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Teeth whitening

New procedures within reach for most people

By Sally Rummel

If your teeth have become yellow or stained due to age, genetics or lifestyle habits, you may still be able to realize your dream of flashing a beautiful smile. It just may take a visit or two to your local dentist or to your pharmacy for an over-the-counter whitener.

Will whitening work on my teeth?

The best candidates for teeth-whitening procedures are those whose teeth are discolored from external staining from smoking, drinking coffee, tea, cola or red wine, according to Bo Schumaker, DDS, in Fenton. Whitening procedures are usually not as successful on teeth that have been discolored from injury or as a result of treatment or medications.

Summary

For brighter, whiter teeth, think about having a teeth-whitening procedure either from your dentist or by using over-the-counter whitening strips or kits from your pharmacy.

Here he comes... Mr. Fenton!

By William Axford

Bryan Terry has built a royal resume for himself. Marching band, jazz ensemble, Fenton Ambassadors and assistant director are all roles that he’s held during his years at Fenton High School. The latest entry came in April when he was crowned Mr. Fenton, an annual male pageant that is produced by the high school’s theater group.

“This is my senior year and I figured I might as well try,” he said. “I thought it was a fantastic show. Everyone did a great job, and I’m flattered that I won.”

All Fenton High School males are eligible to enter the contest. Terry has been a part of the IB Theater for the past three years and was the master of ceremonies for the event last year, so it only made sense to him to participate. The contest was divided into two parts, fashion and talent. Contestants were judged based on casual wear, shorts, and formal wear. Talents of each contestant ranged from a cheeseburger-eating contest to stand-up comedy.

Terry’s talent included telling a slew of jokes, with the last one purposely being awful. He then picked up his guitar and harmonica and played “Heart of the City” by Nickleback, followed by a harmonica solo and a rendition of “Thrift Shop” by Macklemore.

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(Above) Registered Dental Assistant Caitlin Ham, of Patricia McGarry, DDS, takes an impression for Bryan Terry, who recently won the Mr. Fenton contest, watches as the Fenton High School theater group rehearses for an upcoming play. Serving as an assistant director, Terry has been involved with theater for the past three years.

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Okay, let’s just say it and get it out there.

There should never be a teacher, or the spouse of a teacher, or any member of a teacher’s immediate family elected to any seat on any school board.

Recently, just 122 voters — the majority of them likely teachers, or teacher’s relatives or teacher’s friends — elected a teacher/union representative from another school district to the school board in the Linden school district.

The new board member is likely a good teacher, a good union representative, and a good guy. I can’t say for sure because I have never met him, and so I have no opinion of him. But I do have a brain, and my brain is telling me that there are absolutely no circumstances where it is appropriate to have a teacher or a teacher’s spouse on a school board.

Why? For two reasons. One, the teachers are already more than amply represented by their union. Teacher unions are one of the most powerful unions in the country. That’s why their members can’t be fired, no matter how incompetent they may prove to be. Given the gravity of a teacher’s impact on the lives of our children, that policy in itself is illogical, and speaks to the irrationality of some components of teacher contracts.

And two, it is simply not humanly possible to vote objectively on the multitude of issues addressed by a school board and their multi-million-dollar budgets when it is your pay, your benefits, your job security and your pension that is affected.

But wait, you say. This new board member is not employed by the Linden school district.

And that, my friends, is the ‘secret sauce’ to this whole issue. What we’re experiencing in Linden is the same thing school boards across the nation are experiencing: Teachers running for seats on school boards in districts where they live, but don’t teach. Sort of a cross-pollination agenda that is resulting in school boards being infiltrated by the very people who benefit most from the decisions made by the boards. Several of our area school board members are spouses of teachers.

That being said, I think there is no more noble or important profession than teaching. Nearly all teachers choose their profession because they enjoy what they do, and they love the kids. Our kids spend seven hours a day with teachers. Like it or not, in most households the teachers have far more impact on our children’s future than the parents do.

Ask anyone who is your favorite teacher and they never have to stop and think — they immediately name a name and, unbidden, share a memory of a positive experience they had with that teacher. Teachers are a critical component of every child’s life and they should be compensated commensurately.

But that doesn’t change the facts. What’s right is right and what’s wrong is wrong. And what’s wrong is purposely holding school board elections at a time when the outcome can be manipulated by a few teachers and their friends and families.

So, how do we fix it? Simple. Elections in every school district should be changed to coincide with general elections in November. In this day of dual-working parents, active kids and hectic schedules, it is absurd to purposely attempt to deny parents and taxpayers their right to have a voice in how their schools are governed.

Then and only then will school board elections, and more importantly school board actions, truly become a reflection of the communities they represent — and not special interest groups.

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What is your healthiest habit?

“I joined Weight Watchers and lost 85 pounds by following their plan.”

— Douglas Starns

Linden

“Walking a mile every day, year-round.”

— Ann Adams

Fenton

“I try to walk. I go to Wal-Mart and walk around.”

— Fred Sieradski

Fenton

“Limiting how much I eat and riding my bike.”

— Mark Blough

Fenton

“Walking and gardening.”

— Zoonie Jacob

Fenton

“Besides working out, running two miles a day. I’m going to attempt to run the Crim.”

— Kevin Dalla, Davison

What is your healthiest habit?
Times names assistant editor

By Sally Rummel
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Staff Reporter Sharon Stone has been promoted to the position of assistant editor at the Tri-County Times. She has been a reporter with the Times since 2004. This promotion provides Stone with the opportunity to assist Editor Cheryl Dennison in every aspect of news and editorial coverage. She will continue her news beat, covering police news, and news in the city of Fenton, Argentine Township, and Lake Fenton and Linden schools.

“T’m looking forward to my new active role in assisting Editor Cheryl Dennison, as well as continuing to be a part of a very cohesive editorial team,” said Stone, a graduate of Michigan State University (MSU) with a bachelor’s degree. She and her husband, Jeff, of Fenton Township, have been married for 27 years. They own the Sears Hometown Stores in Fenton, Howell and Lapeer, along with partner Tim Stone.

The Stones are the parents of Laura, 21, a recent MSU graduate and a 2007 graduate of Lake Fenton High School. Their son, Jake, 15, is a sophomore at Powers Catholic High School in Flint, where he is active in hockey and golf.

“The Stone family is well known in the area for hosting the annual Brad Stone Fall Classic hockey tournament and the annual Brad Stone Summer Classic golf outing for the last 10 years, in memory of their son, Brad. Funds raised are given out as college scholarships to Lake Fenton graduates and youth hockey players. “T’m looking forward to working with Sharon in her new role as assistant editor,” said Dennison. “She’s a hard worker and an asset to our staff.”

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By Tim Jagielo

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would pay their invoices, complete a claim form and submit it to her. She will then sort through each slip and determine what each township or city’s portion is for all 20 county school districts.

“It’s an extensive process,” she said.

Though this year’s costs are not yet known, Fulcher said for a comparison, figures from the May 2009 election would be similar, as it is an odd year. In odd years, the school districts pay less to hold the election since Mott Community College (MCC) participates and shares with the costs. In the May 2009, Fulcher said MCC spent $75,000 on its board of trustees election.

In even years, the individual school districts pay more since MCC does not hold an election. Overall costs for the May 2010 Genesee County school board elections were $129,243, said Fulcher. In the May 2009 election, the Fenton, Lake Fenton and Linden school districts spent a combined $13,408 on the school board elections. In the May 2010 election, those three districts spent a combined $25,900.

School boards are in complete control as to when it holds its elections, according to Fulcher. “It’s a board decision.” She and election representatives have spoken with the districts and have encouraged them to switch to November of even years. “It would be free,” she said.

As an example, Fulcher compared the election to a maintenance agreement. If a homeowner wanted to have a regular check-up on their furnace in May, it would cost them $1,000. If they agreed to have their furnace checked every other year in November, the maintenance company would perform the work at no cost because they were performing a lot of the other check-ups at the same time.

Fulcher said, “Which would you choose?” The Linden school board election decided to hold this year, out of a pool of thousands, while the election cost $10,849,18 in 2010.

“It’s just the way we’ve always done it,” said Laura Starns, board of education president for Linden schools. Because of the low turn-out with a high cost, the board would like to switch to even, every-other-year elections in November.

“It would save us a lot of money, there would be no charge to the district,” she said. “It’s something we’re talking about.” She said school board elections along with the rest of the ballot would bring in more voters, and save the school district and the taxpayers’ money.

“At this time with the budget crunches we’re facing with the district, it’s a definite possibility,” she said.

According to Starns, the deadline to decide to switch to November elections is September 31.

