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HAS SPECIAL
MEANING FOR
FOURTH-GRADERS**

“I would rather entertain and hope that people learned something than educate people and hope they were entertained. Walt Disney said that.”

— Alberta

**STORY: WHERE
DDA DOLLARS
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**PAPER: SUNDAY,
DEC. 25**

“I just want to congratulate the Times on the wonderful Christmas edition you published. We had guests from out of town who were blown away by the quality of our hometown newspaper. One more reason that Fenton is so great.”

HOT LINE

OF THE WEEK

“Am I the only one who realizes that if the guy from Bill Carr Signs hadn't demanded the new signs be checked for conformity to the specs we paid for, nobody from the DDA would have. Why hasn't the council addressed this? These people are spending million of our tax dollars.”



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Player of
the Year**
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Looking ahead to 2012

Fenton has multitude of exciting projects

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Fenton has many projects in the works, some of which are substantial, for 2012.

Cornerstone building

One project causing the most buzz in the real estate world is the \$4 million Cornerstone building, going in at the southeast corner of Silver Lake Road and North LeRoy Street. The city and the Saab Group have been working together to develop the corner.

Originally, the 30,000 square foot, **See FENTON on 14A**



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Plans for the proposed Cornerstone building now include a fourth floor to accommodate the interest shown for residential units. Fenton City and the Saab Group are working together on this development at the corner of Silver Lake Road and North LeRoy Street.

Area officials share upcoming projects and expectations

By Times Editorial Staff
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Linden

The biggest change the City of Linden will experience in 2012 will come in leadership. Chris Wren's last day as city manager will be Jan. 21. Linden Mayor David Lossing said the Linden City Council will more than likely appoint Linden Police Chief Scott Sutter as interim city manager until someone is hired full time for the position.

See PROJECTS on 10A

Goodbye to an old friend



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

The 'B' building of the Loose Senior Citizen Center in Linden is demolished after being ravaged by a fire in September. "All the memories since 1996 lay in rubble," said Executive Director Carl Gabrielson. "It's sad." Activities are being held at the other buildings, and off site.

Linden City manager resigns

By William Axford
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Linden — Christopher Wren has resigned from his position as Linden City manager and has accepted a position in the private sector. His last day as city manager will be Jan. 21.

"It's been a great run in the City of Linden, I couldn't have asked for a better community to be a part of," Wren said. "There were some highs and lows there but I absolutely enjoyed my time there. I commend

the staff that I worked with; they are a phenomenal group of people." Linden Mayor David Lossing said that while he would prefer to have Wren stay in Linden, he understands that Wren is moving forward and is happy for him and his wife.

"Chris has been made an offer he couldn't refuse," Lossing said. "We've been lucky to have him for the past four and a half years."

See MANAGER on 23A



“It's been a great run in the City of Linden, I couldn't

have asked for a better community to be a part of.”

Chris Wren, Linden City manager

Linden Councilor Mahnke dies

► Remembered as a family man, public servant

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Linden City Councilor Gary Mahnke collapsed and died while working as a conductor at Crossroads Village on Dec. 27. He was 66.



Gary Mahnke

A prominent and active member of the City of Linden, Mahnke was appointed to the Linden City Council in 2011 and was elected

to serve a three-year term after the November election. Mahnke was an active member of the Price Crane Robinsons VFW Post 4642 in Linden, and had served as post commander for five consecutive years.

He was a Master Mason with the Masonic Lodge and vice president of the Linden Mills Historical Society. Mahnke was also an election worker for the City of Linden.

See MAHNKE on 24A

"Gary was a great guy, full of curiosity on how to be a great public servant."

David Lossing
Linden City mayor



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BIGGEST GROSSING MOVIES OF 2011

What's expected to be big in 2012

Best movies of 2011

The movie industry hit a new landmark in 2011 by releasing 28 sequels, the most ever released in a single year. Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 was the top grossing movie, raking in \$1,328,111,219. Transformers: Dark of the Moon and Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides rounded out the top three slots, each grossing more than \$1 billion. This is the first year that three films earned more than \$1 billion. Overall, The Smurfs and Rio were the only two non-sequels within the top 10 films that grossed the most money.

See **MOVIES** on 23A

Top 3 MONEY MAKERS

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2



Pirates of the Caribbean:
On Stranger Tides

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Transformers: Dark of the Moon

How to keep New Year's Resolutions

► Enlist help of friends, families and gadgets

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A new year often gives you a fresh start and an opportunity to evaluate your personal and professional life.

That's why millions of adults create New Year's Resolutions every Jan. 1 — they want to eliminate bad habits and establish new routines that will help them improve their lives physically, professionally, financially, etc.

Unfortunately, many of these resolutions never make it past the calendar turn to February, when well-meaning people abandon their resolve and settle back into old patterns.

How can you make New Year's Resolutions for 2012 that you will keep throughout the year?

Here are a few suggestions:

1 Pick just one resolution

While everyone may have a long list of potential resolutions, experts suggest that you pick just one, and focus all of your energies on that one goal, rather than spreading yourself too thin among a number of different objectives.

2 Make your goal specific and realistic

Instead of making a general statement, focus on a concrete, achievable goal that you create with a realistic plan and a measurable result. Set exercise dates with yourself, if that's your goal, and honor them as you would any other appointment.

See **SUGGESTIONS** on 15A



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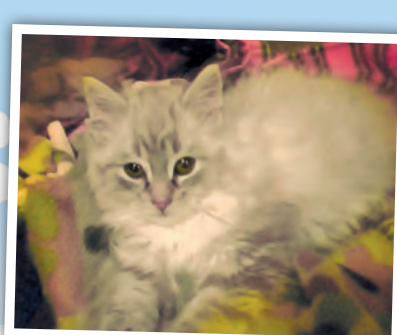
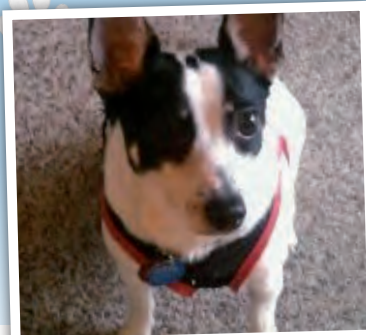
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Ten wishes for the New Year

The New Year is not just a time for making resolutions, it is also a time for hoping for a better year for America and Americans. My 2012 wish list for a better America:

1) **I wish that more Americans** would realize that simply being born in America is the greatest advantage anyone can have to attain prosperity.
2) **I wish all celebrities would shut the hell up:** Yes, freedom of speech guarantees the right of every American to speak their mind on any subject. But wouldn't it be awesome if the next time a celebrity was asked their opinion they would simply

say something like: "I appreciate your asking but the truth is that acting on TV or in movies doesn't provide any insight into anything meaningful, especially with regard to war, social issues or politics. Besides, I live in the entertainment world and am only exposed to opinions that exactly mirror my own."

3) **I hope that the wonderful citizens of Fenton** and the surrounding areas continue to embrace the Shop Local mentality that has been so instrumental in the growth and sustenance of our safe, secure and serene communities.

4) **Speaking of Hollywood,** I wish they would stop using the term 'motion pic-

ture.' While it made sense back in the 1920s, it is patently ridiculous now. It is as relevant as calling movies 'talkies.' They're just movies, not art. And you are movie makers, not artists.

5) **I wish Fenton's leaders** would pull the plug on the inane 'Be Closer.' In your defense, your intentions were great - A+. But for execution - E-. I can provide a dozen taglines in one hour - such as 'Live the Dream,' - that would at least make some semblance of sense to passers-by and visitors.

6) **I wish that people who sacrifice** to live within their means would quit being forced by their own government to pay for people who don't live within their means.

7) **I wish that people who made mistakes** - such as teen pregnancies, or abusing drugs or alcohol - could learn from their mistakes, thus radi-

cally decreasing the probability of them repeating them. But today, welfare programs not only protect people from the consequences of their own mistakes, but reward them - bankrolled by those of us who did learn from our own bad decisions.

8) **I wish that teachers** would quit hiding behind the ridiculous mantra of 'it's for the kids,' and say what they know to be the truth: 'It's for the union.'

9) **I wish that every young adult** driving around playing their car stereos at criminally high volume levels would spend one day wearing earplugs so that they would be aware of the social and mental cost of the early onset hearing loss they are destined to experience.

10) **I wish for a healthy and happy 2012** for the citizens of Fenton and our surrounding communities.

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MY DAUGHTER DROPPED her Christmas shopping money in the Target parking lot, and we waited for an hour to see if anyone would see it, and do the right thing by turning it in. Nope. She was heartbroken.

I THINK EVERY military member ought to come home and get out. When they retire there won't be any benefits left for them. Obama and staff are working diligently to force them to pay for their deserved benefits. Why should we fight for your freedom any longer?

THANK YOU FOR publishing the list of notable deaths last week. I will especially miss Jan Ryneerson and Rick Rockman, both of whom changed our community for the better. Rest in peace.

WHY IS THERE a sign that says "Be Closer to Fenton" as you go north on U.S. 23 at Bristol Road? You're going in the wrong direction.

FOR THE NEW generation that doesn't like baby boomers. We're quite aware of what happiness can bring and how to get it. My father-in-law was killed in a B-17 during WWII, fighting so that you could be free today. We didn't grow up with everything in our hand, just handed to us. I don't think you know what it takes to get to where we are because you never had to go without.

WITH AFTER CHRISTMAS sales starting, now is the time to start purchasing toys and coats for next winter collection. Save money and still help those less fortunate. Happy New Year.

I AM A veteran of the Korean War. On Dec. 25, I heard the longest war was in Afghanistan. That's not true. The longest one was in Korea where we still have people, preserving peace and helping people. Because of the pullout of people in Afghanistan, thousands of people are dying from the bombing. Please don't let the news on channel 12 misrepresent what is going on.

HOW WOULD YOU like people to say Happy Holidays on your birthday? Remember its Christ's birthday and he's to be honored. Merry Christmas.

ABSOLUTELY LOVED THE ads in the Christmas day Times that were drawn by the kids. What a wonderful idea.
WITH ALL THE layoffs and pay cuts taking place now, what about demanding the House of Reps and Senators taking a pay cut and concessions. After all, Democrats and Republicans are responsible for the mess they got us in the first place.

I HAVE WORKED all my life, 41 years so far in the workforce. I will probably die in the workplace because we now have

a governor who is charging me for health care and taxing my pension. I am all for booting his butt out of office.

FOR ALL THE people that complain about our postal service I was so thrilled during the holidays. I mailed two packages, one in state, one out of state for a little over \$5 each. If I had gone through UPS or FedEx, it would have cost three times more. And, they got there so much faster!

THIS IS FOR the man who called in about people renting his house that were growing marijuana plants. Why doesn't everyone who knows a dealer, report them?

MCCAIN WOULD HAVE had us in Iraq forever and no auto industry. What a jerk, I am so glad he had gotten blown out.

YOU ALL ARE losing your minds! Why were we in Iraq and Afghanistan? The president promised to fight terrorism to keep our borders from terrorist attacks such as the Twin Towers. That's exactly why we are there, so we don't have to do it here. Has nothing to do with politics!

HI, I WANT to thank the man and woman who bought lunch for me and my special needs boy. On Wednesday, Dec. 21, we were sitting at Big Boy, the waitress came up and said a man and woman paid our bill, and wanted to say Merry Christmas. We were very appreciative.

HEADLINE LAST SUNDAY: 'DDA stays the course on Be Closer.' Should have read: 'DDA refuses to listen to the will of the people whose money they are foolishly wasting.'

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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What would you like to change about yourself in 2012?

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"Quit smoking. I've tried a bunch of times."

— Dan Markland Waterford



"(Quit) smoking, I could drop a couple pounds also."

— Erik Knill Warren



"I would like to save more money."

— Angela Yarber Hartland



"It's cliché, but I'd like to exercise more, exercise consistently."

— Alex Yarber Hartland



"I'm finally thinking of retiring. I'm 75. I haven't sat around since 65 to 75."

— Jim Bromback Fenton



"I'd like to be more patient. Just be a more forgiving person."

— Jenny Thornton Linden

Students sought for video contest

► Winner to receive college scholarship

By Sharon Stone

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One local high school student will receive a college scholarship and see their creation on television if he or she submits the winning 30-second commercial for Vic Canever Chevrolet of Fenton.

All local area high school students are invited to participate and one entry will win a college scholarship, a donation to their school's video production department and an airing of their commercial on network television in the local market.

To compete, high school students are required to create a 30-second television commercial for the local dealership.

Students will have until Jan. 30 to submit their commercials. The winning entry will be announced in March and aired on local television.

Matt Stevens, general sales manager at Vic Canever said, "Canever decided to start this contest to give back to the community, and to help local high school kids showcase their talents."

"We know that these kids are the future of our community and we are excited to invest in that future."

Students interested in entering the video contest should contact the head of their school's video production department or visit the Vic Canever Chevrolet Facebook

Summary

► High school students have a shot at winning a college scholarship by submitting a video commercial for Vic Canever Chevrolet.

page to get the full contest rules and submission forms. Participants can also contact The Spencer Agency at (810) 733-7888 with questions or for more information.

News briefs

Annual blood drive on Thursday

The annual St. John's Catholic Church and Tri-County Times, New Year's Blood Drive is set for Thursday, Jan. 5 from 12 to 5:45 p.m. at St. John Activity Center. Chef Cat Cora and the American Red Cross have teamed up to give you a chance to do a good deed, warm your hearts and warm your stomach through this event. When you donate blood through the American Red Cross, someone will be getting a second chance at life. January is National blood Donor Month so it is the perfect time to start or renew the tradition of donating blood. Those donating blood will receive an exclusive American Red Cross soup mug and spoon and a recipe card from Chef Cat Cora, while supplies last. Hospital patients need 44,000 units of blood a day for emergency and ongoing medical care. One in 10 people entering the hospital needs blood for treatments related to cancer, serious diseases, accidents and injury.

tri-county fundraisers

Benefit for Kerry Knapp

A benefit in memory of Kerry Knapp is set for Sunday, Jan. 15 at Jester's Lounge, 3112 N. Center Rd. Flint, to honor the life of Kerry Knapp and his family. Organizer Brian Carr said proceeds would go toward Knapp's burial expenses. Knapp died from injuries he sustained while trying to assist a motorist in distress on Oct. 30, in Flint. As he lay under the woman's car to jump-start the engine, the car, which was in drive, started and drove over him, crushing him to death. Knapp was 48 years old and is survived by his wife, Whitney and three children. Knapp was known for helping friends and family and his unselfish nature led to his death. His family is on a low, fixed income and needs assistance with funeral costs. Several local entertainers have donated their time for the benefit and Carr said they are raffling a 51-inch Samsung plasma TV at \$5 per ticket. A cover charge of \$5 is required to attend the benefit, which runs from 4 to 11 p.m. For more information call Carr at (810) 964-2343 or visit their Facebook page.

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DDA considers leasing sculptures

►Each \$1,200 piece would be on display for one year

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Fenton — Sculptures could become an integral part of the Fenton landscape if the Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) agrees to lease artwork from the Midwest Sculpture Initiative (MSI).

