

Scott responds to interview request

State Rep. Paul Scott is facing a recall in the 51st District on Tuesday, Nov. 8. The city of Fenton, city of Linden, Fenton Township and Argentine Township are all within the 51st District and will have the opportunity to vote. Scott re-



This is what we asked them, see how they answered Pages 11-13A

- Age:
- Family:
- **Education:**
- **Employment:**
- Fenton residency:
- Contributions to Fenton:

Public offices held: What is Fenton's

greatest asset? What is Fenton's greatest detriment?

Is Fenton growing in the right direction?

Should Fenton keep its 911 Dispatch **Center?**

Should the city purchase property and then sell or lease for \$1?

What are your thoughts on the garbage bag tag system?

What would you like to see in Fenton that isn't already there?

Why should residents vote for you?

What are your thoughts on the Be Closer tagline?

HOT LINE **OF THE WEEK**

66GOOD PEOPLE OF Fenton, your worries are over. Your good leaders have trademarked 'Be Closer.' Hip hip hooray!



Tracey Sahouri

sponded to several questions posed by Tri-County Times on the upcoming recall and the future of Michigan. **Q:** What legislation initiated by you spurred the recall? This recall is funded by the Michigan Education



Paul Scott

Election tim

Association, who is fighting the much-needed reforms that have gone through the state legislature. This is a battle about moving toward Michigan's future, and the MEA is fighting to keep the past. I was sent to Lansing to

represent the people of this community and do whatever I could to improve Michigan schools, giving our children a real chance at success. Istand by the work we did and the work we are still doing to put See INTERVIEW on 7A

Fired village manager to get jury trial

By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 Holly — Former Holly Village manager Marsha Powers, who was fired by the former village council in September 2010, will get her day in court.

Recently, Genesee County Circuit Court Judge Judith Fullerton struck down the village's motion for summary disposition, which would have prevented a jury trial for Powers, who



every individual member of the village council at the time, with the exception of council member Don Winglemire, who

City allows DDA to give \$40,000 to assessing office

Money would cover appraisals to defend tax appeals

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Fenton — The Fenton City Council unanimously approved a request by Fenton's city assessor, Tonya Molloseau. Approval of her request allows the Fenton Down town Development Authority (DDA) to allocate toward the city's See MONEY on 8A

Summary

The Fenton City Council will allow the DDA to transfer \$40,000 to the city's assessing office to help cover the cost of defending tax assessment appeals by property owners.

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Les Bland, a retired 41-year veteran of the city of Fenton, spent 32 years as the Department of Public Works (DPW) director. He decided to run for a seat on the city council to put his years of experience to good use

Principal and husband fighting charges they allowed underage drinking

The Sahouris' attorney contests police version **By Sharon Stone**

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 The pre-trial held in Genesee County District Court on Wednesday for Tracey and Raed Sahouri

was adjourned and rescheduled for Nov. 30.

The Sahouris, of Argentine Township, are facing misdemeanor charges of hosting a party where underage drinking reportedly occurred at

their home in June during a high school graduation open house. A jury trial is scheduled for Dec. 8.

Tracey Sahouri is the principal at Creekside Elementary School in the See PRINCIPAL on 8A Marsha Powers

filed suit against

voted against the firing.

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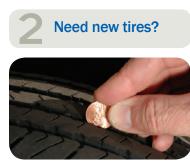
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Constant sneezing

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An easy trick to check if it's time to replace your car tires or not: Insert a penny into the shallowest tread so that Lincoln's head is pointed toward the hubcap. If you see the hair on top of his head, the tread is very worn down and it's time to buy a new tire. But if Abe's face just peeks out, the tire still has enough grip to keep you safe.

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IU fitness myths

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

If you think crunches are the best way to get "six pack abs" or that squats are bad for your knees, you might want to read up on the latest in fitness myths, and the newest thinking that replaces them.

Here are 10 commonly held exercise misconceptions, as well as the real facts behind improving your health and performance through your workout.

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Justin Fargo, a personal trainer for Powerhouse Gym in Fenton, works with David Jameson Thursday morning. Fargo said that many think strength training alone will build muscle, but healthy food and enough rest are also required.



Cooler weather triggers instinct to head south for winter

By William Axford

axford@tctimes.com; 810-4363-6792 Everywhere you look, there's evidence of the changing seasons. The leaves have transformed into an array of oranges and reds and cider mills have

an abundance of apples. And, birds are leaving the state by the flock. The annual winter migration of birds is perhaps the most solid sign in nature that winter

has arrived?

Summary As the weather gets colder, birds 7

gets colder, birds are beginning to migrate South. Most birds fly at night in order to conserve energy and avoid predators.

is just around the corner.

What causes birds to leave the foul weather behind and return after spring

See BIRDS on 6A



Random royal thoughts

By Foster Childs

If I Were

•Are we really to believe that modern medicine can perform brain surgery

with minimal invasion, can surgically repair almost any part of our body through a ¹/₂-inch incision, can send a camera up our butt to record video of our digestive system, but can't come up with something better than the pitiful, degrading, embarrassing hospital gown currently used?

•How many people do you know who never answer a phone call, yet have a message that says '....your call is very important to me.' •President Obama's latest scam is to use our tax dollars to 'help the poor students burdened by government



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DON'T KNOW THE CURRENT MAYOR very well. I do know her opponent very well. I am voting for the current mayor.

ITHOUGHT GOVERNMENT of-

ficials taking kickbacks was against the law and allowing relatives to gain monetary funds from the government was a conflict of interest. The Obama Administration approves \$1 billion to PCG for Solar Energy projects, which Nancy Pelosi's brother-in-law, Ronald, is an executive.

THERE IS \$113,227.50 collected in the village of Holly for the water bond each month. We need a forensic audit of the water system.

LES AND PAT are just the mix we need on our lockstep, unreasonable city council. They will actually listen when a citizen has a problem.

THANK YOU TO the person who turned in my debit card at the Mobil station on Tuesday morning. Your honesty means so much. It's nice to know there are decent people still in this world.

TIM FARICY IS the best candidate for

mayor. He has volunteered on committees for years. He deserves to be our next mayor. Go Tim.

Compiled by William Axford, Staff Reporter

loans.' This has nothing to do with students and everything to do with

using our tax dollars to purchase the votes of the college set. Obama is a thief, a liar, and a scam artist of epic proportions who is intent on destroying us, our kids and our country, piece by piece.

•When people hear that someone died, and they gravely (sorry, couldn't resist) ask what they died from, they are only asking in order to be assured it's not something they

themselves have.

•Am I the only one who thinks the Obama Administration's wild spending habits are all just poorly thought out,

I CALLED LES BLAND with problems

me back and listened to my problem. He

didn't always agree with me, but he always took the time to listen. He's got my vote.

CONSIDER THIS, YOU get a permit and

have a nice campfire and your wonderful

neighbor, whom you adore, calls the fire

permit cancel an investigation by the fire

at risk. If not, why impose a fine?

department, as they smell smoke. Does the

department? If so, this puts our community

many times over the years. He always called

ill-conceived 'What would happen if we...' failures that more reflect the naiveté' of a frat-house mentality than the most powerful nation on the planet? • If you give a panhandler any money, you are consciously making an installment payment toward the

downfall of our country. • Bush II set a record by adding \$3.2 trillion to the national debt over the eight years of his administration. Obama has already crushed that dubious record by adding \$4.4 trillion to the debt in less than three years in office.

•Regarding opponents of the new Michigan law 'restricting' welfare recipients to a 'mere' four years of 'welfare.' Can one of them please tell me — when did we, the taxpayers subsidizing this lunacy, approve of a safety net becoming a hammock? •There is no political system in the history of the world that allows the

GENESEE COUNTY FOLKS who voted for

no to the recall. It's unfortunate that certain

sentatives are doing exactly what we voted

small majority of teachers and union thugs

people in order to continue their ride on the

gravy train at our expense. I've had enough

will overrule the will of the majority of the

Paul Scott, please get out there and vote

groups can't accept it when the majority

votes and we are happy when our repre-

for them to do. Good job, Paul Scott.

IF WE DON'T VOTE on Nov. 8, then a

masses to achieve their dreams other than capitalism. There simply is no other way for the 'have-nots' to become 'haves.' Always has been that way, always will be.

•I don't get the fact that literally everyone I know has made changes in their lives that reflect the dramatically different economic times we are experiencing. The only exception is the government, which spends (mostly wastes) billions and billions of dollars more than it ever has. Shouldn't our government be leading the fiscally responsible parade?

•I agree with Thomas Sowell who believes that historians will one day look back at what is happening to our country today and say to themselves, ... how could they possibly have been that stupid?'

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of special interests being immune to economic reality. Scott is doing what most of us want him to do. Please vote on Nov. 8.

BY NOW, THE Republican strategy is plain. If they can keep the recession going, people will forget who created it and blame Obama. Americans are notorious for having short memories about history. It just might work.

THIS WILL BE a simple election. If you think that unions should be exempt from the struggles the rest of us are facing, then vote to recall Scott. If you are sick and tired of your tax dollars being funneled to bankroll exorbitant pay and benefits for a chosen few, vote no. Just be sure to vote.

WONDERFUL JOB, LAKE Fenton youth football. Freshman 1, Division C champions, undefeated. Wonderful coaches, beautiful children and some knock-you-on-your-butt football. The crowd goes crazy. Wouldn't want my son to learn it anywhere else. Go, Blue Devils.

I KNOW HOW to stop underage drinkers, just put a yellow tag on the keg. Come on, how much of our tax money was wasted for you idiots to come up with that?

WAS HEADING TO a (Flint) furniture store when I thought of shopping lo-cally and went to Lovegroves Furniture. All I can say is thank you. My salesperson was kind, helpful and not pushy. I love my new mattress, the great price and thanks for taking my old one. I am a shop local convert all the way. Gooooo Fenton.

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street talk

What was your most memorable Halloween costume?



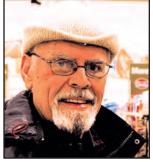
"Medusa, because I got a lot of comments for having the most unique costume at a party."

— Lorraine Osborne, Byron

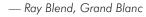


"When I was a cowgirl, I got a new hat and had to make it myself."

— Marlene Hinde, Fenton Township



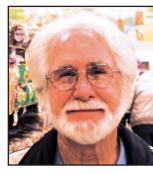
"I was a tree with leaves, one year. A dog mistook me for a real tree and tried to do its business on me.'





"Minnie Mouse, because it was the most convenient costume that I could make at the time." Adie Eddington,

Rose Township



"I went as the Unknown Lady one year. No one could figure out who I was."



"A Buccaneer, with makeup and a wig, I didn't even recognize myself in the mirror." - Bob Bechtel, Fenton Township



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Federal grant covers cost of 74 iPads for special ed students

By Sharon Stone

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Linden — The Linden Board of Education voted last Wednesday in favor of allowing the district's special education department to purchase 74 iPads from Apple costing \$60,002.

According to Jenny Smith and Debbie McPherson, who submitted the request, the iPads will be used as a pilot program with the Cognitive Impaired (CI) and Learning Disabled (LD) classrooms at the high school, middle school and Hyatt Elementary School.

These schools were chosen because there was already a plan in place within the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant application to al-



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO Special education students at Linden Community Schools will soon be able to work with iPads due to funding from a federal grant.

low the district to make purchases for these schools with the left over grant funds.

McPherson and Smith selected the iPads because the software available for special education students is "amazing." They said research has shown that

special education programs have had much success using iPads and since the funds are available, the district should get the iPads for its special education students.

The iPads come with a two-year warranty, software and cover. There will be five carts to hold the iPads and one syncing tray to make it easier for the technology department to add apps for the iPads. Training sessions will be held with staff members, who will be using the iPads with their classes.

Federal grant covers cost of 40 laptops for at-risk students

By Sharon Stone

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Linden — At Risk students at Linden Community Schools will soon have more access to technology, thanks to an At Risk Grant. Cheryl Thomas, director of curriculum and instructional ser-

vices, and Debbie McPherson, director of technology for the district, requested that the Linden Board of E d u c a tion allow them

to purchase 40 Dell Latitude laptops, for a cost of \$37,520.

Last week, the Linden Board of Education approved the request. Thomas said she wanted to provide the district's at-risk students at the second- and third-grade level with more access to technology.

It was decided that the schools should try to put a pilot project in, one where teachers who

teach second- and third-grade would be provided with wireless laptops to use in their classrooms with their At Risk students only. The laptops come with a

three-year warranty. Thomas and McPherson plan to meet with the teachers to make sure that they are comfortable and adequately trained with the technology.



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Dell Latitude laptop

computers will be pur-

chased, using a grant,

for at-risk elementary

students in Linden.

SUBMITTED PHOTO

Linden schools' 10-year millage renewal on ballot

school district would see

a loss of about 10 percent

in its revenue, or about

\$700 per student, further

deepening the current

financial challenges."

Ed Koledo

Linden Community

Schools superintendent

 Millage goes toward operating expenditures

By Sharon Stone sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786

Linden — Residents in the Linden Community Schools district will be asked to vote on a millage renewal for operating expenditures for the school district — "If it does not pass, the

school district. Two non-homestead millages expire this December and residents are being asked to approve a 10-year millage renewal when they head to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 8. Superintendent Ed Koledo said this is not a new tax, but a renewal of what currently exists.

Under Proposal A, the state of Michigan contributes the majority of school funding dollars, but to receive full funding, schools must levy 18 mills on non-homestead property in the school district. Michigan law requires the voters to approve this millage.

In November 2005, Linden schools' voters approved a renewal of the nonhomestead millage, which was 14.7 mills at that time. In May 2006, the voters approved a non-homestead restoration, which authorized an additional 7.3 mills, and allowed the district to levy the entire 18 mills required under Proposal A.

Currently, LindenCommunity Schools' two non-homestead millages expire this December. This total authorized exceeds 18 mils. However, the levy can be no more than 18 mils, according to Superintendent Ed Koledo. The additional millage was to counteract the effects of the Headlee Rollback.

The superintendent said the district needed to ask voters to approve the nonhomestead millage or lose a significant amount of its per-pupil funding. For

the 2009-10 school year, the non-homestead millage provided 9.7 percent or \$709 of the district's per-pupil amount, which totals approximately \$2,070,000 in revenue.

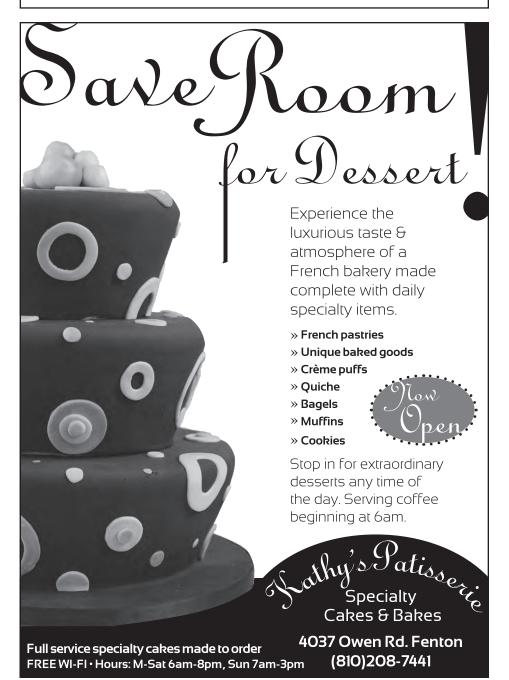
Koledo said the millages approved in 2005 and 2006 are being placed on the ballot as one question. In order to maintain

100-percent funding for the schools, Linden Community Schools must have a successful passage of a millage renewal in place prior to July 1, 2012.

"If it does not pass, the school district would see a loss of about 10 percent in its revenue, or about \$700 per student, further deepening the current financial challenges," said Koledo.

"Other local districts have been successful and I hope that pattern follows true for us."

Koledo said, "The non-homestead millage does not affect our homeowners and represents no increase in taxes for our businesses, so we are encouraging support. If the non-homestead millage fails, I believe we would have to consider deficit spending to maintain acceptable programs and services."



JURY TRIAL

Continued from Front Page The process of finding and submitting

evidence called "discovery" is mostly finished, and a jury trial is set "We intend to for Jan. 24, 2012.

Council members Sandra Kleven and Pauline Kenner are named in the lawsuit, along with former council members Reisa Hamilton and William Kuyk. Former village council president Pete Clemens is also named.

A member of Powers' legal team Tom Kowalko presented enough evidence to warrant a jury trial. The village's attorney in this matter is William Parker.

According to Kowalko, Judge Fullerton also said that the former and current council members being sued would be held responsible in official capacity, not as individuals. Kowalko's argument

is that Powers was fired

because of what she reported while attending labor-related court cases on behalf of the village last year.

"She was reporting suspected violations of laws," said Kowalko, who is using the "Whistle Blower" legal theory for the suit. "We intend to prove she was illegally fired because she was doing those things."

According to Kowalko, Powers is not asking for specific damages from the suit, but her legal council expects she could receive hefty monetary com-

pensation because of lost wages. Parker said the council announced

publicly why she was fired last September. He said the village council fired her

because of a lack of communication on the labor case issues, not because she attended the court proceedings. He said the village stands by its decision.

