time
Machine"
people
3 English port
4 Smile
center
5 Feud
6 Novelist
Seton
7 Pack
8 Homeric
characters
9 Pres.
Clinton, e.g.
10 Performer
11 Actor's
actor?
12 Irritate
13 Rigoletto, to
Gilda
14 Actor
Tognazzi
15 — Gras
16 Sharon of
Israel
17 Trap
20 "Tiny
Bubbles"
singer
23 Comics:
"Andy —"
28 He gives a
hoot
30 "— the fields
we go . . ."
33 Slangy sib

35 Ain't right?
36 Extensive
37 Toast start
38 Grapefruit
serving
39 October
birthstone
40 Curved lines
41 Forsaken
46 Ditch under
a draw-
bridge
48 Object
50 Change for
the better
51 Brawl
53 Sonja
Henie's
birthplace
55 Acts like an
ass?
56 Spirits
58 Amritsar
attire
59 Nonsense
60 Smidgen
62 Throw a
party
67 Custom
69 Message
board?
71 Goblet part
73 Lost luster
74 — apso
75 Gray or
Moran
76 — Domingo
79 "What's —
for me?"
80 Candy
quantity
83 Spotted
rodent
86 Belarusian
city

89 Puppy
protests
90 Withered
92 Downspout
93 Bank
deposit?
94 "Twelfth
Night" role
96 Spanish
surrealist
97 Equipment
98 Happened
again
102 Heal a rift
104 Eat in the
evening
107 Right — the
bat
108 A hole near
the sole
110 Allude (to)
111 Dundee
denial
113 Loud laugh
114 Bet
115 "Pal Joey"
author
116 Boca —, FL
117 Maine town
122 Willow
123 Baseball's
Martinez
124 Spanish
river
126 "I could —
horse!"
127 Break
suddenly
129 Eccentric
130 Curious
George's
creator
132 Musical
syllables
134 Pitches

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PUZZLE
ANSWER KEYS

King Crossword and
Wednesday Sudoku
Puzzle are located in
last Wednesday's issue.
All other puzzles are
throughout this edition.

KING CROSSWORD
ANSWERS

Solution time: 21 mins.

E	P	I	C	D	C	X	A	L	G	A
R	I	C	H	A	L	I	T	E	E	N
S	T	O	A	F	I	S	H	T	A	N
T	A	N	K	T	O	P	E	A	R	T
R	O	E	P	A	C					
E	S	S	A	Y	T	O	P	K	I	C
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K	I	C	K	B	O	X	M	I	S	T
I	L	L	T	A	N					
A	N	G	L	O	B	O	X	S	E	A
S	E	A	T	B	E	L	T	U	R	G
K	A	L	E	R	U	E	L	I	E	N
S	T	A	R	G	E	M	T	E	S	T

SUPER CROSSWORD
ANSWERS

B	E	N	A	V	A	S	T	C	A	A	N	D	U	M	A	S
O	L	E	S	E	N	T	A	D	I	R	G	E	A	G	A	R
H	O	W	C	A	N	Y	O	U	O	C	T	E	D	O	R	I
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WEDNESDAY SUDOKU
ANSWERS

3	6	9	7	5	2	8	4	1
4	7	8	6	1	3	5	9	2
5	1	2	8	4	9	6	3	7
8	3	4	5	7	1	9	2	6
1	5	7	2	9	6	3	8	4
2	9	6	3	8	4	7	1	5
6	4	1	9	3	7	2	5	8
7	8	3	4	2	5	1	6	9
9	2	5	1	6	8	4	7	3

SUNDAY SUDOKU
ANSWERS

8	9	2	1	4	5	6	3	7
6	7	1	8	9	3	4	2	5
4	5	3	6	2	7	1	8	9
3	1	5	7	8	9	2	6	4
7	8	4	3	6	2	9	5	1
2	6	9	5	1	4	8	7	3
5	2	6	9	3	1	7	4	8
1	4	7	2	5	8	3	9	6
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If you are in the Military, please
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has been made in the conditions
of a certain mortgage made by:
Thomas P. Lavich, a Married Man
and Angela J. Lavich, his Wife to
ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc.,
Mortgagee, dated February 24,
2003 and recorded March 27, 2003
in Liber 3833 Page 601 Livingston
County Records, Michigan on
which mortgage there is claimed
to be due at the date hereof
the sum of Ninety Thousand
Twenty-One Dollars and Two
Cents (\$90,021.02) including
interest 6% per annum. Under
the power of sale contained in said
mortgage and the statute in such
case made and provided, notice is
hereby given that said mortgage
will be foreclosed by a sale of the
mortgaged premises, or some part of
them, at public venue, Circuit Court
of Livingston County at 10:00AM
on May 25, 2011 Said premises
are situated in City of Howell,
Livingston County, Michigan, and
are described as: Lot 20, Hugh A.
McPherson Addition to the Village
(now City) of Howell, according to the
recorded plat thereof, as recorded
in Plat Liber 1, Page 30, Livingston
County Records. Commonly
known as 621 W Brooks, Howell
MI 48843 The redemption period
shall be 6 months from the date
of such sale, unless determined
abandoned in accordance with MCL
600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in
which case the redemption period
shall be 30 days from the date of
such sale, or upon the expiration
of the notice required by MCL
600.3241a(c), whichever is later.
Dated: 4/24/2011 CitiMortgage, Inc.
successor by merger to ABN AMRO
Mortgage Group Inc. Mortgagee
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates,
P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248)
844-5123 Our File No: 10-30732
Ad#11891: 2011-04-24 2011-05-01,
2011-05-08 2011-05-15

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NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: John J Amon and Paula A Amon, His Wife **to Option One Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 21, 2005 and recorded November 17, 2005 in Instrument # 200511170110786 Gene-see County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for HSI Asset Securitization Corporation Trust 2006-OPT3, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-OPT3, by assignment dated March 24, 2011 and recorded March 28, 2011 in Instrument # 201103280031752 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-One Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (\$254,821.77) including interest 9.89% per annum.** Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on May 11, 2011 Said premises are situated in **Township of Vienna, Genesee County, Michigan**, and are described as: Part of the Northwest corner of Southwest one quarter of Section 16; Town 9 North, Range 6 East, Township of Vienna, County of Genesee, State of Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line of said Section 16, which is North 604.32 feet from the intersection of the South one eighth line of the West line of said Section 16; thence North along said West line 20.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 40 minutes 50 seconds East 730.0 feet; thence South parallel to the West line of said Section 270.4 feet; thence North 89 degrees 40 minutes 50 seconds West 210 feet; thence North 41 degrees 09 minutes 46 seconds West to a point which is South 89 degrees 40 minutes 50 seconds East 300 feet from the point of beginning; thence North 89 degrees 40 minutes 50 seconds West 300 feet to the point of beginning. **Commonly known as 12188 N. Linden Rd., Clio MI 48420** The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 4/10/2011 Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for HSI Asset Securitization Corporation Trust 2006-OPT3, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-OPT3, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-37248 Ad #11492: 2011-04-10 2011-04-17, 2011-04-24 2011-05-01

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: William W Traxler, a Single Man by Carol L Traxler, Power of Attorney **to Fifth Third Bank (Eastern Michigan), Mortgagee, dated June 15, 2007 and recorded July 26, 2007 in Instrument # 200707260059842 Genesee County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars and Eighty-Seven Cents (\$68,693.87) including interest 10.25% per annum.** Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on May 18, 2011 Said premises are situated in **Township of Flint, Genesee County, Michigan**, and are described as: Lot 130 Westchester Subdivision No. 2 according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 35 of Plats on Page 44, Genesee County Records. **Commonly known as 5418 Westchester Dr., Flint MI 48532** The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 4/17/2011 Fifth Third Bank (Eastern Michigan) Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-34699 Ad #11689: 2011-04-17 2011-04-24, 2011-05-01 2011-05-08

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: John R Kononchuk, A Single Man a/k/a John Kononchuk **to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. dba America's Wholesale Lender, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 23, 2007 and recorded June 6, 2007 in Instrument # 200706060048225 Genesee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP, by assignment dated March 7, 2011 and recorded March 14, 2011 in Instrument # 201103140028509 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars and Twenty-Eight Cents (\$93,354.28) including interest 6.625% per annum.** Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on May 11, 2011 Said premises are situated in **Township of Mt. Morris, Genesee County, Michigan**, and are de-scribed as: The West 140 feet of Lot 16 and the East half of vacated Banger Avenue adjoining Lot 15 on the West side, of Lincoln Park Garden Farms Subdivision, as recorded in Plat Liber 11, Page 36, Gene-see County Records. **Commonly known as 6406 West Coldwater Rd, Flushing MI 48433** The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 4/10/2011 BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-36891 Ad #11491: 2011-04-10 2011-04-17, 2011-04-24 2011-05-01

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, MAY 10, 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:
SUP10-001 Tee Bone’z Tavern on the Water, 3482 Silver Lake Road:
Annual review of the Special Use Permit to have outdoor seating and entertainment. Parcel 06-27-11-020.

OLD BUSINESS:
SP04-001 Amendment - Larry Adkins, 4067 Commerce, Flushing:
Requesting final site plan and condominium approval for the amended Gables of North Shore. Property is located at 12004, 12022 & 12024 Brown St. 12018, 12020, 12022, 12024, 12026, 12028, 12030 & 12032 Bowels. Parcels 06-11-626-005 through 06-11-626-015.

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. This notice is published in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Fenton Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon 14 days notice to Fenton Township. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Fenton Township by writing or calling the following: Fenton Township Office, (810) 629-1537, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

NOTICE OF ELECTION

TYRONE TOWNSHIP

All electors are hereby given notice that a School 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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List of polling locations:

Precinct #1 (Linden School District voters)	Fenton Church of the Nazarene 11075 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton
Precinct #2 (Fenton School District voters residing north of White Lake Road)	Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church 10235 White Lake Road, Fenton
Precinct #3 (Fenton School District voters residing south of White Lake Road)	Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church 10235 White Lake Road, Fenton
Precinct #4 (Hartland School District Voters)	Tyrone Township Hall 10408 Center Road, Fenton

All of the above polling locations provide voting access for individuals with disabilities and contain voting instructions in alternative formats, including audio and Braille.

