

**STORY:  
ANTIBULLYING  
POLICIES**

**“I think bullying** has been around at least since public schools, and it is serious and



horrible. The only solution that I can think of would be a structural

solution that would begin instilling/normalizing a sense of care for those younger in the system than one's self.”

— Michelle Smith

**STORY: IS BIG  
BROTHER  
WATCHING YOU?**

**“This is a carrier issue,** not a manufacturer issue. If you have a Verizon android phone, you have nothing to worry about. AT&T, Sprint, and T-mobile



have the Carrier IQ software as mandated by the service

provider. An iPhone does have Carrier IQ software on it, however Apple has promised to remove it with a future software update.”

— DC

**HOT LINE:**

**“While putting my** groceries on the check-out stand at Wal-Mart, a young lady came up to me and said, ‘I’m spreading Christmas cheer and I’m paying for your groceries.’ This amazing person gave me the change and told me to put it in the basket out front. I did. Thank you so much.”

**HOT LINE**

**OF THE WEEK**

**“AS I WAS** driving into Fenton yesterday, noticing the new welcome signs, I thought to myself, thank goodness it doesn’t say ‘Be Closer’ on it. Visitors would wonder what it means and think we were idiots.”



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# Tri-County Times

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## Where do DDA dollars come from?

► More than \$3 million in the bank

**By Sharon Stone**

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**Fenton** — Have you ever wondered where the Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) gets its funding from? You're not alone.

As of Nov. 10, the DDA has collected \$1,492,355 in tax revenue,

\$656 in miscellaneous income and \$1,520 in interest for 2011. It has also shared \$400,000 of its revenue with the city's general fund for a total revenue of \$1,094,531.

Some of the projects the DDA is spending funds in 2011 on include  
**See DDA DOLLARS on 14A**

**Summary**

► Michael Burns, assistant manager of Fenton and director of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), explains where the DDA gets its funding and what it's being spent on.

## Wrapping up for the holidays



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | TIM JAGIELO

Tyler Holser, 18, wraps gifts for families in need with his mother, Janet Holser, on Thursday at Cyclone Park in Holly. The annual event aids nearly 200 families a year, and is coordinated by Holly Area Youth Assistance (HAYA). HAYA is a community-based prevention organization developed by volunteers who live or work in the greater Holly Area School district community.

## There are jobs out there

► But you likely will have to relocate

**By William Axford**

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Michigan's unemployment rate has finally dipped below 10 percent for the first time in three years. But don't expect people to start flocking back to the Mitten any time soon.

**Top five states with the  
most job growth 2011**

Texas — 117,600 jobs  
California — 92,300 jobs  
Florida — 85,500 jobs  
New York — 59,600 jobs  
Massachusetts — 39,700 jobs

According to the latest Census, more than 100,000 people left the state, mostly

**See JOBS  
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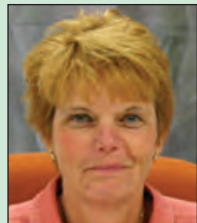
## Fired manager Marsha Powers lawsuit settled

► Amount of settlement agreement not disclosed

**By Tim Jagielo**

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**Holly** — Following a closed session of the Holly Village Council on Tuesday, the litigation involving fired village manager Marsha Powers has been resolved, according to her legal council on Wednesday.



Marsha Powers

Powers was fired by the former village council in the fall of 2010. She

**See LAWSUIT on 23A**

## Use of synthetic marijuana hits close to home

► Nearly cost one local teen his life

**By Sharon Stone**

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Parents of Holly students received a letter from Superintendent Kent Barnes last week, warning them that some local teens were experimenting with synthetic marijuana, marketed as herbal and all-natural incense.

**See SYNTHETIC  
MARIJUANA  
on 15A**



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | SUBMITTED PHOTO  
Three grams of the K2Summit sells for \$29.95.

## Do Fenton's 'welcome' signs meet specs?

► Engineering firm to reveal findings on Tuesday

**By Sharon Stone**

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**Fenton** — The Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) will reveal the findings of an independent engineering review for the city's new welcome signs when it holds its monthly meeting on Tuesday.

The DDA agreed to have this done after a Fenton resident, who owns a local sign company, expressed concerns that the newly installed signs do not meet the original specifications.

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Jamie Elfstrom, owner of Bill Carr Signs, believes the new welcome signs in Fenton don't match the bidding specifications.





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## It's holiday shipping crunch time for UPS drivers

► 26 million packages to be delivered on Dec. 22

By Tim Jagielo

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It's the busiest time of the year for UPS driver Mike Callard, of Linden. But on Wednesday morning with dozens of stops left, his truck broke down right off of Silver Parkway in Fenton, in the rain. He still delivered four stops on foot, and was soaked by the rain in the process. "Normally I'm not this soaked," he said with a chuckle. The last two weeks before Christmas is the busiest time of the year for shipping services like UPS. Their volume increases by 60 percent for the heavy pre-Christmas time, according to Christopher Yohn, a spokesperson for UPS in Michigan. UPS was previously the United Parcel Service, but was named simply UPS in

See **UPS DRIVERS** on 11A

"It's sort of organized chaos."

Mike Callard  
UPS driver



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

UPS Driver Mike Callard, of Linden, delivers multiple packages Wednesday morning, during the busiest two weeks of the year.

## A cultural experience

► Four venues worth checking out in Michigan

*There are many cultural events this holiday season in the surrounding area. Here's a look at a few theaters and event centers around the state worth exploring.*

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# Thoughtful gifts for your special lady

Ah yes, the sounds of Christmas. They're everywhere. The slap of punches being exchanged over parking spots at the mall. The screaming of terrified toddlers forced to sit on the lap of a giant, bearded man in a red suit whose breath smells like whiskey and cigarettes. The ripping of clothes as two women battle in the aisle of *Toys R Us* over the last Xia-Xia Hermit Crab. And expletives and F-bombs echoing through the neighborhood as frustrated fathers battle the elements to decorate their homes with tiny electric lights manufactured in third-world countries by pre-school children whose homes don't actually have electricity. And Christmas traditions — for

instance, the Christmas tree. Festive families trudge into the freezing forest and chop down a perfectly good evergreen tree and drag it home in order to attempt to make it stand upright in their living room as a symbol of... well, no one really knows. This is a tradition invented by the Germans who, not surprisingly, also invented the 'I Bet You Can't' giant beer stein.

But, I digress. The most cherished of Christmas traditions is the exchanging of gifts. Nothing says 'I love you' more than a thoughtful, useful, meaningful gift. But, according to the *American Association of People Who Wonder Why Broccoli Doesn't Come In A Can*, nine out of 10 men don't buy

thoughtful, useful, or meaningful gifts. So, for those men who still haven't finished their holiday shopping, I have compiled some thoughtful, useful and meaningful gift suggestions guaranteed to light the fire of your special lady.

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Trust me, if you go with one of the above suggestions, you are going to have one happy little lady on Christmas morning.

From everyone at the Tri-County Times, Merry Christmas.

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**THANK YOU, TO** all of the Fenton firefighters who donated their time to help the local less fortunate children shop at Target last Friday. You truly are heroes. Also, thank you to Dee and the Lake Fenton school staff for your help. God bless each of you and Merry Christmas.

**I'M AN ATHEIST**, and would like to say 'Merry Christmas' to everyone. The phrase doesn't bother me at all. It's your personal beliefs that count. That said, more appropriate descriptions would be Merry-Sellmas, Merry-Spendmas, Merry-Moneymas, Merry-Takemas, Merry-Expectmas, Merry-Profitmas, Merry-Vendomas, etc, as long as it reflects spending money. It's become disgusting.

**WELL, I FINISHED** Christmas shopping all before the snow flies, the roads get bad, and people start getting pushy on the roads. Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night.

**THANK YOU, PRESIDENT** Obama for getting us out of Iraq. The Republicans would have kept us there forever to support their ties to the corporations that feeds on the war. Watch them keep us in Afghanistan now. The lives of our service men mean nothing to them.

**THOMAS SOWELL'S** column in the Wednesday, Dec. 7 issue is correct. It's

a reality check to Liberals from Conservatives. Not all Conservatives are rich, and not all Liberals are poor. There are just as many liberals in that 1 percent and 11 percent of them live in Washington D.C where they are exempt from that tax.

**OBAMA SAYS LET** everyone pay their fair share, which means those who work hard for their money should give some to those who won't. Welfare is volunteer slavery. What 'poor' means, changes as often as the tax bracket moves up and down.

**HEY RON, THIS** is John. Let's go, Ron Paul, lets get it on.

**IT DOES NOT** bother me that an atheist or non-Christian does not say Merry Christmas. But when a store makes its living selling all of those Christmas gifts and advertises heavily about Christmas, then they should be saying Merry Christmas when you buy something there.

**ABE LINCOLN HAD** very little in common with Obama. Lincoln was a Republican. He actually worked as an attorney and did not need a teleprompter to deliver a speech. He did not bankrupt our country and try to make us a European state. Lincoln was an outstanding president.

**THE PROBLEM ISN'T** that people say Happy Holidays, the problem is they are instructed to not say Merry Christmas.

**NEWT GINGRICH IS** running the same old plan that all criminals do. He admits his 'adultery' mistakes only because he's been caught. And then he expects everyone to forgive and forget, because he now is a man of God. People on Death Row try the same tactic. Hey Newt, it won't work.

**MITCH MCCONNELL** — 'THE single most important thing we want to achieve is for President Obama to be a one-term president.' The Republicans are more concerned destroying Democrats, than helping citizens, unless you're rich. They go all out for them.

**NOTICE THAT PRESIDENT** Obama didn't arrive in a flight jacket with 'Mission Accomplished' plastered all over when Bin Ladin was taken. His decisions to execute the plan credits him, and he gave all credit to the military for its success. To say he took all the credit is a lie.

**OCCUPIERS ARE OBAMA'S** drones, programmed to think everyone owes them everything, when they do nothing.

**I JUST WANT** to say thank you to the person who had someone change the red light at North Road and Adelaide Street when making a left turn. It is now a blinking light. It saves so much time and frustration instead of sitting there and not a single car is coming. Thank you so much, and Merry Christmas.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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## What's the most memorable concert you've ever attended?