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Tom Kowalko

attorney, Marsha

Powers' legal team

Summary

► A jury trial is set for

Jan. 24, 2012, for former

village manager Marsha

Powers' lawsuit against

current and former

council members for

\$35 until 2:00pm \$25 until 4:00pm \$22 after 2:00pm \$20 after 4:00pm Hartland Glen





Fenton and Argentine township lend support to lawsuit

► Fenton and Argentine

resolutions showing support

of a complaint filed by the

Genesee County Drain

Commission against the

Commission claims that

the county owes it more than \$2.7 million for refunds

it collected from its health

insurance provider.

Genesee County Board of

Commissioners. The Drain

townships adopted

► Drain commission claims county owes it \$2.7 million

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Fenton Twp. — Following a closed session on Thursday, Oct. 20, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees voted in favor of joining a seven-count complaint filed against the Genesee County **Summary**

Board of Commissioners. The complaint alleges that the Genesee County Board of Commissioners owes the Genesee County Drain Commission in excess of \$2.7 million, plus interest,

costs and attorneys' fees. The resolution was approved by Supervisor Bonnie Mathis, Clerk Robert Krug, Treasurer John Tucker and trustees Tony Brown and Vince Lorraine. Trustees

Mark Goupil and Rob Kesler were absent. The resolution states that Fenton Town-

ship agrees to join with other municipalities the Genesee County Drain Commission's efforts to collect a portion of refunds it is owed, which were paid to Genesee County by Blue Cross Blue Shield. Any and all costs and fees associated with the litigation, however, will be the responsibility of the Drain Commission.

The resolution also states that the retention of the refunds has a direct impact on the cost of these services to Fenton Township and its residents using these services.

Supervisor Bonnie Mathis said if the drain commission had received those refunds back from the county, it would not have had to charge Fenton Township so much for the services. "Will we get it back, we don't know," she said. "It should have come back to us."

Argentine Township also adopted a resolution at its meeting on Monday in support of the complaint.

The Genesee County Water and Waste Service (WWS) claims that Genesee County is indebted to WWS for a portion of surplus funds that were returned to the county by Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan for county medical/hospital insurance plan years 2001 through 2008.

The Genesee County Drain Commission provides sanitary sewer service to users in several cities, townships and villages throughout Genesee County, including Fenton Township, which pays rates for such services.

Plaintiffs say that Genesee County Community Mental Health and the Drain Commission entered into an agreement to

purchase, as a group, health insurance coverage from Blue Cross/Blue Shield for their employees. The Drain Commissioner was invoiced for the amount of premiums due for health insurance coverage and Blue Cross/ Blue Shield would annually audit the claims and establish premiums for the following year.

The complaints claim that each year, the county opted to receive a refund and add it to the county's general fund.

The plaintiffs allege that if the surplus of money had been left within the plan, the premium charged to each member of the plan would have been reduced the following year.

The plaintiffs are asking that the court order the county to provide a full and complete accounting of all refunds and benefits received related to this matter.

Genesee County Commissioner Joe Graves, who took office on Jan. 1, representing the sixth district, said, to his understanding, the county collected rebates for several groups within the county and the funds went into a pool within the county's general fund. He said he was told that WWS does not have a claim on this.

Graves said Friday morning he was told by legal counsel for the county that there was no way that the drain commissioner was owed any of the refunds in question. He did say, however, that the municipalities might have a case since they might have been overcharged for services.

Patricia Lockwood, who served as county commissioner for the District 6 from 2006 to 2010, said this issue was not discussed in budget sessions that she attended. She agreed with Graves saying she believed the refunds went back to the county.

BIRDS

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Most researchers agree that food and reproduction are the two leading factors behind the fall and spring migrations.

Ecologists at the University of Arizona found that food dependency is the primary reason why birds migrate to new locations. Since each type of bird has their own diet, certain species will migrate to different parts of the world in order to satisfy their diets during different seasons. "It's not just whether you eat insects, fruit, nectar or candy bars or where you eat them - it matters how reliable that food source is day to day," ecologist Alice Boyle wrote in a 2007 study.

According to the Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center, more than 300 species of bird travel from the United States and Canada to the West Indies, Central America or South America for the winter. Typical migrations for birds cover thousands of miles.

Some species of Nighthawks and Swallows inhabit Alaska during the summer months, and then fly over 7,000 miles to spend the winter in Argentina.

Cornell University's Ornithology center reports that birds become aware of migrations through hormonal triggers, which results in bigger appetites and the molting of stronger feathers. The increase in hormones

gives birds extra energy, allowing them to remain awake through most of the night. This hormonal change allows smaller birds, such as orioles and sparrows, to migrate during the night. Researchers believe smaller birds have more protection from predators in the night hours and conserve more energy flying in cooler temperatures. Nocturnal migrations are most active right before midnight.

Bigger birds, such as hawks, storks and vultures, migrate during daylight because they are dependent upon updrafts created by the sun's heat or winds created by land features, such as hills and mountains. Ducks, geese, loons and cranes are other types of birds that migrate mostly during daylight.

Researchers aren't exactly sure why birds come back to North America every spring, especially if more food sources are present yearround in the South. Some scientists have suggested that birds have an internal clock that is aware of migratory times, similar to people's internal clock on sleeping and waking. Another theory is chicks have a higher chance of survival in North America due to fewer predators.

No matter what the reason for the migration, now is the perfect time for bird watching. Grab a pair of binoculars and get a good look. It may be the last glance you get at our feathered friends until spring.



MISSING MAN LOCATED

On Oct. 20, Argentine Township received a missing person complaint from a 63-year-old resident in the 12000 block of Hoisington Road. The resident said his 58-year-old friend, who lives at the same address was missing. The resident said his friend left at 10 a.m., on Oct. 19 for a 12 p.m. doctor's appointment at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. Eventually, the missing man was located at the hospital.

LINDEN SCHOOL PROPERTY DAMAGED

The Argentine Township Police Department is investigating a malicious destruction of property complaint from Linden High School. According to police, an officer was sent to the high school on Oct. 24. An employee said that over the weekend, someone gained access to the school bus parking lot and rummaged through three trucks, which are used for maintenance work. The key was stolen from the ignition. There was also vandalism to one of the trucks. There are no

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children first, even if some people are afraid of change or were happy with our failing schools. I knew we could do better, and I went to the capitol to do something about it. Q: As the chair of the House Education Committee, what do you feel is the biggest issue facing our schools? I've heard from many parents, teachers and school professionals in our community that the system is broken. They want to see sweeping reforms that will give our students a fighting chance out in the real world.

Michigan is in the bottom half of states for performance in several key areas, placing as low as 47th in eighth-grade math just a couple years ago. Only 16 percent of all students in Michigan can be considered college-ready, based on ACT scores. Clearly, the status quo has failed an entire generation of Michigan children.

But still we spend our time talking about money instead of what the children need. Education reform in this state must be focused on academic progress and new approaches to reaching our students. We need to talk less about dollars and cents and more about performance.

Q: Have you had the opportunity to speak one-on-one with any teachers? I've talked with many teachers and administrators while working on these issues. And, I talked to them about these issues long before I ever decided to run for public office. Hearing about the faults in the system and ways in which we were failing our children is part of what motivated me to come to Lansing and begin reforming state government.

Everyone knows the status quo is not an option. We must find a better way forward. That's why I ran for office and it's why I'm still there working to create a better future for Michigan's children.

Q: How do you respond to the MEA's charge that your legislation will harm education in Michigan? *I disagree. The changes we made put the focus on Michigan's children for the first time and will reward our state's most effective teachers.*

The MEA represents school employees and their job is to increase salaries and benefits and make life easier for their members. But my job is to do what's right for the suspects at this time, however, anyone with information is asked to call Argentine police at (810) 735-5317.

HOLLY MAN ARRESTED FOR OWI

On Oct. 22, Holly police were dispatched to the area of Grange Hall Road and Saginaw Street on a report of possible drunk driver. The responding officer located the vehicle, a burgundy 1995 Ford Escort. After seeing the car weaving on the road, a traffic stop was initiated. The driver, a 25-year-old Holly resident, smelled of intoxicants and his speech was slurred. A preliminary breath test revealed a blood alcohol content of .247, at which time he was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

FLINT MAN ARRESTED FOR OWI

On Sunday, Oct. 23, a Holly police officer noticed a Chevy Cavalier drive through a red light on northbound Saginaw Street. The officer initiated a traffic stop on North Holly Road, near Quick Road. The driver, a 45-year-old Flint man, smelled of intoxicants. Preliminary breath test revealed a blood alcohol content of .20. The driver was arrested and taken to the police station. His car was impounded. Police learned that the driver had two prior convictions for OWI in Michigan and one in West Virginia. He was turned over to Oakland County.

students, and that means putting our state's education dollars into the classroom, where they belong. Not everyone will benefit from that, but the kids will, and they're the ones we should be focused on.

Michigan's schools simply aren't getting it done and too many of our state's youngest residents are being failed by this broken system. I'm proud to work hard, shaking up the status quo to put children first. **Q:** How do you think your policies will affect public schools in Michigan 10 years from now? With the students' academic progress now a priority for Michigan schools. I think we will see improved test scores, college readiness and academic performance. The status quo is failing our students and leaving them unprepared for their future academic and professional goals. The changes we've made put a new emphasis on preparing them for the next step and giving them the tools they need to succeed in the knowledge economy.

We are putting students first and focusing the state's education system on their needs. That will help give them the opportunities they need to learn and grow.

Q: Knowing what you know now, would you have done anything differently? No. I stand by the work we've done reforming state government and rebuilding Michigan's broken education system. When



Summary

► The Holly Village

Council put to rest a

rumor that the Holly

Police Department

would be replaced by

"The issue of

contracting police

services has

not even been a

discussion."

Jerry Walker

Holly Village manager

the Oakland County

Sheriff's Office

By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 Holly — A simple rumor spurred employees of the Holly Police Department

to attend the Holly Village Council meeting on Tuesday. That rumor was that the Oakland County Sheriff's Of-

fice would be taking over police service, disbanding the Holly Police Department. Enough genuine concern was raised so the issue was placed on the agenda.

Council member Jackie Campbell he said. received concerned comments by Coun

community members According to Village Manager Jerry Walker, business owner Lisa Clark received a call suggesting that the village council was considering changing its police service to the Oakland County Sheriff's Office.

Clark then called Campbell, and former council president Pete Clemens also called Campbell. Neither party intended to spread any rumors, Walker

only 16 percent of Michigan students are considered college-ready, the status quo is clearly broken. Something had to be done and I'm proud to be the one who led the effort to do it.

Our schools are failing Michigan families and leaving our children behind in an already difficult economy. Serious, sweeping reforms were necessary and are still needed to give them an opportunity to succeed.

Q: If you could speak to every voter in your district, what would you like to say to him or her? I'd like to ask them about their schools and what changes they would like to see to help their children grow academically. The parents in this community know first-hand what needs to be done to improve our schools and how we can improve upon the old ways of doing things. I'd love to hear from everyone about their ideas and their concerns as I work hard to find the best policy for our children's future.

I know there is still a lot of work to be done, and there are still so many ways we can make Michigan schools more efficient and more effective.



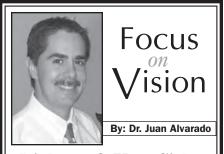
said. The council invited both to attend the meeting but they were not present. "The issue of contracting police services has not even been a discussion," said Walker.

Council President Jeff Miller also decried the rumor. "Over our dead bodies," he said, affirming that a contracted police service would not work for the village, and was not a consideration. "There is no intent to gut any department, whatsoever,"

Council member Jason Hughes reminded the audience that any concerns or rupolice mors should be brought to the village council directly. Campbell suggested calling Walker with any concerns.

> Holly Police Chief Elena Danishevskaya was on hand with sev-

eral concerned police department members. She said the matter was "absolutely handled appropriately" by the village council.



Diabetes & Your Sight

Diabetes can effect your eyes in many ways. Because of this diabetics should have there eyes examined yearly. We examine all of our diabetic patients on an annual basis; our examine includes a dilated exam of the retina, and careful testing for glaucoma and cataracts.

Diabetes can affect the vascular system, and the eyes are very vascular, particularly the retina. Bleeding in the retina is one of the more serious complications of diabetes, but when detected it can be effectively treated with lasers.

Diabetics are also at higher risk of developing glaucoma, which can be treated with medicated eye drops or laser treatment. Diabetics can also develop cataracts an earlier age than non-diabetics can.

Another potential health problem with diabetics is macular degeneration. Diabetics are more prone to a vascular form of macular degeneration that is caused by blood leaking from capillaries in the center of the retina, which is called the macula. A dilated examination of the retina by your optometrist can detect this.

The less serious, but annoying, change that can occur from diabetes are fluctuations in vision. This can also be detected by an eye examination. It is not normal for vision to fluctuate from day to day. Any frequent fluctuations in vision could be a problem with blood sugar.



PRINCIPAL

Continued from Front Page Hartland Consolidated Schools district. She has recently taken a paid leave of absence from her job.

Argentine Township police responded to the couple's home on Rolston Road at 12:37 a.m. on Sunday, June 10 when the Sahouris called 911 to report an unresponsive teenage girl, who had passed out in their driveway. Alcohol was suspected and the girl was hospitalized and later released. **"This case is shocking.**

The Sahouris pleaded not guilty at their preliminary exams. They claimed they did not know the underage people at the party were drinking until they became aware of the girl who had passed out.

Based on their investigation, Argentine Township police issued the couple misdemeanor citations in August for allowing the drinking to occur on their property.

Attorney Mike Manley took over the case this month and is now representing the Sahouris. Since his involvement with the case, Manley has spoken with all of the witnesses listed on the police report, as well as their parents who sat in on the police interviews. "I've gotten a completely different version than what the police say," he said.

"It's a rogue department. It's well documented that they've paid millions for what they've done to citizens. I'm contesting everything."

Manley said the Sahouris has been victims of crimes and some of the same officers are involved with this case.

Manley said it was unfortunate that

some kids hid alcohol but the Sahouris only knew there was drinking when they discovered the girl and called 911. He questioned the police department's motives and the fact that the police chief is running for sheriff.

Based on his 21-year career as an attorney, Manley said, "I'm shocked. Quite frankly, I'm angry. I'm going to do a thorough investigation. This department (Argentine police) should be worried."

Argentine Township Police Chief Daniel Allen said his department was called to the Sahouris'home because of the unresponsive girl. "We did not solicit this call," he said.

Allen said Raed ini-

tially told police that he knew the kids were drinking in the afternoon and evening during the bon fire but that neither he nor his wife supplied any of the alcohol. "That doesn't make it OK," said the chief. "The adults are supposed to make the responsible decisions."

Argentine police charged the couple with a 30-day misdemeanor of allowing the drinking to occur. They were not charged with supplying alcohol. More than 100 young people were reportedly at their home in the evening, many of whom scattered when police and emergency responders were arriving.

Allen said it's unfortunate that Tracey's career has been impacted by this, however, when they responded to their home, police did not know she was a principal. He added that police would have responded the same way regardless of whose house they went to or what adults were involved.

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her career and I won't

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vindicate this family"

Michael Manley

attorney

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Property owners' legal battle continues

Summary

► A legal battle

between Holly

continues to evolve

"They had

to gift the

property to

a non-profit

organization."

Karin

Winchester

Clerk, Holly Township

Judge denies Smith jury trial

By Tim Jagielo tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795

Holly Twp. — The case of Timm Smith vs. Holly Township continues to confuse and evolve through the legal system. Both are wrapped in a complex legal

battle that hinges on a 20-acre piece of property in Holly Township that has blurred the lines of ownership, and property mortgages.

Township and resident Timm Smith Most recently, an Oakland and his family. Both County circuit court judge has sides believe they struck down Smith's request have legal claim to for a jury trial concerning his a 10-acre parcel, case. Judge Colleen O'Brien and the question is changed part of her decision to currently in appeals throw out the Smith's \$750,000 court. lawsuit altogether. She also left ownership of the property in a legal gray area where both sides believe they own the property.

Smith's appeals court attorney Richard Urbis said that the quiet title issue was not properly before the court, which would have clearly defined who owns the property. "We would like to see the title quieted for Timm and Maria Smith," said Urbis.

Smith and his family can stay on his property for now, but a judge has ordered that he pay \$1,500 per month in escrow

because legally, the township owns the property his home sits on, said Holly Township Supervisor Jesse Lambert. Because it is Smith's appeal keeping the litigation in motion, the responsibility is on Smith to pay, in case he loses his appeals case to get the 10-acre parcel back in his name. Smith maintains that the property is his, and the township cannot own it because of the deed.

This issue has been in motion since 2009. Holly Township found itself with 10 acres of Smith's foreclosed property in early 2010, gifted from the bank that held the title for 10 acres of Smith's property. Smith still owned two five-acre parcels surrounding the property that had been foreclosed.

In early 2010, the bank that held the title to Smith's property gifted it to Holly Township, after extensive remediation work had been done to the property. The bank could not fully clean up a semi-trailer that was buried there. "They had to gift the property to a non-profit organization," said Clerk Karin Winchester. "They were definitely going to give it to a government entity."

MONEY

Continued from Front Page assessing department \$40,000 to assist with expenses associated with defending tax appeals.

The DDA approved her request at their meeting in August and Fenton City Council's approval was required to transfer the funds.

