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HOT LINE: SIGNS

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HOT LINE

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HOT LINE:

TEACHERS

our tax dollars

will we allow

- Tim

Retiree pension tax confusing to many

Those 67 or older are not affected

By William Axford axford@tctimes.com

As of January 2012, pensions for retirees born after 1952 in the state of Michigan will no longer be exempt from state in-

come taxes. The tax was a central focus of Gov. Rick Snyder's platform and is expected to raise \$60 million in 2012 and \$90 million in 2013 for the state of Michigan.

The new pension law has been shrouded in confusion and subject to much misinformation.

recall elections across the state and messages from special interest groups vying for support from voters, the new pension law has been shrouded in confusion and subject

Amidst the flurry of to much misinformation. Some retirees believe their pensions will be taxed at a high rate until the day they die. Others are afraid that existing exemptions will be eliminated all together. See TAX on 6A

Man charged with armed robbery

Suspected of making bomb threats to area schools as distraction

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Investigators believe that Adam Lee White, 33, of Burton called in two bogus bomb threats on Nov. 4

as a distraction, while he committed an armed robbery at a bank in Burton. Schools across

Genesee County went into emergency mode on Friday, Nov. 4 after learning that someone called 911 twice from Birch Run. The unknown caller reported that dirty bombs See ROBBERY



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SHARON STONE Mary Ann Beltinck, owner of Sawyer Jewelers in Fenton, is one of the many local merchants who are experiencing the positive effects of the Shop Local campaign. Local retailers say their Black Friday

What to know before you go



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SALLY RUMMEL Cheri Church, of Travel Brokers, Inc. in Fenton, constantly checks her computer for the latest travel information, including airline fees that will affect her clients.

Airlines charging sky-high prices for everything

Summary

► Know your airline

Seating options are

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your travel agent.

before you fly this

holiday season.

the newest fees

fees and TSA policies

By Sally Rummel

sales are already well ahead of last year.

news@tctimes.com;810-629-8282 Restaurants aren't the only industry serving a la carte. If you're planning to travel by air this holiday season, you may notice that airlines are now turning to seat options as a way to collect additional fees beyond the price of the actual ticket.

"The biggest new fees are coming from airlines like Delta, that are charging for what they call premium seats," said Cheri Church, owner of Travel Brokers, Inc. in Fenton. "Your aisle seat, window seat or emergency exit seat may cost you more See AIRLINES on 13A

Tyrone Township man drowns

Pre-Thanksgiving duck-hunting trip near Lake Erie turns tragic

By Sharon Stone

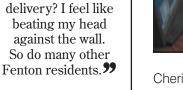
sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Carl Jennings, 75, of Tyrone Township, drowned Tuesday afternoon after the boat he was duck hunting from capsized during a heavy rainstorm. He and two other men were thrown from the boat into the Halfway Creek, near Lake Erie, just north of the Michigan/Ohio border.

See DROWNS on 5A

calling in fake bomb threats at area schools earlier this month to distract police, while he allegedly held up a bank in Burton.



on 7A









FEATURESAND**NEWS**

SMART SOLUTIONS



Smelling perfume

Before you visit the perfume counter to find a new scent, pick up a coffee to go. As you test different perfumes, refresh your nose by taking a sip or sniff of the brew in between. By introducing a different type of odor, you reset scent receptors in the nose, so you are better able to detect the different notes and nuances between each fragrance.



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Drive-thruwindow not just fast food

Prescriptions, dry cleaning ice cream, all part of 'behind the wheel' convenience

By Sally Rummel news@tctimes.com

Do you want ketchup with your fries, or your latest doctor's prescription served to you from the comfort of your driver's seat?

Fast-food restaurants and national drug store chains such as Walgreens are just a few of the businesses that offer the convenience of drive-thru service.

When you think of drive-thru windows, the first image likely in your mind is a fast-food restaurant or a bank. While these are the most common applications of the drive-thru concept, today you'll find ice cream shops, pharmacies, party stores, dry cleaners, and even some hardware stores using this technology.

See DRIVE-THRU on 8A

More **Men** going under the knife

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 A recent survey reveals that 53 percent of women and 49 percent of men say they approve of cosmetic surgery, according to the American Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (AMAPS). That same survey found that 67 percent of Americans said they would not be embarrassed if their friends or family knew they had cosmetic surgery.

A survey conducted by Allure magazine found that 93 percent of women and 84 percent of men say the pressure to look young today is greater than it's ever been. The pressure, whether it's real or perceived, along with the focus See KNIFE on 15A

TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO

(Above) As a convenience to customers, more and more businesses, including pharmacies, are offering drive-thru service.

TRI-COUNTY TIMES SALLY RUMMEL (Left) Smiley Allen serves ice cream to a customer at Uncle Ray's Dairyland drive-thru window in Fenton.

"We're the first drug store chain to offer drive-thru service. We opened our first drive-thru in 1992 and now 6,500 out of our 7,700 stores have a drive-thru." **Robert Elfinger** Walgreens



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procedures for men may be a product of our aging baby boomers, who are now ready to have plastic surgery." - Phillip Haeck, MD.

surgical

Live free or die

By Foster Childs

If I Were

Janet Napolitano, who obviously hasn't read her own job description

lately, this week had her Department of Homeland Security release a twominute video highlighting the incredible danger to Homeland Security posed by (drum roll please)

"turkey fryers." This inane video shows a short, portly, government-bureaucratlooking guy staring into the camera and gravely monotoning, "We recently tested several models of deep fat turkey fryers and find that this method of cooking can be very hazardous." Even more oddly, he was wearing a construction hard hat.

This latest non-intentional joke

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PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW the senior center fundraisers are any more 'disgraceful' than the Girl Scouts, Kiwanis Člub, or Project Graduation solicitors.

DO YOU HEAR all of these Republican candidates, always talking about the auto bailouts? But how come we never hear them talk about the big banks they bailed out, and all the insurance companies? They haven't paid anything back to the government and the taxpayers. Why don't they talk about that?

I'VE NEVER LIKED auto racing or NASCAR. I'm not a NASCAR fan, and Idon't spit tobacco either.

YOU HAVE A lot of nerve criticizing the Loose center seniors for supporting the facility they love. We've stood in the freezing wind to raise money to rebuild a vital service to the community. We are not a disgrace; we are a valuable resource that you should appreciate. Go, Loose seniors. Your donations were wonderful.

CONCERNING EMMA, THE runaway dog. Considering dogs spend most of their lives doing what we, the owners, want them to do, on that day, I don't think Emma was frightened. I think she simply

Compiled by Angel Rynearson, Intern

comes from the same moron who, as head of Homeland Security, decreed

on national television last year that, henceforth, acts of terrorism will be officially called "man-made disasters."

Any populace that believes its government's responsibilities include warning them of the dangers of preparing their holiday fowl, is a populace that has clearly lost its way.

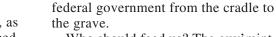
That laughing you hear is the rest of the world.

This also helps to explain why we are so far in debt. Heck, everyone knows that babies are expensive. And today, in the eyes of our inane government, we are all perpetual-newborns

decided to go on a vacation and be a dog for a while. Welcome home, Emma.

WELCOME TO FENTON, that's not coming from Outer Drive, past the State Road school. I hope you make it through the potholes and washouts or don't get hit by the leaning trees that the children's school buses have to dodge.

THANK YOU, APPLEBEES, for your very generous and genuine appreciation of our veterans.



Who should feed us? The guv'mint. Clothe us? The guv'mint. House us? The guv'mint. Take care of our health? Why, the guv'mint of course.

who should be suckling, glassy-eyed

and unthinkingly, at the tit of our

I recently read that Rep. Rosa DeLauro, D-Conn., has proposed the Diaper Investment and Aid to Promote Economic Recovery (DIAPER) Act, which will provide federal funds to subsidize diaper-buying for poor families. Now we can sleep better knowing that in the event this latest handout of our hard-earned tax dollars passes, we can actually crap our pants in surprise, knowing that the guv'mint will provide us with diapers.

Of course, ass-wiping comes with a price. Like all babies, we will be completely at the mercy of the people

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whole 'Be Closer' sign debacle.

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figure out that something is rotten in the

WERE THE ADMINISTRATORS aware

that our kids were shown a completely

inappropriate film about Columbine with-

out the permission of the parents? Who

in the world made this decision? I want to

SO, THE UNDERSHERIFF, Chris Swan-

son, is worried about feeding the inmates

on Thanksgiving. I have a great idea, take

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doing the ass-wiping – politicians with IQs that make Kim Kardashian look like Stephen Hawkings, and morals that make Bernie Madoff look like an Eagle Scout.

Make no mistake about it. There are many in this country who would be perfectly happy living off the backs of the rest of us at the price of something they never valued in the first place – their freedom. They don't feel hemmed in when they look out at the world through the bars of their government crib.

As for me, I'll fry my own turkey and run my own life, thank you very much.

New Hampshire's state motto is becoming ever more relevant under the rule of the Obama administration. Live free or die.

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them to your house and feed them at your expense. If I were undersheriff, they would get a bologna sandwich, a piece of fruit and a carton of milk. Only in America.

I MET JOSEPH Graves during his

2008 race, as part of an MSU group that had volunteered to help him. To this day, he is still one of the most down-to-earth candidates I have ever met. Best of luck to Commissioner Graves in February. We need more reps like him.

THE MEDIA IS demonstrating that you are guilty until proven innocent when it comes to accusations of sexual abuse. Our children live in fear and feel they can't trust anyone. We are destroying American integrity with social media, regardless of the truth. It's just wrong.

AT THE HOLLY elementary schools, I work with the morning greeters, who are also lunch/recess supervisors. Yes, we are paid, but have never received health benefits. We are not employed by Holly Area Schools, and we lost all entitlement to retirement benefits when we were outsourced to a management company four years ago.

I DON'T WANT to hear another word about the United States not being able to meet our debt, about cutting Social Security, Medicare, etc., until all other countries are cut out of our money. That money could and should be used for our own problems. And, if you're an illegal, you don't get anything.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

streettalk

If you could be on a game show, which one would it be?

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"Wheel of Fortune,' it's fun and exciting."

— Dolores Sydor, Fenton



"Hole in the Wall,' it would be fun to jump through the wall."

— Ashley Lyon, Fenton



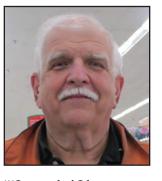
"Wheel of Fortune," because I do well at guessing when I am watching it."





"Wheel of Fortune,' it would be a fun experience."

— Samantha Stratman, Fenton



"Jeopardy,' I have enjoyed it for years and I like to try to beat them."





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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SHARON STONE

Linden police officer Gary Conklin is this year's grand marshal of the Linden Holiday Happening parade.

Linden cop to lead holiday parade

Summary

Gary Conklin,

a Linden police

officer, has been

selected as grand

marshal of the Lin-

den Holiday Hap-

which is set for 12

p.m. on Saturday,

Nov. 3 in down-

town Linden.

pening parade,

► Rescue efforts in summer bring unexpected attention

By Sharon Stone

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Linden — Linden Police Officer Gary Conklin has been selected to be this year's grand marshal of the Linden Holiday Happening parade. The Linden Holiday Happening is an annual event,

which takes place this year on Friday, Dec. 2 and Saturday, Dec. 3.

Conklin, 41, of Fenton, has been a police officer for 17 years and he has been with Linden police since 1999. The 1988 graduate of Linden High School was quite humbled to have been selected for this honor.