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"Maroon Five,' I took my 18-year-old cousin to see it and it was her first concert."

— Cathy Perry  
Grand Blanc



"My most memorable concert was when my son played in the Linden High School band. They sounded phenomenal."

— Desiree Muldoon, Linden



"It was the 'Rolling Stones,' Mick Jagger was so full of energy and everyone was so into the music."

— Kathleen Brang, Pontiac



"Aerosmith,' I am a big fan and its always cool to see the band you love live in concert."

— Kelli Brendle  
Fenton



"The Who,' I was surprised how good they were after all these years."

— Kathy Davis  
Grand Blanc



"Seeing 'REO Speedwagon' brought back so many memories for me."

— Linda Josephson  
Fenton





TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Rose Township Supervisor Alison Kalcec smiles as she is recognized by an audience member at her last township board meeting Wednesday night. She said she is leaving with no regrets.

## Rose Township supervisor says good-bye

### ► Leaves with no regrets

By Tim Jagielo

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After more than 20 years of public service, Rose Township Supervisor Alison Kalcec attended her last board of trustees meeting Wednesday night, marking the end of a career of which she has no regrets. "Just relief," she added after the meeting ended.

Kalcec resigned from the position in November, stating her vacancy could help move the township forward and clear up the decisive atmosphere on the township board. Her last meeting was held in the newly remodeled township office — a fitting final meeting place also wrapping up a contentious and expensive project that Kalcec helped bring to fruition.

The office is one of her most important achievements, said Kalcec, along with the warning sirens that have begun to be installed. Kalcec is proud of the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) which she helped develop as a NOCFA

board member for 15 years. "I feel pretty good about it."

Kalcec said when she first started working for the township all of the records were kept in her home. Now, everything is in the updated township office. "Overall, as a community, we've centralized all the services without any debt or any increase in taxes, and I think that's pretty huge," she said.

### Summary

► Wednesday marked the end of a career of public service for Rose Township Supervisor Alison Kalcec, as she submitted her resignation in November. Glen Noble has been appointed as supervisor until November 2012.

Kalcec was the supervisor for three years, and the clerk in Rose Township for 12 years. She worked for the village of Holly before that.

She said she will continue with a couple part-time, book-keeping jobs, and may even dust off her viola and join the Fenton Community Orchestra. "I got grandkids I'd like to spend some time with," she said.

Resident Jan Koop said she is sad to see Kalcec go. "It's a great loss for the township,"

she said. "She was here for all the right reasons."

Kalcec said she will miss interacting with the community members the most.

"It's a great loss for the township. She was here for all the right reasons."

Jan Koop

Rose Township resident

## Board appoints interim supervisor

By Tim Jagielo

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**Rose Twp.** — The Rose Township Board of Trustees appointed long-time community member Glen Noble to serve as interim supervisor. The former supervisor, Alison Kalcec, resigned from the position in November. Noble will fill the remainder of Kalcec's term beginning in January, to November 2012. Noble would then have to run for the supervisor position in the regular election if he chooses.



Glen Noble

said Noble was chosen because he has a better-rounded career of experience than the other applicants.

Noble said he brings 50 years of experience, as a consulting engineer for public civil works projects. His biggest challenge will be getting up to speed with the operations of the township, especially the financial operations. "I'm a problem solver," he said.

Noble said he expects he will be available for open office hours in the second or third week of January 2012.

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# Changes beginning at post office

►Processing centers across the state expected to be phased out by spring 2012

By William Axford

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Tri-county area residents may experience a delay in the delivery of their mail starting in January 2012. Mail from the Flint Post Office processing center — the biggest postal facility in the area — will now be sorted at the Pontiac processing center.

According to the Flint-area American Postal Workers Union, the move may delay mail delivered in the tri-county area by a few days. All mail that begins with a 484 or 485 zip code will be sorted at the Pontiac processing center before being sent to prospective postal offices. The post master at the Fenton Post Office declined to comment on how the changes would affect Fenton residents.

The move is expected to save the U.S. Postal Service nearly \$6.5 million annually, and comes during declining profits and high operating costs. By May 15 of 2012, the U.S. Postal Service is tentatively planning to close the biggest processing centers around the state including Detroit, Lansing, Saginaw, Jackson and Kalamazoo.

"The U.S. Postal Service must reduce its operating costs by \$20 billion by 2015 in order to return to profitability," said David Williams, vice president of Network Operations, in a press release. The proposed closures could cost more than 1,000 jobs across the state.

In the fall, the postal service began studying 252 out of 487 mail-processing locations for possible closure. The effort to consolidate resources will also affect overall operations. First-class mail may switch from two-day delivery or three-day delivery.

Under the postal service's proposed new standards of operation, next-day delivery for parcels can only be achieved if it is mailed from a major processing center.

Goin' Postal in Fenton owner Lucy Valeriano said she does not expect much of

an impact to her business or the shipping of items, even if major processing locations are closing down across the state.

"This is going to give other carriers the chance to offer their services to the community," Valeriano said. "Before, when you mailed something in Michigan, you could pretty much expect to have it the next day. Now you may have to wait a few days for it."

Valeriano said the postal service excels at sending items that are smaller such as cards and when there isn't a rush to receive items. Valeriano said sending smaller items through the postal service is cheaper than using third-party delivery companies.

According to Valeriano, once an item reaches 15 pounds or more, shipping rates from Fed Ex are cheaper than the postal service. Delivery companies also offer more options when shipping an item, such as tracking numbers and two-day delivery.

"Fed Ex doesn't hold a package overnight if you pay for two-day delivery," Valeriano said. "If it's going anywhere in Michigan, good chance it'll there the next day."

The Linden post office is located at 215 South Main St. Holly's is located at 108 W. Maple St. All of the local post offices are scheduled to remain in operation.

## Proposed changes to the Postal Service

- **Elimination of next-day delivery**, unless a package is mailed from a processing center. First-class mail will now include two-day or three-day delivery instead of next-day delivery.

- **Mail that begins** with a 484 or 485 zip code will be sorted at the Pontiac process center before being mailed to prospective post offices.

- **Nationwide, the Postal Service** is considering closing up to 252 out of 487 mail-processing locations. Many large locations across Michigan are also being considered.

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### FENTON WOMAN TICKETED FOR HEAD-ON CRASH

Fenton police and fire departments responded to a head-on automobile crash at Owen Road and Silver Parkway at 8:20 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 14. A 77-year-old Fenton woman was driving her Chevy Malibu eastbound on Owen Road. As she started to turn north onto Silver Parkway she drove into the path of a westbound Dodge Ram truck, driven by a 34-year-old Holly Township woman. Both women were lone occupants in their vehicles and both were seat belted. STAT EMS arrived on scene to treat the women, who complained of injuries. An ambulance transported the Holly Township woman to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township and the Fenton woman's husband arrived and said he would transport his wife to the hospital. Both vehicles were towed from the scene. The Fenton woman was ticketed for failing to yield.

### FENTON MAN'S CREDIT CARD USED IN CALIFORNIA

At 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 13, a 41-year-old Fenton man reported to Fenton police that he had two fraudulent transactions on his credit card account, one for \$43 and one for \$39. His bank informed him that the transactions occurred in California. He cancelled his account and was told by the bank he would not be responsible for the two transactions.

## Firefighter of the Year



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Jason Lescoe, a firefighter and EMT with the Argentine Township Fire Department was named "Firefighter of the Year." Lescoe was presented with the trophy at the fire department's annual Christmas potluck dinner. His dedication to the department and willingness to help and work with the membership earned him this nomination from his peers. Lescoe has been with the department since February 2010. Standing with Lescoe is Fire Chief Jim Reid.

## St. John break-in suspect bound over to circuit court

Criminal cases against Charles Sawade Jr., 19, of Holly, were bound over to Genesee County Circuit Court. The teen was arrested on suspicion of breaking into St. John Church and other buildings on church property in November, as well as Gerych's Distinctive Flowers & Gifts. He was initially charged with seven counts of breaking and entering with intent to steal, but the charges were amended to two counts of breaking and entering during his district court preliminary hearing. A cash surety bond of \$7,500 was ordered on each count. Fenton police located Sawade on Nov. 17 at a residence in Fenton, based on evidence recovered from Gerych's.

The Religious Formation Building, a shed and an inner office on St. John property were broken into in the early morning hours of Sunday, Nov. 13. Cash and a laptop computer were stolen. Using a stolen master key, police believe the suspect then broke into St. John's church in the early morning hours of Tuesday, Nov. 15. Fenton police learned of the break-in at Gerych's after an employee reported that the entire store had been ransacked as the suspect searched for cash. Police believe that Sawade is responsible for breaking into Gerych's as many as four times in the past couple of months. Sawade will be back in court on Monday for his circuit court arraignments.

## Pharmacy robbed a third time

►Suspect breaks in back door and steals prescription meds

By Sharon Stone

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Since it opened its doors in August, the Linden Town Pharmacy, an independently owned pharmacy on North Bridge Street, has been broken into three times. The latest break-in occurred early Thursday morning. Linden Police Chief Scott Sutter said police responded to the pharmacy's security alarm at 4:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 15.

### Summary

►Linden police are investigating a break-in at the Linden Town Pharmacy on North Bridge Street. Police are hoping a witness will come forward with information.

The suspect(s) used forced entry on the back door to gain entry. Once inside they broke open a locked cabinet and stole an undetermined amount of prescription medications. The owner is conducting an inventory to determine what was stolen.

The first break-in occurred on Tuesday, Oct. 25. Police responded to the pharmacy's security alarm at 1:33 a.m. When police arrived, they saw that the back exterior door to the business had been kicked in. Approximately \$1,000 in medications, including phentolol, ibuprofen, adderall and hydrocodone were stolen.

The second break-in occurred at 2:03 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 1. Again, an unknown suspect kicked in the back door to gain entry to the pharmacy.

If anyone has information about any of the break-ins, or the suspect(s) they are to call the Linden Police Department at (810) 735-5454.

