

#### FENTON SNOW DAY

“Schools are closed for a snow day with less than 1 inch of snow? Was this the result of it being a Friday and not having used any snow days yet this year? How much did this ridiculous decision cost the taxpayers of Fenton?”

“Schools closed because of 2 inches of snow? What kind of pansies we are raising. Sheesh.”

#### TAGLINES

“Go Times. Those taglines are way more entertaining than anything on television. With just a few exceptions, each entry would be a good fit. Not surprising though, who knows our town better than the residents.”

#### GAS PRICES

“Anyone familiar with the current administration's efforts to raise the price



of fuel knows that \$5 a gallon gas is intentional. Does anyone know why our government would want \$5 a gallon gas?”

#### HOT LINE

OF THE WEEK

“THE \$7,000 ‘BONUSES’ the GM workers are getting is due to GM's sales in China, not here in the U.S. Kind of ironic that the money ended up in the American workers' pockets.”



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## Fenton man sentenced for abusing 4-year-old girl



John Shorez

### ► Pleads no contest to second-degree child abuse

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John Raphael Shorez, 35, of Fenton Township was sentenced Tuesday from 20 to 48 months in prison after pleading no contest to second-degree child abuse.

The Genesee County Sheriff's Department arrested Shorez on Nov. 26 after receiving an anonymous tip regarding a possible child abuse situation at a mobile home at the Eastview Mobile Home Park in Fenton Township

last November.

Shorez was originally arraigned on a 15-year felony count of first-degree child abuse; however, at his circuit court arraignment on Jan. 23, he pleaded

**See ABUSE on 13A**

### Summary

► John Shorez pleaded no contest to an amended charge of second-degree child abuse and was sentenced Tuesday to 20 to 40 months in prison.

## DDA expects to spend plenty on improving downtown

► Three-year budget includes \$42,000 reduction in marketing

By Ryan Tackabury

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Fenton — The Downtown Development Authority (DDA) held preliminary budget discussions for Fiscal Years 2013 and 2014 at a meeting on Tuesday.

“The next two years will be the most aggressive fiscal cycles that the Downtown Development Authority has ever embarked upon,” DDA Director Michael Burns wrote

**See BUDGET on 6A**

## Fenton charges Tyrone \$40,747 for January fire services

► Township heated over bill for cat rescue and other fire services

By William Axford

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Tyrone Twp. — Tyrone Township is footing a hefty bill for fire services. The township paid the Fenton Fire Department \$40,747 for fire runs in January. Each run costs \$1,337, regardless of what services the department performs. Of the runs, the township was charged for vehicle collisions and animal rescue.

**See CHARGES on 6A**

### Summary

► Tyrone Township was charged \$40,747 for fire runs in January. The board is investigating possible cost-cutting measures to reduce fire call runs.

## Ashes signify beginning of Lent



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Rev. Fr. David Harvey of the St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton distributes ashes to parishioners on Ash Wednesday at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

**(See Story on Page 10A)**

## Village faces possible \$200,000 deficit in 2012-13

► Reduced revenue and increased costs the culprit

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly — If the village had to post its budget based on today's numbers, the expenditures would surpass revenues by more than \$200,000.

This was discussed at an early workshop for the fiscal year 2012-2013 budget Monday night, which will not be official until June.

“Truthfully, it's so early in the

**See DEFICIT on 23A**

## Getting things done with your local government

► Talking to them about taxes, permits, concerns, complaints and more

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If you live in Fenton Township, what does it cost in permit fees to demolish a structure, or build a swimming pool? In the village of Holly, where are you allowed to practice archery? You can't get a burn permit on the street from Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn; you have to go through the proper channels.

**See GOVERNMENT on 23A**

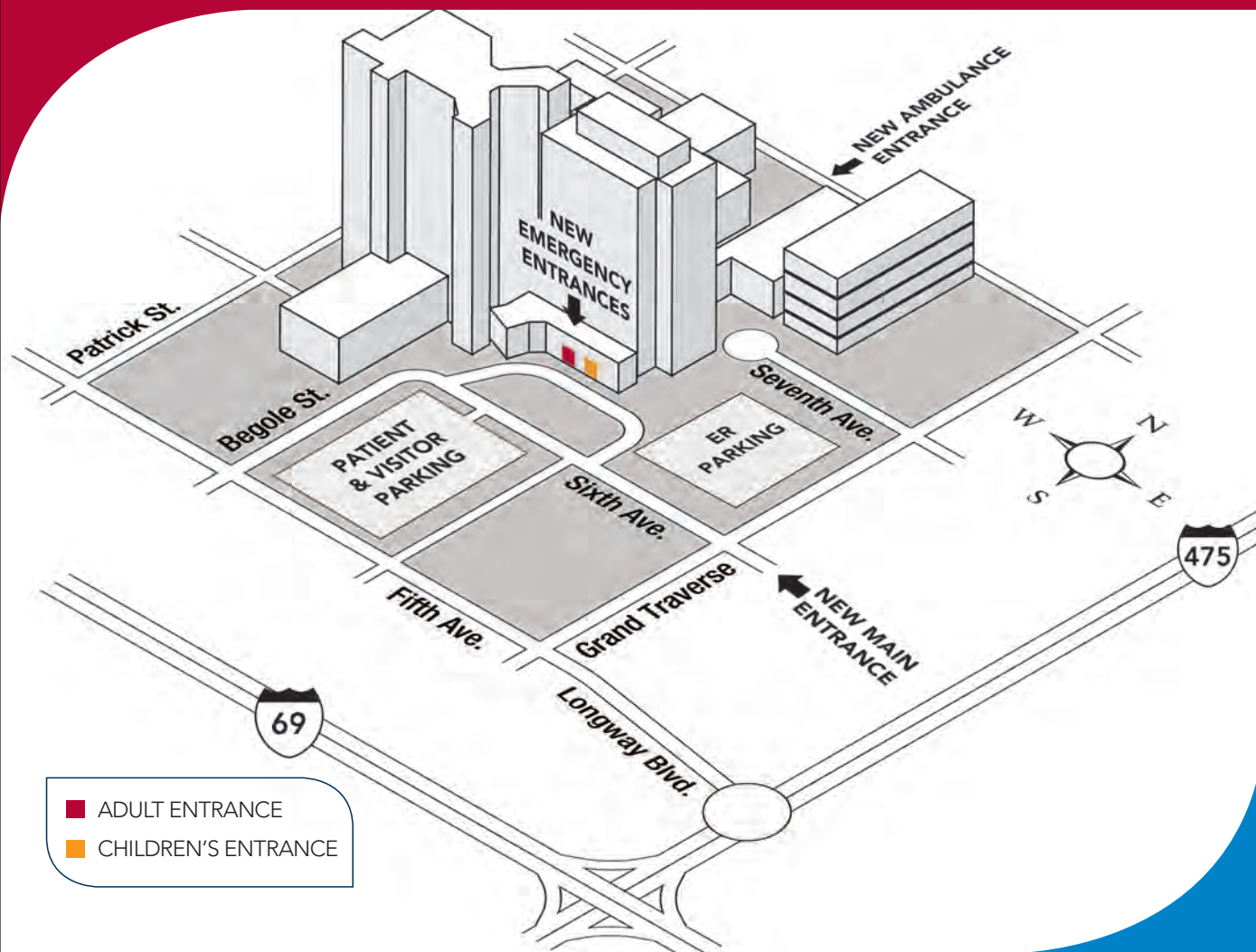


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Government meetings are a way to connect with your elected officials. Here, a resident congratulates outgoing Supervisor Alison Kalcec for her service at a Rose Township Board of Trustees meeting in December.



