February election will determine Paul Scott’s replacement

By William Axford

With the number of votes cast by all precincts now in, State Rep. Paul Scott (R) Grand Blanc has been recalled as the representative of the 51st District. Scott conceded to the recall at his Grand Blanc office late Tuesday. The unofficial vote count came in at approximately 2:20 a.m. Wednesday morning.

“When you reflect on the recall, I think you realize this wasn’t about any interest group or me, but about the future of this state,” said Scott. He previously said he would make much more money. Try doing my job for a day. You will leave and immediately write a Hot line about how people should thank teachers.”

— Teacher

Should the recall process be reformed?

By Tim Jagielo

It appears that recall elections are happening everywhere right now. They are happening in Wisconsin, and in surrounding communities, including Burton and Genesee Township. Flint has a history of recall efforts against its mayors, including former mayors Woodrow Stanley and Don Williamson.

State Rep. Paul Scott’s recall on Tuesday is historic because there has not been a successful recall at

See RECALL on 24A

HONORING OUR VETERANS

The annual Veterans Day ceremony held at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly Township drew hundreds of visitors despite the brisk weather on Friday. The ceremony was unique in that it was held on Friday Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. on 2011. Visit www.tctimes.com for more photos.

HONORING OUR VETERANS

When your home goes in foreclosure...

By Sharon Stone

In Michigan, foreclosure filings were reported on one out of every 322 housing units in September 2011, according to RealtyTrac.com, an online marketplace for foreclosure properties. This statistic puts Michigan in fourth place with the highest percentage of foreclosed properties, behind Nevada, California and Arizona. This statistic also makes Michigan is fourth in United States for percentage of foreclosed properties

See HOME on 10A

Police recover statue stolen from St. John’s

Two individuals believed to be responsible for theft

By Sharon Stone

What were thieves thinking when they stole the statue in front of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church of Fenton?

Wednesday morning, Fenton police were dispatched to the church on Adelaide Street at 9:53 a.m. after learning that the statue of St. John the Evangelist was missing from the front of the building.

See STATUE on 28A

Area votes don’t mirror Scott recall results

By Sharon Stone

Had the election been based strictly on Fenton and Linden cities and Argentine and Fenton townships, Rep. Paul Scott would not have been recalled from office in Tuesday’s election. Voter turnout in those four communities was higher than expected.

Based on the unofficial results of the election, 4,282 voters in Fenton City, Fenton Township, Linden City and Argentine Township voted against the recall of Scott, while 3,506 voted in favor of the recall.
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the seduction of snacking

By Sally Rummel
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Have you ever heard a bowl of M&Ms calling your name or polished off a giant tub of movie popcorn just because it was sitting on your lap? Are you one of those people who “even off” the rows of brownies in a pan until there’s nothing left but the crumbs?

If so, you understand the concept of “mindless eating,” which is a phrase that was coined by food researcher Brian Wansink in his bestseller, “Why We Eat More Than We Think.” He used a food and brand lab at Cornell University to test how people fall victim to various eating cues and negative food environments that lead to calorie overload and thickening waistlines. See SNACKING on 15A

Getting a good night’s sleep

Try these tips before heading to medicine cabinet or sleep clinic

By Sharon Stone
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When was the last time you got a really good night’s sleep? We’re talking the kind of sleep where you wake up refreshed and ready to take on the world. If it has been awhile, you might want to try changing a few habits or your sleeping environment.

According to the McLaren Sleep Disorder Clinic in Flint, sleep disorders, such as insomnia, sleep apnea and narcolepsy cause many people difficulty at work, at home and while driving. See SLEEP on 8A

Top mindless eating traps

The convenience of food

Food awaits people at virtually every corner, from the office vending machine to the gas station and fast-food stop. You never have to travel far to find food, even if you are not hungry.

The poor nutritional quality of most mindless eating triggers

Mindless eating usually involves high-calorie junk foods that are cheap, calorie-dense and nutrient-poor.

Huge portion sizes

Over-sized portions are everywhere—from restaurant servings to packaged foods. People still have the mentality of wanting to “get their money’s worth.”

See TRAPS on 15A

Summary

- External eating cues, such as the proximity of food, size of the plate used and “mindless eating” while doing something else all contribute to calorie overload and weight gain.

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Not just another pretty face

I am not what you would call a handsome man. If my face were my fortune, I’d be bankrupt. That’s not to say I’m ugly though. I have my moments. But clearly, I am not in the same league as those blessed with the symmetry and perfect angularity associated with pure beauty. So the question is, why not do something about it? Heck, in this day and age scores of girls are opting for going under the knife as their birthday or high school graduation present from mom and dad. Of course, you and I pay for most of these ‘procedures’ as they are inverteately disguised as respiratory problems caused by deviated septums that just happen to occur right around little Jenna’s 16th birthday.

For us guys though, it’s a little different. Barring unforeseen circumstances, such as witnessing a mob hit and going into the witness protection program, we are stuck with the end result of the irrefutable law of nature that states that all progeny will receive the worst physical traits of each contributing parent. This is Mother Nature’s way of ensuring the world isn’t ultimately completely populated by beautiful people, which would spell the end of mankind, as everyone would spend their days admiring their face in the mirror and the only product ever produced would be Hollywood movies.

But, I digress. Back to my face.

Like most people, I don’t need a mirror to fire off the litany of changes I’d consider given the correct circumstances — such as the offer of a starring role in a MAJOR MOTION PICTURE! For most of us that’s true. Even if we aren’t looking in a mirror, today’s world of shiny surfaces provides plenty of opportunities to view our visage — windows, pots and pans, blanket television or computer screens, spoons, even puddles of standing water. Nearly every one of us has a mental laundry list of ‘imperfections’ that we are as familiar with as… well, the nose on our face.

So, what’s your point you ask? Simply that if we don’t talk to our children about their face, society will. Let’s face it (sorry — couldn’t resist), society, through magazines, TV and movies, will tell them all the wrong things. Society will try to convince our children that their self esteem should be in direct proportion to their physical beauty — that their value as a person is less if they’re not one of the so-called ‘beautiful people.’

Let’s not let that happen. Let’s beat society to the punch. Let’s make sure that our children know the truth — that true beauty comes from the inside — not the outside.

Always has.

Always will.

— Ginger Carswell

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ONCE AGAIN, THE minority of workers (unionized) put the screws to the majority. It is time to decertify all public sector unions and put these workers on the same page as the rest of us, no special treatment or enhanced benefits.

HOPE THE COACHES and administrators at Lake Fenton schools like fielding complaints about their sports tryouts. Kids can’t be cut if their parent works at the middle or high school, so kids are not rated by actual criteria. It’s all about whom you know at Lake Fenton.

WAY TO GO Alex Okopien, for leading the Byron school Township residents in a successful effort to pass the bond issue. On Nov. 8, every school district in the state passed their respective bond issues except for Byron. Once again, my children have to settle for the very minimum. Linden will acquire two new students next year.

TO THE WOMAN who brings her three little girls to the hair salon with her, I don’t understand why you think this is OK. You are being rude to other customers and the workers of the salon. I go to the salon without my child to relax. Get a clue.

TO EVERYONE LEARN your lesson? Don’t mess with the teachers. We are sick of defending ourselves. Maybe now you will wake up and realize how fortunate you are to have quality educators teaching your children.

I REALY THINK we need a stoplight at Torrey and North roads. It is very hard to make a left onto North Road from Torrey during heavy traffic hours. Does anyone else think so too? The traffic in Fenton is much heavier than it used to be.

TO THE PERSON complaining about the girl in the van, I know your type. You were probably doing 10 under and ticking off everyone around you. She had every right to pass. You probably instigate a lot of road rage.

A WORD OF wisdom to the teacher’s union: Be careful what you wish for.

YOU DON’T THINK Paul Scott tried to delay election until February knowing that a lot of the senior citizens would be in Florida, knowing most of them would vote against him.

I PUT THREE kids through college without student loans and because our current college students cannot find jobs, Obama plans to give them relief, again, at the taxpayers’ expense. He’s trying to buy their vote at our expense. Do you think the folks will wake up and fire him?

I MISS THE way fall used to be in Michigan. You could rake your leaves into piles and burn them. I loved the aroma of burning leaves. You could listen to the Lions find a new way to lose another game. Now, you can’t burn leaves and the Lions are winning.

SO, THE MEA wins a round. They prove again that they would rather have an incompetent teacher with tenure teach your kids than a competent one without tenure. Just another example of how the unions and their brainwashed members are going to ultimately destroy this country.

IF YOU ARE having a bad day, stay home. Don’t go out to eat, yell at the servers, send your food back and then leave no tip. I see servers reduced to tears from rude customers, weekly. Remember, we control what you eat.

IT’S A SHAME when the city is more concerned about decorating than how efficiently it operates. Yes, we need a new library. Yes, the roads are an embarrassment. Yes, we could all use relief on our water bills. Competent spending of funds will bring people—not signs. Fenton, get smarter.

Compiled by Sharon Stone, Assistant Editor

Are you pleased with the election results?