The selection committee chose Conklin to lead the

parade to recognize his rescue efforts this past summer. On Aug. 3, Conklin, who was patrolling nearby, rushed to an emergency at the airpark off Silver Lake Road, just beyond Linden City limits.

Two workers had succumbed to toxic fumes and fell into a large sanitary sewer manhole. Without hesitating, Conklin, grabbed a facemask he carried in his vehicle and lowered himself into the sewer to rescue the unconscious men. One of the men died.

Conklin has always shied away from attention and believes that being a police officer merely allows him to serve his hometown. "It's a great honor to work with the people I grew up with," he said. Being part of a smaller department allows him to assist the residents at a more personal level. "That's what police work is all about."

DWN-Linden Police Chief Scott Sutter said the selection committee made an excellent choice with Conklin. "It had to do with the rescue efforts," he said. "He was a worthy

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According to an article in the Monroe News, Jennings and the other men were on a pre-Thanksgiving duck-hunting trip. After the boat capsized, Morin Point firefighters and sheriff's deputies searched more than two hours before finding Jennings floating in 6 feet of water, about 200 feet offshore at about 5:30 p.m. Jennings' hunting partners attempted to swim back to shore. They were pulled from the water by firefighters working from a rescue boat and tended to by rescue personnel.

choice and I'm very proud of him."

Morin Point Fire Chief Pat Zaleski reportedly said that rescue efforts were challenging because of the torrential rain accompanied by waves of 1 to 3 feet high, 25 to 30 mile an hour winds and temperatures in the 30s.

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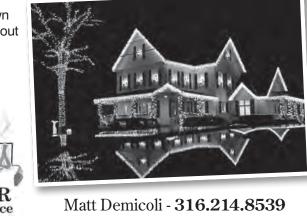


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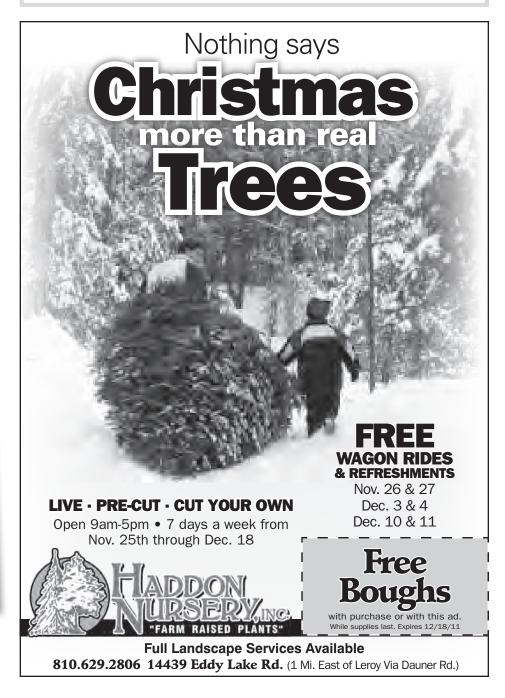




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TAX

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"The first thing that concerned retirees should do is talk to their tax preparer," advises Mike VanGeothem, owner of VanGeothem Bookkeeping and Accounting. "If retirees do their own taxes, they can visit Michigan.gov to see what pensions are taxed and which ones aren't." Van-

"All retirees 66 and

younger will have to pay

the state income tax on

their pensions, but once

they turn 67, the taxes

return to normal."

Mike VanGeothem

Bookkeeper and accountant

Geothem said concern amongst retirees is rising because pension providers are asking their clients if they want state income taxes withheld from their pensions for 2013. The new law does not go into effect until Jan. 1, 2012 however, and retirees won't have to grapple with the new pension tax until the 2013 tax season.

The law affects young retirees the most. For retirees born between 1946 and 1952 and are younger than 67 years old, they will no longer be eligible for the senior citizen exemption for interest, dividends and capital gains. Public and private pension subtractions are now limited to \$20,000 for single filers and limited to \$40,000 for married couples.

The pension subtractions are not available to retirees who have an income that exceeds \$75,000 a year or to married couples who have an annual income of \$150,000 or more. Once retirees born between 1946 and 1952 reach the age of 67, they will no longer be eligible for an income exemption if a retiree's income includes a military or railroad pension

exemption. Taxpayers born after 1952 — 59 years old or younger — are not eligible for any exemptions outside of Social Security, railroad pensions and military pensions until they reach the age of 67. Once they reach the age of 67, retirees are not eligible for senior

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citizen exemptions for interest, dividends and capital gains. Public and private pension subtractions are void as well.

However, once retirees born after 1952 reach the age of 67, they will become eligible for income exemptions. One option limits income exemption to \$20,000 for single filers and \$40,000 for married couples. Exemptions for Social Security, military or railroad pensions are void. Single retirees who have an income that exceeds \$75,000 and married retirees that have \$150,000 or more are not eligible for the income exemption.

The second option for retirees born after 1952 and reach the age of 67 is an exemption on Social Security, military and railroad pensions.

Retirees born before 1952 are not affected by the new tax law.

Personal accountant Roger Renwick advises retirees born after 1953 to file for an MIW4P tax form in order to avoid big penalties before the 2013 tax season hits.

"The only thing retirees (born after 1952) can do is file for a MIW4P and have the Michigan tax taken out of their pension every paycheck," Renwick said. "If not, retirees will owe a chunk of money every year for not paying their taxes quarterly."

Renwick said that most of the complaints from his clients are amongst GM retirees who have not reached the age of 67. Some GM workers receive a supplemental income to hold themselves over until their Social Security activates. A significant number of GM retirees have not reached the age of 67, however, and many of them are concerned about retiring at a younger age.

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"The new tax isn't making some of the retirees happy," Renwick said. "Since the tax is set at 4.35 percent of a pension, it's going to put a cramp on the lives of some retirees."

Last week, the Michigan Supreme

Summary → Pensions in Michigan will be taxed starting Jan. 1, 2012. Taxes and exemptions are dependent upon age and

income.

Court reviewed Gov. Snyder's proposal and found it to be constitutional, aside from his ban on personal exemptions for single seniors, who have an income of \$75,000 or higher and married tax filers who have an income of \$150,000 or higher. The provision was found

unconstitutional due to Michigan's band on graduated income tax. Had Snyder's proposal to remove personal income exemptions for wealthier retirees passed, the state of Michigan expected to raise \$225 million in 2012 and \$343 million in 2013.

The Michigan Education Association (MEA) listed the new tax pension as a reason to recall former State Rep. Paul Scott during the election season, appealing to seniors to participate in the recall. Scott was a supporter of the pension tax.

The State Employee Retirement Association, The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association and American Association of Retired People all lobbied against the proposed law.

VanGeothem said that while the new tax will put a strain on the first few years of retirement, the new taxes become easier to deal with once retirees reach the age of 67. "All retirees 66 and younger will have to pay the state income tax on their pensions, but once they turn 67, the taxes return to normal," said VanGeothem.

Retirees born 1946 to 1952 Before reaching 67

Social Security, railroad pensions and military pensions are exempt from taxation. Not eligible for senior citizen exemption for inter-

set, dividends and capital gains. Subtractions from pensions is limited to \$20,000 for a single retiree or \$40,000 for married retirees. Subtractions are void for single retirees whose income exceeds \$75,000 or for married retirees whose income exceeds \$150,000. After reaching 67: Social Security is exempt. Not eligible for senior citizen subtraction for interest, dividends and capital gains. Subtraction against all income of \$20,000 for

single filers and \$40,000 for joint filers. **Not eligible for** income exemption when total household resources exceed \$75,000 for single

filers or \$150,000 for joint filers. Retirees born after 1952

Before reaching 67 Not eligible for income exemption if claiming a military or railroad pension exemption. Social Security, railroad pensions and military pensions are exempt. Not eligible for the senior citizen subtraction for interest, dividends and capital gains. Not eligible for public or private pension subtraction.

After reaching 67

Not eligible for senior citizen exemption for interest, dividends and capital gains. Not eligible for public or private pension

subtraction. Income exemption election ELECT exemption against all income of \$20,000 for single filers or \$40,000 for joint

filers. **No exemption for** Social Security, military or

railroad retirement **No personal exemptions.**

Not eligible for income exemption when total household resources exceed \$75,000 for single filers or \$150,000 for joint filers.

ELECT to exempt Social Security, military and railroad pension. May claim personal exemptions.

Personal exemptions are subject to phaseout for total household resources between \$75,000-100,000 for single filers and \$150,000-200,000 for joint filer.

Source: Michigan.gov

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO THE PERSON who said 'begging for money for Loose senior center is a disgrace.' Yes, it is a disgrace that Loose provides meals, which for some, is their only meal, a disgrace that they have events that allows seniors to interact. I will contact Webster dictionary, to add a good definition to the word 'disgrace.' Thank you, Loose.

THESE HYPOCRITES AT the debates want you to believe that they will fix the mess that Obama left. Surprise, these same people helped get us in this mess. We should not hold an election at all until we take the money and the 1 percent out of politics.

LUNCH LADIES ONLY work three hours per day, get absolutely no benefits, no retirement, and are not paid for sick days or when the children don't have school. Don't think that they are part of the budget problem. People need to check their facts.

WHEN PAT LOCKWOOD was our state representative, we didn't have all this drama. I am glad to see Paul Scott gone. He just didn't have the maturity needed for the job. Lockwood should run for the open seat.

MILLIONAIRES ARE TESTIFYING in Congress, asking to pay more taxes, yet the super committee is fighting over raising taxes, unless there are more loopholes for millionaires. Obviously, they don't feel they are paying their fair share, so tax them. Why do they need to beg to pay taxes?

I WOULD JUST like to say that these greedy newscasters and newspapers that put news in on Natalie Wood, what difference does it make. It was 50 years ago. Somebody is making money from it, and it's not fair.

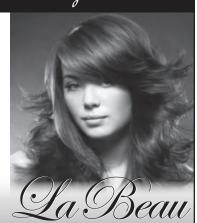
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ROBBERY **Continued from Front Page**

would go off at five unnamed schools in the county. White was arraigned on a felony charge of armed robbery on Nov. 9 in Genesee County District Court. He is being held on a \$50,000 cash surety bond. His arraignment is tentatively set for Nov. 29.

Michigan State Police are investigating the case and are seeking arrest warrants for the fake bomb threats, which caused disruptions for thousands of students and concern for their parents and school officials.

Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton said they believe White made the bomb threats, however, he and investigators believe there were no bombs. "He

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used it as a diversionary tactic so that police would be scattered for the safety of the children," he said.

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White was to be arraigned on two more felonies Wednesday afternoon. Leyton said they are charging him with one count of a terrorist threat, a 20-year felony, and making a false bomb threat, a 4-year felony. Based on the statute, Leyton said what White allegedly did was a threat of terrorism.

Leyton said White's alleged actions affected virtually every school within Genesee County, including those in the Lake Fenton, Fenton and Linden districts. "A lot sent their kids home early," he said.

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Walgreens Pharmacy has provided drive-thru services for prescriptions since it opened in Fenton in 2002.

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Uncle Ray's Dairyland in Fenton has offered drive-thru service since 1988, when the Durant family built a new building to house their popular retail ice cream business. "What we offer through our drive-thru is convenience more than speed, because almost all of our menu items are custommade," said Dave Durant, of Uncle Ray's. "We don't ever say that it will be fast, as in 'fast food,' but it will be

Summary easy and convenient." Drive-thrus have become drive-thru business bestandard service at most fastfood restaurants and banks, and are becoming more popular at businesses you may not have thought of.

came popular when car seats for babies and children made it difficult for moms to get everybody out of the car and into a restaurant. "Drive-thrus also allow customers to re-

He believes that

main anonymous while they place an order," said Durant. His biggest drive-thru customer base is his hundreds of "doggy customers."

