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COMMENTSHOT LINE: PAUL
SCOTT RECALL

“Don’t blame teachers alone for recalling Paul Scott. More than 12,000 retirees, public and private



pensioners, current civil servants, firefighters, police

and union members, all voted for his recall. Save your sticks and stones.”

STORY: FENTON
WELCOME SIGNS

“Thanks, Fenton, we called three times to make sure our sign shop in Genesee County was on the bid list for the new signs. We never got the chance. Glad we watch out for our neighbors. Those signs are not from around here.”

STORY: TAXING RE-
TIREE PENSIONS

“On the front page of The Tri-County Times’ Sunday edition, there was a story about the confusing tax to retirees. Why didn’t this story go in before the election?”

HOT LINE: DDA

“It is clear to any individual with a brain and a subscription to the Times that the DDA and our city leadership, both funded by taxpayers, could not care less what the taxpayers want or think.”



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Lockwood questions ‘Be Closer’ campaign

► City Council and DDA to hold joint discussions with marketing firm

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Fenton — Newly elected councilwoman Patricia Lockwood recommended that Fenton City Council discuss the controversial “Be Closer” tagline that represents the city.

“I’m hearing a lot about it,” she said. She asked if there was a subcommittee or marketing committee of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) that could explore the campaign. Michael

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Pat Lockwood



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A joint meeting is pending between Fenton City Council, the DDA and marketing firm to talk about the somewhat misunderstood Be Closer campaign.

Black Friday sales up from 2010



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO

Hundreds of shoppers file into Kmart, of Fenton, on Black Friday. To avoid a stampede to big-ticket items such as flat-screen TVs, the first customers in line were given vouchers, so they could claim the item without having to race.

Area businesses see strong increase in Black Friday customers this year compared to last year

By William Axford

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Tri-county residents came out in droves this year for Black Friday, cashing in on the best deals

around town. Local businesses said they’ve seen an increase in customers this year compared to previous Black Fridays. At Kmart alone, nearly

300 people stood in line before the store opened up at 5 a.m. Traffic on the Times website spiked to more than 11,000 unique

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Summary

► Black Friday sales increased this year, both locally and nationally. Sales for 2011 were 6.6 percent higher than they were in 2010.

Shoppers misbehave on Black Friday

Summary

► Fenton police responded twice to a local department store to investigate 911 calls about misbehaving customers.

► Fenton police respond to ‘taking cuts’ disputes

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Fenton — Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said his department responded to two Black Friday complaints.

At 1:15 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 25, Fenton police responded to the Kmart parking lot on Silver Parkway after someone called 911 to report that a couple of customers waiting

in line for the store’s opening had gotten into a verbal argument over their place in line.

Aro said the responding officer spoke with everyone

See **MISBEHAVE** on 10Teacher/MEA
union rep wants
Scott’s seat

By Sharon Stone

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Steve Losey, a member of the Linden Board of Education, is hoping that he will be appointed to run as the Democratic candidate for state representative for the 51st District.

The election is set for February 2012 and the winner will serve the remainder of Paul Scott’s term, which expires in

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Summary

► Steve Losey, a Linden Board of Education member and teacher at Redford Union High School in Redford Township, wants to be elected to serve out the remainder of Paul Scott’s term. Scott was recalled from his position as state rep for the 51st District.

Fenton DDA
buys building
for \$250,000

► Will be demolished and used as parking lot for Cornerstone project

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Fenton — A purchase agreement has been finalized and the Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) owns another piece of the pie that will eventually be transformed into the Cornerstone development.

DDA chair Craig Schmidt said the DDA and the owner of

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Summary

► The Fenton Downtown Development Authority signed a purchase agreement with the owner of the building where Hometown Computers is located. It will be converted into parking space for the Cornerstone project.

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The other side of gift★cards



\$6.8 billion annually in gift cards never redeemed

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If you're looking to purchase a gift card for a family member or friend, you're not alone. About \$65 billion is spent on gift cards in the United States annually, and \$6.8 billion of that is never redeemed. Today's gift cards can be as varied as

a gift to a person's favorite restaurant or store, or can help purchase a visit to a national park through the National Park Service.

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

The State Bank sells a MasterCard gift card for customers all year long, plus a holiday-themed gift card this time of year.

"We sell tons of our MasterCard gift cards for Christmas. We haven't had any complaints by customers except for one who was not able to use it to pay for a cruise bill at the end of the vacation."

Margaret Cady
The State Bank

The two sides of... online shopping

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ADVANTAGES

While many people believe online shopping takes sales away from locally owned retailers, that isn't necessarily the case. Many local retailers are adapting to the way more and more people are shopping — online.

Kevin Coombs, store manager at McKay's Hardware in Holly said their store has their own Internet store. Big stores, such as Wal-Mart benefit the local communities by hiring local residents, but Coombs said the money goes to the company's headquarters, as it should. "But, it isn't here," he said.

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DISADVANTAGES

While it may be tempting to do all your Christmas shopping online at the comfort of your computer, there are some things you need to think about first, before you check out your purchases at an retailer site rather than at your local retailer.

When you buy items in person, you have an opportunity to physically check out the items you are purchasing for quality, size, color, etc. Things do not always look the same on a computer screen as they do in person, especially when it comes to fitting

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SHARON STONE

Local residents can shop locally, by visiting locally owned businesses' websites. Jeff Stone, the owner of the Sears Hometown Store in Fenton, helps a customer make an online purchase.

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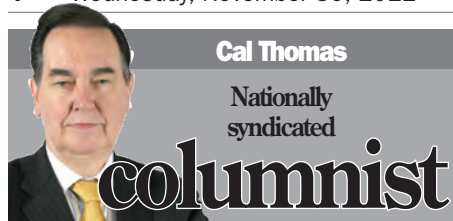
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Path to citizenship

Newt Gingrich has called for a 'humane' policy on illegal immigrants. Gingrich wants illegal residents who have been in America for 25 years to stay, so as not to 'separate families.'

Gingrich is correct when he says we are not about to round up 11 million illegal immigrants, as America rounded up more than 100,000 Japanese at the start of World War II, many of them U.S. citizens. But doing nothing or granting Gingrich's proposed 'path to legality' (through certification) will only draw more illegals.

In my ideal world this is what I think should be done: Illegal immigrants who have jobs, pay taxes and are law abiding can stay as temporary residents provided they are doing jobs no American citizen wants to do. An employer can prove that by advertising for a position and if no citizen applies, the illegal immigrant may be hired.

The illegal immigrant should be forbidden any unemployment or welfare benefits. The employer should provide medical insurance, or the cost of any care. Immigrant children can be educated in public schools (and taught English) provided their parents pay property taxes. If an illegal immigrant is renting or living with others, he or she should pay a certain amount to defray the cost of education. If a child is born in America to illegal immigrants, that child should not automatically receive U.S. citizenship. After two or three renewals of the illegal's special visa, the person must return to his or her native land for a specified period and then apply for re-entry.

Should the illegal immigrant desire citizenship, that person should first learn English and American history. The path ought to be rigorous so that we know the person is coming to America for more than just the goodies the U.S. government provides.

Most importantly, we must protect and secure our country's borders.

Everyone wants a better life for themselves and their children. American citizens mostly seek that better life by conforming to the law. Illegal immigrants should do the same.

That is the path to citizenship.

THE ONLY COMMENT

Obama could muster when the Super Committee couldn't agree on a budget, was that he would veto any payroll tax non-extension. This means instead of getting \$2,000 back when you file, you'll get \$4,000. This highlights the incompetence of this president and Congress.

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I SPOTTED SOME

magnificent paintings from the DIA in downtown Holly, right on the street. What a great idea, bring the art to the people. I'm sure there are quite a few of us who haven't been to an art museum, and will be inspired to make that trip.

■■■■

I AM TIRED of people saying 'buy American.' Capitalism is a fundamental principal that this country was founded on. People should feel free to buy whatever they want, and not be bullied into buying only from our country. Quit relying on patriotism to make a profit.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE University of Michigan, and their new coach, Brady Hoke, for beating Ohio State in the only rivalry game that actually means anything.

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SO, YOUR IRON workers' union got you Thanksgiving off with pay and triple pay if you worked. So how did anyone but you benefit from this? Was it a good move for the company? Is that company even still in business? Unions, all about the dues. Enough said.