Lynn Hopper, vice president of the Fenton board of education, said that elections are held in May in order to coincide with school district budget deadlines. He agrees that it would make more sense to hold the elections in November, since it would save the district money and more votes may be cast.

“Moving the elections has been on the agenda before. It could be moved, but it might not be — anything’s possible.”

Hopper said that he was disappointed by the low turnout. Although he admits that the timing of the election is a factor, he attributes the lack of voting to public apathy. In his opinion, it’s unfortunate that the public isn’t more involved considering the importance of education.

“The elections are extremely important. Today’s kids are tomorrow’s leaders,” he said. “They need to have the maximum opportunity to intake the best education possible.”

Promoting the elections are difficult in themselves since running candidates have to promote themselves, said Hopper. With the Fenton school district covering three townships in three counties, candidates find themselves limited as to where they can exactly promote themselves.

Hopper did mention that he was impressed by those who did run in the election and commends them for doing so.

“All of the one candidates would have been great board members. (The candidates) show that people in the Fenton school district really are committed to education.”

Robert Grubbs, president of the Lake Fenton Board of Education, was elected in 2006. For as long as he can remember, elections have been held in May.

Grubbs foresees this topic being discussed at school board meetings in the near future. He is aware that it is an expenditure and changing dates could result in possible savings to the school district.

Grubbs said discussion of election costs has been added to the agenda for the school board’s next committee of the whole meeting.

Alberta Martin, the current secretary on the Lake Fenton Board of Education, said elections have been held in May for as long as she has been a board member. She came on board in 1982.

She gave the principal argument for why school boards choose to have May elections is because they don’t want their bond issues, board elections and renewals to conflict with the school district.

Additionally, they are held in May in order to coincide with the school district’s budget deadlines. She said the primary argument for the school board’s next committee of the whole meeting.

Martin said many districts anticipate that the legislature will eventually mandate that all districts hold their elections in November and therefore, are getting ahead of the mandate. “It’s hard enough to get people to run for school boards,” said Martin.

“Can you imagine putting a school board election on a November election, it would be the last (item) on the ballot and people would not vote at all for a school board if that is the case.”
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result of medication taken while the teeth were being formed. People with these deeply embedded stains under the enamel have other cosmetic options beyond whitening.

What are the different kinds available?
Most dentists offer in-office whitening procedures, typically ZOOM! light-activated whitening and take-home bleaching trays. Many over-the-counter whitening strips and kits work well on teeth that don’t have to be whitened as many shades, because the bleach contained in these kits aren’t as strong as what is used in dental offices.

“Custom bleach trays are the best long-term option,” said Patricia McGarry, DDS, in Linden, who also offers ZOOM! for patients who want instant results. “Once you have the at-home bleaching trays, all you need to do to maintain that smile is pick up more bleaching solution at our office.”

We do have a lot of patients, though, who are very satisfied with the results from ZOOM!”

Am I a candidate?
Before beginning any in-office whitening process, a dentist has to determine whether a person is a good candidate, due to dental work done on the front teeth that may not whiten well along with the other teeth.

“A person who is a candidate for ZOOM! would also be a candidate for bleaching trays, and vice versa,” said Mieka Winnie, office manager for Schumaker. “People choose one over the other because of the speed of results, the convenience and the difference in price.

“At our office, take-home bleaching trays are the most popular.”

Here are a few of the choices on the market:
The price of each procedure is directly related to how much time it takes and the results that can be expected, according to teethwhiteningreviews.com.

Snap-on Smile — a temporary mold that covers all your teeth, even those that are missing, providing an instant bright, white smile.

COST: Between $600-$1,200

ZOOM! — or other light-activated in-office whitening systems promise whiter teeth in about an hour, whitening 8-10 shades. After protecting one’s mouth and gums with isolation materials, a Zoom! whitening gel is professionally applied and activated by a light source. Three, 20-minute applications take place in a one-hour period. Because they use medical-strength bleach formulas, careful pre-examination, close supervision and professionally applied protection is required to avoid irritation to the gums and mouth.

COST: $300 and up

Take-Home whitening kits — from a dentist offer the same level of results as ZOOM! but takes eight to 12 days. These kits feature custom-made mouth trays and a stronger bleaching solution than you can get over-the-counter. The custom-made trays fit snugly to your teeth and hold the bleach in place for maximum tooth-to-tooth contact.

COST: $150-$250

Over-the-counter kits and strips — offer excellent results, according to McGarry, especially if you follow the directions carefully and have good oral health. What separates these systems from dental office procedures are no dental visits, weaker bleach and fewer custom kit features (less effective than custom trays). For reviews on specific kits, visit www.teethwhiteningreviews.com or ask your dentist.

COST: $100 or less

Less expensive whitening kits — Crest Whitestrips, Rembrandt and Aquafresh offer a reliable name and mouth trays, while Platinum Whites, Dr. Collins, and a few others bring at-home whitening with boil-and-bite mouth trays, even if they’re not well known, according to www.teethwhiteningreviews.com.

COST: Under $50

Pens, rinses and touch-ups — are strictly designed for maintenance or only moderate shade change. Some are a total scam, according to www.teethwhiteningreviews.com.

COST: Under $20

Time: continual maintenance

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COST: Under $10

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Stop by and see us again soon. Some things may look a little different, but our people — and their commitment to you — remain the same.
Hundreds of volunteers help struggling seniors improve their homes

By Tim Jagielo

Once a year, hundreds of volunteers are utilized, and thousands of dollars are spent in a single day to improve the lives of local, independent living seniors. On the last weekend in April, a coordinated effort is undertaken by Christmas In Action (CIA) to improve the homes of people in need.

Pastor Ed Pedley of the First Baptist Church in Holly is vice president of CIA in Holly. In its eighth year, Holly CIA has raised more than $80,000 and improved 24 homes, Pedley said. “We find the people who are struggling to hang on. Then we approach them and ask if we can help,” he said.

CIA also finds potential clients through the local township clerks and Oakland Livingston Human Services Association (OHLSA).

The improvements are done in one 12-hour day. This year, the work began on three homes in Holly on Saturday, April 30.

“All three homes needed enough work to last more than one day,” he said.

The Fenton CIA improved five homes, he added. “It’s a neat connector for the community.”

All three homes in Holly received a coat of paint on the exterior. One home received a new dock and handicapped ramp, and a kitchen sink. Two of the houses received new tubs, showers, interior paint, and yard work. One home received a new, updated electric panel. “Usually at the end of the day there are tears, disbelief,” he said.

Divided among the three homes were 180 volunteers, and professional contractors.

The money comes from various fundraising sources, including golf outings, spaghetti dinners and businesses. The State Bank, RHL Group, and the Journey Church all donated $1,500 each as “house sponsors.” Kerton Lumber donated $20,000 worth of decking materials. Local businesses also donate food for the volunteers. The Holly Hotel, O’Malley’s Galley, and Tony’s Pizza each catered for a house.

What is Christmas In Action?

Christmas In Action is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of low-income or handicapped seniors by providing free necessary home repairs through the grassroots efforts of volunteers, fund raising, and donations.

Tri-County CIA is approved to help seniors 60 years and over living in a single family, owner occupied residence in Fenton, Linden, Holly, Fenton, Tyrone, Argentine and Rose townships.

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Pastor Ed Pedley
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Volunteers work together to make improvements to three homes in Holly on Christmas In Action’s workday on Saturday, April 30.
Memorial Day Parade approved
The Fenton City Council approved a request by the Curtis-Wolverton VFW Post 3243 to conduct the annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 30. The event will begin at 10 a.m. at The Fenton Community & Cultural Center. The parade route will travel south on LeRoy Street, with a brief stop adjacent to the gazebo, then turn west on Shiawassee, with a brief stop at Freedom Park, to Davis and south to Oakwood Cemetery. A memorial ceremony will be held at the cemetery. The Fenton Police Department will work with the VFW to ensure a safe and successful event.

Township seeks bids
Holly Township has published a request for work proposal on the Holly Township website concerning noxious weeds. Annually, the township seeks bids for lawn maintenance companies to remove overgrown weeds on vacant property.

Holly medical marijuana dispensaries
In the article, Holly medical marijuana dispensaries on hold, published on Sunday, May 8, the Tri-County Times reported that the Holly Township Board of Trustees passed a medical marijuana ordinance allowing dispensaries inside the township, with some restrictions. The ordinance as drafted allows for single caregivers to operate out of industrial, commercial and residential zones. The ordinance has not yet passed, and is currently in the hands of the planning commission. A public hearing for the ordinance will be held at the June 13, 2011 planning commission meeting.

News briefs
The Tri-County Times wants to give our readers the chance to show off the trophies they catch this season. If you have a fish worth showing off, snap a photo and bring it in or mail it to the Times office.