According to Michael Burns, director of the DDA and assistant city manager, there is an extremely large number of tax appeals for properties located within the DDA district this year. Additional costs include any legal expenses and possible appraisals.

Burns and Molloseau said it is not known yet as to how many appraisals would need to be done. The \$40,000 would come from the DDA's fund balance.

Molloseau said they would select possibly four or five of the 31 businesses in the DDA district, appealing their assessAfter the Smiths were evicted, Winchester said they moved onto one of the five-acre parcels that they owned, living in a tent, but later moved to Fenton because it is not legal to live in a tent inside Holly Township, especially with minor children.

> Smith eventually broke back into the disputed property, where the family currently resides.

> Eight months later, the township placed "No Trespassing" signs on the property, and barred the doors to Smith's mobile home that was placed on the property.

arcel, estion is appeals Winchester said the township made three different offers to buy the South Holly Road property, but Smith declined the offers. At the time, the Smiths were not living on the property, and

had signed a consent form admitting they weren't making payments on the property. The crux of Smith's argument was that

the deed held by the mortgage company was false, as it divided a 20-acre parcel that was not in turn divided by Oakland County, or the township's records. The borders of the parcel were set by Smith's family for a land contract previously, and were continued to be used by the banks

when Smith applied for new mortgages. Smith knew the property was not technically divided, but decided at the time to sign onto the mortgage. "It's true, it is legal, because no one made it illegal," he said.

Smith also contests that any mortgage handled thought Mortgage Electronic Registration System Inc (MERS) is also not valid.

In 2009, the Oakland County Circuit Court issued an eviction of Smith's property, after Smith stopped paying for the mortgage following health issues. The sheriff's department evicted Smith and his family, based on a consent judgment that they signed, admitted that they had defaulted on their mortgage.

The lengthy appeals process is next for this complex legal issue. According to Urbis, this process could be turned around in one year. The court of appeals will look at the previous decision where the Smith's asked for legal possession of their property, and was denied. The appeals court will decide who owns that 10-acre parcel on South Holly Road.

ments, and have independent appraisals conducted. She said appraisals typically cost from \$2,000 to \$8,000. Property owners fighting their assessments are not required to have an appraisal done, however, Molloseau said it would benefit the city to have the appraisal done. She added that an existing appraisal could be used.

During the DDA meeting in August, Burns said there was already \$24,000 in the budget to defend appeals, however, the higher than expected number this year has forced the assessor's office to request the additional funding.

Molloseau said if the city lost the appeals, it could mean up to a \$420,000 loss of revenue for the city. This would be the worst-case scenario.

Councilman Tim Faricy and Mayor Sue Osborn recommended that Molloseau use local appraisers.





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Councilman challenges mayor for city's top job

► Tim Faricy and Sue Osborn square off in mayoral election

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Fenton — Residents of Fenton City have the opportunity to change the leader-

Sue Osborn Incumbent

Age: 63 Family: Husband David Osborn, two adult sons, Chris Suszek and Curt

Suszek.



Education: Classes and seminars at the state and national level to improve municipal knowledge and leadership skills. Completed the state and local executive program at Harvard University's JFK School of Government and the National League of Cities Leadership training program. Numerous college level classes in tax law and tax theory.

Employment: Income tax examiner for the city of Flint.

Fenton residency: 36 years.

Contributions to Fenton: While serving on the council and as mayor, many projects were completed without increasing the tax rate, including the new fire hall, DPW garage and water treatment plant. We also completed the east-west connector on Main Street and Silver Lake Road; new railroad crossing and gates, new children's library, Millpond senior housing, improvements to Donaldson Drive, Bush Park, the train depot and Millpond dam; River Street parking project, took Silver Lake Road back from state and rebuilt it, repaved Adelaide, North and Walnut roads, reduced city tax rate from 11.32 mills in 1998 to 10.62 mils in 2010, reduced city expenses and increased services, repaired tornado damage and synchronized lights on Owen Road.

Public offices held: Councilwoman 1985-1998, mayor 1998-2011.

What is Fenton's greatest asset? Our small town atmosphere with large city amenities and excellent schools.

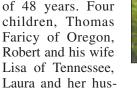
What is Fenton's greatest detriment? The effects of the poor state and national economies.

Is Fenton growing in the right direction? Certainly, look at the development now in motion — the Cornerstone building, Hobby Lobby, Michigan Eye See OSBORN on 23A ship of their city, or keep things the same, by voting in the upcoming election on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Mayor Sue Osborn is hoping to retain her mayoral seat for another two-year term as Councilman Tim Faricy vies to take over that top spot.

Tim Faricy

Age: 71 Family: Wife, Linda of 48 years. Four children, Thomas Faricy of Oregon,



band John Carpenter of Fenton, Maria and her husband Clay Dockins of Fenton.

Education: Bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and master's degree in business administration from Michigan State University.

Employment: Currently retired. I spent 40 years in the machine tool business, owning a small manufacturing business in Fenton Township. Following that career, I worked for the University of Michigan in a research laboratory in reconfigurable manufacturing.

Fenton residency: 41 years.

Contributions to Fenton: In the late '70s, I spearheaded development and organized a group of volunteers to build Fenton's gazebo, at no cost to the city. Public offices held: Building Authority that built city hall and police station, a member of the planning commission, Library Board, Parks and Recreation, Board of Appeals, Brownfield Redevelopment Authority chairperson and Fenton City council member.

What is Fenton's greatest asset? Fenton is truly a small town, not a suburb of Flint or Detroit. It has an excellent school system and is a great place to raise a family.

What is Fenton's greatest detriment? Fenton lacks a viable downtown area.

Is Fenton growing in the right direction? The fact that it's growing says something positive.

Should Fenton keep its 911 dispatch center? The city should subscribe to the modern 911 system provided to all Genesee County residents, rather than try to compete with an underfunded, poorly staffed, private system in Fenton. In order to maintain Fenton's 911 system, the city must invest \$320,000 in highly sophisticated See FARICY on 23A

Four incumbents on ballot for Linden **City Council**

Residents to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 8

Linden — The leaders of Linden City will remain the same, despite an election on Tuesday, Nov. 8. Four incumbents are seeking to retain their seats on the Linden City Council. Councilors Ed-

Summary

Linden City

residents will

on Tuesday,

Nov. 8 to cast

their votes in the

upcoming City

head to the polls

ward Ciesielski and Charles Ross are both running for another term. There are two expiring three-year seats and both men expect to be re-elected. Ross has served

Council election. on City Council since 2007 and Ciesielski has been serving on the council for 14 years.

Councilor Amanda Adams, a registered nurse, recently replaced councilor Matt Chapman. She is seeking to serve the remainder of that term, which expires on Nov. 20, 2012. In addition to serving as councilor, Adams is a member of the Linden Parks and Recreation committee.

Councilor Gary Mahnke replaced councilor Patti O'Dwyer. He is seeking to serve the remainder of that term, which expires Nov. 20, 2012. Mahnke, a longtime Linden resident, is a U.S. Navy veteran and was Linden's 2010 Citizen of the Year.



What does it mean when my car makes a chugging noise when I put my foot on the gas? It almost feels like I'm not going to make it up a hill. I've heard it could mean that I need a tune up, but I'm not sure. - Alexis

This does sound like a tune-up related problem, but could be caused by other things as well. First thing to consider is how many miles your car has on it. Most cars today last up to and over 100.000 miles before the first tuneup is needed. If over 100,000 miles than the first place to start is with a good tune-up, as it most likely needs this anyway for maintenance. If this is not the cause then you may need to go to a repair shop. The diagnostic equipment we have to use for today's vehicles is very expensive and takes much time to learn to use them properly. Don't forget to change your fuel filter with the

tune-up as this is usually under the car and often overlooked as part of the complete tune-up.



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Absentee ballots for Fenton City elections

requested up until Saturday, Nov. 5. City offices will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 5 to accommodate requests for absentee ballots. The last day that someone can request an absentee ballot is Nov. 7, however, on that day, he or she will be required to vote the ballot at City Hall, as they cannot leave the building with the ballot.

Anyone who has previously requested and received an absentee bal-

Fenton City residents may still lot has until 8 p.m. on Election Day (Nov. request an absentee ballot. The city 8) to return the ballot to the city clerk's can mail out a ballot that has been office at Fenton City Hall. The city will forward the ballot on to the appropriate precinct before closing the polls.

Please note that the city must have a completed application to issue an absentee ballot. Anyone can turn in the application for someone else. However, the city may only hand the ballot to the person who is applying. Otherwise, the city is required by law to place the ballot in the mail to the individual. A person of the applicant's choosing can return the ballot.

Four candidates in the running for three council seats

Residents to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 8

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 **Fenton** — Four residents are vying for three expiring non-partisan seats on Fenton City Council. Incumbent Cheryl King, retired Department of Public Works (DPW) director Les Bland, business owner and Downtown Development Authority (DDA) member Michael Piacentini and former mayor, Patricia Lockwood hope to be elected to serve as council members for the next four years.

Chervl King Incumbent

Age: 63 Family: Husband,



James, son, Jason (1969-1998), daughter Melissa and her husband Tim Scarberry, grandchildren Baylee and Logan.

Education: High school, plus one year of college.

Employment: Retail sales, work for the city of Fenton residents.

Fenton residency: 37 years

Contributions to Fenton: Projects include Millpond senior housing, Donaldson Drive improvement, North LeRoy extension, DPW garage, new fire hall, Main Street/Silver Lake Road connector, improvements for Bush Park, Millpond dam, Walnut Street, Silver Parkway, LeRoy Street railroad crossing, and the train depot, the Silver Lake Road project, purchase of Shiawassee Avenue property, River Street parking project, Fenton Be Closer, purchase of old Republic Bank, wayfinding signs, redevelopment of old fire hall and community center restoration.

Public offices held: City council member from 1989 to 2011, minus two years due to a family illness.

What is Fenton's greatest asset? The city is self-contained — most everything we need is here in this city. Entry jobs are available at age 15 for youth. Jobs are available for seniors, part or full time. Convenient commutes for other jobs. There are many small businesses in our industrial park and commercial areas provide a good tax base for the city.

What is Fenton's greatest detriment? Federal and state mandates with no funding (signs for location of attractions, stop signs, removal of arsenic from water, etc.).

Is Fenton growing in the right direction? Yes, based on talking to residents, they feel welcome and comfortable living here with the many amenities available. **Should Fenton keep its 911 Dispatch** Center? As long as the funds are available.

Should the city purchase property and then sell or lease for \$1? Yes, if it will put it back into the tax base.

What are your thoughts on the garbage bag tag system? It's an efficient user fee.

What would you like to see in Fenton that isn't already there? A nice department store and satellite college.

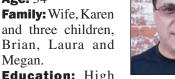


Why should residents vote for you? I will listen to any problem and try to resolve it in the best interest of the individual and the city.

What are your thoughts on the Be Closer tagline? I believe that some people understand the concept and some still feel it's not needed. During open meetings at the community center, people new to Fenton said they moved here because it's a closeknit community. I believe the Be Closer tagline represents the city. People come here because it is close knit.

Michael Piacentini **Age:** 54 Family: Wife, Karen and three children,

Megan.



Education: High school, electronics

diploma, studied management at Henry Ford Community College.

Employment: National product support specialist, Beckman Coulter, Medical Device, company service. I provide additional service support on escalated critical account issues, throughout the United States, some international travel. Fenton residency: 12 years.

Public offices held: Local Development Finance Authority member for two years and member of the Downtown Development Authority for one year.

What is Fenton's greatest asset? Stable business environment, good people, community organizations, solid city management with citizen involvement, good police/fire public safety, good location and generally good schools.

What is Fenton's greatest detriment? Like many cities, declining revenues at the general fund level is straining management of public services. Local, neighborhood roads are terrible.

Is Fenton growing in the right direction? Downtown: recent activities have started to create buzz and discussions, which is good. DDA has several major projects on the table that will transform the downtown area with business opportunities and community event growth. The brewery, Cornerstone building, marketing plan, façade improvement, and streetscape are major projects that target the downtown. There is a stable Silver Parkway business area and overall, the active plans to improve North LeRoy corridor are important.

Should Fenton keep its 911 Dispatch Center? I supported 911 services (equipment upgrades, DDA funding), a shared service component that makes this good for Fenton. This supports better ambulance service, supports the police department jail and dispatchers provide jail observation duties. This provides Fenton first service.

Should the city purchase property and then sell or lease for \$1? With the general fund monies - no. DDA activities tend to be a different discussion. When you can leverage big private investments, with public moneys that are targeted for economic stimulus — yes. The role of the council is to oversee that activity (does it fit into the master plan, does it make long-term sense, is it for the good of the city and not just the investors of the property).

What are your thoughts on the garbage **bag tag system?** I despise the system, but it's not going away. I would like to see an ongoing accounting of the revenue versus cost, adding recycling into tag system and automatic adjustments on a yearly basis make it a true pay-as-you-use program.

What would you like to see in Fenton that is not already here? Recreational district reopened, a cinema and a multipurpose activity center.

Why should residents vote for you? I think a change is needed now. I believe I use critical thinking skills, which is the most important quality and qualification. I have demonstrated this in roles within the subdivision association, city functions and work activities. You must listen to the residents, form action plans to address critical concerns and make a decision or recommendation based on all the inputs. I have attended most of the city council meetings over the last several years. This has given me a perspective on how city government works. I have been on two city boards, the DDA and LDFA. Again, I have a better understanding on how these bodies operate, I have a fundamental understanding on objectives and the funding mechanisms.

What are your thoughts on the Be **Closer tagline?** The Be Closer tagline is a part of the total marketing campaign. I have no problem with the goals of the campaign or the tagline. Promoting the city, events and businesses is a positive activity.

Les Bland **Age:** 64

Family: Two daughters, April and Autumn, son, Daniel and grandsons Andrew, Noah and granddaughter, Payton.



Education: Some college courses. **Employment:** Retired. Fenton residency: 43

Contributions to Fenton: Served on the Fenton Freedom Festival and the Jinglefest committees. Served as a member of the Fenton Recreational Association for 10 years. Member of Fenton Lions Club, was city representative on the Parks Board and Cemetery Board. I now serve as a member of the Friends of the Cemetery.

Public offices held: Director of Fenton Department of Public Works for 41 years. See COUNCIL SEATS on 13A



COUNCIL SEATS **Continued from Page 12A**

What is Fenton's greatest asset? Its charm, history and the people who live here.

What is Fenton's greatest detriment? I feel that the council and the DDA are pulling in different directions and we all need to work to get our city back to where it was. Spending money on useless things does not get roads paved, does not keep employees on the payroll that are needed to keep our current services, paying outside companies to do work for the city and then have a program that states 'Be Closer.' That

seems counterproductive to me. Is Fenton growing in the right direction? I think we are growing, but in the right direction, is yet to be determined.

Should Fenton keep its 911 Dispatch Center? I think if the city can afford this service, it is worth it. If the city continues to lose tax revenue this may have to be discontinued, because of its cost. The next budget will tell the story.

Should the city purchase property and then sell or lease it for \$1? I don't like the process at all. If we are spending thousands of dollars on property and selling or leasing for \$1, I hope it brings in something the city needs. I have not seen this to date. What are your thoughts on the garbage bag tag system? It works and we all must pay for the garbage that we generate.

What would you like to see in Fenton that is not already here? Cracker Barrel, Damons, a nice buffet like Old Country or Fire Mountain, a nice community place for kids to go and play, skate and just have a good time staying out of trouble.

Why should residents vote for you? I have the experience of 41 years of administrative decisions. I know the city's budget and its process. I think I will have a different view on a lot of items that are brought to the council. I want to see a paving program started again on our local streets and have budget cuts done fairly, across the board, rather than a few departments getting all the major cuts. I have the knowledge and the desire to keep Fenton the great place it is to raise a family.

What are your thoughts on the Be **Closer tagline?** The tagline is fine, but I think it needs more explanation as to what it really means. Be Closer to Fenton for what reasons, such as great places to eat, good parks, great small city charm, a good place to live and play, it needs more than just Be Closer.

Patricia Lockwood **Age:** 64 Family: Husband,

Ron. three married children, Heather and

Dan Gundry, Brad and Laurie Lock-

wood and Brooke and



Steve Page, 10 grandchildren. Education: Attended the University of Detroit, 2001 Flemming Fellow, Washington, D.C.

Employment: Independent consultant. Fenton residency: 41 years.

Contributions to Fenton: City council member, mayor, state representative for 51st district, Genesee County commissioner, member of the Local Development Finance Authority, former member of the DDA, Chair of the Fenton Freedom Festival, board member of Fenton Area Public Schools Educational Foundation, board member of Fenton Community Fund, board member of the Michigan Municipal League and Foundation, Genesee County Land Bank, United

Way and Junior Achievement.

Public offices held: Fenton City Council member 1987-1988, Fenton Mayor 1988-1999.

TRI-COUNTY TIMES

What is Fenton's greatest asset? The ability to attract caring, engaged individuals and families through Fenton's overall quality of life features, which include an outstanding school system, regional location and a secure sense of place and belonging. What is Fenton's greatest detriment? Due to the decrease in property values and reduced state revenue sharing, we are at risk of losing expected and necessary services.

Is Fenton growing in the right direction? Yes, we need to maintain a small-town atmosphere and still grow and attract vibrant businesses, shops, and restaurants. Our ability to manage smart growth will have a lasting impact on Fenton's future.

