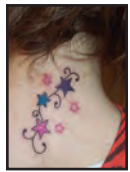


HOT LINE:  
THE WAY I FEEL  
ABOUT TATTOOS

**“God made me**  
to look the way He  
wanted me to be.



Who am  
I to “de-  
grade”  
His crea-  
tion? I  
suppose  
that  
some

people are just  
unhappy with them-  
selves or are just  
caught up in the cur-  
rent carnival-like fad.  
Go for it and regret it  
later in life if you feel  
you must do it.”

— *thinking straightly*

STORY: MEN  
POSING AS CITY  
WORKERS

**“Another good**  
reason for Michigan



to  
adopt im-  
migration re-  
mov-  
al laws like  
Okla-  
homa

City, Ok and the State  
of Arizona.”

— *Concerned Citizen*

## HOTLINE: TEACHERS

**“To all who knock**  
the MEA and the  
teachers’ recall ef-  
forts: If the governor  
and his party did



nothing in  
the last  
seven  
months  
but go  
after  
your

salary, benefits,  
retirement, and job  
security you would  
do the same.”

— *Matt*

## HOT LINE

## OF THE WEEK

**“IT’S AMAZING**

**TO** me that it has  
taken less time to  
rebuild Japan than  
it has taken for  
them to finish the  
construction on  
Adelaide and North  
streets. What a  
catastrophe.”



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a bike**  
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**Around  
the  
World**  
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## Tri-County Times

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## Excessive rain and heat affecting farmers



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Local farmer Dwight Eichelberg says that this year's weather extremes have made 2011 his most challenging farming year ever.

## May rainfall and July heat delay crops, produce

**By William Axford**  
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As customers dwindle  
at the end of the day at  
Eichelberg Farms, a sign  
looms over the produce  
from the barn door, de-  
scribing the farmer's  
hardship this season.

“This has been the  
most challenging time  
in 32 years of farming,”  
reads the sign. “Killerrain  
in April and May and  
drought in June and July.  
Storm damaged fence.  
Thanks for support.”

The life of the farmer

is not easy and, given the  
affects of the tumultuous  
weather, this season has been  
especially burdensome.

“It's been stressful  
this year because of the  
weather,” owner Dwight  
Eichelberg said. “You  
See **FARMERS** on 10A

## Summary

► Local farmers are  
seeing a delay in  
their produce this  
year due to record  
rainfall and 90-de-  
gree heat waves.  
Produce is starting  
to come in and may  
last a little later this  
season.

**“You can't  
control the  
weather  
and it's the  
biggest factor  
that affects  
farming.”**

**Dwight Eichelberg**  
Farmer

## Local weather

Area temperatures  
recorded in July,  
as of Friday

**80-89 degrees** - 17 days

**90 and 99** - 12 days

**Days of rain** - 9

**Total rainfall** - 5.6 inches

Source: [weatherunderground.com](http://weatherunderground.com)

Drivers license  
restrictions for  
teens eased

► List of authorized  
activities lengthened

There have been some changes  
made regarding the Level Two,  
Graduated Drivers License (GDL).

In March, the GDL license came  
out with new restrictions regard-  
ing driving times and activities for  
Level Two GDL drivers. When these  
restrictions took effect, there were

See **RESTRICTIONS** on 12A

## Summary

► State legislators eased restrictions  
for the Level Two, Graduated  
Drivers License, effective July 20, to  
accommodate the active lifestyles of  
many younger drivers and their families.

## Mystery of African cat found still unsolved

► Serval is going to wild  
animal park in Alto

**By William Axford**

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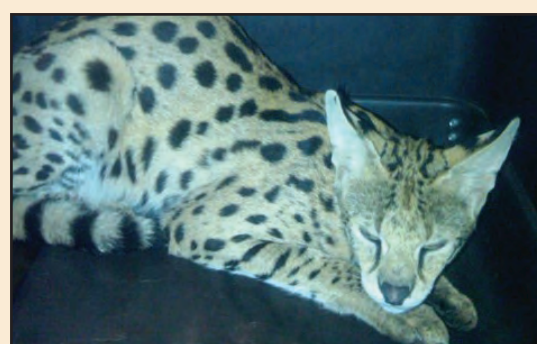
An African exotic cat usu-  
ally found roaming the savannas  
of Africa was discovered last  
Sunday in Tyrone Township. A  
Serval was captured by the Liv-  
ingston County Animal Control

and it will soon reside at the  
Boulder Ridge Animal Park in  
Alto, a town 10 miles southeast  
of Grand Rapids.

Deputies first heard of the  
African Serval after receiving  
a 911 call on Sunday, July 24 at  
9:10 p.m. Rob Boggs of Linden,  
who had called the deputies, said  
he saw a large yellow cat with  
See **AFRICAN CAT** on 10A

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This exotic African  
cat was caught in  
Tyrone Township  
on Sunday, July 24.  
The animal is being  
transferred to an  
animal park near  
Grand Rapids.







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### 2 Revive household plants



Revive household plants for free! Whenever you boil potatoes or pasta for dinner, strain the water in to a second pot and let cool for at least one hour. Use this water the next time you feed your plants. The leftover starch in the water infuses soil with the complex sugars that the foliage needs to thrive.

## Buying a bike

► Frame, brakes, type of riding, all matter

By Tim Jagielo

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Gas is expensive, and getting around town on a bicycle is free, after that initial payment. In addition, more roads are being changed to include a bike lane. If you are in the market for a bicycle, there are a few things to consider.

The first thing Beth Mikolaczkyk of CycleFit-Multisports in Fenton does when taking care of a customer is to ask questions about how a bike will be used.

"The most important thing is determining the type of riding," said Ben Cox of CycleFit.

Mikolaczkyk said that most customers are looking for a leisure, or recreational bike. These bikes are comfortable and easy to use. At CycleFit, they have cruiser bikes with one or many gears that are perfect for recreation and commuting. A hybrid or comfort-style bike is best for most, said Cox. These allow the rider to sit upright, closer to the handle bars. Mikolaczkyk said gears help with hills and longer distances.

See **BIKE** on 13A



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Luke White, 12, of Fenton, checks out a bike at CycleFit-Multisports of Fenton with his dad, Tim, on Tuesday. "He loves to ride," said Tim, who is buying the bike for Luke's birthday.

### Summary

► When buying a bike, it is important to consider what type of riding you plan on doing, and how much you are willing to spend.

## Just an hour away...

BELLE ISLE

Quick Michigan day trips await you from all directions

STATE CAPITOL

By Sally Rummel

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You don't have to travel very far to get the best that Michigan has to offer. For a quick day trip this summer, why not venture about an hour north, south, east or west of the tri-county area, and enjoy a variety of scenery, events and interesting destinations?

### NORTH

Head north for about 60 miles and your destination will be Bay City, a community that thrives on the arts and makes the most of its waterfront location on the Saginaw River. If you happen to travel to Bay City next weekend, you'll be just in time for Labadie's Pig Gig Ribfest, Aug. 4-7.

See **DAY TRIPS** on 23A

### Summary

► Whether you head north, east, west or south, there are interesting destinations in Michigan for quick day trips and family fun.

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# Random royal thoughts

• The economic problems we face today are there because of one simple premise: the people who work for a living are outnumbered by those who vote for a living.

• Best philosophy on death: Neither dread nor desire your judgment day.

• I honestly don't get the budget debate. How can we possibly have a 'debate' about spending more money than we take in? It's a classic example of the warped logic pervasive in all levels of government today.

• Why do we value our universities based on the success or failure of sports teams that are purchased with money and consist primarily of members who are of dubious character, academic mis-

fits and generally not even natives of the state whose universities they represent?

• Shouldn't it be called Unplanned Parenthood?

• My sincerest royal praise to advertisers who practice corporate responsibility by placing their commercials only on clean, healthy television fare and consciously avoiding subsidizing the vilest programs. Coca-Cola led the list of the Parents Television Council's 10 best advertisers, which also includes corporate icons like

Clorox, Hershey, Century 21, Whirlpool, State Farm and Hewlett-Packard.

• The chances of your dying on the trip to buy your MegaBucks ticket is greater than your chance of winning.

• The first person selected as the Time



Magazine Man of the Year - Charles Lindbergh in 1927.

• No president of the United States was an only child.

• An average person visits the toilet 2,500 times per year (6-8 times per day). People spend an average of 3 years of their lives on the toilet.

• Over seven million cell phones are dropped in toilets every year.

• I wouldn't be doing my job if I didn't mention that the Parents Television Council's worst advertisers list was headed by General Motors, followed by Toyota, Nissan, Target, Kohl's, Verizon Communications and Pepsi-Cola.

• The role that television advertisers play in determining what type of content comes into every home in America cannot be overstated. If more corporations refused to support the disgusting filth pumped into our living rooms, the shows would disappear. Vote with your remote.

• The current Congress should be tried and hanged for treason.

• There are radical feminists out there (mostly college age) that actually expend their time fighting against the use of such words as "freshman," "mankind," "manhole," "manhandle," and "manpower." Girls, call me crazy (or a maniac) but wouldn't it be more productive fighting against abuses of women by Islam? Now that would be a worthy mandate.

• The liberal/Democrat business model of buying votes by giving away the money of working Americans to foster womb-to-the-tomb welfare recipients is a formula for societal suicide and a crime against every taxpaying American.

• Proof that you can't take it with you. How many times have you seen a hearse pulling a U-Haul?

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**I'VE GOT A** new acronym for the DDA - Democrats Doddling Again. Why is it the liberal town of Fenton works the way the federal government does with spending the taxpayers' dollars? And by the way, since I can't beat it, I'll join it. I have the new addition on the house, I'm wondering how about if you guys just plant a couple of trees in front of my house and give me a few flowers so that people will stay and get closer in Fenton. Stop spending our money.

**I AM ALL** for a balanced budget, but not on the backs of our elderly and children.

**TO THE IDIOT** that said tattoos are dirty. Check your employees, bet they have a few. Also, it is discrimination to not allow a person into a business based solely on their looks. More people than not have tattoos even if you cannot see them.

**HERE IS A** way the teachers can fund their classrooms with school supplies. Have a car wash. I went to several car washes thinking I was paying for someone's church fund or something. Little did I know until after the fact I was paying a family to bury their father with the funds from the carwash. It's an easy buck, like panhandling.

**WHY DO WE** only have global warming in the summer, but not in the winter?

**I HAVE TO** apologize to all the fifth graders who may have read the Hot line I submitted. I should have said, "If our representatives in Congress took some suggestions from our fifth graders, they could solve the debt crisis in a hurry." I do realize we have some very smart students and I should not have compared their intelligence with some of our representatives, who worry more about their wallets than the economy.

**WHEN I WAS** in high school, I attended GASC and had a feasible plan for Fenton by not tearing it down but providing walkways from business to business. Most people who shop would prefer the mall idea as everything they need is under one roof. Why would I want to go outside from business to business out of my comfort zone and in the weather? Build a downtown mall.

**AT WHAT POINT**, did party politics become more important to Washington than the health and well-being of America?

**MY BOSS TOLD** me that because I found five safety issues, I wasn't a team player and after my one-year probation is up I won't have a job. Unions — what a waste. Every union has its own set of rules. I belonged to one that did nothing for me.

**WE SAT BACK** for eight years as Granholm ruined our economy and now because teachers don't want to pay for 20 percent of their healthcare, we are supposed to pay for an expensive recall for some of our elected officials. No one knows for sure if the fixes will help, but we need to ignore the whining and see if the proposed fixes work before we sign any petition.

**HOW DO YOU** get a neighbor to clean up their pigsty yard without telling them to their face? I wish the City of Fenton would do something about some of these yards.

**I THINK THE** teachers are paid just fine, I don't have a problem with it at all. It's politicians who trump at family values that make me sick.

**IT'S INTERESTING READING** the attorney's comments defending the principal and her husband. Apparently, they're the victims, the police are the bad guys, and common sense responsibility and decency are thrown out the window as the defense attorney twists and turns the story. That's what is wrong with our society. Take responsibility. It's absolutely uncalled for to allow underage drinking, especially when one is in a position of authority.

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## What has been your favorite role to play?

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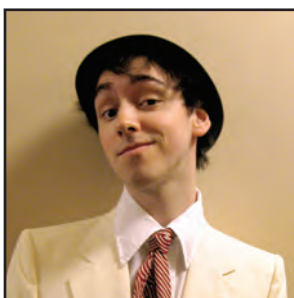
"My first leading role in 'Mister Roberts,' which was based on the movie starring Henry Fonda, my favorite actor."

— Geno Essenschacher  
Linden



"For now, it's my role as a cameraman and sailor in 'Anything Goes.' This is my first role ever."

— Mike Walkowski  
Holly



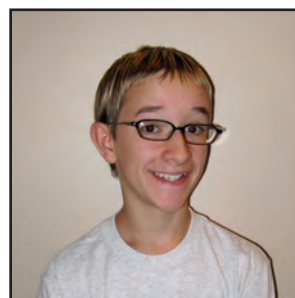
"I was Seymour in 'Little Shop of Horrors.' I'm a huge fan of the score, and the book itself is hilarious."

— Russell Duce  
Grand Blanc



"I played Janet in the 'Rocky Horror Show.' I wore my underwear on stage and the audience was scripted to heckle me. It was a lot of fun."

— Melissa Mercica, Hartland



"I played JoJo in 'Seussical, the Musical.' I've never bonded so much with a cast before, and it was my first lead role."

— Colin Hodgkin  
Fenton



"When I was in high school, I was the interviewer in '13 Ways to Screw Up Your College Interview.' It was hilarious."

— Rachel Hildreth, Burton



## Townships vote 'no' on charter status

►Holly and Rose township officials say no, Tyrone next to decide

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly and Rose townships in Oakland County have decided against becoming charter townships at recent board meetings.

### Summary

►Several local townships have the opportunity to become charter townships, but cite extra costs as a reason for not pursuing becoming a charter township.

In addition, Tyrone Township, in Livingston County, tabled the decision on becoming a charter township until next month.

Any township that has a population more than 200,000 is eli-

gible to become a charter township, said Holly Township Clerk Karin Winchester.

After each census, many townships have the opportunity to pursue becoming a charter township, which bears different benefits and responsibilities than a regular township.

A charter township would have to provide trash removal, or simply an ordinance that requires the township find

venders to remove the trash as a possible extra responsibility.

"It just depends on someone's opinion on whether there's a benefit," said Winchester.

The primary benefit to becoming a charter township is to avoid annexation, or the forceful taking of property by another municipality.

Holly Township Treasurer Mark Freeman used the Pulte subdivision in Holly Township as an example of an area Holly Village might hypothetically want to annex. "If we become a charter township it's much easier to prevent, than as a general township," he said.

Winchester cited the extra cost of additional board members and other costs that the township would have to bear as reasons for staying a general law township. "I don't see any reason for (becoming a charter township) at this point," she said.

This decision for Holly and Rose Townships came with little discussion or consideration.

"It just depends on someone's opinion on whether there's a benefit."

**Karin Winchester**  
Holly Township clerk

## Village narrowly adopts fee schedule

By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly** — The Adopt-A-Truck program's \$50 weekend fee was the sticking point for the village council, as it adopted the 2011-12 fee schedule at Tuesday's meeting.

The fee schedule for non-core services, such as grave sales, police fingerprinting, and lot splitting was adopted in a 4-3 vote, with Don Winglemire, Jackie Campbell, and Pauline Kenner casting dissenting votes.

### Summary

►The Village of Holly passed its 2011-12 fee schedule with a narrow 4-3 vote, with the Adopt-A-Truck causing dissenting votes.

The Adopt-A-Truck program allows residents to rent a village truck for personal use, such as moving lawn refuse. Currently, the village office is closed on Friday. Should someone want to rent the truck through the Adopt-A-Truck program on Friday, they would pay \$50 instead of the regular \$25 per day rate, and would keep the truck through the weekend.

Kenner cited the \$50 weekend fee for her reason to disagree with the schedule. "I feel that the citizens have to pay taxes,

and that (program) should be a benefit to them," she said. "I just feel that \$50 is too much with this economy the way it is."