Applications for absent voter ballots are available for the May 3, 2011 School Election and may be obtained at the Tyrone Township Clerk’s Office Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Requests for absent voter ballots must be in writing.

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VILLAGE OF HOLLY PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2011-2012 PROPOSED BUDGET

The Village of Holly Council will hold a public hearing to receive written and verbal comments from citizens regarding the Proposed FY 2011-2012 Budget on May 24, 2011 at 7:00 PM prior to the regular meeting in the Council Chambers, 315 S. Broad Street, Holly, MI.

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

Cherie Hedrick
Interim Clerk-Treasure

TYRONE TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS BOARD OF TRUSTEES & PLANNING COMMISSION JOINT MEETING HELD 7:00 P.M., APRIL 19, 2011

The following actions were taken:

1. Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Treasurer Dave Kurtz, Clerk Keith Kremer, Trustees Jim Kolhoff, Don Peitz, Steve Hasbrouck and Colleen Ameel. Planning Commissioners Dave Hanoute, Mark Meisel, Lorie Radcliffe, Ed Kempisty, Deb Lee and Brandon Peabody.
2. Approved the request of Garry Betrus for a Home Occupation Permit.
3. Discussed various Planning Commission projects and the strategy and importance for implementation.
4. Adopted Resolution #110401 to establish a 180-day moratorium to develop an ordinance to address the Medical Marijuana Act.
5. Approved the fire and emergency contract with Fenton Township for a period of 5 years.
6. Approved the fire and emergency contract with Hartland Deerfield Fire Authority for a period of 5 years contingent upon clarification of the fuel surcharge amounts.
7. Adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

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The minutes of all regular and special Tyrone Township Board Meetings are on file and may be reviewed at the Tyrone Township Clerk's Office, 10408 Center Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at www.tyronetownship.us. The next regular meeting of the Tyrone Township Board will be held on **Thursday, May 5, 2011** at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Supervisor Mike Cunningham

Clerk Keith L. Kremer

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS APRIL 18, 2011

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday April 18, 2011 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as presented.
3. Approved invoices & expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$476,622.81.
4. Conducted a public hearing on, and first reading of a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the PUD conditions and conceptual site plan for the Gables of North Shore condominium development.
5. Defeated a motion to adopt 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.
6. Awarded a contract to Michigan DPW, LLC for Lawn, Landscape & Beach Maintenance services.
7. Approved projects for asphalt resurfacing of Bowles Street and gravel resurfacing of Smith Road from Hogan to Sharp Road.
8. Adopted amendments to the 2011 Fenton Township Budget.
9. 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

NOTICE ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Please be notified that the Argentine Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Meeting on Monday, May 2, 2011, 7:00 p.m. at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lk Rd, to consider the following:

Charles L. Heide, is requesting a Variance to build a 50 X 100 garage on vacant land prior to building home. Described as 01-15-400-036, vacant land in section 15, 10.01 acres.

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

Denise Graves, Clerk
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Social News

ENGAGEMENTS



Berent-Elmore

The engagement of Rachel Berent of Linden to Jeffrey Elmore of Jackson Center, Ohio has been announced by her parents, David and Christina Berent of Linden. His parents are Ron and Susan Elmore of Jackson Center, Ohio.

The bride-elect is a 2003 graduate of Fenton High School, 2007 graduate of Michigan State University, and a 2011 graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic.

Her fiancé is a 2004 graduate of Jackson Center High School, a 2007 graduate of Mt. Vernon Nazarene University. He, also, is a 2011 graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic.

The bride-elect is employed at Essential Chiropractic in Ferndale. Her fiancé is employed at Turning Point Chiropractic in Perrysburg, Ohio.

A Dec. 31, 2011 wedding is planned in Perrysburg, Ohio.



Caten-Poulos

Cindy Caten and the late Dale Caten of Fenton are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter Julie Caten to Nathan Poulos. His parents are Dennis and Brenda Poulos of Fenton.

The bride-elect graduated from the University of Michigan-Flint and is a certified massage therapist at The Spa Gateway Center.

Her fiancé attended Wisconsin Lutheran College and works as an IT manager for several area businesses.

The wedding will be held at Gloria Dei Evangelical Lutheran Church in Grand Blanc on June 4, 2011.

BIRTHDAY

Hammar

Lillian Hammar of Linden is celebrating her 90th birthday this month. She was born in Rogers City, into the Howard and Mary Johnson family. She met her husband, Dana Hammar, at Eastern Michigan University. They married in February 1942.

They have four daughters, Judy Kneeshaw of Florida, Patricia Hammar of New York, Diane Taselmyer and Carol Conrad, of Michigan.

Hammar retired from The Daily Tribune and C & G Electronics. She made her home in Linden in 1996. A party in her honor will be held in June with friends and family.



HOT LINE CONTINUED

A BIG THANK you to the anonymous man who paid for my family's meal on Sunday at the Fenton Deli. When we asked why there wasn't a charge for our meal, they said that a man comes in frequently and buys the next three people in line their meal. Paying it forward, inspiring.

TO THE COP dodging bullets, while you were driving around in your city/county/state-owned vehicle, paid for by UAW employee tax dollars, the overpaid car workers were down in Lansing protesting to keep your benefits.

MICHIGANDERS, BEWARE. CORPORATE-financed politicians are taking over your state. Their agenda is to take away social programs, take away our political voices and give even more tax breaks to corporations, millionaires and billionaires. Call your congressional representatives and urge them to repeal the 'Citizens United' decision. They want to control our schools, our natural resources and our economy.

WHEN WILL ARGENTINE Township get its chance with the road graders, I wonder. With our new commissioner in there, I thought maybe our township would move up on the list. Oakland and Livingston counties have their roads graded in our area and here we are still waiting. The county garage is just up the road.

HURRAY FOR CONGRESSMAN Dennis Kucinich. Finally, someone has enough integrity to stand up for the working man. Mr. Kucinich spanked Scott Walker in a congressional hearing a few days ago. Walker finally had to testify that collective bargaining has no impact on the state budget, whatsoever.

HAVE A HAPPY and blessed Easter, everyone.

MY SONS WERE lucky enough to have had grandparents who they saw almost daily. The bond they had is an incredible one that they will take with them for the rest of their lives. We recently lost their grandmother who never missed an event they participated in, even while battling cancer. Love your grandchildren while you can. You are the greatest gift you can give them.

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News briefs

YARD WASTE PICKUP ON MONDAYS IN FENTON

The city of Fenton has begun its yard waste pickup, which is every week on Mondays through Dec. 12. Fifty-cent tags are available at Fenton City Hall and some local retailers. Yard waste bags are available for purchase at area hardware and department stores.

Calendar of events

Wednesday, April 27

The **Fenton Historical Society** will meet on Wednesday, April 27, at the museum, 310 S. LeRoy St. at 7:30 p.m. The speaker will be Terry Green from Billmeier Camera Shop. He will talk about the history of cameras and photography. He will also show his collection of antique cameras. The public is invited and refreshments will be served.

Sunday, May 1

The **Village of Holly Fire Department** is hosting a pancake breakfast from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 1, at the fire station, 313 S. Broad St. It is a fundraiser for the department, and the cost for adults and children 10 and older is \$5 each; seniors and children and under 10 are \$3. A Blessing of the Bikes for motorcycles begins in downtown Holly at 1 p.m.

Academic achievements

Sarah Tercheck has been awarded The University of Findlay's Lora Wiest Burgderfer Scholarship for the 2010-11 academic year. She is a 2008 graduate of Linden High School and is the daughter of Pamela Tercheck and Tom Tercheck, of Linden.

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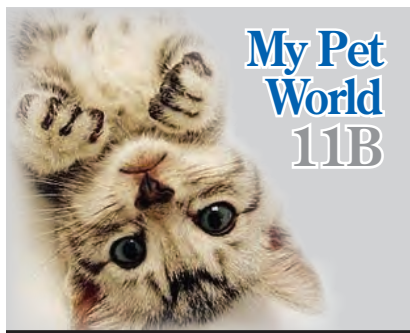
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Dance fitness fever hits tri-county area

By Sally Rummel

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It might be the high-energy Latin music, or the socializing. However, the most likely reason for the Zumba craze is the fun people have without feeling as if they're working out, fans say.

"It's an absolute blast," said Zumba instructor Donald Westphal, of Chassé Ballroom & Latin Dance Studio in Fenton. "It's the music and the people. Two years ago, I would have made fun of the motto, 'Ditch the workout, join the party.' Now I do feel like every Zumba session

Summary

►The Zumba dance/fitness craze has hit the tri-county area, with classes available in almost every fitness center, studio, and school in Fenton, Linden and Holly.

is like a party. The hour goes by in seconds."

And, there are millions of people who agree with him. Zumba has become a worldwide exercise/dance phenomenon — with no end to its popularity in sight. In fact, licensed Zumba programs are

offered as part of the fitness menu at more than a dozen local exercise studios, fitness centers, gyms, even at local schools.

What is Zumba?

Zumba is the Latin-inspired dance-fitness program that blends red-hot international music, created by Grammy Award-



Instructor Lorna Bell holds a Zumba Gold class for beginners at Chassé Ballroom & Latin Dance Studio in Fenton on Monday. Zumba is 70 percent Latin dance, and 30 percent fitness, said Bell.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES
TIM JAGIELO

Tom Remillard is the only male participant in a Zumba Gold Class at Chassé Ballroom & Latin Dance Studio in Fenton on Monday.

winning producers, and contagious steps to form a "fitness-party" that is downright addictive, according to the Zumba Fitness website, www.zumba.com.