“...I was pretty happy, but I didn’t agree with the recall of Scott.”

— Marilyn Fisher

“...the only thing I voted on was the recall. Being a union member myself, it was a big issue for me.”

— Tom Leonard, Linden

“...Les Bland, he was the right man for the job.”

— Jeff McNamara

“...and no, I was pleased with the city, unhappy with the recall.”

— Bob Harris

“...and I’m just pleased to have the opportunity to vote in this country.”

— Ginger Carowell

“...I equate it to the myriad of Republicans going for the ballot, all competent. Congratulations, Fenton.”

— Bob Stewart

By Foster Childs

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Fenton
Longtime fire chief loses battle to cancer

Colleagues, family, friends mourn death of kind, private man

By Sharon Stone
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Fenton Twp. — Fenton Township Fire Chief John Moulton passed away Wednesday morning after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 66 years old.

Moulton lived his entire life in Fenton Township and graduated from Lake Fenton High School in 1963. He played quarterback in his high school days and took part in the 50th anniversary celebration of the school’s football program in 2009.

The fire chief followed the football teams for years since he lived within walking distance of the old high school football stadium (currently Lake Fenton Middle School).

Moulton was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He and his wife Georgetta married in 1972 and raised their family in Fenton Township. He joined the Fenton Township Fire Department in 1985 and had been the chief for the past 20 years.

Fenton Township Supervisor Bonnie Mathis said Moulton devoted his life to his family, especially his grandchildren, and to his firefighters, who admired and respected him. “Some firefighters even called him Dad,” she said. “He was a great role model to all of them.”

Mathis said it was always Moulton’s dream to have the best fire department in Genesee County and he was always attending classes and seminars. He always made sure that his firefighters were well educated about fires and were able to protect themselves and the residents. “I am very proud to have had John as a friend and especially proud to have had him as our chief,” she said. “He was a great chief. I will miss him greatly.”

When Mathis realized her good friend died on 11-9-11, the first thing she thought of was 911. “Either way you read it, it’s 911. That’s so appropriate for John,” she said.

“John was a great leader, great fireman and a great friend.”
Tony Brown
Fenton Township Trustee

Fenton Township Trustee Tony Brown knew and respected Moulton. “Chief Moulton loved this community,” said Brown, who also grew up in Fenton Township. “He was a great leader, great fireman and a great friend.

“Fenton Township lost one of its finest. He will be sadly missed.”

Fenton City Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff was saddened to share the news of Moulton’s death with his department. “I’ve known him a long time, more than 20 years,” said Cairnduff. “He was a genuine guy.

“You knew where you stood with John.”

Cairnduff said the two departments worked well together due to the good working relationship of the administrations.

Rick Ham, and his wife Robin, have lived across from the Moultons for more than 10 years and will always remember Moulton’s generosity and kind-hearted soul. “John was a kind, giving man, always had a smile and willing to do anything he could for anyone in need,” said Rick. “I am very sad to lose such a good neighbor and friend. I will miss him.”

Mathis said the township’s fire board, comprised of chair Mark Goupil, Bob Krug and Tony Brown will have the task of recommending Moulton’s replacement.

Through Moulton’s illness, battalion chief Ryan Volz has been acting chief.

Funeral arrangements

Visitation is at Sharp Funeral Home — Fenton Chapel on Saturday, from 12 p.m. until the funeral service, at 1 p.m. at St. John Catholic Church of Fenton. Following the church service, a procession will be conducted from the church, past neighboring fire stations and the Fenton township fire stations. After the service and procession, a luncheon will be held at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center.

For more information, visit www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.
Board accepts supervisor’s resignation

By Tim Jagielo

Clerk Debbie Miller said the position will be advertised this weekend in the Tri-County Times. Resident Janet Cousins thanked Kalec for her service. “This resignation, retirement, is really sad to me, personally,” said Cousins. “I appreciate the knowledge you’ve brought to the job, the dedication you have brought, for all the class. You’ve accepted the verbal abuse. As a citizen I just want to thank you.”

Cousins then lead the audience in clapping for Kalec.

Kalec has served Rose Township for 12 years, last three as supervisor, and as clerk before that. She also served as clerk for Holly Township in the early ’90s.

Councilman Rauch reflects on 16 years of public service

▶Fishing, traveling plans part of retirement

By Sharon Stone

Fenton — Last Monday night was John Rauch’s final appearance as a Fenton City councilman. After serving the city of Fenton for 16 years, the 73 year old decided it was time to retire. A recent illness took its toll and he intends to spend more time fishing and traveling over long weekends.

Rauch spent 31 years working for the Grand Blanc Township Department of Public Works (DPW). Through his work there, he met Les Bland, who headed Fenton’s DPW.

In 1993, Rauch and his wife, Gwenn, moved to Fenton. He became involved with the city and he was soon appointed to the parks and recreation committee. While working with that committee, he was approached about running for city council.

Rauch won the election. Quickly, he learned that city politics was different from township politics.

Looking back over his years as a councilman and mayor pro tem, Rauch recalls several achievements. He was involved with the development of Silver Parkway, good or bad. “It looks pretty good today,” he said. He also had a hand in the new fire station and DPW building.

Rauch remembers fondly the friendships and associations he made with city employees and council members. “We became friends,” he said. “We butted heads, but always left the meetings with a smile.”

Although he’s stepped away from city council duties, Rauch has applied to serve on the Board of Review since he is familiar with tax laws.

Reflecting on his health issues, Rauch said he does not believe he could dedicate himself to the city and still take care of himself. “It’s time to let somebody else do the work, but his heart is still there, he said.

Rauch’s advice to the new council is, “Don’t go in with a private agenda. Go in with an open mind and work as a team. That’s what Fenton needs.”
CAR STRIKES PEDESTRIAN
On Thursday, Nov. 10, Fenton police re-
sponded to a car versus pedestrian crash on Silver Parkway, just north of Jennings Road. Lt. Jason Slater said a 22-year-old Fenton man was attempting to cross Silver Parkway and stepped into the path of a 2010 PT Cruiser driven by a 60-year-old Holly woman. He was transported to Gene-
sys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township for non-life threatening injuries. No tickets were issued.

MAN ARRESTED FOR SMOKING POT IN APARTMENT
On Tuesday, Nov. 8, Fenton police were sent to a report on Tresblout Drive after someone called to report the smell of marijuana coming from one of the apartments. Police made contact with the 22-year-old Fenton man at the apartment who apologized for the odor. He did not have a medical marijuana card. He was arrested for possession of marijuana and taken to the police station for processing. He has a Dec. 12 court date.

CATALYTIC CONVERTER STOLEN
On Nov. 8, Fenton police were sent to the 1600 block of Silver Parkway to investi-
gate a stolen catalytic converter complaint. A Fenton man had dropped off his 2004 Dodge Caravan for repair. Police spotted a pick-up truck parked on Rolston Road, east of Meier Road. Police initiated a traffic stop to the truck after it started to drive away. Police saw a rifle in the back seat and asked the 39-year-old male passenger what it was for. The passenger said he was shining the deer. The rifle was loaded. The officer then spotted an open can of beer on the floor. The passenger admitted to drinking a few beers. The truck was impounded and the passenger was cited for open intoxicants.

TEEN TICKETED
On Wednesday, Nov. 2, Argentine Township police responded to a car versus pedestrian crash on Silver Parkway, east of Meier Road. Police initiated a traffic stop to the truck after it started to drive away. The truck had fled from the scene. Police were unable to locate the driver, who had fled the scene.

DRIVER FLEES FROM ROLLOVER
On Thursday, Nov. 3, Argentine Township police responded to a 911 call regarding a rollover crash in the 7600 block of Silver Lake Road. A female passenger told the 911 dispatcher that she could not locate her boyfriend. Upon arrival, the officer observed an empty bottle snapped in half and a white, 2006 Dodge Charger upside down. She suffered minor injuries and was transported to Gene-
sys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township. Police were unable to locate the driver, who had fled from the scene.

BEER AND DEER SHINING DON'T MIX
On Monday, Nov. 7, Argentine Township po-
tice spotted a pickup truck parked on Rolston Road, east of Meier Road. Police initiated a traffic stop to the truck after it started to drive away. Police saw a rifle in the back seat and asked the 19-year-old male passenger what it was for. The passenger said he was shining the deer. The rifle was loaded. The officer then spotted an open can of beer on the floor. The passenger admitted to drinking a few beers. The truck was impounded and the passenger was ticketed for open intoxicants.

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Fenton — Fenton is known for a variety of great things, but now, thanks to a partnership between two local non-
profits and several businesses, the city is working to build a new reputation — as a weekend craft fair destination. The event, The State Road Arts & Craft Show and the Fenton United Methodist Church (FUMC) Holiday Craft & Small Business Expo, have joined forces to take place on the same weekend. This makes Sat-
urday, Nov. 19 and Sunday, Nov. 20 the biggest days for craft tourism around. “Getting the community involved is a great thing,” said Bonnie Leder, of the FUMC. “We’re in the middle of downtown and we thought this would be a great opportunity to bring attention to both great events.”