"I just feel that \$50 is too much with this economy the way it is."

**Pauline Kenner**  
Holly Village council member

Kenner also said that the village expects people to keep their neighborhoods clean. "That's what the trucks are for, and some people can't afford \$50," she said.

Village Manager Jerry Walker said the truck requires two people for picking up and dropping off. "And then of course you have the wear and tear of the truck, and the maintenance, liability and insurance," he said. Walker said the fee schedule is normal because of the other rising costs.

"When you look at actual costs, it's still cheaper than going out and renting a truck," he said.



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# To catch a thief

►Police hope to arrest person stealing outdoor items

By Sharon Stone  
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**Holly** — The village of Holly Police Department is investigating a rash of reported thefts and is asking the community for its help in solving the cases.

According to Police Chief Elena Danishevskaya, the police department has received five reports of larcenies, with similar circumstances. All but one of the thefts occurred in the back yards of the homes, with one occurring from the front porch.

The larcenies have been taking place during the night or early morning hours.

Some of the items taken include lawn furniture, such as a black wicker chair, floral patterned accent cushions, ceramic pots, a large pot containing a Christmas cactus, a black iron table with

four chairs, vintage metal bar cart with two glass shelves, a metal candleholder, a clay pot containing a bay tree, a solar lamp in the shape of a silver dog, and a white wooden table.

Certain items were heavy and would be difficult to carry out by one person, according to the chief.

A person of interest has been observed in the area who might be involved with thefts. She is described as a white female, in her 30's or 40's, with long hair. She might be driving a 1990's model, dark colored Monte Carlo.

Police are asking residents to call the police department at (248) 634-8221 if they have any information regarding the thefts or the possible suspect.

One of the victimized homeowners, who wished to remain anonymous, has announced that he is offering a \$100 reward for information leading to a conviction and the return of his belongings.

## Summary

►Residents in the village of Holly are asked to be on the lookout for a person stealing lawn furniture and outdoor items from residents' yards. If suspicious activity is observed, call 911 or Holly police at (248) 634-8221.

## POSING

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knocked on the couple's door on Monday saying they were there to conduct a survey of their home.

After the male resident indicated he was suspicious of the unknown men, one of the "city workers" handed him his cell phone and advised him to call the city. As the unknown man handed the homeowner the phone, the two "city workers" walked into the home. The call to Fenton City was never made.

As one of the "city workers" distracted the couple, the other walked around the home. The two unknown men eventually left the home and drove away in a small white car.

On Wednesday, the residents noticed that a safe they keep in the home had been pried open and an undisclosed amount of cash and jewelry had been stolen.

The police chief said these two unknown men did not show any type of city identification and they were not wearing any type of uniform. He added that the city does not send out employees to conduct surveys of people's homes.

"If someone is suspicious, feel free to call 911," said Aro. "We'll be happy to sort it out."

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## Police&Fire report

### NORTH CAROLINA MAN ROLLS TRACKER

At 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday, July 27, the Fenton Fire Department responded to a one-vehicle rollover crash on southbound U.S. 23, just south of the city limits in Tyrone Township. Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff said a 22-year-old North Carolina man, driving a Geo Tracker, lost control of his vehicle, causing it to roll over. The driver declined any medical treatment. Firefighters stabilized the vehicle and conducted traffic control.

### CAR DEALER REPORTS THEFT

AT 5:50 p.m. on July 27, a Fenton police officer was sent to a car dealership on Owen Road to investigate a stolen vehicle complaint. The used car manager reported that a forest green 1997 Chevy Silverado pickup truck had been stolen sometime between July 20 and 27. The truck is valued at \$3,000. The truck was last shown to a potential customer three weeks ago. Chief Rick Aro said they believe that two black men, who were well dressed and driving a 2009 Cadillac STS, may have switched the keys and returned to the lot later to steal the truck. The truck was entered into Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) as stolen.

### MAN GRABS WOMAN IN HOLLY

At 3:45 p.m. on Thursday, July 28, an unknown man in the village of Holly grabbed a female in her 20's. Police Chief Elena Danishevskaya said the woman told police that she walking around the back of a building in the 500 block of North Saginaw Street

See **POLICE** on 8A

## Holly police consider K-9 unit

►Chief researching possible grants to cover cost

By Tim Jagielo

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The Holly Police Department (HPD) is kicking around the idea of getting a K-9 unit. Council members approved Police Chief Elena Danishevskaya's request to continue her research on possible grants at Tuesday's Village Council meeting.

The idea for a K-9 unit came from dialogue between the Holly Area Community Coalition (HACC), which Holly Township Supervisor Jesse Lambert and Danishevskaya are a part of. During discussion, a K-9 unit came up consistently, Lambert said. "There seems to be a lot of

community support," said the chief.

A canine named Angie was the last member of a K-9 unit in Holly. The police dog was in service in the late '90s, said Danishevskaya, and was well-liked.

Danishevskaya said a K-9 unit would be good for public relations, and also a tool for working with schools. "The K-9 unit is great for a lot of purposes," she said, almost amounting to

See **K-9** on 24A

"There seems to be a lot of community support."

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Holly Police  
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**POLICE**

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when a man grabbed her. The man pulled the woman backwards toward a vacant building, where he had parked his bicycle. As the man pulled the woman, he touched her breasts, according to the chief. The woman struggled and was able to break free of the man in order to run

home. The woman said she saw the man get on his bike and ride away in a north-east direction. The suspect was described as a white male, 20-28 years old, 6- to 6-feet, 2-inches tall, about 125 pounds, round face and having light colored eyebrows. The suspect was wearing a white tank style T-shirt and dark colored jeans. The chief said there was quite a time lapse between when the incident occurred and when the woman reported it to police. "We remind everyone that the best chance of success in catching suspects immediately is if the call is received quickly," Danishevskaya said. If anyone has information regarding this crime, contact the Holly Police Department at (248) 634-8221.

**DISORDERLY LIVONIA MAN**

At 8:30 p.m. on July 27, Fenton police were dispatched to a home in the 400 block of E. Elizabeth Street to investigate a report of a disorderly person. The complainant said a man had been pounding on his door. The disorderly man then ripped two mailboxes off the home and threw them across the yard after the resident declined to open the door. Police

located the suspect, a 36-year-old Livonia resident, who appeared to be very intoxicated. The man was arrested for disorderly intoxication and lodged at the police station overnight. He was released with a court appearance ticket.

**DIESEL FUEL STOLEN FROM TRUCKS**

On July 28, Fenton police received a larceny of fuel complaint. Police were sent to the 1000 block of Grant Street to investigate the call. The manager said 240 gallons of diesel fuel had been stolen from his trucks over the past several days. Police will be reviewing the surveillance video tapes to identify a suspect. The case remains under investigation.

**LIGHTNING STRIKES POLICE STATION**

The Fenton Police Department was struck by lightning around 5 a.m. on Thursday, July 28. A Genesee Central 911 radio was damaged as a result. Police Chief Rick Aro said the damaged radio is used to monitor 911 traffic and another radio is being used until the damaged one is repaired.

**News briefs****Village Manager receives raise**

The Holly Village Council approved raising the salary of Village Manager Jerry Walker by 2 percent, or \$1,600 per year, after receiving a strong positive annual evaluation, per his contract. The manager's current salary is \$80,000 per year, and includes a small vehicle allowance. Walker signed his contract in March after serving as interim manager.

**Protect and Serve Day**

The village of Holly Police Department, Holly and Groveland fire departments and the North Oakland County Fire Authority are hosting their annual Protect and Serve Day, a free safety event, on Saturday, Aug. 13, from 12 to 4 p.m. The event is a fun way for the children in the community to be able to meet and to get to know local police officers and firefighters. The departments will be giving away free bicycle helmets, child identification kits and T-shirts. Face painters, puppet shows and games will be on-hand to entertain the children. The movie, "Toy Story 3" will be played at dusk. A raffle will also be held. Raffle prizes include a Kidtrax ride-on Dodge Charger police car, a pedal fire truck, and a children's bicycle. There will also be other drawings for gift cards to local businesses. Tickets are \$5 for one raffle ticket or \$20 for five tickets. Adult sized Protect and Serve T-shirts, for \$10, will be sold. Proceeds will benefit the event for next year. The event is being held on South Saginaw Street in downtown Holly. For additional details, call (248) 634-8221.

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## Butcher Road home damaged by fire

► Lightning strike being blamed for causing fire

By Sharon Stone

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Fire departments from Fenton Township and Fenton City responded to a house fire that was called in to 911 at 5:11 a.m. on Thursday.

Firefighter Mike Schwiuntek, of the Fenton Township Fire Department, said a passerby noticed smoke at a home located at 1143 Butcher Road. Not knowing if the residents were inside or awake, he blew the horn on his vehicle and then pounded on the front door of the home.

A woman inside the home heard the pounding on the door and asked her husband to check on things. When the homeowner opened the door, he noticed the smoke, at which time the passerby told him that his home was on fire.

The residents exited the house, unharmed.

Schwiuntek said Fenton City firefighters arrived on scene first, because they were already out on a call. Fenton Township firefighters arrived immediately afterward. The breezeway between the garage and house was in flames and firefighters knocked it down and extinguished the flames quickly. The fire was contained to that area of the home and a bit of the kitchen area.

He can't say positively, but a lightning strike is being blamed for causing the fire, said Schwiuntek. He said a severe thunderstorm was moving through the area during this time and most of the damage occurred on the exterior of the home, near a utility box.

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#### ZOMBIES IN BOULDER, CO?

Drivers in Boulder, CO saw an eerie message as they drove south on Foothills Parkway on June 15. Hackers took over a roadside and changed its message to "Zombies ahead." Crew workers on the road were reprimanded for not locking the message-entry box. The Colorado Department of Transportation said the sign has been reprogrammed and will not be hacked into again. Similar hackings have happened all over the United States, including Cadillac, Mich.

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**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | SUBMITTED PHOTO  
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## AFRICAN CAT

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black spots. He had never seen a cat like this before.

Debbie Oberle, Director of the Livingston County Animal Control, said the Serval was apprehended along Hogan Road. An Animal Control officer used a pole and a piece of bacon to capture the African cat.

The 35-pound spotted feline was transported to the Animal Control building. Authorities believe that the Serval was a pet of a resident in Tyrone Township and either escaped or was set free. The Serval was not microchipped. Owners had until 5 p.m. Thursday to claim the animal. No one came forward.

During its stay at the Animal Control shelter, authorities said the Serval was cooperative but uncomfortable being around barking dogs. Livingston County Sheriff Bob Bezotte said the animal was not aggressive at all.

Under Michigan Law, Servals are treated as domestic cats and do not have to be microchipped. Servals do not have to be registered with local or state authorities.

According to 'Wild Cats of the World,' Serval cats are native to central and southern Africa and can stand up to 1 ½ feet tall. They can grow nearly 3 feet in length and weigh 15 to 40 pounds. The cat is not endangered and is usually covered in spots, like a cheetah.



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | TIM JAGIELO

A farmer's work is almost never done, causing them to work most days from sun-up to sundown.

## FARMERS

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can't control the weather and it's the biggest factor that affects farming."

In May, The National Weather Service (NWS) reported that 17 inches of rain fell in the Flint area. By July 18, temperatures rose to 90 degrees with the heat index bringing the temperature to just above 100 degrees. The rain came back in force after the heat wave, as AccuWeather.com said the Flint area received 4.69 inches of rainfall overnight on Wednesday, July 27.

The erratic weather of heavy rain followed by scorching heat has affected farmers across the board, delaying their produce production. Hartland farmers Eric and Patty Roeske have been farming since 2005 and are dealing with customers inquiring about late crops. "We can't tell people when things will be ready," said Patty, who was at the Linden farmer's market on Wednesday. "The rainy season has made things sprout later."

Another problem that the Roeskes face is the unrealistic expectation of produce year round. Tomatoes have been in demand since May but usually are not ripe until August. Patty said that customers can purchase produce anytime of the year at grocery stores and

forget that crops are seasonal.

Aside from the weather, farmers must deal with an abundance of other hardships in their profession. Eichelberg said that being a farmer requires multiple skills including strength, marketing, management and even engineering. "There's so much equipment, something is always breaking down," Eichelberg said. His typical day starts at 6 a.m. and ends at 10:30 p.m.

The Roeskes are similar, participating in four farmers' markets a year in addition to the Hartland 4-H Fair. Patty said the tough manual labor and the business end of being a farmer shaped her kids into hard workers that shoulder great responsibilities. Her youngest son is now attending college to pursue a business degree, while her other son moved to Texas to work on a cattle farm.

Despite the delay in crops and other hardships this season, some farmers aren't panicking over the situation. Eichelberg is confident that he'll make a profit overall. The farmer estimated that nearly 600 customers alone visited his farm stand last Sunday.

"You have to have a passion for farming to do it right," Eichelberg said. "Farming's a continuing learning experience. I have had the best customers through the year and I want to thank them."

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**EVERYTHING THAT OBAMA** does today is Bush's fault. Nevermind that he took office and won't accept any of the responsibilities. Every new president gets the trash from the previous presidents. But, hey, let's blame that on Bush too. President Bush was a great American, cut your losses and let Obama take the responsibility.

**TO THE PERSON** who says that this recall is all about the MEA and teachers, get your facts straight. Retirees, union members of all kinds, parents, and many other groups are behind these recalls. Also, get your facts straight about teachers and their reluctance to take cuts. My mother and brother are teachers and have had their wages frozen for four years.

**JUST READ ON** Yahoo News. Worst paying college degrees 2011: elementary education. Quote: Noble career, low salaries. Noble doesn't pay the bills. I wish people would stop teacher bashing. They're with your children more than you are. I for one want quality teachers. To draw that, you need to pay for it. If you think teachers make too much then maybe you should quit your job and become one.

**IT IS CLEAR** to me at this point that our president has not one ounce of leadership, has no understanding of economics and couldn't care less about the citizens of this country. He will go down as the worst president in the history of the United States. We still have every one of the problems we had when he was elected to make changes.

**TAKE BACK OUR** schools from heartless Republicans? Half of the children going to these schools have Republican parents who care about their children as much as you do. Believe it or not, many teachers are also Republicans. Recalls do nothing for the citizens. Hard choices must be made. Become part of the solution.

**THE DDA IS** exactly like Southern Lakes. Two organizations created to take taxpayers' dollars without any accountability to the people, and the people have no recourse. Your city and township boards gave away the responsibilities you have entrusted them with so that you don't blame them for anything. I don't believe it

is legal, but so what, who is going to give them any grief on this?

**THIS HYPE OF** a government shutdown sounds like Y2K hype to me. It might be good if we didn't send dollars overseas for a couple of months. The politicians would have you believe Social Security and service members, etc. would not be paid. Totally untrue. The president may be able to stop those payments but won't because of an election next year.

**THE ONLY REASON** there are fewer foreclosures around here is because most who could lose their homes already have. My home isn't worth one third of what it was before the housing crash. Most of the people responsible for the crash got their money while their employees were let go and we paid them. Wonderful country.

**I'M A REPUBLICAN** who bought into Paul Scott and reluctantly signed the petition to recall him. I feel that our state has gone after the teachers and I cannot condone it. Almost every group in the world goes by seniority and yet the teachers are singled out?

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### Special Thank You

to everyone who supported this year's Fenton Freedom Festival and worked to make the Festival an absolute outstanding Family Day and celebration of our Country's Freedom.

We couldn't have done it without you and words cannot express how grateful we are to you! We would also like to extend a thank you to **Patricia Lockwood**, Chairman for all of the hard work, dedication and commitment she has given to the great City of Fenton.

### ★ Thanks to our Civic Groups and Contributors: ★

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## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**WHERE ARE THE jobs?** Paul Scott and Rick Snyder ran for office last year on the platform of creating Michigan jobs, not eliminating them. They never mentioned that their real plan was to tax your pension or to tax your health care benefits or to cut unemployment benefits so they could give more tax breaks to wealthy corporations and individuals. They both need to be recalled for their dishonesty.