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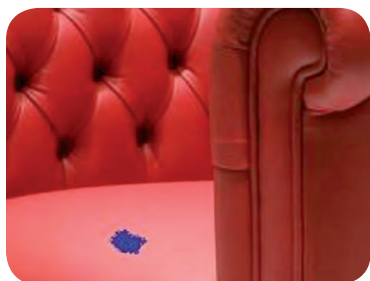


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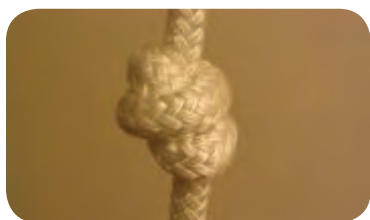
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### 2 Give stubborn knots the slip



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Darlene Deroshia of Linden shops at Alpine Marketplace in Linden on Thursday. Because of her fixed income, it is important for her to keep to her shopping list, and use the advertised specials to save money.

## Feeding your family for less

► Increase in savings doesn't necessarily mean decrease in quality

By Ryan Tackabury

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Money is tight for many families, and they are looking to make cuts wherever they can. The savvy shopper knows that small bits of savings can add up big over time. With a little bit of patience and by changing some spending habits, it is possible to feed your family delicious, healthy meals and still save money.

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(Above) Sally Dennis of Byron uses her Alpine Marketplace ad from the Times on Thursday, in hopes of saving some money.



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Stocking up on items you use when they are on sale can save money in the long run, provided they aren't perishable.

## Here are money-saving TIPS for shopping

• **The most important thing** that you can do to save money is to plan your meals ahead of time. Make a list of the meals you want to make for the week, and then compile a list of ingredients needed to make them. When shopping,

stick to the list and avoid impulse purchases of unnecessary things that will cut into your budget.

• **Once you have your meal plan** for the week, pick up everything on your grocery list in one trip. Making multiple

See **SAVINGS** on 6A

## Can you hear me now?

► Most don't know how cell phones work or the possible health risks

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It talks. It texts. It takes pictures and captures video. For many, cell phones are a lifeline to the world, connecting them to the Internet, friends and family. But ask any cell phone user how their device works and the conversation suddenly goes quiet.

How exactly does a device owned by a majority of Americans work? According to howstuffworks.com, cell phones transmit conversations in the same manner as walkie-talkies and CB radios. The major difference between the devices is that cell phones are full-duplex devices, or capable of using multiple frequencies at the same time. Using multiple frequencies in one device allows people to talk and hear the other person at the same time.

### Summary

► Cell phones rely on towers to transmit radio waves. Although there have been some concerns raised over possible cancer risks, cell phone usage has not been proven to have adverse health effects.

See **CELL PHONES** on 13A



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# Why do we vote on Tuesdays?

**Question:** Why do we hold elections on Tuesdays?

The answer is as irrelevant as it is old. We vote on Tuesdays because of a law passed in 1845, when 95 percent of all Americans were farmers.

**Why on Tuesday?** So that rural farmers could enjoy a day of rest, then drive their horse and buggies a full day to get to the county seat to vote, and allow a full day to return in time to milk the cows, slop the hogs and catch up on their farm work. Why did they pick the Tuesday after the first Monday in November? Because by then the harvest has been brought in.

It's as simple as that.

And it's as stupid as that, considering it is now 2012, and less than 1 percent of the population is farmers.

By Foster Childs



It's also why in the U.S., voter turnout has averaged below 50 percent since the late 1940s, with the sole exception being 2008 when 63 percent of the population voted. But that still means that one out of three voters does not bother going to the polls.

So, let's look at some options that have been considered over the years:

**Weekend voting:** The nations with the highest voter turnout all vote on weekends. But this is the U.S., where we prize our weekends. And a Sunday vote would violate all religious protocol. So that leaves just Saturday, and I believe a Saturday vote would result in an even lower turnout as many would refuse to go to the polls on their ingrained day off.

**Absentee voting:** Why not just mail everyone a ballot, and give them a week to send it back? Too much chance for fraud if you ask me.

**Make election day a national holiday:** Payment for the 'Election Day' holiday (from your employer) would be dependent upon a voting receipt. But I don't like the fact that already over-taxed businesses would bear the cost of this. Besides, being paid to vote just seems innately wrong to me. Many unions have negotiated this 'right' already.

**Vote when you file your tax return:** On the plus side, it would virtually eliminate all fraud. On the downside, election winners, including the president, would take office in April. That might freak some people out.

**Four-day voting window:** This is definitely my favorite. Elections could run from Friday through Monday, with no results released until Tuesday (to eliminate voter apathy caused by 'predictive results' from the media). This is clearly the best

option for all concerned.

The election this Tuesday is a textbook example of an election that can be swayed by a special interest group. One of the candidates for Paul Scott's seat is a union rep for the teachers union. I love teachers, but I don't love the deceitful and predatory MEA (oddly, nor do most teachers I know). Quietly, and behind the scenes, the MEA is galvanizing every supporter to go to the polls on Tuesday to take advantage of this golden opportunity to further their personal political agenda. They even have a 40 page instruction book on their website entitled, "Electing Your Employer, It's As Easy As 1-2-3." That's pretty brazen.

All the blustering and rhetoric in the world is meaningless. Voting is the only chance you have to have your voice heard. And, fortunately, the only one who can silence that voice is you.

See you at the polls.

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**IF WE WERE** living in 1940, I could see the point of The King's 'Who the hell.' Since we are in the 21st century, things change but apparently, The King lives in his own little world.

**I SO ENJOYED** all the people that gave their comments on the new tagline. Does anyone agree with me that if we had done this in the first place, everybody would have been happy? Yay, Fenton.

**THANKS FOR LETTING** people think of these taglines, I just love them. Isn't it interesting that it was all free, especially in comparison to all that the DDA has spent.

**THANK YOU TO** Foster Childs for sharing his collection of favorite axioms, adages and aphorisms. My favorites were, "What you tolerate, you encourage." and "Children need models, not critics."

**HEY TIMES. LOVE** your newspaper and especially how easy it is to submit a Hot line from your website. I'm in Florida and it's great to stay in touch with my wonderful hometown. P.S. my tagline is "Be Closer From Afar By Reading The Times Online."

**I'M GOING TO** complain about complainers. As most residents know, Fenton has many wonderful attributes and

some really cool shops. Why don't we all take a moment to submit a Hot line about the things we love most about our community. Compliment instead of complain. It takes just a minute.

**LEAVE THE CHICKEN** lady alone. The way things are going, that may be the only food she can lay her hands on.

**YO, ANOTHER SAFETY** recall with a cheap Asian import. I wonder how it's going to go with the Aveo. How much car can you get for \$8,000?

**CORRINE BAKER WILL** be sentenced on the 27th of February. Many people condemn her for her actions. It is easy to rest judgment, but until you are in such circumstances, you cannot say what you would do or how you would behave.

**THE GM WORKERS** got a \$7,000 bonus. The retirees got zero. The UAW took the right to vote away from the retirees. Between GM and the UAW, the retirees have been thrown under the bus.

**TWO YEARS AGO**, Obama said it would be good if gas was \$5 per gallon. He said it

would be good because it would force us to quit using fossil fuel and start using electric cars. It looks like he may get his wish.

**LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL**, embrace every minute of it.

**CAN'T PEOPLE UNDERSTAND** that we have to dig ourselves out of this hole? Buying foreign crap only makes the hole deeper. It is getting harder to find the 'Made in China' label, but sometimes all you have to do is read the blue oval to recognize the counterfeit.

**FACEBOOK IS NOT** a place to show off your naked body. I have a child that saw a photo of a nude girl with nothing but a bottle covering her breast, a Facebook friend of her sister's. I don't appreciate having to explain to my child why some people think it's OK to show their bodies naked all over the Internet. Have some self-respect. Do you think any man will want a woman who has already been seen by anyone who cares to look?

**THIS IS ON 'FARR** faces new obstacles' - You know, on Saturday they close at about one or two, they're not open on Sunday, they're not open on Monday. It would be great if they were open a little longer. Some people do work 40 hours per week, and you know, you go down there and they're always closed. Thank you.

**I THINK THE** 'vote for your favorite tagline' is a great program for your paper, I enjoy it tremendously. Thank you Tri-County Times.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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## What would you like to say to your local government?