The first drive-thru restaurant was created in 1947 by Sheldon "Red" Chaney, operator of Red's Giant Hamburg in Springfield, Mo. Located on the famous Route 66, the restaurant served customers until its closure in 1984. Several other companies claim to having invented the first drive-thru restaurant, including the In 'N Out burger chain, which didn't open a drive-thru until 1948, and Jack in the Box, founded in 1951.

In 1975, McDonald's opened its first drive-thru window in Sierra Vista, Ariz. This service gave Americans a fast, convenient way to enjoy a quick meal. The company's goal was to provide service in 50 seconds or less. Drive-thru sales eventually accounted for more than half of McDonald's system-wide sales, and some locations report a drive-thru usage of up to 85 percent. McDonald's founder, Ray Kroc, was

the first person to realize two drive-thruwindows would allow service to two cars at a time, one to order and pay for food and the second to pick-up the food. This concept is now nearly universally used at fast-food restaurants now.

At Tim Horton's Silver Lake Road location, manager Eric Andrews said that about 70 percent of their business is done through the drive-thru. "Fall is our busiest time, because people really want their coffee on cold mornings," said Andrews.

Walgreens Pharmacy in Fenton has operated a double-lane drive-thru since the business opened in 2002. Just under a third of its pharmacy customers utilize the drive-thru, which was designed especially for elderly customers, parents with sick kids and patients who were recently released from the hospital. "We're the first drug store chain to offer drive-thru service," said Robert Elfinger, media relations for Walgreens. "We opened our first drive-thru in 1992 and now 6,500 out of our 7,700 stores have a drive-thru."

Trivia fans may be interested to know that the first drive-thru business was not a restaurant, but a bank. The City Center Bank in Syracuse, New York, opened a drivethru in 1928 for the convenience of busy bank customers.

Drive-thru services may be limited only by a person's imagination. The Robert L. Adams Mortuary in Compton, Calif. is one of a handful of funeral parlors in the United States to offer drive-thru viewings of the dead. Visitors can come by after work, they don't need to deal with parking, they can sign the book outside, and the family knows that visitors came to pay their respects.

Some churches, including The Cathedral of Faith Church of God in Christ in Mt. Morris Township, have also offered drive-thru services in their parking lot.

Today's drive-thrus are all about convenience, whether they're serving up meals, money or medicine.





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Fenton couple deeply involved in post-revolution Libya

By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 Editor's note: This is the first of several articles written by **Times Staff Reporter** Tim Jagielo, who is in Libya reporting on a Fenton couple who has been involved in the Libyan uprising and the rebuilding of

Tim Jagielo the country's new government.

On Monday, Tyrone Township couple Mustafa Gheriani and Lois Van Lente sat on the couch together, as Mustafa looked at images of Google Earth with his laptop. The weather outside is cool, and threatening rain.

Throughout the day, the couple, who has been married for 30 years, argue about politics, go for a walk, and Van Lente becomes impatient with Gheriani

Summary

Mustafa Gheriani and Lois Van Lente have just ended a month-long visit in Benghazi, Libya, where they enjoyed their first relaxing visit

is sharing some time together be-

fore Gheriani goes back to Libya to help rebuild his country. Van Lente is preparing to return to the United States to their American family and friends, and college-aged sons. "This has probably



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Lois Van Lente and Mustafa Gheriani take a walk through the streets near Tunis, Tunisia on Monday, before Van Lente flies back to the United States and Gheriani flies back to Libya. (See more photos on Page 14A)

⁴⁴Libya is at a

Mustafa Gheriani

been some of the most relaxing time in years," she said. "It's been great," said Gheriani.

in the Fenton area for many years. Since taurant on Monday evening, before they December 2010, he has spent

most of his time in Libya. He saw his country go through the violence of its revolution, crossroads. while Van Lente waited from their Fenton home.

Communication was very

difficult. They couldn't have discussions over daily problems. Conversations were limited to cursory chatting even after the fighting had ended in Libya. "The visits

became very important, because you couldn't get much depth," said Van Lente. Now they are enjoying a little relief,

Gheriani is Libyan-born but has lived eating grilled sea bass at a Tunisian resare separated again by 10,000 miles of land and ocean.

Van Lente joined Gheriani in Tunis, Tunisia in mid-October. Tunis is currently the safest place from which to fly into Libya. Gheriani's home city is Benghazi, Libya, where his

family still resides. Since October, the couple has lived under his mother's roof. See LIBYA on 12A

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as he drags his feet trying to get out the door. And, Gheriani sometimes speaks over his wife. "It's a

normal life," they said. together in months.

The couple

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Gheriani has been busy building a water distribution infrastructure and forming a political assembly, which could eventually become a legitimate political party in Libya.

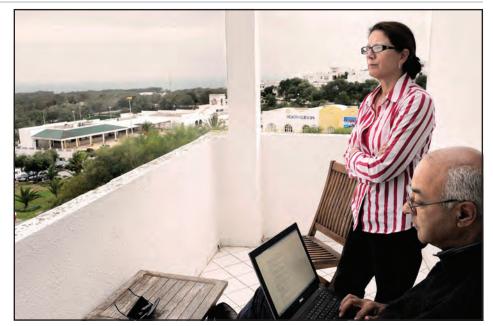
Van Lente enjoyed the sights of her surrogate home country, and attended important events, including when Libya declared its freedom from the past regime earlier this month. She visited with her extended family and worked on learning more Arabic.

The couple exercise and take trips to the store together. Having traveled to Libya in the past, Van Lente has felt a little more at home. Both Van Lente and Gheriani have adjusted to their surroundings.

For Mustafa, living with his mother was almost natural for him. Van Lente, however, had more trouble adjusting.

With a background in corporate America, holding corporate positions at General Motors, it was difficult for Van Lente to experience living in a traditional, conservative Arab household that requires the women in the house to help with the cooking for hours each day. She said she felt like she had lost her power, her agency. Her mother-in-law cut her lots of slack, and she, of course, loves her extended family.

Gheriani's challenges were the result of being away from his home country for 30 years. He found that communicating with other Libyans in Arabic about complex issues concerning government and business is difficult. His Arabic hadn't developed while in the United States and his internal "library" lacked the correct terms to express some complex thoughts aloud to other Libyans.



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Mustafa Gheriani and his wife, Lois Van Lente, share a moment on their hotel balcony in Tunisia. Behind them is the Mediterranean Sea. Lois returned to the United States on Monday. Gheriani leaves for Libya later this week.

Van Lente hopped on a plane back to the United States from Tunis on Tuesday morning. She arrived in Flint late that night. Mustafa will return to Fenton for Christmas, and then immediately return to Benghazi until late January.

The couple is hoping things will stay calm in the family, and in the country. "Libya is at a crossroads," said Gheriani. The country has a limited time to get on its feet and establish a government. Gheriani hopes to use his political assembly to get Libyan citizens involved.

Their family is at a crossroads as well. On the counter at the hotel is a drawing of a house that combines ideal features of both Libya and America that Gheriani hopes to design and build. For the next extended stay, the couple hopes to have a permanent residence where Van Lente can have her agency, and her own space, in Benghazi.

About Libya

Libya is located in North Africa, and is separated from Italy by the Mediterranean Sea. Libya has 6 million people inside a country twice the size of Texas. The next step for Libya politically is to hold elections, and form their own government and constitution after completely removing the past government from power.

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The new seating fees are the latest hikes in an industry that has raised prices up to 20 percent this year alone. Baggage fees, which were implemented by airlines three years ago to keep fares down when fueling costs skyrocketed, have become almost standard across the industry.

The only major airline that hasn't jumped on the baggage fee bandwagon is Southwest Airlines, according to Church. Dallas-based Southwest Airlines acquired Orlando-based Air Tran earlier this year. Air Tran continues to charge \$20 for the first checked bag and \$25 for the second checked bag, each half of a round-trip destination.

The worst airline for charging extra fees, according to Church, is Spirit Airlines. Spirit is the only carrier to have added fees for travelers who wait to pay for carry-on or checked luggage within 24 hours of departure: an extra \$5 on top of the carry-on fee when paying online and an extra \$10 when paying over the phone. Fliers who pay for carry-on bags early — and aren't members of the airline's fare club — pay \$30 for a carry-on that won't fit under the seat.

Spirit became the only U.S. carrier to charge for carry-on bags when it instituted new fees in April 2010. Paying for carry-on bags at the airport now will cost \$40 at the airport check-in counter or kiosk and \$45 at the gate.

Flyers that travel with overweight bags will also get socked with extra fees. Most carriers charge for bags weighing more than 50 pounds. Spirit Airlines charges an additional \$25 for bags weighing more than 40 pounds, in addition to the checked-bag charge. Checked-bag fees start at \$28 for the first bag checked online or by phone — 24 hours in advance - for travelers who aren't part of the airline's fare club. Bags weighing more than 50 pounds on Spirit incur \$50 to \$100 overweight baggage fees, depending on weight.

"The only way we can say on top of all the fees is to keep our website up to date," added Church. "We make sure our customers know about the website, because these fees change so often."

Baggage fees at a glance

These fees are used only as an example. Depending upon whether a traveler checks in on-line, in advance, or at the check-in the day of travel, will determine the exact fees charged. For more exact information, contact your travel agent, the airline website or visit www.iflybags.com.

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Airport travelers will want to adhere strictly to Transportation Safety Administration policies relating to security, such as

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Cheri Church

Travel Brokers, Inc.

only carrying 3 oz. or less of liquids or gels, in containers that fit into a quarter-size plastic bag. "Travelers today are utilizing more of their hotel's personal hygiene items, so they don't have to worry about

the restrictions," said Church.

TSA is also very strict about a traveler's name on his or her ticket, which has to exactly match the name as printed on a

driver's license or passport. "You can't be off by even a letter," said Church. "They can deny you entrance onto the aircraft."

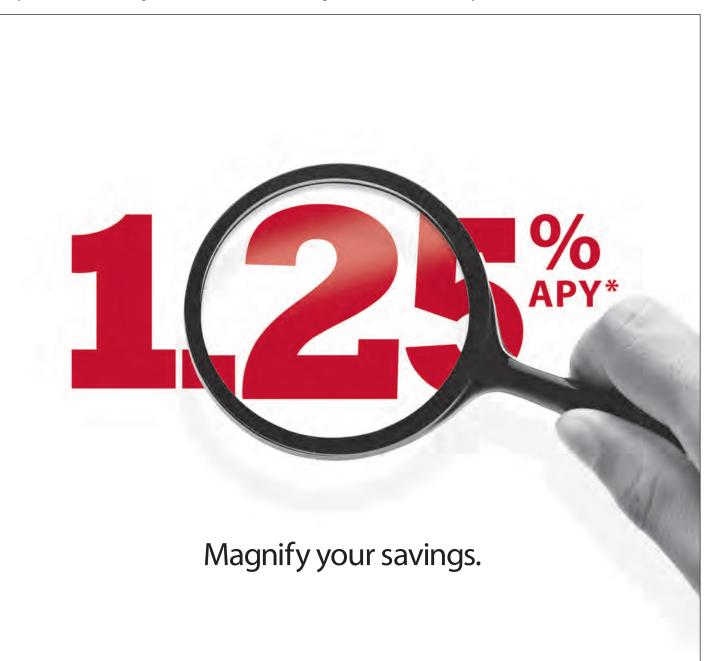
There are some bright spots, however, in the world of air travel. Some airlines are beginning to respond to the needs of travelers who are seeking comfort on long flights. Called Economy Comfort, these coach seats

provide four more inches of legroom, a larger seat, more room to recline and better service. One example is a Detroit to Amsterdam flight from Delta Airlines.