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IT IS ILLEGAL to use union dues money for politics. Only donated money should be used. This means money donated, voluntarily, by union members and supporters. Please get your facts straight before you post such things.

Hot
lines

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All submissions, if approved for publication, must be 50 words or less and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Tri-County Times. We reserve the right to edit for clarity, length and liability.

I KEEP READING from those who opposed the Paul Scott recall, saying that the recall was nothing to brag about. Well, from all the Hot line posts from the Paul Scott supporters, it must have meant something, since you keep venting through Hot lines.

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I HAVE READ a few comments about the 'inappropriate' video that was shown to the middle and high school

students in Fenton, with 'Rachel's Challenge.' I went with my children to the public performance in the evening, and saw nothing inappropriate about it.

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I KNOW IT'S a little late, but I'd like to compliment and thank the people who planted and maintained all the beautiful summer flowers in downtown Linden. They really dressed up the downtown area and were lovely to look at. Thank you.

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YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY correct about the fact that unions were formed to create a fair and safe workplace for employees. Too bad they have been hijacked by thugs, crooks, and high-paid morons. They are no better than the government when it comes to honesty and what is best for the people.

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FIFTY-PLUS YEARS ago, unions served a useful function. However, they have outlived their usefulness and are now one of the roots causing the downfall of America. By overpricing their members' services, they have eliminated most U.S. domestic manufacturing, and hang like a dead weight around our necks.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



Cheryl Dennison

From the
editor**It begins**

Well, the Christmas season is upon us. And, first thing, on the day after Thanksgiving, I was bombarded with Christmas music blaring from every single radio station I listen to in the car. It's not that I don't like Christmas music. I love it. But I know I'm going to be pretty sick of hearing it after listening to nonstop 'Grandma Got Run Over By a Reindeer,' and 'Feliz Navidad' between now and Christmas Day. And you know, those songs just get stuck in your head, and you hum them over and over and over. See, it's starting already, Feliz Navidad, Feliz Navidad, hum-hum, hum-hum-hum, hum-hum-hummm.

Many tri-county area residents have already decorated the tree and taken advantage of the nice weather last weekend to string up the outside lights and decorations. I got as far as hanging a wreath on my house. But I'm looking forward to putting up the Christmas tree and doing more decorating this weekend.

The one thing that I never get tired of, is watching Christmas movies. I watched my first Christmas movie this year on Monday evening, 'Scrooged,' which is one of my absolute favorites. Bill Murray is just hilarious. I think my overall favorite holiday movie is the Christmas Story, which we always watch on Christmas Day. My new kid's favorite is 'Polar Express.'

One holiday tradition that seems to be waning is sending Christmas cards. I send out a lot of them because I have a lot of friends and family who live out of state. I always look forward to receiving the hand-designed Christmas card from my brother Joe, who is an artist.

I think what I like best about the holiday season is that it (for the most part) brings out the best in people. It is a time of year to enjoy the blessings in life, family, friends, and traditions, not to mention good food.

Speaking of good food, do you have a favorite Christmas cookie recipe or specialty dish you would like to share with the Times? Share your recipe with me at cdennison@tctimes.com and we'll post it on our website at www.tctimes.com.

Enjoy your week!

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What was your best Black Friday purchase?

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"A TV, \$250 for a 40 inch."

— Debbie Cross
Gaines



"Toys for my grand-kids."

— Barb Dann
Durand



"Clothes from JC Penney."

— Jerry Allen
Fenton



"A laptop for \$198 and an iPad for \$80 off."

— Wendy Day
Howell



"Clothes, at the mall."

— Brenda Birchmeier
Linden



"A vacuum cleaner for \$25."

— Lynn Dann
Durand

City may appoint council member at Monday work session

By Sharon Stone

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Fenton — Fenton City Council decided on Monday to waive its longstanding rule of taking no action during a work session. The council needs to appoint an individual to replace councilwoman Dianne North, who resigned from her position on Monday, Nov. 7. North cited personal and professional obligations for her departure.

City Council publicly sought interested city residents to come forward if they wanted to be appointed. One unnamed individual has applied for the position. An appointment needs to be approved within 30 days of North's resignation.

Because of the timing, Councilwoman Patricia Lockwood suggested that the

council address this issue at its work session on Monday.

Steve Schultz, city attorney told council members that they could take action during Monday's work session if they approved a motion to waive its own policy. If the appointment were not done during the work session, a special meeting would have to be scheduled, which would have an added expense.

Councilwoman Cheryl King said she has never been involved with waiving a rule in her 20 years on the council, however, she considered this to be an exception. She supported waiving the rule to possibly vote during the work session in order to save taxpayer money.

Summary

► Fenton City Council waived a longstanding policy so that it has the option of appointing an individual to fill the seat of Dianne North, who resigned from her seat on council earlier this month.

News briefs

LINDEN FOLLIES SET FOR THURSDAY EVENING

The Linden Follies is set for tomorrow, Thursday, Dec. 1. The annual Follies are performed by employees of Linden Community Schools as a fundraiser for the local charity, Christmas Express. There will be entertainment acts from all buildings in the school district, including the administration office. Because of the popularity of the show, two shows, one at 5 p.m. and one at 7 p.m., will be performed to accommodate guests. Linden Follies will be held in the Linden High School auditorium. Tickets can be purchased in advance at the Linden High School office or at the door on the day of the show.

CHRISTMAS EXPRESS AND ANGEL TREE

Linden Christmas Express and the Angel Tree lighten the burden for people in the Linden Community Schools' district who are experiencing a difficult time. Angel Tree provides presents for children from birth through high school, and Christmas Express provides food. Each of the school buildings in the district will be collecting items from Dec. 5 to 9. Argentine Elementary School is collecting Jell-O, pudding and soap. Central, Hyatt and Linden elementaries are collecting boxed food items (needed are Ramen noodles and bags of candy), Linden Middle School is collecting peanut butter and jelly and Linden High School is collecting canned goods. To be a recipient, registration forms must be filled out during school hours at any of the school building offices. If anyone knows of someone in need, call (810) 591-0415. Monetary donations to support these programs may be mailed to Linden Christmas Express, c/o Linden Community Education, 7201 Silver Lake Rd., Linden, MI 48451. Checks should be made payable to Linden Christmas Express.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

THANK YOU, TO the individual who found my cell phone in the Wal-Mart parking lot on Wednesday afternoon and for putting it in a Wal-Mart bag, and hooking it on my driver's-side mirror. Thank you so much, and God bless you.

I CAN'T BELIEVE what kids go through these days in divorce. The parents give up the kids for their boyfriend, or girlfriend. I thank God my mom and dad never got divorced. What goes around comes around. Think of the child.

TO THE PERSON who took it upon himself to fix McCaslin Lake Road, thank you, thank you very much. If you need any donations, or any help toward that, please leave a number so we can help you out.

OUT OF THE goodness of my heart, I loaned you my blue willow dishes. Please return them, if you're a Christian. Thank you.

'TIS THE SEASON, can't we all get along for one day?

I DON'T THINK that it's a disgrace, I think it's an honor to collect for the Loose senior center. They did a lot for the seniors, they had a tragedy happen, and now they need help. God bless Lasco Ford for helping as much as they can and the same to The State Bank.

THE RICH AND elite 1 percent of America controls the USA, protected by our government leadership. Our military protects their overseas interest, while they get rid of the jobs here at home and they don't even seem to care.

TO THE UNION hating guy, who knows absolutely nothing about the workings

of a union, I just want to wish you the happiest of holidays, and hope you still have a job in the new year. If you don't, oh well, you should have had a union.

THE SENIOR CITIZENS standing in front of Alpine, raising money for the Loose center, are greatly different from the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, or Cub Scouts selling products to raise money in that the Loose center should have had insurance. If they didn't have insurance to cover their losses, then shame on them.

THERE'S BEEN A lot of talk about 'shop local.' I will shop local, until I hear one employee say 'happy holidays' instead of 'Merry Christmas.' If they say 'happy holidays,' they lose this customer for good.

I SAW THE most perfectly played offensive and defensive football game in my lifetime and I remember the good teams from the '50s. Local boys from Linden and Fenton played for Powers Catholic, and they beat the No. 1 team in the state. Hats off to the Powers Catholic football team.