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"We need more money for schools; I don't think teachers get paid enough."

— Korina Henry  
Swartz Creek



"I think they should improve the roads."

— Patricia Hazelwood  
Swartz Creek



"I would tell them to cut their salaries and give it all to the schools."

— Misty Sowers  
Fenton Township



"Treat your government bills like your household ones, live within your means."

— Deb Pelz  
Brighton



"I just don't want them to give me anymore taxes, we already have enough."

— Gerard Hindy  
Fenton Township



"Help school funding, they always need new books and computers."

— Nikalas Manning  
Flint



## Annual poker game fast approaching

►Everyone's a winner at Education Foundation Texas Hold 'em tournament

**By Sharon Stone**

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**Fenton** — Who likes to play poker? Who wants to have a street named after them? Who would like to help the Fenton Area Public Schools Education Foundation (FAPSEF) raise funds for its teachers and students in the fields of arts, academics and athletics?

If you've answered yes to any of the above questions, you'll want to register to play in the 2012 Colonel Fenton's Texas Hold 'em Poker Tournament.

For those unfamiliar with Fenton's history, in the mid-1800s, Col. William Fenton and Robert LeRoy played poker to name the town and main street. Fenton won the card game.

For the seventh year in a row, the FAPSEF will be hosting the tournament at The Fenton Hotel Tavern & Grille, honoring the historic event, scheduled for Thursday, March 8.

As in the past, doors open at 5 p.m., check-in is at 6 p.m. and play begins at 6:30 p.m. Buy-in is \$100, which includes the cost of one player, one spectator and free hors d'oeuvres until 10 p.m. A cash bar will be available.

Following the card game, LeRoy Street will be ceremonially renamed in the winner's honor for approximately one year. First-round winners will receive \$100, second-round winners will receive \$150



Texas Hold 'em enthusiasts try their skills, or luck, to win the top prize of having LeRoy Street ceremonially renamed in their honor for one year.

### Summary

►The Fenton Area Public Schools Education Foundation will be holding its annual Texas Hold 'em tournament on Thursday, March 8.

more (\$250 total), plus dinner for two at The Fenton Hotel Tavern & Grille. The final table winner will receive \$750 more (\$1,000 total), plus have LeRoy Street named in their honor.

Spectators are encouraged to attend, with a \$10 cover charge.

Tickets are now on sale. They can be obtained from any foundation board member, at the Fenton schools' administrative office, or The Fenton Hotel Tavern & Grille. To learn more about the tournament or FAPSEF, call (810) 591-4700 or visit their website at [www.fapsef.org](http://www.fapsef.org).

Tom Bertschy, a member of the FAPSEF board of directors and vice president of commercial banking at The State Bank said they typically have 100 to 110 players and raise about \$7,500. Bertschy can be reached at The State Bank at (810) 714-3955.

## Back to the Bricks, other events receive DDA funding

►Over \$28,000 allocated for various community happenings

**By Ryan Tackabury**

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**Fenton** — At its meeting Tuesday night, the Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) agreed to provide \$57,508 over two years to fund a series of events put on by Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation (SLPR) in 2012 and 2013.

The events will sound familiar to those who followed SLPR's 2011 productions. A total of \$28,754 a year was allocated with \$11,000 going to the Concert Series, \$3,500 for the Movie Series, \$6,395 for the Farmers' Markets, \$2,859 for the Back to the Bricks Tune Up Car Show, and \$5,000 for Jinglefest.

The funding for these events has received an increase of \$1,754 from last

year; \$500 will be used for the Concert Series, while the remainder will be used for the Back to the Bricks Tune Up Car Show.

DDA Chairman Craig Schmidt noted the positive feedback that the 2011 Back to the Bricks event received. "Everybody that I talked to from that Back to the Bricks said, 'Could you have four or five of those a year?'"

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**Craig Schmidt**  
DDA chairman

"I am expecting it to be even bigger this year," Schmidt added.

While SLPR requested \$6,000 per year in funding for the JingleFest event, DDA Director Michael Burns said that he could only recommend allotting \$5,000 for the event.

The DDA voiced positive opinions of past SLPR events. "I think we're getting a big bang for our buck on this farmers' market," Schmidt said. "The amount of people that's coming out to that and concert night, I mean, it's outstanding."

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At this time Linden Community Schools will be considering full-day kindergarten, half-day kindergarten, and young fives.

## CHARGES

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"I find it amazing that every vehicle accident and rollover must have been from a resident because we didn't bill any of them," said Township Treasurer David Kurtz. "I'd like to investigate why we aren't billing more people. This is a lot of money to pay."

The township was billed for a cat rescue, a situation none the board members had ever encountered before. Township Clerk Keith Kremer compared the situation to a skit from Ozzie and Harriet.

The township board viewed a majority of the runs as excessive, even for the ones they weren't billed for. Davison resident Scott Borys was charged with a fire run in November because his car was smoking as he was driving through Tyrone. The fire department was called but did not assist Borys in any way.

"There was no fire or emergency," Borys said, who attributed the smoke to his driveshaft. "Why should I have to pay for this \$1,300 bill?"

"This is a lot of money to pay."

**David Kurtz**  
Tyrone Township treasurer

A majority of the board agreed with Borys, calling for a reform on fire runs. Township Supervisor Mike Cunningham suggested the public safety commission review fire run protocol and recommend changes to the township board. The township board voted 5 to 1 to waive Borys' bill. Kremer cast the dissenting vote. Trustee Colleen Ameel was not present.

Fire protocol was changed in January to use the Livingston County Sheriff's Department more frequently for emergencies rather than the Fenton Fire Department. The board hopes utilizing the sheriff's department will cut down on costs. Kremer viewed switching services as futile however since anyone can call the fire department.

"The biggest problem with these calls is that it's coming from people who are driving by," Kremer said.

By ordinance, residents in Tyrone Township pay for the \$1,337 fire run unless they have a \$5 fire permit from the township. The board has denied multiple waivers for fire bills in the past.

## BUDGET

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in a memorandum to the board of directors. He continued, "In addition, this will be the first time ever that the DDA will lose revenue. There are many factors toward that, but, all of these variables will require us to manage our budget fluidly."

Chairman Craig Schmidt said that DDA is moving in the right direction. "I'm really happy to say that, yeah, our fund balance is going to go down. But that's been one of my goals for the longest time here. Because that means we have progress, we have things happening, we're creating jobs, we're creating tax revenue, we're

improving our downtown — everything that is supposed to happen," he said. "So if we get to a point in 2015 or '16 that we're waiting for fund balance to get back to us, that means our job's been done."

The budget laid out calls for a reduction in marketing expenses, which will see a decrease from \$142,000 spent in 2012, to \$100,000 in 2014.

The potential elimination of the Personal Property Tax poses another hurdle the budget must deal with, which could result in an estimated \$193,000 of lost revenue.

The budget will be discussed further at a special budget meeting on March 6. After the DDA approves a budget, it will be presented to the Fenton City Council.

"The next two years will be the most aggressive fiscal cycles that the Downtown Development Authority has ever embarked upon."

**Michael Burns**  
DDA director

## SAVINGS

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trips to the store only provides more opportunities for impulse buying, not to mention the extra gas it takes to make multiple trips.

• **If a particular item** is on sale that you use a lot of, maximize your savings by stocking up. Be mindful what you are stocking up on though, and be conscious of expiration dates. If you have to throw away your stockpiles of spoiled food, you are wasting money — not saving any.

• **The amount of money** that coupons can save you depends upon how much time you want to invest in clipping them. Still, even a small amount of time invested can end up netting you a few good deals.

• **Eating out** can be expensive, though it is still possible to

indulge on occasion without breaking your budget. If possible, you can also split large meals between two people. It is also important to be aware of lunch and dinner prices; sometimes an earlier dinner can be a much cheaper meal.

• **One of the most** expensive parts of a meal can be meat. Beans can be a good replacement source of protein. Skipping the meat and planning a vegetarian meal occasionally can make for a healthy meal as well as more savings.