DDA member John Strayer told members last Tuesday that he has been researching the idea of leasing sculptures to enhance the cultural aspect of Fenton.

Rather than buying pricey artwork, Strayer said with this company, Fenton would be able to lease sculptures for one year. Each leased sculpture would cost \$1,200 and a minimum of six pieces would be required, costing the DDA \$7,200. Once selected, the company would deliver and

install the sculptures at locations chosen by the city.

MSI currently has 16 municipal clients and expects to increase that number to 20. Sites are in Michigan and Ohio so far.

Strayer said if the DDA decided it would like to pursue this idea, it would be beneficial to obtain input from the Lakes Area Art Council, high school art teachers, and others for the selection of pieces. "This is an opportunity to be unique," said Strayer. "It can promote the city."

Summary

►The Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is considering leasing sculptures from Midwest Sculpture Initiative, beginning in 2013.

Mayor Sue Osborn said this sounded like a fabulous idea.

Craig Schmidt, chairperson of the DDA, said it's a wonderful program and the city would not be required to buy

the sculptures, nor maintain them.

The DDA will continue to look into this idea. To view some of the artwork on display in other cities, go to www.msisculpture.com.

Bald Eagle causing stir around Lake Fenton

►Sightings of majestic bird becoming more common

By Michael LeGault

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Lori Kerstetter was taking a walk on a brisk Sunday afternoon a few weeks ago when something large fluttering in the sky over Lake Fenton caught her eye.

"I asked my boyfriend if he saw that huge bird," said Kerstetter, who lives in Jackson. "He said it was probably just a hawk, but I said, no it has a white head, it's a bald eagle."

Since then, many Lake Fenton residents have reported seeing the bird. The fully-fledged adult eagle is causing a stir around the lake, where it has given many people close-up views of its broad wingspan, talons and snow-white neck and head.

The American Bald Eagle was removed from the list of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife in 2007, but eagle sightings in southern Michigan are still relatively rare. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service counted 682 active eagle nests in Michigan in 2011, but only one in Genesee County.

"When you get this close to it you can see why it's America's national emblem."

Lori Kerstetter
Jackson resident

A breeding pair of bald eagles usually produces only one or two

chicks per season. It takes about four years for an immature eagle to become fully fledged and obtain its distinctive "bald" head, according to Jack Dingle-dine, deputy field supervisor with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services.

In two-chick nests, there is also a high rate of fratricide, in which typically one chick will push the other chick out of the nest. "The American Bald Eagle is not the most prolifically reproductive of animals, which is one contributing reason they became endangered," said Dingle-dine.

Bald Eagles do not migrate to warmer climes during the winter like some birds, said Karen Cleveland, bird biologist at the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Rather, once the breeding season ends, eagles will roam from their nests into areas where food may be more plentiful. The many tall trees lining the shore of Lake Fenton provide the eagle with an ideal perch over open water to hunt for fish and other wildlife.

"Once the breeding season is over there is really no need for an eagle to hang around the nest and defend its territory," said Cleveland. "The birds are kind of like vagabonds this time of year, hunting, then just roosting trees at night."

Cleveland said the bird is probably not a threat to people's pets. "Coyotes are more of a threat to small dogs and cats in this area," she said.

A few days after her initial sighting, Kerstetter spotted the bird again sitting on the edge of some ice in front of her boyfriend's house. "When you get this close to it you can see why it's America's national emblem," said Kerstetter. "It's just a majestic, beautiful animal."

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Sightings of the American Bald Eagle are becoming more common in the Fenton area.



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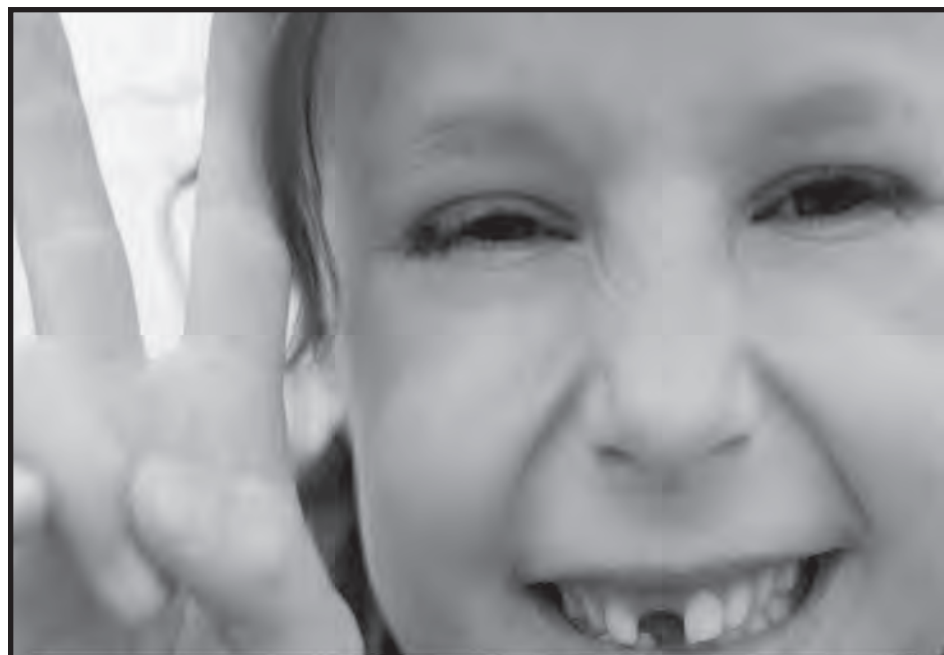
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The Holly Police Department is investigating a breaking and entering, which occurred between, Dec. 12 and 23. The 37-year-old resident showed police how someone pried open the door to his apartment in the 300 block of North Saginaw Street to gain entry to his home. Pry marks appeared to be made from a screwdriver. A TV was missing from the man's home. The resident told police that he asked neighbors if they saw anything, however, there were no witnesses to the break-in. The case remains under investigation.

HOLLY WOMAN FALLS ASLEEP IN VEHICLE
At 1:25 a.m., on Dec. 21, a Holly police officer observed a vehicle stopped in the area of Grange Hall Road and Old Leake Court. The vehicle's engine was running. As the officer approached the vehicle, he saw a female inside with her eyes closed. After several attempts, police awoke the woman, by knocking on the windows with their flashlights. Police suspected the driver, a 39-year-old Holly woman, of being intoxicated. As she exited the vehicle, police noticed that she was unstable on her feet. Field sobriety tests were administered. A preliminary breath test revealed a blood alcohol content of .21. She was placed under arrest and her vehicle was towed, while she was transported to the police station for processing.

JEEP EGGED
A Holly police officer was dispatched to a home in the 4000 block of Grange Hall Road at 9 a.m. on Dec. 23 to investigate a malicious destruction of property complaint. The 54-year-old complainant said someone had thrown eggs at her 1995 Jeep. Eggshells were found on the ground near the Jeep. The woman did not know who would have done this but wanted to be sure police knew this sort of thing was occurring in the neighborhood.

MEDS STOLEN FROM CAR
Fenton police received a larceny of prescription medicine complaint on Dec. 27. Lt. Jason Slater said a 30-year-old Flint woman reported to police that as she paid for gas at a station on North LeRoy Street at 8 p.m. on Dec. 24, someone entered her 2005 Cavalier and stole a bottle containing 86 prescription pills.

CAR DAMAGED
On Dec. 27, a 53-year-old Holly man filed a complaint with Fenton police. The man said he was driving on Poplar Street in his 2008 Chevy. He heard something hit his car and discovered a small dent, possibly made by a BB gun pellet. Police checked nearby homes, however, no suspect was located.

PARTYGOERS FLEE APARTMENT
At 1:45 a.m. on Dec. 29, Fenton police were dispatched to an apartment in the 15000 block of Silver Parkway to investigate a loud party complaint. Lt. Jason Slater said as responding officers arrived, several people jumped from the second floor balcony and fled the scene. About 10 minutes later, a caller reported to police that the people from that apartment drove away in a white Saturn stationwagon. Police located the suspect vehicle and made contact with the driver and three passengers. The officer detected a strong odor of intoxicants from the vehicle and observed several cans of beer in the vehicle. The 22-year-old woman from Lansing driving the vehicle was well under the legal limit; however, the three 20-year-old passengers were all in excess of .08 for blood alcohol content. The passengers were given court appearance tickets and released at the scene.

Holly police aim to keep residents informed

►Website Nixle updates through text messages and e-mail alerts

By Sharon Stone
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Holly — The Holly Police Department wants Holly area residents to be as informed as possible about emergency situations, traffic, events and other matters that might affect them.

Chief Elena Danishevskaya would like all of the residents to know that her top priority is to keep the residents and her staff safe and informed about what is going on in the village.

Because of the chief's goal, Dispatcher Freda Irish is keeping the police department's website, www.hollypolice.com up to date. The chief has also created her own Facebook page. People should friend request "Elena Danishevskaya" to follow her updates. Another way of keeping the resi-

dents informed is through a program called, Nixle, www.nixle.com. Nixle allows residents to sign up for any important safety, emergency alert or press release, which is released by the police department. Residents can opt to receive information as text messages to their cell phone or through e-mail alerts, or both.

The chief is also looking for volunteers who would help the police department reach out to the community. This should not involve a lot of time, but the chief encourages anyone with a few free hours per month to contact Dispatch Coordinator Dawn Bott by calling (248) 634-8221 or e-mailing her at dbott@hollypolice.com.

Lastly, Danishevskaya said she would be posting informational letters on the police department's website about four times per year. Anyone wishing to receive this letter directly from the police department should e-mail Bott.

Summary
►The Holly Police Department offers multiple ways for residents to stay informed.

ernie Pinter dies

►Longtime Fenton resident penned inspirational booklet

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Ernest (Ernie) Pinter, a longtime Fenton resident, passed away on Dec. 20 at Argentine Care Center. He was 95. In March, the Times ran a story about Pinter, who had just penned an inspirational booklet, Traveling Booklet of Wisdom, hoping to inspire change. Of Hungarian dissent, Pinter's constant message was for people to keep trying and never give up.

Pinter also wrote, "The Stairway to Magic," a collection of children's stories. The 10 stories were created for children he knew, as well as for his great-niece, Jennifer. Funeral arrangements are pending with the Temrowski Family Funeral Home in Fenton.



Ernie Pinter

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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

What Does Investment Landscape Look Like in 2012?

As an investor, you know that 2011 was a somewhat "choppy" year, with the financial markets going through many ups and downs. So what can you expect in 2012?

As baseball Hall of Famer Yogi Berra is quoted as saying: "It's hard to make predictions — especially about the future." And these words are certainly applicable for anyone who would like an accurate forecast of the investment climate.

Yet we do know of some factors that may affect your portfolio in the months ahead. Here are a few of them:

- Strong business fundamentals — This past year, all the noise about the debt ceiling debate, the size of the U.S. deficit and the European financial situation tended to drown out some fairly good news: U.S. businesses' balance sheets were strong for the most part, borrowing costs remained low, and corporate profits were good — and corporate profitability remains a key driver of stock prices. Heading into 2012, these fundamentals continue to look positive, which may bode well for investors.
- Europe's debt crisis — Greece's economic problems made a lot of news in 2011, but they weren't the end of the story in Europe, as major financial difficulties also face Italy, Spain, Portugal and Ireland. It's by no means clear how these problems will be resolved, so don't be surprised to see them lead to intermittent, if short-lived, shocks to the markets.
- Election-year patterns — As you're well aware, we're voting for president in 2012. But you might be surprised to learn that the S&P 500 index has shown negative returns in only three of the last 21 presidential election years. Coincidence? No one can say for sure — and at this point, no one can say if this pattern of positive returns will continue during this election year. Still, it's an interesting phenomenon. So there you have it: the good, the bad and the quirky. Take them all together, and you still may not be able to foresee what will happen with the markets this year, but you'll have a lot to think about.

But instead of trying to predict what will happen in 2012, you may be better off following these tried-and-true investment strategies:

- Diversify your holdings. By spreading your money among a wide range of investments, you can reduce the effects of volatility on your portfolio. Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, can't guarantee profits or protect against loss.
- Don't ignore your risk tolerance. If you worry excessively about market fluctuations, you may have too much risk in your portfolio, which means you may need to make some changes.
- Always look at the "big picture." Financial markets will always fluctuate. But if you can keep your focus on your long-term objectives, and make decisions accordingly, you can avoid overreacting to short-term events.

Like other years, 2012 will bring with it periods of both turbulence and smooth sailing. But by making the right investment moves, you can still chart a course that can allow you to move ever closer to your future goals.

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Township passes on listing property

►Officials want to wait for better real estate market

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly — The old North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) building and property on Grange Hall Road in Holly Township will not be listed for sale at this time, after a 3-2 board vote last week. Supervisor Jesse Lambert and Treasurer Mark Freeman voted in favor of listing the property.

At the previous board meeting, the board of trustees asked representatives from Legacy Realty in Fenton to assess the property at 4092 Grange Hall Road, which had previously been listed at \$1.2 million. The current assessment came at \$350,000 to \$400,000.

Lambert spearheaded the effort to list the property that is not being used, to possibly sell it and get the property back on the tax roll.

"I really think we're doing a disservice to the community to not at least list this property," said Lambert.

Trustee Janet Leslie said that the town-

ship has already paid almost \$600,000, and they should try to get at least the money back that was already invested.

"It's not required," said Freeman. He said the township could make up the lost money invested in property taxes.

Karin Winchester countered, saying it would take years to make that money

up in property taxes. She also said that the township would receive very little tax money, as most would go the Holly Downtown Development Authority (DDA).

Lambert still wanted to list the property for sale.

"Do we wait eight years to get \$800,000 to \$1 million for the property?" he said.

"I think it's irresponsible to list it in the worst market," said Winchester.

Lambert made the motion to list the property for sale at \$400,000, however, the motion failed. No other motion was made on the

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Pete Deahl
Holly Township resident

property.

Holly Township resident Pete Deahl suggested after the vote that the township sell the properties, or properly maintain them. "The last thing we need is a blighted eyesore," he said.

Officials clash over budget

►Supervisor and treasurer wanted to use extra funds to equalize departments

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Holly — The good news is, Holly Township is receiving \$104,352 more in revenue sharing because of the 2010 U.S. census and, the board passed a budget amendment last week on how to spend it.

The amendment calls for using half of the money on fire hydrants, emergency sirens, Holly Township Cleanup Day, and a 4-percent pay increase for public officials. The rest will go into various accounts.

The bad news is that the budget was narrowly passed because of the continuing dispute involving the different departments and their funding. Supervisor Jesse Lambert and Treasurer Mark Freeman cast the dissenting votes.

Freeman voted against the amendment because he wanted the extra funds in part to be used to equalize the township treasurer and clerk cost centers. The board had spent about three hours in a budget workshop in November discussing how to use the money.