WHILE SHOPPING LOCAL, look for the stuff that's made in the USA. Better yet, look for what's made in Michigan. Keep our money here.

AS A SUBSCRIBER to The Tri-County Times, I would like to wish everyone in the area the merriest of Christmases, and the safest and happiest of the New Years. God Bless us all, everyone.

YES, I AGREE that the current Fenton library is indeed quite old. No new carpeting or paint job will increase the interior size or increase the amount of parking available in the area. When you go into the library, you'll understand the city slogan, 'Be Closer.'

ADVANTAGES

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"Our online store is us and it only goes to us. It's local.

"People are online and they are shopping. That's what people do.

"As a business, you can't ignore that. Go online and compete or sell less stuff."

Jeff Stone, the owner and operator of Sears Hometown Store in Fenton, said his store and employees benefit from individuals shopping online through his store. "It allows me unlimited inventory of all Sears products," said Stone.

Stone, of Fenton Township, said online shoppers could make their purchase from the comfort of their home, 24/7, and have their item shipped to his store. This saves the customer shipping costs and his store receives credit from Sears for the sale. "It also gets foot traffic in my store for other purchases," he said.

According to Stone, if an online shopper, shopping from home, has a product shipped to their home, there are shipping

costs. If that shopper had the product shipped to his store and they picked it up at their convenience, there would be no shipping charges. "It saves the customer money and it supports the local store," he said.

The local Sears store has two Internet stations and a customer can use it to buy any product. If the product is not considered oversized, the customer could have it shipped free to their home. The local store would receive credit for the sale if the store's in-house portal were used to make the purchase.

Gerych's Distinctive Flowers and Gifts in Fenton offers online shopping. Online shoppers can browse through the selection of flower arrangements.

Families can order their dinners from the Fenton pizzerias, while never missing a beat at home.

When in doubt, use a search engine, such as Google, and see if your favorite local store has a website of its own for online ordering.

DISADVANTAGES

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clothes, buying jewelry, etc.

Customers who shop on-line also miss the positive shopping experience of face-to-face assistance from a knowledgeable sales person or shop owner. There is more to shopping than just exchanging money for goods. Customers who purchase items from a retail store can also enjoy browsing, comparison-

shopping, social interaction and a positive feeling about supporting the local economy.

You also lose the power to negotiate the price and payment terms that may exist in local stores. When you buy from a local retailer, you can often put your purchases on layaway, pay by check or cash instead of with a credit card, or extend payment terms because you are dealing with a business in person. Local retailers will often gift-wrap an item at no cost, a service you'll be charged for with any online transaction.

"People are online and they are shopping. That's what people do. As a business, you can't ignore that."

Kevin Coombs
McKay's Hardware store manager

You may have to deal with the issue of an item being back-ordered, which you may not realize until only part of your purchase arrives. During the holidays, this can be a problem when you're dealing with the deadlines of company parties, family events, etc.

Sometimes, the shipping costs are higher than the true shipping rate, so that the retailer can make a higher profit when they offer a specific item at low discounts, at special promotional rates, etc. A shopper needs to consider the full price of the transaction, not just the price of the item being purchased.

Returns and exchanges can be more difficult and costly, because of packaging and shipping expenses incurred by the customer, not to mention the inconvenience. Sometimes, a re-stocking fee is charged, adding to the expense of a return.

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ATTEMPTED THEFT OF TIRES

On Nov. 28, a Fenton police officer responded to a business in the 1100 block of Fenway Circle to investigate an attempted larceny complaint. An employee said, between Nov. 24 and 28, someone tried to steal two tires from a company fleet semi truck. The suspect cut the valve stems and the tires were partially removed. Each tire was valued at \$500. Police will be reviewing the company's surveillance video to identify the suspect.

DEBIT CARD FRAUD

On Nov. 28, a 67-year-old Fenton woman told Fenton police that several withdrawals had been made from her debit card account. She learned this by viewing her statement. The woman gave police the name of a possible suspect, who had access to her card. Total taken from her was \$282. The case remains under investigation.

VEHICLE STOLEN FROM AUTO DEALER

On Nov. 28, Fenton police responded to an auto dealership in the 2500 block of Owen Road to investigate a stolen vehicle complaint. Employees reported that a black 2008 Ford Explorer was missing from the lot. A set of keys to the vehicle were located in the desk drawer of a former employee. The vehicle was entered in Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) as stolen. Police are attempting to contact the former employee, a 40-year-old Davison man.

SEAT

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November 2012. Scott was recalled from office on Nov. 8. If Losey does not get the Democratic nod, he anticipates running as an independent.

The selection meeting, to nominate a Democratic candidate, will be held tomorrow, Thursday, Dec. 1 at 6 p.m. at UAW Local 1292, 6153 Dort Hwy. in Grand Blanc.

The Republican Party has already appointed Joe Graves as its candidate. If he is elected in February, he would give up his seat with the Genesee County Board of Commissioners.

According to Michigan's election law, the members of the Genesee County Executive Committee who live in House District

"I'm tired of the working man's voice being squelched by the 'out of touch' career politicians in Lansing."

Steve Losey
Linden Board of
Education member

51 must select the Democratic nominee at a special convention. The Executive Committee includes Executive Board members, those precinct delegates, Democratic elected officials and Democrats who were nominated for office in 2010.

Losey said, "I want to bring my middle-class work ethic to Lansing to represent the hard-working men and women of the 51st District and Genesee County.

"We need to focus on taking care of our young and experienced citizens. We need to build and maintain safe, positive learning environments for our children and respectful, life-honoring environments for our seniors."

Losey and his wife of 18 years have lived in Linden for nearly 10 years. Their three children attend Linden Community

Schools. He was elected to the school board as a write-in candidate. He teaches special education at Redford Union High School in Redford Township.

For the past 10 years, he has represented his fellow staff members as the president of the Redford Union Education Association and he's currently serving his second term as vice president of the Chestnut Grove Homeowners Association. From 1990 to 1995, he was an active member of the Teamsters, while working for UPS in Michigan and Georgia.

"I'm tired of the working man's voice being squelched by the 'out of touch' career politicians in Lansing," he said.

Losey is eager to be interviewed during Thursday night's meeting and admits that he is new to the process. "I'm going to go in there and let them know where I stand.

"I hope they agree with my vision to take my party where it needs to go."



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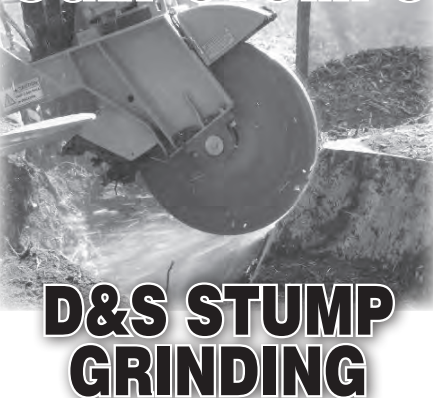
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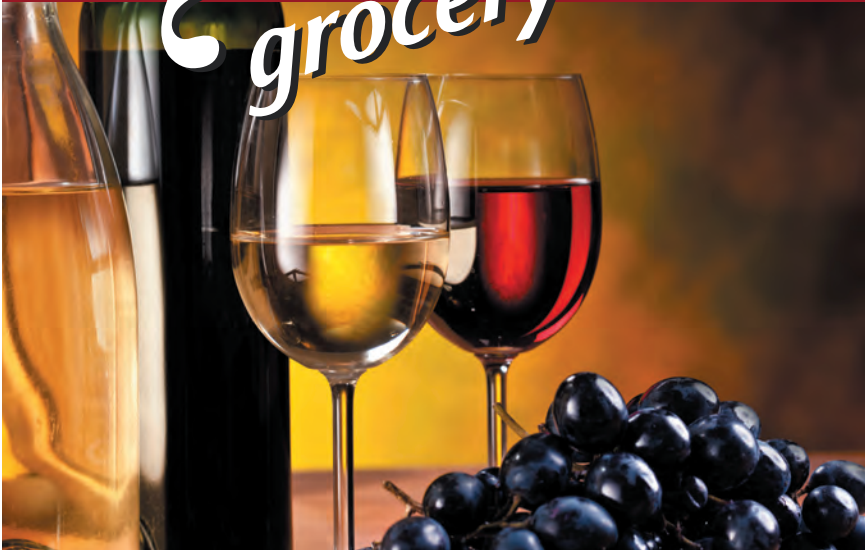
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LIBYA

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home in Benghazi and the revolution flared up in the same city, he never felt the urge to leave. "I had this nagging feeling, 'I belong, I belong,'" he said.