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**HERE IS SOMETHING** you won't see on CNN or MSNBC but House Bill 1388 was passed in the stimulus package that gave \$20.3 million to Palestinian refugees to provide "migration assistance." Michigan has the highest population of Muslims in the U.S. The men can have up to four wives to go on public assistance with them. I think U.S. men should have the same perks.

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## RESTRICTIONS

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issues brought to the Michigan legislators' attention regarding how some of the restrictions were detrimental to some who had a Level Two driver in the family, according to the Michigan State Police Brighton Post.

In March, the Michigan Legislature addressed these issues and made changes to the GDL law. The new changes in the Level Two GDL took effect on July 20.

### Restrictions:

Level Two licensed drivers are not permitted to operate a motor vehicle between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. except:

- When driving to or from, or in the course of employment,
- When driving to or from an authorized activity,
- When accompanied by a parent or legal guardian or a licensed driver 21 years of age or older and designated by the parent or legal guardian.

Level Two licensed drivers are not permitted to operate a motor vehicle at any time with more than one passenger in the vehicle who is less than 21 years of age except:

- When the additional passengers are immediate family members,
- When driving to or from or in the course of employment,
- When driving to or from an authorized activity,

## THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY

Fund said it is urgent for the U.S. Congress to approve an increase in the \$14.3 trillion debt ceiling. Does it bother you that the IMF, a group that was established in 1945 to help the world stabilize the economic system, is insinuating itself into our economic situation? The USA should withdraw from, and stop supporting this dubious organization with 17.72 percent (\$42,122.40) of their annual budget.

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**IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO** default on our debt unless the President just refuses to pay our minimum obligations. Scaring seniors regarding Social Security checks is the trick that Obama and Harry Reid use to get the ceiling raised. The problem is that the majority, Democratic-controlled Senate has not passed a budget in nearly three years. A budget should be passed that cuts our spending and makes it possible to live on our income.

• When accompanied by a parent of legal guardian or a licensed driver 21 years of age or older and designated by the parent or legal guardian.

### Authorized activities are defined as:

- A school or a school-sanctioned event or activity. School means a public or private school, including a home school.
- A sporting event or activity, or extra curricular event or activity, that is not school-sanctioned but that is part of an official sports league or association or an official extracurricular club, or that is paid for as a service offered by a business specializing in those events or activities or training for those events or activities.
- A class or program of vocational instruction offered by a college, community college, nonprofit association, or unit of government or by a business specializing in vocational training.
- An event or activity sponsored by a religious organization that is tax-exempt under federal law.
- Transporting an individual in need of immediate emergency care or personal protection to a health care professional, hospital, police station, domestic violence shelter, or public safety location.

The law was changed significantly. It takes into consideration the active lifestyles that many families have.

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## BIKE

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The next important thing to factor into the selection is the price a customer is comfortable spending.

There are more specialized bikes, such as mountain bikes, downhill bikes, and racing bikes, which all have very specific and narrow uses.

Some mountain bikes carry tires that are far too aggressive for regular commuting, or a full suspension that soaks up extra energy that was designed to absorb long jumps.

Racing bikes are designed specifically for speed, and not comfort, and few come with kickstands.

When buying a bike, there are a few components to think about, and will also make a difference with price.

## Brakes

There are several types of bicycle brakes, including center pull, v-brake, and disc brake. Cox said that there are well constructed and poorly constructed versions of each type of brake. Although disc brakes are seen as better than other types, a cheap disc brake is worse than a decent center pull. "It depends on the quality," said Cox.

The quality of brakes also depends on who assembled them. "At department stores, they may not be adjusted properly," he said. At CycleFit, everything is assembled by professionals. "It's something we take



very seriously," Cox said.

When buying a used bike, be sure the brakes function properly and have enough pad remaining to function safely.

## Frame

There are three different materials frames are made of: steel, aluminum, and carbon fiber. Steel is very strong, but heavier than aluminum or carbon fiber. Most of the bike frames in CycleFit are

made of aluminum, which is lighter and more expensive than steel, but just as strong. Carbon fiber is the lightest, and is also very strong, and the most expensive.

## Brand

Each bicycle brand carries a variety of bikes at

different price points, said Cox. "A few do better across the board than others," he said. Bicycle brands Giant and Cannondale stand out to him, and are sold at his store. Giant is the largest bike manufacturer, and it owns the factories that build frames and parts. Cannondale is an innovative company, he said.

CycleFit carries several brands, all of which are assembled by professionals.

When it comes to buying a bike, you get what you pay for. "You gotta remember, this is an investment," said Cox. "You should think of it as a payment you're going to make, and you're going to use it a lot."

He said it is important to buy something you'll want to use over and over again, so it doesn't end up in storage.

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**Ben Cox**  
Salesperson/  
mechanic, CycleFit-  
Multisports

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**I GUARANTEE JUST** about every house here at McCaslin Lake pays \$1,000 a year. I know there are at least 50-60 houses out here and you're telling me it costs that much money to have a road grader to come through twice a year. This is ridiculous, give us our money back.

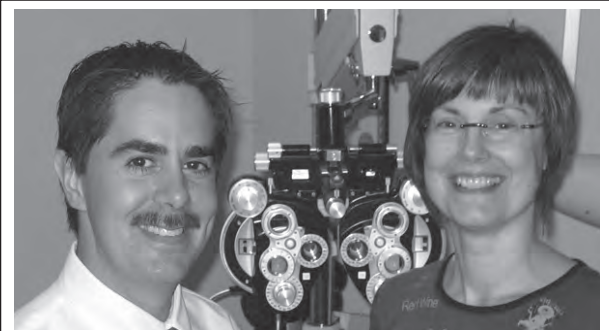
**TELL YOUR BUDDY** Rick Snyder if he wants to get people that are overpaid and feed on the public funds to go after the real money. Doctors that overcharge health coverage, CEO's that get subsidies then walk away with people's livelihood then repatriate millions back from overseas. Those are the real thieves, not teachers.

**SOMETIMES PEOPLE GET** up in years before they open their eyes and realize God created us and it's all about our life from the cradle to the grave. God's way is the only way and you're right, it's your decision. You have two choices.

**TO THE LADY** who has a dog that bit a guy with a tattoo. You said your dog doesn't like people with tattoos. How does a dog learn that?

**I PREDICTED TO** myself two weeks ago that the oil companies would use this debt-ceiling crisis to raise the price of gas. Well it's Tuesday afternoon and it just went up 10 cents and I think that's the reason. Well I hope they pay for it somehow, even in a bad way.

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## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**IF THE BUDGET** isn't settled by the Aug. 2 deadline, the first bill not to be paid should be all of the politicians' wages and perks. Cancel all of their health care and salaries first, and then they must agree to work for the next year for free, or be fired. At the end of that year, they will only draw a salary and forfeit all other benefits in order to keep their jobs.

**WHEN POLITICIANS TALK** about spending cuts, they are talking about Social Security and Medicare and neither one of them has caused this huge deficit that we are in right now. They've been borrowing from Social Security for 30 some years and now we have a budget crisis because of you name it, foreign aid, etc. I expect the American people to get cut again. It's disgusting to see the dog and pony show going on.

**WE JUST RECEIVED** a call urging us to support Paul Scott and his stand against special interests, meaning teachers. I don't know anyone who stands up for the special interests he favors more than Scott does.

**MORE POWER TO** Paul Scott. It's about time that tenure is going away. If the teachers aren't doing their job, they shouldn't have a job. All this recall information has just motivated me to help him with his campaign and his causes.

**YOU ARGENTINE OFFICIALS** keep ignoring the problem that's on McCaslin Lake Road. You guys just don't get it, do ya? I bet none of you have to drive down that road every day. That road is a safety issue. Somebody is going to get hurt on that road. Can Argentine really afford another lawsuit? Come on.

**I HAVE VOTED** in every Presidential election since 1960 when John Kennedy was elected. Until now, I have never seen a President that just gives speeches and bashes everyone else for our problems. He can't make any decisions for fear that it will hurt his approval ratings. Where's Harry Truman when we need him? Our country must be the laughing stock of the world.

**TO THE GENTLEMAN** who can read Ms. Pelosi's mind and know what she really meant when she asked for a more fuel-efficient airplane. You must do very well at the poker table. My understanding is all she asked for, was a more fuel-efficient airplane and I point out to you that you don't need a big plane to make fewer fuel stops. You need a fuel-efficient airplane along with larger fuel tanks and engines that are more efficient.

**WHAT'S WITH PARENTS** inviting children to their child's birthday party and then treating them as though they are an unwelcome or unwanted guest. If

## NATIONAL NEWS SOUTH AFRICA



### GOOGLE EARTH PRANKS WITH UFOS

Cape Town, South Africa, on Google Earth shows a UFO flying over a mountain. At first glance, the UFO appears to be authentic. Many experts however believe it to be a prank by Google. The Huffington Post reports seeing stitching borders, as if the UFO was built from multiple images. The coordinates for the UFO can be found at 34°21'12.68"S 18°29'23.97"E on Google Earth.

you're only concerned about the gifts, then please, I will be more than happy to provide a gift just to avoid the rudeness. If you're going to invite people to a party, at least have the courtesy to treat them with respect or really, why are you even asking?

**SNYDER AND SCOTT** are taking the necessary steps to make this state economically viable. In Michigan, 3 million private workers generate revenue and pay taxes for 9.9 million residents that are supported by 800,000 public workers. In 2009, public workers received an average of \$16,000 in benefits; private workers received an average of \$9,000. The great recession eliminated the dreams of retirement for most private workers. Public workers and retirees, please stop whining.

**ONE OF THE** teachings of the Communist manifesto is to get the peasants fighting among themselves. Then they won't watch the dictator's actions. Think it's working?

**I JUST WANT** to warn the people near Bennett Lake and Linden roads that early yesterday afternoon a raccoon had to be shot at our home. It was acting very strangely.

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Jesus really loves kids and so do we!

As the children of our community head back to the books this year, we want to lend a hand to 200 of them that have the need for new shoes.

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**Garage Sales**
**13**
**Fenton**

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**FENTON ANNUAL** yard sale at Georgetown Park Courtyard, 2100 Georgetown Parkway, August 13th, 10-3p.m.

**FENTON COMMUNITY** sale. July 30th-31st, 12-6p.m., Pheasant Run Manor Apartments, 1500 N. Towne Commons Blvd.

**FENTON RUMMAGE** sale. Friday, August 5th, 9-3p.m. and Saturday, August 6th, 9-2p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 806 Main St., corner of Orchard. Many great bargains! Sponsored by Ladies Guild.

**Garage Sales**
**13**

**FENTON GARAGE** sale. Tons and tons of baby boy clothes from 0-24 months. Boys clothing 7-8, girls clothing 5-6, bikes, tons of toys, DVD's, desk and other household items. Saturday, July 30th, 8-3p.m. and Sunday from 8-2p.m., 724 Pine Creek Dr.

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**FENTON RUMMAGE SALE** DAUNERHAUSAPARTMENTS, 10-3p.m., August 5-6th, 400 Dauner Haus Rd.. Antiques, household.

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**Holly**

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**Linden**

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### TYRONE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING TENTATIVE AGENDA AUGUST 2, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – July 19, 2011  
Clerk's Warrants & Bills

#### COMMUNICATIONS

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#### NEW BUSINESS

- #1 Request of Tom Lashbrook to appeal his fire run charge.
- #2 Tree cutting bids.
- #3 Discussion on pending purchase offer from Fenton Sand & Gravel.

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Supervisor Mike Cunningham

Clerk Keith L. Kremer

### PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2011 AT 6:00 PM BY THE FENTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION AT THE FENTON TOWNSHIP CIVIC-COMMUNITY CENTER, 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS:

##### SUP11-003 TMI Custom Air Systems Inc. 200 Quality Way. Holly:

Requesting to amend the special use permit for Light Fabrication from the conditions previously approved for the production of outdoor furniture to allow for the assembly only of custom industrial HVAC equipment in an existing building zoned M-1, low intensity industrial at 2111 W. Thompson Rd. Parcel 06-02-400-005. The amendments include hours of operation and the ability to use the entire facility for this assembly.

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](http://www.fentontownship.org).

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### Free Items 28

**FREE 8 month old boxer.** Housebroken, good with children. Call 810-919-0227.

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## Lost &amp; Found

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**LOST MALE** gold and white long hair cat. July 17th at Shady Hill and Baldwin Rd. in Grand Blanc-Fenton area near Fenton Rd. Front feet declawed, and comes by the name Beano. Please call 810-694-1558 or 810-423-5493.

**FOUND PET** rabbit, Linden. Call 810-429-8248.



### THINGS TO DO WHEN YOU HAVE LOST OR FOUND A PET.

1. Place an ad in the Tri-County Times, 810-629-8194.
2. Call your local vets.
3. Register with Adopt-A-Pet, 810-629-0723.
4. Check out previous lost and found pets on the classified section of our website at [www.tctimes.com](http://www.tctimes.com)

## Boats &amp; Motors

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**1987 MANITOU PONTOON**, 24ft. New deck, chairs and cover in 2007. Pontoon is good, motor needs repair. \$3,500/best offer. 810-750-1450.

## Cycles/Snowmobiles

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**2005 HARLEY DAVIDSON** Ultra Classic. Burgundy and Gold custom paint, showroom condition, 9,741 miles. \$12,700. In Fenton. Call Barb, 810-629-6631.

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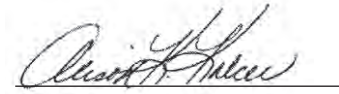
**NOTICE** This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. Notwithstanding, if the debt secured by this property was discharged in a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy proceeding, this notice is NOT an attempt to collect that debt. You are presently in default under your Mortgage Security Agreement, and the Mortgage Holder may be contemplating the commencement of foreclosure proceedings under the terms of that Agreement and Michigan law. You have no legal obligation to pay amounts due under the discharged note. A loan modification may not serve to revive that obligation. However, in the event you wish to explore options that may avert foreclosure, please contact our office at the number listed below. Attention: The following notice shall apply only if the property encumbered by the mortgage described below is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7cc of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7cc. Attention Donald L. Amett and Sharon L. Amett, regarding the property at 2921 Parkway Pl, Hartland, MI 48353. The following notice does not apply if you have previously agreed to modify the mortgage loan under section 3205b, 3205a, 3205b and 3205c do not apply unless the terms of the modified mortgage loan entered into were complied with for one year after the date of the modification. You have the right to request a meeting with your mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. Potestivo & Associates, P.C. is the designee with authority to make agreements under MCL 600.3205b and MCL 600.3205c, and can be contacted at: 811 South Blvd., Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123. You may also contact a housing counselor. For more information, contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) by visiting [www.michigan.gov/mshda](http://www.michigan.gov/mshda) or calling (866) 946-7432. If you request a meeting with Potestivo & Associates, P.C. within 14 days after the notice required under MCL 600.3205a(1) is mailed, then foreclosure proceedings will not commence until at least 90 days after the date said notice was mailed. If an agreement to modify the mortgage loan is reached and you abide by the terms of the agreement, the mortgage will not be foreclosed. You have the right to contact an attorney and can obtain contact information through the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service at (800) 968-0738. Dated: July 31, 2011. Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 information may be faxed to (248) 267-3004, Attention: Loss Mitigation Our File No: 11-44484 Ad #14382 07/31/2011

## ROSE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

July 13, 2011

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

Roll Call:	Board Members Present: Kalcec, Miller, Slaughter, Gordon, Scheib-Snyder. Board Members Absent: None.
Approved:	Agenda as submitted.
Approved:	Consent Agenda with the June 29, 2011 Minutes as amended and payment of bills.
Presentations:	Megan Dyer of PAETEC, a communications company for telephone rates and services.
Adopted:	Resolution extending the moratorium on medical marijuana facilities in Rose Township.
Tabled:	Assistant Cemetery Sexton until August for Board to discuss details.
Approved:	IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate.
Adopted:	Resolution to transfer General Fund Balance to Infrastructure fund for use to install sirens.
Approved:	Planning Commission to review the language restriction and scheduled uses for large parcels.
Adopted:	Resolution to Approve a New Member of the Holly Area Youth Assistance Board.
Adopted:	Resolution loaning \$30,000.00 from the General fund to the NSP Fund.
Adopted:	Resolution opposing incorporation as a charter township.
Adjourned:	By motion at 8:42 p.m.