The weekend will kick off with the FUMC Holiday Craft & Small Business Expo on Saturday. More than 70 vendors will fill two floors of the church at 119 S. LeRoy St. Admission is $2. Door prizes and food will be a part of the fun. Proceeds from the event will benefit the FUMC’s Family Life Center and its ministries. The State Road Craft Show is in its 36th year and features more than 160 juried vendors. The event benefits the State Road Elementary School PTO, with the proceeds funding scholarships, books and supplies. It will take place at the Fenton High School, 3200 S. Shiawassee Ave, on Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information about the Fenton Craft Weekend and all Fenton events, visit www.FentonBeCloser.com.
**Tips for a better, more restful night of sleep**

To pave the way for better sleep, experts recommend that you and your family members follow these sleep tips:

- **Establish consistent** sleep and wake schedules, even on weekends.
- **Create a regular**, relaxing bedtime routine such as soaking in a hot bath or listening to soothing music — begin an hour or more before the time you expect to fall asleep.
- **Create a sleep-conducive environment** that is dark, quiet, comfortable and cool.
- **Sleep on a comfortable mattress and pillows**.
- **Use your bedroom** only for sleep (avoid watching TV, using a computer or reading in bed).
- **Finish eating** at least two to three hours before your regular bedtime.
- **Exercise regularly** during the day or at least a few hours before bedtime.
- **Avoid caffeine** and alcohol products close to bedtime and give up smoking.

(Source: National Sleep Foundation)

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**How much sleep do you really need?**

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**SLEEP APNEA** • This causes people to momentarily stop breathing and awaken from sleep in order to resume breathing. As a result, the disorder causes drowsiness during daily activities. Untreated, sleep apnea can lead to high blood pressure, personality changes, sexual dysfunction, heart disease and even death.

**NARCOLEPSY** • Narcolepsy can be defined as excessive drowsiness during the day even when nightly sleep time is within normal range with a tendency to sleep at inappropriate times. The overpowering sleep “attacks” may last for a few minutes or to an hour or longer.

**INSOMNIA** • Trouble falling asleep or staying asleep is reported by more than 35 million Americans. Disturbed sleep during the night results in decreased quality of daytime performance. According to a nationwide study by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine, physical ailments, such as disorder of breathing or muscle activity, are the cause of more than half of all cases of persistent insomnia.

(Source: McLaren Sleep Disorder Center)
PUBLIC INVITED TO RECEPTION FOR RETIRING FENTON CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

The community is invited to a reception for Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 6:30 p.m. for the retiring council members, John Rauch, Dianne North and Tim Faries. The reception will be held in the conference room at Fenton City Hall. The Fenton City Council meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

BROKEN UTILITY POLES CAUSE OUTAGES

Consumers Energy reports that 1,553 customers in the Fenton area lost power Wednesday afternoon. About one dozen customers in Holly were also affected. Mary Kulis, spokesperson, said power was interrupted at approximately 3 p.m. The utility company was being replaced. An estimated restoration time of 9:27 p.m. was given to customers, however, power was restored at 7:19 p.m. Kulis said 5,400 customers in Genesee County were affected by weather-related outages.

MRS A FOUND AT HOLLY ELEMENTARY

A case of Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) was recently discovered at Holly Elementary School, according to a statement by Holly Area Schools Superintendent Kent Barnes. MRSA is a version of the common staph infection that is more resistant to common antibiotics. It can be dangerous, but is not commonly life threatening. Barnes said communications are being sent out, and the custodial staff is sanitizing the exposed facilities at the school. Hygiene is the best way to prevent infections, which includes proper hand washing, keeping all cuts and scrapes clean, and avoiding touching someone else’s bandages. He suggests anyone with questions about MRSA to call (248) 858-1406 or toll free 1 (800) 848-5533 or, or go to www.oakgov.com for more information.

YES

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does not plan to petition for a recount. The losing candidate is the only party allowed to request a recount. Scott is the first Michigan legislator to be recalled since 1983, when two Democratic senators were removed from office for an increase in state income tax.

Voters in the 51st District were polarized, resulting in a very close recall election. There were 12,284 (50.40 percent) votes cast in favor of the recall and 12,087 (49.60 percent) cast in favor of keeping Scott in office.

The election results from the Nov. 8 election are now official, and they are reviewed by the Genesee County Canvass and the Michigan State Canvass, which can take five to sevenbusiness weeks. Fred Woodhams, spokesperson for the Michigan Department of State, said Scott would officially be removed from office after the ballots pass through the canvasses.

“No one will fill the seat between Scott’s removal and the Feb. 28 election,” said Woodhams. “Once the vacancy is created, county parties will have 15 days to nominate a candidate.”

The candidate who wins in the Feb. 28 election will serve the remainder of Scott’s term, which ends next year. Scott is not allowed to run the special February election.

The recall against Scott was fueled by the Michigan Education Association as a backlash to teacher tenure reforms and major cuts to public education funding. In July, the Elections Division of Genesee County approved language for the recall. Scott unsuccessfully bid for an injunction in Genesee County but was granted one by Ingham County Circuit Judge Clinton Canady. The Michigan Supreme Court overthrew Canady’s injunction, placing the recall back onto the Nov. 8 ballot.

Despite being recalled, Scott stands by the policies he supported. “We accomplished great things and the laws that we changed, they’re on the books,” Scott said. “I know a lot of the focus is on me, but it should be on the state. We’ve moved the state forward.”

Quick facts:
Yes votes: 12,284
No votes: 12,087
• Scott loses election by 197 votes.
• Scott said he would not petition for a recount.
• The losing candidate is the only party allowed to request a recount.
• Scott is the first Michigan legislator to be recalled since 1983.
• A special election on Feb. 28, 2012 will decide Scott’s replacement.
• County parties will have 15 days to nominate a candidate to replace Scott.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

POLITICIANS CAN TALK all the trash they want about tax structure, the down-down economies, save the small business or any rhetoric they want to use to save Michigan, and the United States. When you lose 10 million jobs to committe countries, your tax base has to suffer. We graduate hundreds of thousands every year. Where are they going to get a job?

I’M WONDERING WHAT office Paul Scott will run for next. I know times are tough but you can’t balance the budget on the top of the weekly paycheck of homeowners, school bus drivers, police officers, firefighters and public service people. I hope they learn their lesson.

WITH ALL THE cuts being made in Holly Area Schools, bonding from special funds and making even more cuts next year, I don’t understand why at the four elementary schools, there is a Wal-Mart style greeter in the hallway. There are parents getting kids in and out of cars before and after school, in the cafeteria opening milk cartons and juice boxes, and watching kids for full pay and full benefits.

I THINK YOU ought to read some of the comments before you put them in the paper. Anyone who would contemptize to seatbells is a fool.

IF PAUL SCOTT thinks the MEA was the only force behind his recall, he is dreaming. The senior citizens were out in force voting against him, too.

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The woman said she tried to do the “cash for keys” program, where she agreed to payment of $1,000 if she cleaned the home and removed all personal belongings and debris. To her shock and disappointment, she was denied the $1,000 because she left behind a push broom, heater, light fixtures and a shop vacuum for the future owners. “They considered that to be debris,” she said.

The woman and her husband and their youngest son are now comfortable in their apartment. Their place is handicap accessible and they were allowed to keep their dog and cat. “It’s been a blessing in disguise, but it was devastating,” she said.

Patrick Welty, of Legacy Realtor Professionals in Fenton, said foreclosures vary from state to state. In Michigan, foreclosure by advertisement begins after a homeowner has failed to make a house payment for three months. The bank would attempt to contact them and offer opportunities for payment. If the bank finds it cannot work with the homeowner, they will start the foreclosure process.

Welty said these advertisements are typically posted in the local papers or Flint Genesee Legal News for five weeks. After five weeks, a sheriff’s sale is held on the property. Welty said the sale is held at the county courthouse and a bank representative, or investors are typically the only people there. Once the sheriff sale is done, a representative of the sheriff’s department signs the deed.

Once a sheriff’s deed exists, the homeowner is no longer the legal owner; however, they do have redemption rights for six months, as long as they have not abandoned the home. Homeowners with more than three acres have a one-year redemption period.

During the redemption period, the homeowner needs to find a lender willing to help or do a short sale. “They can stay there until the redemption is up,” said Welty. “But, they are no longer the legal occupant.

“I’ve seen some stay for months after the redemption period. It could go for years.”

When the redemption period expires, the bank sends a real estate broker to the home to make the resident an offer. Welty said the broker might offer the “cash for keys” agreement, where the broker would give the resident an amount of money if they vacate the home by an agreed on date. This agreement keeps the person in the home, and hopefully, maintaining it. “There are lots of abandoned homes,” said Welty. “Some don’t want to deal with the stress; they’re living there for free.”

Welty said the first thing a homeowner should do if they suspect they will be unable to make a house payment is to contact their lender. It could be embarrassing and overwhelming, but the homeowner needs to make that call to see where they stand with the bank. If the homeowner is not satisfied with the bank’s response, they should then contact an attorney or real estate broker.