• **Fruits and vegetables** are a great healthy snack. Buying them in season will not only provide a fresher taste, but a better price as well.

• **Cutting soda** out of your shopping list will not only save your family money, but make them healthier as well. Water is a much less expensive alternative.

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Rumors of Kid Rock interested in a house in Fenton Township have been swirling. Realtor Steven Melchor denies the rumors.

## There goes the neighborhood

By William Axford

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**Fenton Twp.** — Is a rock star moving to Fenton Township? Rumors have been circulating that Kid Rock has been interested in a \$1.6 million home on Bayshore Drive. Realtor Steven Melchor reacted to the rumors with laughter.

"I wish it was true, that's a rumor that's been going around for a long time," said Melchor, who is overseeing the sale of the home. "I don't know of Kid Rock being interested in the home and if he was, I'd be calling you to let you know about it."

Melchor, who works for Tremaine Real Estate, said rumors of famous people buying homes in the tri-county area have popped up from time to time, but usually aren't that frequent. Bob Seger for example was rumored to buy a house in Fenton Township throughout



KID ROCK

the years but ultimately never did.

Melchor did say someone was giving the home a third look.

"I'd start a big old rumor if it got more people interested," Melchor said. "I don't know of Kid Rock being interested."

Melchor did say that Kid Rock is rumored to have a girlfriend in Holly and that the rock star may buy a home in the area one day.

## Police&Fire report

### LARCENY FROM HOLLY BUSINESS

On Feb. 20, Holly police were sent to a business in the 200 block of Elm Street to investigate a larceny complaint. The company owner said he closed the shop at 5 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17. When he returned on Monday, he noticed several items missing from the property including steel rack stands, rolling steel racks, steel cabinets. Value of stolen property is listed at \$6,250. Police are continuing to investigate and checking with area scrap yards.

### DOG COMPLAINT

On Sunday, Feb. 19, Holly police were sent to a home in the 500 block of North Street to investigate a dog complaint. The complainant said a loose dog had gotten into his fenced yard and fought with his dog, causing a cut to the dog's leg. The complainant followed the unknown dog to a home on Academy Street and provided the information to police. Police contacted the resident on Academy Street and learned that the suspect dog belonged to his son. The man was not sure if the dog was up to date on vaccinations. The case has been turned over to Oakland County Animal Control.

### RECKLESS DRIVING IN HOLLY

At 12:51 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 19, a Holly police officer observed a black Kia Sorento traveling 41 mph in a 30 mph and crossing the centerline on East Maple. The officer conducted a traffic stop and made contact with the driver, a 42-year-old Waterford woman and her two passengers, brothers from Ferndale. After detecting the odor of intoxicants, the driver complied to a variety of field sobriety tests. She passed the tests. She was placed in the patrol car and transported to the police station for reckless driving. The brothers told police that they had been fighting and the woman was driving them to the hospital since

one had a lacerated forehead. The brothers were also taken to the police station, where they were able to call for a ride.

### WOMAN SHOPLIFTS

At 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 21, Fenton police were sent to a grocery store on North LeRoy Street to investigate a retail fraud complaint. The loss prevention employee reported that a 54-year-old Fenton woman had concealed several items and exited the store without paying for the \$40.83 in merchandise. The woman told police she took the items for her daughter's birthday and she had no money. She was issued a court appearance ticket.

### MEN ARGUE OVER HEADLIGHTS

At 5:40 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 23, Fenton police were sent to a gas station on Owen Road, at U.S. 23 to investigate a fight in progress. Lt. Jason Slater said a 71-year-old Argentine Township man called and reported that another man at the station, later identified as a 72-year-old Fenton Township man, threatened him with a table leg when he failed to turn off his headlights. The older man became angry when he was trying to read his newspaper in his car and the headlights of the younger man's car shined in his eyes. The younger man told the older man that he had a permit to carry a concealed handgun when the older man threatened him with the table leg. The younger man called 911 to report the argument. The next day, the older man admitted to police that he should not have exited his car threatening the younger man with the table leg. The case remains under investigation.

### WOMAN STEALS BAGS OF SALT

At 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 22, Fenton police were sent to a hardware store on North LeRoy Street to investigate a retail fraud complaint. Employees reported that a white female, between 30 and 40 and having short blonde hair, loaded seven bags of rock salt into her white SUV. The unknown woman then entered the store, bought other items, exited the store and drove away without paying for the bags of salt, valued at \$59. Police are attempting to identify the suspect.

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- Tyler

**A:** Tyler, I think what you are asking me is how to disable the chime for when the key is left in the ignition. If this is not it, then please write back and give me a better description of what you need help with. As a professional mechanic, I do not tamper with safety devices such as the chime modules unless they are not functioning properly. Even then it is usually something you need time, wiring diagrams and repair info to diagnose properly. These systems are made up of several components on today's vehicles that need to properly communicate with each other and can be very difficult to diagnose even as simple of a function as they may seem.

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# Local man envisions eliminating vitamin A deficiency

►Wes Stoody, founder of Aframes Eyewear, launches cause-driven business

By Rachael Briand

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The world is full of inspirational and uplifting stories, but every now and then one hits close to home and brings a sense of pride to the community. Fenton native Wes Stoody has brought that feeling here.

Stoody is a Powers Catholic High School graduate who went on to graduate from Eastern Michigan University.

It was while he was at EMU that he learned that approximately one million children die each year from vitamin A deficiency (VAD).

VAD is the leading cause of blindness in children throughout the world. This piece of information stuck with Wes, who could not ignore the need for help. He decided to start a cause-driven eyewear company, one that would not only raise money to help with VAD, but one that would be sustainable and respected by the eyewear industry.

Using his Fenton connections, Stoody was introduced to Fenton graduate Jay

"Inspired by cause-driven business models, I decided I would start an eyewear brand for the purpose of raising funds for the distribution of these supplements." **Wes Stoody**  
Aframes Eyewear founder and president



**AFRAMES EYEWEAR** — The executive team of Aframes Eyewear is made up of Fenton natives. Wes Stoody is the founder, his sister Maggie Stoody helped start the company and now does copywriting and Jay Parkin is a business partner.

Parkin through Brian Petty, owner of Fenton Glass. After meeting and discussing Stoody's business vision, the two formed a partnership. Together with Stoody's sister Maggie they started what is now known as Aframes Eyewear, the socially conscious eyewear brand. They launched the company in January in Chicago.

Aframes Eyewear is partnered with Helen Keller International (HKI), whose mission is to save the sight and lives of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged. Together they help distribute vitamin A supplements to places that need it the most. Founded in 1915 by Helen Keller and George Kessler, HKI is one of the oldest non-governmental non-profit agencies devoted to preventing blindness and malnutrition. They currently work in 22 countries including 13 in Africa, eight in Asia-Pacific and the United States.

What makes the idea of VAD so distressing to Stoody is that it is completely and easily preventable. For \$1, a child can be provided with a year's supply of vitamin A supplements. In developing countries around the world where VAD

## Vitamin A deficiency facts and stats

- **Vitamin A** (also called Retinol) is important for proper growth and reproduction development.
- **Vitamin A deficiency** is the leading cause of blindness in children.
- **The human body** needs vitamin A to help fight infections.
- **Vitamin A** is essential for eye health and the proper function of the immune system.
- **An estimated 33 percent** or 190 million pre-school age children do not have enough vitamin A in their diet.
- **The highest percentages** of deficiencies are found in sub-Saharan Africa and South East Asian countries.
- **An estimated 250,000-500,000** children become blind every year due to VAD. About half die within a year of becoming blind.
- **Vitamin A** comes from beef, eggs, cheese, milk and leafy green vegetables.
- **It costs \$1** to provide a child with one year of supplements.

## Summary

►Fenton native Wes Stoody launched Aframes Eyewear, a socially conscious eyewear brand that helps provide vitamin A supplements to developing countries, aiding in the fight against vitamin A deficiency.

is such a huge crises, a little can go a long way.