  
Alison Kalcec, Supervisor

  
Debbie Miller, Clerk

## VILLAGE OF HOLLY PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Village of Holly has adopted the following ordinance amendment on:

<b>DATE:</b>	<b>July 26, 2011</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	<b>Village of Holly Council Chambers 315 S. Broad Street Holly, Michigan 48442</b>
<b>EFFECTIVE DATE:</b>	<b>Immediately upon publication</b>

The proposed ordinance amends Article 3-07-01-020, Fire Prevention of the Village of Holly Ordinances by amending the following:

**Added Provisions, Section F-2921.0 Burning of certain materials prohibited. The burning of rubber, creosote, impregnated materials, tar paper, railroad ties, leaves, brush or building materials except untreated wood, are prohibited in the Village of Holly . . .**

**Title 3: Health, Welfare and Safety, Section (a) Waste materials, refuse, paper or other combustible materials, with the exception of lumber and seasoned firewood shall be burned in containers of metal or masonry construction which may contain openings no larger than one inch in width on the sides and top during the burning process.**

**Section (d) Any burning of waste materials, refuse, paper, lumber, seasoned firewood or other combustible material shall be done under the charge and supervision of a person of mature years and discretion.**

**Section 3-07-01-023 Permit required for open fires, No person shall start or have any open fire without first obtaining an annual permit from the fire chief or his/her designated representative . . .**

**Section 3-07-01-028 Fires at night, . . . the fire chief or his/her designated representative may authorize open fires at night with special approval for the date of the fire and . . .**

The full text of the proposed Ordinance to be amended is available for review in the Office of the Village Clerk-Treasurer, 202 S. Saginaw St., Holly, Michigan 48442 during regular business hours. Comments concerning the ordinance amendment should be directed to the Village Clerk-Treasurer at the above address or by telephone to (248) 634-9571.

**Cathrene A. Behrens  
Clerk-Treasurer  
Village of Holly**

**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: Barbra A. Marshall, to CitiMortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 24, 2004 and recorded September 30, 2004 in Instrument # 200409300101085 Genesee County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$66,632.55) including interest 5% 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 fore-closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on August 31, 2011 Said premises are situated in City of Flint, Genesee County, Michigan, and are de-scribed as: Lot 495, Civic Manor No.1, according to the recorded plat thereof, a s recorded in Plat Liber 8, Page 37 Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 3022 N. Stevenson St, Flint MI 48504 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless deter-mined 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: 7/31/2011 CitiMortgage, Inc. Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-42810 Ad #14375 07/31, 08/07, 08/14, 08/21/2011

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

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                        | topping                                  | <b>100</b> Insist                          | <b>11</b> Neon —                    | <b>47</b> Sky stalker         | <b>91</b> Proust                      |
| <b>1</b> Big bargain                 | <b>57</b> Fretful                        | <b>103</b> Lost one's tail?                | <b>12</b> Flu symptom               | <b>48</b> —do-well            | protagonist                           |
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| <b>15</b> Sault Marie, MI            | <b>63</b> "— Sorry Now" ('58 hit)        | <b>106</b> Bendix role                     | <b>15</b> Oketfenokee, for one      | <b>57</b> Complete            | <b>94</b> "— Girls" ('79 smash)       |
| <b>18</b> Fill with fizz             | <b>64</b> Gossip material                | <b>108</b> Tease                           | <b>16</b> Indian tongue             | <b>58</b> Night noise         | <b>96</b> Pretoria's loc.             |
| <b>19</b> "Bolero" composer          | <b>65</b> Numbers man?                   | <b>109</b> Spigot                          | <b>17</b> "— Gay"                   | <b>59</b> Relative of -ator   | <b>99</b> "The Enlightened One"       |
| <b>20</b> Return address?            | <b>67</b> Wayne's final film             | <b>112</b> Frequent Wayne director         | <b>18</b> Internists' org.          | <b>61</b> Tempt               | <b>100</b> Mustard city               |
| <b>21</b> Pallid                     | <b>72</b> Went jogging                   | <b>114</b> Wayne's role in "The Searchers" | <b>23</b> "— if I can help it!"     | <b>62</b> School subject      | <b>101</b> Atlanta campus             |
| <b>22</b> Frequent Wayne co-star     | <b>73</b> Maestro Zubin                  | <b>120</b> Rink legend                     | <b>25</b> Tea of "The Naked Truth"  | <b>63</b> Crackerjack         | <b>102</b> Athlete Phil               |
| <b>24</b> Film directed by Wayne     | <b>75</b> "Braveheart"                   | <b>121</b> New York city                   | <b>29</b> — Cob, CT                 | <b>66</b> Detective Vance     | <b>103</b> More advanced              |
| <b>26</b> Wayfarer's whistle wettter | <b>76</b> Fielder's equipment            | <b>122</b> Shortstop Pee Wee               | <b>31</b> Forsyth's "The — File"    | <b>68</b> Emulate 102 Down    | <b>104</b> Rush                       |
| <b>27</b> Thrill                     | <b>78</b> Yale or Root                   | <b>123</b> Volcanic state                  | <b>32</b> "The —"                   | <b>69</b> Exotic pet          | <b>107</b> Role for Shirley           |
| <b>28</b> Troubles                   | <b>79</b> Corn                           | <b>124</b> Comedian Louis                  | <b>33</b> Surround a Seurat         | <b>70</b> Lingerie item       | <b>108</b> Patella's place            |
| <b>30</b> Pianist Gilels             | <b>81</b> Simon's daughter               | <b>125</b> Actor Epps                      | <b>34</b> "God's Little" ('58 film) | <b>71</b> Shopper's sack      | <b>109</b> Kisses                     |
| <b>31</b> Word with car or pea       | <b>82</b> Rascal —                       | <b>126</b> A la King?                      | <b>35</b> Skater Babalonia          | <b>73</b> Gilda of Israel     | <b>110</b> Mine feature               |
| <b>33</b> Muhammad's                 | <b>85</b> Out of sorts                   | <b>127</b> Proficient                      | <b>37</b> Olympian Al               | <b>74</b> Darcy's creator     | <b>111</b> Pressure meas.             |
| <b>36</b> Commotion                  | <b>86</b> Restaurateur Toots             | <b>DOWN</b>                                | <b>38</b> "You Bet Your Life" emcee | <b>77</b> "The Aeneid" author | <b>113</b> To and —                   |
| <b>38</b> Tune                       | <b>88</b> Seat cover?                    | <b>1</b> Navy warrior                      | <b>40</b> Author Anita              | <b>79</b> Mindy's mate        | <b>115</b> Pigskin prop               |
| <b>41</b> Small mall                 | <b>89</b> Actress Peggy                  | <b>2</b> "— Colors" ('86 hit)              | <b>41</b> Don of "Cocoon"           | <b>80</b> Circle section      | <b>116</b> "Tell About It" ('83 song) |
| <b>42</b> Bearing                    | <b>90</b> Oscar-winning                  | <b>3</b> Teacup part                       | <b>42</b> Melville title start      | <b>81</b> Fathered a foal     | <b>117</b> "— see it ..."             |
| <b>43</b> Faced the day              | <b>95</b> Hugh of "Small Time Crooks"    | <b>4</b> Tackled a taco                    | <b>43</b> Part of HOMES             | <b>82</b> Neighbor of Jordan  | <b>118</b> Gum gob                    |
| <b>44</b> Wayne's birth name         | <b>97</b> Spineless                      | <b>5</b> Margin                            | <b>44</b> Author Anita              | <b>83</b> Waiter's offering   | <b>119</b> Overwhelm                  |
| <b>49</b> — Grande                   | <b>98</b> Egg evaluation                 | <b>6</b> Singer Sheryl                     | <b>45</b> "Nowhere —" ('66 hit)     | <b>84</b> Fancy appetizer     |                                       |
| <b>50</b> Plot                       | <b>99</b> Rich soup                      | <b>7</b> —di-dah                           | <b>46</b> Actress Diamond           | <b>87</b> TV's "Max"          |                                       |
| <b>53</b> Facilitate a felony        |  | <b>8</b> Palindromic name                  |                                     | <b>88</b> Teen title          |                                       |
| <b>54</b> Poetic preposition         |  | <b>9</b> "Mal de —"                        |                                     |                               |                                       |
| <b>55</b> Makes one's mark           |  | <b>10</b> Luciano's colleague              |                                     |                               |                                       |
| <b>56</b> Tortellini                 |  |  |                                     |                               |                                       |

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## WEDNESDAY SUDOKU

### ANSWERS

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### ANSWERS

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## SUNDAY SUDOKU

### ANSWERS

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Case No. 11-25744-CH CIRCUIT COURT SALE In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Livingston, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 15th day of July, A.D., 2011 in a certain cause thereinpending, wherein BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP, a foreign Limited Partnership (was) (were) the Plaintiff and Steven Herwig a/k/a Steven E Herwig, an Individual, and Woodlake Condominium Association, a domestic non-profit corporation (was) (were) the Defendant(s). NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at public vendue, at the Livingston County Circuit Court (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for said County), on the 21st day of September, A.D., 2011 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, viz: All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the City of Brighton, County of Livingston and State of Michigan, described as follows: Unit 75, Building 16, Woodlake Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 1405, Pages 938 Et Seq. of Livingston County Records, and designated as Livingston County Sub Plan No. 24, together with an undivided share of the general and limited common elements, including garages Nos. 75, 76 and 125 according to the above Master Deed and Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended. Commonly known as: 432 Water Tower Circle, Brighton, MI 48116 This property may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the sale. Dated: 7/31/2011 Brad Byerle, Deputy Sheriff Potestivo & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff By: David G Marowske (P57261) Paul Poles (P73138) 811 South Blvd., Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 853-4400 Our File # 10-28298 Published-Tri County Times 7/31/11 - 8/7/11 - 8/14/11 - 8/21/11 - 8/28/11 - 9/4/11 - 9/11/11 Ad #14389 07/31/2011,08/07/2011,08/14/2011,08/21/2011,08/28/2011



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**BZA 2011-002, STEPHEN FORD, SEC. 20. 02-17-176-023, 5788 GRANGE HALL ROAD, HOLLY. VARIANCE TO SIDE YARD SETBACK.**

Additional information is available at the Township Office during regular business hours. If you are unable to attend the meeting, your written comments are welcome at the Township Office prior to the night of the meeting.



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## DAY TRIPS

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enjoying waterfront food, family fun, music, and rib competition. Watch the antics of an Oink Oink Contest, Pig Races, Kids' Bubble Blowing Contest and much more.

### EAST

You may have to travel for about 1 1/4 hours, but your destination will be well worth the extra 15 minutes. Port Huron, located on Lake Huron and the St. Clair River, has earned its title as the "Maritime Capital of the Great Lakes." The city's boardwalk provides beautiful views of the St. Clair River and the passing freighter traffic.

The Great Lakes Maritime Center, located at 51 Water Street, is two miles from the end of I-94 and the Blue Water Bridge. It offers a unique vantage point to watch freighters while in a comfortable indoor setting and learn about the history and current events of the Great Lakes. A live underwater camera feed lets visitors view activity under the St. Clair River. Plus, a displayed schedule of ship travels, in actual time, is available.

For interested seafarers, the Huron Lady II, offers trips down the St. Clair River and into Lake Huron seven days a week.

Port Huron also boasts several world-class museum attractions including the Huron Lightship, the retired Coast Guard Cutter Bramble, Port Huron Museum and the Fort Gratiot Lighthouse. History buffs will also enjoy the Thomas Edison Depot Museum, recalling the days when Thomas Edison spent his boyhood years in Port Huron.

To add an international flavor to your visit, cross over the Blue Water Bridge into Sarnia, Ontario, Canada.

### WEST

In 3/4 of an hour, you can be on the steps of the State Capitol in Lansing, where you can take a tour of the building, as well as the Michigan Historical Museum and the Hall of Justice. These tours take place Monday

through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit [www.council.legislature.mi.gov/lcfa/capitol-tours.html](http://www.council.legislature.mi.gov/lcfa/capitol-tours.html).

If you want to visit Lansing next weekend, a free two-day Lansing Jazz Fest will be taking place Aug. 5-6.

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If you've never visited Belle Isle, this might be the summer to see America's largest city-owned island park. Located close to the hub of downtown Detroit, travel time to Belle Isle by car or bus is just five minutes. Once on the island, you may get about by car or take a leisurely walk along the many miles of trails, paths and roadways that connect all of Belle Isle's points of interest. The island is situated on America's busiest inland waterway and provides spectacular views of Detroit, Canada, freighter traffic and the Ambassador Bridge. For more information, call The Friends of Belle Isle at (313) 331-7760.



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### Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting July 25, 2011

Call to order @ 7: 00 p.m.

Supervisor Cole led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Schmidt, present, Graves, present, Ciesielski, present, Cole, present.

Absent: Hallman.

Motion to approve the minutes of June 27, 2011 Regular Board Meeting as printed. Motion passed.

Motion to approve budget adjustments as recommended by the Clerk. Motion passed.

Motion to approve payment of bills as printed in Board packet. Motion passed.

Police Department: A written report was submitted.

Fire Department: A written report was submitted.

Building Department: Cole said there were 11 permits that total \$7,377.00.

Planning Commission: Trustee Ciesielski gave an oral report.

Attorney: No report. Attorney Lattie was not in attendance.

Old Business: Charter telephone quote- Motion to accept terms for 12 months from Charter Business for telephone and internet services as quoted. Motion passed.

New Business: Whitehead Drive Paving Assessment District: Motion to add Whitehead Drive to the August 2011 Assessment Hearing. Motion passed.

Fireworks: Motion to approve Gen X Pyrotechnics to provide the Lobdell Lake Fireworks. Motion passed.

Adjournment @ 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by Denise M. Graves, Argentine Township Clerk

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- VG's
- Walmart



## K-9

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another HPD officer.

Danishevskaya said there are officers already interested in the program, and said that Holly Area Schools Superintendent Kent Barnes has offered support via letter to Danishevskaya.

The grant Danishevskaya and Lambert are researching is from Oakland County, through the Department of Homeland Security. The biggest concern for Danishevskaya is the sustainability of the K-9 unit, with costs that include facilities for the K-9, and extensive training. It could eventually be too expensive to maintain after the grant runs out. She doubts HAS will be able to contribute to possible costs.

Currently, HPD is working on figuring out the annual operating costs of a K-9 unit, which will inform Danishevskaya on how much she will ask for when applying for the grant. After applying, the grant would either be accepted for the full amount they requested, it could be amended, or turned down.



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# Behind the scenes of 'Anything Goes'

By Sally Rummel • news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

**Fenton Village Players build new stage, learn to dance**

Most dancers spend years perfecting their skills as they tap or soft-shoe their way toward a special performance. But for the 25-member cast of "Anything Goes," a lifetime of practice has been scaled down to just eight weeks before opening night on Aug. 4.

"Our choreographer, Karen Whittaker, has taught our entire crew how to dance, from 14-year-old Colin Hodgkin to myself, at age 60," said Geno Essenmacher, chair of the Fenton Village Players. "The full cast is involved in at least three tap numbers, and there are at least four other tap dances in the show. While we have a few seasoned dancers in the group, most of them are novices and some of us have never, ever tapped or danced."

In fact, most community theater groups won't attempt "Anything Goes" because of the tap dancing required, and if they do, they will often choreograph it their own way, according to Whittaker. "In the theater world, it is extremely rare to have an entire cast learn how to tap dance."

See **VILLAGE PLAYERS** on 7B

**STAGE FRIGHT**  
 Freezing up and forgetting lines  
 SEE PAGE 5B



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## Police shut down girls lemonade stand in Georgia

The city of Midway, Georgia was made a little safer after police shut down a lemonade stand.

Three young girls had started the lemonade stand to save up money for a trip to a waterpark.

After being open only one day, Police chief Kelly Morningstar and another officer of the Midway police department stopped at the stand after driving by, according to an ABC affiliate. Instead of speaking with parents, Morningstar approached the girls and told them they couldn't sell the lemonade.