“That’s a difficult situation,” he said. “They’re depressed, stressed and embarrassed.”

On Tuesday, the woman learned that her home had been put on the market for $68,000. This is a stark contrast to her being given an offer to buy it back from the bank between January and July for $185,000.

“I am just so sick,” she said. “Why couldn’t they have worked with us?” She said there was no way for her and her husband to try to buy it back, even at the new low price because they sold everything they needed to maintain the home and 1 1/4 acres of property.

**What is a foreclosure?**

A bank, mortgage company or other creditor takes a homeowner’s property in order to satisfy a debt by a legal process. The foreclosure is the result of non-payment of the mortgage (including second mortgages and home equity loans); however, people also lose their homes due to unpaid property taxes. As a result of the foreclosure (at the end of the redemption period), the homeowner loses the rights he or she had to the property.

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Election results for the entire 51st District, however, did not mirror what occurred locally. Out of the total 24,371 votes cast on the recall, 12,284 (50.4 percent) were in favor of the recall, while 12,087 (49.6 percent) were against the recall.

Thomas Broecker, operations manager/deputy clerk for Fenton Township, said the election cost the township between $5,000 and $6,000. He said expenses included paying election inspectors, paying workers to transport election equipment, mileage for him and Clerk Robert Krug, overtime for employees who handled absentee ballots over the weekend, postage, paper applications and other miscellaneous items.

ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP
30-percent voter turnout
Paul Scott recall
No – 475
Yes – 388
Linden schools millage
Yes – 506
No – 355
Byron schools bond proposal
No – 370
Yes – 175
Byron’s vote on recall
No – 276
Yes – 261
Swartz Creek’s vote on recall
No – 33
Yes – 40
ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP Clerk Denise Graves said 97 percent of the absentee ballots were returned. About 6 percent voted absentee, while the other 24 percent voted at the polls.

FENTON TOWNSHIP
30.3 percent turnout
Paul Scott recall
No – 2,077
Yes – 1,707
Linden schools millage
Yes – 748
No – 415
Fenton Township has 12,538 registered voters. A total of 3,799 votes (30.3 percent) were cast in the recall election.

LINDEN CITY
30-percent voter turnout
City Council
Ed Ciesielski – 765
Charles Ross – 689
Linden City Council partial term
Amanda Adams – 723
Gary Mahnke – 676
Paul Scott recall
No – 547
Yes – 481
Linden schools millage renewal
Yes – 718
No – 312
LINDEN CITY Mayor
Sue Osborn – 1,101
Tim Faney – 927
Fenton City Council (top 3 elected)
Patricia Lockwood – 1,468
Les Bland – 1,310
Cheryl King – 1,229
Mike Piacentini – 1,158
Paul Scott recall
No – 1,183
Yes – 930

The City of Fenton issued 334 absentee ballots, and 331 were returned on time to be processed, according to Fenton City Clerk Jenny Naismith.
SNACKING
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At the heart of the philosophy of mindless eating is the fact that people don’t overeat because they are hungry. If people listened just to their body’s hunger cues and ate only to the point of satiety, there would be no problem of obesity in the United States. In fact, hunger has very little to do with the nation’s every-growing obesity problem.

There are many reasons why people overeat. Package and plate size, how foods are described on labels and packages, the position of light on food, the colors of foods are some of the reasons. The presence of candles, the shapes of food packages, food smells, distractions while eating, distances from which food is available, whether food is stored in cupboards, and the containers in which food is served or stored also plays a factor.

For example, Wansink found that people ate an average of 2.2 more candies each day when they were visible and 1.8 more candies when they were placed on their desk rather than several yards away. Even nutrition experts served themselves 31 percent more ice cream when they were given a larger bowl and 14.5 percent more when they were given a larger ice cream scoop at an ice cream social.

When visiting the snack aisle at the grocery store, you’ll notice one of the direct effects of Wansink’s research — the popularity of the 100-calorie snack packs, which he had pitched to food companies after discovering that people would be willing to pay higher packaging costs to help control portion size.

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Public Notice

Fenton Area Public Schools is now accepting sealed bids for Snow Removal and Grounds Work. All bids must be turned in no later than Monday November 21, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. All bidders must attend a mandatory pre bid meeting on November 14, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Fenton Administration Building. Bids will be publicly opened at 10:15 a.m. on November 21, 2011, in the Fenton Administration Building, located at 3100 Owen Rd. Fenton, Michigan 48430. For details check in on the Operations tab of the district’s web site or contact Tim Schmiedel in the Operations Department.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION

At their meeting of November 7, 2011 the Fenton Township Board adopted Ordinance No. 741, a new ordinance to regulate the use of wood-fired boilers, stoves and furnaces.

Complete copies of the adopted ordinance may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantauawka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The ordinance is also available on Fenton Township’s website at www.fentontownship.org.

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

Notice

Supervisor Vacancy

Rose Township Board of Trustees has authorized the Rose Township Clerk to begin accepting applications for the position of Township Supervisor. Applications may be obtained from the Rose Township Clerk’s office and should be returned to the Clerk’s office no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 21, 2011.

Under State Law, applicants must be a qualified elector of Rose Township and registered to vote. To be a qualified elector, a person must be 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen, and have lived in the township at least 30 days prior to the appointment. All interested candidates for the vacancy should note that upon acceptance of a Board member’s resignation, the Township Board may vote at any time to appoint a replacement. As a result, all interested candidates are encouraged to submit an application as soon as possible.

For further information, please contact Debbie Miller, Clerk, at (248) 634-8701 or by email – clerk@rosetownship.com.

Posted: November 13, 2011
Debbie Miller, Clerk
Rose Township
RECALL

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the state legislature level since the early ’80s. Coal
cell elections are a mechanism by
which constituents can force an elected
official to face an election during his or
her term. The elections are governed by
a formula that requires a certain percentage
of petitions to be signed to get the recall
on the ballot.

Some people believe that recall elec-
tions are too expensive, and are akin
to frivolous lawsuits. Others believe they
are a necessary tool to protect the public.
Whether frivolous or necessary, recall
elections come with a price tag with staff
hours and materials.

Fenton Township Clerk Robert Krug is
responsible for ensuring residents have
a place to vote, and that the ballots make
it safely to the county to be counted. He
estimates his staff put in an extra 407
hours for Tuesday’s election, with all
things considered. In Fenton Township,

the ballot also included a question about
a millage for Linden schools. The
Scott recall required all precincts
in the 51st District to hold elections. In
Fenton Township, Krug combined the
six precincts into three. “There’s a lot of
hours and sweat in that,” he said.

Krug doesn’t like recall elections, but,
believes it is a part of the public.

He believes Scott was recalled
because of policy decisions he made.
“You shouldn’t have to worry
about being recalled just
because you and I disagree,”
he said.

It is Krug’s opinion that the recall process should only
be used for gross misconduct in
office by an official, or by
an executive order for a list of certain
infringements. “The primary (election),
that’s when you could have
recalled him and saved a lot of money,” he said.

State Sen. John Gleason, (D, Flushing),
has long fought for changing the recall laws,
partially because recalls often happen close
to an election. Gleason believes that if a
person doesn’t like the candidate, he or she can
vote them out of office. In some
cases, if a candidate is running unopposed
as an incumbent, and they are recalled soon
before an election, that seat will suddenly
be empty. “The numbers don’t work,” said Gleason.

He also believes recalls are a waste of money. “(Govern-
ments) are already broke, they could have spent
that money on a sewer, water or roads,” he said.

The legislation Gleason au-
thorized about recalls wouldn’t
end recall elections, but it
would stop recalls close to the
beginning or end of a term. The bill passed the house
eight years ago. Senate Bill 629 will have bipartisan
support, he added.

U-M-Flint professor Marcus Paroske said there is a culture
of misusing recalls in Michigan. “We’re
really polarized right now,” he said, ad-

ing that recalls are adding to the divisive
political climate in Michigan. Paroske is
a professor specializing in political argu-
ments, and elections are an example of a
political argument.

Paroske said recalls are intended to be
used as a weapon of last resort, if the con-
stituents could not wait until the primary
election to oust the politician. He also said
recalls are a necessary political mechanism,
but should be used judiciously, case by case.
“I personally wouldn’t have used a recall
over a problem people had with a policy
choice the person adopted,” he said. “The
problem is when nothing gets done because
everyone is getting recalled.”

To Paroske, government only works
when Republicans and Democrats compro-
mise. “Recalls aren’t doing that,” he said.

Jason Kosnoski, a UM-Flint associate
professor of political science, said he
finds recall elections fascinating. “I
think they can be very useful,” he said
but also believes American elections
cost too much. Scott’s recall election was
interesting because the movement to oust
Scott was Michigan based, with Michi-
gan groups like the Michigan Education
Association and other unions pushing
the recall forward. “Usually the national
organizations can pour in more money
and affect the outcome,” he said.