Aframes Eyewear is doing their part. The company donates 5 percent of all revenue to HKI, which then uses the money to distribute vitamin A supplements to places in dire need of it. For example, if someone purchases eyewear for \$189, he or she has just given nine children the equivalent to a one-year supply of supplements. The eyewear

collection ranges in price from \$129-\$189 and all of the styles are named after countries where HKI provides support.

To learn more about Stoody's company or help with VAD, visit [www.aframeseyewear.com](http://www.aframeseyewear.com).



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**ISN'T IT BAD** enough that Obama has given huge amounts of taxpayers' money to Islamic countries? Now I've read that he has given Russia four Alaskan Islands. What other piece of America will he shell out? November can't come soon enough for freedom loving Christian Americans.

**WE THE PEOPLE** send Congressmen and Senators to Washington to speak our voices. Obama said if Congress doesn't agree with him, he'll make changes without them. How arrogant! He is not our dictator or our king but he wants to be. Don't let him hurt our country any more, please.

**OH NOT AGAIN!** The bridge contract awarded to a Chinese Company was by the State of California, not the Federal Government. California turned down federal money that would have forced the state to award the contract

to U.S. firms. Get your facts straight before you complain about the President.

**ANYONE WITH JUST** an ounce of common sense knows that our current President could bring down gas prices by over a dollar a gallon with just a few words or a swipe of a pen. Remember when it's \$5. He wants us pregnant, barefoot and broke. Do you get it now?

**I HAVE SEEN** a lot of Christian Democrats' responses on here. Tell me please what recognized Christian church believes in abortion. Just asking.

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St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church worship commission member Barb Grunewald marks a parishioner's forehead with ash in the shape of the cross at the 8:30 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass.

## Ashes signify change at Catholic ceremony

► Faith-filled crowd fills St. John's for annual rite

By Tim Jagielo

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**Fenton** — On Wednesday morning, St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton was packed, with last minute arrivals finding the few remaining seats. The cavernous congregation space smelled of incense, and hushed murmurs peppered the crowd.

It is Ash Wednesday, which officially begins the Lenten season for practicing Catholics and other Christian religions. There are 9,166 registered members of St. John, who hail mostly from Fenton but also Linden and Grand Blanc.

After the distribution of ashes, a sea of faces smudged with the black soot prayed, sang, and gave peace, and afterward were sent on their way, to hopefully change and grow. And to also explain to their co-workers where the ashes come from.

The theme of the service lead by Rev. Fr. David Harvey is change from difficulty. "New beginnings come from destruction and death," he said.

He meant bad habits like selfishness dying, not people. "That's what this gospel is all about," he said, his voice reverberating over the crowd.

The ashes become a symbol of change. "How do you think God wants us to change," he asks. He compares people's lives to being dust, able to be swept away at a moment. "New beginnings can't happen unless something that has been,

passes away or goes on," he said.

He hopes the people in the congregation are open to changes in their lives. "I think most of the people take home a renewed commitment to be conscience of others in need, especially the poor," he said.

The ashes used during the service come from palms from Palm Sunday the year prior. They are burned and stored in a simple mason jar, before being blessed, and then poured onto small dishes.

These dishes are held by the deacons, Fr. Harvey and members of the Worship Commission. After he finishes his homily, which are his words and commentary following the scripture, the ashes are distributed to the parishioners.

First Fr. Harvey and Deacon Ron Kenney, the worship commission and altar servers receive ashes, followed by the rest of the congregation, much like the Holy Communion. They receive ashes on their forehead in the shape of the cross.

Fr. Harvey said that the forehead is used because that is where Christians are signed at baptism. "We continue doing that through life," he said.

On Wednesday, they begin Lent; where mostly people aged 14-59 will give up a habit, or something in their lives.

Ryan Miller, 10, of St. John Academy is giving up candy, especially Airheads, which are his favorite. His ashes rubbed off by themselves.

Jessica Bright, 9, also of St. John Academy is ditching her soda at dinner with family, and pledges to cut down on sweets. "It's a time to not be selfish and greedy, and act like Jesus did, and make sacrifices," she said.

Worship Commission member Jeanie Frakes of Linden said she was giving up negative feelings like anger or judging others.

Sharon Sanborn of Fenton said she was going to read the Bible every night, and give up snacks and goodies.

Fr. Harvey said that fasting is also part of lent, with no meat on Friday, and one meal skipped on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, which is April 6, the day Christians believe Jesus Christ died on the cross.

"For some people, lent is a time to renew their faith and go deeper in their faith," he said.

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## CELL PHONES

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Cell phones derive their name from towers that spread radio frequencies in a hexagonal shape. Towers usually cover a 10-mile radius and are built close to each other to offer strong reception. Thus, coverage area for phones is split into 'cells.'

In a report by Gizmodo.com, a journalist spent the day with cell phone tower workers and discovered their inner workings. Once a tower intercepts a radio signal from a cell phone, a wire or fiberoptic line transfers the call to a wireless access point. The call will be transmitted through either an underground wire or a wireless antenna, depending on which method is more effective. The signal travels between cell phones in order to connect conversations or exchange text messages. All of this happens faster than the blink of an eye.

Essentially, cell phones are sophisticated walkie-talkies that can utilize more than 800 frequencies, depending on how many towers are nearby. Cell phones are also low power transmitters, which keeps battery life high and allows towers to reuse frequencies.

Smart phones access the Internet through wireless capabilities and wifi connections, similar to laptops and tablets.

With so many radio waves in use, some health agencies have accused cell phones as a potential cause of brain cancer. But so far, reports have been mixed. The World Health Organization has classified radio-frequencies as "possibly carcinogenic in humans" or capable of producing cancer, based on studies of the immune system and genes. While the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has found studies that question the complete safety of cell phone use, the agency believes there is not enough evidence present to claim cell phones cause health risks.

Studies on health effects of cell phones are likely to continue. While it

## ABUSE

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no contest to an amended count of second-degree child abuse.

Undersheriff Chris Swanson said early on that the county's child protective services received a tip about the abuse and a deputy was sent to the home to investigate.

The sheriff's department investigation revealed that Shorez abused a 4-year-old girl because she continued to run around the home after he told her to stop. The little girl accidentally kicked Shorez' 1-year-old son in the eye while running around, which angered him.

In anger, Shorez poked the little girl in the eye numerous times so that she would know what it felt like to be hit in the eyes. Shorez also forced the little girl to stand in the corner for up to two hours with a hot space heater near her feet. Responding deputies saw burns on the tops of the girl's feet.

Shorez was reportedly dating the sister of the little girl's mother, all of whom were in the mobile home during the time of the abuse.

The girl was treated at an area hospital while Shorez was arrested and transported to the Genesee County Jail, where he remained throughout his court hearings. No other arrests were made.

In addition to prison time, Shorez was ordered to undergo psychological and substance abuse counseling and vocational training. He received credit for 86 days spent already in the county jail.

## A brief history of the cell phone

**1971** — The first commercial cell phone network is launched in Finland.

**1973** — Dr. Martin Cooper of Motorola calls Joel Engel of AT&T while walking in New York.

**1978** — The first trial cell phone network is launched in Chicago by Bell.

**1982** — Nokia introduces their first cell phone.

**1993** — Text message is used for the first time.

**2002** — Number of mobile subscribers in the world surpasses one billion.

**2007** — The iPhone is launched.

has been proven over exposure to radio waves can cause cancer, cell phones emit .6 to 3 watts, a low amount. Comparatively, CB radios emit 4 watts.

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**THE 4-YEARS-OLDS'** lunch was inspected by a state inspector. This did happen in Hoke County, North Carolina. If you feel any government should be inspecting what your kid(s) have for lunch, and tell them what they should eat, we, as a nation, are in big trouble.

**SO, YOU DON'T** want me to buy a Kia, Toyota, and Honda? I was wondering where do you buy your gas? Remember 9/11?

**INSTEAD OF PAYING** for a traffic light at LeRoy and Shiawassee, why don't we follow Michigan driving laws and allow the car to our right (or counter-clockwise) have the right of way. It isn't supposed to be who can dart out the fastest, as it appears to be now!