Since its beginning in 2001, Zumba has grown to become the world's largest, and most successful, dance-fitness program in the world, with more than 12 million people of all shapes, sizes and ages taking weekly Zumba classes in more than 110,000 locations across more than 125 countries.

At Chassé Ballroom & Latin Dance Studio, there are 11 Zumba classes a week, with an average of 35 students per class. "We just added a Wednesday morning class, too," said Westphal.

Craig Fisher, manager at Fenton Fitness Athletic Center, recently added a five-week Zumba series for members and non-members, because of the demand for these classes. "Enough people were

See ZUMBA on 13B

“The whole goal of ‘FirstTry’ is for people to complete the course, not set any records. We just want to introduce people to the sport of triathlons and fall in love with the sport like we have.”

Ron Stack (right), coordinator



First-ever local triathlon

►Organizers: Race at your own pace

By Sally Rummel

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If you have never experienced a triathlon, this event is just for you. The CycleFit Sports Tri Club, headquartered in Fenton at CycleFit Multi-Sport, has designed a "Super Sprint" triathlon event for first-timers on Saturday,

June 25 at the Linden County Park, according to Event Director Dan Skinner. Local sponsors include CycleFit, Fenton Winery & Brewery and Four Seasons Fresh Market.

This half-sprint event will include a 300-yard swim, a 9.1-mile bike ride and a 2-mile run, starting at 8 a.m. with the swim event at Byram Lake in Linden.

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Jennifer Lopez's mom wins \$2.4 million jackpot

J-Lo's mom won the \$2.4 million jackpot in a casino in Atlantic City.

Guadalupe Lopez hit the jackpot playing on the popular Wheel of Fortune machines in the Borgata Casino & Spa, a casino spokesman said.

The superbabe's mom, said, "It was divine intervention. I have a great devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of Mexico and the Americas, and had just looked up at the \$2

million and said a little prayer to her when I hit the jackpot. Our Lady really looks out for me. When I won, my knees started shaking and I started yelling and screaming."

J-Lo's mom had nothing to worry about before she won the jackpot. Her daughter could buy her anything she wanted, but from now on Guadalupe Lopez can take care of herself with the \$2,421,291.76 she won just before 8 p.m.



Random FACTS

75 percent of wild birds die before they are 6 months old.

It is impossible for a solar eclipse to last for more than 7 minutes, 58 seconds.

The tune of The Star Spangled Banner was an old English drinking song. It was not made the official national anthem until 1931.

The cruise liner, Queen Elizabeth II, burns a gallon of diesel for each 6 inches that it moves.

Stewardesses is the longest word typed with only the left hand.

Boxer survives six-story fall

A dog that often jumped out the window of his owners' ground-floor apartment jumped out of the window of their new apartment forgetting it was six floors up.

Fortunately the lucky dog was saved when it landed on a balcony three floors down from the apartment in Cologne, Germany.



The dog's owners Udo and Angela Baecker, both 29, called the fire department when they heard their pet boxer whining from the balcony below. They couldn't get him themselves because the tenants were away on vacation.

"We've only been in the new apartment for a week, but thought TJ would have got used to it after climbing up all the stairs. We never thought he'd try his usual trick of jumping from the window to get into the garden," said Angela.

I don't think this dog will be jumping out of anymore windows anytime soon.

Wit & WISDOM

"Vote for the man who promises least; he'll be the least disappointing."

Businessperson Bernard Baruch, quoted in the Montreal Gazette

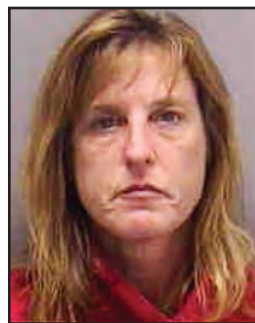
"Everybody knows they are going to die, but no one really believes it."

Spalding Gray, quoted in the Cleveland Plain Dealer

School bus driver charged with DUI while heading to work

A school bus driver in Florida was arrested for allegedly mixing the classic kids tunes "99 Bottles of Beer" and "The Wheels on the Bus." Police in Lee County say they cuffed 46-year-old Lane Tripp for drunken driving while she was heading to work on April 15.

Lee County Sheriff's Office Deputies say Lane Tripp's blood-alcohol level was more than three times the legal limit when she was pulled over — just before her afternoon shift as a school bus driver. An off-duty sheriff's deputy reportedly saw Tripp's car swerving through traffic, so the cop tipped off



Lane Tripp

uniformed police.

Officers said they tailed the suspect until she parked her car at the Lee County school bus depot, where she was scheduled to work that afternoon as a driver. During a field sobriety test, Tripp reportedly struggled to stand up.

According to deputies, the suspect — who had bloodshot eyes and reeked of alcohol — failed multiple Breathalyzer tests with blood-alcohol levels measured at 0.252 and 0.245. Florida's legal limit is 0.08. Tripp has been charged with driving under the influence.

BP narrowly misses out on safety award

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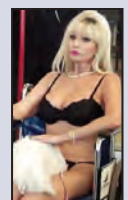
BP, the oil giant responsible for the worst oil spill in U.S. history, came close to winning a safety award from lobby group Oil & Gas UK on Wednesday. While it lost out, BP still won praise for its "enthusiasm and commitment" to offshore safety. BP was one of three groups shortlisted for an award for "Innovation in Safety," which was awarded to air traffic control group NATS, at a lunch in Scotland, held a year to the day after a blast on a BP rig which killed 11 men and led to the spill.



Disabled woman goes through airport security in underwear

OKLAHOMA CITY

Airport security got a surprise last week when a woman in a wheelchair approached a checkpoint wearing only a black lace bra and panties. She was given an "enhanced" patdown because she was in a wheelchair. However, during the screening procedure for her carry-on, an alarm for nitrates was triggered, according to the TSA. The TSA refused to allow her to board her Southwest Airlines flight to Phoenix. The unnamed woman returned to the airport Wednesday morning, again in her underwear, and cleared security without incident.



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►Three days, 241 tornadoes, 14 states

It's that time of year for residents of the tri-county area to prepare for tornado season.

AccuWeather.com reports one of the worst tornado outbreaks in recorded history last week, with 241 tornadoes reported in three days, in 14 states. Tornadoes can blow in at any time, and will peak from May through June and continue into August. These storms can occur as late as September and October.

The tornado that struck the Fenton and Holly area on Aug. 24, 2007 made national news and changed the landscape forever. It made area residents aware of how major devastation can occur in mere seconds.

The F-2 tornado blasted in during the late afternoon, at 150 mph, downing hundreds of trees and damaging roofs and houses. Fortunately, no one was killed or seriously injured. The tornado

also did considerable damage in an area east of Fenton off Grange Hall Road, toward Holly.

On May 21, 2001, a tornado whirled up U.S. 23 at 2:30 p.m., touching down in Hartland and Tyrone townships, and spun itself out in Fenton Township at Owen and Whitaker roads. Extensive damage occurred at Tyrone Hills Golf Course. Woody's Towing and the adjoining party shop at U.S. 23 and Center Road.

Along its route, this storm took down buildings, billboards and vehicles, piling up thousands of dollars worth of damage. Travelers on the highway were forced to pull over and crouch in ditches. There were no fatalities or serious injuries. That same year, on Oct. 24, a tornado hit Davisburg Elementary School in the Holly school district at 8 p.m., with winds registering at 112 mph. It caused \$600,000 in damage.

On July 2, 1997, a tornado touched down in Springfield Township near Holly, racking up \$2 million in dam-



ages. It killed a woman, whose manufactured home in Chateau Estates Oak Hill was destroyed.

This tornado touched down at in the area of Spring Grove manufactured homes, where an estimated 10 homes were destroyed and 30 sustained damage. This same storm touched down in Livingston County near Fowlerville, destroying trees and a home under construction, before blowing itself out in Wayne County, causing \$90 million in damages.

Tornado warning procedures

FENTON

Fenton has four strategically placed tornado sirens throughout the city. These sirens are placed to provide audible alerts to the entire city. The tornado sirens are tested the first Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. and will sound for a total of three minutes. The tests are done during the months of April through October. Sirens are not activated when severe weather is active, to prevent false warnings. Sirens sound for three minutes at a time, every 10 minutes while tornadoes are in the immediate area. Please do not call 911 when you hear the siren unless you have an emergency. Take cover immediately and then obtain information about the weather via a radio or television. The Fenton Fire Department recommends that all residents have a battery-powered radio available with spare batteries for use during an emergency.

LINDEN

The siren will be tested on the first Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. The sound will be a constant blast. When you hear the siren, other than for testing, don't ignore it. The siren means a tornado has been sighted in Genesee County. If a tornado is sighted anywhere in Genesee County, the siren in Linden is activated. Residents should check the weather, via radio, and proceed with caution. A driver should never try to outrun a tornado. Instead, one should pull to the side of the road and lay in a low area or ditch.

HOLLY

The village of Holly receives all tornado warnings from Oakland County's Skywarn. The siren sounds at 1 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month, from March through November. There's a one-minute blast, followed by a second one-minute blast. Residents are asked not to jam the phone lines at the police department or village hall when they hear sirens. Residents living in mobile and modular home parks, should not stay in these buildings. Residents need to make arrangements for shelter in case of severe weather.

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Coldwell Banker Professionals Manager Ken Brant (left) shakes hands with President Chris Hendrix in the Fenton office of the former Coldwell Banker Brant Realty.

Coldwell Banker Professionals acquires Brant Realty office

By Sally Rummel

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You'll notice a new name and new signs, but otherwise, it will be "business as usual" at the office of Coldwell Banker Professionals, formerly Coldwell Banker Brant Realty at 120 N. LeRoy St. in Fenton.

Coldwell Banker Professionals of Lapeer has now expanded into Genesee, Livingston and North Oakland counties, with the acquisition of this local landmark realty office.