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Social News
BIRTH
BURKLOW Angie (Hajec) and Jon Burklow have announced the birth of their daughter, Aspen Hope Hajec Burklow. She was born on Feb. 16, 2011 at Hurley Medical Center in Flint. She weighed 5 lbs., 12 ozs and was 18 3/4 inches long. Jacob Metras, 10, is her big brother. Maternal grandparents are Bill and Sue Hajec of Fenton. Paternal grandparents are Michael and Carolyn Burklow of Clarkston.

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High school traditions

Male pageants aren’t the only unique tradition that high schools have. Here are a few other events that go on.

Sadie Hawkins Dance
The roles are reversed for this dance, where girls ask the boys to be their dates for the dance.

Powder Puff Game
The high school football game where the girls rule the field and the boys take to the sidelines as cheerleaders.

Senior Prank
The departing class leaves one last gift for their beloved school in the form of a practical joke. A warning to seniors: prank at your own risk, as some can bring dire consequences.

CRASH
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A resident on Fowlerville Road who had heard the crash rescued Wedesky from his car. The injured teen was transported by Survival Flight to the University of Michigan Hospital for life-threatening injuries. Seatbelt use remains under investigation. Alcohol does not appear to be a factor.

Deputies were assisted at the scene by personnel from Livingston County EMS, Fowlerville Area Fire Department and the Howell Area Fire Department. Fowlerville Road was closed between Lovejoy Road and Sober Road for approximately two and a half hours while deputies investigated the scene. The crash remains under investigation by the Livingston County Sheriff’s Department Traffic Safety Bureau.

Linden High School Principal Russ Ciesielski said Wedesky transferred to Linden a few months ago and is well liked and was quick to make friends. As word spread of Wedesky’s crash and injuries spread, Ciesielski said the mood at the school has turned somber. Counselors have been available to students. According to Ciesielski, Wedesky did suffer injuries and burns, but the full extent of injuries are unknown. Some of his classmates and a staff member have visited him at the hospital.

Wedesky was receptive to the coach and students. “That was a good sign, but he has a long way to go,” said Ciesielski. “It sounds like he’s moving in the right direction. We’re behind him 100 percent. He’s one of our students, regardless of how long he’s been here. “We’re keeping our fingers crossed.”

MR. FENTON
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of Gold” by Neil Young, while students reeled from the joke that bombed. Despite being a winning act, Terry still doesn’t know exactly how to handle his new royalty. “It’s kind of funny that I won,” he said. “It happened over two weeks ago but people are still congratulating me, people I don’t even know. It’s pretty cool.”

Theater director Lori Thompson has organized the show for the last five years. She said the event is judged by three people who are not currently involved at the high school. This year, the judges were three retired Fenton teachers.

She said her favorite part is watching students who aren’t a part of the theater department participate in the pageant, trying out something they are not normally accustomed to. “From the rehearsal to the actual performance, new guys who aren’t a part of theater productions love watching everything that is a part of the pageant unfold,” said Thompson. “It’s great to watch someone try something new and get out on stage, out of their comfort zone.”

Admission to the pageant was $5. The proceeds are donated to the IB Theater’s annual play. Next year the money will help with costume and set designs for “Romeo and Juliet.”

“The best in shorts segment helps fund the Ruby Zima scholarship,” Thompson said. She estimates that between 250 and 300 people attended and that the event draws so many people because of its peculiarity. “Mr. Fenton is a male pageant. It’s a novelty that’s been going on at Fenton High School graduate, was the escort for Jacob Rositano, the winner of last year’s Mr. Fenton. She has seen the contest all four years while she was in high school and thinks it is a great show.

“It was always engaging to watch every year,” Pasztor said. “It’s a fun and unique way to showcase the Fenton boys and their talents.”

Terry plans to bring his stage presence to a new format and break into the world of radio. He is going to attend Specs Howard School in Southfield following graduation to pursue a degree in broadcasting. However, given his many talents and various leadership roles, he said that he could end up anywhere.

“I really want to be a radio personality but I’ll go wherever the wind blows.”
Jaime Sweet, of Fenton, plays with stepdaughter Riley Pease, 6, while waiting in the reception area at the office of Patricia McGarry, DDS in Linden on Wednesday.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO THE PERSON talking about Mayor Bloomberg of New York City. He has been a Republican, a Democrat and an Independent.

HELP, MY SON feeds 10 outside cats. Adopt-A-Pet won’t take any more and the Humane Society said he should stop feeding them. Does anyone know of a place that would take them? He can cage them if necessary.

FOR THE LIFE of me, I do not understand the Hot lines that continue to bash teachers. This week, we have someone comparing a truck driver to someone who teaches our children, educates them, and prepares them for their future. Until you’ve spent a day in the life as a teacher or actually find out what a teacher does, please stop bashing them.

TO THE PERSON who wants Trump to sit down and shut up, I like his ideas. So, you sit down and keep quiet.

PRESIDENT OBAMA will now be remembered for two things, for the capturing of Osama bin Laden and for being the worst president in the history of the United States.

ON TUESDAY, MY wife and I were shopping at Rite Aid and she picked up a pink stuffed Easter bunny and said, ‘Can I have him?’ She will be 88 years old on May 12. When we got to the counter, some kind lady had left $20 to pay for the bunny. This gesture was deeply appreciated, and we wish we could thank her, personally. We are sure that lovely lady must sleep well.

SO, WHAT’S THE story? Is there going to be a Carrie Nation Festival this year?

WHAT’S WITH the city of Fenton spending money on fancy light signal poles, at Adelaide and Shiawassee? Seems like that money could have been put to better use.

THANK YOU, TO the kind person who paid for my coffee at Tim Horton’s today. I was on my way to work, and your kind act put a smile on my face. You inspired me to buy coffee for the person behind me.

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TYRENE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS HELD MAY 5, 2011

1. Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Clerk Keith Kremer, Treasurer Dave Kurtz, Trustees Steve Hasbrouck, Colleen Ameen and Jim Staacke.

2. Absent: Don Peitz.

3. Approved the agenda as amended; approved the consent agenda as amended.

4. Received and placed on file Communications #1-4 as presented.

5. Mike Cunningham, Managing Director of the Livingston County Road Commission, was in attendance to discuss road repair strategies and answer questions.

6. Accepted the bid from Robbin Finneran of $500 to repair the gate at Greener Cemetery.

7. Approved the Supervisor’s appointment to the Strategic Planning Committee.

8. Adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

The minutes of all regular and special Tyrene Township Board Meetings are on file and may be reviewed at the Tyrene Township Clerk’s Office, 10408 Center Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at www.tyrenetownship.us. The next regular meeting of the Tyrene Township Board will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrene Township Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.

Supervisor Mike Cunningham
Clerk Keith L. Kremer
LEGAL NOTICE
BUDGET HEARING

NOTICED IS HEREBY GIVEN that Holly Academy, a public school academy, is currently establishing its budget for the school year 2011-2012. A final public hearing will take place on Wednesday, May 25, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. before adoption at the May regularly scheduled meeting. The hearing will take place at 820 Academy Rd., Holly, MI. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the above address weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. As public school academies lack the statutory authority to levy any type of property tax, no property tax millage rate will be proposed or discussed to support this proposed budget.
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THANK YOU, TO those of you who have flowering trees or bushes planted in your front yards. In the spring, they bring such pleasure when driving around Fenton and surrounding areas. It’s great to see even regular trees starting to open their leaves. But, the spring flowering trees and bushes are spectacular.

OK, I JUST wanted to say that I am disappointed in some Fenton families, after going to the spring recital at AGS. Some people have no etiquette. There were men wearing baseball hats and several groups of people screaming for their kids like they were at a rock concert. Also, the kids waiting to sing or already sang were extremely loud. I was very sad to see this is how things are run at AGS.

JUST FOR CLARITY’S sake I would like the media outlets to present the real unemployment facts for our nation. The real number seems to be 16 to 17 percent in each state, when you include the unemployed who have exhausted their benefits and the under employed who cannot find any job whatsoever. The acknowledged 9-percent unemployment rate for the United States is at the very best misleading and definitely inaccurate. Convenient bookkeeping by our government, once again.

WAKE UP, FENTON parents. IB is a big joke. After paying approximately $200 for one test, just found out the test may not be sent out to be graded. So, the college doesn’t receive these grades? I visited two colleges that didn’t accept credit for these tests, only AP tests. Bring back Honors and AP classes. Payment plans to pay for the IB diploma, for what? Why didn’t parents vote for this? We pay for it.

THANKS, CITY OF Fenton for re-graveling Shiawassee again this spring. I was afraid I wouldn’t be able to find a place to get my clean truck all dirty for no reason. Why not try and actually solve a problem instead of just making a huge mess.