"I'm gonna let it go," said Amy Roberts, the mother of one of the girls. "I don't think if I keep on and on and on its gonna teach them a good thing."

The business license and food and beverage permit cost \$50 a day plus \$180 a year.

# AROUND the World

Best and worst of international news and media



## China's latest craze

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Newly upscale Chinese are dyeing their pets to look like exotic animals, including tigers, pandas and foxes.

## Dyeing pets to look like wild animals

They only look like baby pandas. These little bundles of joy are actually chow chow dogs that have been dyed black-and-white to look like pandas.

Dyeing pets has been a trend in pet pampering for quite some time. At last summer's Pets Show Taipei, there was a fierce dog-dyeing competition. But dyeing your pets to look like wild animals is a more recent development.

The trend demonstrates how quickly and dramatically attitudes toward pets — particularly dogs — have changed in many parts of Asia.

With more money to spend, newly wealthy Chinese have embraced dog-owning culture with a vengeance. Dogs are brought into restaurants, fussed over in public, dressed up in ridiculous outfits and dyed to look like ferocious tigers.

Panda or chow chow? Tiger or retriever?



## 'Dead' man wakes up alive in morgue

Workers at a South African mortuary got the shock of their lives Sunday when a man presumed dead by his family woke up screaming nearly a day later in a refrigerated morgue.

The man, who is in 60s but does not want to be publicly identified, lost consciousness after suffering an asthma attack over the weekend, according to Sizwe Kupelo, spokesman for the Eastern Cape Health Department. His family reportedly thought he had died and called a private mortuary company rather than paramedics to collect the body.

The man then spent 21 hours in a refrigerated morgue, surrounded by



"Two workers heard screaming from the refrigerators. They thought it was a ghost and they ran for their lives."

Kupelo told ABC News.

corpses. Upon awakening because of the freezing temperature he started to scream.

"Two workers heard screaming from the refrigerators," Kupelo told ABC News. "They thought it was a ghost and they ran for their lives."

The attendants returned with the entire mortu-

ary team where, as a group, they decided to open up the refrigerator. They discovered the confused, scared and cold man shivering in the morgue and immediately called an ambulance. After being placed under observation for six hours, doctors declared him stable and sent him home.



## House squatter gets mansion for \$16

Thanks to an obscure Texas law a man has taken possession of a \$300,000 house in a suburb of Dallas (shown at left) for just \$16.

According to a report in the Daily Mail, Kenneth Robinson (pictured at left at the front door of his \$16 house) found the abandoned house in

the upscale suburb of Flower Mound.

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## River clean up

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | KAREN MONETTA

Those volunteering their time to clean up the Shiawassee River on July 24 had more work ahead of them than expected. Using chain-saws, canoes and kayaks combined with a lot of sweat and hard work, they went from cleaning up one logjam to the next. They started at Bird Road and made it half way to Duffield Road, along the river. Another cleanup day has been scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 7, beginning at 8 a.m. Volunteers are to meet at Bird Road and the river.

Visit the Keepers of the Shiawassee River, Michigan page on facebook for more information. For details, contact Chuck Julian at [chuck.julian@gcs3d.com](mailto:chuck.julian@gcs3d.com) or at (248) 634-3513.



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# Stage fright

►Freezing up, forgetting lines

By Tim Jagielo

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Maybe you’ve felt it before — the churning in your stomach, the sweaty palms, and the tingling sensations. You’re not in love; it’s almost show time, and you’ve got stage fright. And, we’re not talking about the 1950 movie directed by Alfred Hitchcock.

According to speaking-tips.com, public speaking is a major fear amongst Americans. This is something theater people have learned to deal with, and even use to their advantage.

For Anna Sansonetti of Holly Township, and member of the Fenton Village Players, it’s the fear that makes it difficult to get on stage sometimes. For her, the fear is momentary. “When you get on stage, it just sort of melts away,” she said.

Colin Hodgkin, 14, of Fenton is also a member of the Fenton Village Players. He experiences stage fright from time to time. “If there’s a lot of people in the crowd I get a little nervous,” he said. For him, stage fright is a tension or trepidation over forgetting his lines.

“Sometimes you just get a little panicky,” he said. “Once you get up there and start your lines, it’s pretty good.”

Colin’s sister Maggie, 16, also a member of the Fenton Village Players said, “When I have a line or something that stands out, then I feel a tingly feeling and I tend to forget things I need to remember.”

“She shines when she’s on stage,” said Maggie’s mom, Holly. If Maggie messes up, she says to not give it away that a mistake was made.

Fenton Village Players chairperson Geno Essenmacher of Linden said that most people on stage don’t feel stage fright. “They take that energy and they channel it into what they’re doing on stage,” he said.

He said that performers can, in a way, become the character they are portraying. “I’m not me, I’m someone else, so there’s less to be afraid of,” he said.

## Tips for overcoming stage fright

- **Realize that stage** fright is normal, and even a good thing. According to Joan Curtis on Public Speaking Tips, this fear helps public speakers perform, and usually leaves when they begin speaking, or performing.
- **Practice, and then** practice more. Knowing the material will make the performance or presentation more fluid and natural.
- **Know your audience.** According to Curtis, fear of the unknown affects stage fright. Greet your audience and engage with them while on stage.
- **Take small steps** in performing, or presenting. Start with a smaller crowd, and work your way up.

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Most performers experience some form of stage fright, whether it is forgetting a line, or being nervous before a performance or presentation.

To Essenmacher, stage fright is being on stage and forgetting your line, which he has experienced himself. “If I make a mistake, that’s when I get stage fright,” he said. Essenmacher said that in those cases, someone else in the cast will likely know your line and can help the scene move forward. “I have done that before, I’ve frozen on stage,” he said.

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By Elena Lombardi, Freelance Writer

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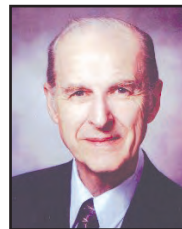
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## Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



## The Unforgettable question

I met him at the end of a service in a rural New York church. His name escapes me but the question he asked has been unforgettable. Let me explain.

The first meeting of a planned week-long conference in this scenic area was well attended. At its conclusion, I learned that many of the people who had come to the service had been invited by one man, a new convert, who had turned into a one-man church growth dynamo.

Faith had so changed this man's life that he wanted everyone to know about it and share in his newfound joy. This moved him to find ways to reach out to friends and neighbors, telling them of the discovery he had made and inviting them to his church. He was a pastor's dream, a natural born pew-packer. But something was bothering him and before the week ended, he raised the question I'll never forget.

"What can you tell me," he asked, "to keep me from becoming like them?"

I wasn't sure what this questioner meant so I asked him to elaborate.

He explained that he had great respect for the people in his church, admiring their faithfulness in attendance and in fulfilling their various offices that made the church operate so efficiently. But he recognized that these seasoned people of faith had somehow lost something along the way that he possessed: a compassion for others that motivated him to tell them of God's love and how to respond to it.

The answer to this new convert's question rests in remembering the simplicity of the good news we're commissioned to share (Matthew 28:18-20). Once we complicate the message, we're afraid to get involved in sharing it, thinking this must be left to ministers or others we see as more qualified than the rest of us, forgetting our Lord called untrained fishermen to become the first evangelists and to plant churches in the world.

In order to avoid being "like them," we'll have to become more interested in people than programs, caring for every person we meet regardless of status, success or standing in the community. We'll also need to take time out of our busy schedules to talk to others about their personal problems and needs, showing compassion continually.

Once I was irritated by calls from telemarketers, who I resented because they interrupted my schedule and often called when I thought I had more important things to do than spend time talking to them. Then I began to see each of these calls as an opportunity to talk to a person about his or her needs and explain that God is interested in every obstacle we face.

Since my attitude has changed, telemarketers tell me their problems and often invite me to send books or other faith building materials to help them understand how important they are to God. Some have written to me expressing their appreciation for my concern and help when they've been going through tough times.

I'm indebted to a new convert and his unforgettable question because it reminds me that sharing my faith is more important than going through religious routines. And if you allow his question to keep you from becoming "like them," you'll be indebted to him too.

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

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**TO THE PERSON** passing out anti Paul Scott literature in my neighborhood. I took the advice on the bottom of the flyer and called the number given. I told him to keep up the good work and we're all behind him.

**IT MAKES ME** laugh every time I see a tree trunk wearing a bikini bottom. I've spotted three around Fenton. What an act of whimsy.

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The 25-member cast of the upcoming musical "Anything Goes," is practicing every night and all weekend to prepare for Thursday's opening night.

## VILLAGE PLAYERS

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Tapping isn't the only thing making news for this performance of "Anything Goes," a musical currently playing on Broadway and winner of three Tony Awards.

To eliminate the echo from the tap dance numbers, the entire stage of the Fenton Village Playhouse was re-built with poured-in insulation, topped with three layers of softwood, sound-absorbing material and hardwood. "On our old stage, what you would hear would be the echo of the tap striking the wood, sounding like a drum," said Essenmacher. "Our new stage has absolutely no pass-through sound, and no chance of echo. The sound you'll hear is pure and something to be proud of. We're the only theater in the region with this kind of stage."

Usually, the rights to perform a show currently playing on Broadway are not given, but Fenton Village Players was granted the rights — after paying more than \$5,000 in royalty fees. "Small, lesser known plays with no big names might cost \$1,000 or so in royalties, but we usually pay between \$5,000 and \$7,000 to bring in a big name play," said Essenmacher.

This week is the beginning of what the Players jokingly call "Hell Week," because just about every waking hour is spent preparing for Thursday's opening night. The cast has been practicing four nights a week for the past two months, and now will spend this entire weekend in rehearsal, plus Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. "Monday, we'll bring in the tech people, plus the orchestra that our music director, Frank Pitts, has assembled for this production," said Essenmacher. "Tuesday, we'll work out 'all the bugs' and by Wednesday, it's 'supposed to be' perfect."

Melissa Mercica, who plays "Bonnie" in the show, says it's actually good luck to have a bad final rehearsal. "It all comes together then on opening night," she said.

Most of the cast admits to having a

few flutters of stage fright before getting on stage, but Holly Myers, who is part of the chorus, says, "After you deliver the first line, it's gone. Then you become that person, and you translate the anxiety into energy." She enjoys the change of pace of theater, compared to her "day job" on the operations staff at General Motors. "There's no better stress-reliever than to

"After you deliver the first line, it's (stage fright) gone. Then you become that person, and you translate the anxiety into energy.

There's no better stress-reliever than to be able to be someone else for awhile."

**Holly Myers**

*"Anything Goes" chorus member*

be able to be someone else for awhile," she said.

Mike Walkowski, 24, is a "theater newbie," playing his first role as a cameraman and a sailor in this production. He has never danced or sung before, and he will be doing both in "Anything Goes."

"I never expected to actually get a role the first time I auditioned," admitted Walkowski. "I'd like to be an actor or model

would be a good start. I don't usually get too ruffled about things. I can do anything I set my mind to do."

Almost all the cast members say they practice their parts at home, in addition to the formal rehearsals. Tapping in the kitchen, singing in the shower — these are all common ways to get in a little extra practice. "If you don't practice, Jonathan knows," said Melissa Mercica.

Jonathan Smith is the director of "Anything Goes." He is one of just a few FVP volunteers, including the music director and choreographer, who receive a small stipend for the huge stress of coordinating a production.

Memorizing lines is easier for some performers than for others. For Russell Duce, 21, who plays "Sir Evelyn Oakleigh" in "Anything Goes," learning his lines was a challenge, plus he had to add a British accent. "Lines are a huge deal for me," he said. "I grew up with Monty Python and other British influences, so the accent itself isn't too difficult."

While most audience members don't notice every mistake that's made during a performance, the cast has learned to keep going, even if a line is flubbed or a cue is missed. "This is live," said Smith. "You've only got one shot to get it right."

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# Words of Wisdom

By Ed Koledo  
Superintendent  
Linden Community  
Schools



The words of wisdom I would like to pass on are from Lesson Two of General Colin Powell's Leadership Primer. "The day soldiers stop bringing you their problems is the day you have stopped leading them. They See **WISDOM** on 12B

## Members doing business with members

► Is there compassion in professionalism?

By Keith Green

I am often asked, "Will you manage my money as if it were yours?"

The prospective client doesn't realize that is not what they really mean. What they intend to ask is, 'Do you have the ability

to put yourself in my situation and manage the money appropriately?' In other words, do you have any compassion for my situation and therefore will you apply a certain code of ethics to See **BUSINESS** on 13B

FENTON REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



# Chamber Journal

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Fenton Chamber

## NETWORKING SCHEDULE

AUGUST 18, 2011  
Linden Academy of Dance & Music

SEPTEMBER 15, 2011  
The State Bank (Main Branch)

OCTOBER 20, 2011  
Coldwell Banker Professionals

NOVEMBER 17, 2011  
Georgetown Park Apartments

DECEMBER 15, 2011  
Financial Plus Federal Credit Union, Fenton Community & Cultural Center and SLPR

Fenton Chamber

## EVENTS DATELINE

AUGUST 13, 2011  
**TASTE IN FENTON**  
EVENT LOCATION:  
Fenton Community & Cultural Center

AUGUST 23, 2011  
**MEMBER BENEFIT UPDATE**  
EVENT LOCATION:  
Chamber Boardroom

SEPTEMBER 24, 2011  
**LINDEN AUTUMN FESTIVAL**  
EVENT LOCATION:  
Downtown Linden – Millpond Area

OCTOBER 18, 2011  
**MEET THE CANDIDATES**  
EVENT LOCATION:  
Fenton Community & Cultural Center

OCTOBER 31, 2011  
**AN EVENT SO GOOD IT'S SCARY**  
EVENT LOCATION:  
Participating Fenton/Linden Businesses

NOVEMBER 18, 2011  
**CHAMBER ANNUAL DINNER**  
EVENT LOCATION:  
Spring Meadows Country Club

DECEMBER 3, 2011  
**JINGLEFEST/ LINDEN HOLIDAY HAPPENING**  
EVENT LOCATION:  
Downtown Linden

## Taste in Fenton welcomes visitors downtown on Aug. 13



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Guests attending the Taste in Fenton event will have plenty of opportunities to try delicious samples from several local eateries. The Chair Auction is also making a come back.

By Sally Rummel  
news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

You won't want to miss all the excitement at the 11th annual Taste in Fenton, set for Saturday, Aug. 13, from 12 to 8 p.m. on the grounds behind the Fenton Community & Cultural Center in downtown Fenton.

"Taste in Fenton" highlights food from local restaurants from Fenton Linden and Holly, providing guests with a chance to sample a variety of

delicious foods in a unique culinary setting. Two live bands will be providing music, Mike Epsee Blues and Too Much Fun, an up-tempo, classic rock group. Fenton Home Furnishings is sponsoring the music.

"Every year, close to 20 restaurants participate in 'Taste in Fenton,'" said Shelly Day, president of the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce.

See **TASTE** on 13B

### Summary

The 11th annual Taste in Fenton is expected to draw 4,000 visitors this year on Saturday, Aug. 13, with a day full of events in downtown Fenton.

## Fenton Chamber partners with SCORE

SCORE MEETINGS are scheduled by appointment in the chamber boardroom

By Sally Rummel  
news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

SCORE is a non-profit organization that was established in 1964 and is dedicated to entrepreneur education, formation, growth and the success of small businesses nationwide. They encourage professionals to share their real-life experiences and expertise. SCORE has more than 12,500 volunteer counselors who provide mentoring

by meeting face-to-face or online. The organization has assisted more than 8.5 million Americans with mentoring, advice or workshops.

The Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce (FRCC) has partnered with SCORE to offer free counseling to anyone, with no membership investments required.

SCORE currently has two approved counselors at the FRCC.

See **SCORE** on 14B

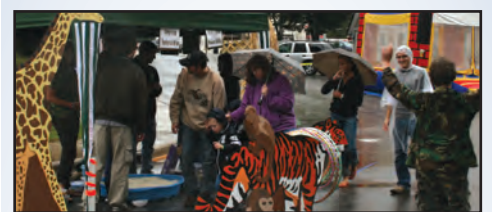
## Save the date for annual awards dinner

The Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce will be celebrating its 45th Annual Awards Dinner on Friday, Nov. 18 at Spring Meadows Golf & Country Club. Table sponsorships are available. If you are interested, contact the chamber office at (810) 629-5447 ext. 402 or e-mail info@fentonchamber.com.