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Holly Academy, a Public School Academy, will be holding open student enrollment for the 2012-2013 school year beginning January 3, 2012 through March 1, 2012. Applications may be picked up at any time from the office of Holly Academy during regular school hours 8:00am to 4:00pm weekdays or you may access forms during the weekends at [www.hollyacademy.org](http://www.hollyacademy.org). Two New Parent Information Meetings will also be held at the Academy on Monday, January 23, 2012 from 6:30pm until 8:00pm and on Monday, February 27, 2012 from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. School visitation and tours are available by appointment only during regular school hours. If there are more applicants to enroll in a specific grade than there are spaces available, pupils shall be selected using a random public lottery process. The lottery, if necessary, is scheduled to occur on Friday, April 20, 2012 at 9:00am.

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## JOBS

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to find employment. Even some tri-county area residents have left and are finding that other areas of the United States are booming.

Anthony Byard is one of those who left the state of Michigan to find work in North Dakota. "Most jobs here in North Dakota start at \$15 an hour, with bonuses on top of that," said Byard, a 2007 Lake Fenton High School graduate. He is employed as a geologist on oil wells in Williston N.D. and was trained for his job onsite. "The jobs require high school diplomas to college degrees," Byard said. "But companies just need bodies more than anything."

Byard said it isn't uncommon for workers in North Dakota to earn \$50,000 to \$100,000 during their first year.

According to national reports, western and southern states are leading the country in job growth, with Texas creating nearly 117,600 jobs in the first half of 2011. California had the second most growth with 92,300 jobs and Florida ranked third with 85,000 jobs.

After losing nearly 857,000 jobs since 2010, Michiganders are constantly watching other states for employment opportunities.

Chris Podjun, of Gaines, drilled water wells in Genesee County when the housing market crashed in 2007. As a fourth-generation well driller, he had to find a new line of work in order to survive. The opportunity for a new life came when Podjun followed his brother-in-law to Wyoming and began drilling for uranium instead of water.

Four years after switching into a new

career field, Podjun now has more job security and is happier than he's ever been. "We're making more money than we have in four generations," said his wife, Mary Ann Podjun. "Every year, I feel fortunate that we had the foresight to get out when we did or we would have lost everything."

But leaving Michigan for a new job isn't as simple as packing everything up and leaving everything behind. Both Byard and the Podjuns were born and raised in Genesee County and are often homesick. Byard said that while there's a high demand for workers in North Dakota, there's not enough housing and businesses established to live comfortably. Many people live in tents and campers while searching for adequate housing when they first arrive.

Major cities can take up to an hour to drive to and generally only have a few department stores. Wyoming is just as spread out and sparsely populated. Podjun wakes up at 3 a.m.

every day for work, and drives 90 miles, one way, to his place of employment.

Despite the drawbacks, Byard and the Podjuns see a bright future because of their jobs. Byard plans on saving his earnings for a house in Fenton and paying for college out-of-pocket in the next few years.

The Podjuns foresee selling their home in Gaines and having their sons move to Wyoming with them and join the family business in the near future.

"The most important thing people have to understand is they have to be willing to change and be flexible," Mary Ann said. "At the other end of the journey is employment and a new life."

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UPS Driver Mike Callard, of Linden, sorts through packages during a stop in Fenton on Wednesday.

## UPS DRIVERS

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2003. The company earned \$17.1 billion in the third quarter of 2011.

To meet the holiday demand in December, UPS added 55,000 part-time, seasonal workers. They are divided among the warehouse for sorting, and the trucks themselves. Some help the drivers on the route, and others are seasonal route drivers.

On Wednesday, Callard worked with his son, who is a seasonal worker. "He knows how to take orders from me," he joked.

Yohn said that historically, the busy season is from September through December, but online ordering has compressed that time into the two weeks before Christmas, culminating into the busiest day of the year, which they project to be Dec 22, where 26 million packages will be delivered company wide. Almost 700,000 will be delivered across Michigan during the peak time, instead of the usual 402,000.

During this busy time, "package car" drivers, like Callard, see their route volume double, which adds at least a couple hours of work to their day, depending on the route. Callard said a daily average is 130 deliveries, but on Wednesday, he delivered 237 packages. The packages weigh around 30 pounds on average. He works smart, using all the tools at his disposal including safety training to avoid injury.

At age 47, Callard said safety is important, and he has had a helper for the last two weeks. The helper delivers the packages. He keeps the packages organized on his truck. "It's sort of organized chaos," he said.

"It changes a lot with weather," he said. Fair weather helps the planes land on time, and the trucks roll on time.

Callard delivered packages along Owen Road to Linden Road, with stops along Silver Parkway. Most of his customers are residential, and a third is commercial. "I love my job," he said. "I couldn't sit in the office all day. My truck is my office."

There are multiple deadlines for packages through the day, so logistical planning is very important. "There's no GPS to tell me where I'm going. I know where I'm going. I've been in this area for 14 years," he said.

Callard is one of nine drivers in the Linden and Fenton area. During the holidays, he tries to be discreet when delivering large packages to homes that are obviously a kid's toy. "You don't want to ruin any little kid's Christmas,"

he said. "It takes a little extra time, but they always appreciate it."

Callard takes a small vacation after the holiday rush. "I'm just looking forward to Christmas to be with my family too," he said. "If we have good weather the next eight days, I'm going to be a happy man."

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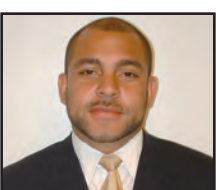
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## SYNTHETIC MARIJUANA

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Young people have been ingesting, inhaling or smoking the incense and Barnes warned that this practice is "beyond idiotic," especially after one teen's experience nearly cost a life.

The Holly Police Department, along with the Holly Community Coalition, is looking into the matter.

This scenario is not unique to Holly. Three previously healthy Texas teens had heart attacks after smoking the "legal high" products sold under names such as K2 and Spice, according to an article on WebMD.

This same thing could happen to local teens if they don't heed the warnings issued by the U.S. Government Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

All three of the 16-year-old Texas boys survived, reported Colin Kane, MD, and colleagues at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. The teens obtained and smoked the K2 products in separate incidents. "They certainly did damage to their hearts," Kane, a pediatric cardiologist, reported to WebMD. "Hopefully there will be no long-term health implications, just a scare. But time will tell."



What some teens and most parents don't realize is that the synthetic compounds found in these incense products can produce the same effects as marijuana. What's worse is that an active ingredient in some of these products has been classified as a Schedule 1 narcotic in Michigan, and illegal.

These incense products, such as K2 or Posh Spice, are a mixture of herbs and spices that are typically sprayed with a synthetic compound chemically similar to THC, the psychoactive ingredients in marijuana.



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | SUBMITTED PHOTO  
Young people have been ingesting, inhaling or smoking the incenses.

K2 Incense is commonly purchased at gas stations, party stores and over the Internet. The colorful graphics on the small packages target young

people. It is often marketed as incense or "fake weed."

Psychological effects are similar to those of marijuana and can include paranoia, panic attacks, and giddiness. Physiological effects of K2 include in-

creased heart rate and increase of blood pressure. There have been no reported deaths by overdose.

Officer Thomas Cole, of the Fenton Police Department, has been working with the Flint Area Narcotics Group (FANG). He is becoming very familiar with these new incense products. Fenton police have a couple of pending cases from the summer, when two local retailers sold K2 Incense and Posh Party USA, another brand of incense to undercover police after a concerned parent notified police that their child had obtained some of the product. To his knowledge, these two retailers no longer offer these products.

Cole said the packages look innocent enough, and the contents are intended to be used as an incense, however, the kids buying this product are using it as a replacement for marijuana.

Recent Michigan legislation has ruled that the active ingredient, JWH250, which is found in some of the incense products, is now a Schedule 1 controlled substance and therefore illegal in Michigan. If someone was involved with an automobile crash or traffic stop and their blood was found to

### Summary

► Parents are urged to be on the lookout for synthetic marijuana, sold as incense, which their kids could easily buy at the gas station or party store.

contain JWH-250, Cole said they could be issued a court appearance ticket for possession of marijuana.

If a person is found guilty of selling an incense containing JWH-250, they face a felony of delivery of a Schedule 1 narcotic.

If parents find unopened or empty packages of these incense products, Cole urges them to talk to their children and warn them of the dangers and consequences. A call to the local police department is also recommended. To his understanding, schools are treating these products the same as if the student had traditional marijuana in their possession.

"This is brand new to us," said Cole. "Police are just now running into it." He added that his pending cases are the first ones for the Genesee County Prosecutor's Office. "We're in a learning process on how to deal with it," he said.

According to Real2KIncense.com, there are some restrictions for purchasing and using K2 Incense from their website. People must be at least 18 to purchase the product. The company labels its packages with the warning, K2 Incense is not for human consumption and under no circumstances should someone ingest it.

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## SIGNS

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Jamie Elfstrom, owner of Bill Carr Signs in Flint, approached the city about his concerns after seeing the signs while driving through town. His company also submitted a bid to make the signs, however, believing the specs asked for solid aluminum scrollwork at the top of the signs, rather than hollow, the cost of his

signs were significantly more than what was accepted.

The company selected to make the signs is Universal Signs, out of Grand Rapids.

The consultant that the DDA hired to oversee the bids recommended that the DDA choose Universal Signs, over any of the local companies. This phase of the Wayfinding project was the final responsibility of consultant Susan Grissim, of Grissim Metz and Andriese Associates. The city became dissatisfied with her service and excessive fees and terminated the relationship.

Since the DDA's November meeting, the city's engineering firm, OHM, was given the task of reviewing the specs and comparing them with the signs throughout the city. OHM completed their review and sent their findings to the city's attorney, Steven Schultz.

Michael Burns, assistant city manager and director of the DDA, said the city has not

paid Grissim yet for her \$1,610.77 consulting fees, and suggested that the city hold off on paying her until the matter is resolved. Grissim's firm charged \$130 per hour. The city's new consultant, LAS, charges \$75 per hour.

At Tuesday's meeting, which begins at 6 p.m. in council chambers, the DDA will discuss the engineer's conclusion, bidding practices and decide the next step to take.