Freeman argued that the clerk's and the treasurer's office should be funded equally. Currently, the deputy clerk works 35 hours per week with a pension and healthcare plan, with a salary of \$24,410.

The deputy treasurer works 20 hours per week for \$20,000, with no benefits. "We're talking about fairness and equity

in funding," said Freeman

Freeman proposed a plan that would increase the deputy treasurer's pay 10 percent every year, costing the township \$1,200 in 2011. He did not suggest the deputy clerk would take on more responsibilities or hours. "I believe that is a reasonable first step toward the eventual restoration of full funding," said Freeman.

Lambert reversed his previous position, and voted with Freeman, against the budget because the township could use more staff hours on township tasks, like implementing the new projects

included in the budget amendment. "Who is going to do all this work?" Lambert said.

Freeman has brought this argument to the board before, and was voted down. He compared Holly Township to other local municipalities to support his position.

"All I can do is assure this board, and the taxpayers, that this issue is not going to go away until it is resolved."

Mark Freeman
Holly Township treasurer

Trustee Janet Leslie questioned giving a pay increase only based on parity. "It allows the treasurer's department to be able to attract and hire qualified people to work in that department," said Freeman.

"I don't understand how using more tax payer money is going to return a greater benefit to them," said Leslie.

Once the board voted for the budget as amended, denying Freeman's proposal, Freeman read a prepared statement into the record, decrying the logic used to cast the vote. "All I can do is assure this board, and the taxpayers, that this issue is not going to go away until it is resolved," he said.



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PROJECTS

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The Linden City Council will also have to appoint a new council member after the passing of councilor Gary Mahnke. The interim councilor will serve on the council until November, when voters will elect a permanent councilor to fill the remainder of Mahnke's term.

Lossing said overall, he hopes the economy will improve but the city is committed to watching their budgets and being fiscally sound.

"Hopefully, the state economy will settle down and the state will increase investments in local places," Lossing said. "If the value of people's properties pick back up, it will help our school district. Our government will continue to watch the budget and do more cutting if need be."

The Linden Council voted in November to be a part of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), a federally funded program that provides monies to improve infrastructures and building projects for municipalities. The council will use the funds to improve downtown lighting structures by replacing poles and light bulbs.

Reconstruction of the Loose Senior Citizen Center should be complete by

the end of next year, as demolition of a building on site began the last week of December.

Another project in the works is the weed treatment of the Linden Mill Pond, which was spurred by citizens who lived on or near the pond. The project is not finalized, however, there have been steps taken involving research and meetings between citizens and government on how to approach the project.

Also, to be determined this year is whether the Linden Summer Happening will return or if the Linden Summer Mills Day will continue a second year. The Linden Summer Happening Committee has met with the Linden City Council; no plans have been finalized yet.

Fenton Township

Fenton Township is looking forward to new developments in 2012. Clerk Robert Krug said the township just ap-

proved a large build along Jennings and Owen road, which will include an assisted living complex. "We're excited about that," he said.

Krug has also been investigating providing water service for the Thompson Road Corridor, which includes properties on Thompson Road from U.S. 23 to the residential lots. Krug said the water

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Jerry Walker

Holly Village manager



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Area communities are looking on to 2012 for new businesses and improving the downtown experience for residents, while maintaining services with declining state revenue.

service would be from the township, exclusively for businesses, who would share the cost.

Holly Village

The Holly Village Council and administration are looking primarily to weather the financial storm without a decrease in services for its residents. "The only reason why local government should exist is providing services to the residents and businesses of the community," said Holly Village Manager Jerry Walker. "That's why we're here."

Holly is anticipating further revenue losses from the state, so the administration and elected officials are just trying to stay the course. Village Council President Jeff Miller's priority is a balanced budget, and to expand shared services. Walker also mentioned shared services as a major goal for 2012. The village already shares ambulance services with Groveland Township, and building inspector responsibilities. Buying office supplies in bulk is also a possibility.

Walker expects discussions for expanding Holly police service to include Holly and Groveland townships to resume, should the Michigan State Police be completely pulled out of northern Oakland County.

Because there are currently several positions open for various boards and committees, Miller would like to promote volunteerism in the village.

Council member Jackie Campbell also supports the balanced budget and expanded services. She would also like to see a cohesive front office, and more grants sought for either renovating, or demolishing village property.

Other goals she has for the year is selling the village offices, and as a private citizen, putting cityhood back on the November 2012 ballot. "People deserve the best in the community," she said. "I have a lot of dreams for Holly."

Holly DDA

Holly Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Director Hope Ponsart hopes to guide the DDA back to accreditation in 2012. Ponsart said this would put the Holly DDA in an elite group that is recognized as having a leading main street revitalization plan. Ponsart said the steps to receive accreditation have already been taken, and the evaluation will be in March. The Holly DDA last had accredi-

tation in 2009.

The DDA is also doing traffic studies to determine how traffic flows through the village. These studies will help to place crosswalks that are needed because of increased foot traffic through downtown.

Steps are also being taken to develop certain parts of downtown, like the area around the holly mill. Improving walkability is a goal for 2012, said Ponsart.

"There's a renewed emphasis on business development," she said. Ponsart is developing a new packet for prospective businesses, and a new website is in the works. Although Ponsart has seen more volunteers for events and projects, she would like to get even more in 2012. "I feel like all the cylinders are firing," she said. "The main street program is back in place."

Holly Township

Projects such as the work being done at Oakhill Cemetery and the 120-year-old township offices at 102 Civic Drive will continue. Supervisor Jesse Lambert expects no big policy changes and no new taxes for residents.

Lambert said the township would continue supporting community festivals. He hopes to improve attendance to events like Dickens Festival, Patriot Week, Ladies Night, the Halloween Parade and Wednesday night car shows. He said downtown business owners are cooperating with the effort.

Lambert expects the Village and Township to continue working closely together in 2012. Projects, including the expansion of water and sewer infrastructure in other areas of the township, are being discussed at a public hearing on Feb. 14. Lambert said business growth is minimal because the township owns less commercial property.

"If there's a healthy village, there's going to be a healthy township," he said. "That up-beat attitude will carry into the township."

The township also has a healthy budget for 2012. "I've never felt better in my three years of being here," he said.

Rose Township

Rose Township is looking forward to new emergency alert sirens being installed within its borders, as well as improvements to parks.

The township is also being lead by interim Supervisor Glen Noble, who will sit on the board of trustees until November.

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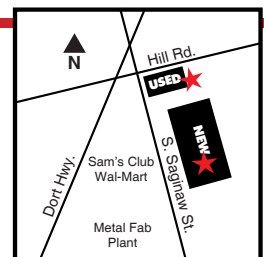
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three-story brick building was going to have retail, office and residential space on the first, second and third floor, respectively.

Brad Hissong, zoning administrator for the city of Fenton, said due to overwhelming demand for residential space, the Saabs requested a waiver so that a fourth floor could be added to the plans. The fourth floor of residential units would be recessed from the facade, with private outdoor space overlooking the roads below. The waiver was necessary because of the height restrictions.

"Everyone wants to live there," he said, noting the reasonable rent, \$750 to \$1,100.

Hissong said the fire chief expressed no issues regarding the height and the waiver was granted. The four retail spaces available on the ground floor are reserved; however, the second floor still has office space available. Real estate consultant Jerry Mansour is working with the city and the Saab Group to bring in tenants. Construction is expected to begin in the spring.

North LeRoy Street road improvement project

A \$1.25 million road project set for

this spring is the rehabilitation of North LeRoy Street, from North Road, to the city's northern border.

Fenton expects to receive \$750,000 in federal funding through the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission as part of the 2012 County Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). The city has also budgeted \$500,000 toward this project, administered by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT).

Culver's restaurant

Construction is nearly done at Culver's restaurant on Owen Road. Siblings, Kevin Powers and Katie Schmitt, who own the Culver's restaurant in Clarkston, have been working with the city to open their second location. The family restaurant is known for its burgers, sandwiches, frozen custard desserts and handcrafted beverages.

Fenton House restaurant

Anyone passing through Dibbleville has seen the construction work at the Fenton House restaurant. Work includes a new façade at the back of the restaurant, outdoor dining at the back, as well as interior changes. The arcade at the back will be removed, to make way for a dining/bar area. Hissong said the owner of the restaurant has bought a liquor license from the



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Hobby Lobby will be investing \$600,000 to renovate the old Farmer Jack building on Silver Parkway in Fenton.

county with the intent of transferring the license over to the restaurant. This matter will be discussed at future city council meetings and the police chief would be required to give an opinion.

Hobby Lobby

Numerous people have offered opinions as to what should go into the space of the former Farmer Jack grocery store on Silver Parkway. Hissong said Hobby Lobby has submitted its plans for the 54,450 square foot space. The exterior will remain mostly the same with a new glassed in vestibule.

This Hobby Lobby will add to the chain's 499 stores in 41 states. The \$600,000 project, which includes an extensive interior renovation and all new heating and cooling system, will use local contractors.

Michigan Brewing Co.

Hissong said construction work could begin any day on the Michigan Brewing Co., which is leasing the old fire hall building from the city. The restaurant will feature its own beer and wine.

The city has a seven-year lease agreement with the restaurant owners where they will pay the city \$1 per year, plus property taxes. The Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is supplying up to 33 percent of the project costs, not to exceed \$400,000.

Power Sports International

Moving into the former Hanson drying cleaning building on North LeRoy Street is Power Sports International, LLC. The owners have submitted plans to the city, which include them buying and selling items on the Internet and having a few items on display in a small showroom in the building. Hissong said the owners intend to upgrade the building's exterior and parking lot.

Michigan Eye Institute

Michigan Eye Institute celebrated its 20 years in business with a new 5,300 square foot development on Silver Parkway, which is set to open soon. This facility is a fully integrated eye care practice.

Crust

Crust, a baking company on West Caroline Street, is within weeks of providing freshly baked breads, pastries, pies, cakes for its customers under the direction of executive baker, Mike Green.

New 911 Dispatch Equipment

The purchase of new 911 emergency dispatch equipment for the Fenton Police Department was recently approved by Fenton City Council and installation of the state-of-the-art equipment is expected to take place soon. The Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is covering the more than \$300,000 in costs.

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Laborer Dale Watkins prepares wall surfacing on Wednesday inside the new Culver's restaurant on Owen Road in Fenton. The business is expected to be open in February 2012.

Culver's to open Feb. 15

► Construction going smooth, nearly complete

By William Axford

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ButterBurgers and fresh frozen custard will be on the tongues of Fenton residents by mid February. Construction at Culver's restaurant is nearly complete and owner Kevin Powers is anticipating a Feb. 15 opening. The restaurant's sign was scheduled to be delivered and installed by the end of week.

Fenton based Rhoads and Johnson began construction of the Owen Road restaurant on Oct. 12, at the site of the former State Bank building. Foreman Jim Roth said 95

percent of the building's exterior is complete and he estimates 50 to 60 percent of the interior is completed, without the flooring or restaurant equipment.

"The weather has been very favorable, it's been really nice," Roth said. "We expect to be done in February, when it opens."

Powers has owned and operated Culver's in Clarkston for the past five years with his sister Katie Schmitt.

The Fenton location will be the second restaurant they own. The sister and brother duo are looking forward to being a part of the Fenton community.

"It looks like we're on track. Rhoads and Johnson is doing a terrific job," Powers said. "The weather has been cooperat-

ing so far."

Powers and Schmitt are currently in the hiring process and already have multiple people scheduled to work opening day. In total, Powers expects to employ about 70 people once the restaurant is up and running.

Summary

► Construction at Culver's restaurant on Owen Road is nearly complete and owner Kevin Powers is anticipating a Feb. 15 grand opening.

"We're excited to be in Fenton," Powers said. "We feel that we're going to be prepared and we expect a strong opening."

Culver's began in 1984 when the Culver's family opened up their first restaurant in Wisconsin. Currently, Culver's restaurants are in operation across 19 states.



What is a ButterBurger?

According to the Culver's website, a ButterBurger is, "fresh, never frozen, 100 percent U.S. beef, seared on a grill after you order and on a lightly buttered, toasted bun. Add real Wisconsin cheese and you'll know why we wouldn't change a thing."



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Tile-setter Mark Locke works on the restrooms of the new Culver's on Owen Road in Fenton on Wednesday. Locke is also responsible for the dining area floors. "I'll be here a while," he said.

SUGGESTIONS

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3 Plan ahead

Hopefully, your 2012 resolution is already in place before New Year's Eve. Since planning is an essential part of achieving any goal, experts suggest that you spend time planning how you will tackle a major behavioral change. Write down your goal, make a list of activities to achieve that goal and note any obstacles — and solutions — that might stand in your way.

4 Start with small steps

Focus on taking tiny steps that will ultimately help you reach your larger goal. Small changes make it easier to stick to your new habits and increase the likelihood of long-term success.

5 Avoid repeating past failures

Don't make the exact same resolution year after year. Even if you choose to reach for the same goal — losing weight, for example — approach it in a new way with specific behavioral changes that will address why your past efforts weren't successful. By changing your approach, you will be more likely to see real results.

6 Remember that a resolution is a process, not a destination

Since many unhealthy habits have taken a lifetime to develop, they aren't likely to change in just a few short days, weeks or months. Remember that it's not a race to the finish, but is something you will continue to work on for the rest of your life.

7 Don't let small stumbles bring you down

Expect a few setbacks in this new process of keeping your resolution, and plan for them. View each relapse in behavior as an opportunity to learn. The path toward a goal is not a straight one. Keep a journal, and write down important information about when and why a relapse occurred. That will help you better prepare for a future setback.

8 Enlist support from friends, family, social networks

Use the buddy system to keep your accountability strong. Explain what your goals are to close friends and family and ask for their help. You might

want to enlist the help of others by joining a group that shares your goal.

9 Renew your motivation

While you may feel highly motivated during the first few days of working on your resolution, your confidence and motivation may begin to fade as you face challenges in changing your behavior. Remind yourself why you have set this goal, and find sources of inspiration to keep you going.

10 Reevaluate your strategy as time passes

Once your initial spark of motivation has waned, you may have to work harder to keep your goal. If your current approach is not working, reevaluate your strategies and develop a new plan. By sticking with it and working on your goal all year long, you can be one of the few able to say that you really did keep your New Year's Resolution for 2012.

USE TECHNOLOGY TO HELP YOU

- **Block out time** and set reminders. Take advantage of your smartphone's calendar and schedule time in advance. Use your smartphone to set reminders or "due dates" for these mini-goals. By doing so, you make your resolutions seem more achievable, and the due dates will encourage you to stay committed.

- **Find a community** on the Internet to find others who are tackling the same resolution. It's easy to feel discouraged when you're pursuing something alone. If your goal is to read more books, join a website like Goodreads. For weight-loss, check out sites like SparkPeople and CalorieCount.

- **Start your own community** by creating a Facebook group. Give it a fun name and invite friends (and their friends) to join the group. Not only will you hold each other accountable and swap tips, but also you will be more motivated by being the group leader.