Gheriani has coordinated many different efforts including setting up the de-facto media center, and speaking to the international press to share the image of the rebels to the world.

But they're not rebels anymore. Now, the National Transitional Council (NTC) has been recognized internationally as the current legitimate government in Libya.

Gheriani sees himself fitting into Libya's long-term recovery by finishing the infrastructure projects he already started, including water pipelines. "There are people whose wells are dry," he said.

His country looks abused, with neglect apparent in garbage along main roads. Bullet craters still pockmark many homes just outside Benghazi, from the opening battles of the revolution.

Aside from infrastructure work, Gheriani is working with other professionals to establish a new political assembly. He said it could become a party once a constitution is written that can define what a political "party" is.

On Saturday, he met with representatives from 10 other similar political assemblies to discuss merging, and the need for a general constitution.

He said his party would value the democratic process of electing leaders, in a system built from scratch. Five of the 10 groups agreed



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Mustafa Gheriani, of Tyrone Township, meets with his engineers on Sunday in Shihad, Libya to discuss the state of the company following the revolution.

they should merge with Gheriani's party, which is already 500-600 strong.

Gheriani would like to see a separation of powers, and of church and state. "Checks and balances are very important," he said. It will probably become a parliamentary government, with various ministers elected to represent the people.

On Sunday, he traveled to the city of Shihad, three hours east of Benghazi, where he met with engineers to discuss the next step in his projects. He'd like to unite parts of Libya with water pipelines, but for now he waits

until money for infrastructure contracts is available.

Gheriani built homes in the Fenton area from 1996 to 2006. He pulled out of the business after building a reputation of trust in the Fenton area. In 2007, he began to work on infrastructure projects in Libya. Under Ghadaffi, projects still moved slowly, so that at the time of the revolution, the projects were only half finished. "I want to finish projects I'm in," he said.

Now his country is starting over. "It's a true revolution," said Gheriani. "The people revolted against the entire establishment."

Gheriani will focus on his projects, but it is education that Gheriani says must be the first priority. Oil can run out, but an educated country can do anything. "An educated society is limitless," he said.

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 the country politically, is to hold elections, and form a government and constitution after completely removing the past government from power over a nine-month period.



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Mustafa Gheriani walks along the beach near the Mediterranean, and the Green Mountains east of Benghazi, Libya on Sunday. He sees the country's natural beauty as one its biggest assets, aside from its people.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

I DO NOT shop on Black Friday, I just watched the news, and saw all those greedy businesses and shoppers. Pepper spray, shootings, camping out for days, it is ridiculous. These stores should stop their dangerous tactics, and give their employees a paid holiday. Greedy fools.

THE LOOSE SENIOR Citizen Center has insurance coverage to rebuild. They want more. I think your spare change could be put to better use. If the center gave back to the community, I'd support them. But, they're selfish boomers, looking out for only themselves.

THE NEW SIGNS look like clunky, highway divider barricades. They are hideous. It is obvious that the DDA is incompetent, and they have no one to answer to for their over-spending ways. We should disband this dangerous group, and refund Fenton taxpayers all the money they will and already have wasted.

PLEASE PRAY THAT this girl gets a job soon. We want so badly to start Christmas shopping for our babies, but we don't have two nickels to our name, after my husband's pay is sent off for bills. How did we get here?

I LOVE THE Catholic church, but the new changes to Mass are terrible. Trying to sing with these changes is a nightmare, and it sounds ridiculous. I know Mass now is closer to translation, but come on. That's the best they could come up with?

THE NEW WELCOME to Fenton signs are a bit odd looking. The bottom half looks like a snowplow, not artistic at all. I guess these match the 'Be Closer' signs. Very unappealing and a waste of taxpayers' money.

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Burns, assistant city manager and director of the DDA, told her there was not a committee within the DDA for this.

Lockwood hopes that the City Council and the DDA would hold a work session together to get the new council members' feet wet. She said for the amount of money being spent on the campaign, she would like to see it succeed. She suggested a meeting with the marketing firm, New Moon Visions. "It's misunderstood by a lot," she said.

Councilman Benjamin Smith said if a discussion were held, it would need to be between the City Council and DDA. "It's not ours to decide," he said. "We need a joint meeting. We didn't initiate it, the DDA did."

Councilwoman and newly appointed mayor pro tem Cheryl King said she has had concerns about the Be Closer campaign, as well. "We have to work as a team," she said. "Make sure we're on the same page."

"Some understand, some don't."

Future discussion are pending.

MISBEHAVE**Continued from Front Page**

involved and warned them about taking cuts.

At 2:40 a.m., Fenton police were called back to the parking lot after receiving a 911 call about three women causing problems as they waited in line. "Someone was taking cuts," said the chief.

"Someone was taking cuts."

Rick Aro
Fenton chief of police

As a precaution, Target had requested police presence for their opening. Aro said no incidents were observed.

While several Wal-Mart stores across the country experienced misbehaving customers, Fenton police were unaware of any incidents at the local store.

SALES**Continued from Front Page**

visitors on Thanksgiving day as shoppers searched for the biggest bargains.

"A good portion of the people had already been out shopping all night," said Kmart store manager Rick Falck. "Customers gravitated mostly toward electronics." Aside from the Fenton police intervening over an altercation while customers were still in line, Falck said that overall, customers were courteous with one another.

With the bevy of new gadgets such as the Kindle Fire and iPhone 4s topping everyone's Christmas list this year, customers bought up everything electronic. GPS systems didn't stay on the shelves for very long. Popular video games such as Modern Warfare 3 and Batman: Arkham Asylum were also in high demand, disappearing in a flash. A GE 16 megapixel camera packaged with a free 12-megapixel camera also sold out quick.

Electronics manager Jill Ingles said that nearly every customer bought at least one electronic item during Black Friday. "The big deal was the Leader i7 Tablet for \$99.99 and a 40" LCD TV for \$299.99," Ingles said.

Electronics may top the list of everyone's wish list, but Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without the toys. Customers flooded the toy aisles, snatching up hard to find items for the little ones. Talking and dancing mechanical toys such as Fidgets and a rock 'n roll Mickey Mouse were the most in demand items, followed by "buy one, get one free" Fisher Price toys. La La Lucy was another must have toy for shoppers.

"There were a lot of singing and dancing toys that parents wanted to buy their kids," said Mary Anne Potter, manager of the toy department at Kmart. "Most of the toys were in the ad, and at a good price."

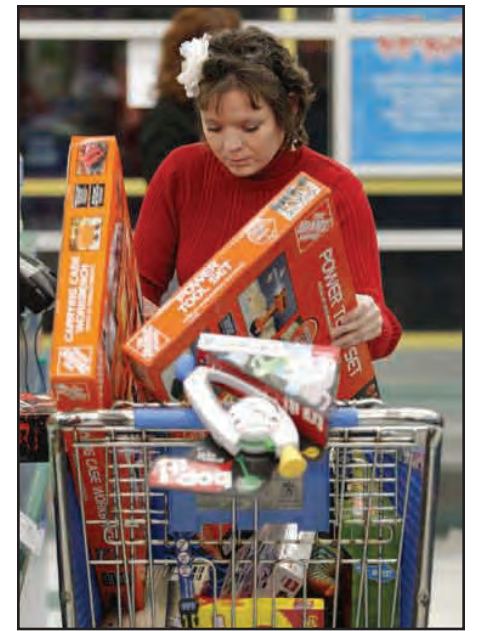
Even customers who didn't have the cash on hand for gifts took part in the Black Friday sales by utilizing Kmart's lay-away system. Under store policy, customers still receive items at the Black Friday price, even if they don't pay the items off until weeks later.

Other area businesses, such as Elections, also experienced long lines of eager customers waiting to cash in on the best deals of the holiday season.

"We had cars lined up at least an hour and 15 minutes before we opened up at 8 a.m.,"

"More shoppers seem to be doing their Christmas shopping from local area stores as well, instead of going to stores outside of their community."