The cost for table sponsors is \$600, which includes eight dinner tickets, hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, recognition in the printed program and recognition at the event.

The chamber will present six prestigious awards at the dinner. Five awards will be given to individuals and one will be awarded to an area business. The chamber's Annual

See **AWARDS** on 14B



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO

Downtown Linden will be bustling with families and community members attending the city's annual autumn festival.

## Linden Autumn Festival — food and fun for all

### Summary

► The Linden Autumn Festival is now in its second year, with a date set for Saturday, Sept. 24. Fishing, food and fall-themed events are scheduled all day long.

By Sally Rummel  
news@tctimes.com

It may still be the middle of summer, but organizers of the upcoming Linden Autumn Festival are well on their way to planning a successful event.

Set for Saturday, Sept. 24, this is the second year for Linden's fall festival.

"It will be very similar to last year, but hopefully without the rain," said Shelly Day, president of the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce. The chamber is organizing this year's event, with The State Bank serving as the main sponsor.

The event will kick-off at 10 a.m. with a Kids' Fishing Contest at the Linden Millpond, sponsored by Financial Plus Federal Credit Union. First-, second- and third-place prizes will be awarded.

See **FESTIVAL** on 12B



## Meet the Candidate event reminds residents to get out and vote

By Sally Rummel

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Don't forget to get out and vote on Election Day, Nov. 8.

Reminding people of the importance of their vote is one of the main goals of the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce's "Meet the Candidates" event on Tuesday, Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center.

Meet the Candidates has been a chamber tradition for more than a decade, according to President Shelly Day. This year, the focus will be local officials in the city of Fenton, and the city of Linden. Every other year, the focus is on Michigan State Representatives.

Petitions have already been turned in to

the city of Fenton for incumbent Councilwoman Cheryl King and incumbent Mayor Sue Osborn. The deadline for turning in petitions to be on the ballot is Sept. 26 at 5 p.m., according to Fenton City Clerk Jennifer Naismith.

There are no council positions open in Fenton Township this year, according to Tom Broecker, operations manager/deputy clerk for Fenton Township. "All seven positions will be up for re-election next year," he said.

In Linden, the deadline for turning in petitions was last May, and four have been received, including incumbent council members Ed Ciesielski and Charles Ross. Running to fill two vacant council positions this year are Gary Mahnke and Amanda Adam.



### Chamber message from the chairman

At the beginning of this year, our board of directors was very cautious about the year to come and conservative in our budgeting due to the economic conditions of the time. I spoke about the challenges for the year to come including our budget, membership growth, and marketing decisions to name a few. Yet we wanted to set ambitious goals to accomplish.

Among them was to increase our membership by a substantial amount. We exceeded our wildest expectations by adding more than 90 new members during our membership campaign.

Another goal was to have successful events... so far so good. From our forecast breakfast, community expo, networking events to our golf outing, we have exceeded our attendance goals and budgets.

Finally, we hope to drive more business to our members through our marketing and strategic alliances with others. Our efforts with the Tri-County Times to promote the "Shop Local" campaign have been well received and we hope it continues to grow.

In spite of the challenging economy, we can grow as a community. Our growing membership, construction of a new hotel on Silver Parkway, and the proposed \$4 million project downtown are all evidence that the larger state economy will not dictate our local success.

Looking ahead, we are looking forward to the Taste in Fenton, the Linden Autumn Festival, the Meet the Candidates, an Event So Good Its Scary and our Annual Dinner. It is amazing how much effort goes into planning and managing these events and programs. Our continued success is due largely to the fantastic volunteers, staff, and board members.

We hope to finish this year stronger than ever and face the year to come with great anticipation. We hope you will join us for these events and remember to look to our local businesses, first, when you are preparing for your next shopping spree.

As I have noted here before, strong businesses are the lifeblood of a community. So, support your local businesses and our chamber of commerce. Have a great summer.

— Patrik Welty, chairman  
Fenton Regional  
Chamber of Commerce



### From the chamber president

'The Disney Way'

Whether you own a business, are a leader in a business or a member of a business team, good customer-service skills is a subject that all levels in the workplace can benefit from. Everyone knows good customer service is what Disney prides itself on and the company has a reputation for producing employees that provide excellent customer service.

How do they do it?

They provide the training, create an experience and then expect nothing less.

When I first began working at the chamber, I attended a Disney Workshop organized by the Owosso/Shiawassee Chamber of Commerce. That well-attended workshop helped sharpen my skills and gave me helpful tools that proved useful in making our chamber members know that they are important to our organization. The workshop also provided helpful hints to pass along to co-workers and improve the daily work environment. It truly was motivational. I know it must have been because I attended the workshop more than 15 years ago and I still remember the experience.

The Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce is currently investigating the opportunity to bring "The Disney Way" here to our area. A committee is reviewing the program and costs, and we are very close to bringing this experience to you in the fall of this year.

We would appreciate your feedback now, to help us determine if there is an interest in hosting this workshop. In return, we will keep your name on file and if you attend the workshop, we will enter your name in a drawing to win gift cards totaling a minimum of \$100 to shop our members' businesses. You do not have to be a member of our chamber to attend and be entered in the drawing. However, there is a workshop registration price break for our members.

Let us know if you would like to experience "The Disney Way." There is no obligation or commitment at this time. We will simply keep your name on file and if you submit your paid registration for the workshop this fall, we will put your name in the drawing. The winner will be announced at the workshop.

— Shelly Day, president  
Fenton Regional  
Chamber of Commerce

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# Shop Local in Uptown Fenton

Have you strolled the streets of N. Leroy Road lately? If you have not, you are missing out on Uptown Fenton! Between North Long Lake and South Long Lake roads, there is an explosion of new businesses tailored to fit Fenton's savvy shoppers!

Looking for a close to home, romantic night out with your spouse? How about a fun night out with friends? Try Fenton Winery & Brewery, located at 1545 N. LeRoy street, Suite B. This growing hotspot offers nightly entertainment, unique, hand-crafted in-house beer and wine and a cultural experience to keep you coming back for more.

One of the busiest restaurants in Genesee County is also home to Uptown Fenton. Sagebrush Cantina, located in Fenton Woods Square, just northwest of South Long Lake Road, has the freshest Mexican Cuisine this side of the border. Their margaritas aren't bad either! Even at their busiest - they are well worth the wait. Pagers for patrons waiting for a table allow you to stroll the many Uptown Fenton retailers while you wait. Some stores even offer special discounts for customers with pagers.

Resale stores seem to be popping up

everywhere lately. And for good reason. Everyone is looking for the "gotta have it" items at the lowest prices. Uptown Fenton gives you a local approach to saving time and money and savvy shoppers love Reboot Resale for teens and young adults located at 14300 North Fenton Rd. (behind Sagebrush Cantina). They buy and sell clothing, shoes and accessories for you and your teens! Everything from Glam to Jock, Mod to Fab, you will find the name brands you and your teens love. There are new, everyday selections that will keep you coming back again and again.

If your family is just beginning to grow, you will definitely want to check out Little Blessings Boutique located just five doors down from Reboot Resale offering new-born, thru 14/16, new and gently worn clothing, accessories & equipment geared toward your little blessings. They also offer unique gifts that are handmade by local moms. Give that "extra special" gift that mom and baby won't forget. Next time you feel overwhelmed with too much kid stuff, call Little Blessings Boutique for some relief.

## Fenton Chamber member focus

**The Fenton Winery & Brewery** participated in the Michigan Brewers Guild's oldest and largest annual festival, the Summer Beer Fest, July 22-23 at Riverside Park in Ypsilanti. The festival was recently named one of the Top 10 Summer Beer Festivals by Road Trips for Beer. The event featured more than 300 different beers from more than 50 different Michigan breweries. The Fenton Winery & Brewery is located at 1545 N. LeRoy St., Fenton, telephone (810) 373-4194 or visit [www.fenton-brewery.com](http://www.fenton-brewery.com).

**Katie Rozen**, an Edward Jones financial advisor in Linden, is supporting Linden Community Schools by using her office as a drop-off location for a school supplies drive. Local residents and businesses may help those less fortunate in the community by bringing in items to the Edward Jones branch office during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 618 West Broad St., Suite A, Linden. Some suggested items are pen/pencils, crayons, paper, glue sticks, notebooks, folders, backpacks, lunch boxes, etc.

**Loose Senior Citizen Center** is hosting a Boutique and Book Sale on Wednesday, Aug. 10, from 12 to 6 p.m. The boutique sale will feature gently used purses, wallets, jewelry, scarves, candleholders, unused candles and more. In addition, there will be books and more books. A bake sale and Sloppy Joe lunch will also be available. The center is located at 707 North Bridge St., Linden. For more information, call (810) 735-9406.

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### Networking at Noon July Attendees

Approximately 60-80 Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce members, along with guests, gather monthly at different business locations for, "Networking @ Noon." This event has become so popular that the only date left in 2012 is November.

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## WISDOM

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have either lost confidence that you can help them or concluded that you do not care. Either case is a failure of leadership.

If this were a litmus test, the majority of CEOs would fail. One, they build so many barriers to upward communication that the very idea of someone lower in the hierarchy looking up to the leader for help is ludicrous. Two, the corporate culture they foster often defines asking for help as weakness or failure, so people cover up their gaps, and the organization suffers accordingly.

Real leaders make themselves accessible and available. They show concern for the efforts and challenges faced by underlings — even as they demand high standards. Accordingly, they are more likely to create an environment where problem analysis replaces blame.



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## FESTIVAL

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Anyone who catches a fish will have his or her name automatically entered into a drawing for additional prizes.

With the cool, crisp days of fall as a backdrop to Linden Autumn Festival, food will be the focus of the day, serving from 12 to 6 p.m. “This year’s format will be similar to a ‘taste,’ with area restaurants providing samples of some of their favorite fare,” said Day. “In addition to being a fun way to sample many different tastes,

this format will be an affordable way for area families to participate.”

Chris Foster, a DJ from Momentum Entertainment, will provide music at the Linden Gazebo. He will serve as emcee for the day’s events. A Kids’ Zone will be set-up on the road alongside of the Millpond Sponsored by Funtastic Inflatables.

“We’re planning many fall-focused activities, in keeping with the theme of the festival,” said Day. “We’re also discussing the possibility of having Bingo at the VFW hall. There will be fun for all ages.”



Membership Director

## Report

By Rochelle Jones

One hundred and forty three new members have joined the Chamber to date bringing our 2011 membership total to 483 members. Chamber membership offers businesses the opportunity to build lasting business relationships and meet a broad client base through events & activities the Chamber provides.

Each year the Chamber responds to thousands of inquiries asking for referrals and information about products and services available in the greater Fenton area. We refer only Chamber member businesses to tourists, those interested in relocating to the area, the business community and the general population. If you are not a Chamber member contact me to join our membership and take advantage of this business opportunity.

—Rochelle Jones

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## TASTE

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"We provide our restaurants with a unique incentive to join us that day, giving half of the dollars generated by meal ticket sales back to the participating restaurants. "We don't know of any other chamber that offers this. We hope it will continue to encourage more participating restaurants."

This is the second largest event of the year for the chamber, second only to the Fenton Community Expo. "Taste in Fenton" is expected to draw about 4,000 participants to downtown.

Families who would like to reserve a table for the day can do so by contacting the chamber at (810) 629-5447, for a nominal fee. "Some people like to be assured that they will have comfortable seating, perhaps in a shady area, when family members & friends come throughout the day," said Day.

Back by popular demand this year will be a Chair Auction, featuring four oak chairs decoratively painted by local artists, to be sold by auction. Half of the monies raised at the auction will go to the local artist and the other half to benefit the chamber through the "Taste in Fenton."

The chairs were purchased locally by the chamber from Fenton Home Furnishings. "We're starting this event up again slowly, with just four chairs," said Day. The decorated chairs are on display at The French Laundry, VG's Grocery, The State Bank and Fenton Winery & Brewery. "At a previous Chair Auction, one of the chairs sold for well over \$300," said Day.

Valley Tent Rental is sponsoring the Kids' Area. Kids area wrist bands will be sold for \$1 per child good for the entire event. There will be a nine-hole,

putt-putt golf course for families to enjoy (\$1 per golfer) sponsored by Funtastic Inflatables. The Lake Fenton High School Robotics Team will provide a live demonstration at Taste in Fenton.

Mojito wine coolers will be made by Fenton Winery & Brewery, and served through the generosity of sponsor Creative Foam.

The Fenton Kiwanis "Art at the Center" art festival is also held on Saturday, Aug. 13, on the grounds in front of the Fenton Community & Cultural Center, as well as the Fenton Firefighters Charity 5K and 10K run/walk at 10 a.m.

"There are lots of reasons to be downtown on Aug. 13," said Day. "We expect to have a great turnout this year, especially in light of gas prices and people looking for events to attend closer to home." The event will be held rain or shine.



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www.fentonchamber.com, at the Fenton Regional Chamber office, VG's Grocery (Fenton, Burton, Howell, and Brighton), The French Laundry, The State Bank (Fenton and Linden) Financial Plus Federal Credit Union and Fenton Winery & Brewery.



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do what's right for me?

Consumers commonly seek the advice of so-called 'professionals' whether they are doctors, dentists, attorneys, accountants or financial advisors, with the assumption all professionals are going to act in a compassionate, ethical way.

Unfortunately, many of the professionals I have sought out over the years have been more interested in office efficiency and their monthly bottom line than what the issue is that has caused me to search out their assistance.

I operate my own business and I understand the importance of making payroll, paying taxes and keeping current. But there seems to be a trend in our professional services, that they are more interested in payment methods, insurance carriers and getting as many patients/customers through the door than the interests of their client base.

I believe the current financial crisis has caused many of our professionals to neglect compassion in their practice. It is for this reason that when I do find a

professional that exudes compassion and ethics, I want to shout from the rooftops for all to know.

In Linden, we have a dentist, Dr. Matthew Fulton, at 401 Bridge St., whom epitomizes professionalism. We met for the first time 18 months ago when he visited my son's classroom, in the height of economic difficulty. Dr. Fulton handed out a flyer on his "Membership Reward Program," an economical program designed to deliver quality dental services below average costs. He immediately proved to me that he understood the financial situation his community was facing, and he wanted to assist in the best way he knew how. Constantly greeted by a caring and genuine staff, his office makes you feel welcome and comfortable.

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When choosing a professional to work with, it is important to have faith in their character and confidence in their ability. My family is grateful to have Dr. Fulton in the community and part of our health care team.



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They are both attorneys and are the first point of contact. After the initial meeting, they are able to contact another counselor who has experience in a similar field who can better answer specific questions.  
Offering SCORE fits in the chamber's mission to be a strong advocate for business through services and resources while fostering economic vitality and prosperity in our region.  
SCORE meetings are scheduled by ap-



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The 2010 community hero award was presented to Roger Sharp (left) of Sharp Funeral Homes.

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pointment in the chamber boardroom  
The FRCC is currently looking for SCORE counselors. The ideal counselor will have started a business from scratch. Potential counselors are reviewed and decided upon by the SCORE organization.  
**Testimonials:**  
Matt Proffitt was interested in starting a welding business. His wife, Jenny, works for The State Bank and is familiar with SCORE. The Proffitts spoke with a SCORE counselor at the chamber before taking any steps toward starting the business.  
The counselor talked to them about which type of business to form, how to choose a name, why patents and trademarks are important and more. The counselor also gave referrals to local accountants, lawyers and banks and described how each would be helpful or necessary. They were given an explanation and outline of a business plan and the counselor even offered to follow up on it with them once they were further into the business creation process.  
Matt successfully started Complete Custom Metal Works shortly after the initial SCORE meeting.