- **Look into dedicated gadgets.** For example, if you resolve to read more, an e reader like the Nook or Kindle can motivate you to stock up on more books. Likewise, Fitbit or Adidas MiCoach are devices that help you manage fitness and weight-loss in a fun way.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on February 1, 2012 Said premises are situated in Township of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: Proposed Phase II of Old Mill Farm Condominium Part of Government Lot 2, Section 14, Township 5 North , Range 6 East, Township of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan, described as follow: Beginning North 00 deg 05 min West, 1388.63 ft (previously recorded as 1399.00 ft from the Southwest corner of Section 14; thence North 00 deg 05 min West 654.09 ft (previously recorded as 664.66 ft); thence along the intermediate traverse line of the plat of Golden Shores No. 5, a recorded subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 57, Pages 49-50, Genesee County Records, North 79 deg 05 min 32 sec East, 406.44 ft and North 83 deg 55 min 26 sec East 447.51 ft and North 58 deg 00 min 05 sec East, 389.99 ft, thence leaving said traverse line of Golden Shores No. 5, South 01 deg 27 min 56 sec East, 1015.65 ft; thence North 89 deg 03 min 30 sec West, 1200.00 ft to the point of beginning; reserving that part now used as Torrey Road, so-called. Excepting there from that part lying between the recorded Plat of Golden Shores No. 5 and the water of edge of Golden Shores lake (so named in the said plat of Golden Shores No. 5); also excepting Old Mill Farm Condominium - Phase -1 as recited in Master Deed recorded in Document Number 200203140035619, Genesee County Records. Easement for drainage, detention, and pedestrian lake access - as supplied (from Atwell-Hicks, Inc.) Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 14, Township 5 North, Range 6 East, Fenton Township, Genesee County, Michigan; thence North 00 deg 05 min 00 sec West 1655.34 ft along the West line of said Section 14 and the centerline of Torrey Road (100 ft wide); thence North 88 deg 20 min 34 sec East 142.86 ft for a place of beginning; thence 50.15 ft along the arc of a 150.00 foot radius non-tangential curve to the right with a chord bearing North 12 deg 30 min 32 sec East 49.92 ft; thence North 48 deg 48 min 39 sec West 38.05 ft; thence South 85 deg 56 min 52 sec West 75.28 ft; thence North 00 deg 05 min 00 sec West 324.76 ft along the Easterly right-of-way of said Torrey Road; thence North 79 deg 05 min 32 sec East 60.33 ft along the South line of Golden Shores No. 5 as recorded in Liber 57 of Plats, Page 49-50, Gene-see County Records, Genesee County, Michigan; thence South 06 deg 42 min 10 sec West 172.36 ft; thence South 43 deg 34 min 32 sec East 73.09 ft; thence South 00 deg 57 min 19 sec West 91.04 ft; thence South 48 deg 48 min 39 sec East 54.07 ft; thence 55.86 ft along the arc of a 130.00 ft radius non-tangential circular curve to the left, with a chord bearing South 15 deg 56 min 57 sec West 55.44 ft; thence South 88 deg 20 min 34 sec West 20.07 ft to the place of beginning, being a part of the Southwest one-quarter of said Section 14, Parcel 2 Part of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 4 and the Northeast one-quarter of Section 5, Township 2 North, Range 6 East, Brighton Township, Livingston County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at a point on the North line of said Section 4, distant North 87 deg 47 min West 870.57 ft from the point of intersection of the centerline of Old U.S. 23 Highway with the North line of said Section 4; thence South 02 deg 12 min 44 sec West 512.54 ft; thence North 87 deg 58 min 18 sec West 860.00 ft; thence North 02 deg 10 min East 369.74 ft; thence North 15 deg 26 min East 150.00 ft; thence South 87 deg 47 min East 826.00 ft to the point of beginning. Together with and subject to the use of a private road for ingress and egress, 66.00 ft in width, the center-line of which is described as: Beginning at a point distant South 88 deg 47 min 36 sec East along the North line of said Section 5, 703.89 ft and South 01 deg 13 min West 33.00 ft from the North one-quarter corner of said Section 5; thence South 88 deg 47 min 36 sec East 419.57 ft; thence South 42 deg 56 min East 218.46 ft; thence South 63 deg 36 min East 234.70 ft; thence South 72 deg 11 min East 207.66 ft; thence South 67 deg 37 min East 637.16 ft; thence South 87 deg 58 min 18 sec East 872.24 ft; thence North 70 deg 19 min 30 sec East 515.55 ft; thence South 62 deg 41 min East 227.59 ft to the Centerline of Old U.S. 23 Highway and the point of ending of centerline of said Private Road. Commonly known as V/L Torrey Rd, Fenton MI 48430 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), which-ever is later. Dated: 1/01/2012 Eastern Savings Bank, fsb Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-54254 Ad #18556 01/01, 01/08, 01/15, 01/22/2012

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Livingston County at 10:00AM on February 1, 2012 Said premises are situated in Township of Brighton, Livingston County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: Proposed Phase II of Old Mill Farm Condominium Part of Government Lot 2, Section 14, Town-ship 5 North , Range 6 East, Township of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan, described as follow: Beginning North 00 deg 05 min West, 1388.63 ft (previously recorded as 1399.00 ft from the Southwest corner of Section 14; thence North 00 deg 05 min West 654.09 ft (previously recorded as 664.66 ft); thence along the intermediate traverse line of the plat of Golden Shores No. 5, a recorded subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 57, Pages 49-50, Genesee County Records, North 79 deg 05 min 32 sec East, 406.44 ft and North 83 deg 55 min 26 sec East 447.51 ft and North 58 deg 00 min 05 sec East, 389.99 ft, thence leaving said traverse line of Golden Shores No. 5, South 01 deg 27 min 56 sec East, 1015.65 ft; thence North 89 deg 03 min 30 sec West, 1200.00 ft to the point of beginning; reserving that part now used as Torrey Road, so-called. 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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY Juvenile Department In the Matter of TALIAH MARIE ANDERSON A Child.
Case No. 09-670J-03
PUBLISHED SUMMONS
TO: Michael James O'Neal
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON:
A petition has been filed asking the court to terminate your parental rights to the above-named child for the purpose of placing the child for adoption. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PERSONALLY APPEAR BEFORE the Lane County Juvenile Court at 2727 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Eugene, OR 97401, on the 2nd day of February, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. to admit or deny the allegations of the petition and to personally appear at any subsequent court-ordered hearing. YOU MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY IN THE COURTROOM ON THE DATE AND AT THE TIME LISTED ABOVE. AN ATTORNEY MAY NOT ATTEND THE HEARING IN YOUR PLACE. THEREFORE, YOU MUST APPEAR EVEN IF YOUR ATTORNEY ALSO APPEARS.
This summons is published pursuant to the order of the circuit court judge of the above-entitled court, dated August 2, 2011. The order directs that this summons be published once each week for three consecutive weeks, making three publica-tions in all, in a published newspaper of general circulation in Genesee County, Michigan.
Date of first publication: 1-1-2012
Date of last publication: 1-15-2012

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IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR PERSONALLY BEFORE THE COURT OR DO NOT APPEAR AT ANY SUBSEQUENT COURT-ORDERED HEARING, the court may proceed in your absence without further notice and TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS to the above-named child either ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THIS SUMMONS OR ON A FUTURE DATE, and may make such orders and take such action as authorized by law. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS
(1) YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY IN THIS MATTER. If you are currently represented by an attorney, CONTACT YOUR ATTORNEY IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTICE. Your previous attorney may not be representing you in this matter.
IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY, and you meet the state's financial guidelines, you are entitled to have an attorney appointed for you at state expense. TO REQUEST APPOINTMENT OF AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU AT STATE EXPENSE, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY CONTACT the Lane County Juvenile Department, 2727 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Eugene, Oregon 97401, phone number 541/682-4754, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. for further information.
IF YOU WISH TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY, please retain one as soon as possible and have the attorney present at the above hearing. If you need help finding an at-torney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684-3763 or toll free in Oregon at (800) 452-7636.
IF YOU ARE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH YOUR AT-TORNEY AND TO KEEP YOUR ATTORNEY ADVISED OF YOUR WHEREABOUTS.
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(2) If you contest the petition, the court will schedule a hearing on the allegations of the petition and order you to appear personally and may schedule other hearings related to the petition and order you to appear personally. IF YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR, YOU MUST AP-PEAR PERSONALLY IN THE COURTROOM, UNLESS THE COURT HAS GRANTED YOU AN EXCEPTION IN ADVANCE UNDER ORS 419B.918 TO APPEAR BY OTHER MEANS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, TELEPHONIC OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS. AN ATTORNEY MAY NOT ATTEND THE HEARING(S) IN YOUR PLACE. PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY
Sarita D. Glassburner
Assistant Attorney General
Department of Justice
975 Oak Street, Suite 200
Eugene, OR 97401
Phone: (541) 686-7973
ISSUED this 2nd day of December, 2011.
Issued by:
Sarita D. Glassburner, #012611
Assistant Attorney General

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24 Robert of "Rhapsody in Blue"
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35 Manipulate
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MOVIES

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Grossing the most money, however, doesn't always translate into the best films of the year. Movie critics panned both Transformers and Pirates of the Caribbean. Here's a list of some of the most notable movies of 2011 and what to expect in 2012.

Movies from 2011

Ides of March – 2011 was a big year for actor Ryan Gosling, who had been missing in action from movies for the past few years. In the Ides of March, Gosling plays a hotshot junior campaign manager for presidential hopeful Mike Morris (George Clooney). Gosling plays the role splendidly, giving moviegoers an inside eye at the price of ambition in a political field of immoral politicians and cunning campaign workers.

The Muppets – The first Muppets movie in 12 years was one of this year's best films. Whimsical and full of notable cameos, the Muppets returned with a bang. Hopefully, moviegoers won't have to wait another decade to see the Muppets on the big screen again.

Bridesmaids – Annie's (Kristen Wiig) life comes undone when her best friend gets married and asks Annie to be her maid of honor. Bridesmaids goes beyond the stereotypical chick flick movie with gross-out gags and unforgettable one-liners. The film is enjoyable for both women and men.

The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo – Based on Stieg Larsson's best selling book, The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo explores the vanishing of a young girl from her family's island estate. Driven by investigative journalist Mikael Blomkvist (Daniel Craig) and tech savvy Lisbeth Salander (Rooney Mara), the movie's unique characters are just as thrilling as the mystery itself.

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 – For many young adults and teenagers, Harry Potter is a story embedded into their childhood. The decade long film series ended with a bang, grossing more than \$1 billion and topping many critics' top 10 lists.

Movies for 2012

This coming year could very well be one of the best for moviegoers. Between the conclusion of Christopher Nolan's excellent Batman trilogy to Peter Jackson revisiting the works J.R. Tolkien, 2012 will feature a multitude of reasons to visit your local theater.

The Avengers – May 4 — A culmination of many of Marvel's superhero movies, The Avengers has Iron Man (Robert Downey Jr.), Thor (Chris Hemsworth),

Captain America (Steve Rogers) and other prominent superheroes.

The Dark Knight Rises – July 20 – Set eight years after The Dark Knight, The Dark Knight Rises will complete Christopher Nolan's Batman trilogy. Bane (Tom Hardy) and Catwoman (Anne Hathaway) will be the antagonist to Batman (Christian Bale).

The Amazing Spider-Man – July 3 — A reboot of one of Marvel's most beloved characters, The Amazing Spider-Man (Andrew Garfield) will focus on Peter Parker's life as a high school student who inherits spider-like superpowers. Emma Stone will play Parker's love interest, Gwen Stacey, while Rhys Ifans will play Dr. Curt Connors, who transforms into the villainous Lizard.

The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey – Dec. 14 — Director Peter Jackson takes us back to Middle Earth with The Hobbit, the tale of Bilbo Baggins before the events of The Lord of the Rings. An epic story filled

with dwarves, dragons and other folklore, The Hobbit will be split into two movies. **007: Skyfall** – Oct. 26 (UK) – Daniel Craig will reprise his role as MI6's best spy, although little is known about the movie so far. An American release has not yet been announced.

The Hunger Games – March 23 – Based on the best selling novel by Suzanne Collins, The Hunger Games is a story of a dystopian society where 24 teenagers must fight to the death until there is only one survivor. If the movie is anything like the books, The Hunger Games should prove to be one of the best films of 2012.

Prometheus – June 8 – Originally proposed as a prequel to Ridley Scott's Aliens movie, Prometheus will be a standalone movie about an advanced alien race that helped forge human civilization. The title is an allusion to the Greek mythology of Prometheus, a Titan that stole fire from Zeus and gave it to the humans, thus sparking human intelligence.



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Iacobelli Medical Center

Christopher Iacobelli, M.D. now offers a full-service family practice through the doors of his new medical office, open since Oct. 3. The spacious 3,200-square-foot office sets a new standard of family medicine, provided by a hand-selected team of skilled, compassionate professionals. "I believe we have assembled the best staff that could be found anywhere," said Iacobelli.

Designed with the highest standards of patient care in mind, Iacobelli Medical Center invites families to check out the new facility, located at 14272 Fenton Rd., just north of Sagebrush Cantina.

As a solo-practice physician, Iacobelli has created the space to meet his own standards and expectations. "My goal in building this new medical center has always been to provide the same superior care that my patients are accustomed to, in a more efficient and professional environment," said Iacobelli. "Every day, we look for opportunities to improve and enhance our patient care."

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in a team approach to improve their health. On-site diagnostics include ultrasounds, stress echocardiograms and electromyograms. All testing is read by specialists he has selected from years of experience in working with them.

Iacobelli also works closely with specialists at all area hospitals, and can refer patients quickly to world-class facilities, including University of Michigan Hospital, Beaumont Hospital, Detroit Medical Center, Henry Ford Hospital, Karmanos Cancer Institute and Mayo Clinic.

A graduate of Wayne State University School of Medicine, Iacobelli is board-certified in family medicine and well studied in all aspects of internal medicine and pediatrics. His particular interests include various diseases of the thyroid as well as obscure, chronic conditions which have posed diagnostic challenges. He was named chief resident at Genesys Regional Medical Center in 2002-2003. In 2009, he was named a "Favorite Doctor in Genesee County" in an informal media poll.



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MANAGER

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Lossing admired Wren for making tough decisions during the economic downturn. Lossing said, the Linden City Council would more than likely appoint Linden Police Chief Scott Sutter as interim city manager until someone is hired full time for the position.

Wren is looking forward to starting his new career. "It's a new opportunity with new challenges. I'm looking forward to writing a new chapter and to take on new things. I'm looking forward to seeing what the private world has to offer."

Lossing said the city should have a job posting for the position soon. The position is expected to be filled by March 2012.

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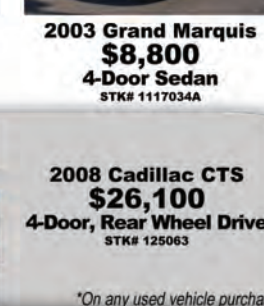
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MAHNKE

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In 2010, Mahnke was declared Citizen of the Year by the City of Linden.