"Coldwell Banker has brought us together," said Chris Hendrix, president of Coldwell Banker Professionals. "We've had a friendship for years. I'm pleased that this Fenton office will continue to be operated by Ken Brant as broker/manager."

Coldwell Banker Professionals now serves eight Michigan counties from three offices in Lapeer, Fenton and Richmond. "Our goal is to better serve our clients, agents and employees through our growth," said Hendrix.

Hendrix believes that people will always be moving for lifestyle reasons, and feels that the growth of this market will be advantageous for all concerned.

"This takes us to the next step in being able to service our clients, as well as grow our agents," he said. "Combined with our

other offices serving Lapeer, Oakland, St. Clair, Macomb, Sanilac and Tuscola counties, we are now servicing an area which is almost unmatched in southeast

Michigan. Together, we have 60 agents and handle 600 transactions a year."

The following agents work out of the Coldwell Banker Professionals Fenton office: Ken Brant, broker/manager; Shannon Brant, Linda Sloan, Wade Pyles, Kim Rinks, Carol Verhelle, Dave Thomas, Al Lifsey, Vera Hogan, Blake Boan, Lesley Allred, Bonnie Senter, Sheree Hoose

and Robert Cole. For more information about Coldwell Banker Professionals, call (810) 629-2220.

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President, Coldwell
Banker Professionals



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Brothers Jeff Stone (left) and Tim Stone recently learned that all three of their Sears Hometown Stores (Fenton, Howell and Lapeer) have achieved Premier Dealer status.

Fenton Sears Hometown Store recognized as 2011 premier dealer

The Sears Hometown Store of Fenton has been named a 2011 Sears Hometown Store Premier Dealer. This annual award recognizes Sears Hometown stores across the country that consistently offer the greatest customer service, outstanding store performance and standards, as well as exceptional demonstrations of local community involvement.

"To be honored as a premier dealer is a great achievement, not only for our store but also for the community we strive to serve everyday," said Jeff Stone, owner and operator of the Fenton store. "We could not have earned this without the support of our community, and we want to thank our customers for shopping with us throughout the year."

Only 20 percent of Sears Hometown Stores receive this prestigious annual award, and this year, each store receiving

Premier Dealer status will be given the opportunity to participate in an exclusive charitable event in 2011 to help support their community. One recent example of charitable giving by the Fenton store is participation in Adopt-A-Pet.

"We are thrilled to designate Jeff Stone and the Sears Hometown Store of Fenton a Premier Dealer, as a testament to the hard work and dedication shown each and every day to support the community," said Will Powell, president, Sears Hometown Stores. "We are committed to continually assisting Hometown Stores and their communities, so that customers everywhere can shop closer to home and enjoy the quality and value found at Sears."

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Fenton Spring Garden tour set for May 1

By Sally Rummel

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Mark your calendar for Sunday, May 1, from 12 to 6 p.m. for Fenton's first Spring Garden Tour. Hosted by Trinity Lutheran Church, this show will feature nine gardens.

"Everyone is always excited in the spring to see color in the garden," said Carol Swenson, coordinator of the tour. Five of the gardens belong to members of Trinity Lutheran Church, and two other gardens have been chosen because of their unique beauty. Trinity's Community Garden is also on the tour, so visitors can see an example of how vegetables are grown organically. The ninth garden on display is Trinity's own garden, with 1,000 tulip bulbs, planted last

fall. The gardens are located in Linden, Fenton and Davisburg.

Master gardeners will be on site at the church on the day of the tour to help answer gardening questions. A \$50 gift card to Ace Village Hardware in Linden will be the top raffle prize, with all tour participants invited to put their name in the box at Garden 2.

Trinity will serve a lunch from 12 to 5 p.m. for a small additional charge. Advance tickets are available at Trinity Lutheran Church, Ace Village Hardware of Linden or from local businesses where signs are posted. Proceeds go to Trinity's Building Fund.

For more information, call Trinity Lutheran Church at (810) 629-7861 or Carol Swenson at (810) 714-0405.

Motorcycle ride and poker run has stop in Linden

►Riders to receive playing card at gazebo

By Sharon Stone

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Linden — One of the stops that the 2011 Full Circle Breast Cancer Motorcycle Ride and poker run will be at the VFW hall in downtown Linden. The ride, which could include as many as 1,500 motorcycles, begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 18 in Clio.

On March 14, Linden City Council

gave approval for riders and volunteers to have access to the gazebo downtown to Susan Meares, organizer for the ride.

Since 2004, the motorcycle event has been raising funds for people in the community affected by breast cancer and other cancers, said Meares. This year's goal is to raise \$9,000. For more information, e-mail Meares at FullCircleCancerRide@live.com.

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Assisted living has many options, depending on a resident's needs.

Benefits of assisted living

By Sharon Stone

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Your widowed mother no longer has the desire to prepare her own nutritious meals, she's lonely and she sometimes forgets to take her medications. What should be done to ensure she is safe, well fed and living a lifestyle she deserves?

Families facing a similar situation might want to start checking into assisted living facilities in their hometown.

An assisted living level of care describes options between independent living and skilled long-term care. Some facilities offer private apartments or rooms, while offering tailored medical care to suit each resident's needs.

While some facilities are large by design, for efficiency, they might not feel like home. At Caretel Inns of Linden, the designers have created a home-like atmosphere by building separate inns. While the living spaces are separate and private, they are connected to allow for common services.

Sarah Brasseur, a caregiver at Linda's Place, said it could reach the point when placing a loved one in an assisted living facility is in the best interest of that person. She said some elderly individuals become forgetful, even about daily hygiene routines.

With dementia common, she said having a routine becomes so important. "Believe it or not, they'll kind of remember it," she said.

Having an exact daily routine helps ensure the resident is completing all of the necessary tasks, such as teeth

brushing, bathing and taking medications. Brasseur said sometimes a person suffering with dementia, or one who has bouts of forgetfulness, may think they've bathed in the past day or so, but sometimes it could have been, in reality, two weeks. She said staying on a routine cuts down on viruses and infections.

Holidays remain important for many families and Brasseur said if a resident is capable of leaving the home and visiting with family, the family is encouraged to take the resident out for a few hours.

Depending on the level of their needs, residents do socialize with one another. Some remain very social, while some act as protectors or coddlers. "Individual personalities affect each other in different ways," she said.

Adjusting to this type of move can intensify confusion for a resident; however, she said staff members strive to reassure families that their loved one will be taken care of better than if they were on their own.

Some families seek the assistance of support groups. "In most cases it's harder on the family than the resident.

"This is their home," Brasseur said.

John Hawkins, owner of Almost Home Assisted Living in Fenton, said families should make sure they are placing their loved one in a home that is licensed by the state. Employees must undergo a background check and be fingerprinted.

He suggests families ask around or ask for recommendations from local senior centers. "Word of mouth is the best way to find a home," he said.

"This is
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Look Who's Talking

By Sharon Stone, Staff Reporter



Taylor Marsh

17-year-old senior

Lake Fenton High School

FAMILY:

My parents are Marie and Steve Marsh. There's also Ryan, Jesse, Shane and Wyatt. We've all gone to Lake Fenton.

SPORTS AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES:

I play soccer and basketball. I also do weightlifting and I like to hang out with friends.

PERSONAL MOTTO:

Hard work pays off. That's what I think of when I do my sports.

MY DREAM CAR:

A new, black Rolls Royce.

ALL TIME FAVORITE MOVIE:

'Anchorman,' it's funny. It's the first Will Ferrell movie I saw. I like him a lot.

Taylor Marsh

OK, you're the school principal. What's the first change you would make? I'd make the weight room bigger, with more equipment.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be, and why? I'd be able to fly. I'd get from place to place quickly and it would be fun.

What is your earliest memory? Playing football with my brothers in the backyard. We'd give Shane the ball and then everyone would hit him.

I always: have fun and make things enjoyable.

I never: cut myself short of a goal. I don't quit on something.

Is there an event in your life for which you would like a "do-over"? I think I'd do track in my freshman and sophomore years. I regret not doing that. I did track my junior year. I really liked the coach we had then.

If you could ask the president one question, what would it be? What's your favorite sport?

If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be? Probably the Revolutionary War, it seemed like a big deal. I'd say so.

If you could make one rule, everyone had to follow, what would it be? No one can be sad. You can't cry.

What physical or mental attribute, if any, would you change about yourself? I'd make myself 6-feet, 3-inches tall because I want to be taller. It would help out with sports.

If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say? Marsh Country.

What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to? Graduation and not having to wake up early. It's summer. I'm going to U of M-Flint next year and going into business.

My most valued possession: I'd have to say, my friends.

My children will never be allowed to: eat loudly, with their mouths open. Shane always does that.

Front row seats and backstage passes. Who are you seeing? The Los Angeles Lakers. My favorite player is Kobe Bryant.

The best day of my life so far was: Going to Sea World last year and swimming with the dolphins.

My parting advice for a better world: Don't get worked up over stupid stuff.

Student Body asked at Lake Fenton High School

What is your family's Easter tradition?

AUSTIN GOTTRON, SENIOR



"We usually go on spring break in Florida, but not this year. We go to church and my little sister will go crazy for the candy."

TEVIN ALSTON, SENIOR



"We have an Easter egg hunt at our house."

MAX WATERS, JUNIOR



"We're usually in Florida and have an Easter egg hunt at Grandma's. This year, we'll probably go sailing on our lake."

LAUREN MILLER, FRESHMAN



"We always spend the day together. We go to church then my aunt makes a big dinner."

LUCAS ALLEN, SOPHOMORE



"We go to church and visit with family. We have a roasted ham for dinner."



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TRIATHLON

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to offer a race that gives participants the experience of racing in a 'real' triathlon without the intimidation factor," said Skinner. A full Iron Man Triathlon is a 2.4-mile swim, a 112-mile bike ride and a full marathon 26.2-mile run.

