Rain may have been factor in highway crash

By Sharon Stone

A 31-year-old Romulus man was transported to the hospital with serious injuries after being in an automobile crash in Tyrone Township Monday afternoon.

Fenton Fire Chief Robert Caudill said the fire department responded to the 911 call just before 2 p.m. on Monday. A white Saturn passenger car, driven by the Romulus man was northbound on U.S. 23. Just north of Center Road, the car veered from the roadway and proceeded to roll over several times before landing on Runyan Lake Road, just east of the highway. It was raining at the time and the car might have hydroplaned.

The driver, and his wife who was a passenger, were wearing seatbelts. She was not injured. There were no other vehicles involved.

The driver sustained head injuries and was transported by Livingston County Ambulance to Hurley Medical Center in Flint.

Rollover accident sends driver to hospital

By Sharon Stone

A 26-year-old Tyrone Township man was shot in the neck Saturday evening, while out in a field near North Holly and Elliott roads in Holly Township.

According to the Michigan State Police Groveland Post, the shooting was reported at 5:30 p.m. Trooper Trevor Radke said a 911 call came in reporting that someone had been shot, while out in the middle of a field.

Radke said four people were in the field when an altercation between a 46-year-old Rose Township man and the Tyrone Township man happened. The man was shot in the neck and transported to Hurley Medical Center in Flint.

Tyrone Township man in stable condition after being shot in neck

By Sharon Stone

A 46-year-old Rose Township man reportedly shot a 26-year-old Tyrone Township man in Holly Township on Saturday. The suspect was questioned and released by the Michigan State Police Groveland Post, and the victim is hospitalized in stable condition.

Fenton Township board to select new trustee on Oct. 3

By William Axford

Fenton Township Trustee Ken Hill resigned from the Fenton Township board on Aug. 29. The board is accepting applications for the position until this Friday.

Hill said that he enjoyed being a part of the board but could no longer stay on due to his family schedule.

“Both of my kids are in sports, and I’m not missing it,” Hill said.

Residents interested in the position of trustee for Fenton Township can submit their resumes to 12060 Mantawauka Dr., Fenton, MI by 3 p.m. this Friday.

Summary

Ken Hill

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BUSINESSES IN FENTON

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— Alexia

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“Great article about a wonderful family whose members enjoy living and giving. Thank you.”

— Carolyn

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“The downtowns of Linden, Fenton and Holly, while not perfect, are constantly evolving into better shops, restaurants and retail stores. Let’s all shop local and keep this wonderful trend going.”

“My comment is that I am always so proud to see nearly all area drivers pull to the side of the road the instant they see or hear an emergency vehicle approaching. This is not the case in most of the big cities.”

“My family moved to Fenton more than 25 years ago and have never regretted it for a minute. It has been a great place to raise my children with great schools, friendly people and a safe environment.”

See positive Hot lines throughout this issue of the Tri-County Times.

Police urge caution after rash of break-ins

Summary

Security professionals and police share tips on securing your home and automobile.

By Tim Jagielo

If you’ve been reading the newspaper, the pages have been peppered with reports of theft, and in some rare cases, strong arm robbery. Most of the thefts involve vehicles being unlocked with valuables inside.

Local authorities have shared several news releases and even informative meetings and presentations to help with the issue.

Linden police chief Scott Sutter isn’t surprised when larcenies pop up. “They’re going to happen,” he said.

See SAFE on 15

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Can you shoot a gun in your backyard?

Fenton, Linden have bans on discharging guns inside city limits

By William Axford
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The end of summer is a gun owner’s delight. Hunting season is just around the corner and hunters are gearing up for months of tracking and shooting.

Hunting season or not, owners should be reminded that firing guns is banned within Fenton City limits.

“You’re not allowed to discharge a weapon or hunt with a firearm in the city,” said Fenton police Chief Rick Aro. “The penalty for discharging a gun within city limits is 90 days in jail and/or a $500 fine.”

Aro said the city of Fenton does not experience many complaints about gunshots and that some residents mistakenly take fireworks and other loud sounds for discharged bullets. “Everyone seems to think that they’re an expert when it comes to identifying gunshots.”

Linden also has a ban on discharging weapons within city limits. In Fenton Township, however, guns are not banned township-wide, due to the numerous lake-by-lake ordinances and the popularity of hunting in the area. Township Clerk Robert Krug said Fenton Township does not allow guns to be fired near homes of any kind.

See GUN on 14

Head Lice Advice

Back to school often means infected kids

Area children just heading back to school may be telling head lice with them. As anyone who’s had an infected child knows, this involves both treating the lice on the child and doing some cleaning at home.

Anyone can get lice regardless of age, income, race or ethnicity, but most cases occur in children, according to the Genesee County Health Department (GCHD) website. The lice are passed from person to person, usually by close contact. They are usually found in hair, most often on the back of the neck and behind the ears, according to Web MD.

Each week, schools report the number of children with head lice to their local health department. It’s important for parents and caregivers to know what to look for, and what to do when children have lice, according to GCHD. Most schools require a child to be lice-free before he or she can return to class.

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President Obama's folly

“If you live long enough, you'll make mistakes. But if you learn from them, you'll be a better person.” — Bill Clinton

Nearly every time President Obama delivers a speech about the economy or jobs, something bad happens. His speech to Congress last Thursday night is the latest example. The next day, the Dow Jones plunged 303 points.

That, in itself, is indicative of the naivete that dominates the president’s approval numbers continue to fall because the public is slowly getting it. In 2009, the president promised his stimulus policies would create 3 to 4 million new jobs by the end of 2010. They haven’t come close. In fact, jobs were lost.

President Obama is like a lost man who refuses to ask for directions. That’s because he has never worked in the real world with people who create real jobs. His billion dollar schemes would be more appropriate to a first-year economics student than a president. He speaks mostly of redistributing wealth, not creating wealth. He wants us to hate the wealth creators, rather than follow their example. That does nothing but sow social discontent.