**AND I QUOTE:** "What are smokers in cars supposed to do with their butts?" Unquote. Well, you could get off yours, pun intended. Buy an ashtray, and

use it. We had one with beans, and it worked fine. Driving and smoking can be very unsafe.

**THE PERSON WHO** thinks I'm delusional over the birth control thing. Churches are tax-exempt, and this rule involves private insurers. Blue Cross/Blue Shield is not run by the Catholic Church. Just because Jewish people can't eat pork, does that mean food stamps should not pay for pork? Same thing.

**ARE YOU REALLY** this out of touch? No employee raises, you fire two employees, raise sewer rates, impose a special assessment, and claim the township is broke. Now you want to eliminate employee healthcare but propose to cut the township tax rate? Clueless!

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# Peak flu season is here

► Little things make the difference in getting sick or not

**By Sally Rummel**  
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If you receive a package and sign your name with the delivery person's pen, or use a shopping cart without sanitizing the handle first, you've just exposed yourself to colonies of germs that may make you sick.

With Michigan's flu season now in full swing and likely to last until spring, it can be the little things that you do every day that might make the difference between getting sick, or not. "The flu season usually peaks in late February, and we're now seeing an increase of local flu activity," said Mark Valacek, of the Genesee County Health Department.

You can help keep yourself from getting sick by being proactive in your own personal hygiene and lifestyle habits.

Most importantly, everyone over 6 months of age is advised to get a flu vaccine, even this late in the season. "Make sure you get the vaccine," said Valacek. "The virus circulates throughout the whole year. But

"The flu season usually peaks in late February, and we're now seeing an increase of local flu activity."

**Mark Valacek**  
Genesee County Health Department

it's the close quarters we all share in the winter months, plus the indoor humidity that creates an environment for the peak season of flu."

### Know where the germs are

The workplace or classroom is one of the most common places to pick up a bug, because people are indoors together in a confined space, breathing the same air.

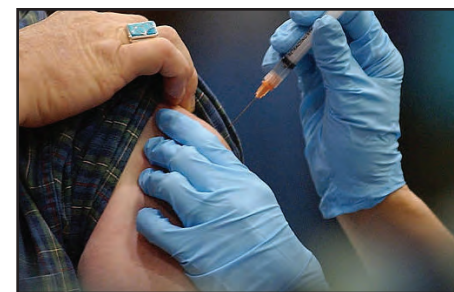
They're also sharing cups, trading pens, shaking hands, etc. That's why schoolchildren are the most common age group for catching the flu, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Supermarkets are also ripe for germs because people are constantly touching cart handles, pulling items off the shelf and then putting them

back, not to mention handling raw meat and produce.

### Fight back with good hygiene

Wash your hands before eating and preparing meals, after using the bathroom, after sneezing and coughing. Use a regular non-antibacterial soap in most cases, because there may be a link between antibacterial



**Summary►** Peak flu season is now until early spring, with local activity in Genesee County being reported. The most effective defense against the flu is a flu vaccine.

chemicals and drug-resistant bacteria.

At the supermarket, use sanitizer on shopping cart handles and bag your produce and meat selections in plastic bags — they keep the produce from picking up germs from the cart and the meat from dripping microbes, etc. in your cart.

At work, avoid eating at your desk, where every object is a potential "hot spot" for germs — your phone, keyboard, stapler, etc., and don't share cups, combs, pens, etc.

In a public restroom, hang your purse from a hook on the stall door, flush a non-automatic toilet with your shoe instead of your hand, wash your hands, and then use a paper towel to dry your hands, one to open the door, then toss the towel into the trashcan.

### Keep yourself well with healthy habits

Limit caffeine (no more than three cups of coffee per day), because it depletes the body's stores of zinc, a mineral that is necessary for healing.

Breathe through your nose, instead of your mouth. Because microbes don't have the barriers through your mouth that they have through your nose, they go straight to the lungs.

Worry less, because stress produces chronically high cortisol, which leads to a depressed immune system. Eat and exercise healthfully every day. Sleep well, learn to prioritize your time to reduce stress. Maintain a social circle of family and friends to lift your mood and your immunity.

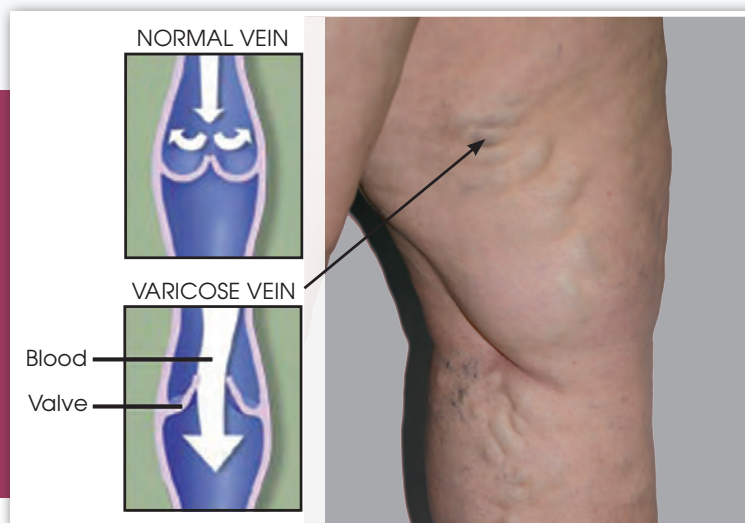
If you feel yourself coming down with the flu or bad cold, take good care of yourself and stay home. People can contract seasonal flu up to four days before symptoms appear. Healthy adults are infectious from the day before symptoms appear until five to seven days after.

If you get the flu, two FDA-approved antiviral medications, oseltamivir (Tamiflu) and zanamivir (Relenza), are available to use against both influenza A and B viruses. "You'll have to diagnose the flu early in order for these drugs to be effective," said Valacek. "You can also use them for prevention, if you know you've been exposed to the flu virus and need to stay well."

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## What's the difference between a common cold and the flu?

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Source: Prevention magazine



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#### Mon., March 12, 2012

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon  
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### Wed., Mar. 14, 2012

12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
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#### Thur., Mar. 15, 2012

3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
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For the purpose of reviewing and hearing any objections or corrections needed to the assessment roll.

Property owners may file their appeals in writing, provided they are received by the Board of Review no later than March 15, 2012.

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The Board of Review of the Township of Groveland will meet at the GROVELAND TOWNSHIP HALL, 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly, Michigan, Upper Level, for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll and hearing any objections thereof, at the following dates and time:

Tuesday, March 6, 2012 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Monday, March 12, 2012 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM  
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Wednesday, March 14, 2012 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM  
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Additional days will be scheduled, if necessary, to give everyone an opportunity to appeal their assessment.

Property owners may file their protests by letter provided they are received at the Township Hall by Monday March 5, 2011.

For those wishing to protest in person, please schedule an appointment by calling:  
OAKLAND COUNTY EQUALIZATION DIVISION  
248-975-9611

If you have any questions regarding the above notice, please feel free to call GROVELAND TOWNSHIP OFFICE during regular business hours at (248)634-4152.

ROBERT DEPALMA, SUPERVISOR  
Groveland Township



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			3		6	1		4
			2					3
5			8			6		
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7		8				5		
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ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

## PUZZLE ANSWER KEYS

King Crossword, Wednesday Jumble and Wednesday Sudoku Puzzles are located in last Wednesday's issue.  
All other puzzles are throughout this edition.

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### SUPER CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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### KING CROSSWORD ANSWERS

**Solution time: 21 mins.**

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### WEDNESDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

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9	4	8	7	5	3	6	1	2
6	2	5	8	4	1	7	9	3
4	1	7	3	2	9	8	5	6
5	8	9	1	6	7	2	3	4
3	6	2	4	8	5	1	7	9

### SUNDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

2	7	9	3	5	6	1	8	4
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ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CANCELLED**  
**CITY OF LINDEN**

## PARKS & RECREATION 2012-2016 DRAFT PLAN

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing scheduled for Thursday, March 8, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Council Chambers located at 201 N. Main Street, Linden, Michigan 48451 has been cancelled. The public hearing will be rescheduled at a later date. The hearing is intended to provide an opportunity for interested citizens to express opinions regarding all aspects of the proposed Parks and Recreation Plan.