"A lot of airlines are going to start doing this," said Church. "We'll see more domestic East Coast/West Coast flights offering Economy Comfort, plus flights to Hawaii. The extra ticket charge is about \$75 to \$125 per seat, much less than flying first-class or business. It's a good option

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for many people." The best way to ensure smooth travel, especially during the holidays, is to use the services of a travel agent, or to book a trip on-line using their website. "You get the best of both worlds that way," said Church. "You can use the Internet to plan your trip, but book it through an agency. That way, we can help you if you run into a snag while you're traveling. Otherwise, you're out of luck."



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TIM JAGIELO The old Tunis marketplace features shops that are more than 400 years old. The oldest mosque in Tunisia is at the center, and is 1,300 years old. Here, one can buy almost anything — food, gifts, tapestries, even cell phones and eyeglasses. There are no bigbox stores, or American franchises, like Sears, in the old markets.





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many Generation X'ers (31-45 year olds) have on health and beauty may mean an increase in both surgical and non-surgical cosmetic procedures in the coming years, according to AMAPS. More than four million men and women in this age group underwent a procedure.

Baby Boomers between the age of 51 and 64 accounted for 29 percent of total cosmetic procedures in 2010. As this gen-

Summary Men are increasingly thinking about having cosmetic surgery to present a younger appearance.

eration ages, they may be more apt to seek out treatments, procedures and surgeries to help them appear younger. Botox injections, eyelid surgeries, liposuction and chemical peels are common requests, according to the AMAPS.

In a recent Wall

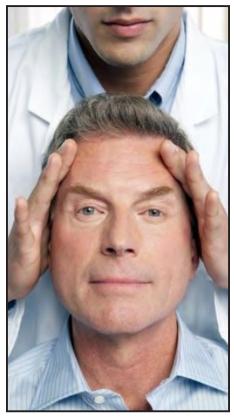
Street Journal article, Daniel Hamermesh, an economics professor at the University of Texas in Austin, measured out the benefits of attractiveness in his book, "Beauty Pays: Why Attractive People Are More Successful.'

According to Hamermesh's research, people are likely to earn an average of 3 to 4 percent more than a person with below-average looks. That adds up to \$230,000 more over a lifetime for the typical good-looking person. He said even an average-looking worker is likely to make \$140,000 more over a lifetime than an ugly worker.

Statistics released earlier this year by the American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS) show that more men are going under the knife. Overall, cosmetic plastic surgery procedures in men were up 2 percent in 2010 compared to 2009.

Some male surgical procedures, however, increased significantly. Facelifts for men rose 14 percent in 2010 while male liposuction increased 7 percent.

Statistics from 2010 ASPS show that men underwent more than 1.1 million cosmetic procedures, both minimally invasive and surgical. The majority of the Men's Top 10 fastest-growing cosmetic procedures are surgical, which bucks the previous trend of growth in minimally



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO A cosmetic surgeon shows a man how he could look after a mini facelift or eye surgery.



The list is comprised of the fastest-growing surgical and minimally invasive procedures from 2009 to 2010. These procedures were performed on at least 1.000 men in 2010.

 Facelift – 14 percent Increase

- Ear surgery (Otoplasty) - 11 percent increase
- Soft tissue fillers -
- 10 percent increase
- Botulinum Toxin Type
- **A** 9 percent increase
- Liposuction -
- 7 percent increase
- Breast reduction in **men** – 6 percent increase
- · Eyelid surgery -
- 4 percent increase
- · Dermabrasion -
- 4 percent increase
- · Laser hair removal -
- 4 percent increase

 Laser treatment of leg veins - 4 percent increase.

Source: American Society of Plastic Surgeons

invasive treatments.

"The growth in cosmetic surgical procedures for men may be a product of our aging baby boomers, who are now ready to have plastic surgery," said ASPS President Phillip Haeck, MD. "Minimally-invasive procedures such as Botox and soft tissue fillers work to a point. However, as you age and gravity takes over, surgical procedures that lift the skin are necessary in order to show significant improvement."

Stephen Baker, MD, an ASPS member surgeon based in Washington D.C. said, "Typically people think of celebrities and high profile men undergoing cosmetic surgery.

"And while that may be true, the typical male cosmetic surgery patient that I see is an average guy who wants to look as good as he feels. Most of my patients are 'men's men,' the kind of guy you might not think would have plastic surgery."

Steve Singer, office manager at Skin and Vein Center in Fenton, said although he could not provide exact numbers, the office has seen an increase in the number of men coming in for a procedure. Their clientele remains predominately women.

Singer said, unlike plastic surgery, which changes the appearance of a person, cosmetic surgery turns back the clock five to 10 years for a client. Popular procedures that men request are laser hair removal, tattoo removal and procedures such as brow lifts, mini facelifts and skin resurfacing. Men are also increasingly requesting liposuction and hair transplants.

Singer said he has even been thinking about having his eyelids improved.



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PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS NOVEMBER 21, 2011

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday November 21, 2011 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

- Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. 1.
- 2. Approved the agenda as presented.
- 3. Approved invoices & expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$303.353.16.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2011-21, approving the application of Paragon Manu-4. facturing, Inc. for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for new equipment.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2011-22, recommending approval of the transfer of a 5. Class C liquor license and issuance of a new Dance-Entertainment Permit to Raymo's LLC for a restaurant at 4015 Owen Road.
- Scheduled a public hearing for December 5, 2011 for the proposed 2012 Fen-6. ton Township budget.
- Adopted the 2012 Fenton Township Meeting Schedule. 7.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2011-23, a memorial resolution for Fire Chief John Moulton.
- Adjourned at 8:30 p.m. 9.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK



The Charter Township of Fenton Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for fiscal year 2012 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center on Monday December 5, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. **The property tax millage rates to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.** A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Fenton Township Office, located at 12060 Mantawauka Drive. Office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK 12060 MANTAWAUKA DRIVE FENTON, MI 48430-8817 (810) 629-1537



PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2011 AT 7:00 PM BY THE FENTON TOWNSHIP PLAN-NING COMMISSION AT THE FENTON TOWNSHIP CIVIC-COMMUNITY CENTER, 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOL-LOWING:

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

SUP11-004 Raymo's LLC, 4015 Owen Rd.:

Requesting a Special Use Permit for live entertainment and outdoor seating for a restaurant and bar which will be called Raymo's in the Shoppes at Silver Chase. Parcel 06-33-400-025.

Amendments to Zoning Ordinance No. 594:

Article 2 Definitions to add internet sales

Article 4 General Provisions Section 4.15, to add provisions for internet sales Article 4 General Provisions Section 4.02, Accessory buildings in agricultural districts - to allow for caretaker living quarters.

YOUR OPINIONS MAY BE EXPRESSED VERBALLY AT THIS HEARING OR IN WRIT-ING TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION PRIOR TO THIS HEARING. THE PLAN-NING COMMISSION ENCOURAGES YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS MATTER. This notice is published in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Fenton Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon 14 days notice to Fenton Township. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Fenton Township by writing or calling the following: Fenton Township Office, (810) 629-1537, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

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NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that Total Storage of Fenton, LLC will dispose of the contents of the following Unit: Unit A20 - MARGARET DOBLER: Miscellaneous totes, folding tables, boxes. On Tuesday, December 6, 2011. Total Storage of Fenton, LLC 3330 W. Thompson Rd. Fenton, MI 48430

810-750-2800

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debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Robert G Spohr aka Robert Spohr and Joanna L. Spohr aka Joanna Spohr, Husband and Wife to Concord Financial, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 10, 2002 and recorded July 17, 2002 in Liber 3455 Page 476, and re-recorded on October 3, 2011 in Instrument No 2011R-027817 Livingston County Records, Michigan Said mortgage was assigned to: ABN AMRO Mortgage Group Inc., by assignment dated July 15, 2002 and recorded July 17, 2002 in Liber 3455, Page 483, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Twelve Dollars and Eighty-One Cents (\$138,112.81) including interest 7.25% 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 foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Livingston County at 10:00AM on December 21, 2011 Said premises are situated in Township of Brighton, Livingston County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 149, 150, and 151 of Brighton Country Club., Sub., as recorded in Liber 3, Pages 1 and 2 of Plats Livingston County Records. 9924 Glasgov nonly known as Dr, Brighton MI 48114 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCI 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: 11/20/2011 CitiMortgage, Inc successor by merger to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group Inc., Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11 45826 Ad #17029 11/20, 11/27, 12/04 12/11/2011

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Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 12, 2007 and re-corded November 9, 2007 in Instrument # 2007R-036833

Livingston County Records, Michigan

Said mortgage was assigned to: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-4 Asset-Backed Certificates,

Series 2007-4, by assignment dated August 3, 2011 and recorded August

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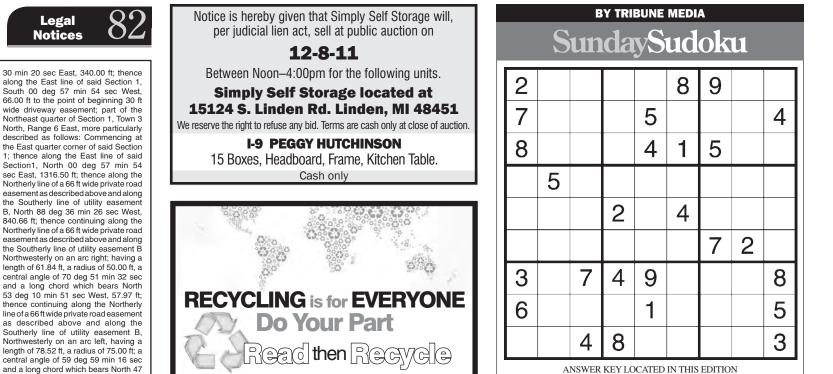
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sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Livingston County at 10:00AM on December 7, 2011 Said premises are situated in City of Holly, Livingston County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A1: Part of the Northeast quarter of Section I, Town 3 North, Range 6 East, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the East quarter corner of said Section 1; thence along the East line of said Section 1, North 00 deg. 57 min. 54 sec. East 1237.50 ft.,; thence North 88 deg 36 min26 sec West 959 ft to the point of beginning of the parcel to be described; thence North 88 deg 36 min 26 sec West, 390.98 ft.; thence North 00 deg 57 min 54 sec. East, 325.07 ft,; thence South 89 deg 35 min 30 sec East, 390.98 ft.; thence South 00 deg 57 min 54 sec West 331.78 ft to the point of beginning, subject to and including use of a 66 ft. wide private road easement as described below. Also subject to two 12 ft wide utility easement A and B, as described below. Also subject to and including the use of a 30 ft wide driveway easement as described below, Private Road Easement: Part of the Northeast quarter of Section 1, Town 3 North, Range 6 East, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the East quarter corner of said Section 1; thence along the East line of said Section 1; North 00 deg 57 min 54 sec East 1249.50 ft to the point of beginning of the easement to be described; thence along the Northerly line of utility easement A, as described below, North 88 deg 36 min 26 sec West 1349.98 ft.; thence North 00 deg 57 min 54 sec East, 66.00 ft; thence along the Southerly line of utility easement B, as described below, East on the arc left, having a length of 61.84 ft, a radius of 50 ft, a central angle of 70 deg 51 min 32 sec and a long chord which bears North 55 deg 57 min 59 sec East, 57.97 ft; thence along the Southerly line of utility easement B, as described below, North of an arc right, having the length of 185.49 ft, a radius of 75.00 ft a central angle of 141 deg 42 min 05 sec and a long chord which bears South 88 deg 36 min 26 sec East, 141.70 ft. thence along the Southerly line of utility easement B. as describe below. South of an arc left, having the length of 61.84 ft, a radius of 50.00 ft. a central angle of 70 deg 51 min 32 sec and a long chord which bears South 53 deg 10 min 51 sec East, 57.97 ft; thence along the Southerly line of utility easement

by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 11/06/2011 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Call Circulation Department as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-4 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-4, Assignee of Mortgagee Attornevs: Potestivo & Associates, P.C 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File 629-8282 No: 11-41785 Ad #16622 11/06, 11/13 11/20, 11/27/2011

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Fenton Education Support Personnel would like to thank the community and all the volunteers for their help in collecting food, donations and VG's receipts. A special thanks goes to VG's Grocery North LeRoy Street employees for their contributions, donations and management in helping make this a very successful year in collecting food.