The biggest contributor to economic uncertainty is Obamacare. Businesses don’t know what their costs will be and so some are either getting waivers (if they are politically friendly to the administration) or ending private insurance for their employees.

There was a time in America not too long ago when people mostly looked out for themselves and their relatives. Parents cared for their children when they were little and the children returned the favor when their parents got old. Now we dump the kids in day care and they return the favor by dumping their elderly parents in nursing homes. If we want government to become smaller, we are going to have to expect less from it and more from ourselves. President Obama understands none of this because he has largely aided him throughout his life and unremarkable pre-presidential career. He has great form, but little substance, except his failed ideology.

The tragedy is that he has learned nothing from his many failures.

I THINK PRESIDENT Obama is doing a great job under trying circumstances, and I will be proud to vote for him again.

ON SATURDAY MORNING, a young man gave my grandson a sheet of tickets for carnival rides at the Applefest. Thanks to him, my three grandchildren enjoyed a fun-filled afternoon. I want to thank him again for his kindness.

OUR PRESIDENT DESERVES respect. He is trying very hard to help this country bounce back. Please, give him a break and a chance. Don’t keep yelling at him. It’s a peaceful day.

JUST WANT TO give a big thank you out to all our local farmers. The produce they had this year was just great.

A LITTLE WISDOM from Henry Ford, “Whether you think you can or think you can’t, you are right.”

SHARON AND I would like to thank Leonard and his wife, Pat, for the stuffed cabbage dinner that they dropped off at our store. I took it home that night and enjoyed the delicious meal. Thank you.

IT WAS NICE to see the new owner of that old building in Linden sprucing it up over the weekend. You guys rock and the outside paint job looks great.

THERE’S NO STOPPING Lake Fenton football this year.

WHAT A START Lake Fenton football. A perfect start in the conference. I don’t think a lot of people expected this, and you are playing great. Let’s beat Beech-

er on Friday and win the conference this year.

I LOVE HOW the Fenton football team has taken The Wounded Warrior Project, embraced it and just run with it. It’s impressive how the team has learned so much about an outstanding program and in the process made the entire Flint area more aware of it. If there’s an ultimate model of what prep sports should be, it’s the Wounded Warrior Project game.

THE LIONS ARE 2-0. The Lions? What a start to the season. For the first time in awhile, I honestly think this team can make the playoffs. Go Lions.

THE DETROIT TIGERS are putting it together at the right time. They have two outstanding starting pitchers and a great offense. I think this team can go all the way this year. Go Tigers.

I GREATLY ADMIRE how the people of the Fenton area pull together in need.

THE COMMUNITY PLAY Day in Holly last Saturday was awesome. I saw plenty of kids and adults having fun playing in Crane Park. It was put on by the Holly Outdoor Recreation Coalition. I read that they are the ones who got the national designation of Holly being named a “Playful City, USA.” Looking forward to more big things from this group of go-getters.

IF YOU HAVEN’T shopped downtown Holly lately, it is worth checking out. Very good clothing boutiques and gift stores. I was pleasantly surprised.

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Compiled by William Arford, Staff Reporter

What’s the most positive thing you can say about your community?

“Just a small and friendly community with a lot of availability for shopping.” — Jane Elsasser, Linden

“The location is convenient because it’s close to Flint and Ann Arbor but tucked away enough to still be a small community.” — Mitch Rheinogens, Fenton

“The support of local athletic school teams is great.” — Crystal Welinski, Swartz Creek

“People are friendly and that’s the number one thing.” — Don Spay, Linden

“There’s a lot of good restaurants and stores for shopping. The people working in the stores are very friendly and helpful.” — Lynne Warfield, Byron

“Cal Thomas is a great columnist! I really look forward to reading him!” — Kathy Leger, Linden

Positive attitude

Today is International Peace Day, a global holiday that promotes peace. In support of that, The Times is printing positive Hot lines only in this edition. So, in my column, I thought I would share some positive comments about our community and life in general.

This isn’t hard for me. It is nice to be an optimistic person and I can usually find something good in just about any situation.

This morning Friday is the first day of fall. It is such a beautiful time of year. I love having an abundance of apple orchards and cider mills to go to in the tri-county area. There’s nothing like fresh-pressed apple cider and a hot, cinnamon and sugar doughnut on a crisp autumn day. I am also looking forward to the fall colors. Michigan is one of the most beautiful states in the country when the leaves of the trees change to shades of rust, brilliant orange and deep reds.

There are so many community-minded citizens in Fenton. Time and time again, that the Fenton community is pulling together to help someone in need.

I am really glad the cost of gasoline is going down. What about you?

I love that we now have a Fenton community orchestra. It is nice to see the cultural side of the community continuing to grow. Speaking of that, when have you last seen a performance by the Fenton Village Players? What a talented and dedicated group they are.

Our community offers a variety of places and venues to help get in shape, including beautiful areas to walk and hike. Getting in shape has been a very positive aspect of my life.

I also feel very blessed that I have a job as the editor, here at the Times. The staff is great, and most of all, I have a job doing what I love to do.

The most positive thing in my life, however, is my family and friends. I have three wonderful adult children and four grandchildren. They are what brings me the most joy: I have good friends that I can count on. It just doesn’t get any better than that.

Have a great week.
Lake Fenton schools administrators to receive less than 1 percent pay raise

- Group agrees to contribute 10 percent of health care premiums

By Sharon Stone
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Lake Fenton — The Lake Fenton Board of Education approved three-year contracts with the district’s administrators. Superintendent Wayne Wright said the administrative contracts resulted in a pay increase of $66,777.

Wright said salaries next year for the administrators would be based on the rate the teachers’ union agrees to.