Copies of the draft City of Linden Parks and Recreation Plan 2012-2016 are available for public review at the Linden City Hall, located at 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, Michigan, 48451 as well as on the City's website at [www.lindenmi.us](http://www.lindenmi.us).



**HOT LINE** CONTINUED

**TO THOSE COMPLAINING** about Christian Democrats, I guarantee you that Jesus would not be a Republican in this day and age. Jesus lived to help the poor people, not the rich, and based on what he did when he was alive; Jesus was and still is a liberal.

**DEBBIE STABENOW SPONSORED** legislation to give tax breaks to bio-based companies that use farmers' crops like corn and soy to make things other than food. That means food prices rise, fuel prices rise and that tax cut will be paid by you and me. Who does that help?

**WOULD LOVE TO** know the answer to this question, did attorney Tom Pabst seek out Tracey Sahouri in the lawsuit against Argentine Township or vice versa?

**BARNES' COMMENTS SAYING** the time is right was based on perspective. It is more appropriate to consider a sinking fund now than it was in 2009. There is a difference between 'making do with what we have' and watching facilities (assets) deteriorate. Attend meetings to see the truth.

**BEFORE YOU JUDGE** the foreign vehicle that someone else bought (which benefits hundreds of thousands of American workers beyond just manufacturing by the way), please get off your soapbox and take inventory of your own belongings. Chances are you're a hypocrite.

**PARENTS OF HOLLY** Academy, when picking up your kids after school and we are all in the line together to enter the school, don't pull out of line, swing your car around in the oncoming traffic lane and jump ahead in line. That is just plain rude and dangerous.

**ONE HAS TO** wonder — are the people who complain when their neighbor buys a Kia (Honda, Toyota, etc) the same people who constantly shop at big box

department stores and fill their carts with products made in China (Japan, Taiwan, etc)? Could there be a double standard here?

**SORRY, I WAS** told by the administration in Fenton that IB costs \$800,000 per year to belong. And we are not even a full IB program. If you know IB is not \$800,000 per year, please present your facts. Or have the school board present the facts.

**WORDS OF WISDOM** for Obama-voting men and women busy bodies with too much free time on their hands. Think about it until you truly understand it. "For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts."

**DON'T SAY THAT** no one can figure out when to turn at Shiawassee and Leroy. Everyone makes it through. There's no permanent traffic jam. Putting a light there would create a disaster. The proximity to the Adelaide light would cause backups on Shiawassee and Fenton. And new lights cost money.

**SMOKERS, AREN'T YOU** insulted that someone thinks you are smart enough to drive but you can't figure out where to put the butt without throwing it out the window? Why don't you enlighten the readers?

**TO THE CHILD** who sent blessings to his/her mother. Thank you from all of the mothers who could be the recipient of your kind words.

**I JUST LOVE** it when my college-educated neighbors overload their recycling container, leave it by the road and when the wind blows it all over they expect others to pick it up.

**SHAME ON ALL** of those who gave sarcastic and rude taglines to vote on. Have some pride and if you are that unhappy with where you reside leave or make a change.

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**PUBLIC AUCTION** due to unpaid rent at Fenton Storage, 1159 N. LeRoy St., 810-714-3707 on March 13, 2012, 9:30a.m. or later: Dave Johnson, C406-L and RV2A-L, 2001 Work Van; Shane Vanmeter, G703-L; Albert Serridge, G735-L; Peggy Conder, G720-L; Tim Rhoades, 607, 618; Amanda Rafe, 650. All units contain miscellaneous items.

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I-44 **David Malinowski** = 10 Bags, 2 Suitcases, Weight Bench.

C-10 **Brian Smith** = Dresser, Sofa, Tool Chest

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## TYRONE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

A public hearing will be held before the Tyrone Township Board on Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. regarding the proposed 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Township Budget, all funds. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

A copy of the budget and supporting documents will be available for public inspection at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan, during regular business hours of Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. All oral and written comments are welcome.

Keith L. Kremer  
Tyrone Township Clerk

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## GOVERNMENT

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The local government will have a greater impact on your lives than President Barack Obama, or even possibly Gov. Rick Snyder, and there are several ways to interact with your local municipality, if you need to pay taxes, or even discuss a topic of concern.

A municipality is defined by dictionary.com as, "a city, town, or other district possessing corporate existence and usually its own local government."

Everyone lives in a municipality, and each has its own varying level of services and tax structure. One thing a village, city, or township has in common is that the government is elected by the residents of that district. Villages and cities have councils with council members, or councilors, townships have boards of trustees that include the clerk and a treasurer, who are paid administrators.

These elected officials are the ones who can listen to your concerns and take action on your behalf. Recent issues brought before Fenton City Council were a dispute between neighbors about a neighborhood hockey rink, and possibly allowing a residents to raise chickens in their backyards.

Holly Village President Jeff Miller hears about water and sewer concerns most often, whether at the pharmacy or a local restaurant. He appreciates his interactions with residents, but wishes more would show up to meetings. "Come see how government works," he said.

Public comment time before and after the agenda items give residents a chance to ask questions or clarifications of Miller.

Council member Jackie Campbell said she spends more than 20 hours per week

talking with residents. "The business owners and citizens have far better ideas than members of council," she said.

She helps to forward complaints to Village Manager Jerry Walker when needed. "I have an open door policy," she said. She would also like to see residents more

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**Jackie Campbell**

*Holly Village Council member*

informed on the topics the village council faces. "If people are not there to speak up, council has no way of knowing how people feel," she said, adding that the taxpayer is their ultimate boss.

Linden City Mayor David Lossing's home phone number is listed, and takes calls for city business frequently.

Another way to get things done with government, besides going to meetings, is filing petitions. Lossing said a resident who lived around the Linden mill pond circulated a petition asking the city of Linden to pay for weed control, and lead to a sort of special assessment district for the area, for which the city paid in part.

For basic information, the quickest way to interact with your local government is to check its municipal website.

At Rose Township's website, residents can be kept abreast of meetings and events.

### Local municipal websites

CITY OF FENTON:

cityoffenton.org

FENTON TOWNSHIP:

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CITY OF LINDEN:

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### Best ways to reach government

**Meetings** are a good way to stay informed about issues, and ask your government questions directly. **Petitions** allow you to gather resident support for items of popular concern. **Government websites** offer a quick, easy way to access information and documents you need to get things done. **Direct messages** are a quick way to get information or highlight a topic of concern.

will be voted on. This same information is available to the readers.

Holly Area Schools, like most school districts, also posts their agendas and marks when the location will change from the regular school board chambers, to the Karl Richter Campus auditorium.

To streamline the administrative process of permits and ordinances, most of this information is also available online. Residents can assess their property taxes right on the City of Linden's website.

At the Fenton Township website, permits for amplified sound, zoning and electrical are available.

Many municipalities also have their own Facebook pages.

## DEFICIT

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budget cycle," said Village Manager Jerry Walker. "We don't have all the numbers yet."

To get an accurate number, Walker is waiting on property tax values, and state revenue sharing. He said the 4.55-percent decrease in taxable value on real and personal property contributes significantly to the decline, as well as higher staff medical costs and other diminished revenue streams.

Walker pointed out that the change in taxable real estate values was lower than the 8.71 percent last year, and 14.22 percent in 2010.

The 2011-2012 budget was balanced as submitted last year, and these factors are creating the possible deficit for the next fiscal year. Basically,

it boils down to a drop in revenues, and an increase in the cost of doing business, said Walker.

"Every municipality is hurting," said council member Jackie Campbell.