Thank you to the Fenton Fire Department for their help in unloading the bus and delivering the food. Volunteers that helped make up the holiday baskets and work the collection sites are Denny and Mary Colwell, the National Honor Society, Fenton Educational Support Personnel, Fenton Area Public Schools, the Loose Center Community Angels, many members of area churches and the Tri-County Times.

Without the community, we could not have accomplished what we did this year. It will help many families. Thank you for your generosity.

— Carla Juarez Fenton Educational Support Personnel

At times like these...

St. John school to host annual tree lighting

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School and St. John School Educational Foundation will be holding their annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Thursday, Dec. 8, in the cafeteria at 9:45 a.m., following the celebration of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass at St. John Catholic Church. Christmas ornaments decorated by the students will be displayed on the school's Christmas tree. For a donation to the St. John School Educational Foundation, these ornaments will be decorated "In Honor of" or "In Memory of" a loved one. All proceeds will go to the school's art program. Ornaments may be reserved by calling (810) 629-6551 or visiting the school office at 514 Lincoln St., Fenton. All those who have given donations to the foundation in 2011 are invited to attend the ceremony.

Social News

BIRTHS



MILLER

Chad and Jessica Miller of Fenton have announced the birth of a son, Greyson Thomas Miller. He was born on Oct. 21, 2011 at Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township at 7:17 p.m. His weight was 10 lbs., 1 oz., and he was 21 inches long. His grandparents are Tom and Nancy Miller of Fenton, Rick Morris of Fenton, and Rick and Marty Neal of Fenton. He has brothers, Sutton, 4, and Hudson, 2.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IF CONGRESS, THE super committee, or any other political entity doesn't get the job done, then we, the people, should be able to demand an immediate election to remove any or all of the parties involved for not doing their jobs. I'm sure someone out there is capable.

I HOPE THAT all of you anti-union Target/ Wal-mart people, who have to work on Thanksgiving, enjoy your day. If you had a union, you'd be protected by your contract pertaining to holiday work. Before retirement, my union contract (ironworkers, not autoworkers), negotiated Thanksgiving off, with pay. Working Thanksgiving was voluntary, and paid triple time wages.

WHEN AN UNSUSTAINABLE deal is made between a government employer and a union on behalf of a government employee, whose fault is it? Don't blame the taxpayers who had no part in the deal. It's the same with all government promises. Blame the failed unsustainable promises on politicians and dealmakers.

MY WIFE AND I would like to know about the tree branch that's down on the power line on Elm Street. I wish they would cut it, because it's really not looking all that hot. Also, the lights by the school (down to Corbin) are out, and kept going off and back on. I was hoping they could get that fixed, as well as the streetlights. Happy Thanksgiving everyone, and don't eat too much.

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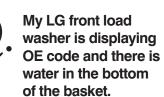
Argentine Elementary Early Childhood Center received a grant for \$500 from Exxon Mobile Educational Alliance. According to Superintendent Ed Koledo, the grant will be used to provide Math and Science Night assemblies for both students and parents to attend. Exxon-Mobil has a long history of supporting educational programs and believes it is fundamentally important to encourage the next generation to pursue studies and careers in fields involving math and science. Linden families will benefit from this support by starting that interest early on in a students educational career.

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PEOPLE PLA



Popularity of TV game shows at all-time high **By Sally Rummel**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

If you think reality TV is a new genre of television programming, then you must be too young to remember shows like Queen for a Day, The Newlywed Game and The Dating Game.

These, and other game-type shows from decades ago, gave 15 minutes of fame and sometimes fortune (or at least, a new washer or dryer) to a regular person on the street, while providing tears and laughter to a burgeoning new TV audience.

Today's programs such as Survivor and Amazing Race might be considered "pumped up" game shows with more complicated plots and substantial winnings than their predecessors of yesteryear. Even

The Bachelor and The Bachelorette could be considered game shows of wins and losses, and high emotions from hopes and fears to laughter and disappointment.

Summary

Today's "Reality

TV" is actually the

same genre of TV

programming as

since the '50s.

game shows, which

have been popular

Television game shows have played a huge role in American popular culture. When Truth or Consequences launched on TV more than 70 years ago with host

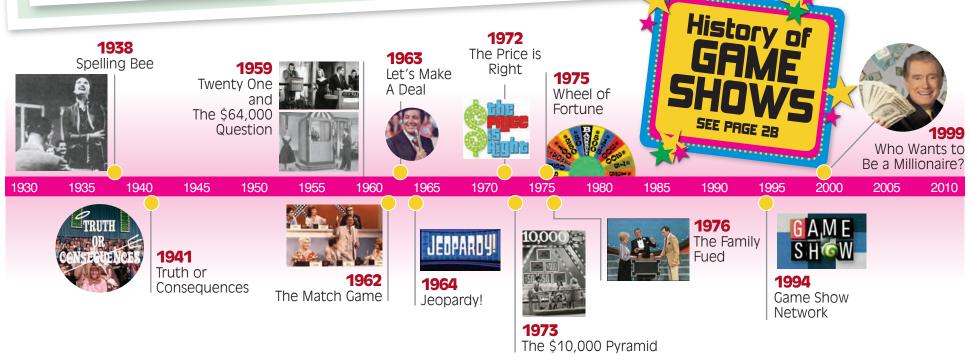
Ralph Edwards, the show and the host had already enjoyed radio success for more than a decade. Game shows became enormously popular because they struck a familiar chord with the common person - anyone can be president, anybody can be rich, anybody can be

show?

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famous, anybody can win, etc.

From its beginning, the term "game show" has been applied to a wide variety of programs, from Let's Make a Deal and Deal or No Deal to the Love Connection. While quiz show scandals of the '50s tanked these shows for See GAMES on 2B





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or Consequences was the first game show to air on commercially licensed television. Its first episode aired in 1941 as an experimental broadcast.

During the late '50s, high-stakes games such as Twenty One and The \$64,000 Question began a rapid rise in

popularity. In 1959, many of the higher stakes game shows were rigged. Ratings decline led to most of the prime time games being canceled.

Lower-stakes games made a slight comeback in daytime in the early '60s. Jeopardy! began in 1964 and the original version of The Match Game first aired in 1962. Let's Make A Deal began in 1963. The '60s also marked the debut of Hollywood Squares, Password, The

Dating Game and The Newlywed Game. The '70s saw a renaissance of the game show as new games and massive upgrades to existing games made debuts on the

major networks. The New Price Is Right, an update of the '50s era game, debuted in 1972. The Match Game became "Big Money" Match Game in 1973, which proved popular enough to prompt a spinoff, Family Feud, in 1976. The \$10,000 Pyramid debuted in 1973.

The '70s also saw the return of formerly disgraced producer and host Jack Barry,

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nearly half a century, they resurged again with Who Wants to Be a Millionaire, which still airs today.

The timelessness of game shows is evident by the popularity of cable TV's Game Show Network, which airs reruns of the most popular game shows, as well as today's versions.

Two of the most popular game shows in television history are Jeopardy! and Wheel of Fortune, which has thrived for decades because they offer the pleasures of playing at home, pitting your own skills against the contestants on screen, while watching their emotional roller-coaster ride.

For Tom Jordan, of Fenton Township, watching both of these shows each night allows him to play along with the contestants, coming up with his own answers. "These shows give him a chance to 'pick his brain," said his wife, Brenda.

While it may look easy to play the game from the comfort of a recliner at home, it's a whole different scenario when you're standing in front of a live studio audience, under bright, hot lights, with a camera pointed in your face, and 10 million people watching your every move and your adrenaline is flowing.

Not all game shows are based on knowledge and pre-screening tests. To have your best chance of being called as a contestant on The Price is Right, for example, show up at the CBS Studio hours before taping time, wear a large "price tag" that features an identification number and a big smile.

While you wait in line, a studio page will select people in groups of 10 to meet with the show's producer, who decides which individuals are chosen in advance to later be called up on stage as contestants. They're looking mainly for enthusiasm. When the producer thinks he has spotted a good contestant, his or her name will be noted (via the "price

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Tac Dough in the '70s. Wheel of Fortune debuted on NBC in 1975.

ABC gave up on game shows in 1986. NBC lasted until 1991, but attempted to bring them back in 1993 before cancelling its game show block again in 1994.

CBS phased out most of their game shows, except for The Price Is Right, by 1993.

To the benefit of the genre, the move of Wheel of Fortune to syndication in 1983 and the modernized revival of Jeopardy! in 1984 was highly successful.

Cable television also allowed for the debut of game shows such as Supermarket Sweep (Lifetime), Trivial Pursuit and

Family Challenge (Family Channel), and Double Dare (Nickelodeon). Game Show Network debuted in

1994.

Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? American debut in 1999 was an instant hit and became a regular part of ABC's prime time lineup until 2002. Several shorter-lived high stakes games also were attempted, such as Winning Lines, The Chair, and Greed. During this period, several game shows returned to daytime in syndication (e.g., Family Feud, Hollywood Squares, and Millionaire).

tag" they are wearing) and then during the taping of the show, their names will be announced, and they will be told to "Come on down!"

For a show like Jeopardy!, what you know is important, but also how quickly you're able to react with a buzzer in comparison to the other contestants may determine your success on the show.

Just as in life, practice, practice, practice makes perfect, and it's much easier and more fun to play in the comfort of your own home.

So, you want to be on a game show

• Watch the show, and practice the skills needed. Producers expect would-be contestants to already know the rules and how to play the game. If you don't, you'll be quickly rejected.

 Visit the website of the TV station that airs the game show you're interested in. They'll have a link for casting information.

 Practice your public speaking skills so that you're more comfortable in front of an audience.

• Remember that your smile and enthusiasm will be your best ally in making the cut of most game shows. Shows that are even more serious want to include contestants that look like they are having a good time.

• Groom for a game show interview as if you were interviewing for a job. · Remember, whatever cash and prizes you take home as a game show contestant is considered taxable income.

• The truth is that there are far more people who want to be game show contestants than there are openings for such contestants and only a select, lucky few ever make it in front of the cameras.





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SAMIMI COWGER

17-year-old senior Fenton High School

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My dream car is a red Chevy Silverado LTZ.