Administrative salaries
• Tony Simmons, the high school principal and athletic director, will have a salary of $86,279.
• Dan Ferguson, the principal at Lake Fenton Middle School, will have a salary of $89,335.
• Kathleen Conover, the principal at Torrey Hill Intermediate School, will have a salary of $86,777.
• Sonya Shaughnessy, the principal at West Shore Elementary School, will have a salary of $83,639

Summary
Four administrators at Lake Fenton schools agreed to a three-year contract, which includes a pay increase of less than 1 percent.

Lake Fenton High School Principal Todd Reynolds was hired in May with a two-year contract for $96,000 annually. His contract did not change.
MAN JAILED FOR BURGLARY

A 52-year-old Fenton Township man was jailed on suspicion of breaking into a home on Cole Road in Argentine Township, on Sunday, Sept. 18. According to Argentine Township police, an officer was sent to a home in the 14000 block of Cole Road to investigate a possible breaking and entering in progress. The caller said a white male was removing numerous items from the home. The responding officer noticed a white male attempting to secure items in the bed of a burgundy 1999 Ford Ranger pickup truck, which was parked in the driveway. Initially, the suspect said he had permission from the owner to be on the property. The truck was impounded and taken to the police department’s impound lot. The suspect was booked on burglary, forced entry and transported to the Genesee County Jail. The case remains under investigation.

RAY ROAD BREAK-INS STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION

The Genesee County Sheriff’s Department continues to investigate multiple break-ins reported on Ray Road in Fenton Township on Sept. 9 and 10. The intruder(s) entered homes while the residents were asleep. Under Sheriff Chris Swanson, detectives interviewed a suspect last week, however, that individual had an alibi. The sheriff’s department challenges the community to keep an eye on suspicious people walking in neighborhoods, as well as vehicles that drive slowly past homes and stop so that an occupant can ask for directions or inquire about items for sale on the property. These actions are typical of breaking and entering suspects. Anyone observing suspicious individuals or activity is advised to call 911 immediately. Residents are again reminded to keep all doors and windows locked to prevent would-be thieves from stealing their personal belongings.

SNOWMOBILES AND JET SKIS STOLEN

The Argentine Township Police Department is investigating the theft of three snowmobiles and two jet skis from a resident's property. On Sept. 10, an officer was sent to a 59-year-old man’s home in the 15000 block of Lobdell Road to check on a larceny report. The resident said he parked his snowmobiles and jet skis on property across from his home on Sept. 5. On Sept. 10, Genesee County park rangers contacted him and said they found a 1994 Yamaha snowmobile, registered to him, at the Linden Park. The resident discovered that the other items were also missing. Police have no suspects. If anyone has information about this case, he or she is to call the police department at (810) 735-5317.

WALLET TAKEN FROM UNLOCKED VEHICLE

On Thursday, Sept. 15, Fenton police were sent to a gas station in the 3300 block of Owen Road to investigate a larceny from auto complaint. Lt. Jason Slater said a 52-year-old Fenton Township man reported that he had parked his car, grabbed a couple of dollars from his wallet and entered the store to buy a bottle of pop. When he returned a couple of minutes later, he realized someone had entered his unlocked vehicle and stole his wallet, containing credit cards and identification, from the passenger seat.

FELONY BREAK-INS REPORTED ON PENINSULAR DRIVE

On Sunday, Sept. 18, an Argentine Township police officer was sent to a home in the 8200 block of Peninsular Drive to investigate a breaking and entering complaint. A 50-year-old female complainant said someone entered her home and stole a 40-inch flat-screen TV. A screened sliding door was unlocked. There are no suspects at this time and the case remains under investigation.

MAN ASSAULTED AT PARTY

At 6:13 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 13, Fenton police responded to a home in the 400 block of Elizabeth Street after receiving a 911 hang-up call. A 39-year-old Fenton man had friends over at his apartment for a party and two males, a 30-year-old Fenton Township man and a 23-year-old Holly man, decided to borrow a car to go to the store. The resident believed the men were gone too long and when they returned, he yelled at the men. A fight ensued prior to police officers’ arrival. The resident, who was badly injured, was transported to the hospital. Police learned that the 30-year-old man had outstanding 50-50 warrants and took him into custody pending his arraignment. Police arrested the 23-year-old man for disorderly intoxication after he yells at police officers at the scene while police are seeking new assault charges on the 30-year-old man.

TEEN CAUGHT AS HE CLIMBS OUT WINDOW

A 16-year-old male from the Pontiac area was taken into custody by Fenton police and transferred to the Children’s Village in Oakland County after a caller said a juvenile climbed out a window. Lt. Jason Slater said Fenton police were sent to an apartment off Torrey Road after a caller said a juvenile, believed to be a runaway, had entered the building. A 39-year-old Fenton man had friends over at his apartment for a party and two males, a 30-year-old Fenton Township man and a 23-year-old Holly man, decided to borrow a car to drive to the store. The resident, who was badly injured, was transported to the hospital. Police learned that the 30-year-old man had outstanding 50-50 warrants and took him into custody pending his arraignment. Police arrested the 23-year-old man for disorderly intoxication after he yells at police officers at the scene while police are seeking new assault charges on the 30-year-old man.
Holly celebrates Patriot Week

Week-long event highlights principles of Founding Fathers

By William Axford

Citizens in Holly displayed their patriotism last week by participating in a new, week-long holiday. A parade, various speakers and numerous vendors came out to celebrate Patriot Week, which celebrates the principles of America’s Founding Fathers.

A Saturday morning parade featuring kids waving American flags as if it were the Fourth of July lasted for about 20 minutes on North Saginaw Street. Local politicians drove classic cars and promoted American values. The parade had 48 entries. An entertainment tent and live music rounded out the activities later that evening.

Patriot Week is the creation of Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Michael Warren and his daughter, Leah. The event is recognized by the Michigan Senate and House and has been celebrated in various other locations such as Arizona and Washington D.C. Warren hopes Patriot Week will become an annual, nationwide event.