Should Fenton keep its 911 Dispatch Center? Yes, Fenton's independent 911 Dispatch Center has a proven track record of rapid response to meet the needs of residents and businesses. Having our own dispatcher has allowed us to maintain our 24-hour lock-up, which has contributed to controlling crime.

Should the city purchase property and then sell or lease it for \$1? Each situation requires a case-by-case review. In general, the purchase or lease of property to attract new businesses and provide incentives for existing businesses to expand and grow is critical to the economic development of a thriving community. A \$1 lease/sale agreement should only be used to serve a public purpose with the municipality benefiting from a long-term arrangement.

What are your thoughts on the garbage bagtagsystem? When the city first implemented the bag tag system, a user fee, as opposed to an overall designated fee was generally accepted. However, residents are now focused on streamlining the process needed to bag-and-tag garbage and leaves and reducing the costs. I have researched our surrounding communities' programs and there are other options to consider.

What would you like to see in Fenton that is not already here? I would like to see improved communication between city hall and the residents and businesses. We need to reemphasize the needs of our aging neighborhoods through street and sidewalk repair and fulfill the vision of an area cultural center to complement the revitalization of downtown Fenton.

Why should residents vote for you? My experience and understanding of the needs of local government and my ability to communicate with residents and businesses on issues impacting their quality of life. As a former director of shared public services, my knowledge of sharing services with neighboring municipalities would create reductions in costs and continuation of necessary services.

What are your thoughts of the Be Closer tagline? I applaud the DDA and their initiative to develop a branding campaign for Fenton, as I believe it was long overdue and much needed to promote the city of Fenton. I think a campaign should encourage more business development, build on our customer base from surrounding areas to help promote our local stores and restaurants and instill a sense of pride amongst the residents themselves in Fenton.

I don't think the 'Be Closer' campaign addresses all those issues in the way I would have liked to have seen it. I feel it is confusing and inconclusive to the people that see and hear about it. Branding campaigns should be straight to the point and be reflective of the businesses and people within it. I would hope that it be re-evaluated moving forward.

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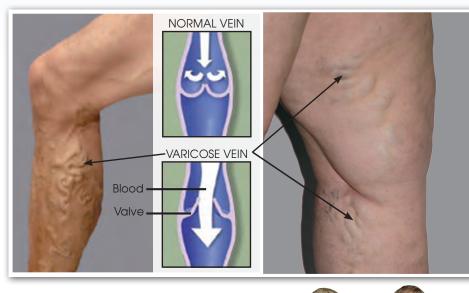
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Myths

Stretching decreases injury risk.

Static stretching, which involves reaching forward to a point of tension and holding the stretch (i.e., a hamstring stretch), can do more harm than good decreasing performance and increasing injury risk. Instead, focus on dynamic warm-ups that emphasize joint mobility and muscle activation to improve range of motion and promote muscular control. **Getting in shape is good for fat loss.**

Most people equate losing weight with getting in shape. By definition, getting in shape means than any given exercise will be easier to perform in terms of energy, because yourbody gets efficient in performing one form of exercise. To increase your "metabolic disturbance," experts suggest alternating different kinds of exercise on different days, i.e., biking, running, swimming, resistance training circuits, etc. **Pasta is the ultimate**

pre-workout meal.

Endurance athletes may need to load up on carbs before their workout, but a better option for most people is a balance of lean protein, whole grain products and vegetables. This provides a wider range of nutrients to perform optimally. **A quick jog and a few stretches are a sufficient warm-up.**

This type of warm-up does increase your circulatory rate and body temperature, which helps improve your muscle elasticity. But a better warm-up will also include taking the working joints through a full range of motion, increasing the neural drive to the working muscles, increases a locked-up muscle's ability to



reps to the point you can't do another single rep. While strength is not the only component of being a successful distance runner, it's one of the most overlooked. **Basketball shoes**

protect against injury.

High-top shoes may minimize the risk of rolling an ankle as a result of landing on someone's foot, but they do cause excessive range of motion at the knee, which over time, may lead to a number of knee problems. Plus, restricted ankle motion from these shoes cause a decrease in sensory and reflexive ability of lowerleg muculature, which consequently will impair balance. Basketball shoes can actually be viewed as both injury inflicting and performance inhibiting.

Squatting is bad for your knees.

This myth comes from several sources, mainly doctors who see people come into their office in pain from squatting. However, most people with squatting-related knee pain have poor technique — in an effort to keep their torso vertical, they drive their knees excessively forward. In a good squat, the angle of the shin matches the angle of the torso. This ensures loading of the glutes and hamstrings and minimizes the anterior shearing forces across the knee. People with a history of knee pain should maintain a vertical shin angle throughout the motion.

Crunches are the

best way to get a six-pack.

Crunches and sit-up are not the best way to build up your abdominals — it's almost entirely a function of body fat and minimally a function of ab development. Contrary to popular belief, training a muscle group will not burn fat locally. The best way to get a six-pack involves better dietary choices and high-intensity interval training.



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While many people add volume to their

workout in an effort to get stronger, faster

or more "athletic," they often do so at the

David Jameson, of Grand Blanc, does crunches at Powerhouse Gym in Fenton Thursday morning. Despite the myths, crunches alone cannot create six-pack abs.

extend, increasing the circulatory rate and
the internal body temperature.More is better.Long-distance cardioWhile many peo
workout in an effort

is good for fat loss.

The myth is that people working on cardio machines at a specified target heart rate will burn the largest proportion of energy from fat. What few people realize is that you actually burn the highest proportion of fat while at rest (around 70 percent of your energy comes from fat).

A growing body of evidence supports the use of high-intensity interval training for fat loss. Not only does it takes about half the time of traditional long-distance cardio (typically 12 to 20 minutes), but it will lead to better results. expense of recovery time. While brief planned periods of volume increases can be beneficial in increasing your capacity, continually adding volume will eventually impede your performance. Stress is necessary to stimulate improvement, while recovery is necessary to realize adaptation.

Strength isn't important for distance running.

Every distance runner should be doing some form of resistance training, designed to increase strength — not low weights, high-reps, but heavy weights and low-

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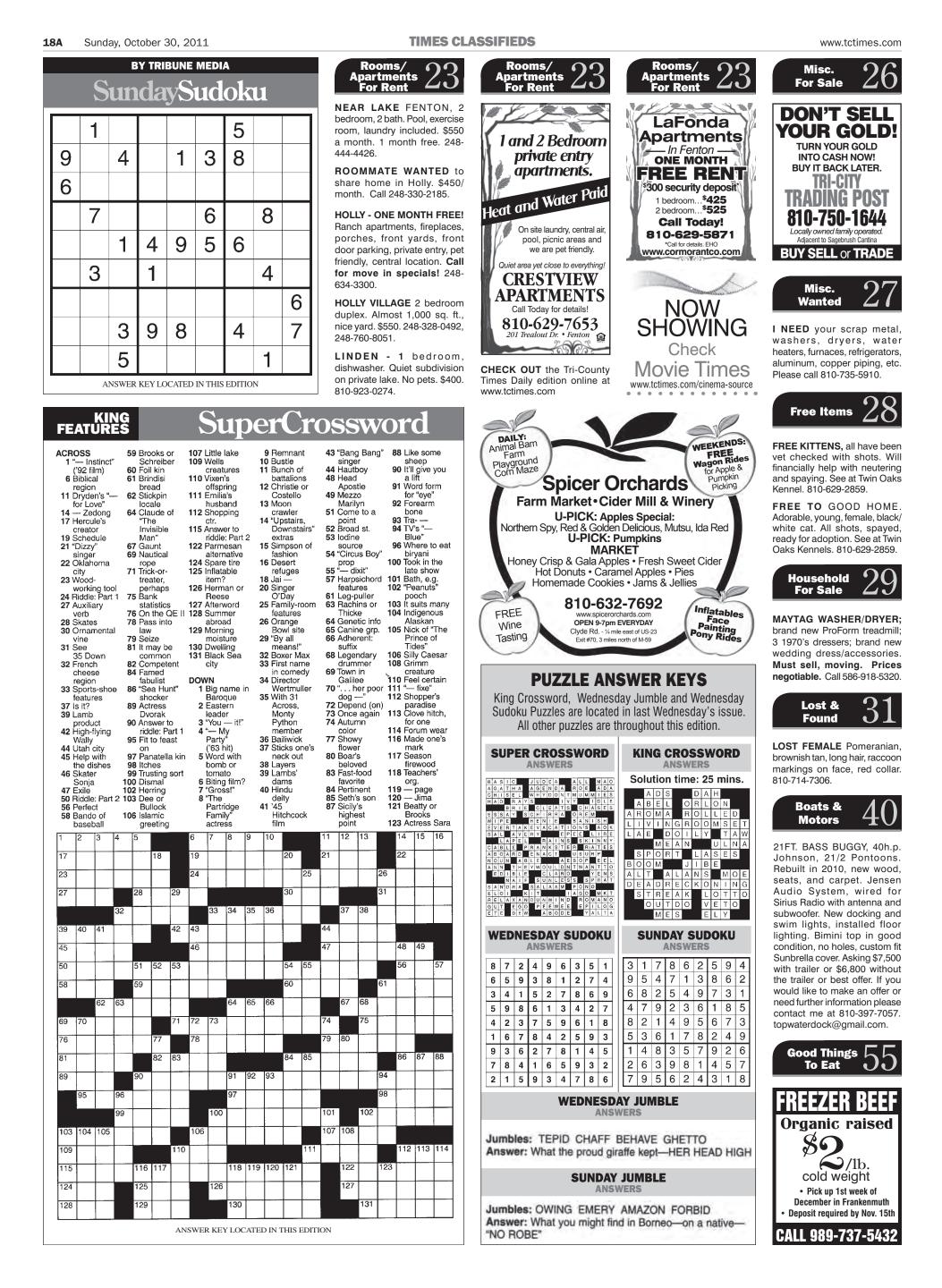
Saturday, November 12th at 9:00 a.m. Curtis-Wolverton VFW Post 3243 1148 N. Leroy Street, Fenton, MI



For more information, or to register for this free event, please call Martie or Pam at 810-735-5110







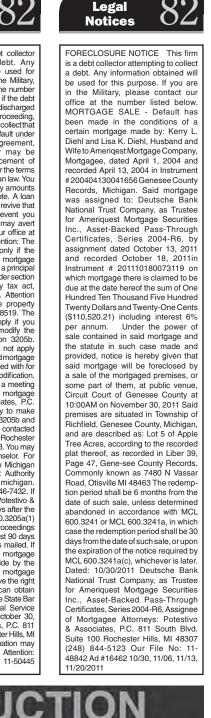
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PUBLIC NOTICE

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GROVELAND TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Accuracy Test for the SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION, Tuesday, November 8, 2011 has been scheduled for WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2011 @ 10:00 a.m. to be conducted at the Groveland Township Office, 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly, MI. The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the electronic equipment used to conduct and tabulate the results of the election counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Pamel Mazich, Clerk Groveland Township 4695 Grange Hall Rd. Holly, MI 48442 248-634-4152

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 8, 2011 IN GROVELAND TOWNSHIP

To the Qualified Electors: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a School election will be held in

> **GROVELAND TOWNSHIP** County of Oakland, State of Michigan

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2011 THE POLLS will be open 7: o'clock a.m. until 8 o'clock p.m.

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NOTICE OF HEARING VARIANCE APPLICATIONS VETERANS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS POST 3243 1148 NORTH LEROY STREET

CITY OF FENTON, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held before the Fenton Zoning Board of Appeals on Tuesday, November 22, 2011 at 7:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 301 South Leroy Street to hear the petitions of the Veterans of Foreign Affairs Post 3243. The applicant requests variances of the Fenton Zoning Ordinance requirements for signs, to allow for erection of a pole sign that exceeds the maximum height and area requirements, and that does not meet the required setbacks. Variances are requested of the setback requirement of Section 22.04.a., General Standards; the maximum area allowed in Section 22.05, Specific Sign Standards; and Section 22.03, Prohibited Signs that does not permit pole type signs.

> Applicant: Zoning: Property Address: Property I.D.:

VFW Post 3243 GBD (General Business District) 1148 North Leroy Street # 53-25-100-008

Additional information and location maps are available for review at Fenton City Hall 301 South Leroy Street, Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 5 pm.

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The Board has the right to accept and/or reject any and all bids. Bids are required to be sealed and will be reviewed prior to the Township Board meeting.

Denise Graves Clerk, Argentine Township ÒZ



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is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any infor-mation obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office atthenumberlistedbelow.MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Timothy T Wellman and Shannon L Wellman, Husband and Wife to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group Inc, Mortgagee, dated July 8, 2003 and recorded November 3, 2003 in Liber 4227 Page 276 Livingston County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Thirty Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$37,130.70) including interest 4.5% 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 predices of by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Livingston County at 10:00AM on November 16, 2011 Said premises are situated in Township of Putnam, Livingston County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 6: A part of the Northwest one quarter, Section 16, and Northeast one quarter of Section 16, Town 1 North, Range 4 East, Putnam Township, Livingston County, Michigan; described as follows: Commencing at the West one quarter corner of said Section 16; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 04 seconds East, along the East-West one quarter Section line 228.16 feet; thence along the Easterly Right-of-way line of a 66 foot wide Private Road Easement on the arc of a curve left, 227.20 feet, said curve has a radius of 75.00 feet, a central angle of 173 degrees 33 minutes 40 seconds, and a long chord which bears North 03 degrees 06 minutes 07 seconds East, 149.77 feet; thence continuing along said Easterly right-of way line on the arc of a curve right, 43.92 feet, said curve has a radius of 50.00 feet, a central angle of 50 degrees 19 minutes 44 seconds and a long chord which bears North 58 degrees 30 minutes 51 seconds West 42.52 feet; thence continuing along said Easterly right-of way line on the arc of a curve right, 428.43 feet, said curve has a radius of 1413.94 feet, a central angle of 17 degrees 21 minutes 39 seconds and a long chord which bears North 24 degrees 40 minutes 09 seconds West, 426.79 feet; thence continuing along said Easterly right-of way line. North 15 degrees 59 minutes 20 seconds West 524.96 feet; thence continuing along said Easterly right of way line on the arc of a curve right 342.43 feet, said curve has a radius of 378.28 feet, a central angle of 51 degrees 51 minutes 57 seconds and a long chord which bears North 09 degrees 56 minutes 39 seconds East, 330.86 feet; thence continuing along said Easterly right-of way line, North 35 degrees 52 minutes 37 seconds East, 1096.04 feet; thence continuing along said Easterly right-of way line on the arc of a curve left, 109.21 feet, said curve has a radius of 2793.74 feet; a central angle of 02 degrees 14 minutes 23 seconds and a long chord which bears North 34 ees 45 minutes 26 seconds East 109.20 feet to the point of beginning of the parcel to be described; thence continuing along said right-of way line on the arc of a curve left, 287.16 feet, said curve has a radius of 2793.74 feet a central angle of 05 degrees 53 minutes 21 seconds and a long chord which bears North 30 degrees 41 minutes 34 seconds East 287.03 feet. thence along the centerline of Spears Road on the arc of a curve right, 102.81 feet, said curve has a radius of 669.86 feet, a central angle of 08 degrees 47 minutes 38 seconds and a long chord which bears South 67 degrees 41 minutes 24 seconds East, 102.71 feet; thence continuing along said centerline South 63 degrees 17 minutes 35 seconds East, 480.06 feet to the intersection of the centerlines of Spears and Cedar Lake Roads; thence along the centerline of Cedar Lake Road on the arc of a curve left, 127.48 feet, said curve has a radius of 500.00 feet, a central angle of 14 degrees 36 minutes 29 seconds and a long chord which bears South 47 degrees 58 minutes 58 seconds East, 127.14 feet; thence continuing along said centerline South 55 degrees 17 minutes 13 seconds East, 127.44 feet; thence continuing East, 127.44 feet; thence continuing along said centerline on the arc of a curve left 1359.70 feet, said curve has a central angle of 13 degrees 35 minutes 49 seconds, a radius of 5729.58 feet and a long chord which bears South 62 degrees 05 minutes 07 seconds East, 1356.51 feet; thence South 09 degrees 39 minutes 32 seconds West 276.79 feet to Traverse Point R. a one half inch rod lving 12 feet North of the water's edge of Lake Wallaby; thence continuing South 23 de-grees 20 minutes 54 seconds West, 312.29 feet; thence North 54 degrees 22 minutes 23 seconds West, 1051.19 feet to Traverse Point AA, one half iron lying 8 feet Northwest of the water's edge of Lake Wallaby, also being the end of a meandering Traverse line