Summary

► You can become a triathlete with a FirstTry triathlon event on Saturday, June 25 at Linden County Park.

While most people seem to feel comfortable about the biking and running portion of this FirstTry Triathlon, there may be a fear factor about the swimming event, according to Skinner.

The organizers have addressed this issue by planning the swim start so that not everyone will start at the same time. "We'll also have a 'regatta' of kayaks and pontoons out on Bryam Lake, so that swimmers who need a rest or refreshment can do so," said Skinner. There will be coaches on hand to help participants make a smooth transition to the next sport.

For those who are hesitant about biking the 9-mile course, Skinner said the course is mostly flat with just a few small hills and only four turns. The final leg of the triathlon will be a 2-mile run, 1 mile out and back at Linden County Park.

Participants also won't have to be worried about "coming in last." "We already have someone officially assigned to be last," said Skinner. "That won't be an issue in this event."

"The whole goal of 'FirstTry' is for



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Dan Skinner, event director of this summer's FirstTry Triathlon on June 25 in Linden, is an avid triathlete and wants to get others involved with the sport.

people to complete the course, not set any records," said Ron Stack, owner of CycleFit and an avid supporter of bringing new athletes into events. "We just want to introduce people to the sport of triathlons and fall in love with the sport like we have."

"Grab a friend and start training now," added Skinner. "This race only comes once a year and your 'first time' comes only once in your life. At the FirstTry finish line, you will graduate as a triathlete and you will

be filled with a sense of accomplishment that you simply have to experience to truly understand."

To train for the FirstTry Triathlon, organizers advise people to take it in small steps: jump in the pool, swim a few laps, then jump on your bike, ride a couple of miles and then go for a short run afterwards. If you feel tired, stop. If you feel good, keep going and keep increasing the distances, week by week.

"The key is to slowly incorporate

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**Richard D.
"Rudy" Halka**

1939-2011
Richard D. "Rudy" Halka
- age 72, of Linden, died
Wednesday, April 20, 2011
at his
resi-
dence.
Funeral
services
will be
held
1 PM
Saturday,
April 23,
2011



at Sharp Funeral Homes,
Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver
Lake Road, Fenton. Pas-
tor Hal Phillips officiating.
Visitation was held at the
funeral home Friday from
2-8 PM. Those desiring
may make contributions to
South Mundy United Meth-
odist Church. Mr. Halka
was born January 31, 1939
in Flint, the son of Rudolph
and Alma (Santrucek)
Halka. He married Peggy
Christie January 30, 1960
in Swartz Creek. He
retired from GMI (Ketter-
ing University) after 25
years of service. Mr. Halka
formerly owned and oper-
ated Rudy's Barber Shop
on Flint Park Blvd. in Flint.
He was a member of South
Mundy United Methodist
Church and a life member
of the Friendship Club in
Swartz Creek. Surviving
are: wife, Peggy; 2 daugh-
ters, Pam and husband
George Sprague of Fenton
and Penny and husband
Scott Bittinger of Fenton;
4 grandchildren, Amanda
and husband John Lerner
of Grand Blanc, Amy Bit-
tinger and fiance Derek
Baker of Fenton, David Bit-
tinger of Fenton and Ashley
Bittinger of Fenton; great-
granddaughter, Lindsey
Larner; 2 sisters, Bernice
Pajtas of Flushing and
Joyce and husband Martin
Jewell of South Carolina;
many nieces, nephews and
cousins. He was preceded
in death by his parents
and brother-in-law, George
Pajtas. Online tributes may
be posted on the obituaries
page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Ann Corsi,
Ann Corsi - age 89, died
April 19, 2011. Services
provided by Sharp Fu-
neral Homes.



**Anna Veronica
(Santa) "Honey"
Delecki**

1922-2011
Anna Veronica (Santa)
"Honey" Delecki - age 89, of
Fenton, died Thursday, April
21, 2011 at her residence.
Funeral Mass will be cel-
ebrated 11 AM Wednesday,
April 27, 2011 at St. John the
Evangelist Catholic Church,
600 N. Adelaide St, Fenton.
Fr. David Harvey celebrant.
Burial in St. John Catholic
Cemetery. Visitation will
be held at Sharp Funeral
Homes, Fenton Chapel,
1000 Silver Lake Road,
Fenton Monday from 5-8 PM,
Tuesday from 3-8 PM and at
church Wednesday from 10
AM until time of Mass. A vigil
service will be held at the fu-
neral home Tuesday at 7 PM.
Those desiring may make
contributions to the St. John
G.I.F.T. Campaign. Anna was
born January 29, 1922 in
Lorain, OH, the daughter of
Joseph and Mary (Slezsak)
Santa. She married Stanley
Delecki May 11, 1946 in Flint.
She had resided in Fenton
since 1971, coming from
Flint. Anna was a member
of St. John the Evangelist
Catholic Church and Dom
Polski Club of Flint. Surviv-
ing are: husband, Stanley;
4 children, Nancy Williams
and husband Ronald of
Fenton Township, Dr. Chris
Delecki and wife Bonnie of
Seattle, WA, Tony Delecki
and wife Lori of Fenton and
Matt Delecki and wife Cheryl
of Fenton; 12 grandchildren,
Michael (Michelle) Williams,
Timothy Williams, Brian
(Erin) Williams, Zachary
(Chelsie) Delecki, Lindsay
(Courtney) Delecki, Everett
Delecki, Alex Delecki, Ryan
Delecki, Carl Delecki, Elise
Delecki, Marissa Delecki; 8
great grandchildren; sister,
Rose (Oscar) Smigiel of
Grand Blanc; brother, Jim
(Frances) Santa of Clio;
several nieces and neph-
ews. She was preceded in
death by her parents and 9
brothers and sisters. Online
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Debbie Miller

Debbie Miller, Clerk
Rose Township

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 - 1/4 c. chopped red onion
 - 1 c. shredded Monterey Jack cheese

- DIRECTIONS**
- Preheat oven to 450 degrees F (230 degrees C).
 - Place pizza crust on cookie sheet. Spread with barbecue sauce. Scatter chicken over top. Sprinkle evenly with red pepper, green pepper and onion. Cover with cheese.
 - Bake in preheated oven for 10 to 12 minutes, or until cheese is melted.

BY STEVE DALE

my pet world

Q: Our cat is herding our Border Collie. We've had Border Collies for years, and Geneva is particularly calm. Morgan, our cat, adopted us. One day, Morgan just showed up. He's maybe 7 months old. Geneva is very patient with Morgan, and actually allows the cat to move him around the house. I'm worried that this isn't normal. Any thoughts?

— A.N.N., St. Paul, MN

A: Normal, well, no. However, I don't believe you have cause to worry unless Geneva has suggested with growling, or in some other way, that he's becoming increasingly impatient with Morgan. First, find a place where Geneva can find refuge from your pushy kitty, perhaps a crate. Be sure you offer Morgan lots of opportunities to chase toys rather than your dog. At least once daily, use an interactive cat toy (fishing pole-type toy with feathers or fabric) for play. I also suggest a laser light. Periodically, drop a treat or piece of kibble on the little red "bug" so Morgan really has a chance to catch something (otherwise laser light may be frustrating). Adult supervision is important if a child is using the light, since he/she may shine it in the cat's eyes, or in the eyes of another child. Also, feed Morgan at least some of his food in random places around the house (beyond the reach of your dog) so he has to "hunt" to find it. If he's searching for his next meal, he won't be focused on Geneva. And we know that after a good meal, cats (and many people) usually enjoy a good nap.




Time to assess why son is friendless

DEAR AMY: My 10-year-old son does well in groups such as Scouts and team sports, but he doesn't have any friends. He's reluctant to invite people over and has started to pull away from the few boys who want to hang out with him. If this is bothering him, he's not showing it, and he won't discuss it with me. He's a bit of an odd duck, and I'm afraid he'll be picked on in middle school if he doesn't have friends. Should I leave him to figure this out on his own, or is this something to be concerned about? — Concerned Mom

DEAR MOM: This issue is something to be concerned about, but it is not your job to provide friends for your son. Instead, make sure he has the tools necessary to form relationships and make friends. Some children seem to thrive being part of a group, while others can feel overwhelmed by the challenges and stimulation of maintaining multiple relationships. Your son may have a quirky and quieter temperament. He may not be adept at reading the sometimes confusing social cues thrown out by pre-adolescent boys, who are experts at creating scenarios of shifting power and alliances. You shouldn't telegraph your anxiety to your son by querying him about this or pressuring him, but you should speak to his teacher, his Scout leader and his coach. They may report that he does just fine in a more structured peer group overseen by an adult but that he is out of his element on the playground. Or they may suggest he be evaluated for a more serious problem that may be emerging in adolescence. I admire the work of child psychologist Michael Thompson in describing the inner (and outer) lives of children. I once heard Thompson speak about childhood group dynamics. He said that parents often want their children to have lots of friends, but really, it only takes one friend to make a child feel he belongs. Your son may be a "one friend" kind of kid, and there is absolutely nothing wrong with that. Read Thompson's book, "Best Friends, Worst Enemies: Understanding the Social Lives of Children" (2002, Ballantine Books).