Mahnke's death was unexpected and members of the Linden community were moved by his passing.

"This is a great loss to the city, council, and of course, his family," said Linden mayor David Lossing. "Gary was a great guy, full of curiosity on how to be a good public servant. We're going to miss him on the council."

Mahnke was born on March 28, 1945 in Clovis, New Mexico. He married his wife Anne in 1966 and moved to Linden in 1973, where he lived out the rest of his life. Prior to being married, Mahnke served in the Navy from 1963 to 1966 and saw action in the Vietnam War. He retired from Consumers Energy in 2010 after 34 years of work. He was a part of the Huckleberry Railroad from 2002 to the day he died.

Linden V.F.W. Post Commander Bill Steelman was nearly speechless when he spoke of Mahnke. "I was a little shocked, nobody even surmised this would happen," Steelman said. "He's going to be highly missed in the community."

Members of Mahnke's family said that he was a family man that was beloved. He had a zest and love for life.

Funeral services have been set for 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 31 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 100 Silver Lake Road. Visitations have been scheduled for Thursday 5 to 9 p.m. and Friday 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home.

HOT LINE CONTINUED


I WANT TO comment to all those people complaining about losing rights and everything. Please enlighten me, what rights have we lost? I am 61 years old and I can still do everything I did as a teenager. So please enlighten me and be specific what rights have we really lost.

THE KING HAD such a nice Christmas story this week. Maybe he could have something nice to say the other 51 weeks of the year instead of his hate, directed at those who don't agree with him, liberals and Democrats.

THIS IS FOR the liberal no-minded robot that watched the fiasco in Washington and interpreted it to be the Republicans holding the economy hostage. Let me remind you it was the Republicans that passed the one-year extension that the president was asking for. It was the Democrats and Senate that wouldn't pass a two-month extension. Get some real balanced news.

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Get *fit* in 2012

► Advice from local pros

By **Sally Rummel**

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Sometimes it takes a defining moment in life to make a decision to get healthy and fit.

Bambi Fisher, 53, of Linden, remembers one Thursday in March 2010, as if it were yesterday. An accounting manager

Summary

► This is the year tri-county area residents can commit to getting fit and healthy, with advice offered by local fitness and nutrition professionals.

by profession, Fisher bent down to pick up a pen she had dropped on the floor and discovered she couldn't physically get down low enough to pick it up.

She drove herself immediately from work to a Weight Watchers meeting in Fenton and eventually lost 88 pounds.

Not only did she lose enough pounds and inches to go from wearing a size 24 to a size 12, she also gained a brand new

lifestyle of healthy living. "You've got to make a permanent change in your daily habits," said Fisher, who only misses about three days a month in going to the gym.

A member at Snap Fitness in Linden, she loves the workout, plus the stress relief she enjoys after every evening exercise session. "Every day that I'm

working out at the gym, I'm healthier than the day I was before," said Fisher.

Fisher is a good example of a person who has taken the local resources available to her in her desire to lose weight and get healthy. Here is some of the best advice from local fitness professionals, who want to help tri-county area residents get on board to "get fit" in 2012.



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Brent Fulton of Byron completes seated-leg curls at Snap Fitness in Linden on Tuesday with wife, Lisa.



TIPS

FROM THE PROS:

1 You can't out-run a cookie.

All of the elliptical training, Zumba classes and treadmill use is a waste of time if you are not eating correctly, according to Mike O'Hara, physical therapist and owner of Fenton Physical Therapy/Fenton Fitness & Athletic Center.

O'Hara is a huge proponent of the benefits of exercise for everyone, but points out that in order to lose weight and change your body composition from less fat to more muscle,

you have to get your nutrition program in order first. "It's not just cardio and more cardio," he said. Strength training and proper calorie intake are the most important components of lasting weight loss, according to the last five years of research in this area.

"Every day that I'm working out at the gym, I'm healthier than the day I was before."

Bambi Fisher
Linden

2 Change your goal from "getting fit" to "getting healthy."

Re-define what getting fit means to you, then recognize what has to be changed in your life to accomplish that, advises Missy Vincent, certified personal trainer/certified group fitness instructor for Commit2BFit, LLC. "Whether physically or mentally, attack this concept of 'getting healthy' as if it were a life or death decision, because it is," said Vincent. "Obesity is responsible for more than 300,000 deaths a year." Her nutrition advice? Keep blood sugar levels stable throughout the day by eating regular, small meals to keep from experiencing peaks and valleys of hunger. Think "brown" when selecting grains, choose three to four pieces of whole fruit a day, and consume green vegetables at will, but high-starch vegetables moderately. "Define what physical activities are fun and incorporate them into your day," added Vincent. "Train your brain to believe that the activity that you are doing is because you want to, not because you have to. The key to exercising is to enjoy whatever activity it is that you choose as your caloric burner, otherwise you will quit before you ever began."

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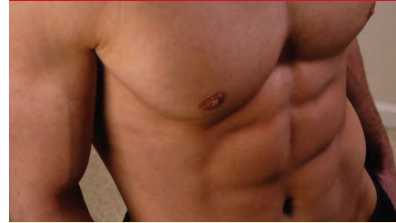
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The top 10 resolutions list

1. Stop smoking
2. Get into a habit of being fit
3. Lose weight
4. Enjoy life more
5. Quit drinking
6. Organize yourself - this is one of the keys to reaching your goals
7. Learn something new
8. Get out of debt
9. Spend more time with family
10. Help people

Men's Health



6 weeks to a 6 pack

1. HOW TO GET SIX PACK ABS THROUGH YOUR DIET

Without a clean diet you can say goodbye to abs. One thing to realize is that while exercise is important, it will only take you so far. No matter how many crunches or sit up variations you do, if you have a solid layer of fat covering the stomach, those ab muscles will never be visible. Try to focus on the consumption of enough protein to keep your appetite under control, supplemented with healthy fats and fruits and vegetables for energy.

2. PERFECT DIFFERENT EXERCISES FOR SIX PACK ABS

In your quest for six pack abs, you need to make regular changes to the ab exercises that you are performing, it is best to swap your ab exercises on a weekly basis. The main reason is that your ab muscles adapt very quickly to the same exercises.

3. CARDIO FOR SIX PACK ABS

The third step in your six pack abs arsenal is cardio. Three sessions of high intensity cardio a week is ample. High intensity cardio includes sprinting, skipping or rowing. The secret ingredient of high intensity training that burns bodyfat at alarming rates is that you up the intensity for 20-40 seconds and then slow down again for a minute.

THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE

Weight loss tips for the New Year

Are you determined to meet your weight loss goals this year? If healthier habits and weight loss are among your new year's resolutions, give yourself a pat on the back for making health a top priority. The hard part is actually sticking to it and making real changes! Here are a few tips to help you keep on track with your weight loss resolution.

Write your goals down

If you want to truly do something, write it down. Journals, food diaries and to-do lists are extremely important to your weight loss plan. Brainstorm all of your goals onto one piece of paper and then rewrite each one as a contract with yourself. Put your contract somewhere that will keep you reminded of the promise you have made. The fridge is a great place since this is the main area which will make or break your resolution.

Set a definite date

If you just say you're going to meet your goal sometime within the year, that will not work. In fact, you will probably fall into the "I'll start next week" trap. Instead, mark your calendar for a certain date for each goal that you want to achieve. For example, by March 1st you want to be walking 3 miles a day. Setting a definite date is a great way to make sure you stick with your plan!

Set realistic goals

Remember, it did not take you 2 weeks to gain those extra 25 pounds so it definitely will not take only 2 weeks to lose it all! You gradually gained the weight over several months and even years, so always remember that you're in this for the long haul. It's a marathon not a sprint and with this mind set you will be able to create new healthy habits which will eventually turn your "diet" into a truly healthy lifestyle to last a lifetime!

Remove the temptations

Go into your kitchen and remove all bad foods from your refrigerator and pantry. This step is very crucial since the temptation to cheat will be increased 10-fold if you have cheat foods lingering inside your home. If you don't remove these tempting items, it will only be a matter of time before you breakdown and dive head first into the cookie jar. Fill your kitchen with healthy, nutrient dense food, such as:

- ❑ **Lean protein** (chicken breast, turkey breast, fish, egg whites)
- ❑ **Fresh fruits** (oranges, apples, grapes, strawberries)
- ❑ **Raw vegetables** (mushrooms, broccoli, squash, green beans, red peppers)
- ❑ **Healthy snack foods** (non-fat cottage cheese, sugar free jello, protein bar)
- ❑ **Bottled Water**

Meet mini-goals

Make small changes every week and they will add up in time. It's easier to move little pebbles than an entire mountain, right? Here are some examples of weekly changes you could incorporate into mini-goals:

Week One: Drink 10 glasses of water per day.

Week Two: Take the steps at work instead of the elevator.

Week Three: Switch to diet sodas.

Week Four: Eliminate fried foods.

Week Five: Begin eating one vegetarian meal per week.

Photograph yourself

Pictures don't lie. Snap 3 pictures every week including a profile shot, frontal shot and rear shot. Include these with your diet



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diary and journal so you can see how your body looks each week while you make changes to your diet and exercise program. Remember, sometimes the scale does lie. Even though your scale may read that you have gained 2 pounds over the last 3 weeks, this could very easily be 3 pounds of lean muscle. Lean muscle is an extremely metabolic tissue and the more you have, the more calories you burn even when you're just sitting around! By adding photos of yourself, you will be able to reference your physical appearance from week to week.

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STABILITY BALL

Stability balls, also known as balance balls or Swiss balls, can be incorporated into Pilates, weight training and many other fitness routines. These exercise balls have become an extremely popular way to increase core balance and abdominal fitness. Filled with air and relatively soft, unlike medicine balls, they cushion you as you stretch. This extremely versatile piece of fitness equipment is a must-have for every home. They come in different sizes, for people of different heights.



FREEWEIGHTS

Using free weights is effective way of improving strength and fitness. Lifting weights improves fitness while it burns calories, increase muscle size, strength, power, and endurance, and increases bone density. It also increases quality of life for many older adults. Instruction is necessary if you have never used free weights before, or are not that familiar with the use of free weights.

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Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



We need a January thaw

Now that the message of peace on earth, good will toward men, is neatly packed away with the Christmas decorations, we're in danger of entering our annual relapse into business as usual. Though totally inconsistent with the message of the season we've been celebrating, this too often happens.

Those of us who live in a cold climate now brace ourselves for winter winds and lots of snow but we often look forward to a brief break, soon after the beginning of the New Year, called a January thaw. We could use one of those merciful warming times in most of our churches and in many of our homes.

Let's thaw the frigid feelings that divide us from others. Icy stares and cold meaningless greetings must go. Bitterness and strife between members of congregations can thwart the work of God causing whole communities to suffer.

Melting spiritual ice is no easy task. Real and imaginary wrongs have often built up such strong barricades to blessings that true reconciliation among

people who should know better seems out of the question. Yet our Lord came to reconcile us to Himself and commanded that we forgive others as we have been forgiven.

Through her tears, a woman told me how negatively her life had been affected by her unwillingness to forgive. Once she had been one of the most active members of her church. Then she had become bitter toward another person in the congregation and as a result, had spent two unhappy years over their disagreement. Now she realized how foolish she had been to carry that old grudge and forgave her adversary.

The reconciliation of these two who had been at odds was great news. But, the two years they had lost could never be regained. Readiness to forgive at the time of the offense could have rescued them from these years of misery.

A free flow of forgiveness would revive most churches. Barriers erected long ago would fall. Efforts now spent by church leaders in holding the church together and catering to warring factions could be given to reaching out to the community.

Power to forgive comes from realizing we have been forgiven. And, both our own forgiveness and the ability to forgive others are the results of God's love.

The first century church was a tiny minority in a dangerous and hostile world but they knew their situation called for unity so they laid aside their differences in order to fulfill their mission. They loved one other, forgave one another, shared their burdens and became known as people of one accord. We're still benefiting from the thawing among them that enabled them to reach their world.

The warmth of love in any church can be felt by members and visitors, as can the chill of congregational conflict. What's the feel of your fellowship?

We're living in dangerous times and the message of your church is needed as much as at any period of history. What are you going to do about it?

Try forgiving those who have wronged you and you may be able to start the needed January thaw that will revive your church and change your life.

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CRANBERRIES

the healthy holiday fruit

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Whether you're sipping a glass of cranberry juice, popping dried cranberries into your mouth as a snack or enjoying cranberry sauce with your Thanksgiving dinner, you're doing your body a whole lot of good.

A natural wholesome fruit, cranberries provide a myriad of health benefits, according to the Cranberry Institute, which cites studies from the American Cancer Society and other health researchers.

All common cranberry products contain the beneficial antioxidants — whether you prefer to eat, drink or snack on them. Research shows that an 8-ounce cup of 25-percent cranberry juice cocktail provides the amount of antioxidants equivalent to 1½ cups of fresh or frozen cranberries, one ounce of sweetened dried fruit or a ½ cup of cranberry sauce. Any one of these types of cranberry-based products will be a healthy addition to a well-balanced diet, according to researchers.

Why are cranberries so healthful? These nutrient dense little crimson berries provide vitamins, minerals and phytonutrients (the naturally derived plant compounds that have antioxidant activity) with few calories — about 50 in one cup — no fat and very little sodium.

In addition to phytonutrients, cranberries contain polyphenols and the flavanol "proanthocyanidin" (PAC), which helps prevent the adhesion of certain harmful bacteria, including E. coli, associated with urinary tract infections. They may also help to inhibit the bacteria associated with gum disease, and stomach ulcers — by preventing bacteria from attaching to the stomach wall. Recent research on digestive health suggests that



HOW DID CRANBERRIES GET THEIR NAME?

Early settlers thought the blossoms of the plant resembled the neck of the crane, so they started calling them crane berries, which eventually became cranberries.

Source: "Unwrapped" Thanksgiving show

DID YOU know?

The versatile cranberry is one of the few fruits native to North America and is available in most stores from September through December.

Source: Cranberry Institute

A good cranberry bounces.

Every single berry is put on a machine and run through a bounce test. If it falls flat, it is rejected.

Source: "Unwrapped" Thanksgiving show

cranberry juice can be as effective as probiotics in maintaining good digestive health.

Cranberries are good for the heart, also. Whole cranberries are a good source of dietary fiber, and all cranberry products contain the natural compounds mentioned above, offering a wide range of potential heart health benefits — favorably affecting platelet function and offering a natural defense against atherosclerosis, commonly known as "hardening of the arteries."

Laboratory studies conducted by the University of Illinois have demonstrated the potential anti-cancer properties of cranberries. Although results are preliminary, compounds in cranberries may prove to be a potent cancer fighter.



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Catch OF THE WEEK

The Tri-County Times wants to give our readers the chance to show off the trophies they catch this season. If you have a fish worth showing off, snap a photo and bring it in or mail it to the Times office.



After three years of trying, Audrey Weir finally caught Walter the large-mouth bass, while fishing at her grandparents' cottage on Lake Mitchell in Cadillac. She decided to release Walter to let him grow a little more as she is planning to catch him again next summer.