“The mission of Patriot Week is to renew the spirit of America,” Warren said. “We need to keep freedom alive in our hearts. It’s a reminder to stop the hustle and bustle of everyday life to remember patriotism.”

Warren chose to hold Patriot week in September due to the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11 and the signing of the Constitution on Sept. 17. Holly was selected as the location after township officials volunteered to host the event.

“I tell people I was the inspiration with little perspiration,” Warren said. “The citizens of Holly are patriots and organized the whole thing.”

Each day of Patriot Week celebrates a principal, with Sept. 11 celebrating revolution. Rule of law, equality and unalienable rights are other celebrated principals.

“Grand Blanc Living Historian Society member Dakota Starr attended the event on Saturday, dressed as General Custer during the 1870s. “I think Patriot Week is great because of what the shape of the country is,” Starr said. “We need to keep patriotism up and remember the beginnings of this great nation.”

Patriot Week is currently scheduled for next year on Sept. 11-17.
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A child and two teenagers try their luck at a carnival game at the 39th annual St. John Applefest.

Applefest pleases area families

◆ Pie auction brings in $5,150

By Sharon Stone
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The 39th annual St. John Applefest welcomed families from the tri-county area over the weekend. Crisp autumn temperatures and tons of activities for every member of the family made for a special time.

This year’s car raffle winner, James Vanderlaan, chose the $10,000 cash prize over the vehicles.

One of the other highlights of the Applefest is the pie-baking contest and subsequent auction of the winning pies. Krista Szafrianski purchased the third-place pie, baked by Kathy Wolf for $350. Szafranski purchased the pie for her father, Cal Rapson.

Roger Sharp and family purchased the second-place pie, baked by Glenna Davis, for $2,300.

Michael LaJoyce and his wife, Ashleigh, bought the first-place pie, baked by Pam Wagner, for $2,500.

Overall winners of the 10K Run were Jayson Doggett and Lisa Veneziano.

Overall winners of the 5K Run were Amber Pearsall and Thomas Preiss.

Overall winners of the 5K Walk were David Pieper Susan Mora-Fassett.

Chuck McDonald, co-chair of the pie contest, said the weather was exceptional and attendance seemed to be very high, although exact numbers are not yet known.

Local residents enjoy a variety of carnival rides, including Tilt-a-Whirl, the Gravitron and a mini roller coaster ride.

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Residents speak out against lake treatment

**Pine Lake to be treated, Loom Lake postponed**

By William Axford

Fenton Twp.—The Fenton Township Board of Trustees’ unanimous decision to remove the contract for weed treatment in Pine Lake brought some outcry from citizens.

The board voted to postpone the treatment of Loom Lake until the next board meeting due to a citizen’s concern on the assessment. Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control of Swartz Creek will treat Pine Lake for the next five years. Loom Lake will be treated for the next three years if the board approves treatment at their next meeting.

More than 100 residents have been assessed for the five-year treatment of Pine Lake. Residents will pay $138.30 for 2011, and then $76 every following year until 2015 when the contract expires. For the treatment of Loom Lake, more than 100 residents will pay $257.75 in 2011, and then $254.17 for both 2012 and 2013 if the board votes to have the treatment.

Not every resident believes the treatment is necessary. “It scares me that the board will change the environment of the lake,” said resident Jackie Hogan.

She also cited economic hardship as part of her opposition toward the lake treatment. “I lost $80,000 in value this year. I don’t want to be assessed for this.”

Resident Michael Hoedeman asked the board why he was being assessed for the treatment of Loom Lake when he does not have access to the lake. Hoedeman said the Department of Environmental Quality has posted signs prohibiting the use of Loom Lake near his home because the area is a wetland conservation marsh. The board said that they would investigate the matter further and postponed voting on the Loom Lake treatment until their next board meeting.

“It’s pretty upsetting that I’m getting assessed when I don’t get any of the benefits.”

Michael Hoedeman
Neat Court resident
Fenton Township

**Summary**

The Fenton Township Board of Trustees unanimously voted to renew the contract pertaining to the treatment of Pine Lake. Voting for the contract of treating Loom Lake has been postponed until the next meeting.

**Hoedeman**

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**WHAT A GREAT farmer’s market we have been enjoying in Fenton this year. Our family has been able to supplement our menu with all kinds of different produce that won’t fit in our small, backyard garden. Thanks to all the farmers and organizers who make the market possible. We are looking forward to the vegetables in the last few remaining weeks.***

**WE WENT to the season premier of the Fenton Film Series last week at the community center. Although the topic of the film was less than positive, I enjoyed it and feel more informed on the historical changes and impact of the documentary.***

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Charity garage sale

The Angel Haven Foundation held an annual donation-based yard sale, which brought in over 50 items. The proceeds help impoverished Appalachian families with food, clothing and medical supplies. Here, (from left) Dora Ridgway, of Rose Township, Melvira Labre, of Ontario, and Marilyn Faren, of Rose Township, search through the hundreds of clothing items available on Thursday.

**HOT LINE CONTINUED**

**GOOD JOB TO our local sports teams for a great start to the fall season.***

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A legislative proposal to change the No Fault Act

Michigan is one of 12 states that have a type of Automobile No Fault Insurance Act. Under Michigan’s law if an insured driver has an accident, they must look to their own insurance company for coverage of the loss no matter who was at fault. There are exceptions to this rule, which I won’t detail here. Perhaps the most unique feature of Michigan’s law is a provision that allows unlimited lifetime personal injury protection benefits for medical expenses, which are paid by the insurance company, or for claims exceeding $500,000, the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association. Currently Michigan is the only state in the land to have such a provision.

Recently, bills have been introduced in the State Senate and House to amend the No Fault Act to change this. The Senate bills allow the PIP coverage to be as low as $50,000 while the House bill allows the lowest limit to be $250,000.

The bills would allow motorists a choice of plans to purchase, with higher caps as an option. The House bill also excludes motorcyclists who are not wearing a helmet and are injured from receiving personal injury protection benefits.