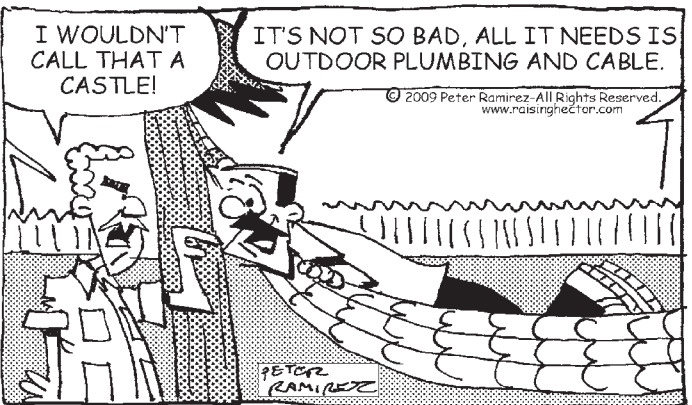
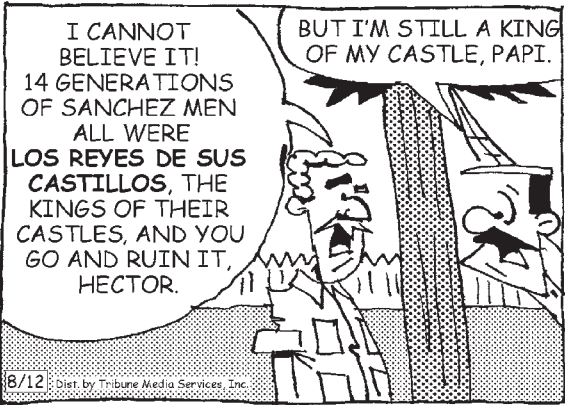
Amy Dickinson



Ask Amy

DEAR AMY: My husband and I do not drink for personal reasons but do not have anything against it. However, when we host a party for our colleagues and friends, I often feel bad that we don't serve wine or beer. I'm wondering if there is a polite way to tell our guests to feel free to bring their own beverages without sounding as if we want them to provide them. We wouldn't mind buying wine or beer ourselves, but since we don't drink, we have no idea what would be considered fine wine or good beer. Any suggestions? — Eager Host

DEAR HOSTS: You are not socially obligated to provide alcohol for your friends when you entertain. But because you are open to serving it in your home even though you don't drink (good for you), you should seek direction from your local wine shop. Any wine seller would be more than happy to give you ideas for what to serve with whatever meal you are preparing. Guests often offer to bring something to a meal. If you are inviting someone and he or she asks, "Is there anything I can bring?" You can say, "A bottle of wine or your favorite beer would be great. Thank you."



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by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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ZUMBA

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inquiring about Zumba classes that we thought we should try it out and see," said Fisher. "The public is welcome to take Zumba classes here, as well as our own members. It's a separate program with an additional fee."

Many Zumba fans attend classes through Southern Lakes Park & Recreation at either Lake Fenton Middle School or the Fenton Community & Cultural Center. Two licensed Zumba instructors teach six times a week, including a very popular Pilates/Zumba/Yoga combination that draws 35 to 40 to every class. "We teach both Zumba In the Circuit and Zumba Basic," said instructor Kristen Archambeau. "These classes are very popular."

For Westphal, one of reasons Zumba is so appealing is because it's for everyone. "You don't need rhythm; you don't need to be in shape. That's what the program is for. Anyone in the world can do it. We teach you how to do the moves," he said.

He admits that Zumba can be intimidating the first couple of times you do it, but then you "lose the edge and let go. It's just a party. The best part is, you just lose yourself in the music," he added.

Linda Mutzelburg, 66, of Fenton, loves the energy she feels after taking a Zumba Gold (beginning Zumba) class at Loose Senior Citizen Center in Linden on Thursday mornings. Recently retired, Mutzelburg works hard to stay active, enjoying Zumba, line dance classes and fitness walking, too.

"Zumba instructor Linda Dyball runs a nice program," said Mutzelburg. "She definitely gives us a good workout." Loose Senior Citizen Center offers Zumba classes three times a week.

All you need to do to get started, suggests Westphal, is to sign up for a class and wear your most comfortable workout clothing. "You're going to work up a sweat," he admits. "But you're going to have a lot of fun doing it."



Zumba classes

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Donald Westphal
Zumba instructor

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Operation Medicine Cabinet available in Holly

Anyone can dispose of unwanted prescription, over the counter drugs

Summary

► Holly Police Department is offering a free drop-off site for unwanted prescription and over the counter medications. It is open to anyone who would like to use it, not only Holly Village residents.

By Anna Troppens

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Holly — The bin for unwanted prescription drugs is at the Holly Police Department, but residents from any community can use it. Holly Police Department offers the free service, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for safe disposal of unused or expired medications, said Det. Julie Bemus.

Operation Medicine Cabinet (OMC) allows people to clear out their medicine cabinets and dispose of unwanted medications in an environmentally safe manner.

Holly Police Department's participation illustrates its strong commitment to keeping all citizens safer, protecting young people from the harmful misuse of prescription drugs, understanding the needs of seniors and the environmental implications related to the improper or unsafe disposal of medications, Bemus said.

"It's a valuable resource because it reduces the possibility of medications entering our water supply and it keeps drugs out of the hands of those who might abuse them."

Det. Julie Bemus

Village of Holly Police Department

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Local robotics team featured on GMA

By Tim Jagielo

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On Saturday, Genesee Robotics Area Youth Team (G.R.A.Y.T.) Leviathon's Coach Kim Weber was watching Good Morning America (GMA) in her home as she often did, when she got a nice surprise. Her team's short video clip had been used in the GMA "Your Three Words" video compilation that day. Fans of GMA submit simple videos that feature and illustrate three words that are important to them. "(My family) thought I had won the lottery," said Weber. The team chose their team number "1322," "Finished," and "Robot" as their

three words. The members held cards with the words written on them in order, and behind them is Alex Abfelter standing beside their finished robot. The team video featured robotics team members Rose Joynt and Adam Ezell, both grade 10, and member Ryan Sawle of Fenton, holding the cards.

Weber shot the 10-second video with her team on Feb. 27, shortly after their robot had been completed before the district competition at Kettering University in Flint.

Team members and their families are excited for the exposure, and went on to the statewide championships at Eastern Michigan University in early April.

"Never in a million years did we think that it would get on air."

Kim Weber
coach, G.R.A.Y.T. Leviathons

See the Video:
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VILLAGE OF HOLLY PUBLIC HEARING ON WATER AND SEWER RATES

The Village of Holly Council will hold a public hearing to receive written and verbal comments from citizens regarding the Water and Sewer rates on May 17, 2011 at 6:30 PM in the Council Chambers, 315 S. Broad Street, Holly, MI.

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

Cherie Hedrick
Interim Clerk-Treasurer

NOTICE ROSE TOWNSHIP 2011 ANNUAL SPRING ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP DAYS

Rose Township will hold its annual Roadside Clean-Up for residents and property owners on the following date:

Saturday May 14, 2011 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Residents and township organizations are encouraged to participate in the clean-up of the roadsides.

Rose Township will hold its annual Re-Use Day for residents and property owners on the following date:

Friday May 13, 2011 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM

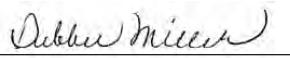
Dumpsters will be located in the Rose Township Park located on the northwest corner of Milford Road and West Rose Center Road. Refuse to be disposed of must be transported to the dumpsters. THERE IS NO ROADSIDE PICK UP. No commercial dumping will be allowed.

Constable Emile Bair will be on duty to verify residence and/or property ownership. Fire department personnel will be there to assist with loading materials into the dumpsters. Propane tanks will be accepted. No barrels, gas or fuel oil tanks, stumps, brush or concrete will be accepted. Paint cans must be empty or filled with sand or cat litter. Each household will be permitted four (4) car tires; additional tires will be accepted at a price of \$4.00 per tire and \$25.00 per tire for tractor or large truck tires.

Burning permits to allow the burning of leaves and brush are available by telephone at (248) 634-2620.

Bags for cleaning roadsides will be available at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan beginning April 18, 2011 until May 13, 2011 and also at the clean-up day location on clean-up day.

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Lake Fenton's
Allie Newman

Lake Fenton softball cruises past Byron in doubleheader sweep

By David Troppens
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Lake Fenton — Allie Newman is known for her bat at the plate and her glove at third base.

Maybe she should be known for her pitching as well.

Newman did pitch a little during her freshman season, but since then hasn't made an appearance in the circle for the Lake Fenton varsity softball team — at least not until Thursday.

The senior standout pitched her first game in about three years

and did quite well, tossing a one-hitter in an 8-1 victory against Byron in the second game of a doubleheader.

The Blue Devils' Paula Valacek was pretty good in the first game as well. She tossed a two-hitter in the opener, leading the Blue Devils to an 11-1 victory at home in a six-inning contest.

Newman was pleased with her circle performance.

"I haven't pitched since the ninth grade," she said. "It's the first time I've been pitching at practice, but that's about all. I was a little bit nervous, but I like pitching."

"Coach always said just in case we need to mix things up, they could throw me in there, but my position is third base."

The Blue Devils were never in danger in either game. They scored two runs in the first inning of the opening game — with Newman providing a two-run single in that stanza — and never trailed. A four-run third blew the first game open. Jessica Keller and Newman singled and both moved up on a fielder's choice grounder off of Alexis Melton's bat that got no one out. Valacek followed with an RBI-single, that plated an additional run on an

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Holly boys track notches meet sweep

By David Troppens
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Ortonville — When people talk about contenders in the Flint Metro League in the track world, the Holly Bronchos seemingly are always in the conversation as a contender.

And that hasn't changed this year, apparently.

The Holly boys track and field team, who earlier this season won the prestigious MSU Playmakers Indoor Track and Field Meet, came out of the wet and cold weather conditions at Brandon High School on Wednesday with a convincing sweep. The Holly boys defeated tri-county rival Linden 87-50 and also beat the host Brandon Blackhawks 114-23.

Linden managed a split, defeating Brandon 115-22.

The Bronchos' team is now 4-0 in Metro action and seem on the same path they usually are on — one of being a Metro contender. It was just in 2009 that the Bronchos won their last Metro crown.

"We are happy because Linden is one of the top four teams in the league and they were our first measuring stick," Holly coach Rob Basydlo said. "Creek is rolling in next week and we have Fenton in there, too. But it is nice to know where we are against

Linden."