beginning at aforementioned Traverse Point R and following 9 courses: South 86 degrees 21 minutes 12 seconds West, 157.81 feet to Traverse Point S, South 51 degrees 04 minutes 03 seconds West, 63.17 feet to Traverse Point T, North 73 degrees 26 minutes 16 seconds West 65.78 feet to Traverse Point U, North 35 degrees 57 minutes 58 seconds West, 37.19 feet to Traverse Point V, North 20 degrees 28 minutes 10 seconds West, 198.71 feet to Traverse Point W, North 52 degrees 07 minutes 58 seconds West, 174.85 feet to Traverse Point X, North 70 degrees 02 minutes 59 seconds West, 174.96 feet to Traverse Point Y, North 86 degrees 54 minutes 25 seconds West, 232.42 feet to Traverse Point Z, South 64 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds West, 91.46 feet to Traverse Point AA; thence continuing from Traverse Point AANorth 54 degrees 22 minutes 23 seconds West, 1283,95 feet to the point of beginning. Also including the use of Walkabout Way a 66 foot wide Private Road Easement for ingress, egress and public utilities as shown in the plat of Putnam Meadows No. 1, recorded in Liber 34 of Plats pages 3 through 5, Livingston County Records. Also together with a 50 foot wide private boat launch easement described below. Private boat launch easement to be used together with others lawfully entitled to the use of the same, the centerline of which is described as follows: A part of the Northwest guarter of Section 16, Town 1 North, Range 4 East, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the West quarter corner of said Section 16; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 4 seconds East 228.16 feet along the East and West quarter line of said Section 16; thence on the arc of a curve of a left 227.20 feet, said curve having a radius of 75.00 feet, a central angle of 173 degrees 33 minutes 40 seconds and a chord which bears North 3 degrees 6 minutes 7 seconds East 149.77 feet; thence on the arc of a curve right 43.92 feet, said curve having a radius of 50.00 feet, a central angle of 50 degrees 19 minutes 44 seconds and a chord which bears North 58 degrees 30 minutes 51 seconds West 42.52 feet; thence on the arc of a curve right 428.43 feet, said curve having a radius of 1413.94 feet, a central angle of 17 degrees 21 minutes 39 seconds and a chord which bears North 24 degrees 40 minutes 9 seconds West 426.79 feet; thence North 15 degrees 59 minutes 20 seconds West 524.96 feet; thence on the arc of a curve right 342.43 feet, said curve having a radius of 378.28 feet, a central angle of 51 degrees 51 minutes 57 seconds and a chord which bears North 9 degrees 56 minutes 39 seconds East 330.86 feet; thence North 35 degrees 52 minutes 37 seconds East 1096.04 feet; thence on the arc of a curve left 396.36 feet said curve having a radius of 2793.74 feet, a central angle of 8 degrees 7 minutes 44 seconds and a chord which bears North 31 degrees 48 minutes 45 seconds East 396.03 feet; thence along the centerline of Spears Road on the arc of a curve right 102.81 feet, said curve having a radius of 669.86 feet, a central angle of 8 degrees 47 minutes 38 seconds and a chord which bears South 67 degrees 41 minutes 24 seconds East 102.71 feet; thence continuing along said centerline South 63 degrees 17 minutes 35 seconds East 480.06 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Spears Road and the centerline of Cedar Lake Road: thence along the centerline of Cedar Lake Road on the arc of a curve left 127.48 feet; said curve having a radius of 500.00 feet, a central angle of 14 degrees 36 minutes 29 seconds and a chord which bears South 47 degree 58 minutes 58 seconds East 127.14 feet; thence continuing along said centerline South 55 degrees 17 minutes 13 seconds East 127.44 feet; thence continuing along said centerline on the arc of a curve left 1385.20 feet, said curve having a radius of 5729.58 feet, a central angle of 13 degrees 51 minutes 7 seconds and a chord which bears South 62 degrees 12 minutes 46 seconds East 1381.83 feet to the point of beginning of said centerline; thence South 9 degrees 39 minutes 32 seconds West 265.30 feet to the meandering Traverse line for Lake Wallaby; thence South 9 degrees 39 minutes 32 seconds West 40.00 feet to the point of ending of said centerline Survey No. 89260 dated July 3, 1989. Commonly known as 8110 Cedar Lake Rd, Pinckney MI 48169 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 10/16/2011 CitiMortgage, Inc. successor by merger to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group Inc. Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-47859 Ad #16054 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/06/2011

ROSE TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

2011 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT REPROGRAMMING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, the Rose Township Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on November 9, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Rose Township Hall, 204 Franklin Street, Holly, MI 48442 for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) as follows: Request to Program 2011 Funds \$15,793.00 to be used for signage and improvements at Dearborn Park.

A copy of the Proposed Programming Resolution and the publication that detail the range of eligible activities for the application and the programming that may be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant Funds will be available for public viewing at the Clerk's Office; Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. except holidays.

The hearing is open to the public to voice their views or to submit written comments. Citizens are encouraged to attend and participate in the hearing. The Rose Township Board will consider any public comments received at this time. Written comments may be submitted prior to the hearing by writing to: Rose Township Clerk at 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan 48442. For further information or services, please call: 248-634-7551.

Handicapped individuals, who require assistance to participate or to attend this meeting are requested to contact the Township Clerk at the number above at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

> Debbie Miller Rose Township Clerk

NOTICE OF ELECTION TYRONE TOWNSHIP

All electors of the Linden School District are hereby given notice that a Special Election will be held in Precinct One of Tyrone Township, Livingston County, Michigan, on Tuesday, November 8, 2011 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Electors of the Linden School District will be voting on the following proposal:

LINDEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Linden Community Schools, Genesee and Livingston Counties, Michigan, be increased by 21.4061 mills (\$21.4061 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2012 to 2021, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2012 is approximately \$1,931,421 (this is a renewal of millage which will expire with the 2011 tax levy)?

YES or NO

Full text of the ballot proposal may be obtained at the Linden Community Schools administrative office, 7205 W. Silver Lake Road, Linden, MI 48451, (810) 591-0980.

Polling location:

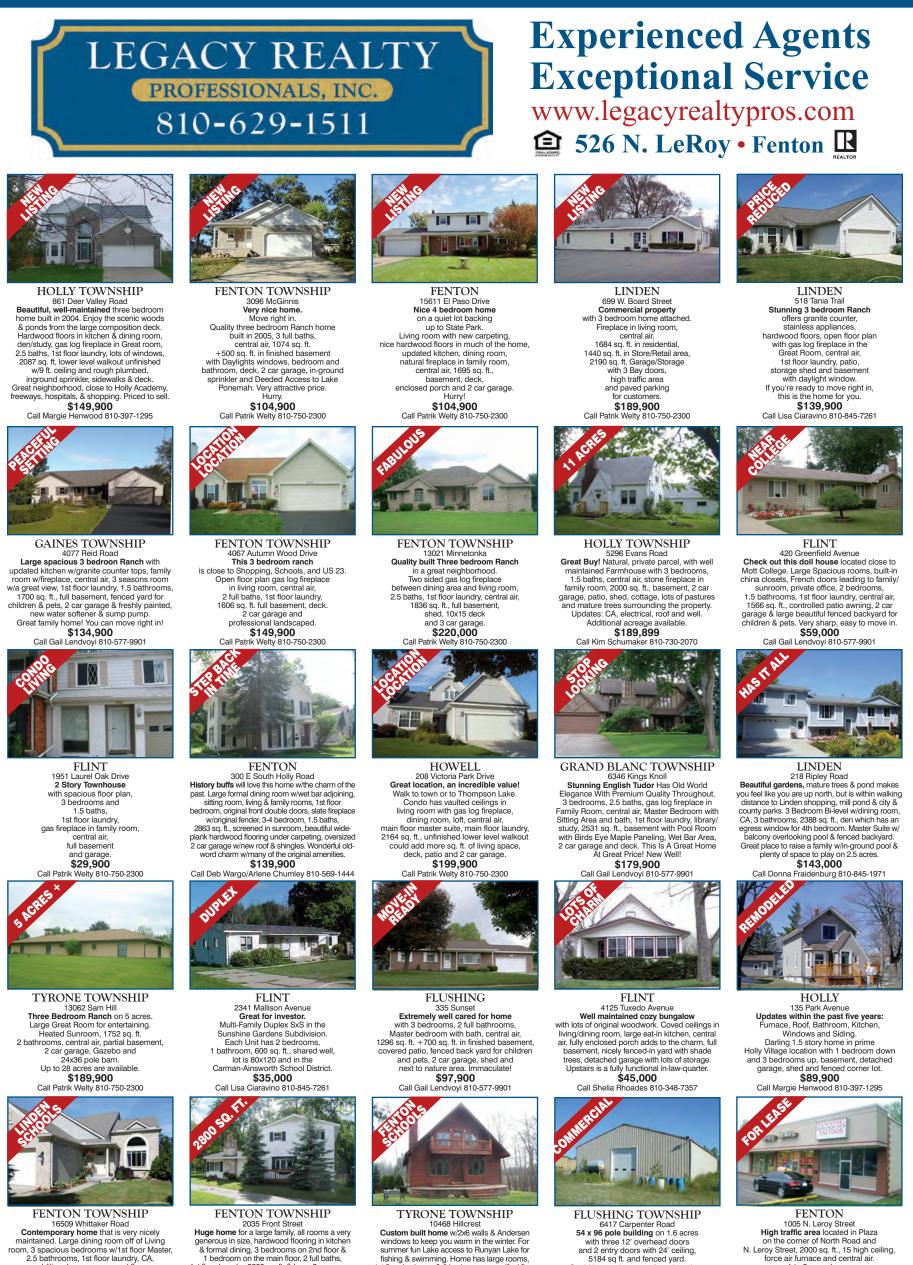
Precinct #1 (Linden School District voters) Fenton Church of the Nazarene 11075 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton

The above polling location provides voting access for individuals with disabilities and contains voting instructions in alternative formats, including audio and Braille.

Applications for absent voter ballots are available for the November 8, 2011 Linden School Election and may be obtained at the Tyrone Township Clerk's Office Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Requests for absent voter ballots must be in writing.

Keith L. Kremer, Tyrone Township Clerk **TIMES CLASSIFIEDS**





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Call Deb Wargo 810-569-1444

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electronic equipment that is beyond our technical capability. The equipment required is redundant to what already exists at the Genesee County 911 Center and used by most other small cities and townships in the county. With the growth in cell phone use, most of the calls will go into the county system before being transferred to Fenton causing delays in dispatching emergency equipment. The cost of redundancy is unnecessary in these times of budget shortfalls.

Should the city purchase property and then sell or lease for \$1? I believe the property in question is currently vacant, producing no income and held by the city as an important piece in the future development of our downtown area. The DDA saw an opportunity to recruit a unique craftsman to the area who could help in attracting other businesses or shoppers in the future.

What are your thoughts on the gar**bage tag system?** Our bag tag system is a "pay for use" system that costs exactly what you use it for. If you produce less garbage, you pay less. If you travel and don't produce garbage for certain periods, you are not taxed for garbage collection. As a senior, my wife and I produce less than one garbage can per week costing less than \$1.60 per week. That is less than \$80 per year.

What would you like to see in Fenton that isn't already here? My interests lean to more walkable city streets and downtown area. We have paid little attention to our neighborhood streets, which have deteriorated significantly.

Why should residents vote for you? I bring a fresh perspective to council deliberations. As a fiscal conservative, I bring a studied approach to the city's financial problems. It is important that we begin to address the city's financial shortfall sooner rather than later to minimize the impact on city services. My election motto is "It's Time for Tim."

What are your thoughts on the Be **Closer tagline?** Be Closer is more than a tagline. It is a theme to build a marketing campaign around to easily think positively and simply about Fenton. The marketing company approached the naming of the campaign in a very studied way by interviewing numerous city residents about what they thought were the positive attributes of Fenton. Based on very few personal responses I've heard from merchants, it appears to be generating new business. I believe we should not judge the Be Closer campaign on anonymous comments in the paper. The DDA should poll the merchants and judge the success of Be Closer on their feedback.



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Institute, Michigan Brewing Co., Planet Fitness, Culver's Restaurant, Crust Bakery, redevelopment of the old Topps site and more. As long as we keep our small town atmosphere and shop local, we'll do fine. Should Fenton keep its 911 Dispatch **Center?** We have funding for equipment

upgrades and operations for the foreseeable future. We can provide the quick emergency response times our citizens have demanded and grown to expect.

Should the city purchase property and then sell or lease for \$1? Most small towns struggle to maintain a vital downtown. We are fortunate to have a well-funded downtown development authority to help our efforts to redevelop and return property to the tax rolls.

What are your thoughts on the garbage tag system? What could be better than only paying for what you use? The single senior citizens can use one bag/tag over two or three weeks. A large family may use several bags every week. What could be fairer?

What would you like to see in Fenton that isn't already here? A better library, a college satellite facility and an even more vibrant downtown.

Why should residents vote for you? I

hope I have earned their trust to be committed to the responsibilities of mayor, do what is best for the community and honestly consider all sides on an issue. What are your thoughts on the Be Closer tagline? Branding and marketing any product, let alone a community, is hard to do and takes time to develop. The concept that our Fenton area can attract people from surrounding counties to be closer to our businesses, recreation, arts, lakes, home, or a good quality of life, is an innovative marketing campaign the DDA has begun. I want it to be successful.

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and the dead end at LeRoy is a disgrace to what remains of downtown. Roaring motorcycles, large trucks and even a humongous combine, followed by a double bottom trash hauler. The city should divert such obnox-ious traffic to Silver Lake and Grange Hall

GO TO YOUR township meetings. I didn't and I am sorry. Now I have to pass an orange eyesore everyday on the way home and look at it outside of my front window. It's on Orchard Parkway. Way to go, township board.

THE ALLEN BROTHERS are probably the best combo to come out of Fenton in a long time. They have a great future.



economic development of Fenton

 Local streets & sidewalk concerns It's time... for Tim!

Please vote Tuesday. November 8th







Summary

More and more men are finding themselves at the grocery store, either handling all the responsibility of shopping and meal preparation, or shopping occasionally when their spouse is not available to do it.

More and more men are literally "bringing home the bacon," as greater equality in the workplace is leaving more household chores divided between the sexes, including the grocery shopping.

On any given day, especially at the end of the workday, men are becoming more com-

monplace in the grocery aisles, slowly increasing the market influence of huge companies such as Proctor & Gamble, the world's largest manufacturer of cleaning products, personal care items and more. P & G has even launched a new website aimed squarely at men, www.manofthehouse.com, dishing out household advice, with the goal of gaining a bigger share of this growing market.

See MEN on 5B

LSince I'm the main cook at our house, I'm also the grocery shopper. I always bring my own list and I shop mostly by price. 77 Bob Oaks, Fenton



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTOS (Above) Men are taking on the responsibility of grocery shopping. (Right) Deciding which products to buy can sometimes be confusing for the male shopper.

Shopping habits of the male shopper

▶ If he has a list — he is married

If he is in the frozen food section and carrying a basket - he is single.

▶ If he is carrying flowers — aw, he is in love OR he is guilty and trying to make things better between him and his lady friend.

If he has a lot of sugary cereals, peanut butter, and diapers — he has children.



By Sally Rummel Staff Reporter

What do you like the least about grocery shopping?

ROBERT CHAVEZ, FENTON



"Waiting in long lines at the checkout."



"Grocery shopping can be complicated. I just spent 10 minutes trying to pick out shampoo."

STEVE KANE. FENTON TOWNSHIP



"People pushing their shopping carts the way they drive, and that's not very good."

GUY SHELTON, FENTON TOWNSHIP



"I wish grocery stores had coupons for fresh fruits and vegetables."

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A day in the life of a mortician

► Embalming, funeral processions, unpredictable hours all part of the job

By William Axford

axford@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 Dressed in business attire on a Wednesday morning, Ken Temrowski could easily be mistaken for a man embarking to an office job. After tending to his children, however, Temrowski will make a trip to Hurley Medical Center and arrive back home to start his day's work.

As the funeral director of Temrowski Family Funeral Home in Fenton, Temrowski often makes trips to hospitals, medical examiners, nursing homes and even residential homes during odd hours. Maintaining a regular schedule is an impossible feat.

"The hours are very unpredictable. It's the nature of the business," Temrowski said. "I'm called upon at any hour of the day, and normally there's no flexibility. I try to put my family first, but this isn't a business that always lets me do that."

Becoming a funeral director was a natural decision for Temrowski, as he grew up in his father's funeral home. Temrowski vividly remembers maintaining the grounds and helping with funeral processions throughout his childhood. "It's just what my dad did," said Temrowski when he reflected on growing up in a funeral home with five siblings. "My kids are much the same, running around my funeral home. They know that our family is here to help other families."

The spacious rooms and soft colors of Temrowski's house are welcoming, dispelling stereotypes of funeral homes. As any funeral director will tell you, the business of death is more about the living rather than the deceased.

"The biggest misconception of my job is that I only deal with the deceased. Dealing with the family of the deceased is the biggest part of the job," Temrowski said.

For Temrowski, helping bereaving families move beyond a terrible situation is the most satisfying aspect of the job. The toughest funeral processions involve children, the young or anyone that dies unexpectedly. Though Temrowski has seen an increase in cremations over the years, the importance of funeral processions hasn't changed.

"I tell families to choose what they want for the disposition embalmed and prepared for view the cosmetics. and to get together to support each other and remember the deceased," Temrowski said. "The crux of funeral services is keeping families moving in the

right direction." When it comes to preparing the deceased, Temrowski usually works side by side with his wife, Becca, who is also a funeral director. The only time that Temrowski was uncomfortable with the deceased was during mortuary school, when he initially doubted his abilities at embalming.

The embalming room itself is a tidy white room filled with scalpels, cosmetics and other tools of the trade. Funeral directors are usually the only ones in the room, which gives it an air of mystery to most people, said Temrowski.