Nicole Bergeron
Elections



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A record number of shoppers visited local businesses making it a profitable Black Friday.

said Elections co-owner Nicole Bergeron. "There were probably 150 people waiting in line. It was pretty overwhelming."

Bergeron said Black Friday is the only time of the year that customers can expect deep discounts on the most in-demand products. Many people look forward to the sales year round and will wait in line for any amount of time. High-quality designer handbags from Vera Bradley were priced at 50 percent off and were the main attraction for most customers. Select clothing and fashion jewelry were between 50 to 60 percent off as well.

"More people came out this year than they did in previous years," Bergeron said. "More shoppers seem to be doing their Christmas shopping from local area stores as well, instead of going to stores outside of their community."

Nationally, Black Friday sales were higher this year than they were last year. The National Retail Federation estimates that the average shopper spent nearly \$400 on Black Friday. ShopperTrak reports that Black Friday sales for 2011 were 6.6 percent higher than they were in 2010. The increase in sales may be an indication of an improving economy, as Black Friday sales in 2009 only increased by .3 percent from 2008.

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Catherine Behrens
Clerk-Treasurer, Village of Holly

GIFT CARDS

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A gift card provides a more personalized gift than a gift of money, because it can be tailored to the interests and tastes of the recipient. It's also easier to track than cash if the buyer has a receipt, in the unfortunate event of loss or theft. However, it's important for people to read the fine print before they purchase a gift card.

"Open" gift cards issued by credit card companies such as Visa or MasterCard are designed for use worldwide wherever these credit cards are accepted, but there are limitations. For example, local restaurants surveyed in the tri-county area have difficulty utilizing these bank-issued gift cards in their systems at least some of the time, even at national chains such as Applebee's. They're also not advised for payment at hotels, gas stations and rental car companies because of the 15-day pre-authorization hold that some of these businesses put on the card. However, many hotels, gas stations and restaurants sell their own gift cards, which can be used nationwide.

For most purchases at stores and malls, bank-issued cards work very well for both the gift giver and the recipient. "We sell tons of our MasterCard gift cards for Christmas," said Margaret Cady, vice president of retail operations for The State Bank in Fenton. "We haven't had any complaints by customers except for one who was not able to use it to pay for a cruise bill at the end of the vacation. They've been taken and used all over the world, from Italy and Spain to England and France."

The State Bank's MasterCard gift cards are available in amounts from \$10 up to \$3,000, allowing for small purchases and large expenditures including computers, furniture, etc. The State Bank charges a \$5.95 fee for each card purchased.

Elections co-owner Nicole Bergeron said the customer needs to know exactly how much value is left on a bank-issued card, because if they try to pay for a purchase that is larger than that amount, the card will automatically decline. Like many other local businesses, Elections has its own gift card that customers can buy for any dollar amount, with an almost indefinite expiration date.

Thanks to gift card rules that went into effect as part of the Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility and Disclosure Act



- **Gift cards are** good for a minimum of five years by law.
- **If a gift card** is inactive with no use, no fees can be charged for maintenance or storage for at least a year.
- **If a gift card** lies dormant for more than 12 months, companies can charge for maintaining a balance. Most business-specific gift cards don't charge fees.
- **Lost or stolen** gift cards must be replaced, when proof of purchase is established, along with unredeemed value. Buyers should ask about policies before making a purchase.
- **If a company** goes bankrupt, there is no protection offered by holders of gift cards from that company.

of 2009 (CARD Act), gift cards must remain valid for at least five years. This act also regulated the non-usage fees that some companies were charging customers who didn't use their gift cards for a certain amount of time.

For example, the MasterCard gift card offered by The State Bank only charges a \$2.95 monthly fee on month 13 if the customer doesn't use the card. "If the customer chooses to use it slowly over time, there aren't any fees," explained Cady.

People purchasing gift cards should look for cards that allow users to check their balances online. They should also know what the policies are for a lost or stolen card. Many companies have policies in place to replace a lost or stolen card, especially if the purchaser has the receipt and can establish the unredeemed value of the card.

Many chain store gift cards can be purchased at pharmacies and supermarkets, including VG's Grocery and Walgreens. Many local restaurants and independent stores also offer gift cards or gift certificates, often with a value added, such as a free \$5 gift certificate for every \$20 spent in gift certificates.

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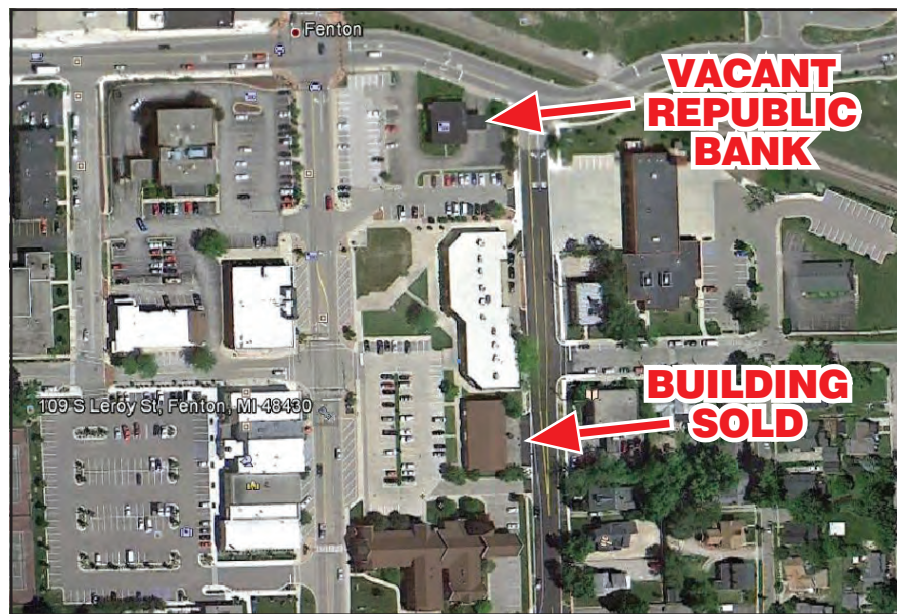
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FRIDAY, DEC. 3

Wee Care Child Development Center, 13274 S. Linden Rd., Linden, is hosting a fundraiser, Fill the Bus, on Friday, Dec. 2, from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. Nonperishable food items, clothes and toys will be collected for Angel Tree and Christmas Express. The fundraiser will benefit needy families in the area. For more information, call (910) 735-9595. Angel Tree provides presents for children from birth through high school, and Christmas Express provides food.

SUNDAY, DEC. 10

The sixth annual Christmas Cookie Walk will be held at **Transfiguration Lutheran Church**, 14176 Fenton Rd., Fenton, on Saturday, Dec. 10, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Select from a variety of 40 different holiday cookies. With a purchase of three dozen cookies or more, the church will ship the same amount to your loved one serving overseas in the military, free of charge. The project is supported by Thrivent Financial Care abounds in Communities.



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This overhead view shows the vacant Republic bank building and the building that houses Hometown Computers. The Fenton DDA has bought both with the intent of tearing them down to make parking for the Cornerstone development.

BUILDING

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the building, where Hometown Computers is located, have been working out details of a purchase agreement for a few months. The DDA went into closed session and discussed the purchase at its November meeting; however, no action was taken at that meeting.

Schmidt said both parties signed the purchase agreement just over a week ago. The DDA is paying Dr. James Hirt, owner of Fenton Foot Care, \$250,000 for the building. The building has three spaces that could be leased but Hometown Computers is currently the only business occupying a space.

"It's part of the cornerstone project," said Schmidt. "When we started, we looked at this building along with the Republic bank."

Michael Burns, director of the DDA and assistant city manager, said he signed the purchase agreement on Friday, Nov. 18 after Fenton City Council approved the deal in closed session at its Nov. 14 meeting.

Schmidt expects that the building will be demolished next April, about the same time as when the old Republic bank building is set to be demolished. The city bought the vacant Republic Bank site in December 2010 for \$325,000.

Schmidt said Mike Oliver, owner of Hometown Computers, has agreed to vacate his space by March 31, 2012 through a deal he worked out with his landlord. As an incentive to be out by deadline, Schmidt said their purchase agreement includes the DDA giving Oliver a \$5,000 check. "We didn't force Oliver to leave," Schmidt said.