As a citizen, Kosnoski said it is his
opinion that Scott was recalled because
he voted differently from the way he
campaigned. “There are a whole slew
of candidates that pursued anti-worker poli-
cies but didn’t campaign as that,” he said.
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STATUE
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Lt. Jason Slater and officer Adam Lape responded to the church to investigate. Based on discussion with the church, police believed the theft occurred sometime between the evening hours of Nov. 7 and 8 p.m. on Nov. 8, when the theft was noticed and reported to the church.

Slater and Lape canvassed the area and walked toward Bush Park, looking for any evidence. “I saw something in the woods,” said Slater. “Low and behold, there it was.”

“I was so happy when I found it.”
Police believe two individuals carried the lightweight, plaster statue through the park, over the bridge, and hid it in the woods by the river. The scene was processed and detectives are following up on the evidence left behind.

Tony Delecki, business manager of the church, said they were not sure of when the suspect or suspects disconnected the statue from the base and carried it away. Someone noticed it missing just after 8 p.m. Tuesday.
Slater and Lape carried the statue out of the woods and it was transported back to the church in one of Fenton’s Department of Public Works trucks.
Delecki said, in his 25 years with the church, this was the first time something like this has happened.
Downtown Linden

A SMALL TOWN WITH BIG CHARM

By William Axford

Summary
Linden is moving forward with new businesses and community events that draw people closer together.

The city of Linden has faced a few hardships in the past few years but that hasn’t stopped it from moving forward. According to the last census, Linden has the fifth largest population growth in Michigan.

In the mid ’70s, Linden was truly a small town with about 800 people. Today, that number has more than quadrupled to about 3,600 people. And, despite the staggering growth, Linden has been able to maintain its history and sense of community throughout the years.

“I like that we’ve maintained our small-town character,” said Ray Culbert, who has been a city councilor for the past 21 years. Since his involvement in the community, Culbert has seen Linden’s infrastructure improve immensely. The roads and sidewalks have been kept up, making the town a walkable community.

Businesses in Linden have had to weather through a tough economy in the past few years. The former Union Block property experienced a fire in 2007 and since then, the city has been unable to attract a new business to the property. The city is currently working with a new engineering firm on how to market the property to potential businesses.

Another blow came to the city when the Loose Senior Citizen Center caught fire in September. Officials plan to rebuild the center in the near future, however.

“People like it here because they feel safe and love the sense of community,” Ray Culbert
Linden City councilor

TRI-COUNTY TIMES / TIM JAJELE
1. The old Linden Mill is now the setting for Linden City Council meetings, and a staple of downtown Linden. 2. Harry Keene and son Larry (right) eat lunch at the Coney Cafe in downtown Linden on Wednesday. 3. Downtown Linden is home to many unique shops. 4. Linden Sweet Shoppe has a variety of candy and 16 flavors of ice cream. 5. Linden Sweet Shoppe co-owner Chris Mathews sells candy to Frank and Kay Jones, of Parishville, on Wednesday. 6. Lynn Freeman, of Linden, shops at Thimbleberry Antiques on Wednesday.

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Celebrities

Teri Hatcher
This desperate housewife has aged incredibly well. Her secret? She loves a few glasses of red wine, but not just to drink! Teri pours two cups of red wine into her bath every night to help soften her skin.

Kate del Castillo
When I was younger in Mexico, I used to smash avocado, add almond oil, and use it as a hair mask. It looks like guacamole, but it makes your hair beautiful and shiny.

Mariah Carey
Mariah actually looks even better now than she did when she started her career. She applies a dab of peppermint extract to her lips before a public appearance. Peppermint increases blood flow to her lips before a public appearance.

Carrie Underwood
“I’ve learned a thing or two about [perfume] application. We apply a fragrance, and then we rip it apart by rubbing our wrists together. The key is to apply it and just let it sit for a while. No rubbing.”

Sarah Jessica Parker
“I’ve been using the same scent I’ve used since I was 18. I love it.”

Jessica Biel
You can actually add sugar, salt, or oatmeal to your own favorite cleanser — they are abrasive enough to gently exfoliate without irritating the skin. You can also try making your own cleansing paste, by mixing 2 teaspoons of oatmeal and 1 teaspoon of baking soda.

How to: brush your teeth properly

Many people don’t know how to brush their teeth properly. Improper brushing can cause as much damage to the teeth and gums as not brushing at all. Lots of people don’t brush for long enough, don’t floss and don’t see a dentist regularly.

Hold your toothbrush in the same way that would hold a pencil, and brush for at least two minutes. This includes brushing the teeth, the junction of the teeth and gums, the tongue and the roof of the mouth. And you don’t need a fancy, angled toothbrush — just a sturdy, soft-bristled one that you replace each month.

Healthy World

Ten ways to wake up beautiful

Get an early start
Make a habit of washing your face a few hours before bed. If you wait until you’re tired, you’re more likely to blow it off, allowing toxins and dirt to stay on all night. You miss the best time to treat your skin, as there’s nothing else on your face to interfere with absorption.

Sleep on your back
Lying on your stomach is bad for “beauty sleep.” The average head weighs 7 to 8 pounds, a lot of pressure to be putting on your face every night. In fact, many dermatologists say they can tell which side of the face people sleep on by the number of wrinkles there.

Avoid carb face
To wake with defined cheekbones, eat a high-protein, low-sugar dinner (try salmon and asparagus, a natural diuretic). Skip the rice and potatoes.

Wrap it up
To minimize a.m. frizz, sleep on a satin pillowcase or put your hair in a silk scarf. The fabric is softer than cotton, so there’s less friction.

Find your inner ballerina
Pile hair into a twist on the top of your head (use a scrunchie to avoid crimping) and in the morning, you’ll have major volume and beautiful waves.

Save money, not wrinkles
At night, you don’t need to worry about eye treatments smearing your makeup so slather on the richest formula you can.

Get a lift
Sleep with your head elevated on two pillows, or put the headboard area of your bed on 2 to 4-inch pieces of wood. Gravity helps lymph and blood flow so fluid won’t accumulate.

Sneak a glow
Mix a drop of self-tanner into your night cream or use a cream that contains a bit of tan-producing DHA.

Avoid harsh products
Rinse in a moisturizing conditioner and leave it in damp hair. Don’t use any volumizers in the morning.

Find a moisture-rich mask. It’s great to use about 2 to 3 times a week while you’re trying to get a tan, to keep your skin hydrated.

Turn on the hair conditioning
Sleep with a moisturizing treatment in damp hair overnight. Any rich conditioner will do. Rinse in the morning.

Pop a Rooster Pill
Created by a sleep-deprived single mother, the pills contain an energizing blend of thiamin, riboflavin, niacin, vitamins B6 and B12, and guarana-seed extract. It’s formulated with a coating that releases ingredients into your bloodstream toward the end of your last sleep cycle, so you wake up feeling clear-headed, not fuzzy.

Flatulence facts

One quart — that’s how much gas humans produce on average each day. The precise composition of each individual’s emission depends on the food you eat, how much air you swallow that day, the types of bacteria in your intestines and how long you try to hold back the gas. The smell is caused by small amounts of sulphur and nitrogen compounds created by partially digested food as well as the bacteria in the colon. The sulphur compounds are mainly hydrogen sulphide (the gas that smells like rotten eggs) and mercaptan. Sulphur-rich foods such as cabbage, eggs and meat cause smellier gases. Beans produce a lot of gas but the smell isn’t as bad. Last, but not least, the pressure behind each pocket of gas in your colon is almost double the pressure in your car tires. Hmm — that explains the annoying accompanying noise.
Chelsea Jordan

What do you do outside of school?: I play volleyball year round. If I’m not playing volleyball, I’m with family and friends.

My dream car is: anything that looks good and drives well. I don’t know much about cars. I don’t know anything about cars.

My greatest high school regret is: not enjoying high school as much as I should have. I focused more on academics instead of going to football games and other school functions.

My most embarrassing school moment was: I once walked into a doorframe at school.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be?: I’d pick invisibility. I’m not very stealthy, so it could come in handy.

If you were principal for a day, what changes would you make?: I’d allow students to use cell phones in class. Cell phones aren’t really that big of a distraction.

What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to?: Graduating from high school.

If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say?: I’m not sure, probably anything that has to do with donating money for kids in need.

What are your plans after graduation?: I want to go to a Division 2 or 3 college for volleyball and major in sports medicine.

What will you be doing 10 years from now?: Hopefully, I’ll have a job and still playing volleyball. I plan on settling down and having a family, too.
Bangkok Peppers Too adds spice to local restaurant scene

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

Even if you’ve never tried Thai cuisine before, you’ll find something to like at Bangkok Peppers Too, the tri-county area’s only Thai restaurant. “Once people try it, they love it,” said owner Adam Rose, whose family works with him at Bangkok Peppers Too, as well as the original Bangkok Peppers in Grand Blanc, which has been open for nine years.

Bangkok Peppers Too is located at 1429 N. LeRoy St. in Fenton, across from Kan Rock Tire. They held their Grand Opening on Friday, Nov. 11, with special promotions continuing on Saturday, Nov. 12.