Although most funeral directors are following into a family business, Temrowski is not sure what draws people to the funeral business. His wife knew she wanted to be a funeral director at age 4. Those who are drawn to the profession take their roles very seriously and are dedicated to their work.

"Every society needs someone to take care of the sick, the healthy and the injured. Every society needs someone to take care of the deceased, and that's exactly what I do," Temrowski said.



Ken Temrowski, of Temrowski Family Funeral Home, stands at the table on which the deceased are embalmed and prepared for viewing. He handles most of the embalming, while wife Becca handles the cosmetics.



COUNTY LIVING



WIT &

to help mom

do the dishes."

P.J. O'Rourke, quoted in the London Spectator

"By working faithfully

eight hours a day, you

may eventually get to be

boss and work

12 hours a day.'

Robert Frost,

quoted in PschologyToday.com

DUMB BUT TRUE

Ten years of surgeries just

A Filipino man has had a de-

cade's worth of plastic surgery to make himself look like Su-

perman. Herbert Chavez, 35, a

fashion designer by trade, has

had his skin lightened, a cleft

put in his chin, and additional

surgery on his nose, cheeks,

become a superhero," says

lips, and thighs. "Anybody can

Chavez, whose home

is filled with Super-

man memorabilia and

life-size Superman

statues. Now

5-foot-7, he

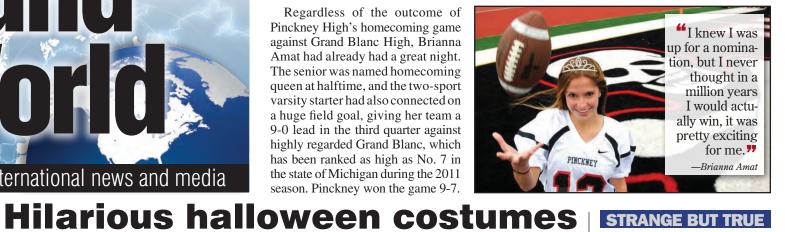
metal rods

plans to have

to look like Superman

Pinckney homecoming queen wins game with field goal

Regardless of the outcome of Pinckney High's homecoming game against Grand Blanc High, Brianna Amat had already had a great night. The senior was named homecoming queen at halftime, and the two-sport varsity starter had also connected on a huge field goal, giving her team a 9-0 lead in the third quarter against highly regarded Grand Blanc, which has been ranked as high as No. 7 in the state of Michigan during the 2011 season. Pinckney won the game 9-7.



STRANGE BUT TRUE

Man arrested after burglars tip cops to child porn stash

A California man has been arrested for alleged possession of child pornography after bur-



glars who stole CDs from his property discovered what was on them and tipped police, KTXLTV reports. The burglars, a

19-year-old and a

Kraig Stockard

juvenile, thought they had snatched blank audio CDs from a barn belonging to 54-year-old Kraig Stockard in Delhi, Calif., on Sept. 12.

After discovering that the discs contained child porn, a family member persuaded the pair to get in touch with police, Merced County Sheriff's Deputy Tom McKenzie tells the Sacramento TV station.

Investigators then searched Stockard's property, confiscated several computers and arrested him.

CORPORATE LOGIC



Manager sues Target over lunch breaks

A former manager at Target is suing the firm, claiming he was fired for working during his lunch break. Target requires employees to clock out for half an hour for lunch. But Jason Kellner, an 8-year veteran, says his lunch was often interrupted by requests from customers and supervisors and that he never expected to be fired for helping them.









Toddler hit by two trucks and left for dead in street

Dozens of pedestrians ignore bleeding girl

A trash picker has become a national hero in China after rescuing a little girl who was run over and left for dead. One after another, two hit-andrun drivers struck Wang Yue, 2, as she toddled down a narrow street in Foshan, in southern China.

A video posted on the Internet and viewed millions of times in a matter of days showed more than a dozen people walking or biking past as the girl lay bleeding, until scavenger Chen Xianmei, 58, lifted her out of the road and called for help

Chen has received numerous offers of money, and the case has sparked a national conversation about morality as bloggers debate whether the Chinese are more concerned with making money than with building a just society.



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It takes a community to stay drug free

▶ Town hall meeting set for Nov. 1

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 **Holly**—As parents, relatives, teachers and concerned adults, we spend a lot of time trying to help teens avoid situations that could ruin their lives.

According to the Holly Area Community Coalition, one of the biggest challenges is substance abuse. The Coalition says progress is being made with illicit drugs; however, prescription drug abuse and marijuana use are of great concern.

One in five teens, or 4.5 million young people, has abused prescription drugs, according to the National Council on Patient Information and Education.

Preventative & Cosmetic Dentistry for the young,

not so young, brave and not-so-brave!

According to Susan Papple of the Coalition, teens believe that because

Summary

► The public is invited

to attend a town hall

meeting, sponsored

Community Coalition,

to discuss youth drug

takes place at 7 p.m.

on Tuesday, Nov. 1 at

the Karl Richter Cam-

pus, 920 East Baird

St. in Holly.

by the Holly Area

abuse. The event

prescription medications are legal, they are safer than their illicit counterparts, making these medications the statistical drug of choice after marijuana.

TRI-COUNTY LIVING

Prescription drugs are also easy to get. Fifty-six percent of people who use prescription medications non-medically say they obtain these drugs from friends and relatives. The Coalition is noticing that the youth perception of risk for marijuana use is decreasing since the Medical

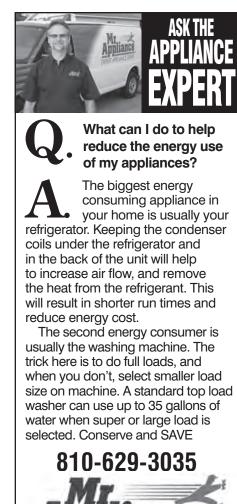
Marijuana Act was passed in 2008. When asked, most youth report they believe that all marijuana use is legal, and don't think it is harmful.

News briefs

Linden waste pickup to

change Jan. 1, 2012 Waste services in Linden will switch from Mondays to Fridays starting Jan. 1. The Linden City Council voted to switch their services to Republic Waste Services, saving the city \$32,207.04 when compared to its current services with Waste Management of Michigan.

Holly Village to install alarm system



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Papple said, as a community, it is important that the community address

these and other youth substance abuse issues. Everyone is invited to attend a town hall meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 1 in the Karl Richter Campus auditorium, to discuss youth drug use trends and ways to prevent substance abuse.

Expert panelists will include Holly Police Chief Elena Danishevskaya, Sharmaine Hicks, a Michigan National Guard Task Force expert and Sharron Rozell, a Henry Ford

Maplegrove Adolescent expert. Local findings, youth trends and parenting strategies are a few of the topics that will be discussed.

with Guardian Alarm Company out of Southfield, to protect the village offices with alarms. They chose a five-year lease, which will cost \$6,404 over five years, and cover any parts that fail. It includes a back-up system should power and the phone lines be lost. The new system will monitor all doors and entryways to the village offices. Should a disturbance occur, Guardian will contact local police.

Holly Family of the Year Named

The Holly Family of the year for 2011 is Shirley and Carl Roos. They were chosen because of significant contributions to the community, which include quarterly trips to the Appalachian Mountains to aid the poor. To be nominated for Family of the Year, this person or family must live within Holly Village or township, and give back to the community through volunteer work, and work to make the community a better place. The award will be presented at the Holly Holiday Extravaganza on Nov. 4. The Roos will be grand marshals of the Dickens Festival parade, and preside at the tree-lighting ceremony at the parade.



TUESDAY, NOV. 1 **THURSDAY, NOV. 3**

Linden Community Schools Board of Education is asking voters to approve a 10-year millage for a renewal of the existing 21.4061 mils. There are two informational sessions planned. The first session will be held at Linden Middle School media center on Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 7 p.m. The second information session is at Hyatt Elementary School media center on Thursday, Nov. 3. Each will be in the building media center at 7:00 p.m. For more information, visit (www.lindenschools.org) or call (810-591-0983.



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HALLOWEEN CANDY BUY BACK

On Tuesday, the Holly Village Council voted unanimously to contract





MEN

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According to The Nielsen Company, men's retail shopping has increased as a percentage of total business in all retail categories with the exception of drug stores, from 2004 to 2010.

A survey by Yahoo last year showed that 51 percent of men considered themselves the primary grocery shopper in their homes, although another survey found that 85 percent of women said that they were the primary shoppers at home. What that may mean is that more men are doing the actual grocery shopping, from a list provided by their wives, who still make most of the shopping decisions.

This kind of statistic doesn't surprise men like Bob Oaks, of Fenton, who's a "regular" at the grocery store, at least once a week. "Since I'm the main cook at our house, I'm also the grocery shopper," said Oaks. "I'm here at least once a week from a half-hour to an hour. I always bring my own list and I shop mostly by price."

Oaks admits he's a bit of an anomaly among his male friends, who mostly leave this household chore to their wives. "My wife hates to grocery shop, so I do it instead," he said.

Oaks has a lot of company in the grocery aisles. Some men, like himself and Steve Kane, 60, of Fenton Township, shop because they're the main cooks at home, while others shop because they are alone at home and have to do this job themselves. Some men shop when their spouse is sick or out-of-town.

The men who shop because they are the main cooks at home tend to shop with a complete list that they create themselves, while occasional shoppers usually have a list provided by their wives. "I'm usually 'not allowed' to shop because I always bring home the wrong stuff," said Robert Chavez, of Fenton, who was at the store to replenish the pantry after his family's vacation.

For men who aren't regular grocery shoppers and find themselves at the grocery store on an occasional basis, it can be as challenging for them as sending some women into the hardware store for a specific item. "My wife's usually the grocery shopper at our house," said Norm Schmidt, of Argentine. "It can be complicated, because I don't do it every day."

The biggest "pet peeve" among male grocery shoppers is long lines at the checkout. "It isn't too bad at VG's," said one male shopper, who asked not to be identified.

Going back thousands of years, men have traditionally been "the hunters" and women "the gatherers," and that stereotype still

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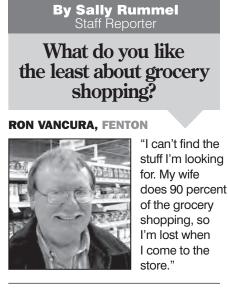
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BOB OAKS, FENTON

"I don't like waiting at the check-out counter."

rings true today at the grocery store. "In my long experience with VG's Grocery and my own personal experience, I find that men tend to get in and get what they need and get out of the store quickly, while women tend to go up and down the aisles, looking for new ideas," said Nick Lenzi, director of merchandising and marketing for retail operations at Spartan Stores.

He also observes that men tend to buy what they like, making their selections based on experience, while women are more price conscious.

While merchandising might appear to be geared toward gender, Lenzi said that it's much more seasonally driven, including tailgating, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, spring, summer and back-to-school.

Both men and women who do the regular grocery shopping as part of their household responsibilities tend to stick closer to the list than the male shoppers, who only shop occasionally. They're more likely to add a few impulse items into that grocery cart as part of their shopping experience.

"There is an upside to grocery shopping once in awhile," said Schmidt. "I get to pick out treats that I like."

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CATERING



TRI-COUNTY LIVING

The question that conquers criticism

When the phone rang, I had no idea it was announcing an opportunity to change the future of a pastor and his church. Once on the line, I discovered this was a call from someone whom I had never met and that he was calling at the suggestion of a Detroit area church secretary, though her name and church were unfamiliar to me.

Intrigued now, by the series of circumstances that had brought us together, I waited for my caller from a neighboring state to fill in the details, believing this must be a divine appointment.

Now for the rest of the story. The caller was a member of a church board that had become critical of their pastor and wanted to know what to do about him. Since I knew neither the pastor nor his critics, I asked for more details. In short, I discovered the current criticism of the minister boiled down to the fact that his church leaders didn't think he was doing enough pastoral work to justify the salary he was being paid. In the words of this critical caller, they didn't think they were getting their money's worth.

Then, I asked this six-word, criticism-conquering question. 'Is there anything good about him?'

Suddenly, the attitude of this critical council member began to change. During the next few moments, I learned that this preacher under fire was dependable, morally clean, free from a love of money, preached great sermons and that the church had experienced a 25-percent growth under his ministry.

'I know what I'm going to do,' said this formerly disturbed deacon. 'I'm going to recommend to the board that we commend the pastor for his good preaching and tell him we'll pray for him in his areas of need.'

An unhappy woman thought there was no use in trying to save her marriage. Sitting across the desk from me, she told me the reasons for her pessimism and unfolded a bitter story about her husband's faults. He was neglectful, unloving, mean, unspiritual and hard to tolerate in their home.

'Is there anything good about him?' I asked. She hadn't faced that question in a long time. But, after a few moments of silence, she began to name a few redeeming qualities in this scoundrel and before she left my office her whole attitude had changed. He wasn't so bad after all.

In his letter to the Galatian Church, Paul accused the members of spiritual cannibalism, writing, 'But if you bite and devour one another, beware lest you be consumed by one another' (Galatians 5:15).

This church had once been a center of dynamic faith. Love had lived there. But now, the members gave themselves to gossip and faultfinding, being constantly critical of each other. Had they kept eating away at one another, their power and purpose as a church would have been gone.

When we hear the 'character cannibals' at work, it's time to ask the question that conquers criticism: 'Is there anything good to be said?'

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



HOT LINE CONTINUED

I WANT TO tell everyone responsible for the Halloween party this past weekend, my 8-year-old granddaughter really enjoyed it and the barbeque sandwiches and spare ribs were out of this world. Thanks a lot.

IF BUSH WOULD have gone after Gadafi, it would have been a war of shock and awe, and we would have been there after hostilities were over for another five years. I think I like Obama's way better.

IT MAKES ME so mad for the government to forgive the huge loans that these stupid students take out. Stay home and go to a local college. Why should I pay you to go to school, when I scrape by to pay for my own children?

I SEE THAT the price of gas when using a credit card is a 10 cents difference. It's not five or 10 percent more when you buy groceries or other things. I know the reason why, do you?

SIGNS, SIGNS, EVERYWHERE signs. When is this going to stop? Fenton is not big enough for all theses signs. Flint, maybe, Detroit, maybe, all they're doing is spending money. Somebody has to stop this.



Sharp Funeral Homes

announce two new staff members Sharp Funeral Homes has recently added Martie (Ward) Lind and Pam (Richards) Kenny to their pre-arrangement staff. Lind and Kenny will be helping people organize their thoughts and final wishes to make it easier for the loved ones they leave behind. The new staff members are Linden and Fenton natives and look forward to serving their friends and neighbors in the community. They can be reached at (810) 735-5110.

Brown & Brown Insurance

adds employee to sales team Charley Staab, of Novi, has joined the firm of Brown & Brown Insurance in Fenton, now working in the company's commercial lines

sales area. With more than 30 years of experience in commercial property and casualty insurance, Staab will concentrate his efforts with many of the Michigan association and group partners that



Charley Staab

Brown & Brown has established relationships with over the years. Staab formerly worked as an underwriting manager of business and marketing development. Brown & Brown Insurance, formerly Smith-Peabody-Stiles Insurance, is located at 1190 Torrey Rd., Fenton. For more information, call (810)629-1566.







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Look Who's Talking



BASTIAN DIEHM

17-year-old senior (foreign exchange)

Lake Fenton High School

FAMILY:

My parents are divorced. I'm living with my mom, but we live close, so I can see my dad anytime I want. That's pretty good.

ALL-TIME FAVORITE MOVIES:

My all-time favorite movies are: 'Remember the Titans,' 'Lord of the Rings,' and 'The Hangover.'

WHAT DO YOU DO OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL?

I'm playing varsity football, so we have two hours of practice every day. We have a lot of team activities. We have team dinner and we go watch school sports and cheer for them.

was the last football game, because I finally almost tackled a guy, I didn't bring him down, and everyone is freaking out. It was really good. It was like, the highlight of my football career. What are your plans after graduation?: I'll have two more years back in Germany of school, and then I want to go to college. I think

about returning here and going to college here. That would be good.

My biggest high school do-over would be: Nothing, I'm really happy with what I did. I studied hard. If I would have had bad grades, I would have fixed that. I think I have a good balance between studying hard and having good contact with my friends.

Brida



Where will you be and what will you be doing 10 years from now?

Sunday, October 30, 2011

MARK HOMMER, JUNIOR



"In 10 years, I will be trying to get some practice in the physical therapy field."

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ZAC ZIELINSKI. JUNIOR



"Hopefully somewhere close to opening my own restaurant, it will either be a pizzeria or bar and grill."

JORDAN NEWMAN, SOPHOMORE



"Playing soccer, and I'll be a physical therapist."

NIKOLE STANTON. SOPHOMORE



"I'm going to be a dentist. I want to work for an office. or make my own."

CHLOE FREY, FRESHMAN



"I'm going to be a vet, working at the vet hospital at the corner of Linden and Rolston roads."