Burns said the city and Oliver reached an agreement where he will pay \$1 monthly rent for January, February and March and if he leaves prior to March 31, he will receive the \$5,000, which is being kept in escrow.

To Schmidt's understanding, Oliver has selected another space within the city, which he is renovating. "It's a great business," he said.

The plan right now is to replace these buildings with parking, either surface or deck parking, according to Schmidt.

The building between the one just bought and the bank houses the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce office. Schmidt said the DDA has approached the owner, Carl Savage, about selling; however, the owner has declined. "He turned us down," Schmidt said. "Savage's building may stay there forever."

Burns added that there is currently no agreement in place between the DDA and Savage.

When asked why it was the responsibility of the DDA to purchase this property and not the Saab family, which is developing the site, Burns said the Saab family has committed millions of dollars to the project. When the partnership was formed, the city agreed to assist where it could. "This is our portion," said Burns.

The grand scheme of the \$4 million Cornerstone development has three new buildings right along North LeRoy Street with parking in the back. Schmidt said they have already received a couple of signed letters from prospective tenants for the first floor (retail/restaurants) and they're looking for two or three letters of intent for the second and third floors (office and residential).



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SHARON STONE

Hometown Computers will relocate its business early next year as the building it is currently in has been sold.

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Answer in this Sunday's edition of the Tri-County Times

WEEKLY

WednesdayJumble

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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PAUL G. DONOHUE, M.D.

To your good health

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for many years. Doctors say nothing
can be done. I had them cut off and
frozen off, but they come right back.
Can you help?

ANSWER: Seborrheic (SEB-uh-REE-
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sometimes the face. They are not cancers
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only a few, but there can be hundreds of
them. Their cause is a mystery, but they
appear at older ages, so aging is some-
how involved. A doctor can scrape them
off or freeze them. They might come back,
but they can be retreated if they do. The
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*Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer indi-
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OUR IDIOT BROTHER

Every family has one — the sibling who is always just a little bit behind the curve when it comes to getting his life together. For sisters Liz (Emily Mortimer), Miranda (Elizabeth Banks) and Natalie (Zooey Deschanel), that person is their perennially upbeat brother Ned (Paul Rudd), an erstwhile organic farmer whose willingness to rely on the honesty of man-kind is a less-than-optimum strategy for a tidy, trouble-free existence. Ned may be utterly lacking in com-

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Linden girls golf team earns several postseason honors

By David Troppens

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When a team shocks its regional and then places fifth in the state, that squad is going to get noticed.

And some awards will probably come their way as well.

That has happened to the Linden varsity girls team.

The girls, who finished fifth at the Division 3 state meet, have recently seen two of their golfers and their coach earn postseason honors.

Julie Guckian and Miranda Day recently were named All-State golfers, while their coach, Todd Skinner, earned Regional Coach of the Year honors.

"It's nice to see some of the hard work pay off,"

Skinner said. "It's always good for the program, and at the end of the day, all I care about is the program. It means a lot for the girls. They had outstanding seasons. It's very humbling."

Guckian's All-State recognition probably didn't come as a surprise. Guckian broke several school records, including lowest nine-hole Metro League average (38.9). She broke the school record for most birdies during the season (18) and most pars (102). She was the Metro League champion, and she was the regional match medalist as well, helping the Eagles shock a tough regional, by earning a state bid. Once there, Guckian finished sixth with a two-day, 36-hole score of 87-92-179.

Day averaged a 41.4 during the season and was a second-team Metro selection. She carded a 91 at regionals and followed that up with an eighth-place finish

ish at the state meet with a 91-91-182.

"I think it's great. We were the only team that had two girls in the top 10 at the state meet," Skinner said. "That's huge. Those girls deserve it."

Skinner has coached the varsity team for three years and was an assistant four years ago. Since he's taken over, the team has gone to the state meet twice, and Guckian has gone all three years. "I have a great rapport with the girls, I know them on a personal level as well as on the golf team," Skinner said. "My coaching philosophy is if you get to know the players personally they'll want to do more. Golf is more than a seasonal sport. They know my kids. They babysit for me."

"I've been blessed with a great group of girls and all of them come back except Miranda. We set some records this year and we want to build on them."

Linden's Julie Guckian

SPORTS TRIVIA

Q Who did the Lions play for their first Thanksgiving game and where?

A The Lions played the Chicago Bears at Titan Stadium on the campus of the University of Detroit. The Lions lost the Nov. 29, 1934 game 19-16.

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A Powers-packed state championship victory

Tri-county resident Pougnet leads Powers to 56-26 win vs. Cougars

By David Troppens

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In the most important football game of his career, Powers quarterback Garrett Pougnet had the game of his life.

But the junior signal-caller wasn't the only one to experience that sensation. The entire Powers' squad chipped in with a pretty magical performance during Saturday's Division 5 state championship game at Ford Field.

Led by Pougnet's four touchdown passes and two TD runs, Flint Powers captured its second state title in school history, upsetting top-ranked Lansing Catholic Central 56-26 in the Division 5 state championship game.

"Coming out there before the game when we got out there, taking it all in was amazing," Pougnet said. "All week I tried to stay focused on what I had to do. But I wouldn't have been able to accomplish anything without the offensive line and the receivers. They stepped up and played an outstanding game."

Powers did play a pretty outstanding game in all phases of the game. Minus a 2-0 forfeit victory recorded against Albion, Lansing Catholic Central's offense entered the title game averaging 47.6 points a contest. That included a 37-point performance against Powers during Week #2 of the regular season. But this time, the Chargers held LCC to just 26 points and a respectable 359 yards total offense. And while Pougnet ran for 155 yards and two scores, his teammates also ran for exactly the same numbers as well. Certainly it wasn't all Pougnet, but it's certain he was the star.

Pougnet completed 12-of-15 passes for 258 yards and four scores, leading Powers to touchdowns on eight straight possessions. And his performance wasn't lost on his teammates.

"Garrett had the game of his life," Christopher Koenigsnecht said. "He played out of his mind. Everyone was clicking, though. The receivers were



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FELICIA HARCHICK

(Above) Flint Powers celebrates its Division 5 state championship victory with its trophy at Ford Field on Saturday. Powers, whose team includes many tri-county athletes, won its second football state title in school history, defeating Lansing Catholic Central 56-26 in the title game. (Right) Garrett Pougnet is one of those tri-county athletes. The quarterback threw four touchdown passes and ran for two more TDs in the win.

catching everything he threw."

"Garrett played outstanding," defensive lineman Danny O'Brien said. "It was awesome. I knew Garrett could do that. In some games he'd have more running touchdowns than passing, but he really put them together in one game."

"When they couldn't keep Garrett out of the end zone, I realized we were going to win."

The Cougars opened the contest scoring on the game's first possession. Fueled by LCC's All-State quarterback Cody Rush, the Cougars took 11 plays to drive 65 yards for the game's first TD. It came on Rush's seven-yard completion to Matt Macksood with 7:09 left in the first quarter. However, from that point on, Powers, and Pougnet, dominated.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | GARRETT GORMLEY

After Powers' defense stopped LCC on a fourth-and-one play on its second possession, Powers took just two plays to take the lead. Pougnet completed a 52-yard pass for a TD. Javier Guerra made the first of his five extra-point kicks and Powers led 7-6 with 1:58 left in the first quarter. It started a string of eight straight possessions that ended in TDs for Powers.

Powers scored three TDs in the second quarter. A 10-play, 70-yard drive was capped with Pougnet's 12-yard touchdown

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Chargers' defense also played well in state title victory

By David Troppens

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When the Flint Powers football team looks back at its 56-26 Division 5 championship victory against No. 1 ranked Lansing Catholic Central on Saturday, what most will remember was quarterback Garrett Pougnet's performance and how the offense was, simply, spectacular.

And rightfully so. Pougnet completed 12-of-15 passes for 258 yards and four TDs and also ran for 155 yards, while the team's offense collected a whopping 568 yards total offense. It's hard not to look at those stats and credit the offense for Powers' second state title in school history.

But one shouldn't forget the defense, either.

"It definitely was a great game. Our offense put up a lot of points and our defense stopped them and slowed them down."