By Angel Rynearson, Intern

Sammi Cowger

- If you could do over anything in high school what would it be?: I would be more organized the first couple of years.
- What do you do outside of school?: I play travel softball and hang out with my family as much as possible.
- My greatest high school regret is?: being so involved and busy, I didn't have much time to myself.
- **My most embarrassing school moment was:** One year, the heel on my high heel shoe fell off and I fell in front of these senior boys and I was wearing a skirt.
- If you could have one superpower, what would it be?: To fly, because you could take off whenever you wanted.
- If you were principal for a day, what changes would you make?: I would change the cell phone rule, allow offcampus lunch, and have late start Wednesdays like Lake Fenton High School.
- What is an upcoming event you are looking forward too?: Graduating, I am excited to move on in life, go to college, and start new experiences.
- If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say?: 'Make someone smile today.'
- Front row seats and backstage passes. Who are you seeing?: Keith Urban, because I love his music and he is really cute.
- What has been the best day in your life so far?: Going to Minnesota to see my family and hang out.
- What are your plans after graduation?: I plan to go to Ball State in Indiana. I want a degree in pre-physical therapy and exercise science.
- Where will you be and what will you be doing 10 years from now?: I hope to be married and have a family. I hope to be a partner at a physical therapy business, and I want to live in North Carolina.

Student Body asked at Fenton High School

What tops your Christmas wish list this year? Compiled by Angel Rynearson

JAILEN JUDSON, SENIOR



"Anything 'Beyonce.'"

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TYLER DELONG, SENIOR



"A varsity jacket."

DYLAN HICKOFF, SENIOR



"Xbox LIVE."

KEVIN BERRY, SENIOR



"Tickets to the Masters."

NICK JONES, SENIOR



"Ripley's Believe it or Not 2012."



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Lakeside Market owner Lou Setto is proud of the full inventory at his store, which includes groceries, snacks, beer, wine, liquor, lotto and fishing supplies.

New look, new owner at Lakeside Market

Summary

Lakeside Market in Fenton

Township is

under the new

ownership of Lou

Setto and offers

a fully stocked

inventory, plus a variety of new

services.

By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

If you haven't been to Lakeside Market at the north end of Lake Fenton for awhile, it just might be worth a stop.

New owner Lou Setto has created a one-stop destination for convenience store shopping — from fully-stocked grocery shelves to an impressive collection of Michigan craft beers, wines and liquors for all of your party needs this holiday season.

"We are very proud of the new look of the store, and the complete line of foods, beverages and 'party store' items we now offer at Lakeside Market," said Setto, who has owned businesses in Genesee County for more than 30 years. "We invite you to come in and check us out."

Lakeside Market is pleased to accept the EBT bridge card for food purchases.

Located across from Lake Fenton at 2242 N. Long Lake Rd., between Torrey and Fenton roads, Lakeside Market is also a destination for fishing supplies, including bait and lures. There are quick snacks for people on the go, including carryout pizza. Lotto, ATM banking, roll your own tobacco and fine cigars are just a few of the new items Setto has added since he purchased the business six months ago. "We're in the process of building our business and serving the needs of the community," said Setto, whose son, Brandon, is also helping with the store.

Liquor gift sets for the holiday, and early morning Sunday liquor sales are also new services added under Setto's ownership. Liquor prices are offered at state minimum prices and there are quantity discounts for wine purchases.

Setto's plans for Lakeside Market aren't stopping with the store's interior and inventory. New He is also adding new exterior accents and signage that will update the business and attract new customers.

Lakeside Market is open Monday through Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call (810) 629-1681.



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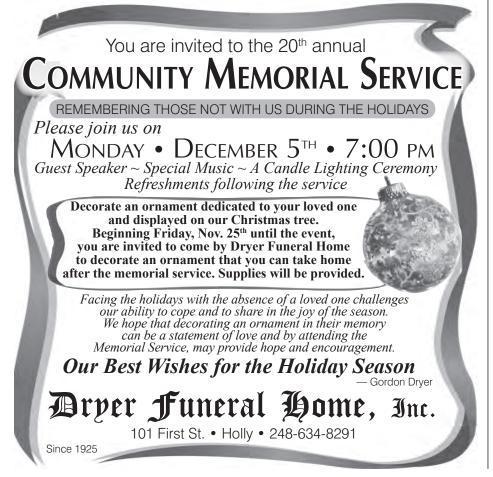








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Elizabeth Smith, Elizabeth Smith - age 24, died November 21, 2011.

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Brandon Covert Jr., Brandon Covert Jr. - age 9, died November 22, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Brenda

Henson-Lockard, Brenda Henson-Lockard - age 49, died November 19, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Camille Liczko, Camille Liczko - age 64, died November 20, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Daniel Yocom, Daniel Yocom - age 58 died November 20, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Helen Nodurft. Helen Nodurft - age 90, died November 19, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Leo McManus, Leo McManus - age 91, died November 19, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Mabel Trevan, Mabel Trevan - age 93 died November 18, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



Patrick McCurry Patrick McCurry - age 56, died November 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes



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Lucille E. Walton

2011 at the Dryer Funeral

Home, Holly, with Pastor

Mark Wentzel officiating.

Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Holly. Visitation was from 5-9 PM Friday and

also will be held from 2-5 and

7-9 PM Saturday. Mrs. Wal-

ton was born in Goodrich on

May 27, 1928 the daughter

of Clifford and Mable (Slade)

Welch. She was a wonderful

She loved to play cards and

to spend time at her cottage on Loon Lake in Hale. She was a member of the Holly

Women of the Moose. Surviv-

ing are 4 children, Bob (Judy)

Walton of Holly, Becky (Toby)

Pulliam of Grand Blanc, Peg-

gy (Gordie) Dryer of Holly,

Alejandro, Ross (Ashley)

Alejandro, Jared Walton,

Sarah and Becca Pulliam,

Lauren (Colin) Hanson, and

Paul, Greg, and David Dryer;

2 great-grandchildren; Blake,

Welch. She was preceded in

death by her husband Robert

Walton and granddaughters

April Walton and Florence

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Ronald Carpenter,

Ronald Carpenter - age

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Rose Skellett,

Wanita Lucke,

Wanita Lucke - age 96,

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Richard Kitch.

Richard Kitch - age 43,

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Rebecca

Hollenback,

and Adalia; 2 brothers Earl

Welch and Dick (Louise)

and Wendy Lane of Holly; 9

grandchildren, Shawn (Suzi)

mother and grandmother.

Lucille E. Walton - age 83, of

1928-2011



Barb Strong

1930-2011

Barb Strong - age 81, was

born November 5, 1930

17, 2011, surrounded by her loved ones, in Henderson Nevada. She was

vember

in Shiawassee County, Michigan to the late Michael and Rose Guza. Barb will be dearly missed by her devoted husband Robert Strong, her best friend, lake lover, traveling partner and constant companion. Raised in Flint, Michigan, Barb married Don Lefanowicz and raised four children in Fenton, Michigan. Barb's nurturing way led her to a career in nursing, graduat-ing from Hurley School of Nursing in 1951. She worked the "third" shift at the hospital so she could be home with her children after school. It was always family that mattered to her. In 1978, Barb married Bob Strong, and her life became truly complete. Sharing in the pleasures of living by lakes, rivers and grand casinos, rooting for the Detroit sports teams – Go Pistons! Barb and Bob have traveled and enjoyed their children and grandchildren. Settling in Henderson, Nevada in 2004, they found a home base. Barbara is also survived by her children Mark Lefanowicz (Katherine), Kris Kielian, Craig Lefanowicz (Jennifer) and Lynn Tushup (Robert), her step-children Matthew Strong (Cristina), Michael Strong (Betty) and Timothy Strong, and her grandchildren Maxwell Lutz, Libby, Becca and Molly Lefanowicz, Michael and Brianne Lefanowicz, Taylor Tushup, Adam Munoz and Alex Tushup, Caitlynn and Matthew Strong, Jr., Zachary and Jake Strong, Maxwell, Dylan and Seth Strong, her sisters Rose DeMarais and Alberta Hazelrigs(Jerry), and her brothers Michael Guza (Pat), Donald Guza (Sendy) and David Guza (Carolyn). She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Joanne Dobrin, brother Ronald Guza, brother-in-law James DeMarais and stepson Kenneth Strong. Friends and Family are invited to a memorial service on Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at 1 PM at Palm Mortuary, 800 S. Boulder Hwy, Henderson, Nevada. An additional Funeral Mass/Memorial Service will be offered at St. John the Evangelist in Fenton, Michigan, next summer. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children, c/o Mark Lefanowicz at 3372 Hermosa Way, Lafayette, CA 94549.

Rachelle Ball,

Rachelle Ball - age 23, died November 18, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes.



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LeftoverTurkeyRECIPE



Turkey Grilled Cheese Sandwich with Pickled Onions

INGREDIENTS · 2 slices of rye bread

- 2-3 T. butter
- · 3-4 slices leftover turkey 2-3 slices Monterey jack cheese
- 2-3 pieces of arugula (optional)
- · A handful of sweet pickled onions or another sweet pickle

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Heat a frying pan, preferably a cast iron one, over medium-high heat for 1-2 minutes. While the pan is heating, assemble the sandwich, starting with a layer of bread, then cheese, then turkey, arugula, pickles, and another slice of bread. Butter the side closest to the cheese and place the sandwich butter-side down on to the hot pan to cook.
- 2. Once the bottom of the sandwich is browned, about 2-3 minutes, butter the top of the sandwich and carefully flip the sandwich over in the pan. Toast for another minute, then turn the heat to its lowest setting and cover the pan. Watch the cheese, and when it melts you're done. Eat immediately.

Note: Makes 1 sandwich

paw's corner



Can cats overdose on catnip?

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: Is it possible to give too much catnip to a cat? And, is dried catnip as potent as fresh?

— Gina in Flint, Mich.

DEAR GINA: I've seen cats react to catnip in a variety of different ways -- from tearing around the house to lounging draped across furniture -- but have not read of a cat actually "overdosing" on the herb.

Nepetalactone is the chemical that produces a cat's distinct reaction to catnip. It's released when the plant is bruised, which is why you'll often see a cat rubbing against and biting fresh catnip. According to various sources, the cat's "high" is produced when it sniffs the bruised leaves or stems; eating catnip produces a sedative effect. Cats generally lose interest in catnip once they've had enough.

As to whether fresh or dried catnip is better, or equally potent, dried catnip can be just as effective, although like any dried herb, the age of the catnip and how it has been stored can affect its potency. That's one reason to look carefully at brands of dried catnip or catnip-impregnated toys before purchasing.

Pet owners can grow their own catnip on the windowsill, in full sun (out of reach of the cat until it's strong enough to put up with a cat's devoted attention) and either present it fresh to the cat or trim the mature plant and hang it upside down to dry.

Finally, what to do if you place catnip in front of your pet and it shows no interest? Walk away for a while -- it will either get interested eventually or not, but most cats can't be forced to ingest or play with catnip.

Parents wonder when to finish raising the kids

DEAR AMY: I have four adult children, two of whom used to adore each

other but now have had a definite parting of the ways.

One of the children has said really hurtful things to other family members and even after the issue passes there is not one word of apology. Nor have we, as parents, asked for apologies -- even when the vitriol is pointed at us.

We have just gone on and put it out of our minds, but it is definitely not forgotten.

They all function well in soci-

ety, are college graduates, earn good livings, pay their bills and don't seem to have problems.

What are the parents of adult children supposed to do in these circumstances? Stand by and pretend nothing is going on, or try to help work things out?