Phase II of the Wayfinding project has not yet begun. Companies will be allowed to bid on the directional signs, which the DDA hopes to have installed while the streetscape project along LeRoy Street is underway in 2013.

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AWOL LADLE ACRE ELUDE  
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### KING CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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TROUPE LORD  
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HOGS JAN JETS  
APE PUN JADES  
HIGHANDLOW  
RANG ABBOTT  
ODOR LIP OREO  
DOUR EVA NARY  
ESPY SEZ ELMS

### WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: BULGY TRYST DOUBLE FEMALE  
Answer: How to relax completely—"REST-FULLY"

### SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: SHYLY GUEST BEADLE KOSHER  
Answer: They should improve the view—"GLASSES"

## WEDNESDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

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## SUNDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

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Schirrin

5 Nom de  
crime?

10 Theatrical  
Joseph

14 Exclude

19 Way off  
base?

20 Mete out  
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stone

21 "God's Little  
—" ('58 film)

22 Lose one's  
tail?

23 English talk-  
show host

25 "The Alamo"  
actor

27 Kitchen  
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28 Arboreal  
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30 Jai —

31 Trombonist  
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32 Took a shot  
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34 Salve

37 Chinese  
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38 Fit for  
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42 "Ligeia"  
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43 Conductor  
Jeffrey

45 Thurman of  
"Final  
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48 Southern  
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50 PC key

52 Make wine  
divine

55 Drives and  
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58 '87 Warren  
Beatty film

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74 Subordinate  
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75 "It Was a  
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DATE: January 10, 2012

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Village of Holly Council Chambers  
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FOR: Discussion on Water Works Building located at Water Works Park  
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**MONDAY, January 2, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M.**

Copies of the Application and Preliminary Site Plans are available for review at the City Offices in the Clerk's Office at 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, MI 48451. Written comments received prior to the public hearing date may be addressed to Martha A. Donnelly, City Clerk, P.O. Box 507, 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, Michigan 48451-0507.



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## LAWSUIT

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filed a lawsuit against the members of the former council which included former council members Reisa Hamilton, William Kuyk, and former president Pete Clemens, along with current council members Pauline Kenner and Sandra Kleven. Don Winglemire voted against her firing at the time and was not named in the lawsuit.

Powers' legal council previously stated that she had been fired illegally, and expected a large award in her favor.

On Wednesday, the issue was closed after the council offered a settlement agreement that was suggested by their attorney, William Parker, who is the attorney for the village on this matter.

The council entered into closed executive session after the regular agenda to discuss litigation and settlement strategies with Parker.

The council reconvened to make two motions, one to authorize allowing reductions in staff amounting to more than \$100,000 per year. The second motion was to accept Parker's recommendations on the settlement agreement. Both motions were unanimously approved by the village council, and were not discussed before the audience.

The motion to reduce staff was done to "implement savings" through the elimination of one account clerk/ deputy clerk treasurer and one receptionist/meter reader, said President Jeff Miller. Miller said the savings amounted to \$111,871. The staff members know they are being laid off, but the names are not being released at this time.

The second motion was to move \$19,629 from the fund balance to cover the "financial obligations of the village,"

said President Jeff Miller.

Both Miller and Manager Jerry Walker declined to state the cause of the reductions. Powers' attorneys also declined to comment. Officially, Walker said money from the reduction in staff was for "projected village expenses."

"The settlement agreement was pretty specific to not talk about the case," Walker said.

Walker said they did talk about litigation and a settlement agreement during closed session, but he could not say if the reductions and the motion regarding the case were connected. He said the reductions were not part of a regular budget discussion. Miller said during the meeting that reductions

have not been presented to the board to cover a budget shortfall.

The money saved due to the staff reductions and the money from the general fund adds up to \$131,500. The council had earmarked around \$43,000 for Powers in severance pay in case she was fired. Legal insurance covers the first \$25,000 in an award or settlement, according to Walker.

Although both motions passed unanimously, council member Jackie Campbell admitted she was not happy about the vote. "Nobody is happy," said Miller. "The bottom line is, any time you have to make decisions like this, it is difficult. But again, the council had to serve more than 6,000 people."

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## News briefs




### CITY APPROVES \$6,400 FOR FIRE TRUCK REPAIRS

Fenton City Council gave Fenton Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff permission to spend about \$6,400 to repair its 2001 Pierce fire truck. The fire department's equipment maintenance fund will be amended by adding \$6,500. Cairnduff said they have been putting the repairs off but it has now become a safety factor. The fire department typically replaces trucks after 20 years, which means the truck is expected to be replaced in about 10 years. Repairs will resolve the rusted packing bolts and replacement of pump packing. The front suction intake valve must be replaced and the hydraulic ladder rack needs the main arms replaced. The truck will be out of service for a few days while the repairs are being made.

### CITY JOINS FIVE-COUNTY COOPERATIVE

The Fenton City Council unanimously approved taking part in the I-69 International Trade Corridor Next Michigan Development Corporation. This five county economic development cooperative will focus on improving freight connectivity and enhance economic development in the region. To participate, the city needed to pass a resolution approving the interlocal government agreement. The cost to participate is \$3,000, per year, for three years, funded by the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA), since the Industrial Park would be most positively impacted by this agreement.

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# Dibbleville

past and present

What it has to offer to younger generations

By Sharon Stone  
sstone@tctimes.com

**Fenton** — Dibbleville has come a long way since its early days in the mid 1830's. In 1837, the two-block area included two churches, office space of A. J. Phillips and two small frame buildings, one of which is the oldest house in town.

Dibbleville was named for one of Fenton's founders, Clark Dibble. He came here from New York in 1834 and laid claim to 40 acres of government land. Dibbleville became Fenton's original business district and remains adjacent to Fenton's oldest residential area.

One structure in this district was built by Robert LeRoy in 1837 shortly after he and William Fenton purchased

## Summary

► Dibbleville, the historical business district in downtown Fenton dating back to the 1830s, continues to be a hub of retail businesses, restaurants and other services.

**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | TIMES FILE PHOTO  
(Top) The theater was a favorite spot for young and old. Byerly's was next door and Hitchcock Insurance was upstairs. It was 1942 when the popular movie, "A Yank On The Burma Road," with Lorraine Day, was playing.

Dibbleville and named it Fentonville. The village became Fenton in 1863.

Fast forward to today and Dibbleville remains the city's downtown business district. When locals speak of downtown Fenton, they typically envision the Dibbleville area

**"It's an energetic area and I like the unique buildings."**

**Andrea Miller**

*Elle Marie Hair Salon owner*

and its architectural uniqueness.

With the Fenton United Methodist Church toward the north end of Dibbleville and the First Presbyterian Church of Fenton at the south end, several unique retailers and a couple of restaurants are flourishing in the quaint historical neighborhood.

Visitors to downtown can find most everything they might need or want, from pizza,

Michigan beer, shoes, insurance, auto service, books, heating and cooling products, cameras, jewelry, hair salon, general store, art gallery, gluten-free  
**See DIBBLEVILLE on 10B**



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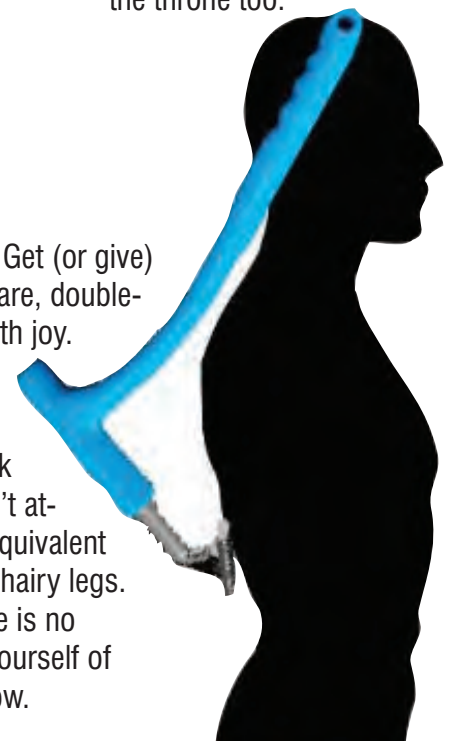


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## business profiles

### Randy Wise nominated for TIME magazine dealer of the year

Randy Wise, owner of Randy Wise Buick-GMC in Fenton and four other dealerships throughout mid-Michigan, has been nominated for the 2012 TIME magazine Dealer of the Year award.

Wise is one of a select group of dealers from across the United States who will be honored at the 95th annual National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) Convention & Exposition in Las Vegas on Feb. 4, 2012.

The TIME magazine Dealer of the Year award is one of the auto industry's most prestigious and coveted honors. Wise, 63, is one of only 50 auto dealers out of 17,000 nationwide nominated for this award. A panel of faculty members from the Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan selects one finalist from each of four NADA regions and one national Dealer of the Year.

Wise graduated from the University of Michigan in 1970, breaking into the automotive business at Cauley-Serra Chevrolet, while serving as a staff sergeant in the U.S. Army Reserve until 1976. He purchased his first dealer-

ship, Randy Wise Chevrolet in Flint, in 1989, and now owns Randy Wise Buick-GMC in Fenton, Randy Wise Ford in Ortonville, Randy Wise Auto Mall in Flint and Randy Wise Chevrolet-Buick in Milan, leading a staff of 200 employees.

Wise's son, Christopher, is a vice president in the organization. "Through the cyclical times of the automobile industry, I never questioned the decision I made in 1970 to get in this business," said Wise. "I keep a positive attitude with employees, especially some of the younger ones,

convincing them that this is a great business. If we consistently do the right things, it can be very rewarding."

TIME magazine and Ally Financial have both joined forces to honor these nominees. The 2012 national TIME Dealer of the Year winner will receive a \$10,000 contribution to a nonprofit organization of choice. The other 50 nominees will each receive \$1,000 to give to a qualified nonprofit organization. Ally will make more than \$60,000 in charitable contributions to local community causes on behalf of the dealers.