Danny O'Brien

Powers defensive lineman and tri-county resident

Entering Saturday's matchup, the experts wondered if the Chargers, a squad comprised of many tri-county athletes, could stop the Cougars' potent offense, sparked by All-State quarterback Cooper Rush. After all, LCC had scored 571 points in its previous 12 games (minus a 2-0 forfeit win against Albion) and already had defeated Powers 37-17 during Week #2 of the regular season. Stopping the Cougars' offense seemed on the verge of impossible. But the Powers' defense was up to the task.

Powers' defense held the Cougars, who had scored at least 37 points in every game since a 21-19 victory against Madison Heights Madison the opening week of this season, to just 26 points. If prior to the game, the Powers' defense was told they would hold LCC to just 26 points, they would've taken it in a heartbeat.

"Our coach told us we would probably have to score 50 points to beat this team,"

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did you know?

Chicago Bears' Fred Evans returned two fumbles back for TDs on Nov. 28, 1948, an NFL record.

Run Like the Dickens event continues to grow

By David Troppens

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When Rob Basydlo started up the Run Like the Dickens 5K/10K Run, it didn't have 500 people registered to run.

And now, with just over a week remaining until the ninth-annual run, the event already has that many pre-registered.

Before it's said and done, Basydlo expects well over 1,000 competitors will run in the 5K/10K run event around Karl Richter campus and downtown Holly.

"We already have 500 registered and who knows how many have registered today," Basydlo said on Monday. "We've gone from a couple hundred during the first year to 1,200 people. We've had people who have qualified for the Olympic Trials run it. We've had a wide spectrum of folks. It's growing and becoming quite the community event."

And this year's event, which will be Dec. 10 at 9 a.m. starting at Karl Richter Campus, will have a celebrity appeal as well. Basydlo has confirmed the Detroit Fox Sports girls will be at the event. Basydlo said they were contacted about the Dickens Festival and when they found out there was a road race during the event, it became a natural fit. The Fox Sports Detroit girls were introduced earlier this year during the

Detroit Tigers season. They do promotional events for the cable sports channel and are frequently shown doing promos for the television station during programming. They also host a successful facebook site in which they have over 20,000 followers. Their addition could help make this year's run event the biggest in the nine-year history of the event.

"They will be signing autographs before the race and will be cheering for people during the race," Basydlo said.

Registration is Friday night at Holly Middle School's Karl Richter Gymnasium from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and on Saturday starting at 7:30 a.m. The race starts on the campus with the 5K run starting first at 9 a.m. The 5K walk starts about a minute later and the 10K run starts at approximately 9:05 a.m. There is a Tiny Tim Trott with races from one mile and shorter for students of elementary school age and younger.

The larger races start on campus and go through downtown Holly. The cost is \$28 with a shirt or \$23 a person within the same household.

"I am a family guy and love watching families run together," Basydlo said. "It makes sense."

There is free babysitting during the event for runners, and baked goods will be

provided as well. Messages will be available for runners before and after the race as well. All the proceeds go to Holly track and field programs within the school.

Basydlo is excited to see the event grow each year.

"I'm pleased with its success," Basydlo said. "Road races are popping up left and right. It's the thing to do to raise money. It's not a hard fundraiser, but you have to do it right. We have tried to do things that we thought make sense and eliminated those things we don't think make sense. Our shirt is a running material shirt. Our awards are usable — tall mugs. We do ev-

everything I like in races and not the things we thought, 'Come on' about when we've seen them at other races.

"We do things to bring people to us, and that's why I think it has grown."

Jingle Jog 5K Run

Fenton's Jinglefest activities will include the Jingle Jog 5K run in downtown Fenton on Saturday starting at 5 p.m. Registration is \$25, and will begin on race day at 3:45 p.m. at the Fenton Community Center. The race is four "laps" on a strip of S. LeRoy Street in downtown Fenton.

Soup and bread will be provided at the Fenton Community Center as well.

Lake Fenton's Lyons headed to Florida baseball camp

By Al Zipsie

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Jim Lyons has made the most of his talents in his sports career at Lake Fenton High School.

The Lake Fenton senior experienced some success with the Blue Devils' play-off-qualifying football team. But now that the season is over, he's getting ready for baseball.

During winter break, from Dec. 27 until Dec. 31, Lyons will be in the warmth of Florida playing baseball. He was one of a few chosen to participate at the Coast to Coast Baseball Camp hosted by at the Roger Dean Complex in Jupiter, Fla.

Lyons showcased his baseball skills in the summer at Genesee Fieldhouse, and was selected for the camp based on his four skills that each player was evaluated — hitting, fielding, arm strength and speed. The Coast to Coast baseball program chose Lyons to participate in the camp. It is the same training grounds for the World Champion St. Louis Cardinals and the Florida Marlins. It also is the only facility in the country to host two minor league teams. About 2,000 players try out at nationwide tryouts. Lyons is one of about 250 to make the cut.

The December camp will give Lyons 15 hours of group and personal instruction from top college coaches and pro scouts. He will play in a series of daily inter-squad games as well.

The program has been successful creating talent, with its alumni now competing at every level of college baseball and even professionally.

"Florida will be a lot of fun," Lyons said. "We had a lot of our games last spring postponed with it still snowing, so it will be nice to be outside a little longer while the guys back in Michigan will not be playing outdoors. I think the experience will give me a boost, playing longer than most everybody else. And I can learn (a lot) in Florida from the instructors."

Lyons is an infielder for the Blue Devils. The squad finished last year 12-12.

The Blue Devils have high hopes to keep it going. Lake Fenton loses some talented pitchers, but Lyons returns along with senior Tyler Hammond and junior Wyatt Wilson.

"I think we will have a good baseball season at Lake Fenton with the seniors back and some good underclassmen," Lyons said. "I think we will give teams a run for their money."

Lyons is an avid outdoorsman. He enjoys baseball and football but also enjoys hunting and snowmobiling. He hopes that baseball or football, is part of his college experience. This camp could help him enhance his baseball stock.

"I am looking at schools in the state, but really am willing to go out of state if the fit is right," Lyons said. "I am open to anything."

"I have been trying to get my name out there, going to camps. I am just hoping a college coach in one or both sports is willing to give me that chance, to get that scholarship and helping with the costs."

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Powers linebacker Christopher Koenigskecht said. "LCC's quarterback is as good as advertised. He's really good. Their receivers run great routes and they are a great team, but we did well. That made it even better that we won. We beat the best team."

"Oh it definitely was a great game," defensive lineman Dan O'Brien said. "Our offense put up a lot of points and our defense stopped them, and slowed them down."

"We are a completely different team from the first time we played them. We have a couple of new people playing defense since then."

LCC scored first, driving 65 yards on 11 plays, for an early 6-0 lead. However, the Chargers' defense then held the Panthers to just 42 yards on 13 plays on their next three offensive possessions. While that was happening, the Chargers cruised to a 20-6 lead.

With Powers leading 28-13 at the half, the Chargers did just enough in the second half to slow LCC's offense. While the Cougars scored two touchdowns, Powers also forced an interception — by Ethan Wiskur — and forced LCC to end a possession on downs.

Rush still completed 26-for-41 passes for 291 yards and three scores, but the squad was only able to run for 64 yards on 23 attempts. Lansing Catholic never had a run longer than 13 yards, and averaged just 2.8 yards a carry.

"The defense held a high-powered offense enough to win," Koenigskecht said.

He couldn't have been more accurate.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FELICIA HARCHICK

(Above) Flint Powers Catholic's squad takes a minute to pose with the trophy after winning the Division 5 state football championship game. (Right) Macauley Rybar (left) jumps into the arms of Danny Meissner after Meissner's 52-yard TD reception in the first quarter.

POWERS

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reception to Spencer Harchick with 8:41 left in the half. Powers led 14-6.

Two LCC penalties stalled the Cougars' next drive, setting up Powers' most impressive drive of the game. The Chargers went 98 yards on six plays, scoring on Pougnet's 69-yard TD run around the left tackle. Powers led 20-6 with 4:45 remaining in the half.

LCC cut it to 20-13 with a quick three-play drive, scoring on Connor Bartlett's 48-yard TD pass from Rush with 3:32 left, but Powers responded with a six-play, 75-yard drive of their own. Prescott Myers caught a 37-yard pass from Pougnet with just 47 seconds left in the half. Pougnet's two-point completion pass to Danny Meissner gave Powers a 28-13 lead at the half.