OOPS, SOMEONE WAS off a bit on their statistics when they stated that 75 percent of the people in Michigan wanted Rick Snyder recalled. The correct statistic is that 75 percent of the union members want him recalled because he is challenging their wages and lackluster work ethic. The rest of us in Michigan understand that he is doing exactly what needs to be done to bring this state out of the depths of democratic dismemberment.

ELECTED LEADERS AT every level of government; city, county, state and federal please hear my cry. Stop spending and start cutting. If it is a non-essential program, cut it out and leave it out. If you want to support programs like NPR, PBS, NEA, Planned Parenthood and the NMB, do it with your personal money, not our tax dollars.

NO SUMMER HAPPENING in Linden. Somebody is being a hard head. Where is the creativity if you want to have a weekend for fun, families and bring people into town for the merchants? How about sidewalk sales, citywide garage sales, old tractor parade/show, car cruise, kids’ fishing contest, dunk tank, carnival, kayak races on the millpond, farmer’s market, craft show, etc.

TO THE AGS eighth-grade girl who made the comment that the people on Bus 4 were the ones with no friends. You have offended many people and lost my friendship.

TEACHERS, WE’RE NOT trying to bash you, you just need to take a cut like everybody else is in the state. There’s only so much money in the pot. Hopefully, the governor will not be passing the request to have $900 billion spent at the college level, taking it away from our schools. The schools need that money.

MR. WRIGHT, DO you really think that your teaching staff should be walking around in flip flops? That is so unprofessional.

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I WOULD be as appalled at Snyder if he had taxed corporations and the wealthy as well as pensions. But, it goes without saying; you get what you vote for. Snyder refused to tell anyone what his plan was, because he knew he would lose miserably to Benaro, the candidate who didn’t put out a single advertisement post-primary. He just counted on the EA Party to check ‘R’ all the way down the ballot.

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- Use a insect repellent with DEET on exposed skin.
- Perform a tick check when returning in from outdoors or when outdoors for an extended time.
- If you do find a tick, use a pair of fine-pointed tweezers; grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible and pull gently and firmly until tick releases. This may take several tries. Avoid crushing or killing the tick while it is still attached to the skin. Once the tick is removed, clean the area with an antiseptic, such as alcohol.
- Save live ticks for testing. Directions and forms can be found at www.mlda.org.

Lyme disease may cause symptoms such as rash, which only appears in about 68 percent of cases, and not necessarily at the bite site. Other symptoms that may appear are flu-like symptoms such as fever, muscle aches, joint pain, headaches, fatigue or weakness. Symptoms can appear days to weeks after a tick bite.

If gone untreated, Lyme disease can lead to severe heart, neurological, eye, and joint problems, because the bacteria can affect many different organs and systems in the body.

For a free packet of information on Lyme disease contact the Michigan Lyme Disease Association at 1(888) 784-5963 or visit our website at www.mlda.org.

PRINCIPAL

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applied for the job and the field of candidates was narrowed. Reynolds, Howell High School Assistant Principal Jason Schrock and Summerville schools Principal Scott Leach were the three finalists.

Lake Fenton Community Schools Superintendent Wayne Wright said, through both rounds of interviews, the selection committees ranked Reynolds as their top choice. According to Wright, Reynolds’ enthusiasm was apparent, he had knowledge of what is going on, he follows through on matters, communicates well and has a positive attitude. “I really feel that he’s the person to take over at the high school,” he said.

A committee of three traveled to Reynolds current high school for an on-site visit. Wright said the committee came back with a very positive feeling.

“He has integrity, he’s honest and he’s a team member.”

Wayne Wright
Lake Fenton Community Schools superintendent

Continuing from the school with about 200 fewer students, Reynolds said this would be a step up for him. “I’ve got a lot to learn,” he said. His immediate goal is to ensure that every senior walks across the stage at graduation. He’s hoping that the school district and community will be receptive to him so that he can settle into this area with intentions of spending the next 15 to 20 years at Lake Fenton. “I hope I have a lot of good years left.”

“I preach family,” he said. “In this day and age, we’re all in it together.”

TYRONE TOWNSHIP

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

TENTATIVE AGENDA

MAY 17, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – May 5, 2011
Treasurer’s Report
Clerk’s Warrants & Bills

COMMUNICATIONS

#1 Livingston County Sheriff Report – April 30, 2011.
#2 Lake Shannon Fireworks Permit

NEW BUSINESS

#1 Metro PCS site plan revision.
#2 Request for a Large Outdoor Gathering Permit for The Rock Church.
#3 Discussion on compensation process.
#4 Request to use outside planner for revising the Planning Commission checklist.

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A day in the life of a nurse

Summary
The positive impact Debra James, R.N., of Linden, can make in another person’s life as a nurse is what drives her to be the best nurse she can be.

Linden woman finds personal reward in caring for others
By Sally Rummel
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Linden resident Debra James, 55, can’t imagine another career that would be more rewarding to her than being a nurse. As a registered nurse (RN) at Genesys Regional Medical Center in Grand Blanc Township (recovery area), she experiences the satisfaction of seeing patients come out of anesthesia after surgery and begin their journey back to health, either as an in-patient or at home. At PACU-1, the recovery area at Genesys, she monitors each patient as they come back from the operating room, making sure they are breathing well, handling their pain and watching for complications. Taking care of eight or more patients a day as they come out of surgery, she starts her day early and “hits the floor running,” said James.

Debra James, registered nurse

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Nurses uniforms through the years
By Sharon Stone • sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786

Comfort and practicality leading reasons for today’s uniform

Summary
Nurses uniforms have evolved from starched white dresses, capes and caps to comfortable and practical scrubs.

As with anything, clothing styles in the nursing profession have changed over the years. Images of crisp white dresses, caps, stockings and shoes put forth a perception of nurses being compared to angels of mercy. As professional and angel-like as those uniforms were, it was difficult to keep them clean for very

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How painstaking intelligence work — and high-stakes decisions — finally ended the hunt for Osama bin Laden

operatives would track him throughout central Pakistan. Ultimately, he led them to a sprawling compound at the end of a long dirt road and surrounded by tall security fences in a wealthy hamlet 35 miles from the Pakistani capital.

On a moonless night eight months later, 79 American commandos in four helicopters descended on the compound, officials said. Shots rang out. A helicopter stalled and would not take off. Pakistani authorities, kept in the dark by their allies in Washington, scrambled forces as the American commandos rushed to finish their mission and leave before a confrontation. Of the five dead, one was a tall, bearded man with a bloodied face and a bullet in his head. A member of the Navy SEALs snapped his picture with a camera and uploaded it to analysts who fed it into a facial-recognition program.

And just like that, history’s most expansive, expensive, and exasperating manhunt was over.

DERBY HATS
Many unique hats were seen at the 137th Run for the Roses at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky last Saturday.

A GOOSE made a nest in a Buffalo, New York cemetery. She had lost her mate and had no help guarding the nest. That’s when a deer came to the rescue and stayed close by, guarding the nest until the goslings hatched.

AROUND the World
Best and worst of international news and media

‘We got him’

For years, the agonizing search for Osama bin Laden kept coming up empty. Then last July, Pakistanis working for the Central Intelligence Agency drove up behind a white Suzuki navigating the bustling streets near Peshawar, Pakistan, and wrote down the car’s license plate. The man in the car was bin Laden’s most trusted courier, and over the next month CIA

Wit & WISDOM
“People who say they don’t care what people think are usually desperate to have people think they don’t care what people think.”
George Carlin, quoted in Bookreporter.com

“Truth, like gold, is to be obtained not by its growth, but by washing away from it all that is not gold.”
Leo Tolstoy, quoted in The Wall Street Journal

“An error does not become a mistake until you refuse to correct it.”
John F. Kennedy, quoted in the Montreal Gazette

Home Alone movie house up for sale

The 14-room brick house famously defended from intruders by a young Macaulay Culkin in the movie “Home Alone” is up for sale in suburban Chicago for $2.4 million.

Purse snatchers love Starbucks

New Yorkers are a savvy bunch when it comes to petty crime, said Michael Wilson in The New York Times. That is, unless they’re in Starbucks, which “pops up again and again on police blotters.” Larceny has become so commonplace in the city’s 298 Starbucks outlets that police have set up stings in them to catch thieves.

Law-enforcement officers suggest the coffee shop has become so “comfortable and familiar” a place that it seems like a haven from the city’s dangers—when it has actually become a lucrative hunting ground for larcenists out to pinch everything from handbags to laptops. “It’s great people are so comfortable with New York City,” said Lt. Dan Hollywood, an officer in the Manhattan South precincts. But maybe people’s defenses are no longer “quite as raised up as they used to be.”