Jill Flewelling has been the owner of Linden Academy of Dance & Music for 31 years. She said she does what she loves for a living but is not an expert when it comes to running a business.  
She met with a SCORE counselor multiple times at the FRCC. She mentioned that the counselor was knowledgeable in legal and real estate issues and provided great business advice.  
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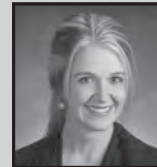
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**AL QAEDA TO PRODUCE CHILDREN'S MOVIE**

Al Qaeda may be targeting children to join their group via cartoons reports a British counter-extremism think tank Quilliam. Quilliam discovered the cartoon after a contributor on an Arabic-language online forum posted some stills from the cartoon and spoke of the plot. "The cartoon movie 'Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula' (AQAP) is a very exciting story that tells the facts about who let down the Islamic religion and the Prophet, and how the Arab leaders are agents of the West and other Islamic issues," Quilliam said, quoting the contributor. Quilliam researched and found that many Muslim parents are opposed to such a video, viewing it as an attempt to disrupt families and destroy parental authority.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

**THE WILDFLOWER GARDENS** at the Fenton Community Garden are spectacular. Take a drive by and look. Thanks so much, Marie.

■■■

**WELL MICHIGAN, HOW** do you like that change you voted for?

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**TO THE PEOPLE** who keep attacking teachers and education, be prepared to live in a third-world country where the rich and government control you and all your freedoms. Right now, the foundation of our country (education) is being attacked and no one seems to care.

■■■

**TO THE BIGOT** who made the comment about Muslims and Hispanics multiplying at an alarming rate. Why is it that gay marriage will make your precious Caucasians a minority? I know many straight, married couples who for one reason or another don't have any children. Should their marriage be annulled because they're not having children irresponsibly so the white race will be supreme as you'd like it to be?

Calendar of events

**EVERY MONDAY**

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**SATURDAY, AUG. 6**

The Men's Auxiliary of the Fenton VFW Post 3243 is hosting a Steak Dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 6. Dinner costs \$11 and includes a New York strip steak, baked potato, coleslaw, vegetables, roll and dessert. The VFW Post 3243 is located at 1148 North LeRoy St., Fenton. For additional details, call (810) 629-3700.

**NAMI GENESEE COUNTY MEETINGS**

The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) Genesee County is a support group for persons with mental disorders, their relatives and friends. Meetings are from 7 to 9 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays. New location for meetings is at McLaren Community Medical Center, 1314 South Linden Rd., Flint, at the corner of Linden Road and Court Street. Enter through the Radiology door. There is no charge to attend. Call (810) 232-6498 for details.

**ANTIQUE RIFLE DAY**

Fenton Lakes Sportsman's Club is hosting its inaugural Antique Rifle Day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 7. The event is open to the public. Attendees are invited to bring any rifle or muzzleloader, pre-Vietnam era. This is a non-M-16 and non-AR-15 event. Guests are to bring their own firearm, ammunition, and eye and ear protection. Cost is \$10 per person for first gun (non-members), \$5 per person for first gun (members) and \$5 per each additional gun. There is a maximum of three guns per person and 20 rounds per gun maximum. Time to shoot is based on the number of shooters. All ammunition will be inspected before shooting. Targets will be provided. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. The sportsman's club is located at 1140 Butcher Rd., Fenton. For details, call (810) 470-6281.

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**A:** Victor, This happens quite often and is usually caused by the tires being worn differently from front to back. When you rotate them the noise will generally go away after some driving, but if the wear pattern is excessive it may not go away and might indicate that you need a front end alignment.

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By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

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## Local girls roller skating at national competition

►Event is taking place through Aug. 7 in Indiana

By Sally Rummel

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Several local roller skaters are competing at the U.S. National Figure Roller Skating Championships in Fort Wayne, Ind., following their wins at the Great Lakes Region event last month at Rollhaven in Grand Blanc.

This national event is taking place July 24 through Aug. 7 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne.

Taking second place in regionals, and now skating at nationals, are these members of the Roller Jets, a junior precision team: Kaylee Brogan and Maya Wynam of Linden; Leslie Hunter, Alexandra Kubasta and Gracie Wheeler of Fenton; Jadyn Noll of Holly; Cailyn Evans of South Lyon, Kayla Head of New Hudson, Natasha Kregoski and Emily Ochodnicki, both of Brighton.

Noll and Wynam represent the Rollhaven Figure Skating Club in Grand Blanc, while the other girls represent the Rollerama Figure Skating Club in Brighton.

Brogan earned regional second place in the Juvenile/Elementary C Freestyle and fifth place in the Juvenile/Elementary B Freestyle.

There are three levels in competitive



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Jadyn Noll, of Holly, competed last month in the Great Lakes regionals at Rollhaven, in Grand Blanc.

roller figure skating: A, B and C, with A being the most difficult, according to local skating coach Jamie Noll of One Skate Ahead, in Holly. Freestyle is the jumps and spins that ice skaters perform on TV.

According to Noll, these young skaters practice four or more days training in the rink for a couple of hours or more each day. They also participate in off-skate training, including flexibility, jumping, dance, etc.

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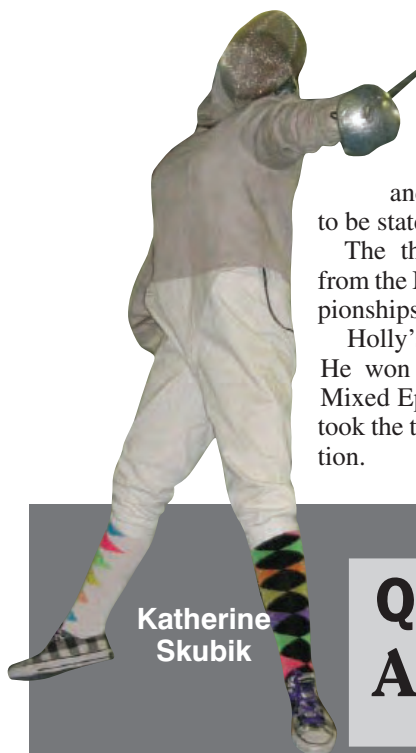
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Katherine Skubik

# Area youth enjoy success at fencing tourneys

By David Troppens

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Ben Skubik, Katherine Skubik and Riley Ayar know what it feels like to be state champions.

The three tri-county fencers came home from the Michigan 2011 Youth Fencing Championships with a combined four titles recently.

Holly's Ben Skubik came home with two. He won the Y12 Mixed Foil and the Y12 Mixed Epee titles, while his sister, Katherine, took the title in the Y14 Mixed Saber competition.

Meanwhile, Ayar, a Lake Fenton freshman, won the Y14 Mixed Epee event, and came close to making it two titles, taking second in the Y14 Mixed Foil competition.

All three were pleased with their performances. "I was pretty happy taking first," said Riley Ayar, 15. "I also took second (in epee) at the Meijer State Games of Michigan, and third in foil in that tournament."

"I thought I did pretty well because I beat (Al-exa) Prasher and sometimes when we compete it goes to me or goes the other way, so I did pretty good," Ben Skubik said. "Nobody challenged me

for the state title (in Y12 Epee) so I got that. I'm kind of surprised that nobody did."

"I've been working on sabre for awhile," Katherine Skubik said. "I've definitely improved a lot."

There are three types of weapons for competing — the foil, sabre and the epee. Each has its own competition for a state title, and fencers can be rated for competition using each weapon. For example, Ayar has a B rating with the epee, one step lower than the highest grade, an A. Katherine Skubik has an E rating in the foil. In competitions, though, unrated competitors can end up competing

See **FENCING** on 20B

## SPORTS TRIVIA

**Q** How many consecutive Tour de France titles did Lance Armstrong win?

**A** Starting with 1999, Lance Armstrong won seven straight Tour de France championships.

## Times sports

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# Ridal returns to top of track team

►Holly junior turns from sprinter to middle-distance, becomes Tri-County Female Track Performer of the Year for second time in her career

By David Troppens

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Mariah Ridal has made a serious transition since her freshman year.

Once a sprinter, she was among the elite in the Flint area, earning Tri-County Female Track Performer of the Year during her freshman season. But now, two years later she's found herself making a change, evolving into one of the strongest middle distance runners in the area.

And while she's still adjusting to the new events, it hasn't kept her from flourishing. In fact, she's once again our Tri-County Female Track Performer of the Year for her performances during the 2011 season.

Ridal says the transformation became necessary after she started running cross country.

"I think running cross may have slowed me down (in sprint events)," Ridal said. "I still have speed, but not good enough for the upper level competitors. I loved being a sprinter, but I feel I'll do better with the middle distances. I'm training for cross country right now, and I'm hoping to get better and run middle distances in college. It's definitely a lot tougher."

"She went into cross country to stay in shape, and what you see sometimes is when you take a sprinter like Mariah, who had great speed, you lose a bit of that pop. You kind of lose that explosion," Holly track coach Rob Basydlo said. "But she has the endurance and

the footspeed, so we decided to move her up. At first, she had a hard time with it, but little-by-little she's excelled at it and it's going great."

Ridal certainly is doing that. Already a spot 400 runner even during her freshman season, she went to the state meet in that event this year, posting a 17th-place time of 58.6 seconds. She ran a time of 59.76 seconds at the state meet in the 400 her sophomore year.

She's also running the 800 these days as well, and getting reasonably good at it. She ran it during a rainy day at the Metro League Meet, and posted a time of 2:34.5. That was good enough for second, only getting beat by a teammate, fellow middle distance runner Melissa Bott (2:30.2).

Ridal also found a spot on two of our relay teams. She teamed with Bott, Abby Lewandowski and Rachel Derocher to post a time of 9:36.3 in the 3,200 relay, good enough for a third-place finish. She also ran with Paige McElroy, Tatum Harmon and Bott for the area's best time in the 1,600 relay with a mark of 4:01.5. So apparently, the adjustment pe-

## Rest of the team

The rest of the Tri-County Girls Track and Field Team can be found on page 20B.

riod hasn't been too tough. But it still took some time.

"It was really tough at first," Ridal said. "It took me awhile to learn how to run the race (the 800). I wanted to sprint or pace it — it was just a hard run to learn. I still have a hard time, but I've been working really hard and trying to cut down on my times."

"During the season I was not happy with my 800 time, but toward state I cut it down to 2:26 and 2:24. I know I have the potential to be a lot better than that. I just have to work harder and believe in myself."

"She's very positive, coachable and talented," Basydlo said. "We made her an 800 girl and she's doing really well. It took her a bit to embrace it, but once she does, she'll be fine. Next year I think she's going to go down to sub 2:15s."

Ridal has seen her share of team success as well. The cross country team earned a share of the league title her sophomore year and the track team shared a title her freshman year and flat out dominated the Metro last year. Entering her senior season, both squads will be among the favorites again.

"We were pretty shocked," Ridal

See **RIDAL** on 21B



TRI-COUNTY TIMES  
DAVID TROPPENS

Mariah Ridal became a two-time Tri-County Female Track Performer of the Year winner with her performances last spring in the middle distance events. Two years ago she won the honor primarily for her sprinting work.



# Fenton's Bowles enjoying SeaWorld experience

By David Troppens

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Ryan Bowles has always had a flair when it comes to water skiing.

And now the Fenton resident is getting a chance to show that side of him in front of a larger audience.

A longtime member of the Silver Lake Ski Club, Bowles is spending his first summer as part of SeaWorld San Antonio.

"It's been a dream of mine ever since I

heard about it," said Bowles, 19. "I found out about it through the Silver Lake Ski Club. I thought it would be a great opportunity."

Bowles' position is that of a professional water skier. He does most of his acts barefooted on a large man-made lake located at the theme park. On most days there are three shows, with each show being about 23 minutes long. On Saturdays there are four shows. He came down April 25 after his

spring semester at the University of Michigan-Flint ended, and has been down there, minus a quick vacation back home, ever since. The talented skier was hired without being personally observed.

"I sent in a video of my skiing abilities and filled out a resume," Bowles said. "It's a lot who you know and if they attest to your skills. They saw what I could do through the video and the pictures."

He didn't start immediately. He first had to learn his routines, which include jumping barefoot, pyramids and boat driving.

"It's exactly the same stuff (I did for Silver Lake Ski Club), but at a lot faster pace.

See **BOWLES** on 21B

**Happy Birthday:** To Dallas Mavericks' NBA basketball owner Mark Cuban. He turns 53 today.



FENCING

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against A-rated performers. In fact, at the Meijer games, Ayar lost in the finals against an A-rated fencer in the epee division. His 17-competitor field included three A-rated fencers.

At the Michigan Youth Championships, Ben Skubik, 12, defeated Prasher in the finals of the mixed foil. Skubik also won a couple of fencing titles a year ago as well. Skubik has seen improvement in his game.

“I’ve learned new actions, practiced them and was able to pull the action off at the competition,” Skubik said.

His sister defeated Derek Simmons to earn her mixed sabre title. She also placed sixth in the 16-participant field of the Y14 mixed foil competition. In it, she won three of four round-robin matches and then advanced to the quarterfinals before losing to Prasher.

“I’ve definitely improved a lot,” Katherine Skubik, 14, said. “Last year I earned my rating in foil. That was a huge accomplishment.”

Ayar went 3-1 in pool play during his epee event and then won both of his elimination matches, defeating Kyle Spillane 15-12 in the finals. In mixed foil competition, he cruised to a 5-0 record in pool play, earning the No. 1 seed. He then won three elimination matches before losing a tight match to Zachary Moore.

Ayar’s efforts at the Meijer State Games of Michigan were probably even more impressive than his recent state championship. Competing against competitors of a variety of ages, he placed second in the epee event out of a field of 17. The entire field included fencers with at least an

FENCING TYPES

In fencing there are three different types of weapons used, therefore, three different categories of competitions. They are...

Foil

The foil is a light and flexible one-handed sword designed almost exclusively for thrusting. The target is restricted to the torso, including the front and back.

Epee

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Sabre

The sabre is a cutting weapon. Points can be scored with the edges and side of the blade as well as the point.

E rating. Entering the event, Ayar was D-rated in epee, and the field included eight A or B rated epee performers.

In the mixed foil competition he tied for third, finishing higher than one A performer. He’s competed in many other larger events, including in the North American Cup, which was held in Cobo Hall in March.

“It’s an excellent place to get ratings because so many are rated,” Ayar said about the Meijer event. “It’s an open tournament and you’ll face adults. You’ll see kids and some older people. There was one who was probably in his 60s.”

Ayar trains out of the Fencing Academy of Philadelphia Fenton chapter, sponsored by Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation. It’s run through his uncle. At home, he is coached by his mom, Marion. The Skubiks compete out of the Liberty Lakes Fencing Club, located in Howell.



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Holly residents Katherine Skubik (left) and Ben Skubik are Michigan fencing champions each earning at least a title in the Michigan Youth Fencing Championships.

2011 ALL TRI-COUNTY FEMALE TRACK & FIELD TEAM

Female Track Performer of the Year:

**Mariah Ridal • Holly**

**Comment:** Winner of this award during her freshman season, and darn nearly her sophomore year, she won it again this year by posting the area’s top 400 time (58.6). She placed 17th at the state meet in the 400. She also was a member of the top 3,200 relay team (9:36.2) and the top 1,600 relay team (4:01.5). Her top competition were teammate Melissa Bott and Linden’s Sydney Elmer.