Randy Wise

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# tri-county outdoors

# Ice fishing AND safety

By Colin Van Leuven • news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

Winter won't be held off for much longer, no matter what the last few warmer-than-normal days have led you to believe.

As many of you are just itching to get out for some ice fishing, it's not only time to put on new lines, sharpen the blades on your auger, and pick up some new lures, but it's also time to think about safety.

Here are a few tips on how to have an enjoyable outing and to make sure you all return safely.

• **Is the ice safe?** Judge the safeness of any ice by the color. Clear ice is stronger than white ice that has thawed and then refrozen. Ice will usually melt near shorelines first, so on warm days, think about heading back in early. Ice should be a minimum of 3 inches thick, before you even think of venturing out on to it. (And, that is still taking a chance.)

• **Buy yourself an inflatable life vest,** and wear it. Tell your friends to do the same, and get them for your children as well. The life vest is easily inflated, and will keep you at the surface, if you fall through the ice. Also, take along some ice picks. A couple of 16 penny nails driven into the ends of an old broom handle and then sharpened to points works just as well, tied together with a cord or leather lace. These are worn over your neck like a sash, and will help you climb back onto safe ice should you fall through, while your inflatable life vest keeps you afloat.

• **Use the buddy system** when going out to your favorite lake, and always let someone know where you are going to be fishing.

• **Be aware of where you're going**

or have gone. A GPS is as useful out on the ice as anywhere else. Once, I was caught on the open ice on one of the Great Lakes in unexpected blizzard conditions. Had I not known exactly where I was, I could have easily ended up going in the wrong direction toward open water.

• **Stay away from moving water.**

Moving water will degrade ice so quickly that the safe ice you walked across could be treacherous on your trip back. If you see rushes or other grasses sticking through the ice, take care also, as these can cause cracking. For those of you who ice fish on the Great Lakes, if you suddenly notice your lines going at an angle, it means the whole pack of ice is starting to move, so you had better move, too.

• **Carry standard safety gear.** Besides ice picks, a length of stout supply rope could save someone's life. Rescue squads may have difficulty reaching your location, and the delay can mean

the difference of surviving, or not. A wool blanket could keep a victim from lapsing into hypothermia, which can kill quickly. Chemically activated, body-size heat packs, similar to hand warmers only larger, can help, too. I put one inside my outer shirt to help me stay warm, especially if I'm not fishing from a shelter.

• **Hypothermia is a dangerous killer.** It can sneak up on you quickly.

This is important when children are out ice fishing with you. If someone in your fishing party starts shaking uncontrollably, or acts confused and disoriented, get them to a warm location immediately.

• **Wear warm boots** with non-skid soles, or if the ice is clear, or wet and slippery, wear ice cleats. Falls on ice kill many people each year. Simply falling on ice is a painful experience, and can cause broken wrists, ribs, and other major broken bones.

Ice fishing is fun, and in many people's

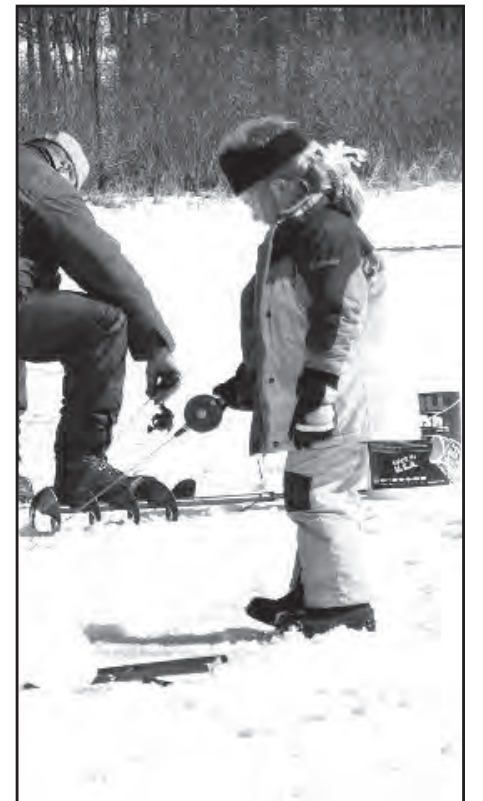
minds, it's the best way to fish. The fishes flesh is firm and some think fish tastes better when caught through the ice.

With frozen lakes not far off, it's time to tune up your gear and get ready to head out on the iced-up waters. Just be sure that you also prepare to do it safely. Colin Van Leuven can be reached at colinio@charter.net.



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Anglers congregate over an area of the lake where there is some ice-fishing action going on.



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A daughter and her father try to catch some mid-winter perch.



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# Look Who's Talking

By Angel Ryneerson, Intern



**KIRSTEN HUMITZ**

**16-year-old Junior**

**Fenton High School**

## FAMILY:

Beth and Bruce Bair. I have three sisters, Calli Humitz, Emilee Humitz, and Bailey Bair.

## MY DREAM CAR IS:

A cream-colored Avalanche with black leather interior.



## Kirsten Humitz

**If you could do anything over in high school what would it be?:** I would focus more on my grades.

**What do you do outside of school?:** I work at Bob Evans and hang out with my friends.

**My greatest high school regret is?:** not staying close to the people I should have stayed close to.

**My most embarrassing moment in high school was?:** I slipped on ice and fell walking into the school.

**If you could have one Super Power what would it be?:** To fly, because it would be really cool.

**If you were principal for a day what changes would you make at your school?:** I would have open-campus lunches and late-start days.

**What is an upcoming event you are looking forward too?:** The Sadie Hawkins dance, because dances are fun and we don't have them that often.

**If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign what would it say?:** 'Live each day as if it was your last.'

**Front row seats and back stage passes, whom are you seeing?:** Taylor Swift, Scotty McCreery or Chris Brown.

**Best day in your life so far?:** Spring break in Florida.

**What are your plans after graduation?:** To go to college, I don't know where yet.

**Where will you be and what will you be doing 10 years from now?:** I hope to be married, starting a family, and have a great job.

## Student Body asked at Fenton High School

### What is your favorite winter activity?

Compiled by Angel Ryneerson

#### NOAH PIERSON, FRESHMAN



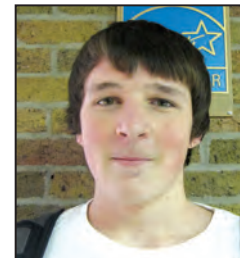
"I like to ski. My brother and I both like skiing."

#### MORGAN LOOMIS, SOPHOMORE



"I like making igloos with my uncle."

#### RYAN DASCENZA, FRESHMAN



"My friends and I like to go snowmobiling."

#### DRAKE BLANKENSHIP, FRESHMAN



"I like to snowboard because it is exhilarating and very fun."

#### AMBER HIGGINBOTHAM, SENIOR



"My favorite winter activity is building snowmen (and then destroying them). It's fun."

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### ENGAGEMENT



#### SCHULZ-FOX

The engagement of Tracey Anne Schulz to Gregory Robert Fox, both of Marshfield Wis., has been announced by his parents, Thomas and Terri Fox of Fenton. Her parents are Wayne and Mary Schulz of Marshfield, Wis. The bride-elect graduated from Marshfield Senior High School in 2004. She is employed by Lang Furniture in Marshfield, Wis. Her fiancé is a 2000 graduate of Fenton High School and is employed by Monroe Truck Equipment in Marshfield, Wis. A Sept. 15, 2012 wedding ceremony will be held in Marshfield, Wis.

### WEDDING



#### SMITH

Michelle LuRena Shouse of Fenton became the bride of Richard Patrick Smith of Linden on Nov. 19, 2011. The ceremony was held at the Gazebo at the Saline County Courthouse in Benton, Ark. and was performed by Justice of the Peace J. R. Walters. Attending the couple were their three children, Justin Smith, Katelyn Smith and Kelsie Smith. The bride is the daughter of Virgil and Haney Shouse of Fenton. The groom is the son of Wayne Smith of Fenton, and Susan Taylor of Sand Point. A reception is planned for summer of 2012 in Fenton. The couple is residing in Benton, Ark.

### ANNIVERSARY



#### ROCHE

Len and Helen Roche of Fenton celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Dec. 8. Roche, and the former Helen Kann of Britton, S.D., were married in Flint on Dec. 8, 1951. The couple has six children, John Roche, Anne (Tom) Brown, Susan (John) Leadley, Tim (Christine) Roche, Laura (Don) Beach and Nancy Smith. They have 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

### BIRTHS

#### OUELLETTE

Christa and Andrew Ouellette have announced the birth of a daughter, Adrianna Makenna Ouellette. She was born on Dec. 7, 2011 at University of Michigan C.S. Mott Children's Hospital at 10:43 p.m. Her weight was 2 lbs., 10 ozs. She was 15.5 inches long. Her grandparents are Donna and the late Chris Newman of Holly and Frank and Lynne Ouellette of Holly. Her great grandparents are Marilyn Jenkins of Holly and Joyce Gagneur of Westland.



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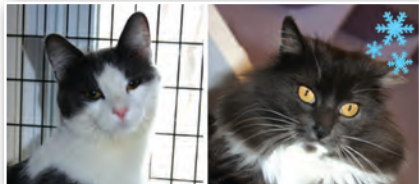
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### Mr. Roger E. Sneed 1944-2011

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children, Floyd (Tina) Sneed and Jeremy Sneed; grandchildren, Ashlee, Chelsea, Jacob, Justin, Jasmine, Jeremy Jr. and Jesse; 2 brothers; and many nieces, nephews and friends. Mr. Sneed was born in Mayfield, KY in 1944. He was a graduate of Pontiac Northern H.S. and the Detroit College of Applied Sciences. Mr. Sneed worked hard for 38 years in fabricating and engineering. He enjoyed purchasing and repairing automobiles, and attending the Battle Alley Car Show in Holly. He will be deeply missed by all. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com).