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Feel incapable? Join the club

Immense potential lurks within each of us, waiting to be used for the glory of God and the good of others. Unfortunately, much of this vast reservoir of talent and energy remains unused because of the fear of failure. Perhaps you’re one of these reluctant ones.

Opportunity keeps knocking but you’re afraid to open the door. Highly talented people make you feel inferior, so you retreat from meaningful service to your church and community. You’d like to get involved but are afraid to take the risk. Consider a few others who might have been overcome by the fear of failure had they listened to their critics and surrendered to their doubts.

Einstein couldn’t speak until he was 4 years old and didn’t read until he was 7. Beethoven’s music teacher said of him, ‘As a composer he’s hopeless.’ Thomas Edison’s teacher said he was unable to learn.

Walt Disney was once fired by a newspaper editor because he was thought to be without ideas. Caruso was told by one music teacher: ‘You can’t sing. You have no voice at all.’

An editor said Louisa Mae Alcott, who wrote ‘Little Women,’ would never be able to write anything that would have popular appeal. Dwight L. Moody, now considered one of the most effective evangelists of all time, had but a fifth-grade education and once wept before an audience, saying ‘God forgive a man who cannot properly speak the English language.’

The disciples of Jesus were without impressive credentials, being called ignorant and unlearned, but their contemporaries found it impossible to ignore them because their lives demonstrated they had found something others needed. Their dedication, courage and faith made them world changers (Acts 17:6).

God seems to enjoy using weak, but willing, people to do great things, to the amazement of those who are thought to be better qualified. The following title of a book in a pastor’s library once caught my eye and lingered in my memory, ‘Why God Uses Nobodies.’ Though I’ve never read the book, its challenging title keeps encouraging me to attempt things I might have thought too difficult for me to do.

I once asked a farmer if he would like to preach a sermon in the church where I was the pastor. He surprised me by his quick acceptance of my offer, saying, ‘I’ve promised the Lord that I would accept every opportunity for service that he sends to me.’ That attitude and commitment finally led him from his farm to South America where he served as a missionary for many years.

Have you been afraid to get involved? Do you feel incapable of accomplishing anything important?

Reject those negative thoughts. You’re a candidate for greatness. Others need what you have to offer. Don’t waste your life sitting on the sidelines. Get into the game. Start where you are and see what adventures open to you. Join the club of the weak, but willing, whose members have refused to be counted out and are now remembered as people who made a difference.

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NURSE
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Her 10-hour workday typically begins at 7:30 a.m. and ends at 5:30 p.m., although she has worked 12-hour and eight-hour shifts in other departments and at other hospitals. “My body clock prefers the afternoon shift more than the morning, but I started working days when my kids were in school and had a lot of evening commitments,” said James.

“Now with just my husband and me at home, I like working at the same time he’s at work.”

Her career as a nurse has spanned 34 years, taking her from the adrenaline-producing, excitement of emergency room (ER) nursing when her three grown children were young — to her role today in critical care. “I never thought I’d enjoy anything as much as I did the ER, but every time I step into a new role, I learn more and find I like it as much as what I was doing before,” said James. “Decisions have to be made quickly here in critical care. I like the autonomy of making those decisions. I like the fast pace of it.”

She has been a nurse at Genesys its entire 14-year history. Prior to that, she worked 10 years at St. Joseph Hospital in Flint, before it merged with Flint Otosepathic, Genesee Memorial, St. Joseph and Wheelock Memorial to form Genesys in 1997. She has worked in a number of local hospitals in Michigan when her husband, David, was establishing his career. “We made quite a few moves when the kids were younger, which gave me an opportunity to experience different types of nursing situations. I believe it has made me a better-rounded nurse.”

In her 34 years, she has experienced the highs and lows of human tragedy, from car accidents to life-threatening illnesses. She remembers all too well the sadness and empathy she felt for a family whose young child was hit by a car, and died in the ER. “My children were all young at the time, and I could easily identify with that family,” said James. “But, for every hard day you have like that, the next day you come in fresh for another chance to start over.”

This is the first year in her career that James has contemplated her nursing future — realizing the physical toll that nursing has taken on her own health. “It’s very hard physical work, the older I get,” she said. “I never have noticed it before, until now.” James’ passion for nursing carried over to her family life, too, making such a strong impression that two of her three children, a son and a daughter, are both nurses. “Don’t ever call yourself or let anyone else call you ‘just a nurse,’” said James. “I could have been a doctor had I wanted to be, but this is the career I have chosen. I’m very proud to be a nurse.”

Her advice to others who are interested in a nursing career is for them to earn their bachelor’s degree early on. “You can open more doors for yourself with a bachelor’s degree,” said James.

She earned her nursing diploma through a full two-year program at Mercy School of Nursing in Detroit. “Nurses who come in with associate degrees in nursing are great nurses, because their study has mostly been clinical training, but they’ll have more options for their own career with a bachelor’s degree.”

So, you want to be a nurse

To become a nurse, one must complete a nursing education program and pass the national licensing exam (NCLEX).

- LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE (LPN): Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) must complete a state approved education program and pass the NVLEX-PN exam for licensure. Classes are offered at vocational schools and community colleges and last about one year.
- REGISTERED NURSE (RN): the most common nursing position. Many RNs go on to earn their bachelor’s and even master’s degrees. RNs teach patients and their families how to manage their illness or injury, explain post treatment home care needs, diet, nutrition, and exercise programs, and self-administration of medication and physical therapy. The three major educational paths to an RN degree are a bachelor’s degree, an associate degree, or a diploma from an approved nursing program. Individuals then must complete a national licensing examination (NCLEX) in order to obtain a nursing license.
- FURTHER training can result in more specialized opportunities and increased compensation.

- BACHELOR’S OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSN): RNs with a diploma or associate degree often pursue a bachelor’s degree through an RN to BSN program.
- MASTER’S OF SCIENCE or Doctorate in Nursing (MSN or PhD): An RN with a bachelor’s degree may go on to obtain a master of science (MSN) or PhD in nursing, with the option of taking an accelerated master degree program. Nurses with a master’s or doctoral degrees frequently go on to teach at the university level.
- CONTINUING EDUCATION requirements and license renewals vary according to state.
Kristina Kelley

My advice to incoming freshmen is: Do your class work and homework. You’ll never succeed without doing both of them.

My all-time favorite movie is: ‘The Dark Knight,’ with Heath Ledger. The Joker is awesome.

My earliest memory is: My cousins and I created a club called the ‘Panda Club.’ We mostly hung out in the backyard. It was super silly since we made people try out in order to be a part of the club.

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Look Who’s Talking

By Will Axford, Staff Reporter

What are your thoughts about online gaming?

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“It’s exciting, because people get to interact with anyone, worldwide. But there’s a time and place for it.”

SHELBY PATTERSON, FRESHMAN
“It’s cool to have a place to escape to from time to time, but people still need to go outside and be active.”

CARTER MALUSKI, SENIOR
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Villagers Restaurant celebrates 20th anniversary

By Sally Rummel
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“Our goal today is the same as it was back then, to be Holly’s hometown family restaurant,” said Mike. “We pride ourselves on good, homemade food for very reasonable prices. Plus, we aim for a clean and friendly atmosphere. Back then, we hoped that would be a ‘recipe for success.’ Here we are after 20 years, still working hard daily to achieve these goals.”

The Ruhligs are celebrating their 20th year of ownership next week by “rolling back” prices on specific menu items and at certain times to 1991 prices.

“It’s our way of saying thanks,” said the Ruhlig brothers, who estimate they have served more than two million dinners since 1991.

These “rolled back” prices will be honored on Monday and Tuesday, May 16-17, and Monday and Tuesday, May 23-24 at breakfast from 8 to 11:30 a.m., lunch from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and dinner from 3 to 9 p.m.

“Come join us for our 20th anniversary cake served at dinnertime on these anniversary days,” said Mike. “Special prices will be in effect on limited items for these meal times, plus beverages.”

For the Ruhlig brothers, these past 20 years have been filled with friendships, business relationships and employees who have touched their lives. One employee from 1991, Warren Topolinski, is still cooking at Villagers today.

In addition, there are countless past employees who remember their time at Villagers fondly and bring in their families today to visit.

Villagers Restaurant continues to be a hub of community activity. The Kiwanis Club has met in the banquet room every Tuesday at 12 p.m. for the past 20 years. Other organizations that meet there on a regular basis include local churches, Holly schools, the chamber of commerce, Lions Club, Optimists Club, etc.

“Without all of you, there is no need for us,” said the Ruhlig brothers. “We want to thank you for all of your support the past 20 years and in the future, as we continue to find ways to serve you with affordable, comfort dining in your hometown Villagers Restaurant.”