The Powers' offense wasn't stopped in the second half either. Pougnet had a one-yard TD run, while Myers caught a 34-yard pass from Pougnet for Powers' two TD scores in the third period. Meanwhile, Rush had a four-yard run for LCC in between the two Chargers' scores. Powers led 42-20 entering the fourth quarter.

Powers then iced the game with two fourth-quarter TDs. Nick Sullivan scored on a 36-yard run, while Harchick scored on a 15-yard run. In between the two Powers' scores, Bartlett caught a 33-yard TD pass from Rush, but it was a case of too little, too late for the Cougars.

"Everyone played their best, from the first guy to the last. Everyone had a great game," lineman Macauley Rybar said. "Garrett played out of his mind and had a lot of stats, and everyone contributed to it as well. The defensive line played well. No one had a bad game. A lot of people chipped in for this win."

Meissner led Powers receivers with six catches for 141 yards. Myers had three catches for 93 yards. After Pougnet's 155 rushing yards, Sullivan had 53 yards.

Defensively, Ethan Wiskur had a 46-yard interception return, while Jacob Cornille and Idris Hobdy had a sack each. Sullivan, Hobdy, Koenigskecht and Ryan Drury had seven tackles each. Rush had strong numbers for LCC, completing 26-of-41 passes for 291 yards, but the offense was held to considerably less scores than



most of the season.

"There was so much excitement in the locker room. It's hard to describe the feeling. It's an incredible feeling," Koenigskecht said. "I got to hold on to the trophy and realized, 'Wow, we are the No. 1 team in our division.' It's just an incredible feeling."

"It's a great feeling," said O'Brien, who is headed to the University of Tennessee in the fall. "It's the dream ending for a high school player to get an opportunity to play in a state championship game. But to win it is amazing."

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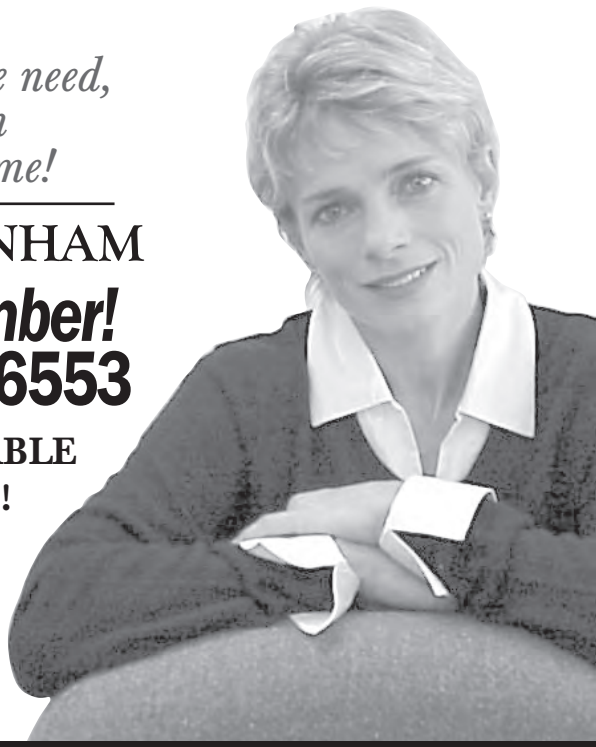
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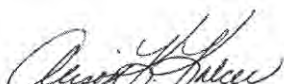
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ROSE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

November 9, 2011

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

- Roll Call: Board Members Present: Kalcec, Miller, Slaughter, Gordon, Scheib-Snyder Board Members Absent: None
- Approved: Agenda for the November 9, 2011 regular meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees with the addition of items I, J, K.
- Approved: Consent agenda with the minutes of October 12, 2011, financial reports and payment of bills.
- Presentation: Candace Cataldi-Nationwide Retirement System,
Public Hearing: Programming PY2011 Community Development Block Grant Funds.
Public Hearing: Programming PY2012 Community Development Block Grant Funds.
Adopted: Resolution to Request Reprogramming of PY2011 CDBG Funds for parks and recreation facilities where the scope of the project is to replace picnic shelter roof, repair, and re-paint the lower portion of the structure.
- Adopted: Resolution of programming PY2012 CDBG funds to include parks and recreation facilities, improvements at Dearborn Park and emergency warning systems if there is a category available for that use.
- Approved: Direct Constable to look into Holly Farms Property on Pepper Road and authorizing him to use Carlisle Wortman for assistance with building code issues.
- Adopted: Resolution Regarding Responsible Driving By Person Under 18 Years of Age.
- Adopted: Resolution Regarding PEG Funding.
- Approved: Response to Citizens Concerns - Township Fund Balance. Rose Township is in a fiscal neutral position and no action is required by the State. Board agrees that the financial policies of Rose Township have kept the Township in good financial condition.
- Approved: Contract with Genesee Valley Vault including the indemnity language, insurance certificate and the fee schedule.
- Approved: Resignation/Retirement of Township Supervisor.
- Approved: Supervisor to sign the 3-month interim contract with Carlisle Wortman for building department services.
- Tabled: Scheib-Snyder being considered for appointment to the NOCFA Board.
- Date Set: Special meeting on November 30, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. for interviewing candidates for Supervisor position.
- Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.


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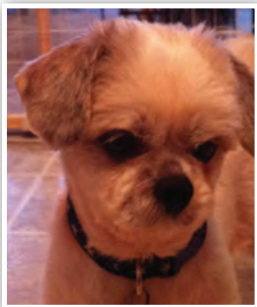
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FORECLOSURE NOTICE In the event this property is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7cc of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 7cc please contact our office at (248) 844-5123. This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Brian Allen a/k/a Bryan Allen, A Married Man, and Nicole Allen, His Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for CitiMortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 20, 2008 and recorded February 25, 2008 in Instrument # 200802250010978 Genesee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: CitiMortgage, Inc., by assignment dated July 14, 2010 and recorded July 27, 2010 in Instrument # 201007270057197 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-One Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars and Five Cents (\$61,453.05) including interest 6.875% 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 Genesee County at 10:00AM on December 14, 2011 Said premises are situated in Township of Mount Morris, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot(s) 56 of Alpine Gardens No. 1, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 24 of Plats, Page(s) 1 of Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 6409 Central Garden Drive, Mount Morris MI 48458 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), which-ever is later. Dated: 11/16/2011 CitiMortgage, Inc. Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-52507 Ad #17003 11/16, 11/23, 11/30, 12/07/2011

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT; ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW. ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, Bank of America, N.A., successor in interest to LaSalle Bank Midwest NA, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as Servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents, may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest. Default having occurred in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Maurice J. Newman and Cheryl A. Newman, husband and wife, ("Debtors") to Bank of America, N.A., successor in interest to LaSalle Bank Midwest NA, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as Servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents ("Green Tree"), dated November 20, 2006, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Genesee in the State of Michigan on December 18, 2006, in Instrument Number 200612180107522, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$58,181.65, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Debtors to Green Tree together with interest at 6.690 percent per annum. NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on December 9, 2011 at 11:00 a.m., in the main lobby of the Courthouse in Flint, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Genesee, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows: to-wit: LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MT. MORRIS, COUNTY OF GENESSEE, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE EAST 903.22 FEET OF THE NORTH 48 RODS OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4, EXCEPT THE EAST 48.33 RODS. AND A PARCEL OF LAND BEGINNING 903.22 FEET WEST OF THE EAST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION; THENCE WEST 105.77 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 11' 10" EAST, 320 FEET; THENCE WEST, 82.50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 11' 10" EAST, 476.47 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 58' 50" EAST, 186.14 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 01' 59" WEST, 796.53 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING EXCEPT THE NORTH 320 FEET. The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of sale unless the property is established to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed. Dated: November 2, 2011 Bank of America, N.A., successor in interest to LaSalle Bank Midwest NA, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as Servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents By: DONALD A. BRANDT (P30183) BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & PEZZETTI, P.C. Attorneys for Green Tree 1241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817 Traverse City, Michigan 49696-5817 (231) 941-9660 File No.: 6140.1042 Ad #16633 11/09, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30/2011

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