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- 1 t. vanilla extract
- 3/4 c. red velvet cake mix
- 6 c. Cocoa Rice Krispies cereal
- 4 oz. white chocolate chips, melted

#### DIRECTIONS

1. Line a 9×13-inch pan with wax or parchment paper; coat well with cooking spray. Set aside.
2. In a large saucepan, melt the butter over low heat. Add marshmallows, cake mix, and vanilla stirring frequently, until melted and smooth. Fold in the cereal until well combined and coated.
3. Transfer sticky cereal mixture to the prepared pan, pressing down until the top is level. Drizzle white chocolate over top.

## paw's corner

### Bride wants to use dog in wedding



**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** My stepdaughter Susan is getting married on the day after Christmas, in the Bahamas. A lot of her relatives, including myself, are rather miffed about the date and location. But even more outrageous are her plans for the wedding itself. She's decided that her yellow Lab, "Briny," will serve as the ring bearer! I'm not sure how she plans to pull this off, but I think it's really inappropriate. How can I tell her this without upsetting her?

— Joyce L., Deerfield Beach, Fla.

**DEAR JOYCE:** I don't think there's a way to say what's on your mind without upsetting her, because you're unhappy with the wedding plans overall. Personally, I think it sounds really fun that Briny has such an important place in the wedding.

Susan does need to make sure that Briny can make the trip over to the Bahamas. The website [www.bahamas.com](http://www.bahamas.com) has details on getting a pet import permit, but the most important detail is that Briny must have up-to-date shots and Susan must bring the written record of those immunizations with her.

So, the most you can and should do is double-check with Susan that she has taken care of these requirements for Briny and that she's staying in accommodations that allow pets.

This close to the wedding, it's probably best not to go into any other details. If you've accepted the invitation and finalized your travel plans, go to the wedding, enjoy a fruity beverage (preferably with an umbrella), and be happy.

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## Conflict over presents calls for some give-and-take

**DEAR AMY:** I love my family dearly, but every year we get into huge arguments over gifts. I hate receiving presents. I just don't feel I deserve them. I want Christmas to be about spending time with my family, not about who can spend the most.

My parents refuse to see things my way and continue to buy me gifts I don't want. It really hurts me when they do, and they refuse to stop. It seems as if my feelings aren't important, and I must always do things their way.

What can I do?

I don't want to be a downer on Christmas but I stay depressed all month because I've done things their way for 28 years and they refuse to acknowledge my beliefs for just one Christmas. Your thoughts?

— Downer

**DEAR DOWNER:** Being depressed for the entire month of December is most definitely not the way to go. Because you cannot change your parents but can only ask them to change, you might need to be the one to actually behave differently.

I agree with you that your parents should be sensitive to your wishes — and yet this equation runs both ways. They have feelings, too, and you might be able to influence them by affirming their intent and letting them know you appreciate their generosity toward you — even though the material aspects of it make you miserable.

It's possible that your expression, "I don't feel I deserve gifts," has ignited a dynamic in them where they respond to your reluctance with overabundance. I agree that it is inappropriate, but they may be overreacting to prove that you are deserving.

Ask your folks yet again to limit their gift-giving to only one gift and bring one gift for them.

If at age 28 you cannot find a way to negotiate this — with some compromise on each side — then you should rethink where and how you spend your Christmas holiday.

**DEAR AMY:** Our good friends recently had to put their family pet of 12 years to sleep, and they are grieving.

My husband and I are not pet lovers, and our friends are aware of this. We want to make a meaningful gesture toward them to acknowledge their loss, but we fear coming across as inauthentic since we have never had a family pet.

We have told our friends that we love them and are sorry that they are hurting, but is there something else besides a card that would be appropriate as well?

— At a Loss

**DEAR AT A LOSS:** There is nothing "inauthentic" about acknowledging another person's loss, even if you have never faced this sort of loss yourself.

Euthanizing a pet is a very tough choice to make — and the experience itself can be an ordeal, because this choice is often made after many bouts with illness and treatment.

Sending a card is thoughtful. My most recent pet that died — a gigantic tabby cat — left an equally massive void in my life with his passing. I never expected to receive cards in the mail about this loss, but when I did I was extremely touched by the gesture. You might also make a small donation to your local animal shelter in this family's name. Otherwise, don't worry about your authenticity; just be sincere.

(Send questions via e-mail to [askamy@tribune.com](mailto:askamy@tribune.com) or by mail to Ask Amy, Chicago Tribune, TT500, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611. Amy Dickinson's memoir, "The Mighty Queens of Freeville: A Mother, a Daughter and the Town that Raised Them" (Hyperion), is available in bookstores.)

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To your good health

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** I am thoroughly confused. Several months ago, I read of the benefit of wine for women. The conclusion was that it reduced a woman's chances of heart attack and stroke by 30 percent. My husband and I have started to drink one glass of wine a day. Now comes a new report that says just one glass of wine a day increases the chances for breast cancer. Should I be concerned? -- M.T.

**ANSWER:** Welcome to the army of nutrition confusion. What's good one day might be life-threatening the next. I don't rely on one report. I stick to what the majority says. If the majority changes its mind, then I change.

Wine and other alcoholic drinks lower the incidence of heart disease and, apparently, strokes. That's the current majority thinking. Moderate drinkers of alcohol -- wine in particular -- have a lower overall mortality rate than do alcohol abstainers and heavy drinkers. "Moderate" drinking is one glass of wine, one 12-ounce can of beer or 1.5 ounces of whiskey for women; it's two for men.

The role of wine (or alcohol) in promoting breast cancer is less clear. Analysis of 40 studies shows an increase in breast cancer for women downing three or more drinks a day. The same studies suggest that even one or two daily drinks might pose a slight danger. Other studies show an increase in lobular breast cancer with one drink a day, but no increase in ductal breast cancer. Ductal cancer is the most common kind of breast cancer.

I am positive that equally confusing information will be forthcoming.

The best advice I have read is this: If a woman truly savors drinking wine, one glass a day is relatively safe in regard to breast cancer. The benefits of heart health and prevention of stroke are not so great that they should induce anyone to change from being a non-drinker to a drinker.

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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## DIBBLEVILLE

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products, chic items for their dogs, antiques, candy, a post office, dentist, churches to a design studio.

Carol Schuler, owner of Sweet Variations, has an expansive view of Dibbleville when she looks out her candy shop's front window. For more than 30 years, residents and visitors to Fenton have frequented her shop for her homemade chocolates and other candy items.

Schuler likes her shop's location, although parking can be an issue when it's busy. She said "twens" and teens come into the candy shop often looking for the gummy candies, chewing gum and candy bars. Customers a bit older like to indulge in the chocolates that she has made. "Right now I'm up to my knees in marshmallows," said Schuler who is creating her chocolate-covered candy for the holidays.

Since 1980, the Iron Grate has been offering a wide range of products for their customers. Elizabeth Dickens, originally from London, owns and operates the shop with her two daughters. They like to say they bring "big city" chic to small-town America. Trendy clothing, popular with young women can be found on the shop's second floor.

For anyone who loves homemade breadsticks, they have to try the ones at The Fenton House restaurant. Manager Megan Papatheodore said it's common for people out shopping to stop in just to get a half bag of breadsticks and then continue shopping. Adults dining with children will soon learn there is a game room in the back. This room is a big hit with the kids.

With their front carryout counter, Papatheodore said people are happy to stop inside to buy a cup of coffee or hot chocolate. "We always offer hot chocolate and coffee for people walking around town," she said.

In addition to the popular breadsticks, the restaurant staff of

about 40 has been providing pizza and pasta since 1986.

The French Laundry, at the corner of Shiawassee Avenue and Adelaide Street, has a separate menu for kids 12 and under. The restaurant has a Kid's Night every Monday from 5 to 8 p.m. where Kid's Stuff menu items are at half price. Entertainment includes a magician and balloon sculptor.

With its corner location and ample front windows and patio seating, Mark Hamel, owner of the restaurant, has created a destination for those seeking a unique dining experience in the heart of Dibbleville.

Andrea Miller, owner of Elle Marie Hair Salon, is living out her dream as a shop owner in Dibbleville. She opened her salon on South LeRoy Street, just

south of the police station, less than two years ago. The rich and trendy colors and urban décor is a welcoming experience for women, men and children.

Miller said her salon has a lot to offer young people. Her staff is comprised of stylists under 30 years of age and they stay on top of the latest style trends. She had her eye on Dibbleville for years and jumped at the chance to open her shop when a space became available. "I liked the walk-in traffic," she said. "It's an energetic area and I like the unique buildings."

Even newer to Dibbleville is Jill's General Store, just two doors south of the hair salon. Here, customers will find unique vintage items, newer items and locally made organic soaps at the family-owned shop.

Owner Jill Hendrix said Dibbleville was perfect for their general store since it presented an opportunity to restore and utilize an historical setting. "I've always

loved small towns and sense of community," she said.

Hendrix has been surprised by seeing younger people seeking out quality items of glass or cast iron, for example, rather than new, cheaper plastic items as they aim to set up their own homes. She recalls one girl shopping with her mother. The girl spotted an older sewing and said it would make the perfect gift, despite being used.

Music is enjoyed at every age and Dibbleville has a music studio, located between The French Laundry and Sweet Variations that continues to thrive. Chris and Lisa Bayer, owners, began providing music instruction in 2003 and opened the studio doors in 2006. Since that time, it has seen a 10-fold increase in enrollment, with more than 250 enrolled music students.

For anyone who hasn't made their way to Dibbleville with their entire family, it might just be the right time to enjoy the Christmas and holiday decorations as they do a little window shopping and getting to know their local retailers.

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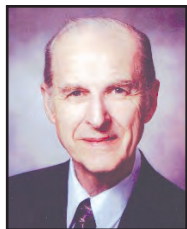
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## Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



### When celebrating Christmas was criminal

In 1644, the English Parliament outlawed Christmas. No celebrations of any kind were to be tolerated that commemorated the season.

What caused this revolt against celebrating the birth of Christ?

Was there a conspiracy to do away with Christianity? Were political leaders so determined to be inclusive that they feared the wide recognition of one religious holiday might obscure others? Did they think England was getting too religious? Were doubters demanding their rights of privacy from the songs and sounds of Christmas?

Not at all.

What then?