Specializing in stir-fry dishes with healthy ingredients, Bangkok Peppers Too serves up just the right amount of spice, depending upon a customer’s preferences. “The freshness of the foods we prepare, from our meats, poultry and seafood to our fresh-cut vegetables, are what makes each dish so delicious,” said Rose. “The amount of spice used to prepare a dish is up to each customer. Each dish can be ordered mild, medium, hot or extra hot.”

All entrees (except noodle-based entrees) are served with white rice and chicken rice soup, for dine-in customers. Lunch specials are served from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

What makes Thai cuisine a healthier alternative to many Chinese dishes is its cooking method of stir-frying rather than frying, no heavy breading and no MSG. Many of the dishes are similar in name, from sweet and sour Chicken to fried rice. What sets Thai food apart is the use of coconut milk, curry and other Thai spices. Some of the most popular dishes include pad Thai, red curry stir-fry, drunken noodles, cashew chicken and triple delight.

Bangkok Peppers Too is open Monday through Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., closed Sundays. To place an order, call (810) 714-4607.

Fire & Ice Café serves up good food in Holly

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

Fire & Ice Café has opened in Battle Alley in downtown Holly, celebrating their name with delicious hot and cold foods.

Owners Dennis Haigh and Barbara Gerber, husband and wife, serve up lunchtime specialties of hot pizza, sandwiches, soups and cold favorites like ice cream, malts and shakes. “We offer an eclectic dining experience,” said Gerber, who has spent most of her professional life in the kitchen as a caterer. “We offer something unique every day, like our ‘tomato mozz’ (fresh mozzarella) sandwich or our apple sage pork panini.”

Gerber can also be found in the kitchen of her other downtown Holly business, The Blackberry Bakery, which she opened last February.

Look and feel your best at Glamorie South salon

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

Debby Musgrave and her staff at Glamorie South Hair, Nail and Tanning Salon in Holly has more than 100 years of combined experience in helping people look and feel their best.

With a full menu of beauty services, from hair and nail design to facials and body wraps, Glamorie South has recently added massage therapy, performed by Kelly Millard, certified massage therapist.

The Glamorie South staff has been at its current location for almost a year at 113-A N. Saginaw St. in Holly, next to Joseph’s Oak & Kitchen Shop. The staff includes three full-time hair stylists, one part-time stylist, three nail technicians and one certified massage therapist.

Summary

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“We have a lot of local talent on our staff,” said Musgrave, who has been in the cosmetology business for 21 years. She also owns a Glamorie location in Harrison.

Glamorie South is open Tuesday and Wednesday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The shop is open Mondays by special appointment only. To make an appointment, call (248) 634-7060.
Thanksgiving — the antidote for anger

We’ve become an angry people. Reasons for our anger range from the fear of another terrorist attack, becoming the victim of a violent crime or to what some see as the maddening loss of the American Dream.

Anger is a dangerous emotion that affects every area of life — some being more serious than others. It is one thing to be angry enough to turn politicians out of office and another to vent our anger at home, verbally and physically harming those we’re responsible to love and protect. But how can one get rid of anger? Try Thanksgiving. It is impossible to be angry and thankful simultaneously. And we have many reasons to be thankful.

In his great Psalm of Thanksgiving, Psalm 103, King David stressed the importance of thanksgiving, writing ‘Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.’ He seems to be scolding himself for being so ungrateful when God has given him so many blessings. Can you identify with him?

Never have so many had so much and appreciated it so little.

First century heroes of the faith could praise God, even in prison. They could glory even in their infirmities while we even growl in our affluence. Their secret was to be thankful in the most difficult of circumstances, being convinced that God’s love for them was unchanging even when things were tough.

The pilgrims endured many privations and heartbreaks. Half of their number died during the first winter in their new land. By today’s standards, they had good reasons to be angry, resentful, quarrel among themselves, rebel at their leaders and give up. Instead, they chose to be thankful. This not only enabled them to survive, but thrive. And, their attitude of gratitude gave birth to the first Thanksgiving.

In his first Thanksgiving Proclamation, President George Washington said it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for his benefits, and to humbly implore His protection and favors.

He also chose a day in November, in his words, ‘To be devoted by the people of the nation to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the Beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be; that we may then unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country, and for all the great and various favors which He has been pleased to confer upon us.’

Neither the pilgrims nor the president lived to see the blessings we have too long taken for granted. It’s time to put away our complaining and be thankful.

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Deer hunting season is just a couple days away

By Colin Van Leuven
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Summary
Outdoor writer Colin Van Leuven shares some tips on getting ready for Opening Day for deer hunters.

Outdoor

Just preparing to go deer hunting is half of the fun. Getting ready and talking about the hunt with friends and strangers each fall is a large part of the allure. With the 2011 firearms deer season just a couple days away, it’s time once again to gear up.

If you’re hunting locally, deciding not to make that annual trek north, then your preparation may be little more than taking your gun and clothes out of storage, and heading out to hunt. However, if you and the gang are heading to deer camp, there’s usually an extensive amount of work to do.

Start by making a list of what you’ll need. This helps to ensure that gear you need at camp actually arrives, and isn’t left in a closet or tucked under a bed. Every year, sleeping bags, boots, hunting coats, and even rifles, are left behind. (Don’t ask how I know this.)

If you cook at camp, make a menu of the meals you’ll have each day. This makes meal planning easier and saves money when shopping rather than just haphazardly loading up the cart. We often prepare several of our dinners before we head to camp, so it’s only a matter of heating them up when we come in from hunting.

If you still need to buy some hunting equipment, you’ll need to get it soon. At this time of the year, any gear that needs to be replaced can swiftly become depleted. Try some of our local stores such as Guns Galore, for instance, as you might not fare well up north where stocks are often very lean, if not sold out altogether.

As this is the upcoming firearms season, there is one other primary consideration besides finding all of your hunting stuff and having enough food to eat. Have you sighted in your rifle, shotgun, or pistol?

Local sportsman’s clubs, such as Linden and Fenton, commonly have sight-in days for non-members during this time of year, so you can try them, or head to a state gun range. Island Lakes, near Kensington Metro Park, is close by and is a wonderful range to shoot at with their 25-, 50-, and 100-yard ranges, (http://mi.gov/shootingranges). Sighting in a range keeps the noise level down in the area you’ll be hunting and is safer under the more controlled conditions.

Properly sighting in requires time. Always wear hearing and eye protection. Hearing protection helps you not flinch, which means you’ll shoot better. Shoot slowly, allowing your barrel to cool between shots. Arifle barrel when cool can shoot very tight patterns, but after heating up, it may start throwing bullets up to 5 inches off center. That’s huge, and likely a miss.

I like the 3-inch high at 100 yards rule, which works well with most high-velocity deer calibers. With my set-up, it allows me to shoot through a 6-inch opening all the way out to about 300 yards without raising the point of aim. That takes a lot of guesswork out of determining the exact range to target.

If you haven’t scouted yet, or are hunting a new area, try an online map service like Google Earth, which you can also get on your smart phone while sitting on your stand. Their satellite photos are great for this purpose, and many of the photos for Michigan have been updated as recently as this year. In some areas, at maximum resolution, you can even see game trails. Look for those funnel areas for that wall-hanger buck to be hiding near.

Another tip is to go to the DNR website to locate areas with heavy acorn crops. Acorns are a magnet for deer. They help with mating success, higher birth rates, health, and antler growth.

According to a recent study, areas with good mast crops often produce better racks the following year.

So, go buy that license, finish packing, and pre-cook some hearty dinners. Sharpen your knife, and put your field dressing gloves in your coat. Load new batteries into the flashlight, and fresh shells in your clips. Pin on your compass, and get your maps out. Get those old hunting tales dusted off, and read up on some new ones.

On opening day, when the sky starts to lighten and you see a nice buck ghosting along the edge of a wood, you’ll know you’re all set to take that shot.

Have a great deer hunt, and good shooting.