According to a chart from the Insurance Institute of Michigan accompanying an article about this topic in this week’s Michigan Lawyers Weekly, Utah allows automobile PIP coverage to be as low as $3,000 with 10 other states having similarly lower options.

Understandably, there are arguments being made on the pros and cons of a change in the law, including the prospect of lower insurance rates versus the prospect of a seriously injured person not being able to pay all of their medical bills.

The bills are House Bill 4936 and Senate Bills 293 and 294. If there is an amendment to the law, I will write a follow up article to explain them.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

MY FAMILY AND I enjoyed watching the Patriot Festival parade last Saturday in Holly. There were quite a few entries and you could tell that the groups worked hard on their floats. It was really well done. Best parade I’ve seen in a long time. Nice job to those who organized it.

HATS OFF TO the woman who helped me at the Wal-Mart wireless counter. She was so customer-oriented, pleasant, calm, and very well informed of the product. She took so much time with me and answered all my questions. She then informed me she is leaving the company and going on to another career. What an asset she is, and will be, to any company.

I KNOW THAT I am blessed and loved by people in this community. Peace.

WE LOVE THE Fenton Farmer’s Market. It gets bigger and better every year. We’ll miss it when this season ends.

HOLLY FOOTBALL, YOU are the best. A lot of teams would crumble after a 0-2 start. Instead, you showed Bronco fans what you are made of and beat Linden and Fenton in back-to-back weeks. I can feel it. We’re headed to the playoffs again this year.

THANK YOU TO the city of Fenton for fixing our local roads. Thank you to our local community for offering some great summer events.

I WOULD LIKE to give a big ‘great job’ to the design department of the Tri-County Times. The paper has never looked so good.

BE MORE CONCERNED with what God thinks about you than what people think about you.

‘GIVE INSTANT HELP’ to those nearest and in need. Show them how to help themselves. Afterward, let them help others.’

KUDOS TO THE Fenton, Linden and Holly communities for offering us so many great events to bring our families to. There is no need to head off to the bigger cities when there is so much to do right around us.

HOLLY SCHOOLS, IN my opinion, has the best teaching and administrative staff in the state. I am so proud of our school system, as everyone in Holly should be.

GLAD TO SEE this positive Hot Lines only’ initiative. Understandably, most Hot line submissions are concerning things that are wrong, not right. That is just human nature. If, for one, will try to be more positive in future Hot line submissions, not just this week.

FENTON HAS a lot of churches, more than the population should be able to support. Yet each Sunday, they are full with hundreds of families. This speaks very well of our communities.

I LOVE READING in the Hot lines about the many, many instances of area citizens returning lost wallets or purses, fully intact with all their money and credit cards.

AS A FAMILY who moved here less than a year ago, I want to compliment the residents of Fenton for having one of the best newspapers I have ever read. Week after week, the Tri-County Times amazes me with its timely and interesting stories about this area. We are all very fortunate to have such a vibrant community newspaper.

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scapel. Head lice do not hop, jump, fly or swim. They move about by grasping onto a hair with lobster-like claws on the end of their appendages. Head lice live close to the scalp where the temperature is to their liking and their food (human blood) is readily available. Lice are sensitive to heat and light.

The most common sign of head lice is itching. Web MD said. One might also see the insect and/or its eggs, or “nits.”

Adult head lice are large enough to be seen with the naked eye. Nits are the size of a grain of sand and a whitish/opal color. They are attached to the hair shaft near the scalp.

Nits are not contagious and do not fall or come off the hair shaft voluntarily. They can be removed with fingernails or a fine-toothed comb, said a spokesperson for GCHD. Combs meant to remove fleas from pets are less expensive than those designed for head lice in humans.

A pharmacist, doctor, health department or school nurse can advise parents on products to use in treating head lice on the child. All products used on the child should be labeled for human use.

Neither lice nor nits can survive when the temperature is far from the normal temperature of the scalp. It is important to wash clothing and bedding in hot water to rid them of lice and nits, Web MD instructs.

Unlike fleas, which are about the same size, lice do not live in carpets or vacuum cleaners.

How to prevent head lice

• Ask children not to share hats, combs, and other items.
• Frequently examine the scalps of school-age children. It may help you discover and treat lice before they spread to the rest of the family.
• Avoiding prolonged close contact with a person who has lice will also reduce your risk.

Source: Web MD
BRIDESMAIDS
Kristen Wiig plays 30-something Annie, the girl-next-door whose life has devolved into a total mess. Her bakery — in which she sank her life’s savings — has gone under. She’s working at a thankless job and she’s being used by a smarmy playboy (Jon Hamm in a scene-stealing performance), and she’s sharing an apartment with a weird brother/sister duo from Down Under. When her lifetime best friend (Maya Rudolph) gets engaged and asks her to be the maid of honor, things really spiral out of control. Annie botches the wedding plans, alienates the other bridesmaids (Rose Byrne, Melissa McCarthy, Wendi McLendon-Covey and Ellie Kemper), and generally wreaks havoc on everyone — and everything — around her.

DUMBO 70TH ANNIVERSARY
Disney is re-releasing its classic animated films on Blu-ray. The Disney studio techs usually take their time in restoring these cherished heirlooms and, according to the folks at Disney, this job was especially arduous: The restoration team turned to the U.S. Library of Congress, who stored the original 70-year-old nitrate camera negative in their film vaults, and for reference, to an original 1941 ‘release’ print, held by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. Using this rare nitrate ‘dye-transfer’ Technicolor print for color reference, the team was able to restore ‘Dumbo’ to the color settings most likely approved by Walt Disney himself, which will be seen in their full splendor for the first time in 70 years on the Blu-ray debut.”