COUNTDOWN TO THE

OSCARS

On Sunday, Feb. 26, comedian Eddie Murphy will host the 84th Academy Awards. Each year, motion picture industry experts nominate and cast their votes for the top films, directors, actors, and behind-the-scenes moviemakers. Academy members voted at the end of December to determine the official nominees in contention. This year, nominees will be announced on Tuesday, Jan. 24, with the polls closing on Feb. 21. Watching the Academy Awards and seeing who will take home an Oscar has become an annual tradition in the United States and across the globe for decades. **Here's a look back at the last 20 year's worth of movies that earned the Academy Award for Best Picture.**

- The King's Speech
- The Hurt Locker
- Slumdog Millionaire
- No Country for Old Men
- The Departed
- Crash
- Million Dollar Baby
- Lord of the Rings: Return of the King
- Chicago
- A Beautiful Mind
- Gladiator
- American Beauty
- Shakespeare in Love
- Titanic
- The English Patient
- Braveheart
- Forrest Gump
- Schindler's List
- Unforgiven
- The Silence of the Lambs

TIPS

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3 You have to create your own desire for change, and then educate yourself on how to reach your own personal goals.

Matt Letten, owner of Snap Fitness in Linden and Holly, says that proper nutrition is about 65 percent of the weight loss equation. "People who work out and aren't losing weight haven't changed the way they eat," said Letten. "Anyone can join a gym the first two weeks of January. In fact, we'll see a 30 percent increase here at Snap Fitness. But, what counts is a person's desire to create a permanent change in their diet and exercise habits. Without that desire, it's hard to make changes that will last."

4 Learn the exercise trade-off for eating a high-calorie treat, then decide whether it will be worth eating.

"Let's say you burn about 300 calories in 45 minutes on a cardio machine," said Letten, of Snap Fitness. "That's how long it will take to burn off five Oreos or similar cookies. When you begin to look at eating unhealthy foods that way, you might decide it would be easier just not to eat it in the first place." (See the sidebar on Page 1B for other calorie and exercise "trade-offs.")

5 Make conscious daily decisions and simple changes in the foods you allow into your body.

For people who aren't ready for a complete diet overhaul, nutritionist Marjie Andrejciw of Circle of Life Nutrition and owner of Marjie's Gluten-free Pantry in Fenton, suggests starting with removing high fructose corn syrup from the diet, found commonly in condiments, salad dressings and other processed foods. "High fructose corn syrup causes an imbalance in your blood sugar, resulting in energy 'highs and lows,' said Andrejciw. "Then cut out FD and C artificial food colors from your diet. "You'll be amazed at how much better you'll feel."



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Shanna Tury of Fenton checks out some organic products at Marjie's Gluten Free Pantry in Fenton on Wednesday. "For me it's about eating foods that are minimally processed," she said.

Kids can make resolutions, too

New Year's resolutions are made so adults can improve their lives in the year to come. But nowhere does it say resolutions are exclusive to adults. In fact, kids can make New Year's resolutions and reap much the same benefits as Mom and Dad. The following are some kid-specific New Year's resolutions, courtesy of the American Academy of Pediatrics, that can improve the lives of children while teaching them a lesson or two along the way.

Preschoolers

- **I will clean** up my toys and put them where they belong.
- **I will brush** my teeth twice a day and wash my hands after going to the bathroom and before eating.
- **I will be nice** and loving toward pets and all animals. I will avoid being bitten by keeping my fingers and face away from their mouths.

Kids, ages 5 to 12

- **I will drink** milk and water three times each day and limit soda and fruit drinks to once each day.
- **I will apply** sunscreen before I go outdoors on bright sunny days. I will try to stay in the shade whenever possible and wear a hat and sunglasses, especially when I'm playing sports.
- **I will try** to find a sport (like basketball or soccer) or an activity that I like and do it at least three times a week.
- **I will always** wear a helmet when riding my bicycle.
- **I will wear** my seat belt every time I get in a car.
- **I will be** nice to other kids. I will be friendly to kids who need friends — like someone who is shy or is new to my school.
- **I will never** give out personal information, including my name, home address, school name, or telephone number on the Internet.

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- **I will never** send a picture of myself to someone I chat with on the computer without my parent's permission.

Kids, ages 13 and older

- **I will eat** at least one fruit and one vegetable every day, and I will limit the amount of soda I drink, if any at all, to one glass daily.
- **I will take** care of my body through physical activity and nutrition.
- **I will choose** nonviolent television shows and video games, and I will spend no more than two hours each day on these activities.
- **I will help** out in my community by through volunteering, working with community groups or joining a group that helps the less fortunate.



- **I will take** a break when I feel angry or stressed out and find constructive ways to deal with the stress, such as exercising, reading, writing in a journal or discussing my problem with a parent or friend.
- **I will talk** about my choices with an adult whom I can trust when faced with a difficult decision.
- **I will talk** with a trusted adult and attempt to find a way that I can help friends if I notice they are struggling or engaging in risky behaviors.
- **I will be** careful about whom I choose to date and always treat the other person with respect and without coercion or violence. I will expect the same good behavior in return.
- **I will resist** peer pressure to try drugs and alcohol.
- **I will not** use a cell phone or text message while driving, and I will always wear a seat belt.

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Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memoriums

Deneen Carol Murray

1960-2011

Deneen Carol Murray - of Fenton, 51, died Tuesday, December 20, 2011 at Genesys Regional Medical Center.



A memorial service will be held on Monday, January 2, 2012 at Grand Blanc United Methodist Church, 515 Bush Ave. A dinner will be served following the service. Deneen was born on July 16, 1960, the daughter of Keith Teall and the late Nancy Estep. She is survived by her children Kelly Murray, Katie (Bob) Handel, Kyle Murray, Ken Murray, sister Darlene Barnett and brother Matt Estep. She was preceded in death by her husband Doug Murray, sister Denise Teall and brother Brad Barnett.

LeRoy A. Hammond,

LeRoy A. Hammond - age 77, died December 28, 2011. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com



James H. Piper

James H. Piper - age 76, died December 25, 2011. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Robert Black

Robert Black - age 85, died December 27, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com



Vivian Tahash,

Vivian Tahash - age 85, died December 28, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com



Robert James McDonald

1928-2011

Robert James McDonald - age 83, of Fenton, passed away Friday, December 23, 2011 at Young at Heart, Holly. Services will be 12 PM Saturday, January 7, 2012



at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. The family will receive friends 10 AM Saturday until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Young at Heart, Holly. Robert was born September 28, 1928 in Holly, the son of James Robert and Dorothy McDonald. Robert was owner and operator of Fern-McDonald Auto Sales and McDonalds Travel-Rama both in Fenton. After retirement he purchased the Surf Motel in Mackinaw City, enjoying life. Later in retirement, Robert spent winters in Florida, and enjoyed his home in Indian River, Michigan in the warm months. Robert enjoyed deer hunting in Michigan, deep-sea fishing in Florida and boating in Indian River. Surviving are his 4 children, Denise Rising (Dennis) of Brighton and Marco Island, David McDonald (Michelle) of Marco Island, Rob McDonald (Carol) of Naples, FL and Lynn Bednar (Jeff) of Naples, FL; 5 grandchildren, Troy Rising (Kirsten), Courtney Simon (Jason), Melissa Carr (Brian), Tyler Bednar, Emily Bednar; 10 great-grandchildren, Hailee, Jacob, Gabe and Alec Simon; Melanie Carr, Austin, Darrien and Mitchell Carr; Lily and Ella Rising; close friend, Barbara Jones. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Harry Zwierzynski

Harry Zwierzynski - age 76, died December 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Clarence "Keith" Pommrantz

Clarence "Keith" Pommrantz, - age 89, died December 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Sarah Von Mach

1919-2011

Sarah Von Mach - age 92, of Fenton, died Saturday, December 24, 2011 at her residence. Funeral Mass was celebrated 10:30 AM Thursday, December 29, 2011 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Visitation was held at the church Thursday from 9:30 AM until time of Mass. Those desiring may make contributions to St. John G.I.F.T. Campaign. Mrs. Von Mach was born December 10, 1919 in Detroit, the daughter of William and Jane (Halbert) Good. She was a graduate of the University of Detroit. She was one of the first female police officers in the City of Detroit. Sarah Good married Edward Richard Von Mach October 10, 1953 in Detroit and he preceded her in death April 5, 2010. She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Surviving are: 3 children, Mary Jo and husband Peter Griffith of Summit, NJ, Kurt and wife Joanne Von Mach of Birmingham and Karen and husband Paul Foguth of Linden; 9 grandchildren, Thomas, Spencer, James, Chelsea, Adam, Tara, Alex, Matt and Joe; 1 great-granddaughter, Ava; sister, Margaret Van Akker of Seattle, WA. She was also preceded in death by her parents and brother, William Good. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Wendy Walton Lane

1965-2011

Wendy Walton Lane - age 46, of Holly, died Monday, December 26, 2011. Funeral services were held at 11 AM Thursday, December 29, 2011 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly with Pastor Mark Wentzel officiating. Visitation was held from 4-8 PM Wednesday. Wendy was born in Flint on July 16, 1965 the daughter of Robert and Lucille (Welch) Walton. She was a caregiver in the mental health and special needs field, was a member of the Women of the Moose, and she loved her cats. She is survived by her brother Robert (Judy) Walton Jr. of Holly; 2 sisters, Becky (Toby) Pulliam of Grand Blanc and Peggy (Gordie) Dryer of Holly; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her daughter Florence and her parents Robert and Lucille Walton. Memorial donations may be made to Make A Wish. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

Robert "Bob" Mansueti

1953-2011

Robert "Bob" Mansueti - age 58, of Linden, died Tuesday, December 27, 2011 at Genesys Health Park. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11 AM Saturday, December 31, 2011 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton. Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Burial in St. John Catholic Cemetery. Visitation was held at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton, Thursday from 5-9 PM, Friday from 1-4 and 5-9 PM and also will be held at church Saturday from 10 AM until time of Mass. A vigil and K of C service will be held at the funeral home 7 PM Friday. Those desiring may make contributions to the Fenton Knights of Columbus Fenton Council #7418. Bob was born February 21, 1953 in Sewickley, PA, the son of Lenio and Mary (Biancucci) Mansueti. He was a 1971 graduate of Lake Fenton High School. He married Janie Franks January 12, 1974 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton. He was employed by VG's Food Centers for 42 years. Bob was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, member, officer and trustee of the K of C Fenton Council #7418 and the 4th Degree Assembly # 2031. He also was the past president and member of the Davison Kiwanis Club, member of the Davison Chamber of Commerce and was active with the Big Brothers and Big Sisters. Bob was an avid Pittsburgh Steelers and Detroit Tiger fan. Surviving are: wife, Janie; 3 children, Angela and husband Vince Haiss of Fenton, Robert Mansueti, Jr. of Fenton and Samantha and husband Corey Garbutt of Northville; 3 grandchildren, Joey, Wyatt and Mary; mother, Mary Mansueti of Fenton; sister, Toni and husband Paul Bowsher of Linden; father-in-law, Ted Franks, Sr. of Fenton; 2 brothers-in-law, Ted Franks, Jr. and wife Phyllis of Mio and Rick and wife Pat Franks of Holly; sister-in-law, Judy Franks of Flint; aunt, Vilma and husband Delio Barletta of Fenton; uncle, Chuck and wife Bev Franks of Mio; several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father, Lenio Mansueti. The family wishes to extend special thanks to the nursing staff on the 2nd floor South at Genesys Health Park for their support and help. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Gary L. Mahnke

1945-2011

Gary L. Mahnke - of Linden, a kind-hearted, soft-spoken, loving soul; a loyal friend and family man; full of life and laughter, at age 66, passed away Tuesday, December 27, 2011. Funeral services will be 11 AM Saturday, December 31, 2011 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Pastor Gloria Watson and Mr. Robert Seeley officiating. Interment in Fairview Cemetery, Linden. Visitation was held Thursday 5-9 PM and Friday 1-4 and 6-9 PM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Gary Mahnke Memorial Fund. Gary was born March 28, 1945 in Clovis, New Mexico but grew up in Flint, Michigan. He attended Dort and Garfield Schools, Emerson Jr. High and graduated from Flint Northern High School in 1963. He served with much pride in the United States Navy aboard the USS Rigel AF-58 from 1963 to 1966 as a Boatswains Mate. He met the love of his life and married Anne R. Tanner on December 16, 1966 at Parkland Presbyterian Church in Flint. They moved to Linden in 1973. He was a member of A.F.L.-C.I.O. Local 119 Utility Workers Union of America. He retired from Consumers Power Company on July 1, 2004 with 34 years of service. He started what he referred to as his "fun job," working on the Train as a "Brakeman" on the Huckleberry Rail-



road at Crossroads Village in 2002. He then became a "Conductor" in 2008. He was a Past Commander and life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4642 of Linden for five consecutive years. He was also Master Mason pre-paid Life Member in Linden Lodge 132 F. & A.M. He was also a member and Vice President of the "Linden Mills Historical Society and Museum." What he was most proud of was in

2010 the City of Linden proclaimed him as "Citizen of the Year." Within the past year, Gary was appointed and elected City Councilman of Linden. He was known far and wide and had friends from every walk of life. This world will be a sadder place without him. His memory will be cherished by the lucky ones who knew him: his loving wife, Anne of 45 years; his three daughters, Aimee and husband, Robert Seeley of Zeeland, Denise Mahnke-Pugh of Howell, Julie and husband, Mark Hansen of Rochester Hills; five grandchildren, four beautiful granddaughters, Kathryn Elise, Emily Erinn, Natalie Anne and Jillian Alise and his grandson and special Train Buddy, Jack Henry. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Virginia Lilly

Virginia Lilly - age 86, died December 25, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Kenneth Zielke

Kenneth Zielke - age 88, died December 26, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Eric Curtis

Eric Curtis - age 32, died December 24, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Richard Kauertz

Richard Kauertz - age 75, died December 25, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Armond Howe

Armond Howe - age 92, died December 25, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Robbie Ruff

Robbie Ruff - age 73, died December 27, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Harriet Mae Angus
1920-2011

Harriet Mae Angus - age 91, of Lewiston, MI, formerly of Fenton, passed away on December 28, 2011 at the Hiland Cottage in Petoskey, MI. She was born on March 15, 1920 to Jay and Nellie (White) Roe in Detroit, MI. She married Sam Angus on May 14, 1937 in Hartland, MI. She has lived in the Lewiston area for the past 39 years. She was a life member of the Fenton Eastern Star. She enjoyed hunting and fishing and was an avid bowler. She and her husband loved to travel all over the country, overseas, and even made four trips to Alaska together. They also enjoyed spending some of their winters in Texas and Arizona. Harriet is survived by her husband, Sam, of Lewiston, MI; sons, Bill (Bonnie) Angus of Roscommon, MI, and Jim (Valerie) Angus of Fenton, MI; daughters, Marilyn Brown of Mackinaw City, MI, and Joyce VanCamp of Clio, MI; 16 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandchild; and a sister, June Sanford of London, Ontario. Funeral services for Mrs. Angus were held on Friday, December 30, 2011 at 1 PM, Pastor Roger Steele officiated at the Green Funeral Home, Lewiston, MI, cremation followed. In lieu of flowers, the family has suggested memorials to Hospice of Little Traverse Bay, Hiland Cottage. Condolence messages can be sent via our website, www.greenfuneralhomes.com.