Villagers Restaurant is located at 1121 N. Saginaw St., Holly, telephone (248) 634-2600 or visit www.villagersrestaurant.com.

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OUR SMILE MATTERS!
By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

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PERIODONTAL CLEANINGS
Periodontal disease is the number one cause of tooth loss in adults. Periodontal disease is a permanent condition. It is never cured. The best that can be hoped for is to control the disease and prevent continued damage and destruction of the gum tissues and underlying alveolar bone. Once periodontal disease has been successfully treated, REGULAR maintenance cleanings every 3-4 months is vital. Bacterial plaque constantly forms in the mouth. Plaque is composed of dozens of different species of bacteria all commingling together to form the fuzzy coating on our teeth. Think of dental plaque as a rainforest with all the different plants and animals living together to form the mass of life we call a jungle. As the plaque jungle is allowed to persist and remain on the teeth, different species of bacteria begin to populate the jungle. Early forming types of plaque are generally not harmful to the periodontal tissues. It is the later arriving species of bacteria that are found to be pathogenic (harmful), it takes about 3 to 4 months for conditions in the plaque to be right for the formation of disease propagating and destructive plaque bacteria. Following active periodontal disease treatment, it is often recommended to have the teeth cleaned every 3-4 months as opposed to the usual 6 month interval. Teeth cleaning at 3-4 months help keep the accumulated dental plaque in its less pathologic, early stage. The more harmful later stage plaque is less likely to form a chance to form. And the health and well being of the periodontal tissues is better maintained.

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The Ruhligs are celebrating their 20th year of ownership next week by “rolling back” prices on specific menu items and at certain times to 1991 prices.

“It’s our way of saying thanks,” said the Ruhlig brothers, who estimate they have served more than two million dinners since 1991.

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For the Ruhlig brothers, these past 20 years have been filled with friendships, business relationships and employees who have touched their lives. One employee from 1991, Warren Topolinski, is still cooking at Villagers today.

In addition, there are countless past employees who remember their time at Villagers fondly and bring in their families today to visit.

Villagers Restaurant continues to be a hub of community activity. The Kiwanis Club has met in the banquet room every Tuesday at 12 p.m. for the past 20 years. Other organizations that meet there on a regular basis include local churches, Holly schools, the chamber of commerce, Lions Club, Optimists Club, etc.

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**Directions**

Place breasts in the center of a plastic food storage bag or 2 large sheets of waxed paper. Place the spinach from the center of the bag outward using a heavy-bottomed skillet or mallet. Be firm but controlled with your strokes.

Defrost spinach or brown. Transfer spinach to a kitchen towel, Twist towel around spinach and wring it out until very dry. Transfer to a medium mixing bowl.

Cook butter and flour for a minute, whisk in wine and oil to the pan, three turns of the pan. Add breasts to the pan and breast over the stuffing. Secure breasts with toothpicks. Add 3 t. butter, mushrooms, garlic and shallot. Season with salt and pepper and sauté 5 minutes. Transfer mushrooms, garlic and shallot to the food processor. Pulse to grind the mushrooms and transfer to the mixing bowl, adding the processed mushrooms to the spinach. Add ricotta and grated cheese to the bowl and the nutmeg. Stir to combine the stuffing. Return your skillet to the stove over moderate heat.

Place a mound of stuffing on each breast and wrap and roll breasts over the stuffing. Secure breasts with toothpicks. Add breasts to the pan and brown on all sides, cooking chicken to 10 to 12 minutes. The meat will cook quickly because it is thin. Remove breasts; add butter to the pan and flour. Cook butter and flour for a minute, whisk in wine and reduce another minute. Whisk in broth and return breasts to the pan. Reduce heat and simmer until ready to serve. Remove toothpicks. Serve breasts whole or, remove from pan on a slice, on angle and fan out on dinner plates. Top stuffed chicken breasts or stuffed mushrooms with generous spoonsful of the sauce.

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**By Steve Dale**

_Q: My kitty has a problem with constipation. She had him to the vet three times since January to be ‘unblocked.’ The first two times, I didn’t realize what was happening; he was vomiting and acting lethargic. The vet said it was so bad they had to put him under (anesthesia) at the clinic to remove the stool. We now have the cat on a high-fiber prescription food and enolose twice daily. I’m hoping we can avoid this from happening again — or will it always be a problem? — M.J., Vernon, CT_

_A: Dr. Anna Worth, president of the American Animal Hospital Association, feels for you and your cat. “This constipation issue appears pretty severe for such a young cat,” says Worth, who practices in Bellingham, VT. “I can’t help but wonder if there’s something else going on (perhaps a disease known as megacolon). We see this (constipation) in cats who’ve been hit by cars and have suffered a pelvic injury. If there seems to be no other explanation, this may be more or less how this cat will be. Aside from those, there are other diagnostics your vet can recommend, and perhaps one will work better. Also, ask your vet about adding water to (the cat’s) food. So many cats believe they’re camels, and water can help constipation. You may even have to learn to give your cat an occasional enema.”_
UNIFORMS

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long, since nurses found themselves responding to emergencies and being exposed to a host of substances that could stain their uniform. Practicality won and uniforms have been slowly changing to meet the requirements of busy nurses.

The first nursing uniforms consisted of a dress, a pinafore apron and cap, based on habits nuns wore in the 1800s. One of Florence Nightingale’s students designed the original uniform for the students at Miss Nightingale’s school of nursing in England.

During World War I, it became necessary to produce uniforms that were easy to wash and mass-produce. Grey cotton crepe uniforms entered the scene. Long white aprons came about in response to the laundry crisis of that time. Nurses could change only the apron to save on washings.

Hem lengths rose. In 1924, nurse dresses were required to be 10 inches off ground and by 1929, hems rose to 12 inches off ground.

By the end of the ‘40s, hospitals decided on what uniforms their nurses wore.

In the ‘50s, short sleeves, some of which could be rolled up, replaced long sleeves.

In the ‘60s, necklines changed and some uniforms had Peter Pan collars and button-on aprons. During this time, the number of men joining the nursing profession increased.

In the ‘70s, paper caps gained popularity. By the ‘80s, plastic aprons became popular and outerwear began to disappear.

As more and more men entered the profession, styles changed to reflect what was appropriate for men and women.

Keeping in mind that a nurse could be on his or her feet for hours on end, comfort was a factor for deciding what the uniform would be.

Medical scrubs were worn by those assigned to operating rooms as part of proper hygiene in a sterile environment. These too were initially made in white cotton, but due to the harsh lighting in operating rooms, shades of green became the norm.

Because of their comfort, the idea of wearing scrubs outside the operating room caught on, especially with nurses and other health-care professionals. Some facilities color-code scrubs to differentiate the departments of a hospital. Surgical green remains a popular choice, but some hospitals use pink or other shades of blue.

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PAVING
Fenton girls place second at league tennis meet

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Fenton — The Fenton varsity girls tennis team has finished second to the Holly Bronchos many times over the last 29 years. But very few were probably this encouraging and frustrating at the same time.

The Tigers gave the 29-time defending champions a pretty good battle at the Flint Metro League Tennis Meet, but fell just two points short of the meet title and a co-league championship, Tuesday at Fenton High School.

The Tigers had one flight champion — No. 3 singles player Maggie Pooler — and had five make it to the finals, but that wasn’t enough to overcome Holly’s six flight championships.

Still, taking second and battling Holly did give reason for the Fenton Tigers to smile.

“We’ve come a long way,” Fenton’s No. 1 singles player Kendal Stephens said. “We’ve worked real hard in practice, and for us to get this close — it’s awesome we are advancing this far. A lot of the girls learned where we are today.”

“We got closer,” Fenton’s second-year varsity coach Gary Ballard said. “We came from third place last year during my first year, and this year we were second. We came close. If we win our last two matches, we win the meet and tie for the Metro League.

“We didn’t have a chance before. We brought it close.”

The only Fenton champion was Pooler at No. 3 singles. Pooler defeated Lapeer East’s Mallory Pearson 7-6(5), 6-2 to win her title. Meanwhile, four others finished runner-up.

The biggest runner up was Stephens, who battled in the No. 1 singles flight. Stephens gave a good battle against Holly’s Shannen Renehan, but lost 6-3, 6-4 in the title match. Within that title match, Stephens provided many outstanding strokes, only to see Rene

Fenton's Kendal Stephens

Holly tennis streak grows to 29 years

Bronchos capture six of eight flight titles to win Metro League meet

By David Troppens
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Fenton — When it comes to tradition, no one in the tri-county area can match the Holly varsity girls tennis team’s past winning.

But, even to them, thinking about winning 29 straight Metro League titles is pretty crazy.