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My husband, 78 years old, fell off a ladder, and his head struck the sidewalk. I insisted he go to the emergency room, although he put up a fight. In the ER, the examining doctor gave him a very complete examination. He ordered a CT scan of his brain. The doctor found nothing wrong, and the scan was said to be normal. They sent us home. This week we got a report of the scan. It says my husband has brain atrophy. I had to look up the meaning of atrophy. My husband was never an Einstein, but what is the significance of brain atrophy? He carries on a reasonable conversation, and he reads the paper carefully. Need we be concerned? I’m upset. He isn’t. -- W.Y.

ANSWER: Atrophy means shrinkage. If everyone your husband’s age had a brain scan, most of their reports would say brain atrophy. It’s something that happens with age. It doesn’t imply any serious trouble. It shouldn’t scare you or him.

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Jack Willing, a resident of Fenton Township, experiences a rain of steel every duck season. The Tupper Lake resident said shotgun pellets hit him every fall due to the influx of duck hunters near his neighborhood during duck season.

“I’ve been out in my yard mowing and got sprayed with pellets before,” Willing said. “During hunting season, I don’t let my grandkids play outside.”

Willing, a sportsman and hunter, has filed complaints to Fenton Township and was assured that police will notify hunters of their close proximity in the upcoming hunting season.

Willing said that the ducks on Tupper Lake are docile and domesticated, hardly offering a challenge to the hunters. He would like to see hunting banned near his home. “It’s like shooting ducks in a rain barrel. There’s a six duck limit but I think the hunters are multiplying that by five,” Willing said. “It sounds like a war out here during duck season.”

Linden Sportsmen’s Club member Stewart Grove doesn’t recommend hunters and residents shooting guns in their backyards, especially in residential areas or neighborhoods. “I got some acreage and so do my neighbors, but I still won’t shoot in my backyard. That bullet can go a long way before it hits the ground,” said Grove, a Tyrone Township resident. “The most dangerous situation is people using a gun and not knowing how to treat it safely.”

Grove said that both the Linden Sportsmen’s Club and the Fenton Lakes Sportsmen’s Club have facilities that are safe and legal for people of all ages. Each club location has multiple ranges and teaches gun safety. The sportsman clubs also offer citing to nonclub members at the beginning of every hunting season for safety reasons.

“We do it because this is our sport. It’s what we like to do,” Grove said. “This gives everyone a chance to make sure they’re doing it properly.”

**Michigan gun law**

- **Gun buyers must** be 18 years old or older, a U.S. citizen, and a resident of Michigan and have no felony convictions. The buyer also must be clear of any history of insanity and pass a basic safety questionnaire.
- **Registration with local authorities** is required for all handguns. Rifles and shotguns do not need to be registered.
- **It is against the law** to carry a concealed handgun without a license.
- **Concealed weapons** are banned from schools, courts, churches, hospitals, sports arenas, casinos and anywhere alcohol is served.
- **When transporting a gun**, it must be broken down, enclosed in a case, stored in the trunk of the vehicle or inaccessible from inside of the vehicle.
SAFE
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Sutter offered a few tips to help keep your home and automobile safe and secure. “By doing some of these things, it can definitely reduce your chances of being a victim,” he said.

Much of his advice is common sense, such as not leaving your doors unlocked. “And don’t leave your valuables in your car even if your doors are locked,” said Sutter. If someone walking down the street sees a laptop, expensive phones or electronics, they may break into your car, he added.

At home or in your car, if you can afford an audible alarm system, Sutter suggests getting a system installed. “But they’re expensive. If you can afford that, I’d recommend it.”

In lieu of an alarm system at home, good lighting and deadbolts go a long way. Deadbolts will make your home more difficult to break into. If you have a porch light or outdoor lighting, leave it on at night. Criminals obviously do more damage at night. “They want to go unnoticed,” Sutter said. “As long as you have some good deadbolts and good lighting, it should deter people.”

Windows should also stay closed when no one is home. Before an extended leave, Sutter recommends letting local police know. In some cities, police will make regular checks of your home while you are away. Also, let friendly neighbors know when you are leaving, and what cars are supposed to be in the driveway. Sutter said it is very common to have friends take care of pets while they are away, and neighbors should be made aware of that.

Matt Tinker, of Covet Security in Fenton, concurs with Sutter regarding home alarm systems. He installs alarm systems throughout the tri-county area and beyond. To him, a home alarm system is essential.

“It’s a deterrent,” he said. When the alarm sounds, police are dispatched to the home immediately. “That’s what you want. The perpetrator will split when the alarm goes.”

Tinker installs systems in a variety of homes, from one-story ranch houses to multi-million dollar estates. He said it’s a personal choice, not necessarily based on the value of the home.

According to Tinker, the most effective security system is one that is properly designed, and is represented at all entries of the home.

“Any point of access leading into the house needs to be covered,” he said.

Every home is different, and the price of the system will depend on volume, and what kind of windows and doors you have. Some systems even have interior sensors that detect movement. Insurance never pays for security systems, but having a system may lower your insurance premiums, he said.

Tinker believes security systems are an investment to make — before a robbery happens. The number of installs goes up as the economy goes bad, he said, though overall crime is slowly dropping.

Aside from a home security system, Tinker said that professional burglars stake out homes, and learn a potential target’s routine. “Don’t have a standard routine,” he said. If someone is scooping out your home and they see you leave at the same time everyday, they’ll know when you are not home. Leave different lights on or different times by using timers. Change the time schedule to avoid showing any kind of routine.

Tinker also suggests keeping all windows and entry points clear and visible. “Don’t leave a hiding place for someone to break in unseen,” he said. Tinker also believes that leaving outside lights on at night is a deterrent.
Right now, all four tri-county teams have legitimate shots at making the postseason. Lake Fenton and Fenton hold 3-1 marks, while Linden and Holly are at .500 over their records to 2-2 last week. Here’s a quick look at Week #5’s games.