Jane Hopkins,
Jane Hopkins - age 98, died December 27, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com



Theodore Moss
Theodore Moss - age 87, died December 28, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com



Winifred Field
Winifred Field - age 100, died December 30, 2011. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com



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paw's corner

can rabbits be trained?

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: my pet rabbit, a lop-ear named "Jake," seems pretty active and alert. He flicks his ears when i hold a treat out for him, and i noticed he does the same when i move my hand in a similar way even when there is no treat. do you think a rabbit could be trained similar to the way a dog is trained?
— Clarissa T., Butte, Mont.

DEAR CLARISSA: According to animal trainer Barbara Heidenreich, it's entirely possible to do so; in fact, she's trained two of her rabbits to do agility courses. Heidenreich uses positive-reinforcement training to teach her rabbits to perform on cue.

One lop-eared rabbit, Loretta, "runs a seven-piece agility course, retrieves, spins in a circle and digs on cue. Loretta was adopted as an adult and learned most of her tricks in just a few weeks," according to a promotional release by pet behavior and training-products company Good Bird Inc.

Heidenreich says that positive reinforcement training isn't just for teaching pet tricks; owners also can use this method to address problem behaviors and, overall, get more connected to their pets. As these fluffy animals become more and more popular as pets, she feels that learning to do more than just care for rabbits is necessary but also rewarding. If you'd like to learn more about training Jake to do tricks, visit www.bunnytraining.com, Heidenreich's site.



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

Parent should 'school' drug-dealing teacher

DEAR AMY: t his past weekend i attended a large cocktail party with a group of new friends.

At this party some of the other guests were smoking marijuana and doing other illegal drugs. i recognized one of the drug users as an elementary teacher at my daughter's school.

because the school is large, i doubt the teacher recognized me. my daughter is not in her class. i know this teacher has tenure because she has been at the school for a long time.

w hen i asked my friends about what was going on, they informed me that not only was this teacher a heavy drug user but also the supplier of the group.

i would not want this person as my daughter's teacher. i feel as if i should tell the school to do a random drug test. but with this economy, i don't wish to facilitate anyone losing their job.

c an you give me some advice on how to handle this?

— Worried and Confused

DEAR WORRIED: I am going to assume that everything you say is absolutely correct and that this is not a case of mistaken identity.

You don't want this teacher teaching your child. So let's assume that the other children at your daughter's elementary school also deserve a sober and basically law-abiding teacher.

You cannot tell the school to administer a random drug test. You can, however, tell the school exactly what you saw and ask them to investigate this and handle it according to their own standards.

In addition to committing a crime by consuming and peddling illegal drugs, this teacher is exercising colossal bad judgment.

Your compassion regarding the economy runs two ways: If this teacher vacates the position, perhaps someone more competent and more deserving will be hired as a replacement.

DEAR AMY: my boyfriend of six months recently got a "friend request" on f acebook from a former girlfriend. t hey broke up nine years ago, but their relationship was serious until she cheated on him. He accepted her friend request, and she told him that she is now divorcing the man she cheated on him to be with.

i am torn because i realize this was a long time ago, so it seems silly to be jealous. Still, i wonder why he feels the need to be in contact with this person.

f rom what i can tell, they have not been messaging each other, except for an initial exchange.

it also irks me that in this exchange of messages (which he let me read at my request); he talked about his job and recent move, but nothing about having a girlfriend.

He said that pictures of us together are right there on his profile page and that i should not control who he is friends with on f acebook. He said he would take care of things in his own time frame.

w e are talking about living together, but this issue feels like the elephant in the room.

Am i being oversensitive?

— Worried

DEAR WORRIED: In this context, so far the contact between these two is akin to two people running into each other at the mall and catching up.

You say he "feels the need to be in contact with this person," but according to you, this isn't much of a need. He didn't reach out to her — he simply responded to her. Choose to trust him, unless he gives you more reason not to trust him.

Don't move in together, however, until you can chase the elephant out of the room. I agree with him that you should not control who he is Facebook friends with.

Amy Dickinson



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

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer: A " [] [] [] [] [] [] " [] [] [] []

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PAUL G. DONOHUE, M.D.

To your
good health

dEAR dR. dOnOHUE: i recently tested positive for lupus, about which i know nothing. Please furnish me with some information. — E.L.

An Sw ER: Men, children and the elderly can come down with lupus, but the main target group is young women between the ages of 15 and 45. Lupus causes a staggering number of signs and symptoms. No one person develops all, but some have many. Joint swelling and pain; a drop in the number of white and red blood cells; a tendency to form clots in veins; skin rashes; malfunctioning of nerves, the brain and the spinal cord; inflammation of the coverings of the heart and lungs; kidney damage; and an injuring sensitivity to sunlight are the major troubles facing lupus patients.

All of this comes about because the immune system declares war on body organs and tissues for reasons not fully understood. Antibodies — products of the immune system — are signs of the immune attack. They are useful for diagnosing the illness. When you say you tested positive for lupus, do you mean you had a positive blood test? One frequently used is the ANA (anti-nuclear antibody) test. A positive ANA suggests lupus but is not diagnostic of it. Two other antibody tests, anti-dsDNA and anti-SM, are stronger evidence of lupus.

Lupus is a formidable illness, but modern treatment has taken away much of its dread. In the past, it shortened life. Now 80 percent to 90 percent of lupus patients live 10 or more years. Lupus is subject to flare-ups and periods when it greatly quiets down. For flares, the cortisone drugs are put into play. For quiet periods, medicines with fewer side effects are prescribed. The list of medicines available for lupus is large. A new one has just come on the market.

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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Look Who's Talking

By Angel Rynearson, Intern



KEVIN BAKER

17-year-old junior

Linden High School

FAMILY:

Lori Rodriguez and Kevin Baker. I have one brother named Deigo Murrey.

MY DREAM CAR IS:

A Saleen S7, white, with red interior.



Kevin Baker

If you could do anything over in high school, what would it be? Start as a freshman and play all my sports over again.

What do you do outside of school? I play football, basketball, and track. I also hangout with my friends.

My greatest high school regret is: Not thinking school is as important as it is.

My most embarrassing moment in high school was: At a football game, it was raining and I slipped and fell during my touchdown dance.

If you could have one super power, what would it be? To fly because I could go anywhere I wanted, as fast as I wanted.

If you were principal for a day what changes would you make to the school? Open-campus lunches and late start days.

What is an upcoming event you are looking forward too? Prom because it is the best dance of the year.

If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign what would it say? "Swag."

Front row seats and back stage passes, whom are you seeing? Lil Wayne.

Best day in your life so far? Winning district champs in football.

What are your plans after graduation? I want to play college football.

Where will you be and what will you be doing 10 years from now? I hope to be in California, with a nice house, and have a great job.

Student Body asked at Linden High School

What is your New Year's wish?

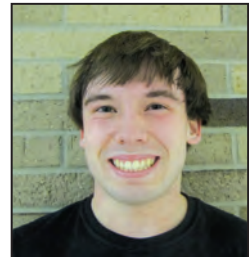
Compiled by Angel Rynearson

Brodie Thomas, senior



"To be accepted to Central Michigan because I want a good college experience."

Travis Marsh, senior



"I hope to get into Saginaw Valley to take their nursing program."

Jordan Sargent, sophomore



"To get more time to spend with my family and figure out where to go to college."

Brooke Enciso, senior



"To get accepted to State for pre-med and cheerleading."

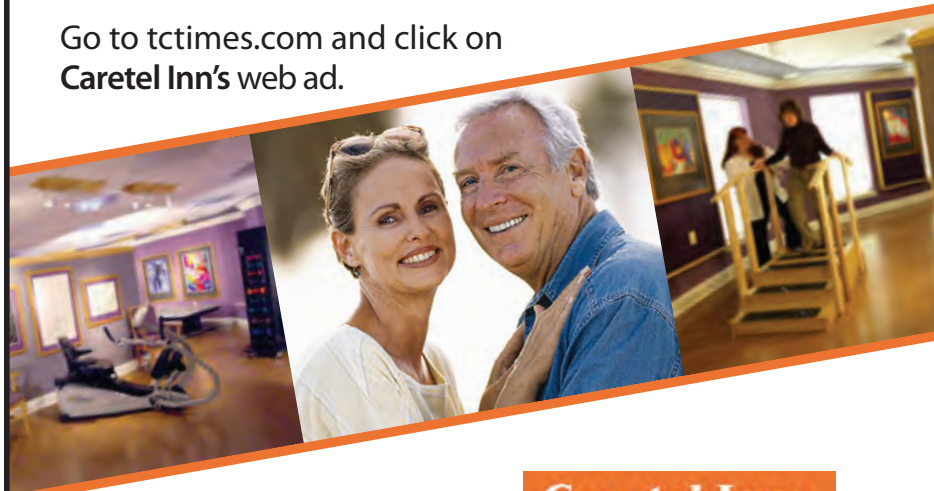
Tyler Keeble, senior



"I want snow because it's not Christmas or New Year's without snow."

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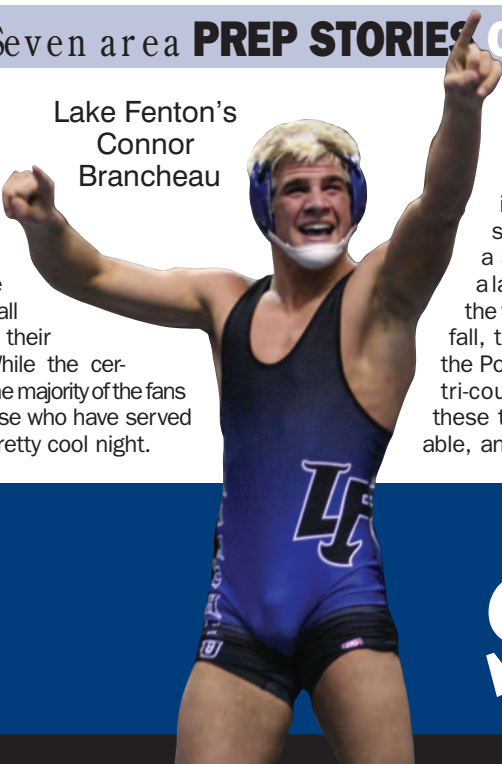
The list below was compiled by sports editor David Troppens.

7. Wounded Warrior Project game — As the years go on, it seems athletic programs are becoming more socially aware about how their sport gives them a chance to make a difference. We saw Linden's teams host games for breast cancer. The Linden cross country program gave out checks named to the charity of the top team's choice instead of giving out team trophies. But probably the one event that symbolically represents this trend more than any other is Fenton's Wounded Warrior Project, an organization that aids wounded veterans. The project was successful the first season, but took on grander scales for the second game when the football program raised at

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least \$30,000 to the cause. But the game does more than that. For at least a half-hour after the game, current and past veterans are honored with football jerseys that have their name on them. While the ceremony continues, the majority of the fans remain to honor those who have served our country. It's a pretty cool night.

Lake Fenton's
Connor
Brancheau



6. Tri-county athletes help Powers Catholic to two state championships — During the spring, Powers varsity girls soccer team won a state title with the aid of a large group of players from the tri-county area. Then, this fall, the same happened with the Powers football team. The tri-county representation of these two squads was remarkable, and neither team probably

would've won without those talented athletes.
5. The traditional dominant Metro League teams continue their championship ways — The Fenton varsity girls swim team has yet to lose a Metro League meet since it became a recognized competitive league varsity sport. The Fenton volleyball team has now racked four straight undefeated Metro seasons. And those aren't even the two most impressive dominant strings by area Metro teams. While the Holly boys tennis team was pushed by Brandon, the Bronchos made it 19 straight Metro League titles in 2011. Meanwhile, the queens of the hill remain on the top by a pretty nice distance. The Holly girls tennis team won its 29th straight league title.
See SEVENon 14B

SPORTS TRIVIA

Q What is the most shots there have ever been in an NHL game?

A On Dec. 26, 1925, The New York Americans defeated the Pittsburgh Pirates 3-1 in a game that featured 141 shots.

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Micallef is named Male Soccer Player of the Year

► Second straight season a Broncho leads our team

By David Troppens
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Eric Micallef has been around for some of the most memorable Holly varsity boys soccer moments in the school's athletic history.

He's watched the program progress over the last four years, to the point that it won a Metro League title in 2010. This year, he watched his team have a tough Metro season, but flourish against non-league foes, defeating and tying some of the toughest teams in the state.

He's helped put the Holly varsity boys soccer team back on the map.

But he also helped the team make another first this summer. He also almost became one of the first players to make the police blotter just because he was eager for the season to start.

"We camped out on the field the night before tryouts because we started practice at six in the morning," Micallef said. "The cops came out and wanted to know what was up. But then we told them.

"They were joking around because there were six guys and just five sleeping bags."

Well, the players finished their night on the field without further issues and Micallef completed his senior season with a pretty strong performance as well. It was strong enough to become the Tri-County Times 2011 Male Soccer Player of the Year.

Holly coach Mike Steibel is one man who's happy he's had Micallef for four seasons.

"He's a very crafty and exceptional player," Steibel said.

"He's got quick foot skills, got a good shot and can play multiple positions.

"He has always stepped it up when someone had to step it up. When someone had to take the game on their shoulders it was him. Mostly during the non-conference games this year, he picked up the pace."

Micallef spent the season shifting from center midfield to forward, depending on what the Bronchos needed at particular times. Micallef was fine with the adjustments.

"It really depended on the situation," Micallef said. "When it was non-league games like Troy and Stoney Creek, I played the

center mid because that's where I could get the ball. In the league, I could play forward.

"It's not that much of a big deal to me. Even in club, I played everywhere on all of my teams, so that wasn't too big of a deal."

Despite the switching, Micallef finished the year with seven goals and 10 assists against what was a demanding Holly soccer schedule.

"He's got very good field vision, and his first touch into space where you needed someone to make good decisions was good," Steibel said. "He helps make plays develop. He makes pretty smart decisions. He's good on the defensive end. He's a good all around player. If I had more attackers I probably would've put him (at center mid) all season, but because there were games we needed goals, I put him at forward."

The season didn't end the way the Bronchos hoped. However, even with mild disappointment, the Bronchos had reason to feel good about their season. They still finished 3-1-3 in the Metro League and 7-3-7 overall with some very strong verdicts against teams like Stoney Creek, Flint Catholic Powers and Troy.

In a 1-0 victory against Stoney Creek, Micallef assisted the Bronchos' only goal of the contest.

"We wanted to go undefeated in the Flint Metro League and wanted to win a district game and none of those things happened," Micallef said. "But we played really good in our non-league games. I remember against Troy they were passing the ball so good ... and we played so good defensively, we almost won the game on a lucky break (the game ended 0-0). We played a lot of tough teams this year."