The Holly boys were pretty dominant from the start. Their 3,200 relay team of Keon Ellison, Jared Schuermann, Mike McCarty and Davis Nixon opened with a convincing win with a time of 8:35.6, and Dallas Crandell followed that by winning the 110 hurdles (15.8). In all, the Broncho boys won 10 events, with two runners winning a pair of races.

Crandell was one of those participants that won two individual races. He also won the 300 hurdles (41.45). Meanwhile, Schuermann won the two distance events, winning the 1,600 (4:45.00) and the 3,200 (10:27.70).

The Bronchos had four other individual winners. Thomas Peake won the long jump (19-foot-7 1/2), while Davis Dixon won the 800 (2:05.09). Joey Spencer earned a first in the pole vault (11-6), and Ellison won the 400 (52.27).

The Bronchos capped the night by winning the 1,600 relay (3:35.70) with the team of John Williams, Ellison, Zack Deihl and Nixon.

Linden may have had the top performer overall at the meet with freshman Ted Parcher. He won the 100 (10.9) and the 200

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DAVID TROPPENS

Holly long jumper Thomas Peake won the long jump during a meet with Linden and Brandon on Wednesday.



Holly girls track remains undefeated

By David Troppens
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Ortonville — The Holly varsity girls track and field team expected Wednesday to be a big day toward figuring out who the Metro League leaders may be this season.

The Bronchos proved that they may be the team to beat at Brandon High School.

With defending champions Oxford out of the league, Holly and Brandon were considered two of the favorites this year. And Holly packed a pretty convincing punch against Brandon, defeating them 99-38. The Bronchos also defeated Linden 110-27. Linden lost to Brandon 77-58 as well.

"It wasn't bad. Honestly, it was OK," Holly coach Rob Basydlo said. "I was happy how they came out to compete and were focused. I have what I call a face check. I want to see how hard it looks in your face after an event, and all of our face checks looked pretty good."

The Bronchos, the winners of the MSU Playmakers Indoor Track and Field Invitational earlier this year,

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Fenton softball finally starts season, splits with West

By Al Zipsie

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Fenton — With the bad weather causing havoc and cancelling games, the Fenton softball team was chomping at the bit to finally get on the field.

The Tigers won the season opener and Metro opener, beginning play with a thrilling 11-10 walk-off extra-inning win. Lapeer West salvaged a split, earning a 6-3 victory in the second game.

“Lapeer West had four games under their belt already coming in,” Fenton coach Rick Bescoe said. “It was encouraging for the girls to finally play. Not playing because of the weather has been brutal.”

Speed kills, and that proved to be true as senior Gabi Johnson scored the winning run in the first game in the bottom of the eighth inning. Tied at 10-all, Johnson led off with a walk. She advanced to second on a fielder’s choice off of Marina Cleis’ bat. Ashley Kend-

rick then hit a grounder, and the Panthers opted to not throw to first when Johnson did a juke, drawing the throw to second. Johnson started to dive back when the throw went into the outfield, allowing the game-winning run to score.

“It was kind of instinct,” Johnson said. “I thought I could get back or get in a pickle play and be safe. I overheard a lot of yelling and was rounding third and was going to score. We were so excited to finally play. We were ready to go out in the snow.”

“We are pretty aggressive in what we need to do on the bases,” Bescoe said. “For me, I knew she would be scoring. It wasn’t so much coaching as it was encouraging her to round third and score.”

“We just needed to get the rust off some.”

Making her varsity debut, Ellie Cowger relieved her older sister Sammi Cowger in the opener, tossing 3 2/3 of scoreless relief. The



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Fenton's Sierra Hollis slides into a base safely during the Tigers' doubleheader split with Lapeer West on Thursday.

Tigers jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the opening inning on two-out RBI-triples from Sammi Cowger. Johnson followed with an RBI-single.

Fenton struck for five runs and a 9-8 lead in the fourth with RBI-doubles by Sarah Halstead and

Kendrick. West went back ahead with two runs in the fifth.

The Tigers deadlocked the game at 10-all on a two-out error in the sixth inning. Shortstop Sierra Hollis turned a slick double play, setting up the win in the eighth inning.

In the second game, Kendrick

ripped a double that cut the Panthers lead to 4-3 after six innings, but that is as close as Fenton got. West's pitcher Justina Salterelli kept Fenton off balance with 11 strikeouts. Johnson led the Tigers on the day with four hits and four runs batted in.

Fenton girls soccer drops Metro League opener vs. West, 1-0

By Al Zipsie

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Fenton — The Fenton varsity girls soccer team got plenty of shots off, but they could not get any past the wall provided by Lapeer West keeper Lauren Weeks.

Weeks had a shutout as Lapeer West defeated Fenton 1-0 in the Metro League season opener Wednesday on a cold, windy night under the lights.

“Lauren Weeks is the best goalie in the state,” said Fenton coach Matt Sullivan. “It was a great game. It wasn’t that we didn’t play well on offense. We got plenty of shots off. It’s not going to be easy against a goalie like her anyhow, but with the wind it was tough to get it going. The girls yelled and talked to each other better than any other game, including some they dominated. We put up a great fight all the way to the end.”

Lapeer West scored 15:50 into the first half, as Ali Jung scored on a odd-man rush. With the conditions, the goal held up to be the only one scored.

Fenton (3-2-1) put the pressure up to try and tie the game in the second half. Fenton keeper Alyssa Ostrowski, who is headed to play basketball in college, made a nice save in heavy traffic after a Panthers’ side kick. She also made another strong stop with 2:10 remaining.

The Tigers had chances to tie. Fenton had one last chance with seven seconds left to score, only to have West clear the ball downfield to secure the win. The Panthers got off a shot at the final horn but it bounced off the top of the goal post to make the final 1-0.

“We had the shots on a good goalie. We kept trying until the end,” said Samantha Granger.

Fenton’s freshman Allison Cialkoszewski fired off a shot from the left side that just missed finding the net with 3:35 left. One last near-miss came on a 15-foot shot from in front of the goal with 1:35 left.

“We just had to face them in the opener,” Sullivan said. “The (Metro) is not going to be easy. All games will be tough.”

Fenton travels to Linden on Tuesday.

Lake Fenton baseball sweeps twinbill with Byron

By David Troppens

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Lake Fenton — Things are going good for Blake Bordeau and the Lake Fenton varsity baseball team these days.

They can win beautifully and ugly these days, as Thursday’s doubleheader against Byron proved.

Starting pitcher Bordeau provided the beautiful side of the doubleheader, tossing a three-hitter, leading the Blue Devils to a 10-0 victory in the opener at Lake Fenton High School. Finally, despite collecting just four hits and allowing four runs after a passed ball on a third-out strikeout in one inning, the Blue Devils captured a victory in what was an ugly 14-6 victory in the nightcap.

Bordeau and his defense were the story in the first game. Bordeau struck out just three batters, but threw strikes all game long, resulting in no walks. His defense played strong behind him.

“I threw strikes and my fielders backed



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Lake Fenton's Devin Evans snares a ball during the Blue Devils' doubleheader sweep of Byron on Thursday.

me up,” Bordeau said. “That’s basically what happened. I try to have my team help me. I’m not too worried about striking too many people out. I just try to throw strikes and let my defense do the job.”

The Blue Devils (5-0) gradually blew the game open with four runs in the third, two in the fourth and four more in the fifth. They used eight hits and 10 walks to fortify their attack. Mitch Kirk was the biggest offensive star, collecting three hits, three runs scored and an RBI. Meanwhile, Spencer Quick had two RBI.

The nightcap was a sloppy game, to say the least.

Symbolically, the Blue Devils opened the scoring when Kirk walked and eventually scored on a passed ball. As the game continued, the two teams would score eight runs on passed balls or wild pitches and another two on catcher errors. The pitchers also struggled, walking a total of 15 batters and hitting one batter. In fact, the two teams combined for 20 runs with the aid of just one run-producing hit — a two-run single by Lake Fenton’s Kyle Felix in the Blue Devils’ six-run sixth.

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(VS) Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh 9:30 p.m.

(VS) Los Angeles at San Jose 10:30 p.m.

GOLF

NBC Champions: Liberty Mutual..... 1 p.m.

(GOLF) PGA: The Heritage..... 1 p.m.

(CBS) PGA: The Heritage..... 3 p.m.

RACING

ESPN2 ... Nationwide Series qualifying..... Noon

ESPN ... Nationwide Series race 3 p.m.

BASKETBALL

(TNT) Chicago at Indiana..... 2 p.m.

(TNT) Dallas at Portland 4:30 p.m.

ESPN San Antonio at Memphis 8 p.m.

ESPN Oklahoma City at Denver 10:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

GOLF

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HOCKEY

NBC Stanley Cup playoffs 3 p.m.

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abc Miami at Philadelphia 1 p.m.

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Fenton baseball sweeps Metro opener

By Al Zipsie

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Fenton — Fenton varsity baseball coach Chad Logan and senior slugger Jamie Garcia both said it — “hitting is contagious.”

It may be a baseball cliché, but nothing else could describe what happened in the third inning of the second game for Fenton Thursday. After being held scoreless without a hit over the first two frames, the Tigers (2-0, 4-5) sent 16 hitters to the plate, racked up 11 hits and scored 13 runs. It was enough as Fenton won that game 13-3 in five innings. They also won the opener 9-5 against West.

“That was uncommon to have those kind of numbers in one at bat. We needed an inning like that,” said Fenton coach Chad Logan. “Hitting is always a little behind pitching at the start of the season. Hitting is contagious. That was good for our team’s psyche. We had some problems scoring early and we had good pitching today from several guys.”

Fenton’s senior Ryan Surface had three hits on the day and won the second game on the mound. Surface allowed only one earned run when the Panthers scored all three of their runs in the top of the third.