Beecher (3-1) at Lake Fenton (3-1): It’s a battle of two teams that remain undefeated in the GAC Red. Lake Fenton is paced by its ground game, Beecher is an explosive team, scoring at least 26 points in each of its four games. It is paced by running back Jimmie Flemming, who is making a habit out of running for 100-plus yards and a couple of touchdowns during games this season. The Bucs will throw the ball, but only about 10 to 15 times a game. When they do, QB Artaun Burks has been up to the challenge. Lake Fenton’s defense has allowed just 13 points in three conference games, but hasn’t run into a team like Beecher in league play yet.

Brandon (3-1) at Fenton (3-1): This is the week that Brandon proves if it belongs on the list of contenders for the playoffs and the Metro League. Every year it seems someone says, “Watch out for Brandon,” only to watch the squad get stuck in, at best, mediocrity.

Right now, the Blackhawks are 3-1, but the three opponents they earned those wins against have a combined 1-11 record. The only squad of merit the Blackhawks have played is Lapeer West, and the Panthers

Wounded Warrior Project game slated for Friday

Veterans, current servicemen embrace contest’s value, donations

By David Troppens
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When the Fenton varsity football program hosted its first Wounded Warrior Project contest against the Holly Bronchos last year, Rochester Vietnam veteran Dave Aldorfer, 67, was one of Nearly 100 veterans that were honored before, during and after the contest for his military service.

And when he thinks back to that day, one word pops into his mind.

“Proud. I was very proud,” Aldorfer said. “That was probably the best single word I could use to explain the event. There were veterans from World War II, Korea, Iraq and Afghanistan. There were veterans that spanned a number of different engagements.”

There’s no doubt the hundreds of veterans that will be taking part of the game’s festivities or just in attendance at Friday’s second annual Wounded Warrior Project game will get a chance to feel that same pride Aldorfer felt a year ago.

Staff Sgt. Mark Thomas, who actively serves as a recruiter for the army out of Grand Blanc, wasn’t around for last year’s game, but he will be an active member in Friday’s contest against the Brandon Blackhawks at Fenton High School. He’s been to many Fenton practices, scrimmages and games since becoming a part of this year’s group working on the game’s creation.

“When I first heard about the game, I was surprised,” said Thomas, who was injured during his last tour in Afghanistan. “The Wounded Warrior Project itself is making the public aware, and secondly, empowering wounded soldiers. When I moved to Michigan and heard about this game and all the money they wanted to raise for the Wounded Warrior Project, I was nothing short of impressed.”

The game begins at 7 p.m., and there are a lot of festivities planned around the game. Both teams will wear special commemorative jerseys resembling camouflage fatigue. As a part of the fundraising effort, the jerseys were sold for $100 each to individual contributors to sponsor an active soldier or veteran.

During the pregame, the U.S. Marine Corps Color Guard will be there during a special rendition of Amazing Grace before the playing of the National Anthem by the Fenton band. At the conclusion of the National Anthem, a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter will conduct a flyover, circling the field before landing on the baseball field.

At halftime, there will be a check presentation, with veterans for each military campaign represented at the game.

Finally, after the game there will be a special on-field ceremony.

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**Fenton’s Gilbert wins race at Holly invite**

By David Troppens
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At one of the largest cross country meets held in the entire nation, tri-county teams had outstanding representation at the 44th Annual Holly/Duane Ruffin Festival of Races at Springfield Oaks County Park. Fenton’s Matt Gilbert won the Division 2 race with a time of 16:19, leading the Fenton varsity boys cross country team to a fourth-place team finish.

But the Tigers weren’t even the top team in that race. The Linden Eagles had two runners in the top 10 and finished in third place. Holly’s boys placed 14th.

In girls Division 2 action, Holly’s strong pack running allowed the Bronchos to finish fifth, while Linden’s Sydney Elmer’s fifth-place finish (19:51) led the Eagles to an eighth-place team finish. Fenton’s Taylor Thorne (20:04) placed eighth and led the team to a ninth-place performance.

Lake Fenton competed in Division 3 action, with the girls placing 16th. The Lake Fenton boys finished 18th.

The Linden boys were paced by Roger Phillips, who took fifth overall with a time of 16:58. He was followed by Graham Elliott in ninth (17:10), Kirk Bennett in 16th (17:12), and Kyle Susalla in 17th (17:54). Also finishing within the top 50 was Zach LeMieux in 43rd (18:05).

Gilbert won the Division 2 boys race by 28 seconds over the field. Max Kryza took fourth (16:55), while Brady Morton was 13th (17:12). Noah Strayer, 45th (18:06), also placed in the top 50.

Holly’s top male runner was Lake Schwerin, finishing 18th in 17:21. No other Bronchos finished in the top 50.

The Holly girls used their pack running to great potential. Mariah Ridal placed 21st (21:07) followed by Charlotte Ruffin in 23rd (21:19), Jennifer Becker in 29th (21:28), Alex Matvuch in 34th (21:45), Shannon Westfall in 37th (21:52), Carly Schroeder in 39th (22:03) and Abby Brown in 40th (22:13).

Linden finished just 25 points behind in eighth, with all of their top five runners finishing better than 50th place. The other runners were Karrah Varner in 33rd (21:42), Aleighsha Ennsch in 42nd (22:23), Dominque Scripter in 43rd (22:30), and Kalee Corcoran in 46th (22:54).

Fenton’s ninth-place finish included four runners in the top 50. After Thorpe, there was Ellie White in 36th (21:51), Elle Cowger in 38th (22:02), and Jenny (22:42).

Lake Fenton’s girls were paced by Andrea Roe, who placed 66th in the Division 3 girls race in 23:22. Meanwhile, the Lake Fenton boys were led by Austin Demors’ 87th-place performance in 19:59.

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WEEK #5
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handed them a 27-0 spanking.

The Blackhaws run a spread offense with their longtime quarterback Shane Maharry at the helm. Look for Dylan Everett to be his top receiver. On the ground, David Ryan is the top option.