Micallef earned first-team All-Flint Metro League honors, and also was a Division 2 Honorable Mention All-State performer in 2011.

Steibel is the first to admit the Bronchos will miss their four-year performer next fall.

"It was a pleasure coaching him the last four years," Steibel said. "He was a great guy. His teammates all love him, and he will be missed next year."



TRI-COUNTY TIMES
I SCOTT SCHUPBACH

Holly's Eric Micallef is our Tri-County Male Boys Soccer Player of the Year for 2011. He spent time at center midfield and forward this fall. He scored seven goals and assisted on 10 other Holly goals.

ALL TRI-COUNTY BOYS SOCCER TEAM

Player of the Year Eric Micallef

Class Senior • Team Holly

Comment:

Micallef was a four-year varsity player, spending time at center midfield and forward this season. He scored seven goals and dished off 10 assists, earning first-team All-Metro League honors.

Note:

The players on the team and the Player of the Year were selected by the sports staff.

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Chase Marcola
Brad Oldenburg
Sam Caldwell
Jaime Yanez II
Teddy Parcher
Logan Volmar
Jake Davis
Ryan St. John

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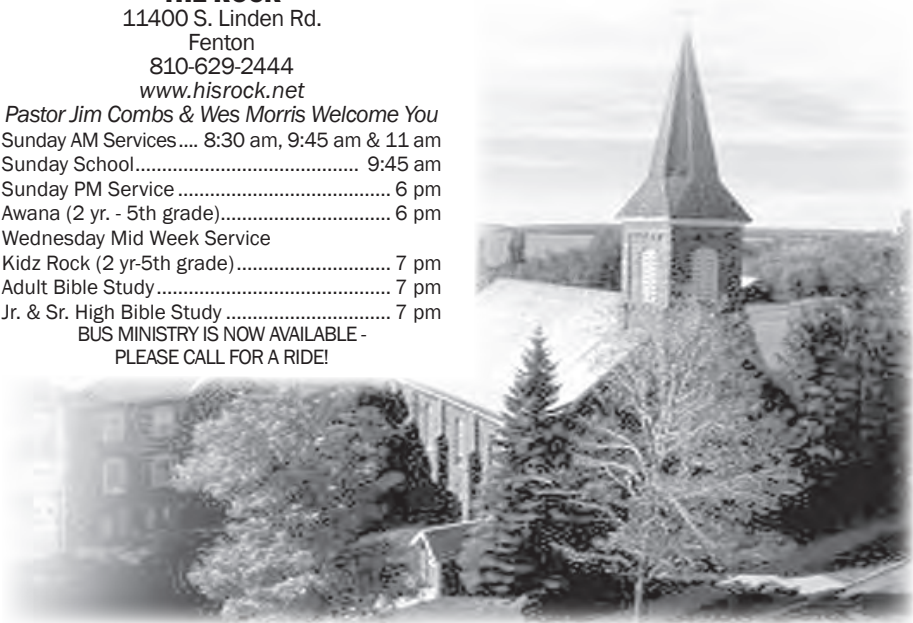
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Meltons bring brother-sister act to Lake Fenton wrestling

By Al Zipsie
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When it comes to the Lake Fenton varsity wrestling team, the Blue Devils have something that many teams don't have — a brother-sister combination.

Seeing women wrestlers isn't that uncommon any more at the prep level. But with it come unique combinations you don't see in other sports — for instance the brother-sister combination. Lake Fenton has that with Dominick and Alexis Melton.

But that's not the only thing unique about these siblings. The pair also have unique nicknames. Older brother Dominick, a junior, is known as "D.J." on the varsity wrestling team, while younger sister, Alexis, who is a sophomore, is "Peanut." Both hold down starting positions on Lake Fenton's wrestling squad. D.J. wrestles at 160 pounds, while Alexis wrestles at 135.

Both enjoy having the other on the team. "It is very fun to be able to wrestle with my brother," said Alexis. "It is a great team to be on. We all support each other, and my brother does give me advice. I don't always listen to him, but he does give good advice. My teammates have accepted me and treat me just like one of the guys. I don't have just one brother, I have 14 brothers."

"I try to sit in the coach's chair when I can. It's about the only time she will listen to her big brother," joked D.J. "We do get along very well and have always been supportive of each other. I really enjoy watching her playing softball and I know she likes being at the football games.

"It is a lot of fun in the (wrestling) room, drilling and getting better together. It is always fun to have my sister in the room, but I don't see it as unique as much as I do as just another wrestler (being in the room)."

They are well spoken with outgoing personalities. Both have a strong sense of humor with a strong work ethic. Both play other sports — D.J. plays football, while Alexis plays softball.

During practice, the two even are drilling partners.

"This is our first girl on the team," Lake Fenton coach Vance Corcoran



said. "As everyone knows we run a tough practice, mentally and physically. She is treated no different then anyone else, nor would she accept to be treated different."

The family embraces the sibling situation. Their parents and two other brothers enjoy watching both wrestle.

"Myself and my wife were both athletes at Lake Fenton and we know the importance of participating in a team and individual sports," said father Bill Melton. "We've always told them if they work hard and have a goal, they will always be successful. Wrestling has definitely built their character in a way no other sport has. When you have to stand in the middle of a circle, and know when the match is over it all comes down to how hard you worked and prepared, you can't help but learn character and work ethic."

"Peanut" got her name while playing softball. The 11-12 year old team had five girls named Alexis, so each had a nickname. "Peanut" has stuck ever since.

While Alexis wrestles, she still finds



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS
Lake Fenton has a brother-sister combination on its wrestling team. (Left) Alexis Melton works on trying to escape during a recent match. (Above) D.J. Melton works on trying to turn his foe over for a pinfall. The two siblings enjoy having each other on the squad.

time for softball. Twice a week she goes right from wrestling practice to softball practice with her travel team, the Michigan Bulldogs. Softball is supposed to be her primary sport, but Alexis always makes time for wrestling as well. She wrestles in the United States Girls Wrestling Association also."

"I wrestle with Team Michigan at the USGWA state and national tournament," Alexis said. "It would be cool if there was an all girls state tournament for high school. I think more girls might wrestle, but I like to compete and show girls can hang with the guys."

As the team hits winter break, both were nursing injuries suffered at the Genesee County meet. Alexis suffered a shoulder injury. D.J. had an elbow injury. However, both should be back before the season is over. Alexis has had some success already, winning the JV tournament at Hartland in her weight class earlier this season.

"There is not a lot of difference between her (Alexis) and the rest of the team," Lake Fenton wrestler Mike Connelly said. "She is part of the team just like everybody else. They are tough and hard workers."

What's On Television?

SATURDAY	
BASKETBALL	
(CBS)..... Louisville at Kentucky.....	Noon
(ESPN2)..... Virginia Tech at Oklahoma State.....	Noon
(ESPNU)..... Austin Peay at Morehead State.....	Noon
(B10)..... Iowa at Wisconsin.....	1 p.m.
(ESPN2)..... Providence at Georgetown.....	2 p.m.
(ESPNU)..... Yale at Florida.....	2 p.m.
(B10)..... Michigan State at Nebraska.....	3 p.m.
(ESPN2)..... Illinois at Purdue.....	4 p.m.
(ESPNU)..... North Dakota at Kansas.....	4 p.m.
(FSD+)..... Indiana at Detroit.....	6 p.m.
(ESPN2)..... Ohio State at Indiana.....	6 p.m.
(ESPNU)..... Creighton at Wichita State.....	6 p.m.
(ESPN2)..... Gonzaga at Xavier.....	8 p.m.
(ESPN2)..... Oregon at Washington.....	10 p.m.
FOOTBALL	
(ESPN)..... Meineke Car Care Bowl.....	Noon
(CBS)..... Sun Bowl.....	2 p.m.
(ABC)..... Liberty Bowl.....	3:30 p.m.
(ESPN)..... Fight Hunger Bowl.....	3:30 p.m.

(ESPN)..... Chick-Fil-A Bowl.....	7:30 p.m.
HOCKEY	
(VS)..... Boston U at Notre Dame.....	7 p.m.
(FSD)..... St. Louis at Detroit.....	7 p.m.
SUNDAY	
BASKETBALL	
(ESPNU)..... Villanova at Marquette.....	1 p.m.
(ESPNU)..... Monmouth at North Carolina.....	3 p.m.
(ESPNU)..... Penn at Duke.....	5 p.m.
(B10)..... Minnesota at Michigan.....	7 p.m.
(ESPNU)..... Evansville at Northern Iowa.....	9 p.m.
FOOTBALL	
(CBS)..... To be announced.....	1 p.m.
(FOX)..... Detroit at Green Bay.....	1 p.m.
(CBS)..... To be announced.....	4:15 p.m.
(FOX)..... To be announced.....	4:15 p.m.
(NBC)..... Dallas at NY Giants.....	8:30 p.m.

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It's close, but I'll go with the Lions 'come-from-behind' victory against the Cowboys, the fourth win in a 5-0 start. Two interception returns for TDs spark an unbelievable comeback.

Best
memory

The Lions making it to the playoffs for the first time since 1999. The team has improved immensely. The team has already proved they have the means to be a contender.

Watching what was not long ago a strong franchise fall into the pit of apathy and despair. The franchise I'm talking about is the Pistons. And the scary part is 2012 doesn't look much better.

Worst
memory

My alma mater Central Michigan University having a dismal season for a second straight year. I graduated the same year as Dan LeFevour, Antonio Brown and Frank Zombo so they've lost players. Still, the fall has been disheartening.

I didn't expect the Tigers to make the playoffs. The Lions have been a bit better than I thought. But I really didn't see the Michigan football team going 10-2. It's been a great season for Michigan.

Biggest
surprise

Fenton football defeating Linden. Fenton had an unforgettable season this year, and breaking a losing streak with your rival is icing on the cake.

If there's anything good that comes out of the Penn State case, let's hope that other victims have the courage to come out, and that people won't protect athletic programs over actual people.

Something
about 2012

This has been the year of Justin Verlander. Winning the MVP award is a major accomplishment and much deserved. Looking forward to watching the Tigers next season.

It looks like 2012 could be a fun one in Michigan sports. Except for the Detroit Pistons, it seems every major pro and college team should have a pretty successful year in 2012.

Anything
goes

First, a football lockout and then basketball? I hope MLB doesn't opt for a lockout. Seriously, how much do the players and coaches have to make until lockouts are no longer an option?

2011 IN REVIEW

Detroit Lions
Matthew
Stafford

On the Way Up

Three teams/organizations steadily improving in 2011.

1. Detroit Lions
2. Michigan football
3. Michigan basketball

Note: After not making the playoffs since 1999, the Lions opened the season with a five-game win streak, hold a 10-5 record and are in the playoffs no matter what happens Sunday against Green Bay. It has been the year of the Lions. But Michigan athletics have had a nice year as well. Brady Hoke has Michigan football in the Sugar Bowl with a 10-2 record. Many thought he could turn around the organization, but this fast? Michigan basketball is finally starting to show signs of life. The Wolverines went to the second round of the NCAA tourney a year ago and hold a 10-2 record at the time of this writing.

On the Way Down

Three teams/organizations steadily regressing in 2011.

1. Indianapolis Colts
2. Central Michigan football
3. Grand Valley State football

Note: For those that think the quarterback position is overrated, check out the Indianapolis Colts. A perennial contender for the Super Bowl since Payton Manning was drafted, the team flirted with the 0-16 season once Manning was out for the season.

Central Michigan football didn't get any worse in 2011 record-wise. The Chippewas had the same 2-6 Mid-American Conference and 3-9 overall record

they had during Dan Enos' first year as coach, but considering how fast the team has fell, and has now stayed there for two years is pretty depressing to this graduate. Hopefully, Enos' recruiting classes produce next year.

It probably isn't fair to put a team that finished 8-3 on this list, but Grand Valley State has turned itself into a national power, making the playoffs for 10 straight seasons before this season. A 1-3 start doomed them from the start, but the Lakers did bounce back to earn seven straight wins. We expect the four-time Division 2 national champs to bounce back next season. This was probably just a blip on the radar.

SEVEN

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4. All four area football teams qualify for the state playoffs — It was a tri-county first. All four football teams qualified for the playoffs. Fenton and Holly clinched spots in the eighth week of the season, while Lake Fenton did during the ninth week. Linden lost its last game, but based on its strong schedule, qualified with five wins. If you wanted to see good football, one didn't have to go any farther than our local teams in 2011.

3. Area wrestlers win individual state championships — The tri-county area saw Lake Fenton produce three state champions, while Detroit Catholic Central produced a local product that won a title as well. For Lake Fenton, Zach Corcoran (135), Justin Melick (145) and Connor Brancheau (160) came home from the Palace of Auburn Hills with state championships. Meanwhile, tri-county resident and DCC wrestler Ken Bade (125) won a title as well.

2. Lake Fenton wrestling team advances to state championship match — For the first time in school history, the Lake Fenton varsity wrestling team advanced to the state team championship match held in Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena. Lake Fenton advanced to the state title match by beating Otsego in the quarter-finals and upsetting Dundee in the semifinals. In the champi-

onship match, the Blue Devils put on a good show, but lost to Richmond 33-22.

1. Two tri-county area teams win football district championships — Never in tri-county history have two football teams won district titles in the same season, earning a spot in a regional championship game.

But it happened in 2011. Fenton and Linden both made the playoffs and ran off two victories, capturing district titles. It

was the second straight year the Tigers won one, while it marked the first in Linden's school history.

This can be considered a controversial No.

1 since the wrestling accomplishments can be looked upon as stronger performances than what football accomplished. That's true, but football still garners the most attention and this was the first time two teams earned spots in the regional championship round. Due to it being the first time it has happened, we felt it deserved the No. 1 spot. It ended up being a pretty incredible 2011 football season. It's justified that football would hold the top spot in 2011.

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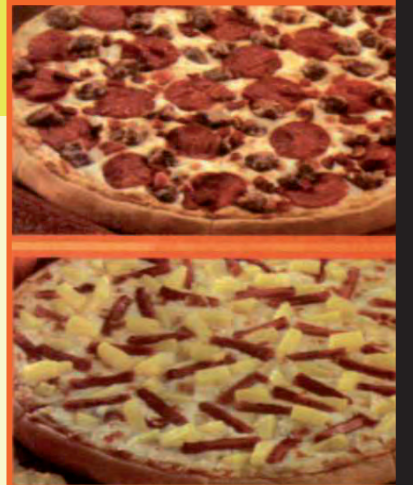
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Italian Cheese Bread (10 piece order) ..	\$3⁹⁹

Caesar Dips®	59¢ OR 2 for \$1⁰⁰
Buffalo, BBQ, Ranch, Buttery Garlic, Buffalo Ranch & Cheezy Jalapeno	
2-Liter Beverage	\$1⁹⁹
Pepsi®, Diet Pepsi®, Mountain Dew®, Diet Mountain Dew®, Sierra Mist®, Root Beer or Orange	

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