But those three runs, all scored in the third, didn’t matter after Fenton’s 13-run explosion. Ryan Delecki was hit by a pitch to get it started and Steve Rachor drew a walk. Kyle Jenkins laid down a perfectly placed bunt to load the bases. Eric Mowery hit a two-run single and Surface followed with an RBI-single. The game was



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Fenton’s Derek Jenkins (left) tags a Lapeer West player during the Tigers’ doubleheader sweep of the Panthers on Thursday.

tied at 3-all.

Chad Schupbach, who was 4-for-6, followed with an RBI-single. Garcia and Derek Jenkins had back-to-back hits followed by Mowery’s RBI hit. The floodgates were just opening. Kyle Schrade had a bunt single, driving in a run and plating another on a bad throw. Delecki singled and Rachor reached on an infield hit. Jenkins and Mowery singled and Surface drove in two with a hit. Schupbach followed with a two-run single, capping the 13-run inning.

Fenton trailed 3-2 until a five-run fourth in the first game. The big blows came from Schupbach and Garcia. Schupbach ripped

a two-run double and then Garcia hit a two-run home run.

“It was a fastball straight down the middle of the plate,” Garcia said. “I didn’t know if it would go. I just hit hard. I don’t go up looking for home runs.”

The lead held up as David Lenzi notched the pitching win, allowing seven hits, while striking out 11 in 6 1/3 innings of work. Josh Bryant came on to get the save with two strikeouts on six straight pitches.

“We won our first 12 games last year in the league and then lost our last six,” Garcia said. “We have players back and won’t let that happen this year.”

PREP REPORT

TENNIS

► **Holly 7, Clio 1:** Singles winners for Holly were Shannen Renehan (No. 1), Bri Rodriguez (No. 2) and Tabitha Steigerwald (No. 3). Doubles winners were Stephanie Collier and Carley Postma (No. 1), Halie Weiss and Audrey Crimmins (No. 2), Cortney Munger and Leah Moller (No. 3) and Natalie Clink and Jessica Aderhold (No. 4).

SOFTBALL

► **Linden 14-14, Mt. Morris 5-7:** Katie Berlin went 5-for-10 at the plate with six RBI. Kaitlyn Dunleavy was 8-for-10 with two doubles. Morgan Grantner was the winning pitcher in the first game, and had the save in the second. She also had three hits. Taylor Wilson doubled and had two singles.

BASEBALL

► **Goodrich 8-5, Holly 5-3:** Goodrich pitcher Matt Glowacki tossed a no-hitter in the opening game. In the second contest, Holly’s Brent Smiles hit a two-run double, and Max Lambert drove in the other run with an RBI-ground out. Holly is 5-2.

GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

► **Fenton 102, Lapeer East 35; Fenton 104, Swartz Creek 29:** The Tigers had an impressive start to the Metro season, winning 12 events. Individual double-winners

for Fenton were Kira Rentschler in the shot put (24-0) and the discus (95-0), Brittany Robinson in the long jump (15-0) and the 200 (27.8) and Alyssa Sander in the 100 hurdles (17.2) and the 300 hurdles (52.3). Taylor Thorpe won the pole vault (7-0), while Alessandra Kozlowski won the 100 (12.69). The Tigers also won the 3,200 relay (10:53), the 800 relay (1:55.59), and the 1,600 relay (4:40.1).

BOYS TRACK AND FIELD

► **Fenton 83, Lapeer East 54; Fenton 72, Swartz Creek 61:** The Tigers won three relays to spark the sweep. The 3,200 relay team of Chase Roney, Nick Jones, Max Kryza and Matt Gilbert (8:41.57) won as did the 1,600 relay team of Aaron Felts, Connor Sweeney, Gilbert and Kryza (3:40.21). The 800 relay team of Trenton Grimes, Riley Chapin, Alec Anderson and Aaron Felts (1:37.02) also won. Individual winners were Chapin in the long jump (18-7 1/2) and Gilbert in the 800 (2:01.15).

SOCCER

► **Linden 3, Goodrich 2:** Sam Thorton, Megan Harp and Mary-Kathryn Fiebernitz each had goals, while Fiebernitz and Brandi Juengel had assists. In net, Lexi Downes had five saves.

SOFTBALL

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error. A wild pitch scored Melton, and Shelby Beckmann plated another run with an RBI-groundout. Lake Fenton added two runs in the fourth when Newman’s ground out plated Alyssa McCoy, who walked. In the sixth, Beckmann capped the game with the mercy rule with a two-run single, plating Ashley Rinks, who reached on an error, and Melton, who singled.

In the nightcap, Lake Fenton (6-0) scored two runs in the first inning on a walk and two errors. They added another three in the second on singles by McCoy, Alex Wilkinson and Newman. They added another run in the third and another in the fourth on Valacek’s RBI-single. The final run was plated in the sixth when Newman doubled and scored on an error off of Valacek’s bat.

“I think we are going to do really good this year,” Newman said. “I definitely have high expectations. I like everything. We all are good players and we get along pretty great.”

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GIRLS

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came home with victories in 10 of the 17 events, including eight participants taking home an individual first each. Marissa Moorhead started the individual winning for Holly, taking first in the 100 hurdles (17.12). She was followed by Mariah Ridal in the 400 (1:03.48) and Breanna Konopitski in the 800 (2:30.67) on the track.

It was on the field events that Holly really dominated the overall firsts. Jenna Mitchell won the discus (105-5), while Elizabeth Hawley took the top spot in the shot put (31-10 1/2), Kaylee Harris won the long jump (14-1 1/2), while Megan Piwowski won the high jump (4-6). Rachel Domagalski won the pole vault (9-0).

"That was one of our strengths going into the year," Basydlo said about his track performers. We know we are strong in the high jump and pole vault and decent in the long jump. We know our throwers are really strong in the shot, and getting there in the discus."

The Bronchos also won two relays. The 3,200 relay team (10:17.8) of Ridal, Abby Lewandowski, Konopitski and Melissa Bott took a first, as did the 1,600 relay team (4:22.10) of Ridal, Bott, Tatum Harmon and Konopitski.

The Linden Eagles had some firsts themselves. Sydney Elmer was the area's only two-time individual winner. She won the 1,600 (5:42.00) and the 3,200 (12:26.42). Meanwhile, Kristen Resseguie won the 300 hurdles (52.58).

"I thought it went pretty well," Linden coach David Elmer said. "We knew we needed to run an almost perfect meet to



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Holly's Breanna Konopitski (front) takes the baton from teammate Abby Lewandowski during the 3,200 relay on Wednesday.

beat Brandon, and we knew we had to be outstanding to beat Holly because they are so deep. Overall we did well. We were a little injured and sick, but we still had some girls get personal records despite the weather."

The wins put Holly at the top of the Metro standings with a 4-0 mark, with just four duals remaining. Holly shared the Metro League title in 2009.

TWINBILL

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The Blue Devils led 2-1 entering the top of the third, and it looked like they were going to get out of Byron's third inning with no problem, when pitcher Tyler Hammond got the first two batters out. He actually struck out the third batter, but a passed ball allowed the batter to reach first. Before the inning was over, Byron collected four runs on three walks and an RBI-single. One run scored on a passed ball, a wild pitch and a catcher's error.

The Blue Devils settled down after that though, allowing just one walk during the final three innings. Devin Evans tossed two innings of shutout relief and Bordeaux came out in the sixth.

Meanwhile, the Blue Devils contin-

ued scoring runs without the aid of hits. In the fourth, Lake Fenton scored four runs on two hits. In the fifth, they scored two more on no hits. In the sixth, they had six on just one hit. What Lake Fenton did do was walk 10 times and have another batter hit by a pitch. Five Byron errors helped the cause as well.

Felix led the offense with two hits, while Kirk scored three runs — scoring each time on a wild pitch or passed ball.

"(The second game) had to do with both teams not getting a lot of outdoor practice," Lake Fenton coach Hewitt Judson said. "It was getting cold the second game, plus we were using third- and fourth-pitchers. So when those things happen, games tend to be high scoring."

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BOYS

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(23.71) individually, while also earning firsts in two relays. He teamed with Luke Belmore, Andrew Lucky and Kevin Baker to win the 800 relay (1:34.75), and with Belmore, Taylor Anderson and Lucky to win the 400 relay (45.24). Kyle Fisher also had a solid day, winning the shot put (45-2) and the discus (146-4).

"We knew Holly would be tough for us because of their depth in some areas," Linden co-coach Nick Douglass said. "Ted has done very well so far, but I think it is coming as a surprise to many. We knew of his success he had in middle school but it was his times that we knew would translate right away to some success. ... He is very humble and works hard every day, the type of ingredients necessary to have continued success."

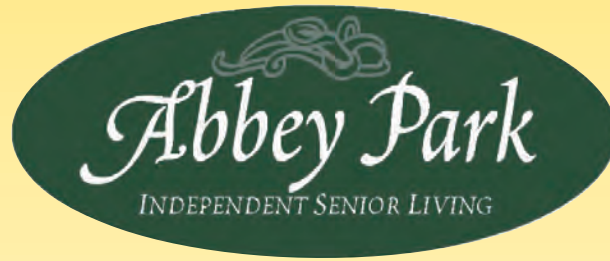
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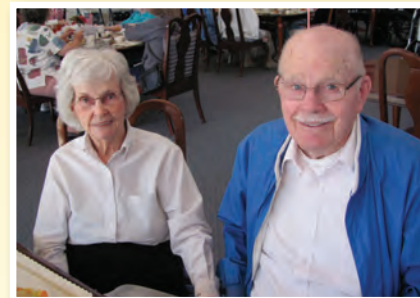
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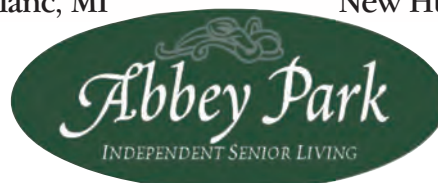
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