What are our responsibilities, if any, to keep their behavior "between the lines" if they earn their own livings and no longer live in our home? — Older But Not Wiser

DEAR OLDER: When your children become adults, your primary responsibility reverts to checking, monitoring and adjusting your own behavior -- not theirs.

Upon reflection, you may see how your behavior has influenced your children. You may see, for instance, how your gargantuan ability to absorb but not react to vitriol condones -- an abusive dynamic.

You may also notice that waiting for "issues to pass" sometimes means that the issue never really passes. It merely lies dormant.

You should not tell these adults how to behave out in the world. You should encourage them to work things out without over-functioning for them.

On your own behalf you say, "I've had it with your behavior toward me. You are my child, and I love you. If you want to talk things out and work things out, I'd really like to do that. But I simply won't put up with being treated badly."

There might be more to this dynamic that you haven't contemplated (or are ignoring).

If this adult has emotional wounds left over from childhood, you should welcome these discussions -as long as they remain civil.

DEAR AMY: This is dumb, but I seem to have found myself wanting my horrid ex-boyfriend back. I thought I loved him, but in reality I was just obsessed with him.

There was no "me" time. It was like I didn't even exist. I don't know why or how it happened, except it was my first sexual relationship.

Now I am dating a great guy; he's kind of an idiot but great, nonetheless. I don't think I love him, and I don't think we have a future.

My ex is a complete jerk. He treated me like c--p. Unfortunately, I still want to date him and be with him.

I know we're not good for each other, but I also know that my current boyfriend and I aren't any better. I know I'm just using him to stop loving my first love, but it's not working. What do I do?

— Help

DEAR HELP: Has it occurred to you to be alone for a while?

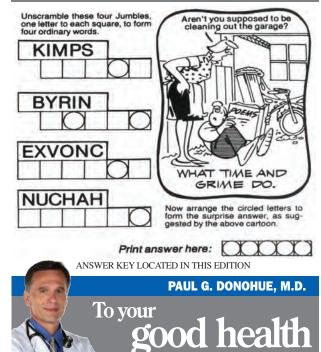
Think about it: no Jerk No. 1 or Idiot No. 2 -- just you and your couch and the Lifetime channel. (Not that you should take your relationship cues from the Lifetime channel, mind you.)

You cannot use one person to get over another person. As much as I wish it weren't so, idiots and jerks do not cancel each other out. Idiots and jerks accumulate. What you need to change is not only the company

you keep, but your ability to keep your own company. Be alone. Figure out what you need to do differently.

And then do things differently.

SundayJumble



DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I had my annual PSA test, and it came back 3.5 ng/ml. My doctor said anything below 4 is good.

My past scores have never exceeded 0.5. I am concerned with the rate of increase from last year. Need I be? Should I get checked in six months to ease my mind? - B.B.

ANSWER: PSA (prostate-specific antigen) is a blood test used for the detection of prostate cancer. It's far from being a perfect test, but it is the only one we have. Not only is the test imperfect, but experts disagree on how the test numbers should be interpreted.

Many insist that a man's age should define what the normal range for it is. The younger the man, the lower should be the acceptable PSA.

Results from large studies yield conflicting information. One study suggests that a PSA of 2.5 ng/ml ought to prompt additional testing, such as a prostate biopsy. Another large study uses 4 as the cutoff for ordering more investigation. And a third sets the upper limit of normal at 3.5.

PSA velocity is another factor that enters into interpreting the test. If the PSA value increases in one year by 0.75 or more, then the possibility of cancer exists and further testing is suggested -- a biopsy. Your value increased many times that number. I believe you need to have that checked out soon. In fact, if a man has a PSA value of less than 4 on previous tests, and his PSA has increased by 0.35 in one year, that man should be advised to have a biopsy.

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





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Holly Elementary School fourth-graders Maika Hogarth (left) and Samantha Dimercurio raised more than \$1,000 for diabetic research during a walkathon. Both students have had diabetes for the past four years and are excited to have contributed toward a cure.







Enjoy the sound of silence

How much noise can you pump into your head before you begin to drown out God's voice? This question introduces a timely article by Joseph Benz, appearing in the daily devotional booklet 'In Touch,' titled 'This Noisy Life.'

Benz, the author of 'Silent God: Finding Him When You Can't Hear His Voice,' observes that it's not hard to spend every waking (and sleeping) moment connected to some sort of device that injects information into our brains, writing: 'From morning 'til night, we're bombarded by 24-hour news channels, billboards, websites, e-mail, and other potential mental clamor."

The Psalmist advised those going through great trials to be still and know that God is in control (Psalm 46:10). But how can our hearts be stilled when our minds are filled with unnerving news flowing in continually from both near and far away?

At one time, I was so hooked on being in touch with every late-breaking headline that the tuning buttons on my car radio were set to enable me to hear the latest news reports as quickly as possible by those whom I felt were most able to keep me informed. This moment-by-moment button pushing enabled me to feel current with what was happening in the world, no matter where I was traveling.

Then, while passing through a period of great stress, I suddenly realized that part of my trouble was of my own making. I was feeding my fears by always reaching out for all the trouble I could grasp. As a

result, I reset my radio buttons and started tuning out much of what I had been inviting into my mind. The positive results of this move proved to be pleasantly surprising. The quiet silenced my fears and increased personal peace.

Joseph Benz warns that the real danger of being ruled by a noisy life is that all these distractions can lure us away from God, adding that another result of this continual clatter filling our brains may cause Him to be just one more item to multitask. In his words: 'The addictive quality of this perpetual din is what makes it so tough to get under control. We may move from not being able to escape it to not really wanting to. Take away our e-mail or cell phones -even for a short time — and we feel deprived, maybe even panicky.'

How, then, can we break this desire for noise and bondage to our toys?

An important resource for achieving such freedom has for many, been having a daily appointment in a quiet place for prayer and Bible reading.

Our Lord frequently took His disciples away from the crowds that followed them so He could teach them without being disturbed.

Isaiah, the prophet, was told he could find strength for his many responsibilities and trials through quietness and confidence (Isaiah 30:15).

How does one build a devotional life that insulates from the negatives in this noisy world? Times of quietness and prayer that work well for some may be impractical for others, but the basic ingredients for achieving a quiet heart in the midst of this commercial clatter are the same — a desire to break the bondages that monopolize our lives and steal the sweet sounds of silence we need to build our faith,

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

NOTICE CDBG REPROGRAMMING REQUEST 2011 FUNDING

Notice is hereby given to the residents of Groveland Township that a public hearing will be held on Monday, December 12, 2011 @ 4695 Grange Hall Rd., Holly, MI 48442. The purpose of the hearing is to reprogram 2011 CDBG funds for the following:

Existing (FROM): Account Number 730733	Activity Description Fire Station Equipment	Amount \$4,420.00
Proposed (TO): Account Number 731619	Activity Description Remove Architectural Barriers	Amount \$4,420.00

Change Description To: Transfer funding from the purchase of equipment to Remove Architectural Barriers for the competition of two handicap restrooms at Fire Station #1, 14645 Dixie Highway, Holly MI 48442. The project is ongoing from PY 2009 & 2010 with grant funding being used to purchase restroom fixtures.

The Township board meeting room is handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonable accommodate special needs will be made upon receiving 72-hour advance notice

Pam Mazich, Clerk 248-634-4152 or by e-mail clerk@grovelandtownship.net

Final Fall Tri-County Top Five Team list announced

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Maybe it has to do with the number of sports that the fall has to offer.

Or maybe the fall sports season is just that much better than the other two seasons during the school year.

Whatever the reason, the true answer probably lies in between both of those thoughts. And the fall has produced another strong season.

And because of it, we are going to extend our final Fall Top Five with another

five below as honorable mention squads. When the 2011-12 school year ends, it's likely some of these teams will make our end of the school year top 16.

We're going 10 deep, and here's the amazing thing. The list still doesn't include a playoff football team — Lake Fenton.

We will breeze through No. 10 to No. 6 pretty quickly. Lake Fenton volleyball had 31 wins

during the regular season, but then capped the year with a Class B district title. The Blue Devils earn the No. 10 spot.

Holly football (7-3) has now started 0-2 in each of the last two years, rebounded with wins against Fenton and Linden and then made the playoffs after that rough start. This year's team was a co-Metro champion. The Bronchos finish at No. 9.

Linden football team had its ups and downs, but when given a second chance in the playoffs, the Eagles responded. They finish No. 8 in the poll due to their district title. The Bronchos could argue ownership of this spot, but Linden went farther in the playoffs, giving them the nod.

The Holly girls cross country team flirted with the No. 1 spot for much of the fall, but a tough regional doomed them to a spot outside the top five. Still, their Metro dominance earns them the No. 7 spot for the fall.

Fenton volleyball is finding itself the dominant team in the Metro, but also is finding competition in its districts with teams double their school size pretty See **TOP FIVE** on 10B

Who owns the record for most receiving yards in an NFL football game? Flipper Anderson caught 15 passes for 336 yards in a contest on Nov. 26, 1989 in the Rams' victory

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Times sports

Linden's **Roger Phillips**

Area soccer players training in England

By David Troppens

against the Saints.

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Logan Volmar and a few other Fenton area soccer players didn't have time to enjoy their turkey dinners on Thursday.

That's because they were heading to England.

Volmar was one of six tricounty players that were given the right to travel to England for coaching by English Premier League trainers from the Bolton Wanderers. The English Premier League is, arguably, the strongest professional soccer league in the world and is certainly one of the most watched leagues.

"Yeah, I'm pretty excited. It's my dream to go to England and to play," Volmar said. "I have watched the games on TV and the atmosphere is incredible. Soccer is their main sport. It's looked upon differently than it is here in the United States. Once you are born, they get into soccer right away.'

Others that were invited were Fenton's Derek Jenkins, Andrew Huntley and Liam Adams, as well as Linden players Austin Brassuer and Michael Ziccardi. They earned the opportunity through ties within the Midwest Soccer Association, which is based on Fenton, with the Bolton Wanderers.

Players went through training

and had to catch the eye of the EPL trainers. The ones that did were invited to Bolton for five days of training, as well as an invitation to watch the Bolton Wanderers play Everton in an EPL game Sunday. Bolton is the home of United States national player Stuart Holden. Meanwhile, the U.S. team's starting keeper, Tim Howard, plays for Everton.

SPORTS TRIVIA

The students weren't the only ones invited to go. Rick Miracle, MSA Director of Youth Development, is also going to watch the training.

"I'm pretty excited about it. It will be the first time I have ever gone to England," Miracle said. "I'm looking to work with the coaches. I want to pick their brains."

The training will include several types of testing. There will be a grand skills competition as well.

"It should be a good experience," Volmar said. "Hopefully I can perform well and catch their eye. I can learn a lot from the other kids and the coaches.

"The training is going to be pretty rigorous."

Volmar is excited about attending the EPL contest as well.

"That will be my first professional soccer game ever," Volmar said. "And it's sweet it will be in England."



Fenton's Logan Volmar (left) chases a ball in a game this fall against Holly. He is currently in England, training with the English Premier League's Bolton Wanderers.

Area baseball team wins Flint League title

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

Rhino Recycling enjoyed last year's championship so much, it made sense to win it again this year.

And that's what the recreation baseball team did.

Rhino Recycling, coached by Harold Krueger, won the Jack Wright Flint Baseball 35 and Over title for the second year in a row.

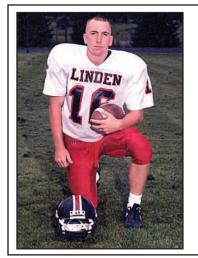
The squad won the league, the mini playoffs and the regular playoffs, earning a 19-1 record during the fall season. In fact, the team's only loss

came when coach Krueger went to the wrong field.