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My greatest high school regret is: nothing, I'm really glad I did the exchange experience. That's a great thing. School in Germany is

game, one time I was running on the field (and I confused a play)

and I wasn't supposed to be out there, and the coaches were yell-

My most embarrassing high school moment was: during a

My advice for incoming freshmen is: to just enjoy it and just be open. Freshman is like, you think the higher grades don't like you,

If you could have one superpower, what would it be?: To read

If you were principal for one day, what changes would you

If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign,

What upcoming event are you looking forward to?: Of course,

Front row seats and backstage passes. Who are you see-

What has been the best day in your life so far? My best day

use his songs to get pumped up for football.

what would it say?: 'I'm an exchange student, give me a hug.'

graduation, but right now we are in the playoffs. I'm looking forward to how far we are going to go, and how well we can do. That's

ing?: I think Eminem. We have him in Germany, we know him. We

people's thoughts. There would be bad things about it, but I think it

make?: I can say the days off. I think it's pretty good the way it is.

but you make friends in the higher grades, too.

Bastian Diehm

ing, 'Bastian, come back!'

would be interesting.

pretty exciting.

different. Here, school is like a family.

By Tim jagielo Staff Reporter

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Collectibles



Roswell Stenlake Harding

1919-2011 Roswell Stenlake Harding - age 92, died Monday,



24, 2011. He was born in Ironwood. Michigan and attended Fenton

October

High School. After serving his country in the United States Air Force for 23 vears, he retired from the military and opened a miniature putting course in Lexington, Kentucky, and a second one in Cocoa Beach, Florida. He later retired to Melbourne, Florida where he enjoyed gardening and playing golf. He is survived by his daughters, Jennifer Harding, and Heather Burdick; granddaughters, Brittany Voss and Danielle Voss; and his sister Loreen MacNeil. He was preceded in death by his son, Brian Harding; his wife, Lillian H. Harding; his parents, Helena and Henry Harding; his brothers, Kenneth and Clifford Harding, and his sister Alwyn Conant. Services will be held at 1 PM Saturday, October 29, 2011 at Fenton United Methodist Church, 119 S. Leroy St., Fenton with Pastor William Donahue officiating. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Fenton. Visitation will be held 11 AM until the time of service Saturday at the church. Arrangements by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd. Fenton. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Patricia Ferguson,

Patricia Ferguson - age 89, died October 26, 2011. Services provided by Sharp **Funeral Homes**



Daniel Fuller, Daniel Fuller - age 91, died October 23, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Darlene Gilmore, Darlene Gilmore - age 71 died October 26, 2011 Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Donald Hansen. Donald Hansen - age 75, died October 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.





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Obituaries,



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1949-2011 Larry Wayne Starkey - age 61, of Fenton, died Satur-

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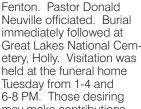
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died October 28, 2011. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Sharp Chapel

Donna Suttles. Donna Suttles - age 78 died October 25, 2011



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Tuesday from 1-4 and 6-8 PM. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Diabetes Association. Larry was born December 1, 1949 in Durand, the son of Ernest Alvin and Eloise Ione (Shaw) Starkey. He was a graduate of Grand Blanc High School. He was a Vietnam veteran serving in the U.S. Army. Larry had resided in Fenton for the past 28 years. He had worked for Harroun Enterprise for 26 years. He was a life member of the Fenton V.F.W. Curtis-Wolverton Post #3243. Surviving are: mother, Eloise Starkey of Fenton; brother, Albert and wife Charlene Starkey of Fenton; 3 sisters, Alice Parker of Fenton, Clara Bruce of Jackson and Ernestine Thompson of Fenton; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Ernest Starkey and sister, Lois Todd. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.



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Janet L. Pate, Janet L. Pate - age 73, Funeral Homes, Miller Road



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Joseph Bishop,

Joseph Bishop - died suddenly October 16, 2011. Share memories at www. temrowskifamilyfuneralhome. com.



William B. Schaefer.

William B. Schaefer - age 81, died October 26, 2011. Share memories at www. temrowskifamilyfuneralhome. com.



Scott Brown, Scott Brown - age 42, died

October 21, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Scott Doty,

Scott Doty - age 56, died October 26, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Sue Gladding, Sue Gladding - age 56, died

October 21, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Duane Thompson,

Duane Thompson - age 63, died October 27, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Mary Armitage, Mary Ārmitage - age 95, died October 27, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Eugene Everhart,

Eugene Everhart - age 56, died October 27, 2011 Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Charlotte A. Schmidt,

Charlotte A. Schmidt - age 78, died October 28, 2011. Services to be announced at a later date by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Donna Chandler, Donna Chandler - age 82, died October 22, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Cheryl Papineau

1946-2011 Cheryl Papineau - Cheryl passed away peacefully at home on October 23, 2011 in Fowlerville, MI. Cheryl was born on December 11 1946 in Detroit, Michigan to Gerald and Thesa Papineau. Surviving Cheryl are her children Mia Crepeau, Lynette (Gregory) Ross, Colette Hobart and Mathew Crepeau. Also surviving are her 11 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Cremation has taken place, a wake and luncheon will be held from 2-6 PM Sunday, November 6, 2011 at American Legion, 3265 W. Grand River, Howell, MI (Crossroad at M-59).

Lawrence Harry "Larry" Hess 1944-2011

Lawrence Harry "Larry" Hess - age 67, of Pontiac, died Wednesday, October 19, 2011. Funeral services were held 11 AM Monday, October 24, 2011 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Burial in Roselawn Memorial Park in LaSalle. Visitation was held at the funeral home Monday from 10 AM until time of service. Larry was born May 29, 1944 in Monroe, the son of Charles and Geneva (Weaver) Hess. He had worked for Dairy Queen in Holly. Surviving are: brother, Dale and wife Sandra Hess of Linden; sister, Sandra and husband Anson Cassavoy of Fenton. He was preceded in death by his parents. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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Garth Daggat, Garth Daggat - age 74, died October 22, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Thomas Hoag,

Thomas Hoag - age 71, died October 28, 2011. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Sharp Funeral Home & Cremation Center.



John Demaunsell. John Demaunsell - age 58 diad October 23 2

Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



Russell Killian II, Russell Killian II - age 62, died October 23, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral

Homes



Autumn RECIPES



Butternut Squash

INGREDIENTS • 1 T. vegetable oil

- 1 butternut squash (about 2 pounds), peeled and cut into ³/₄-inch cubes
- 3 medium apples, peeled, cored, and cut into small cubes
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1 T. flour
- 1/2 t. cinnamon • 2 T. butter, melted

- **INSTRUCTIONS** 1. Heat the oven to 350°. Lightly oil a large baking pan, then combine the butternut squash and apples in the pan.
- 2. In a small bowl, stir together the sugar, flour, and cinnamon. Sprinkle the mixture over the squash and apples, pour the melted butter on top, and cover the dish.
- 3. Bake until the ingredients are fork-tender, about 45 minutes.



A DOG'S READING ROOM

Just in time for fall, here's a selection of pet-related books to enjoy on a blustery evening. This month's selection features odes to irrepressible dogs, humorous anecdotes, a bit of mystery and some training advice, of course.

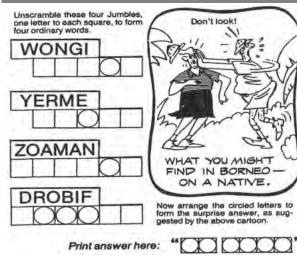
- "A Pug's Tale" by Alison Pace (Penguin Group) is the author's second foray into the wonderful world of pugs -- this time in a fictional setting. Heroine Hope McNeill and her beloved pug Max hunt down a priceless painting that's gone missing from New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art.
- Psychologist and dog expert Stanley Coren pens a loving ode to Flint, his Cairn terrier, in "Born to Bark: My Adventures with an Irrepressible and Unforgettable Dog" (Free Press). But it's also an autobiography of his own journey, with and without pets. Well-written and touching, this is an enjoyable and inspiring read.
- "All My Patients Kick and Bite" is veterinarian Jeff Wells' second memoir about the joys and pains of caring for farm, domestic and "not-so-domestic" animals. From an escaped dog to an ornery llama, Wells' anecdotes are
- humorous looks at caring for animals in a rural area. Finally, if you're looking for a book that covers the basics of obtaining, training and raising a puppy, look for "The Dog Trainer's Complete Guide to a Happy Well-Behaved Pet' (St. Martin's Press). Author Jolanta Bental details everything from choosing a new dog to training and socializing, dealing with common behavior problems and keeping your dog healthy. Anyone considering getting a dog, especially first-time owners, should have a training and care manual close at hand, and Bental's guide fits the bill.

Send your question or comment to ask@pawscorner.com, or write to Paw's Corner, c/o King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. For more pet care-related advice and information, visit www.pawscorner.com.

SundayJumble

Sunday, October 30, 2011

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My mother is in her early 70s. She has been diagnosed with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, COPD. She had a bronchoscopic exam to remove a mucus plug. She was a very heavy smoker. She still smokes. She thinks her kids don't know, but we have seen the evidence. She is on oxygen. Her doctor thinks she has quit. What does this do to her life expectancy? How long can she live this way? -J.S.

ANSWER: Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, COPD, is two illnesses: emphysema and chronic bronchitis. Emphysema is a harmful stretching and destruction of the millions of air sacs found in the lungs. Through those delicate structures, oxygen reaches the blood. When they are damaged, a person cannot get enough oxygen and becomes breathless on even slight exertion. Chronic bronchitis is inflammation of the air passageways, the bronchi. They fill with thick, pus-filled globs of phlegm. Air cannot pass through them. A cough that produces of sticky, tenacious sputum is its chief sign.

Cigarette smoking is the major cause of COPD, but not the only one.

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Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.





HOT LINE CONTINUED

PEOPLE PULLING OFF of the northbound exit ramp of U.S. 23 onto Silver Lake Road never stop. I nearly got hit this morning on my way to Linden running an errand. That area is very dangerous and I think they need to put in a stop light for the people coming off the highway, like there is on the southbound ramp.

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at the decisions and sometimes change them, which is fine as long as it is not personal opinion. They only decide based on what the Constitution or laws say.

I WOULD LIKE one of you liberals to explain to me exactly what a fair share of taxes is. Go to the IRS website and the top 1 percent is already paying 20 percent of the taxes, whereas the bottom 50 percent aren't paying any. There aren't enough rich people in this country to alleviate the trillions of dollars in deficit that Obama has added in just three short years.

YOUR FUNNY DESCRIPTION of rightwing TEA Party members sure resembles most U of M supporters and the Democrat/ union crowd.

REGARDING CAL THOMAS' article on blacks voting for Obama, if Obama were a white man, he would never have gotten the chance to run for president with his lack of experience and radical beliefs. He has done more to hurt our country than any other president to date has.

I WALKED INTO a store today and they

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were playing Christmas music. I love Christmas music, but let's wait until after Halloween. What happened to the holiday called Thanksgiving?

THE ONE PERCENT tried to turn us against each other, and they have robbed this country blind since Reagan. People from all parties are fed up. They want us to pay for their fraud and deceit. Not any more.

TO THE PERSON complaining about their neighbor putting their waste from their ducks and chicken in the wetlands, what do you think happens when the sea gulls, swans, and ducks swim in the lake. They poop, too. It's not a sanitation issue, it's normal. Get over it.

FENTON RESIDENTS, PLEASE get out and vote on Election Day. No matter what your political opinion is, let's make certain that the results are the will of the people. Thank you.

TO THE SILLY teachers with their silly signs holding up traffic in downtown Linden, this behavior is exactly why we www.tctimes.com

IT DOESN'T MATTER if they are red or blue. They are all leading us toward Communism in baby steps. Green is the new color of the Communist Party.

THIS FENTON BE CLOSER campaign is getting more ridiculous. Now, I see they have a lighted, LED billboard on northbound U.S. 23/75, just south of Flint. That is a very expensive sign. It doesn't even tell people driving by where Fenton is. In fact, they've already passed it by.

IF YOU THINK Obama's deal with Solandra is bad, what about his deal with Sun Power, \$1.2 billion, and they announce that the new panels will come from a factory in Mexico. Thanks, Obama.

BULLYING, EATING AND disrespecting state capitol buildings are the sort of tactics that the unions are demonstrating in this country (Wisconsin). I, for one, am sick of these kinds of tactics. These union thugs really care nothing about the folks who are paying their union dues.

I DON'T LIVE in Argentine Township, but I had to call them on a business matter a few moments ago. I just want to say that I feel so bad for the people who live in that township. They were the rudest people I have ever had to talk to. If I lived there, I'd be seeing about getting the township officials replaced.



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Fenton's Ty Nunn competing well at collegiate level

By Cole Holloway

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Ty Nunn has been hitting the links for more than a decade. Nunn started playing golf at age 5 when his grandpa and dad introduced him to the game and hasn't looked back.

> Nunn, a Fenton High School graduate, is now enjoying the start to his college golf career. Nunn is a member of the Grand Rapids Community College

golf team, which is a perennial powerhouse in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

"I really like how competitive the college game is," Nunn said. "We have been able to compete against bigger schools such as Saginaw Valley and Grand Valley while I have been here, so I think that has been great experience."

Nunn started his college golf career in the fall of 2010. Nunn had a strong finish in October 2010 at the New Balance Invitational, firing rounds of 78 and 76, finishing in a tie for seventh overall.

In the spring of 2011, Nunn had his breakout tournament, earning medalist honors at the GRCC Invite. Nunn shot a 79 and eventually won the tournament in a three-man playoff. The tournament was played at Egypt Valley Golf Club, which is over 7,000 yards, and was played in winds reaching 30 to 40 miles an hour, making the round even more impressive. Nunn has now started his second year at GRCC and is having a solid fall season. Nunn has played 21 completive rounds thus far this fall and holds an 18-hole average score of 81.

Recently, Grand Rapids Community College competed in the National Junior College Association Fall Preview at Swan Lake Golf Resort. Nunn finished with a three-day total of 244, which was good enough to finish in a tie for 26th.

See NUNN on 12B

SPORTS TRIVIA

Q Who is the only player to return his only NFL punt for a touchdown?

A Detroit Lion Steve Belichick did it in 1941, returning a punt 77 yards for a TD against Green Bay. He is the father of Patriots' coach Bill Belichick.



Tour des Lacs raises over \$11,000 for heart defects

Fenton graduate

Ty Nunn

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 In late August, Kim Foerster was busy coordinating the ninth-annual Tour des Lacs Charity Bike Ride.

With donations still coming in until well after the event was completed, she didn't know at the time how much the event raised for the Congenital Heart Center at the University of Michigan's C.S. Mott Children's Hospital.

She does now.

The annual event had one of its best years, raising \$11,563.43 for its charity.

"We're extremely pleased," said Foerster, the Tour des Lacs event director.

"It was nice to have so many people out there trying to raise extra money to support the families being cared for through the Congenital Heart Center at U of M."

The event raised over \$14,000 one season. This year's event brought 316 cyclists to Fenton from five states and two different countries. This year the event added a post-ride event at The French Laundry, which also proved to be successful.

"It was such a huge hit that they are welcoming us back for the 10th annual event," Foerster said.

"It was so much more fun for us because the cyclists stayed around and shared their road stories with us. The tent was packed all day — very fun."

The 10th-annual event is already scheduled for Aug. 5, 2012.

"We really appreciate the support from the community, our volunteers, sponsors and the Fenton Police Department," Foerster said.

"I don't think people realize all that goes into making the event happen, and there is no way we could do it without the people in this great community we live in."

during November By David Troppens

a lot of activity

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For quite a few weeks, we discussed watching out for the Fenton girls swim team.

List could still see

While the Tigers haven't been on the Top Five Poll for awhile now, they've always been on the radar. But now they've returned, with the vengeance that was expected.

Very little is set with the Top Five yet. With cross country teams starting regional action on Friday and all four area football teams competing in the state playoffs this weekend and the volleyball teams starting districts on Monday, there's still a lot of room for things to change. Considering the state swim meet isn't until the weekend before Thanksgiving, it'll be awhile before we see the final poll. It's very likely teams that aren't even in the poll yet could finish very high a month from now. Only time will tell.

Right now, if we had to make a list of honorable mention teams, it would be Holly boys tennis in sixth place, Holly football in seventh place and Fenton football in eighth place.

These rankings are through the varsity sporting events on Thursday, Oct. 27.

No. 5 - Fenton volleyball: The Tigers begin Class A district play at Clarkston with Swartz Creek. And if they win that match, and they should, the Tigers will face Brandon in the semifinals on Wednesday.

Honestly, the Tigers shouldn't be tested until the district title game on Thursday. Chances are they'll face either Clarkston or Grand Blanc for the district crown.

No. 4 - Fenton swimming and diving: The Tigers have a serious beef why it took them so long to get back into the Top Five. Sure, the team lost some nonleague duals, but none of them were against chumps. And while they may not have won those meets, they were posting a ton of strong times, which has helped them set up their training for the state meet.

Fenton just completed the dual portion



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Sara Wujciak and her Fenton swimming and diving teammates have moved back into the Fall Top Five at No. 4. Don't be shocked to see the team climb the poll as November marches on.

of the Metro League season with a perfect record. The Tigers should breeze through the competition at the league meet and win their ninth consecutive title as well.

Fenton swim makes move in Top Five

This team's best days are still to come. It will probably take a lot of great postseason performances from other squads to keep this team from moving up as November moves on.

No. 2 tie - Linden boys cross country & Holly girls cross country: By the end of the weekend, this tie will be broken. If the Holly girls cross country team qualifies for the state meet in what is one of the toughest regional draws in the state for any sport, they will have a legitimate beef to be at the No. 1 spot next week. It really doesn't matter if they qualify first or third. The regional is that tough that earning those positions will command that type of attention.