Defensively, the Blackhaws have allowed the second fewest points of any Metro team. Then again, the three teams they defeated are averaging just 16 points a game.

Fenton’s defense has been reasonably strong. It’s up to the offense to prove it can run with some type of consistency. Up to this point, what many thought would be an explosive offense hasn’t really materialized.

Holly (2-2) at Clio (0-4): The Bronchos are back in the playoff chase after defeating Linden and Fenton in back-to-back weeks for the second straight season. The last thing the Bronchos need now is a hiccup against a Clio program that they should easily dominate. The Bronchos’ defense needs to start getting some credit for what they’ve accomplished over the last two weeks. Fenton scored 38 points against Charlotte. The Tigers scored a season-low 16 points against Holly. Linden scored six points at Holly during Week #3. Last week, the Eagles scored 55 points. The Bronchos were winning more battles at the line of scrimmage than they were losing in both of those games.

Linden (2-2) at Kearsley (0-4): The Eagles get another chance to get some confidence under their belts before running into a pretty tough final four weeks to its season. Kearsley is one of two Metro teams that have allowed at least 100 points this season so far. And despite the team’s ups and downs, the Eagles remain the Metro’s only team to score at least 100 points this year.

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it’s good running weather.

Doggett, 32, switched things up this year. After winning the 5K last year, he moved to the 10K, earning the same results.

“If I run everything," Doggett said.

“I ran the Boston Marathon in the spring and ..." Doggett added.

“Being this is my hometown, I like to run it. I ran the 5K the first four years I’ve been running. This year I jumped into the 10K. It feels good. The guy that usually wins this, Kirk Walrath, didn’t run today because he’s injured. The competition was down a bit.

“The Female Masters winner was Brighton’s Michelle Sica (40:28), placing 10th overall.

In the 5K event, Waterford’s Thomas Press, 42, returned after a year away to win the Male Overall title with a time of 17:06. He edged out Male Masters winner Fenton’s Ken Walrath, 44, who placed second overall with a time of 17:26. The Female Overall winner was Highland’s Amber Pearsall, 23, with a time of 21:20, while Fenton’s Jill Chopksi, 45, was the Female Masters winner, with a time of 21:48.

Press is happy to just be healthy again after going through an injury-riddled 2010. Those injuries include a fractured tibia and a fractured back. He had to battle Walrath all the way to the finish.

“It’s taken time to heal up, but slowly and surely they are getting better," Press said.

“We were with each other the whole way. I sat on Ken’s shoulder. I know how tough he is, so I hung on his shoulder the whole time. I would say the last mile — I don’t know if he slowed down or I got faster — but I caught up to him, and I had a surge right before we made the last corner and crossed the line.”

The top five in the 5K was made up of 40-plus runners. After Press and Walrath, the rest of the top five were Clio’s Greg Thomas, 42, in third (17:37); Grand Blanc’s Roger Lara, 53, in fourth (18:22); and Davison’s Tony Ketchmark, 49, in fifth (18:30).

The 40-plus crowd also dominated the 5K walk competition. Fenton’s Susan Mora-Fassett, 48, dominated the field, earning a 5K-second victory with a time of 30:31. The Male Overall winner was Flashing’s David Pieper, 60 (31:29). Fenton’s David Ponzau, 57, placed fourth overall and was the Male Masters winner (33:23), while Fenton’s Carolyn Thompson, 46, was fifth overall and the Female Masters winner (33:27). Finishing third overall was Fenton’s Kristie Shantry, 36, in 33:18.

Based on the results on Gaunt Race Management’s web site, just over 900 participants competed in one of the three major race events. The race with the most contestants was the 5K run, which had just over 500 participants finish it. The 10K race had just over 200 participants cross the finish line, while the 5K walk had just over 150 participants complete the route.

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The 5K race begins during Saturday’s 2011 St. John Applefest Walk and Run. Runners and walkers had near-perfect weather for Saturday’s 5K and 10K events.

WARRIOR
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ry where the jerseys worn during the game will be presented to their sponsors, while bios of the sponsors are read.

Fenton football assistant coach and chairman of the Fenton Wounded Warriors Project Ryan Coffman has worked for almost a year with many committee volunteers getting the second event ready.

“Working with the Wounded Warrior Project, I’m even more grateful every day for those that have served our country,” Coffman said. “I’ve read over 80 different bios and they are 80 different stories of people that have served our country. They tell the story and what they’ve accomplished, and in some cases about some tragedies. It makes me eternally grateful to honor the people that have sacrificed so much for us.”

The Wounded Warrior Project is a program that helps injured members of the U.S. Armed Services. Last year’s game raised $12,552, with 100 percent of those proceeds going directly to the Wounded Warrior Project. This year’s goal is to raise $30,000, a goal the project is nearing. Coffman said Brandon’s football team has sent a $1,500 check to the cause, while Holly, last year’s team involved in the project, raised $500. Shirts are available for the game at $15 each. They are being sold at VG’s Thursday night and will be sold at the game if they remain available at game time.

“I think this is absolutely tremendous on a couple of levels,” Aldorfer said. “First, it brings help for those who need support. Secondly, it’s great to see the young men and women committed to that type of cause. It proves beyond a shadow of a doubt that they are thinking beyond themselves. I’m very impressed.”

Thomas has served in the military for 15 years, five years in the Navy and the last 10 years in the Army. His final tour ended when he was injured in an IED attack. He suffered back and brain injuries. He suffers from short-term memory loss. He said while many veterans’ injuries can be obvious, others are not so obvious, as is the case with traumatic brain injuries or post-traumatic stress disorder.

“It’s going to be a range of emotions,” Thomas said. “Things like this always choke me up. I find it hard to hide my emotions. I’ll be in uniform, so I’ll do my best. But it choke me up when so many people come together to honor the military veterans of the past and present. That’s why I’ve been serving 15 years, work crazy hours and continued to do combat deployments. You look back at things like this and you realize it’s worth it.”
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