"That's the first time in 63 years of coaching I've ever done that," Krueger said. "Getting old is my excuse."

The squad won the championship game 4-0. Offensively, Steve Buerkel, Timmy Fromwiller, Matt Idoni, Ryan Snodsmith and Brett Luchenbill were the team's top hitters. Meanwhile, Greg Deeg, Steve Sarkon and Joe Schneider combined for the shuout on the mound.

See **BASEBALL** on 11B



Five individuals, one team inducted into Linden athletic HOF

earning a Metro League champion-

ship with a 13-2 record and earning

Little did the team know at the

time, that 24 years later the squad

would enter the Linden Athletic

Hall of Fame the same day Hop-

kins would enter as an athlete.

ship in school history.

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Kyle Hopkins remembers the the first Class B district champion-987 Linden varsity baseball season fondly.

He was a team member, well, sort of.

Hopkins was the bat boy for the squad that compiled a 34-6 record,

TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO

Current Linden coach and past football, basketball and baseball standout Kyle Hopkins was one of five people that were inducted into the Linden Athletic Hall of Fame recently.

The 1987 baseball team and Hopkins were just two honorees during the Nov. 19 banquet at Spring Meadows Country Club. Also entering were athletes Dan Champagne, Jon Champagne and Missy Ward. James Starrs also earned induction under the special services category.

"That baseball team was one of the first teams I remember," Hopkins said. "I was the batboy, and I kept score during the game. It was

nice to be able to have a relationship with everyone.

"That year when (current Linden High School varsity baseball coach) Steve Buerkel went to the All-Star Game, I went down with my mom and dad to watch the game. I was close with a lot of people on that team, and was close with Dan and Jon the one year we overlapped and played together."

Hopkins, who continues to See HOF on 11B

Fenton JV football program records perfect season

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 The Fenton varsity football team has won a Metro League title and gone to the regional finals in each of the last two seasons.

And it looks like the Tigers may not be done with their impressive runs if you go based on the sophomore class.

The sophomores completed a perfect 9-0 JV season this fall, earning the class its second straight perfect regular season. As freshmen they also went 9-0.

And it's not like the Tigers are being pushed on a consistent basis. This season the JV team outscored its opponents 332-60.

"The challenge for most of the season was not having them think they were as good as they were," JV coach Mike Tokarsky said. "We were blowing out people most of the time, and it was hard to say, 'This is the hardest team you'll play all year,' and then have them blow them out by 30 points. That's a football bunch of kids. Top to bottom, they love to play football."

The "football first" mentality showed



Fenton's JV team finished a perfect 9-0 this fall. The team was made up of only sophomores. The sophomore class has yet to lose a football game in their prep careers.

during the offseason. Since last November, Tokarsky said a majority of the team participated with offseason weight-training, speed and agility work and 7-on-7 passing leagues.

The team capped its season with one of



its closest games of the year, but still beat Swartz Creek 24-7 in that contest. Tokarsky said he frequently changed lineups from week-to-week, but the players didn't squabble about it.

"We'd change things every week with the starting positions to create matchups against our opponents," Tokarsky said. "Each week the players were 'all-in' to helping the team. Nobody complained or questioned our strategy. They just all wanted to win."

Tokarsky said the team has good speed

TOP FIVE

Continued from Page 9B tough in recent years. They end the fall in the No. 6 spot.

No. 5 Holly boys tennis team — The strength of schedule makes Holly boys tennis (and girls tennis for that matter) one of the toughest teams to grade each year. They dominate the Metro. The Bronchos won the league title once again this year, and are now approaching two decades of consecutive championships. We admire the schedule the Bronchos play nonleague, but you don't get credit for playing tough teams. You get credit for beating them. The Metro seems to be getting better. A Metro team needs to bust out and get a strong showing in state.

No. 4 Linden girls golf — They finished fifth in the state, and that's why the squad is this high. If we had to put a guesstimate on it, postseason success probably has about a 2/3 weight on grades; it's around there. And the Eagles had it. But their regular season success, while not bad, doesn't compare to most teams on this list.

No. 3 Fenton football — The battle between No. 2 and No. 3 wasn't easy. The Tigers won a league title and then went to the regional championship round for the second straight year. That's a pretty solid resume. However, they tied for the league crown with two other teams with two losses. That's why they are No. 3 and not No. 2. We get the feeling Fenton football will No. 1.

at the skill positions on offense and that the defense was aggressive.

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"Those are two things that really helped this year," Tokarsky said. "We played solid defense and had good field percentage. And half of the time we went deep, we were successful."

Tokarsky can't wait to see the players at the varsity level next year.

"I'm excited to see what they do next year," he said. "Things are going to get better. I truly believe that."

be contending for the top spot on this poll for quite a few years to come.

No. 2 Fenton girls swimming and diving — The Fenton girls dominated the Metro League once again, blowing out the league competition. But, just as is the case with Metro tennis, that only carries a lot of weight if there is postseason success to go with that league success because the league is still pretty weak outside of Fenton.

Well, the Tigers got that recognition, by placing 10th out of the 29 teams that scored points. They had their share of second-day swims and had participants in three event finals. That's solid.

The Fenton girls swim team is the only fall sport squad to end the season in our Final Fall Top Five in each of the three years we've presented the feature.

No. 1 Linden boys cross country — The team that finished No. 1 in 2009, returns to the top spot this year. The Eagles had a few close Metro Jamborees, but when it was all said and done, they won all three and ended up the overwhelming Metro champs. They also won a couple of non-league invitationals, and then capped the year by winning another regional title and taking ninth at the state meet.

We've said it a few times this fall, but we'll say it a final time. No one was consistently strong as the Linden boys cross country from their first event until the end of the season. They were an easy pick for No. 1.





Linden's 1987 varsity baseball team was recently inducted into the Linden Athletic Hall of Fame.

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coach football and basketball at Linden, must've learned a few things hanging with Linden's great athletes, and his coaching father, during those early years. Hopkins eventually became a three-sport athlete at Linden, earning nine varsity letters in football, basketball and baseball. He earned First-Team All-State baseball honors in 1998 and was an honorable mention state selection in basketball and football in 1997 and 1998. He was a All-Metro League selection several times. He was on Linden's first football team ever to qualify for the state playoffs.

"At the time basketball was the major sport at Linden, but we helped make it football. Now football is the major sport," Hopkins said. "When we made the playoffs for the first time in school history, football was not that important. It was just starting to be. We took pride in that."

He continued his football career at Saginaw Valley State University.

Dan and Jon Champagne were football and basketball standouts at Linden from 1993 until 1996. Dan Champagne won All-Metro football honors three times, and earned First Team All-State honors his senior year. In basketball, he also was a threetime All-Metro performer, while earning Fourth-Team All-State honors his senior

Jon Champagne was a two-time All-Metro selection and was First-Team All-State his senior year. He also earned Metro League honors three years in basketball and was a Third Team All-Metro pick his senior year.

Both brothers went to Oakland University to play men's basketball. Dan Champagne still holds Oakland school records in several categories.

Ward was a Metro selection all four years of her golf career, winning medalist honors in each season. She was a First-Team All-State golfer three times and made the All-State Super Team her senior year. She was the state champion her senior year, recording a two-day total of 138 during the state meet. She played golf at Ferris State University and was a member of three NCAA Division 2 Final Four teams. She finished her collegiate career with the sixthbest scoring average in Ferris State history.

Starrs has been a student-athlete, coach and teacher at Linden for over 50 years. He participated in track and football when he was a student. As a coach he led Linden's track program to league titles four times. His 1973 team won a Class B Regional Championship, and finished sixth in the state. In 1972, his cross country team won a Class B Regional Championship and finished second in the state.

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Most of the members on the team are from the tri-county area. They include Krueger, Snodsmith, Jeff Krejcik, Mike McClains, Steve Michlez, Gary Ignasiak, Buerkel, Luckenbill, Darin Dreasky, Randy Nosek, Mark Niec, Mik Hardin, Steve Sarkon, Chad Logan, Jeff Hamilton, Scott Aldred, Tony Mora, Louie McFall, Idoni, Dennis Younce, Gordie Hetrick, Jeff Tanery, Aaron Rubio, Joe Schneider, Jim Bailey, Jeff Bailey, Timmy Fromwiller, Al Thomas, Duane Kinney, Ryan Long, Dan Snover, Eric Rettenmund and Jim Antonangeli. The team scorekeeper was Lauren Reynolds.

What's On Television? SOCCER **SATURDAY** (ESPN2) Manchester Untd vs. Newcastle. 9:55 a.m. BASKETBALL FOOTBALL BASKETBALL (B10) Michigan State at Northwestern Noon (ABC) Ohio State at Michigan Noon (ESPN) Georgia at Georgia Tech..... Noon . Noon (ESPN2) Rugters at UConn... (NBC) Grambling State vs. Southern 2:30 p.m. **FOOTBALL** (ESPN) Penn State at Wisconsin 3:30 p.m. (CBS) ... (ESPN2) Florida State at Florida7 p.m. (ESPN) Clemson at South Carolina 7:45 p.m. **TENNIS**

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Tomaszewski caps great career; Rivette begins collegiate career strong

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While playing at Lake Fenton, Jaime Tomaszewski was probably the greatest female soccer player in school history. She can now say she's near the top of

her collegiate team as well. Tomaszewski capped her senior sea-

son by earning Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference Offensive Player of the Year honors recently.

Tomaszewki led the WHAC by averaging one goal and .27 assists per a conference game. She scored 16 goals and had five assists in 16 games played this year.

For her career, Tomaszewski scored 33 goals at Aquinas. That puts her fourth on the all-time school list despite playing just three seasons. She opened her collegiate career at Central Michigan University, playing her freshman year there.

Tomaszewski owns most of the Lake Fenton career scoring records.

Gabrielle Rivette at Northwood University

Fenton graduate and Northwood University freshman Gabrielle Rivette is getting accustomed to the college game real well.

In Northwood's first two contests both wins - Rivette has played outstanding. She has started both contests, and leads the team with 13 assists and seven steals. She has scored 23 points, and grabbed eight rebounds as well. She is shooting 50 percent from the field.

Northwood opened the season with a 71-62 victory against Illinois-Spring-

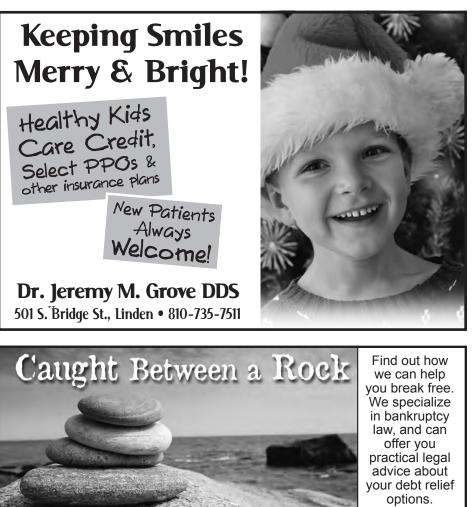
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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO Fenton graduate and Northwood University freshman Gabrielle Rivette (right) is off to a strong start at Northwood.

field and followed that up with an 82-71 win against Mercyhurst. In that game, Rivette had 10 points, seven assists, six steals and five rebounds in 35 minutes of action.

Rivette, a 5-foot-6 guard was a fourtime member of the Tri-County Women's Basketball Team while at Fenton High School. She was the Tri-County Female Player of the Year twice.



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