Walter B. Knight, in his book, 'Knight's Master Book of Illustrations,' says Christmas celebrations were forbidden because they had gotten out of hand. The true meaning of Christmas had become lost in a maelstrom of drunkenness, rioting and depravity. Law-abiding people found it necessary to stay indoors for their own safety. And in responding to this crisis, Parliament made celebrating Christmas criminal.

What then brought back the celebration of Christ's birth in a form that cultivated peace on earth, good will toward men? What enabled people to finally reject carnal cravings that had no reason to be part of the celebration of this historic event?

'Christmas carols,' writes Knight. Excessive carnal partying gave Christmas a bad name.

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# Fenton hockey defeats Tri-City co-op squad, 5-0

By David Troppens

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**Flint Twp.** — Danny DeLong has always wanted to play hockey with his brother.

He's getting that chance right now.

And on Wednesday, it paid off handsomely for the Fenton varsity hockey team.

DeLong, a freshman, scored two goals off assists from his older brother, Tyler DeLong, helping lead the Tigers to a 5-0 victory against the Linden/Lake Fenton/Durand co-op hockey team named the Tri-City Chiefs at Iceland Arena.

"It feels great," Danny DeLong said. "I've been looking forward to playing with him all my life. It's great I get the chance to do it for one year."

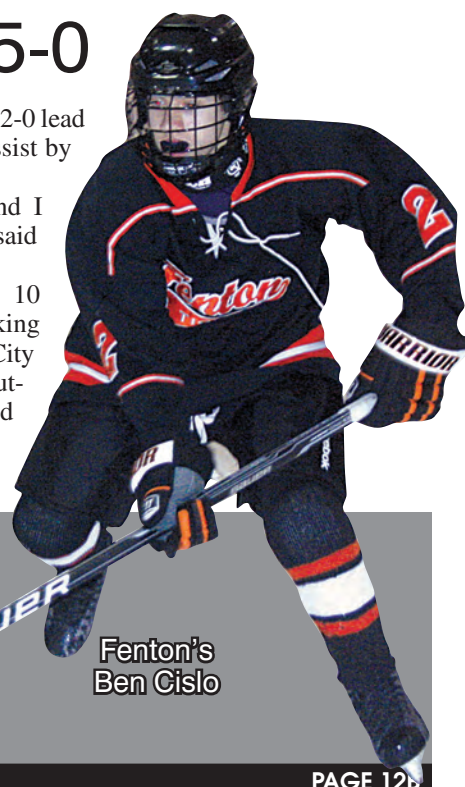
The Tigers, who remain the only Flint Metro League team that is not involved in a hockey co-op, are happy to have the pair working together as well, as the duo combined to score the team's first goal late in the first period. That goal came on a cycled puck from Tyler DeLong to Danny DeLong near the boards. He took a shot from an extreme angle and found the net with just 1:45 left in the opening period. Then,

at the first-period buzzer, Fenton took a 2-0 lead on a goal by Connor Phillips, off an assist by Jake Foguth.

"I got a cycle from my brother and I threw it toward the net," DeLong said about his first goal.

Fenton played the game with just 10 skaters, but still dominated the attacking phase of the game, out-shooting Tri-City 40-7 in the contest. In fact, Fenton out-shot Tri-City 15-0 in the first period alone. The Tigers, who opened the sea-

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Fenton's Ben Cisllo

## SPORTS TRIVIA

**Q** Who is the only person to win the Heisman Trophy and play in an NCAA basketball Final Four?

**A** Oregon State's Terry Baker played quarterback and also played in the NCAA Final Four in 1962. He played NFL football for three seasons.

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# Run Like the Dickens race draws great reviews from runners

By David Troppens

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**Holly** — When it comes to road racing, Fenton's Sue Larsen has seen just about as many races as anyone over the last 10 years.

She's raced in 5Ks, 10Ks and marathons. She's run during all seasons in all types of weather. She's run in Michigan, and several other states in the union.

So when one of Fenton's running stars gives a race some kudos, you know she's doing so after experiencing plenty of events — good and bad.

And when it comes to the Run Like the Dickens Run and Walk, which was held in Holly on Dec. 10, those kudos were coming out as though she was a public relations worker for the event.

"I love it," Larsen said. "Watching this grow from a small fundraiser for their track team to what it is now is amazing. He always seems to get the coldest days. It always seems to be about 20 degrees colder than it has been in previous days, but it was cold this year."

"But (race director) Rob (Basydlo) makes it a great event. The fact it's put on by a runner, he gets all the little things — the bathrooms, the places to get warm, the babysitting for kids so families can run. ... I think he does an awesome job."

And Larsen isn't the only one to think that way. Considering the race drew a record field of 1,345 runners (1,245 who finished) in weather that hovered around 10 degrees, it's apparently become a winner with people all over the state. And the field of winners symbolized that. Larsen was one of only two tri-county runners/walkers to win the male or female overall title in the 5K walk or run and 10K run. The other local winner was Fenton's standout 5K walker Susan Fassett. Area masters division winners included Lisa Veneziano, who won the female masters 10K run. Beyond those three, winners from Armada, Novi, Milford, Rochester, Allen Park, Montrose and Rochester Hills.

Reviews from the champions were very positive.

"It's encouraging to see all these people that are this dedicated to get out here and support a good cause," 10K men's winner Mike Andersen, of Milford, said. "I got up this morning and it was eight degrees outside, but there's 1,000-plus people here so that makes it a lot better. They really do



a good job. The course was great and the people were great."

The holiday feeling also appealed to the runners.

"It's awesome," Stoney Creek High School senior and men's 5K winner Eli Nasr said. "In general, it's a flat course. It's nice how people are playing music for you while you are running."

"I think the highlight was going right down that main street area," Andersen said. "That was pretty cool with the festival being set up. Other than that, seeing a lot of houses with music on was really encouraging."

Even the temperatures weren't that much of an issue for one runner. Caro's Alex Williams ran his race without a shirt on.

"It's cold when you start, but once you get going, it's not too bad, just the forearms take it," Williams said. "I do all my races with no shirt. I just decided a shirt is just too baggy. Last week I ran two races on the same day and it wasn't bad. This was a touch colder, but I thought I'd run it. This is the coldest I've ever run without a shirt."



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DAVID TROPPENS

The ninth-annual Run Like the Dickens Road Race was held in Holly on Dec. 10. Despite temperatures that were well below freezing, there was a record 1,345 runners at the race, making it the highest attended road race in the tri-county area during 2011. (Above) Runners for the 5K run get ready for the start of the race. The event holds a 10K run, a 5K run and a 5K walk. While the field size has made the Run Like the Dickens race one of the most competitive in the Flint area, some still enjoy the holiday season while competing, as evidenced by this unidentified "Christmas tree" runner. Many ran dressed as Santa Claus or other holiday appropriate characters.

## Happy Birthday

Detroit Tiger legend and Hall of Famer Ty Cobb was born on this date in 1886.





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Madison Nosek (center) drives toward the basket during the Eagles' 50-40 victory against Swartz Creek on Tuesday.

## Eagles win second straight contest, defeat Swartz Creek

By David Troppens

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**Swartz Creek** — After beating Fenton for the first time in seven years, apparently the Linden varsity girls basketball team wanted the good times to roll a little bit longer.

The Eagles captured their second straight victory, defeating the Swartz Creek Dragons 50-40 Tuesday night at Swartz Creek.

"It's hard to beat Fenton and then go ahead and play Swartz Creek the next game and win," Linden coach Ben Varner said. "That was huge for us. In the past we were not able to do that at all. I don't think we won back-to-back games last year, and to do it against two good teams is huge. Our confidence is growing. Hopefully we can keep it up."

The Dragons, who are expected to be one of the stronger teams in the Metro League, trailed Linden 15-9 after the first quarter, but cut the gap to 24-21 by half-time.

In the second half, the Eagles produced their most explosive half of basketball of the season, scoring 26 points,

helping them earn the road win.

"We started off really well again and got off to a little bit of a lead," Varner said. "It was a lot like the Fenton game. They got us back a little bit and then we pulled it out at the end again. Like I said, we are getting better. We are playing hard, working hard and getting better."

Sarbrina Kinney and Kelsey Brecht led the offense with 13 points each, while Jordan Sargent had 12 points. Madison Nosek chipped in nine points.

Maija Satkowiak and Kelsey Brecht had four steals each, while Rachel Maxheimer had five rebounds.

The Eagles (2-1, 2-2) have progressively gotten better offensively. After scoring 33 points in each of their first two games, Linden scored 40 against Fenton and 51 on Monday. The last two games have been the Eagles' two best defensive contests as well.

"Both teams pressed us and we were able to handle it OK and score points on that," Varner said. "When we were forced to slow it down and run our offense, we ran our offense better. We are putting the ball in the basket a lot better."

## Tigers remain undefeated with victory against Brandon, 74-47

By Al Zipsie

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**Ortonville** — The Fenton varsity boys basketball team had its closest game of the year, Tuesday.

The Tigers defeated the Brandon Blackhawks 74-47 in a Metro League victory at Brandon.

However, 27 points is tight when you consider the Tigers had a pair of 40-point routs over Clio and Linden to start the season.

Fenton had the knockout blow early, outscoring the Blackhawks 22-3 in the opening quarter. They padded the lead to 26-3 and to 38-14 by halftime. A pair of juniors — Cory Cox with 11 points and Eric Readman with 10 points — combined for half of the team's first-half points. Fenton's defense was stingy and the Tigers dominated the rebounding battle as well.

"We played phenomenal defense in the first quarter," Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Tim Olszewski said.

Dylan Morris, a small guard, sparked the Blackhawks in the second half, scoring 17 points. He had seven points on two possessions. He had a rare four-point play, when he was fouled after he drilled a three-pointer. He added the free throw to complete the play. He also got fouled on a three-pointer and made all three shots.

"It is not a discredit to our defense," Olszewski said. "They hit a half-dozen NBA three-pointers."

Four Fenton players reached double-figures for Fenton. Cox had a game-high

19 points, while Dylan Hickoff had 16. Readman chipped in 11 while Ryan Hickoff had 10. The Hickoffs had other nice numbers as well. Ryan Hickoff had six rebounds, four steals and four assists, while Dylan Hickoff had six steals and three assists.