“It blows my mind every time I think about it,” senior No. 1 doubles player Stephanie Coller said. “But I love hearing it again, over and over and over. It never gets old. I love it.”

The streak got a bit older on Tuesday, although it didn’t come as easy as some of the past ones. The Holly Bronchos won their 29th straight Metro League title by winning the Metro League Tennis Tournament at Fenton High School. The Bronchos won six flight titles, helping them sneak past the Fenton Tigers, who finished second place, two points behind Holly’s team total of 54 points.

“It’s a long time,” said Holly’s No. 1 singles player, and Metro League champion, Shannen Renehan. “Just saying you won four in a row, because I’ve been on the team for four years is a lot. To think 29 in a row and how many people have been a part of it, that’s ridiculous.”

The Bronchos, who entered the meet knowing all they had to do was take second to win a co-title, were pushed. A couple of flights lost early, putting Fenton in position to compete with the Bronchos. However, Holly won all six of their flight championship matches, including beating Fenton foes in See STREAM on 14B

Linden track program sweeps meet

By David Troppens
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Sweat Creek — Wednesday was a good day to be a member of either Linden varsity track team. The program finished its duals with Kearsley and Swartz Creek with four victories.

But that’s not to say they all came easy. The Linden girls snuck past Kearsley 69-68, but did defeat Swartz Creek 115-118.

Meanwhile, the boys had an easier time of it, defeating Kearsley 85-53 and Swartz Creek 74-63.

“I actually did a mock meet beforehand, and the best I had it was us losing by three,” Linden coach David Elmer said. “We had to have a lot of girls

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Fenton girls track team wins meet by less than a point

By David Troppens
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Fenton — Fenton varsity girls track and field coach Todd Mills expected a close meet with Brandon.

No one could’ve imagined how close it would be. Due to a three-way tie in third place in the pole vault, and Brandon having just one of those athletes involved in the tie, the Fenton Tigers defeated the Blackhaws 68 2/3-68 1/3. They also beat Clio 105-32, improving to 7-1 in Metro action entering the Metro League meet.

Fenton’s greenhouse Robinson competes in the 100 hurdles. She took third in the event against Clio on Tuesday. The Fenton boys had it a bit easier, sweeping Clio 116-20 and Brandon 111-25.

“I knew it was going to be close, but didn’t think it would be that close,” Mills said about the girls meet with Brandon. “We had some athletes that had to leave for NHS induction, and it put a crimp on us for a bit. But in the 3,200 we were able to go 1-2-3. The ladies knew where we were in points, so they ran very hard. We were able to seal the deal with the 3,200.”

The Tigers had six winners, with the 3,200 relay team being the only relay to take first. The team of Ellie White, Taylor Thorpe, Emily Bernis and Katherine Vancura posted a time of 10:26.

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LF softball splits with Mt. Morris, baseball loses two

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Lake Fenton — The day started out well for the Lake Fenton varsity softball team.

The Blue Devils did what they were supposed to do against what was probably an inferior opponent — they beat the Mt. Morris Panthers 13-4 in the opening game of a doubleheader.

But how the day ended didn’t sit too well with the squad.

The Blue Devils made five errors and walked four batters in just two innings, allowing the Panthers to score three runs in the first and three more in the sixth, resulting in a 7-6 upset victory at Lake Fenton High School on Thursday.

“Too many mistakes. That just kills you,” Lake Fenton coach Amos Rinks said. “That’s a tough loss. It really is. I don’t like losing to teams we should beat all the time. That’s a team we should beat all the time. It’s frustrating when you have errors like that.”

The Blue Devils were leading 6-4 entering the top of the sixth. However, a walk, an error and a fielder’s choice grounder that got no one out, loaded the bases. An outfield error plated one run and then an infield error plated another. A bases loaded walk drove in another, putting the Panthers up 7-6.

The Blue Devils (7-1, 15-3) couldn’t bounce back. They put two runners on base in the sixth, but failed to score. They went out in order in the seventh.

“We just didn’t put it together in that second game,” Rinks said. “One hit here, one hit there, but we didn’t put them together.”

The Blue Devils trailed 3-0 after the top of the first, but scored three in their first. The big hit was an RBI-single by Alexis Melton. Paula Valacak had a sacrifice fly and Ashley Rinks had an RBI-fielder’s choice play.

They also scored three in the fifth, taking the lead. Melton hit a two-run single during that stanza. Melton also scored on a wild pitch. However, Mt. Morris’ sixth inning rally put the Panthers up for good.

In the opener, Lake Fenton had 14 hits, scoring six in the third inning.

For the game, Allie Newman had three singles, driving in four runs with them. Alyssa McCoy reached base four times, twice with singles, and scored each time. Jessica Keller had a two-run triple and a sacrifice fly, while Rinks had three hits, including a double. Melton had two hits, including an RBI-double.

BASEBALL

MT. MORRIS 12-8, LAKE FENTON 3-5

Lake Fenton scored two runs in the second, tying the contest up at 2-all. A wild pitch allowed Spencer Quick to score. Later, Evans scored on Neil Allor’s single.

Mt. Morris (4-1, 13-3) scored three runs in the fourth, taking a 5-2 lead. The big shot that inning was a Sorensen two-run double. However, Lake Fenton responded with three runs in the fifth. Mitch Kirk, who reached on an error, and Cory Pierce, who singled, both eventually scored two of the three runs.

The Blue Devils did put together a strong rally in the bottom of the seventh. With one out, Quick reached on an infield hit and Devans reached on an error. After a strike out, Allor singled, loading the bases. However, the final out followed the single.

In the opening game, the Blue Devils struggled against Mt. Morris starting pitcher Mike Andrews. He flirted with a no-hitter most of the game, striking out eight.

Trailing 10-0, the Blue Devils (4-4, 11-4) managed to get three runs in the sixth. Devin Evans doubled, and Blake Bourdeau and Neil Allor had singles during the stanza, enabling the runs to score.

“We haven’t been mercied all year, and we didn’t want to be,” Judson said. “They showed some mettle coming back and getting some runs.”

The Blue Devils return to action Monday with a doubleheader at LakeVille. On Thursday they host Goodrich for a twinbill.
Fenton baseball sweeps Clio, softball splits with Mustangs

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Fenton varsity baseball coach Chad Logan wasn’t pleased with his team’s effort at Brandon Monday. After the contests, he gave them a stern discussion.

Apparently aloud.

The Tigers (7-3, 11-14) responded with two strong wins against the Clio Mustangs on Wednesday, earning a doubleheader sweep. The Tigers scored four runs in the bottom of the seventh inning in the opener, earning a 12-10 victory. In the nightcap, Fenton won a 6-3 verdict.

“I gave them a strong discussion after the game in Monday’s doubleheader, and believe me, it was a strong discussion,” Logan said. “We bounced back, had a good practice on Tuesday, and were rewarded in the victory column on Wednesday.”

In the opener, the Tigers trailed 6-2 after the opening inning. Kyle Schrade came in relief with two out in the first and then tossed five strong innings of relief, allowing the Tigers’ bats to get going.

Trailing just 10-8 entering the seventh, the Tigers rallied. Kyle Jenkins and Ryan Surface started the winning with walks. Cory Klime dropped a bunt thane thrown away, allowing Jenkins and Surface to score. Klime scored on Derek Jenkins’ double, and Jenkins scored on a Chad Schupbach RBI-ground out.

In the second game, the Tigers took the lead in the top of the first inning. Eric Mowery reached base on an error, and scored on Schupbach’s single. Schupbach scored on Ryan Surface’s sacrifice fly, making it 2-0.

Later, Derek Jenkins had an RBI-double and Steve Racher had an RBI-walk.

Surface went five innings on the mound and got the win. Lenzi earned his second save of the day.

SOFTBALL

FENTON 4-2, CLIO 3-4

The Tigers (8-2, 16-8) got an RBI-double from Sarah Collie in the top of the 11th inning, sparking a 4-3 victory in the nightcap. Clio responded after Fenton’s two-run second with two runs of its own in the bottom of the second, sparking them to a 2-2 victory.

Summi Cowger tossed all 11 innings of the first game, striking out 20 of the 44 batters she faced. She allowed eight walks and six hits. She also scored the winning run on Collie’s double.

Marina Cleis collected four hits and scored a run. Ellie Cowger had three hits, including a triple. She also drove in a run and scored a run. Collie also had a single and finished with two RBI.

In the nightcap, Lauren Reynolds had two of the Tigers’ six hits. All six hits were singles. Cleis and Gabi Johnson each had a hit and a run scored.

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run well and we did. We took 1-2-3 in the 400, which I wasn’t expecting. I told the girls we need to take 1-2-3 in the 800 and the 3,200, and 2-3 in the 200. I talked to the girls, they knew what they had to do and they pulled it through.”