Athlete(s) & their events:

**Mariah Ridal, Melissa Bott, Abby Lewandowski & Rachel Derocher • Holly**

**Comment:** The 3,200 relay squad had the area’s best time of 9:36.2 at regionals.

**Rachel Domagalski • Holly**

**Comment:** The area’s top pole vaulter reached 9-foot-6 this season.

**Brittany Robinson • Fenton**

**Comment:** Robinson had a long jump of 16-feet-10 during the season.

**Paige McElroy, Kailee Harris, Kelly Ray & Tatum Harmon • Holly**

**Comment:** The 800 relay team posted a time of 1:51.1

**Megan Piwowski • Holly**

**Comment:** Piwowski had a jump of 4-foot-11 this spring.

**Paige McElroy, Tatum Harmon Mariah Ridal & Melissa Bott • Holly**

**Comment:** The 1,600 relay team posted a time of 4:01.5.

**Jenna Mitchell • Holly**

**Comment:** Mitchell placed second at regionals with a discus throw of 119-feet-11.

**Elizabeth Hawley • Holly**

**Comment:** Hawley had a shot put throw of 33-feet-3 this spring.

**Alessandra Kozlowski • Fenton**

**Comment:** Kozlowski ran the 100 in 12.6 seconds during the season.

**Meredith Brown, Alessandra Kozlowski, Alyssa Sander & Brittany Robinson • Fenton**

**Comment:** The 400 relay squad posted a time of 52.0 seconds at regionals

**Paige McElroy • Holly**

**Comment:** McElroy finished the 200 in 28.1 seconds this spring.

**Mariah Ridal • Holly**

**Comment:** Ridal took second at regionals with a time of 58.6 seconds in the 400.

**Kristyn Resseguie • Linden**

**Comment:** Resseguie finished the 300 hurdles in 50.24 seconds.

**Marissa Moorhead • Holly**

**Comment:** Moorhead finished the 100 hurdles in 15.8 seconds.

**Melissa Bott • Holly**

**Comment:** Bott took second at regionals with a time of 2:18.2 in the 800.

**Rachel Derocher • Holly**

**Comment:** Derocher ran the 1,600 in 5:35 this spring.

**Sydney Elmer • Linden**

**Comment:** Elmer posted a time of 11:42.03 in the 3,200 this season.

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## BOWLES

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It's a lot more action-packed," Bowles said.

The rehearsal period took three weeks, with there being five rehearsals a day.

"We just practiced the show over and over," Bowles said.

There are 16 men and eight women that work with the show. On an average day, 10 men and four women will work. Each performs for five days, and then during your breaks someone takes over your spot. Bowles said the skiers range from 17 to 34, but most are in their early 20s.

The man-made lake in which the shows are performed has a stadium that can hold up to 6,000 people. On an average day the first show (at about 1 p.m.) is the largest, and usually get smaller as the day continues. That's because it's hot in San Antonio.

"The first show is usually the biggest and pretty packed and then they dwindle off during the day to maybe half the stadium or maybe a quarter filled," Bowles said. "The biggest challenges are dealing with the heat and being able to perform when the crowd is small. You have to be able to give them the same show in the 110-degree heat as you do for the big shows."

Being a rookie, Bowles is the low man on the totem pole, a role he's learned to deal with.

"There is definitely some messing around that happens. There's a lot of hazing the rookies," Bowles said. "The bad thing is not being able to dish it back out. But it's starting to lighten at the end (of the season)."

Bowles' favorite parts of the show are the start and the end. At the start, a volunteer is called and tells the show to start when they say, "Throttle down." That's when the barefoot skier is pulled from the stage onto the water. At the end, he "sits" on the water and then slides from the water right on to the stage.

"The stage is at a 35-degree angle and it's 3 1/2 feet off the water," Bowles said. "You hit the stage and it slows you down. I got a little rugburn the first few times."

Bowles hopes to continue doing the show for at least a few more years while at college.

"I'd like to do it through the next few years while I'm in college," Bowles said. "Go to school in the winter and ski during the summers."



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Fenton resident Ryan Bowles prepares to enter the water for one of his barefoot water skiing shows at SeaWorld San Antonio. He's working at the theme park this summer.

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## RIDAL

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said about the track team's dominance last year. "Coach never told us how good each team is, but to no matter what to run your best. We thought Brandon, Fenton and Linden were our biggest competition, but when you see we beat everyone by 100 points, I was pretty shocked.

"This year we pretty much have the same seven (for the cross country team). We were all underclassmen. We should do pretty well. In track we graduated four girls, so we'll have pretty much the same team as last year. It should be exciting."

Watching Ridal progress as a runner should be exciting as well.

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Virginia Juip - age 86, died July 29, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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Peter Giovannini - age 79, died July 28, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Edwin Thomas Chandler III,

Edwin Thomas Chandler III - age 19, died July 26, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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### Thomas W. Godbey,

Thomas W. Godbey - age 82, died July 26, 2011. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com).



### Sydney Victoria Lynne Camp,

Sydney Victoria Lynne Camp - age 20 days, died July 24, 2011. Share condolences at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com).



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### Eileen Bjorling,

Eileen Bjorling - age 79, died July 25, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### MARCEAU AND VIOLETTE LEGER -

The family of Marceau and Violette Leger held a graveside service on July 23, 2011 to put their parents' ashes to rest. Marceau Leger was born in Charmes, France on February 12, 1921 and died April 29, 2011. He was preceded in death by his wife Violette Leger who was born November 21, 1923 in Holyoke, Massachusetts and died February 15, 2001. Marceau and Violette were married for 40 years and lived most of their married life in Linden, Michigan. A luncheon held at Lucky's in Fenton followed the celebration of life. Mom and Dad...we shall miss you and will always love you. Arrangements were handled by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Stephen Hodges,

Stephen Hodges - age 46, died July 23, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Amy K. Schumacher 1975-2011

Amy K. Schumacher - age 35, recently of Port Huron, for-merly of Fenton, passed away on July 24, 2011. Funeral Mass was



celebrated 11 AM Thursday, July 28, 2011 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton. Fr. David Harvey Celebrant. Burial followed in St. John Cemetery. Visitation was held from 8 AM until the time of Mass Thursday at church. Those desiring may make contributions to the family. Amy was the daughter of Richard and Nancy Schumacher of Fenton. She graduated in 1994 from Powers Catholic High School, attended Western Michigan University, Baker College and graduated from Ross Medical with a degree as a Medical Assistant. Amy is survived by her two sons, Tyler and Dylan; parents, Richard and Nancy; sister, Karen (Toby) Pennington of Milan; brother, Mark of Fenton; sister, Kristin (Rich) Poole of Whitmore Lake; a niece, nephews, many aunts, uncles and cousins. She will be remembered for her outgoing personality and love of family and friends. Tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### John Miller,

John Miller - age 67, died July 22, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Gladys Shemes,

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### Harold Johnson,

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### Hazel Lee,

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### John Moynihan,

John Moynihan - age 48, died July 25, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Daniel Zion 1956-2011

Daniel Zion - age 54, of Pontiac, died July 24, 2011 at his residence. Funeral services were held 2 PM Wednesday, July 27, 2011



at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Burial in United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth. Visitation was held at the funeral home Wednesday from 10 AM until time of service. Surviving are: son, Daniel Dymant of Michigan; mother, Margaret Zion of Fenton; 4 sisters, Linda DeMatteis of Utica, Anna (Robert) Poppe of Howell, Mae Zion and Roz Leeck of Fenton and Kim (Stephen) Deehl of Fenton; brother, Darrell Zion of Detroit; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Amos Zion and 3 brothers, Brian, Gary and Gregory Zion. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Janice Donaldson,

Janice Donaldson - age 75, died July 27, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Benjamin Hartley,

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### Ernest Davis,

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### Kenneth Scheid,

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### Joseph Moore,

Joseph Moore - age 57, died July 23, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Judith Biesman,

Judith Biesman - age 81, died July 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



### Manley Gene Hughes, "Spark"

1950-2011

Manley Gene Hughes, "Spark" - of Waterford and Holly, MI, died July 27, 2011 after a courageous battle with cancer. Born Au-



gust 23, 1950 to Manley and Beverley (France) Hughes of Waterford. Devoted husband of Julie (Walters) and loving father of Scott Hughes, Jason (Katy) Hughes, and Chad Hughes. Brother of Michael Hughes; brother-in-law of Bill (Robin) Walters, the late David (Patti) Walters, Kevin (Gwen) Walters, and Quent (Penny) Walters. He retired in 2002 after almost 32 years with General Motors Truck and Bus. Since retirement he worked in the Marshall Fields Gift Wrap Department of Summit Place and Somerset Mall, Frames n' Art of Waterford, Wojo's Greenhouse of Ortonville, and Toys "R Us of Pontiac. He enjoyed many hobbies including photography and development, gardening (Master Gardener from MSU in 2003), hunting, fishing, sailing, camping, basket weaving, woodworking, renovating, traveling, cooking, and supporting the interests of those he loved. He was preceded in death by his father Manley Hughes and brother-in law David (Patti) Walters. He is survived by his wife and children (mentioned above), and grandchildren, Olivia Hughes, Rachel Hughes, Damien Rowe, and Amanda Rowe. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Kingsley Montgomery School Playground Project to provide a safe place for severely involved students with very special needs. Visitation will be from 2-9 PM Sunday, July 31, 2011 and Funeral Services will be held at 11 AM Monday, August 1, 2011 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com).



### Mildred Gavar,

Mildred Gavar - age 88, died July 26, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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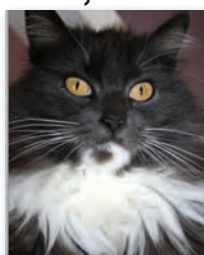


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## paw's corner

### Tips to save money on pet-care costs

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** It seems the cost of pet food has risen, among other things. I have to feed my cat "Barney" a special diet that includes canned food I can only get from my vet. Is there any way I can cut costs on items like this without risking Barney's health?

— May K., San Diego

**DEAR MAY:** There are always ways to find savings in our everyday budgets as well as pet care-related costs. Talk to your veterinarian about the brand of pet food Barney has to eat—is there a comparable product that doesn't cost so much? If you don't get a satisfactory answer, try searching for the pet food by name on the Internet. In addition to the food manufacturer's website where you may find coupons or other places where you can buy it, you may find forums where pet owners share information that could help you save money. Consumer Reports magazine recently published a series of articles on cutting pet-care costs. The report can be found in the August 2011 issue, or online at <http://www.consumer-reports.org/cro/magazine-archive/2011/august/money/pet-costs/overview/index.htm>.

#### Here is a brief summary of its tips:

- If you're buying "premium" pet food, look around for comparable products that cost less, buy in bulk at a "big box" store, or look at store brands.
- Concerned about veterinary costs? Shop around — check with other vets for their service rates.
- The vet is no longer the only source of pet medicines: Walgreens, Giant/Eagle, Kroger and Target either have or are testing pet prescription programs.
- Keep up with preventive care: Schedule an annual checkup and vaccinations at the vet, and perform home health maintenance like feeding a healthy diet, brushing teeth, etc.



## 30 Minute Meals



### Teriyaki Beef and Noodles

#### Ingredients:

- 1 (3 ounce) package ramen noodles (any flavor)
- 12 ounces lean ground beef
- ½ cup chopped onion (medium size)
- 2 (14 ounce) cans beef broth
- ¼ cup teriyaki sauce
- 1 cup thinly sliced carrots
- ¼ cup sliced green onions
- 1 cup snow peas, trimmed and cut in half diagonally
- 1 Tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro

#### Directions:

1. Break ramen noodle block into four pieces, discard seasoning packet. Set noodles aside.
2. In a 3 quart saucepan cook and stir ground beef and onion over medium-high heat until meat is browned and onion is tender. Drain fat.
3. Stir in broth, teriyaki sauce, and carrots. Bring to boiling.
4. Add noodles and green onions. Reduce heat to medium-low; cook for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally to separate noodles.
5. Add snow peas and cilantro; cook and stir for 2 minutes longer or until peas are crisp-tender.
6. Ladle into bowls. Makes 4 servings.

### Canoodling son is a serious buzz kill for dad

**DEAR AMY:** I made an unaccustomed stop at an out-of-the-way restaurant last week for a cold beer on a hot day. While sitting at the bar, I spotted my 45-year-old married son at a nearby table holding hands and being lovey-dovey with a woman who is definitely not his wife. I was shocked and left in haste without his seeing me. I have not shared this with his mom, who has a heart condition and would be quite upset. My son and I are not especially close. I don't know what to do and could use your advice.

— Disturbed Dad and Granddad

Amy Dickinson



Ask Amy

**DEAR DAD:** Contact your son and tell him what you've seen. Tell him you were shocked and ask, "Do you want to talk about this?" The fact that you two aren't close may have some bearing on his reaction to you (he probably won't want to talk), but it shouldn't prevent you from expressing yourself. You should make every effort to temper your reaction, at least at first. The less you put him on the defensive at the outset, the more likely he is to be open with you. Depending on what he says, you can then express your disapproval, and urge him to consider the consequences of his actions.

**DEAR AMY:** My 23-year-old daughter just told us that she has a 56-year-old boyfriend. This man is my age! My husband and I are devastated about her choice for her first boyfriend. Beyond that, he is divorced and has three grown children, who quite possibly are older than our daughter. She attends and works at a university 700 miles from where we live. She lives with her dogs in a rental house in a remote area. In his free time, her boyfriend hunts in the area. Although he is well respected and liked by my daughter's neighbors, we see a red flag in this relationship and can't get over their decision. Can you imagine where she would be in 20 years if she stayed with this person? How do we convince our daughter to reconsider this relationship?

— Concerned Parents

**DEAR CONCERNED:** Your daughter might be very different from you. Her current choice may be a reaction to or repudiation of your lifestyle — or it might be a reflection of her own aspirations. You should be cautious with your reaction to this, mainly because there is little you can do about her choice. Focus on protecting your own relationship with her. If your relationship is healthy and open, then she will be able to talk to you about her life and you will be able to guide, rather than try to convince or control her. Ironically, this man's children may be pressuring their father about this relationship from another perspective — you could assume the extreme age difference would bother them as much as you. You should plan a visit. Spending time with her and seeing where (and how) she lives may put this into perspective. Meeting him would help too. Think about it — you and he could reminisce about your favorite Bay City Rollers song! If that didn't turn your daughter off from dating someone the age of her parents, I don't know what would.

**DEAR AMY:** I know you like to share "second chance" stories. Here's mine: My husband and I split up over the "other woman." The two of them ran off and borrowed a car from a friend. What they did not know was that the car had been used to steal parking meters. The police spotted the car and the two of them were arrested. I got a call from my husband in jail and bailed him out. When I asked him where I could drop him off, he said, "Home, with you." I asked if he was sure and he told me he was positive. The kids who had burgled the meters confessed and all charges were dropped. That was 40 years ago, and we are still together. Was that my second chance or his?

— Second Chance Survivor in NOLA

**DEAR SURVIVOR:** It sounds to me like that bail money was a good investment!

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

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**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** My mother is 92 and lives by herself. She's quite independent and does well. A neighbor takes her grocery shopping, and we take her to other places she has to go. She is extremely set in her ways. I offered to have her home air-conditioned. She won't hear of it. She says she's used a fan all her life, and she likes to keep the windows open. I worry about someone her age tolerating heat, and it gets very hot here. Can you provide some arguments that would change her mind? — D.A.

**ANSWER:** Your offer to air-condition your mother's home is a kind gesture and has lots of merit. I'm not about to challenge your mother. She has successfully lived a long life, and I could learn from her. People in the past lived comfortably without air conditioning. Your mother does have to be on guard for dehydration and heat sickness. Older people's sense of thirst is not as reliable an indicator of fluid needs as is younger people's thirst sense. She should sip water all day long. Evaporation is the chief means the body has for staying cool. Not only is an older person's thirst sensation blunted, but so is the ability to sweat. Evaporation of sweat cools the body. I don't mean visible sweat; the sweating I mean is imperceptible but constant. Her fan helps evaporate that imperceptible sweat. However, with a reduced capacity to sweat, older people are at greater risk of suffering from a heat injury. Increased body heat increases the body's need for oxygen, and that stresses the heart.

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** I have a problem that I am reluctant to talk to the doctor about. It's a rectal itch. I have tried many preparations, but they haven't worked. What would you suggest? — L.F.

**ANSWER:** I'll mention a few self-remedies, but if the itch doesn't leave promptly, see a doctor. Too many conditions are responsible for such an itch, and each one has a different treatment. Psoriasis, pinworms, eczema and Bowen's disease are a few of the conditions causing a rectal itch. The doctor isn't going to faint when you mention this problem. It's a very common complaint. Make a couple of diet changes. Stop taking anything that has caffeine. The same goes for citrus fruits, tomatoes and chocolate. If these are the culprits, two weeks away from them should break the itch. Use moist cotton balls in place of toilet paper. Or you can use commercial products like Tucks. Take an antihistamine before going to bed. Itching usually worsens at night.





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