"The Hickoffs are fun to play with, they really are," said Cox. "I came into this season just wanting to do whatever I can to help the team."

"I wanted to play a role with my rebounding, my defense and (my ability to) kick the ball out for an easy look on a shot. We have to keep our focus in games like we have had. To practice with each other every day helps us get better."

The game was delayed for over 30 minutes with 4:16 left in the third quarter when the Blackhawks' Cody Feltner was injured. Feltner hit his head and was wearing a neck brace when taken off the court on a stretcher.

"It is just basketball. You have to be thinking of the kid who got hurt and went down like that when the game resumes," Olszewski said. "We had to persevere through it and having a big lead to keep a concentrated effort."

### Swartz Creek 63, Linden 41

Swartz Creek outscored Linden 23-12 in the second quarter to capture a 35-20 lead at the half. The Eagles were unable to cut into the deficit in the second half, resulting in the loss.

Kevin Baker and Colin Hoeberling had 14 points each for the Eagles (0-3, 0-3).



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# Lake Fenton wrestlers cruise past Beecher, 60-15

By Al Zipsie

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**Lake Fenton** — Three Lake Fenton wrestlers who have been called on to play a big role this season delivered Wednesday.

Tyler Sanders (152), D.J. Melton (160) and Ray Denam (171) combined for three straight pins to lead the Blue Devils past Flint Beecher 60-15 in the GAC opener. The trio did not get a lot of action last season. Tyler Sanders, a senior, did not wrestle last season and is on the team with his younger brother Cody, a sophomore. Denam, a senior, sat out the first part of last season as a transfer and then suffered a shoulder injury at the GAC meet. He did not get a chance to wrestle for Lake Fenton in either state tourney series a year ago. He has returned after shoulder surgery. Melton, a junior, saw only part-time varsity action. But all three are performing well this year.

"Ray looked tough. He is coming back from shoulder surgery and I didn't expect him to be able to come back," Lake Fenton coach Vance Corcoran said. "He had a couple tough matches to test it (at the Hartland Invitational).

"Tyler Sanders controlled his match, and it is nice to have him come back and wrestle."

The Bucs had only nine wrestlers and only filled matches at seven positions. Lake Fenton took a 24-0 lead. Kalan Harbin (103), Jared Corcoran (112), James Demember (125) and Todd Melick (130) each earning forfeit wins. There was a double void at 119, then Beecher won the first two matches wrestled, as Terrill Thorton (135) won a 5-0 decision over Lake Fenton's John Barry, and Kareem Bralook (140) pinned Alexis "Peanut" Melton.

"Even with the losses we had good



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Lake Fenton's Ray Denam (top) works on getting control of his opponent in the Blue Devils' 60-15 victory against Beecher Wednesday night.

matches," Corcoran said. "Peanut wrestled good and John (Barry) gave a good wrestler a good match, and battled to the end."

Leading 24-9 the Blue Devils clicked off a 36-point run to ice the match. Cody Sanders (145) won by void, and his brother, Tyler (152), had a pinfall in 1:25. D.J. Melton (160) followed with a fall in 2:42, and Denam (171) had the quickest pin of the night in 1:13.

"The shoulder felt great tonight. I am just trying to heal it up," said Denam. "The (Genesee County Meet) will be a test. Last year you felt some pressure. We had three state champions and lots of talent to push you in the wrestling room. This season it feels great to be a leader.

"I want to be first at Districts and Region-

als and place in the top three at state."

Chase Hull (189) and Lucas Allen (215) had forfeit wins before state qualifier Melvin Rawls got Beecher back on the board with a pin in 1:41 over Mike Connelly (285).

"Last season everybody knew we had lots of studs out of the gate," Corcoran said. "The thing is this year we have many no-names. At the end the kids will get better and show where we stand. As a whole this team knows and wants to get better. They have a hard work ethic, better than any team I have coached."

"We have two great coaches, and we learn a lot from them," said D.J. Melton. "Compared to last year there is not as much pressure. We still are intense and are always trying to be a good team."

## Fenton swim team remains perfect

By David Troppens

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The Fenton varsity boys swim team has improved, and the squad's results are showing that. The Tigers defeated Carman-Ainsworth for the first time in five years by a tight 96-90 margin.

The squads were tied 86-all entering the 400 freestyle relay, meaning the team

that won the event would win the meet. The Tigers' team of Adam Andreski, Brant Cassidy, Joshua Bryant and Adam Ransom won the relay with a time of 3:45.91.

"It was a big win for us," Fenton coach Brad Jones said. "We have not beaten Carman-Ainsworth in the last five years. Depth was the key."

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(ESPN) ..... Ohio State at South Carolina ..... Noon  
(CBS) ..... Butler vs. Purdue ..... 2 p.m.  
(ESPN2) ..... Temple at Texas ..... 2:30 p.m.  
(CBS) ..... Memphis at Louisville ..... 4 p.m.  
(ESPN2) ..... Indiana vs. Notre Dame ..... 4:30 p.m.  
(ESPN2) ..... Syracuse at NC State ..... 6:30 p.m.  
(B10) ..... Bowling Green at Michigan State ..... 7 p.m.  
(ESPN2) ..... New Mexico vs. Oklahoma St. .... 10:30 p.m.  
**FOOTBALL**  
(ESPN2) ..... D2 - Pittsburg St. vs. Wayne State . 11 a.m.

(ESPN) ..... Bowl - Temple vs. Wyoming ..... 2 p.m.  
(ESPN) ..... Bowl - Ohio (Oh.) vs Utah State.. 5:30 p.m.  
(ESPN) ..... Louisiana vs. San Diego State ..... 9 p.m.

#### HOCKEY

(FSD) ..... Los Angeles at Detroit ..... 7 p.m..

### SUNDAY

#### BASKETBALL

(B10) ..... Mt. St. Mary's at Penn State ..... 4 p.m.  
(ESPN) ..... U-Conn at Baylor ..... 8:30 p.m.

#### FOOTBALL

(CBS) ..... Cincinnati at St. Louis ..... 1 p.m.  
(FOX) ..... Detroit at Oakland ..... 4:15 p.m.  
(CBS) ..... New England at Denver ..... 4:15 p.m.  
(NBC) ..... Baltimore at San Diego ..... 8:15 p.m.



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son with four close losses, have now won three straight contests, including the last two by shutout. Joe Foguth earned a shutout in a 2-0 victory against Lansing Catholic Central recently. On Wednesday, Brendon Bryan played his first game in net and earned the shutout, making seven saves.

"They are coming together. Things are starting to click for us," Fenton coach Jeff Mynatt said. "We had three solid periods of hockey and a ton of shots. They played the system very well. Penalty-wise, they were very disciplined. That goalie made some saves, that's for sure."

That goalie Mynatt was talking about was freshman Thomas Messenger. He made 35 saves and kept the Tigers scoreless for the first 13 minute of the contest despite a strong offensive presence by Fenton.

"Thomas Messenger, our goalie, hasn't played goalie since he was in squirts," Tri-City coach Peter Lynch said. "He's been out four to five years, but I knew he is a good athlete. He's probably made the biggest leaps and bounds since our first practice."

"In all fairness, we have kids that haven't played before, but they are good

athletes. They are a good group of kids."

The Tigers made it 3-0 just 1:42 into the second period when Wyatt Betrus scored on an assist by Ben Cislo. Then, with 1:43 left in the period came DeLong's second goal. His first shot hit off the bar, but the rebound came right back to him. He shot again and scored on the second attempt.

In the third period, Fenton scored just one goal. That was provided by Jake Foguth on a slap shot from the blue line.

DeLong is happy to see Fenton's progress.

"I guess we are getting to know each other, and working hard in practice pays off," DeLong said.

Lynch was pleased with his inexperienced squad. The Chiefs fell to 0-2 with the loss.

"I'm really proud of how the kids played," Lynch said. "Defensively, they were very responsible. Our boys played the game we asked them to play. I know Fenton has a few players that are highly skilled, and I thought we'd shut them down pretty good. We clogged the middle up pretty good."

Tri-City competed in the Grand Ledge Invitational at The Summit during the weekend, while Fenton hosted Grandville for a non-league game at Hartland Sports Center.



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Fenton's Danny DeLong (left) tries to get by Tri-City's Nathan Alen during the Tigers' 5-0 victory against the co-op squad that includes players from Lake Fenton, Linden and Durand.

## Fenton girls post strong game vs. Brandon, 44-18

By David Troppens

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Fenton varsity girls basketball coach Brad DeWitt wanted to see cleaner play, meaning less turnovers.

He also wanted to see his team capitalize on more scoring opportunities.

The Tigers did both a bit better than in the past, earning a 44-18 Metro League victory Tuesday against Brandon.

"We wanted to take care of the ball and not turn it over," DeWitt said. "We still had too many turnovers, but we did a better job with it. We were able to produce more opportunities and produce more out of transition instead of turning it away. We turned some of their turnovers into points."

Fenton used a 14-1 second-quarter spurt to take a 22-5 lead into halftime. From there, the Tigers only allowed the lead to grow. Fenton's defense never allowed the Blackhawks to score more than seven points in a quarter.

Julie Gilbert led the squad with 11 points and six steals. Payton Maxheimer chipped in six points. Kristina Kinney led the Tigers with five rebounds.

"Everybody contributed," DeWitt said. "Everyone did something here and there and everyone played a lot."

## FENTON

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The Tigers (3-0) won six of the 12 events, but swept the top three spots in the 200 individual medley and the top two spots in the 500 freestyle. Mike Banner won both of those events. He took the top spot in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:23.76, while earning the victory in the 500 freestyle with a time of 5:44.50. Following him in the medley were Ransom in second (2:25.97) and Zahne Macklin (2:26.27) in third. Cassidy took second in the 500 freestyle (5:59.51). Other individual firsts for Fenton were earned by Cassidy in the 200 freestyle (2:05.16), Taylor Thorpe in diving (276.10) and David Congdon in the 100 backstroke (1:10.18).



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