The Lady Eagles had just four overall firsts. The 3,200 relay team of April Lalonde, Heidi Sack, Danielle Starns and Aleighsha Engisch won with a time of 11:37.30. Meanwhile, individually, April LaLonde won the 400 (1:08.2), Mayce Varacalli won the 800 (2:40.0) and Ellyn May won the pole vault (8-0).

The Eagles did earn a lot of overall seconds at the meet. Sydney Elmer had three of them. They came in the 1,600 (5:42.50), the 800 (2:41.3) and the 3,200 (13:28.9). Meanwhile, Rachel McCloskey had runner-up finishes in the 400 (13.60) and the 200 (28.20).

The Linden boys finished with three overall firsts, including three top finishes in relay events. The 3,200 relay team of Mark Wright, Blake Bloomfield, Kyle Susalla and Jacob Hoyes (8:35.0) won. Meanwhile, Taylor Anderson, Ted Parcher, Lucas Belmore and Andrew Lucky teamed to win the 400 relay (44.60) and the 800 relay (1:34.10).

Individually, Ted Parcher won two more events, earning the freshman four firsts at the meet. He won the 100 (10.60) and the 200 (22.50). In field events, Kyle Fisher won the high jump (6-0) and the discus (143-2), while Max Belbot won the pole vault (11-6).

The Linden track program competed at the Williamston Invitational on Saturday. Linden will be at Williamston’s regional the following Saturday.

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the three that they faced each other head-to-head.

The biggest victory of those three was Renerhan’s No. 1 singles title against Fen-ton’s Kendal Stephens. Renerhan, a flight champion in doubles events in each of the last two years, won the No. 1 title by a 6-3, 6-4 verdict against Stephens. It was a case of Stephens attacking with strong ground strokes, but Renerhan returning many of them, allowing her to stay in the point. She chased more back than she didn’t, resulting in the win.

“For me, I don’t go for winners or hit with pace. I have to return everything. That has to be my weapon,” Renerhan said. “If I don’t go for every ball, what do I have?”

Renerhan was pleased to get her third flight title, and first at No. 1 singles.

“As a team, obviously, we want to win, but as a personal goal I wanted to be able to say I have three of these. It feels really good. (Winning at No. 1 singles) is a personal thing, because I’ve come so far improvement-wise.”

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han return many of those great shots. Stephens played a much tougher match than during the regular season, when she lost to Renerhan 6-2, 6-0.

“I worked a lot harder,” Stephens said. “I have new strategies and ways to go about the match. I didn’t get it quite this time, but I haven’t given up, and I know I have a shot at regionals. I plan on doing what I did today (at regionals), but only a little bit better.”

The one aspect that probably hurt Stephens most was her serving. She had 14 double faults in the match.

“The wind was a factor, but I had an off-day, a very bad off-day with my serving,” Stephens said. “I lost total confidence in my serve and that really hurt me.”

Other Tigers that lost in finals matches were Morgan Keat at No. 4 singles against Brandon’s Becca Cheyning 4-6, 6-1, 6-1; Kelly Chopski and Kaitlyn Praedel at No. 3 doubles against Holly’s Cortney Manger and Leah Moller, 6-1, 6-2; and Kelsey Kidd and Josee Foguth at No. 4 doubles against Holly’s Jessica Laderholdt and Natalie Clink 6-1, 7-5.
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Alyssa Sander was a two-time individual winner. She won the 100 hurdles (16.81), while also capturing the top spot in the 300 hurdles (50.68). White led that 3,200 team with a first-place finish in 12:59, while Thorpe won the 1,600 (5:56). In field events, Kira Rentschler won the discus (95-8) and Brittany Robinson won the long jump (15-0).

“This has been a good group of ladies, and they have been working very hard,” Mills said. “They are never willing to give less than 100 percent, even if not feeling 100 percent. We are sitting in second place, but the key will be to keep second place at the league meet.”

The Fenton boys won all four relays and had two competitors win two individual events. The winning relays were the 3,200 team of Chase Roney, Bradley Gormick, Brady Morton and Trevor Wuerfel (9:15.95); the 800 relay team of Ryan Chapin, Alec Anderson, Connor Sweeney and Gannon Teall (1:37.10); the 400 team of Chapin, Gerard Wegener, Teall and Scott Lukas (45.89) and the 1,600 team of Sweeney, Thomas Kryza, Matt Gilbert and Aaron Felt (3:38.75).

Felts won the 100 (11.95) and the 400 (53.74), while Kryza won the 1,600 (4:51.92) and the 800 (2:08.96). Other individual winners were Kyle Walsh in the 110 hurdles (16.16), Anderson in the 200 (23.55), Gilbert in the 3,200 (10:31.34), Ryan Sawle in the discus (111-5 1/2), and Michael Burgess in the high jump (6-0).

“I’m extremely happy with the kids,” Fenton boys coach Reggie Manville said. “We’ve struggled in the field events all year long, other than the high jump, but last night, those guys really met the task and stepped up for us.

“I like where we’re at as a team. I like taking our small group of guys to a big meet and making a lot of noise. There’s some talent here. And while we may not win the (bigger meets), you have to respect the fact that we can come into a big meet with sometimes half as many guys as the biggest schools have and finish third or even second sometimes. These guys really step up to the challenge.”

(From left) Fenton’s Max Kryza, Matt Gilbert and Brady Morton compete in the 3,200 run. Gilbert won the event on Tuesday.

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Lunch
Monday... All You Can Eat Frog Legs
Tuesday....... 20 oz. Texas Strip Steak
Wednesday.... Ribs, Shrimp & Twice Baked Potato
Thursday... 16 oz. Prime Rib
Friday ......... Fish Fry
Saturday .... Surf & Turf
Sunday ...... All You Can Eat Shrimp

Fenton Hotel Featured Dinners

Visit these fine area restaurants

The Linden Hotel

We are famous for our Fabulous Frog Legs Serving them since 1856. This spring you can enjoy the the Hotel Club Salad only at the Fenton Hotel! It's fresh, juicy and delicious. It's a delicious blend of chicken, grape tomatoes, red onion, shredded Swiss cheese on a bed of romaine lettuce – served with ranch dressing.

Fenton Hotel Restaurant


Mancino’s Cafe

Fresh-fresh-fresh! from the garden to the table with a quick pass through the kitchen is the best.

Maninos

At Maninos, we think of our Salads just as a Mom thinks of her kids: we love them all equally. Whether it’s the Chef Salad, Grilled Chicken Salad, Greek Salad, Antipasto Salad, Taco Salad or Veggie Salad, they’re all fresh, tasty and good for you, made as you order them. Try one (or two) this week at Manino’s of Fenton.

Villagers Restaurant

Featuring the Traverse City Salad. Blend of iceberg lettuce and mixed greens. Sourdried cranberries, walnuts, blue cheese dressing, tomatoes, hard boiled eggs, topped with a seasoned grilled chicken breast.
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LEASE $99*

For 24 mos • w/$2500 Due

$208*

For 24 mos • w/ ZERO DUE

ONE PAY $4,935

24 mo. lease

Lease plus tax, title, plates & doc. fee; security deposit waived; 10,500 MPY

2011 FORD ESCAPE XLT

LEASE $189*

For 24 mos • w/$2500 Due

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For 24 mos • w/ ZERO DUE

ONE PAY $6,917

24 mo. lease

Lease plus tax, title, plates & doc. fee; security deposit waived; 10,500 MPY

2012 FORD FOCUS SE

LEASE $114*

For 24 mos • w/$2500 Due

$222*

For 24 mos • w/ ZERO DUE

ONE PAY $5,156

24 mo. lease

Lease plus tax, title, plates & doc. fee; security deposit waived; 10,500 MPY

2011 FORD FUSION SE

LEASE $99*

For 24 mos • w/$2500 Due

$208*

For 24 mos • w/ ZERO DUE

ONE PAY $5,284

24 mo. lease

Lease plus tax, title, plates & doc. fee; security deposit waived; 10,500 MPY

2011 FORD EDGE SE

LEASE $199*

For 24 mos • w/$2500 Due

$303*

For 24 mos • w/ ZERO DUE

ONE PAY $7,114

24 mo. lease

Lease plus tax, title, plates & doc. fee; security deposit waived; 10,500 MPY

2011 FORD ESCAPE XLT

LEASE $189*

For 24 mos • w/$2500 Due

$296*

For 24 mos • w/ ZERO DUE

ONE PAY $6,917

24 mo. lease

Lease plus tax, title, plates & doc. fee; security deposit waived; 10,500 MPY

2011 FORD F-150 SUPERCAB XLT 4X4

LEASE $259*

For 24 mos • w/$2500 Due

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