Linden hosted its own regional competition on Saturday, and the Eagles are expected to get out of it and make it to state. Considering they are at their home course, we'd be shocked if they didn't get into the top three and head to Michigan International Speedway for the state meet once again this season.

But whatever happens, one way or the other, regional action will break this tie.

No. 1 - Linden girls golf team: The Eagles remain in the clubhouse, seeing if anyone can catch them. They have a decent chance of keeping this position for the fall, but it won't be an easy task. While that No. 5 position at state commands a lot of respect, some teams that had strong regular season success could finish with top 10 state performances, which could make their position on top a bit shaky. But as it stands, there's a reasonable chance that the fifth-place state finish could end up being the highest position of any team this fall. And if that's the case, the Eagles will always have a legit claim at the No. 1 spot.

Teams I'd watch out for if I were the Eagles right now — Linden boys cross country and Fenton girls swimming and diving. If any of the football playoff teams advance to the regional final, they'll quickly have a legitimate claim to the top spot as well. Remember, while Fenton and Holly football had two league losses, they were still co-league champions in a league that qualified six teams for the playoffs. While there are none on the list right now, the area football teams still have a chance to get to the top.

It should be a fun last month of fall.

NUNN

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The Raiders also competed in the Indiana Wesleyan Invite this fall, placing sixth as a team. Nunn fired rounds of 82 and 75, which was good enough to place him in a tie for 27th.

Most recently, GRCC competed at the Northwood Invitational where they received a special invite to join the field as the only community college competing at the Division 2 event. Nunn had a two-day total of 165, placing him in a tie for 72nd in the strong field.

Nunn prepped at Fenton High School, where he was able to break records and win countless tournaments.

"I miss my teammates from high school, and I miss knowing the golfers we competed against," said Nunn when thinking back on high school.

Nunn was a three-time All-Metro League pick and garnered the title of Tri-County Times Golfer of the Year various times as well.

Nunn fired a score of 31 as a junior against Kearsley at Tyrone Hills Golf Course, which remains a school record at Fenton. Nunn also was able to win the prestigious Genesee County Golf Championship during his junior season, firing a 72 at Spring Meadows Country Club.

Nunn made it to the Division 2 State Golf tournament in both his junior and senior seasons. In his last tournament as a high school golfer, Nunn was able to place 12th overall at the Division 2 tournament, shooting scores of 76 and 78.

Looking toward the future, Nunn doesn't plan on putting away the sticks anytime soon.

"I have a couple options after this season at GRCC," Nunn said. "I've talked to Holy Cross at Notre Dame and Grand Valley already, and I'm hoping to have more options after I finish my spring season here at GRCC."

As for career aspirations, Nunn doesn't plan to stray too far from golf.

"I could possibly be going down to Coastal Carolina at Myrtle Beach to go into the Professional Golf Management Program and am planning on either being a teaching pro or superintendent at a golf course in the future."

Tigers cap perfect dual league season

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 **Fenton** — On one of the walls of the Fenton High School pool were two signs on Tuesday.

One was marking the days until the Flint Metro League Meet, and it said 11 days. The other told the Fenton varsity girls swim team that there were 24 days until the Division 2 state meet.

There are no two more important days in the swim season than those. And the Tigers have big plans for both. The Tigers completed another prefect Metro League dual season on Tuesday, defeating the Brandon Blackhawks 121-64. The Tigers took first in every event, and took the top two spots in two individual events.

On Friday, the Tigers will host the twoday Flint Metro League meet. The Tigers, who have never lost anything in Metro action since it became a Metro League championship sport, are looking to take their dominance to another level this year. Fenton coach Brad Jones thinks the Tigers have a chance to take first in every single event at the meet. He also hopes to get every single



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Fenton's Jaycee Stevenson (front) dives into the pool during one of her events. Teammate Kali Finger is the third from the front.

swimmer on the team qualified for the second day.

"Out of the 24, we'll see how many we can get in," Jones said. "After today, it looks like we should be able to get the majority of our team to qualify for the finals at the Metro. We've never had every kid make it to the finals.

"We've also never swept (first) in every event at the meet. If we swim well, we could sweep everything, and we are going to try to do it. There's always one or two simmers that stand in the way. (Lapeer's Emily) Shallman is one of the top swimmers in Division 1, and she's one that stands in the way."

The Tigers showed their dominance on Tuesday, with three swimmers earning double individual victories. Sara Wujciak won the 200 freestyle (2:03.94) and the 100 butterfly (1:03.59), while Gabrielle Haaraoja won the 100 freestyle (55.60) and the 100 backstroke (1:05.56). Finally, Haley Shaw See **TIGERS** on 13B

St. John finishes championship football season

By David Troppens

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During the prep football season, the area produced two co-Metro League championship football teams.

And now all four are seeking other championships during the playoffs.

But at least one other area school team has earned a championship already this year - that would be the St. John seventh- and eighth-grade football team.

The Jets recently concluded their season, completing an undefeated season in the Flint Area Catholic School League. The squad then competed against the northern schools and made it to the Victor Youth Football League (VYFL) Championship game. While there, they lost a 22-6 verdict, but still finished the season with only that one loss.

Last year, the Jets became the first southern team to win the VYFL title, with many of the same players that were on the

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO The St. John Jets finished undefeated in the Flint Area Catholic School League, and posted their only loss in the Youth Football League Championship game.

team this year.

"They are great kids," St. John coach Joe Gilmour said. "What I like about this team is that they are not only good athletes, but they are good students and good kids. They embody what it is to be a student-athlete and not an athlete-student."

The team had one game that stuck out over all others during their season. It was a 44-36 victory against Frankenmuth. Frankenmuth tied the game with less than a minute to go in regulation. However, the Jets' Reese Morgan, who had already scored four touchdowns in the contest, ran the kickoff back for a touchdown with nine seconds left on the clock, earning the Jets the win. Quarterback Noah Gilmour ran in the two-point conversion, giving the Jets the final 44-36 edge.

About half of the 24 players on the team were seventh-graders and the other half eighth-graders.

Some of the teams the Jets played were eighth-grade teams.

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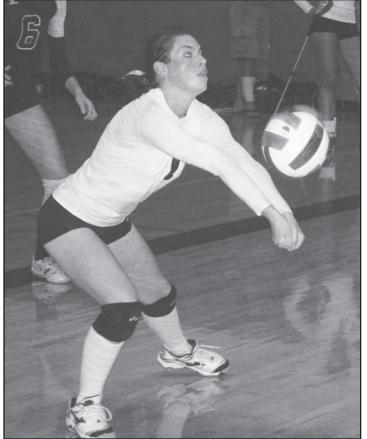
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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I DAVID TROPPENS Lake Fenton's Emily Hawes digs a ball during a past meet. The Blue Devils defeated Durand on Tuesday. Lake Fenton plays Linden in district action Monday at Fowlerville High School.

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Continued from Page 12B won the 200 individual medley (2:19.21) and the 100 breaststroke (1:16.19). Shaw, Wujciak and Haaraoja also teamed with Lauren Davis to win the 200 freestyle relay (1:47.72). Shaw, who is expected to make it to the second day in a couple of swims at the state meet, is pleased with how she's performing.

"It's been a great season. I've been feeling very good this year," Shaw said. "I'm about where I want to be. I feel like if I'm tapered and all that, then I'll be even better, which is a really good thing."

The Tigers are excited about the Metro meet.

"It's exciting how we are doing because you know when the Metro hits, everyone is going to blow it out of the water," Shaw said. "We want to post as many great swims as we can .. "

Others also earned individual firsts against Brandon. MacKenzie Deputy won diving (170.15), while Kelsey Kidd won the 50 freestyle (26.82). Finally, Kali Finger won the 500 freestyle (5:28.83). The Tigers also won two other relays. Megan

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I DAVID TROPPENS Fenton's Haley Shaw took first in the breaststroke on Tuesday.

Rumbles, Carli Finger, Kali Finger and Kidd won the 200 medley relay (2:07.14), while Rumbles, Finger, Carli Finger and Kidd won the 400 freestyle relay (4:03.70).

The Tigers finished 1-2 in two events. Kali Finger took second in the 100 freestyle (2:07.99), while Rumbles placed second in the 100 butterfly (1:07.87).

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LF volleyball defeats Railroaders

By Al Zipsie

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Durand — With districts coming up, the Lake Fenton varsity volleyball team has picked the right time to play some of its best volleyball of the season.

The Blue Devils (4-2, 27-19-2) knocked off Durand in four sets 25-22, 25-21, 17-25, 25-11 Tuesday to close out the GAC-Red regular season. With the win Lake Fenton edged out Durand for third place.

The Blue Devils also played well last weekend, winning seven of eight matches at the Michigan-Dearborn Tournament.

They continued GAC Red action at Durand on Saturday in the conference meet. And then on Tuesday they'll begin Class B district action at Fowlerville against neighbors Linden at 6 p.m. It appears to be a pretty evenly matched battle.

"A good battle of neighbors," said Lake Fenton coach Angie Del Morone. "We beat them once, but that was early in the season. We played some tough teams. We played well all day (against Durand) and really well last weekend (in Dearborn)."

playing Linden again.

"Linden is tough," junior middle hitter Trudie Bruce said. "We beat them once, and know we can beat them again. We are playing well right now and just want to keep it going."

Tuesday's match began with a tight battle in the opener as the Blue Devils pulled out a 25-22 win. Junior Sidney Scott gave Lake Fenton a three-point lead twice. One came on a block and another on a kill. The kill put Lake Fenton up 21-18. Bruce then scored points 23 and 24 on spikes. Lake Fenton won on a Durand error on set point.

An Ellesa Smith kill in the second set put Lake Fenton ahead to stay at 13-12. Clinging to a 22-20 lead, the Blue Devils scored on tips from Chelsea Jordan and Bruce. Smith delivered with a perfectly placed kill just in bounds on set point.

In the third set, the Railroaders scored 10 of the last 12 points to avoid a sweep.

"We had a few mental errors in that set, but they knew what they wanted to do and followed the game plan," Del Morone said. "The

The players are excited about kids did a nice job. We served 100 percent on the night. Senior Rachel Mundy's setting was just outstanding tonight. She had 34 assists and 12 digs.'

Mundy spent the night setting three strong hitters. Scott and Smith had 14 kills each, while Brown had 10. Scott also had five blocks, while Brown had two.

The Blue Devils left no doubt in the final game, leading the entire way. Leading 17-10, Katey Brophy had seven straight points for Lake Fenton. Bruce finished the match with a kill.

"I thought we had the up front game to match up well," said Bruce, who showed a good mix of power kills, tips and misdirected shots. "The setting and passing was good and we have several plays where we kind of whisper to each other which hit to go with."

At the Michigan-Dearborn tourney, Smith had 27 kills and 26 digs. Bruce had 24 kills and 10 blocks, while Megan Somers had 20 kills and 29 digs. Scott had 17 kills and 11 blocks. Rachael Mundy had 107 assists and 30 digs. Ashley Rinks had 29 digs.



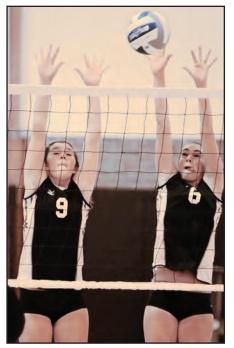
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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SCOTT SCHUPBACH Linden's Brodie Thomas (left) and Kelsey Brecht are two key players on the Eagles' squad.

Linden, Lake Fenton to compete in first round of Fowlerville district

By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789

When the volleyball state tourney begins this week, there will be a tri-county rematch immediately in the Class B district being held at Fowlerville.

Lake Fenton and Linden will face off in the opening round of the district on Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Fowlerville High School.

The two teams had a match in one of the first matches of the season when the Blue Devils defeated Linden 26-24, 16-25, 25-20 in what was a best-of-three set match. Of course, this one will be a bestof-five match.

The winner of that contest will face Stockbridge on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Stockbridge received a bye into the semifinals. Finally, the winner of that match will face either South Lyon or Fowlerville in the district title match on Friday at 6 p.m.

The Metro League champion Fenton Tigers and the Holly Bronchos will start tourney action a day earlier than Linden and Lake Fenton. They will be heading to Clarkston for Class A district action on Monday. Holly opens action against the tourney hosts Clarkston at 5:30 p.m. on Monday. Meanwhile, the Fenton Tigers' match with another Metro foe, Swartz Creek, will follow soon after that match, listed at 7 p.m.

Fenton's half of the bracket has a distinct Metro flavor. The winner of the Tigers' opening match, a contest in which Fenton will be the heavy favorites, will face Brandon on Wednesday at 7 p.m. The winner of that match will play in the district title game on Thursday at 6 p.m. Meanwhile, if Holly beats Clarkston, Grand Blanc would be their next foe on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. The winner of that match would face either Fenton, Brandon or Swartz Creek in the finals.

Fenton will be favored to advance to the final match, while Holly will be a heavy underdog in any match the Bronchos play in the tourney.

Lake Fenton High School this fall. "I came

from behind and blocked it at the end.

There was about two seconds left. I didn't

care if I fouled him or not. I just didn't

want to give up the basket. I couldn't let

from Lake Fenton High School on the

squad. The others are Jeff Burke, Kaleb

"It was awesome," Burke said. "We

didn't expect us to go too far. We didn't

go too far in the series before that, so to

come over and win the championship was

beautiful. Winning was pretty awesome."

ent from the Detroit area. A lot of that tal-

petition," Welch said. "We weren't very

good, but then we started getting better.

The competition is way better than it is

"I think it's helping a lot," Burke said.

The group thinks the experience can

"It helps us build a lot of chemistry, and

make us that much better entering the sea-

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"We've been playing kids from Division

1. And when we play against them, we do

only help the Lake Fenton team.

ent came from Class A schools.

The squad was able to play a lot of tal-

"It helped a lot playing different com-

The Hoopers have three other players

him score."

around here."

very good.'

son," Welch said.

Nelay and Jed Horski.



A few thoughts about the area's sports scene and some others not dealing with sports at all.

KEEPING HALLOWEEN ALIVE

When I was a kid in the late 1970s and 1980s, few days sparked my imagination or created excitement within me and my pocket of friends than Halloween. Halloween was the ultimate kids' holiday. The only holiday that rivaled Halloween was Christmas. Both involved some of the key elements that stir up emotions in kids. Christmas had cartoon specials, Santa Claus and presents. Halloween had candy, costumes and staying out late regardless of what the weather was. It also sparked one's imagination and was a wonderful time for a kid. In fact, weeks before the actual holiday we'd have conversations of what we were going to be, our strategies toward getting more candy and what we'd do if someone tried to steal our candy. It was a kid's heaven.

Some of my most memorable elementary school moments were of the Halloween parties we had. People would dress up, and we'd go from room to room so we could see the first-graders' costumes, the third-graders' costumes and even the sixth-graders' costumes. Even in sixth grade it was fun doing that. And afterward, we'd have one of our special room holiday parties. It seemed like an all-day thing back then, but it probably only lasted an hour or so. But the day was a blast. And few, if any, days could rival it. We had a day to be whatever we wanted and we were allowed to use one of the best tools any kid can use to become that costume — our imagination. It was one day of sheer fantasy, and, of course, a lot of cool candy.

I don't recall anyone coming back to school on Nov. 1 with an arrest warrant, or a better understanding of the readings of Charles Manson. I don't ever remember anyone thinking since they were a vampire yesterday, that they would become one for good, and drink red dye in their milk the rest of the school year. I also don't remember anyone shuddering in fear at their desks because just a day earlier 20 witches walked right by their desk.

Fast-forward 20 years later. The same people that reaped the benefits of Halloween are now stealing this prime kids' holiday from the children that it belongs to. There are school districts and teachers that won't celebrate it because it's the "devil's holiday." There are other schools that won't let kids dress up, in part, because the costumes might scare others.

And what about the night itself? When I was a kid, there couldn't have been more than a handful of families that didn't give out treats. And when we were finishing up at around 9:30 p.m. people still happily gave us candy. Today, there seems to be as many homes not giving candy as those that do. And even if kids do have homes to go to, it better be only during a 90-minute period.

It's sad how the same people that enjoyed dressing up as a ghost, a goblin, a celebrity or a Smurf have forgotten how fun the holiday was for them, and, really, the positive feelings that the holiday created.

I fear it's only going to get worse for each generation from here on out. I fear 20 years from now kids will only be allowed to get excited about some harvest festival. And, when was the last time anyone saw a kid excited about a dried-up ear of corn?

Halloween is a celebration for the kids, not about satanic conversions. It's the one day they can be what they want and be healthy doing it. So please, let's keep Halloween alive.

LF trio spark AAU team to tournament title

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 The game looked in danger of turning into a loss.

Darian Welch's AAU team, the Michigan Hoopers 16U Black team led, but one of their opponents was driving to the basket for what looked to be an uncontested layup.

Put the emphasis on the word "looked." Instead, Welch didn't give up late in the semifinal contest. He chased down the player and made the block, earning the squad a two-point win against the Huskies. The Hoopers, who had four Lake Fenton

residents on the squad, went on to win the Detroit League championship, by earning a relatively easy victory against the Warren Bulldogs in the finals.

"We were up by two, one of their kids stole the ball and he had a wide open layup," said Welch, who will be a junior at

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