Douglas E. Smith 1928-2011 Douglas E. Smith - age 83, of Linden, died Thursday, November 10, 2011. Funeral services will be held 1 PM Monday, November 14, 2011 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 East Broad Street, Linden. Chaplain Steve Hittle, of Heartland Hospice will officiate. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery, Linden. Visitations will be held 9-8 PM Sunday till the funeral home. Mr. Smith was born in Pulaski, VA on September 20, 1928. He worked in the radio and TV industry for over 60 years and was well known in the Flint and Detroit areas. He was named Country Music Disc Jockey Of The Year in 1963 and conducted teen dances in the 1960’s and 60’s all over Michigan. He was the past commander of the VFW Post 4642 in Linden and was a veteran of the Naval Reserve. He was preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Helen F. Smith (Byrd); father and mother, George and Stella Smith; brothers, Earl and Edgar and sister, Ethel. He is survived by his son, Mark and Dawn Smith of Linden; daughters, Lisa and Bill Montgomery of Linden and Teah Samek of Corunna; grandchildren, Rachel Medicus and Charyl Montgomery of Sebring, FL, Veronica and KELLEN Samek of Corunna and Anthony Smith of Owosso; nephews, John and Lucy Blankenship of Frankenmuth, John and Monica Blankenship of Ubly, Stiven Smith of Rockey Gap, VA, nieces, Pamela Morrison of Pulaski, VA and Vick Moura of Midlothian, TX. Online condolences may be shared on the obituary page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Carrie A. (Quick) Blankenship 1920-2011 Carrie A. (Quick) Blankenship - age 91, of Linden, died Monday, November 7, 2011 at Avalon Hospice. Graveside services were held 11 AM Friday, November 11, 2011 at Fairview Cemetery, Linden. Those desiring may make contributions to Avalon Hospice. Carrie was born August 1, 1920 in Stirling, the daughter of John and Carrie G. (Fox) Ellison. She married Donald W. Quick October 15, 1939 in Stanchfield and he preceded her in death January 9, 1979. She then married Woodrow Blankenship in 1992 and he preceded her in death July 27, 1995. She had resided in Linden since 1948. Carrie had been employed by Linden Presbyterian Church for 25 years as a custodian and also did upholstery and restored furniture. She was a member of Linden Presbyterian Church. She enjoyed farming with her husband Donald from 1949 to 1978. She espe- cially enjoyed crocheting. Surviving are: daughter, Geraldine Kay Coppler of Linden; 2 grandchildren, Richard Coppler, Jr. and wife Victoria of Swartz Creek and Janice Coppler of Linden; 4 grandchil- dren, Jacquelyn, Aaron and Andrew Coppler and Nicholas Adams; 3 step- children, Eugene and wife Barb Blankenship, Oscar and wife Pat Blankenship and Mark Blankenship; stepdaughter, Shirley and husband E.G. Politte; 2 brothers, Jack Ellison of Sterling and Douglas Ellison; 3 sisters, Virginia Muchler of Owosso, Barbara Pearson and husband Jim of Day- tona Beach, FL and JoAnn Strayhorn and husband Ed of Grand Rapids; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Charles H. Quick, son-in-law, Richard Coppler, Sr.; stepson, Ron Blankenship. Online tributes may be posted on the obituary page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Robert (Bob) Chenoweth 7/28/1942 to 11/12/1991 If love could have saved you, you would have lived forever...contentment is not in wealth...but in seeing you and knowing all is well between us. And when I awaken in heaven, I will be fully satisfied, for I will see you face to face.”

Missing you for 20 years,

Arlene, Tam(Debrah), Errol(Andrea), Greg(Warren), & grandchildren

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Hi, I’m Gretel
Hi, I’m Tedd

Gretel is a young, small, wire haired ter-rier who is look-ing for her new family.

Jeffrey Jankowski, Jeffrey Jankowski - age 46, died November 6, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

Joseph Vavro, Joseph Vavro - age 60, died November 6, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

Betty Hisaw, Betty Hisaw - age 71, died November 6, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.

Geraldine Widigan, Geraldine Widigan - age 69, died November 5, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.
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- 1/3 c. margarine, melted
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- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 t. vanilla extract

**TOPPING**

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Senior dogs do have unique needs that owners should understand your needs. You, on the other hand, are a mental health professional. Surely you know how to convey boundaries? Surely you can say, “I’m going to just sit here quietly and try to unwind.” Then you can dive into the most recent copy of Us Weekly and vicariously enjoy the only problems worth having: celebrity problems.

(Send questions via e-mail to askamy@tribune.com or by mail to Ask Amy, Chicago Tribune, TT500, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611; Amy Dickinson’s memoir, “The Juniper Letters,” is available in bookstores.)
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Despite the hardships the city has faced, there are signs of growth, especially in the downtown area. New businesses have opened along Bridge Street, many of them in the past year. The Linden Sweet Shoppe and Linden Pharmacy have been thriving since they opened their doors. Me & My Girl’s Coney Café is just one of the restaurants in town for locals to gather and meet. More established shops such as Thimbleberry Antique Store have been able to evolve over time and become a staple of the town. “We try to have unique, distinctive things,” said Thimbleberry owner Kit Maloney. “We want people to enjoy their time when they come in here.”

A computer repair store and an interior design store are expected to open up in the next few months.

What truly makes Linden shine however is the town’s emphasis on community events and gatherings. Year round events such as the Linden Autumn Festival and Holiday Happening draw hundreds of visitors, celebrating life in a small-town atmosphere. The Linden Farmers’ Market drew nearly 500 people to the downtown area every Wednesday over the summer. The Back to the Bricks event was another event that drew people into Linden over the summer. The Holiday Happening in December features caroling, horse-drawn carriage rides and a parade through downtown.

As a small city, we need to keep working on these activities. We need to continue to bring people together,” said Culbert.

The sense of community goes beyond events, however. As the population of older people continues to increase, Linden is establishing itself as a prominent senior care town. Caretel Inns of Linden on Bridge Street has grown over the last few years. The Loose Senior Citizen Center is expected to reopen on Monday in the building not affected by the fire. All activities are as scheduled, including lunch. Culbert expects accommodations to senior citizens to become a major part of Linden’s economy in the future.

Growth for the city may be small for now, but it does exist. The planning commission, who saw absolutely no activity for the past few years, is regularly talking with businesses about new developments. The city council and Linden Summer Happening Committee are working to bring the Summer Happening back next year, although nothing is concrete yet.

The City of Linden is working to keep its historic, small-town feel while trying to grow within a tough economy. “People like it here because they feel safe and love the sense of community,” said Culbert. “We wouldn’t be the fifth fastest growing city in Michigan if they didn’t.”

For the latest information on what’s happening in Linden, visit the town’s website at lindenni.us or Facebook.

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The fall season into the homestretch, with only three teams that could have an impact still playing contests. Those squads would be the Fenton and Linden football teams and the Fenton girls swimming and diving team. This will probably be the last update until the final poll at the end of November, so these positions are finally starting to get a little serious. We have one more note. If you love the Internet, you may have noticed that we have almost weekly updates on the top five at www.tctimes.com. It’s likely we’ll keep up the same updates during the winter season as well. Here’s the top five as of Friday.

No. 5 Holly boys tennis: The Bronchos remain in the top five, but slip a spot to No. 5 this week. Not much has changed. They will remain here as long as the teams below them still fighting for higher spots don’t surpass them. We are guessing that probably won’t happen.

No. 4 - Fenton girls swimming and diving: Capturing the Metro League title was no problem for the Tigers. Now, they train for the state meet that starts on Friday. Very much like the Holly boys tennis team, it’s the postseason that really creates the swim team’s final ranking. Consequently, this week’s drop to No. 4 from No. 3 isn’t really that much of a big deal.

No. 3 - Linden girls golf: This decision didn’t come very easily. The girls placed fifth at the state meet, but before the regional and state meet, the Eagles didn’t have a terribly strong resume. The fifth-place finish carries a lot of weight, and that’s why they are at No. 3. However, they still only took fourth in the Metro. And now other teams with strong regular seasons are “catching up” with their postseason success. That’s why they are dropping.

No. 2 Fenton football: The Tigers move into the top five when it matters most — near the end of the season. And what a jump they made, right to No. 2! The Tigers “only” finished 7-2 during the regular season, sharing the Metro League crown with two

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Lake Fenton’s Ellesa Smith (front) hits a ball while teammate Sidney Scott finishes her serve.

with a 3-0 lead after two aces by Rinks and a kill by Scott. However, Lumen Christi tied it right back up with three straight kills, including one on a Lake Fenton service reception overpass.

Lake Fenton’s final lead came at 10-9 on an Ellesa Smith kill, but a Lake Fenton service error followed, and Lumen Christi went on a four-point run with three straight kills. Lumen Christi led 13-10.

Down the stretch, it was Lake Fenton’s service reception that failed them. The Blue Devils had four Lumen Christi service reception attempts that never made it over the net. They had another one that resulted in an overpass and a kill for Lumen Christi’s Cassidy Spooner. The final service reception error put Lumen Christi up 22-13. Lake Fenton cut the gap to 22-17 with the aid of a Scott kill and an Emily Hawes ace, but a tip kill by Lumen Christi’s Kelsey Dilllon ended up being the match point moment later.

“I think when we served really bad, we got down on ourselves, and then we started losing it more and more,” Scott said.

“(Serve) receive cost us some points. I’m not sure if it cost us the match, but it cost us some points,” Del Morone said.

“We executed the game plan the way we wanted to. We knew exactly what they wanted to do to us after the first game and we corrected it in the second game. I think we corrected it the third game. The fourth game, serve receive hurt us a little, but we

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Area runners headed to NJCA national meet

Linden’s Varacalli captures sixth at regional event

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

Mayce Varacalli will be the first to admit, when she talks about her experiences at Mott Community College and with the cross country team, it might sound like she’s doing a Mott advertising campaign.

“I am very happy I made the choice to go there,” the 2011 Linden graduate said. “I’m getting a great education. I’ve met great people and had great training. I know I sound like an infomercial, but it’s been a great experience. I don’t need the university experience. Being on the cross country team is amazing in itself.”

It’s not hard to see why Varacalli feels that way. After all, she recently placed sixth at the regional meet, earning herself a spot in the National Junior College Athletic Association Cross Country Championships, to be held this weekend in Hobbs, N.M. And she’s not the only one going to the meet from the tri-county area.

The Mott boys team qualified for the meet by taking third at regionals, and includes two Fenton graduates — Patricia Beardslee and Nick French. Meanwhile, Fenton graduate Hayley Ladi also is going to the meet and competing as an open runner.

Varacalli qualified by taking sixth at regionals with a time of 19:25. She has had an outstanding season, finishing in the top 10 in three events, including winning the Jackson Cross Country Invitational early in the season. She started deeper in the pack, but passed girls until she finished the race in 20:19. The win surprised Varacalli.

“I didn’t even know at first,” Varacalli said about the victory, “I thought the leader was far ahead. When I finished I found out and thought, ‘No way.’ It’s exciting. Maybe in track I’ve taken a first, but I never thought I’d take first at a cross country invitational.”

At regionals, she placed sixth with a time of 19:25.

“It was probably some of the best training I’ve ever had,” Varacalli said. “I went to the race pretty much prepared for it. All I had to do was deliver.”

Varacalli broke 19 minutes twice this season. She placed sixth in 18:36 at the Loyola Invitational and also posted a 10th-place time of 18:59 at the Muskegon Cross Country Invitational.

“I was just hoping to break 20 minutes again this year. I had done it once during my high school career. I ended up breaking 19 minutes instead,” Varacalli said. “I was hoping to place in the top 15 at regionals as well.”

“She’s looking for top 20 or better, that’s her goal,” Mott cross country coach Wesley Moody said. “I think she can do it. She’s a tough girl.”

French, a 2010 Fenton graduate, is a key member of the men’s national qualifying team, placing 11th at the regional meet (28:18). Men run 8K races as opposed to the women’s 5K events.

“That’s a fast time,” Moody said. “That kid has a gift. I tried to recruit him in high school, but now he’s here and he’s loving Mott.”

French has usually been Mott’s men’s second-best runner. He posted an eighth-place finish at the Jackson Invitational.

Two other Fenton graduates headed to the national event are Beardslee and Ladi. Beardslee took 53rd at regionals (28:37), helping the Bears get out of the regional with a top-three finish. Typically, Beardslee has been the team’s fifth or sixth runner in races this fall.

Meanwhile, Laid is competing as an open runner after taking 41st at regionals with a time of 22:05.

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didn’t do the stuff we had been doing the other three games."

Lumen Christi won the first set and six serve receive errors hurt the Blue Devils’ chances in that set. In the second set, the teams tied the game 10 times and had five lead changes, as neither team took a true grasp of the game. Lumen Christi took a 23-22 lead on a Sponsor kill, but the Blue Devils tied it back on a Titan hitting error. It was tied for the last time at 24-all, but Lake Fenton’s Jordan set the earning a kill and a block kill for the final two points.

Smith and Somers led Lake Fenton with 10 kills each, while Megan Somers had nine kills. Sidney Scott chopped in eight. Rachael Mundy had 34 assists. Ashley Rinka had four aces, while Katey Brophy had three assists. Defensively, Smith had 17 digs, while Jordan and Mundy had nine digs. Brophy had eight digs.

“This season meant a lot,” Smith said. “It was a nice way to end our senior year. I thought we would get further and could’ve had it, but it was nice to get this far my senior year.”

What’s On Television

**Saturdays**

**AUTO RACING**

(ESPN) Alabama at Mississippi State — 7:45 p.m.

(ABC) Oregon at Stanford — 8 p.m.

(ESPN) Idaho at Brigham Young — 9:15 p.m.

**GOLF**

(Golf) LPGA Tour — 4 p.m.

(Golf) Australian Open — 8 p.m.

**HOCKEY**

(FS1) Anaheim at Detroit — 7 p.m.

**SUNDAY**

**AUTO RACING**

(ESPN) Sprint Cup Series racing — 3 p.m.

**FOOTBALL**

(Fox) Florida at Georgia — 3:30 p.m.

(ABC) Marshall at Tulsa — 3 p.m.

(VS) Texas at Missouri — 3:30 p.m.

(VS) Penn at Harvard — 12 p.m.

(CBS) Auburn at Georgia — 3:30 p.m.

(ABC) Teams to be announced — Noon

(ESPN) Nebraska at Penn State — Noon

(ESPN2) Michigan State at Iowa — Noon

(FSC) Marshall at Tulsa — Noon

(FX) Texas at Missouri — Noon

(VS) Penn at Harvard — Noon

(CBS) LSU at Georgia — 3:30 p.m.

(ABC) Teams to be announced — 3:30 p.m.

(ESPN) Teams to be announced — 3:30 p.m.

(B10) Wisconsin at Minnesota — 3:30 p.m.

(FX) Washington at USC — 3:30 p.m.

(VS) Texas Christian at Boise State — 3:30 p.m.

(ESPN) Tennessee at Arkansas — 6 p.m.

(NBC) Florida State at Florida — 7 p.m.

(The End)
Sunday, November 13, 2011

TRI-COUNTY SPORTS

Linden’s Travis Marsh completes a touchdown run earlier this season. He has scored six touchdowns in the playoffs.

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Brown said, “I was really nervous then. Coming into (the playoffs), I’ve felt good.”

Brown’s numbers started so-so for the first three weeks of the season. Linden was 1-2 after a loss to Holly, and Brown still had yet to establish himself at the position, throwing just two TD passes and completing passes for just 10.9 yards a reception in those first three contests.

However, since then, he’s thrown 23 TD passes and has completed 170 passes for 14.6 yards a catch. And while Brown has started to earn his stripes at QB, Marsh has established himself at running back.

Marsh has averaged 4.3 yards a carry this fall and has scored 10 touchdowns. He’s gotten particularly effective in the playoffs, scoring three TDs in each contest.

“They put me at running back and that’s where I’ve been ever since,” Marsh said.

“When I get the ball, I just give it everything I got, just go for it.”

“I’m really happy, I had three touchdowns last week and three this week.”

Marsh has seen some time at QB. In fact, he actually took part in the longest play from scrimmage this year, a 98-yard TD pass against Oronville-Brandon in which he was almost sacked for a safety on the play.

However, his value at running back has been apparent.

“I’ve been playing football for a long time and I’ve been playing every position. I guess quarterback isn’t the position I can stick at. I’m better at playing running back.”

Hopkins appreciates how Marsh has adjusted.

“He’s proven he’s a great teammate and will do what he can to help the team,” Hopkins said. “Now he feels comfortable with running back. He’s fine with it.”

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other teams. The fact so many teams finished the league season with two losses hurt the squad at first. But now, the fact that the Tigers have followed that up with a district title is important. Linden football also is helping their cause. Fenton beat them, and the Eagles are in the regional round as well. That gives them strength of schedule points. Saturday’s district championship win puts the squad somewhere around fifth to eighth in Division 2 football. That carries a lot of weight as well.

**No. 1 - Linden boys cross country:** They won all three Metro League meets, won a couple of other non-league invitations, won a regional title and then finished ninth at the state meet. No other fall team combines what the Eagles’ resume does at this time. They have non-league regular season success, league success and postseason success, it makes them an easy selection at No. 1 with just over a week to go in the fall season.

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FAMILY

Saturday’s Division 2 regional title game marks the first time brother-in-laws Jeff Setzke and Noel Dean have faced off as coaches in a prep football game. Here is a little bio about each coach at their current school.

Noel Dean, Lowell coach
- Took over as Lowell head coach in 1996.
- Has a 159-28 overall record.
- Have made the playoffs 13 straight years and 14 years in all.
- Has won three state titles.

Jeff Setzke, Fenton coach
- Took over as Fenton head coach in 2006.
- Has a 34-27 overall record.
- Have made the playoffs four straight years.
- Has the Tigers in the regional championship game for a second straight season.

still looking for that first championship victory. Setzke realizes taking it to the next step, will require beating teams like Lowell.

“They are a great football team, are a great program and have a great tradition,” Setzke said. “We aspire to be like them. If we are going to be like them, we have to go play them. Whatever happens in that football game — win, lose or draw — it’s going to be a great thing because we need to play those teams.”

The pair began coaching together at Bendle High School, but have not been together for 16 years since Dean took the coaching position at Lowell. Setzke remained at Bendle before coming to Fenton six years ago. Since then, he’s posted a 34-27 record, including a 31-12 mark in the last four years. He’s led the Tigers to the playoffs each of the last four seasons, winning three of seven postseason contests.

The teams know each other as well. In most summers, the teams see each other during 7-on-7 summer camps. However, they didn’t play against each other in a game before this year.

Setzke’s team is excited about the subplot as well.

“We’ve been talking about this game since my freshman year,” Joe DeLaVergne said. “I’ve been looking forward to it. There’s a rivalry there. We’ve gone down there for some camps. They know what we are about. We knew what they are about. It’s going to be a great game, and we’re going to be ready.”

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