Walker said the gap, no matter the size, will be closed by April, when the budget is submitted. Then, the council might have some difficult decisions to make.

"Nothing is sacred," said President Jeff Miller, meaning any possible cuts are on the table. He said layoffs may be necessary, but more funds are also coming in. "We are going to stay solvent, we will not be taken over," said Miller, referring to the City of Flint, who currently has an emergency financial manager.

There will be another budget workshop Monday at 6 p.m. at council chambers and another in March.

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## News briefs

### The UPS Store in Fenton offers free 'Easy Deposit'

The UPS Store in Fenton is now offering USAA Easy Deposit — a convenient way for USAA members to deposit domestic checks near their home or office. "Between our convenient neighborhood location and the USAA Easy Deposit technology, we can help make our customers' lives easier," said The UPS Store owner Les Beare. USAA systems receive the forwarded check information from The UPS Store and process the deposit. In most cases, the deposit is immediate and can be verified through account alerts, [usaa.com](http://usaa.com), [usaa.mobile](http://usaa.mobile) or by calling USAA. The UPS Store is at 17195 Silver Parkway. Call (810) 750-2920 or visit [www.theupsstorelocal.com/3351](http://www.theupsstorelocal.com/3351) for details. USAA provides insurance, banking, investment and retirement products and services to 8.2 million members of the U.S. military and their families.

### Former NYC detective to speak at Young Life dinner on May 1

Bill Paige, a former New York City Police detective, will share his experiences in dealing with crisis and its impact on a community, May 1, at a Young Life dinner at the Holiday Inn Gateway Center off Hill Road. The Young Life dinner featuring Paige begins at 6 p.m. The dinner is free of charge, but reservations must be made. Donations will be accepted. Paige, a former chaplain for the NFL Pro Bowl, is a gifted, passionate speaker with 20 years of police and detective work in and around the New York City metropolitan area. Mary Rossmassler, of Fenton is the area director for the Young Life of Genesee County. She believes Paige's message to the Flint area is especially fitting considering the challenges the community is facing. Paige currently serves as special assistant to the president of Young Life. "We believe Bill Paige will have an impact on the greater Flint community," Rossmassler said. "He brings hope and direction as we struggle." For more information and to make a reservations call (810) 953-9130.

### Holly Township adopts recycling program

At the most recent meeting of the Holly Township board of trustees, a new recycling program was adopted. The township signed on with Boxster, a company out of Romulus. Currently, eight boxes are set up, with two inside the building on reserve. The Township pays for only the boxes it fills, and is available to residents 24/7. The boxes are located at 4092 Grange Hall Road, at the old North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) building.

## THIS WEEK'S INSERTS

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- Arby's
- Bass Pro Shops
- CVS
- Direct TV
- Fenton Fitness
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# Organic

## FRUITS & VEGETABLES

► Their beauty lies within

By Sally Rummel

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Have you ever bitten into a big, shiny red apple and been disappointed at its lack of flavor and juiciness? Maybe you've picked up a carton of giant bright red strawberries out-of-season at the

grocery store, only to still be longing for the succulent sweetness of a Michigan berry picked in June.

If you're a typical grocery shopper, you might take a passing glance at the organic produce aisle, note the higher prices and the smaller, less perfect-looking fruits and vegetables, and keep right on walking toward the regular produce department. You may not think

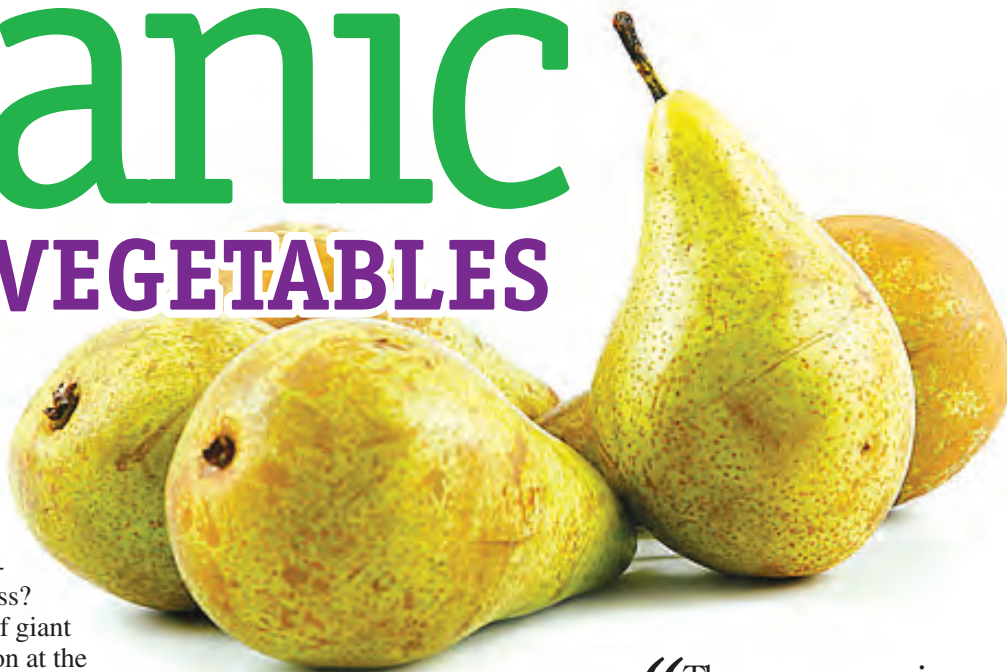
twice about loading your cart with produce that has been grown with pesticides, artificial fertilizers and colors, some grown and transported from as far away as Chile and Peru.

While you may pay less at the checkout, there's a price to be paid in lost health benefits and the taste experience of enjoying garden fresh, organically grown produce.

Foods that are produced 100 percent without artificial fertilizers, pesticides, growth hormones, or antibiotics are labeled as USDA certified organic. They can be found in the meat, dairy, produce and boxed food aisles of just about every major grocery store today, and are becoming more popular than ever before.

While organic produce might not be "as pretty" as its regular counterparts, its beauty lies within — bringing a healthier, more true taste and texture to your family's table.

See **ORGANIC** on 4B



“The reason organic foods cost more is that the commercial farmers who grow most of our regular food supply today are subsidized by U.S. taxpayer dollars, while organic farmers get nothing.”

**Doug Crider**

Fenton Township resident



## Read meat labels carefully

**Natural:** no artificial ingredients or added color and is only minimally processed. The label also has to provide more specific information, such as “no added colorings or artificial ingredients; minimally processed.”

**Certified Organic:** the animal was given pesticide and chemical fertilizer-free food and never given hormones or antibiotics, ever. Meat from animals treated with antibiotics for illness cannot be sold as organic, even if the animals recover to full health. Organic meat has to be processed (slaughtered and butchered) in a Certified Organic facility.

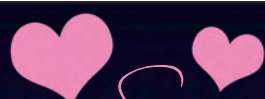
**Free range:** animals have access to the outdoors at least part of the day. However, just because the animal has access to the outdoors does not necessarily mean they ever get outside. A free-range chicken could very well spend most of the time stuck inside a crowded pen.

**Hormone free:** all animals have hormones naturally, but cattle are often given synthetic hormones to promote growth. It is against federal regulations to treat pork and poultry with hormones, so never pay more for that label on a chicken.

**No antibiotics added:** animals have not been treated with antibiotics. In the U.S., animals raised in crowded conditions are often treated with antibiotics to prevent illness and to help promote rapid growth.

**Grass-fed:** the vast majority of beef cattle in the U.S. are fed grain. Grass-fed cattle feed exclusively on grass and forage plants (like hay) for their lifetime once they are weaned. They must have access to pasture during “the growing season” and cannot be fed grain or grain byproducts. The American Grassfed Association (AGA) has a stricter label that means the cattle are not confined or treated with hormones or antibiotics.

Source: United States Department of Agriculture



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# And the Oscar goes to...

► Movie buffs eager for 84<sup>th</sup> Academy Awards on Sunday

By Sharon Stone

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Movie enthusiasts or those merely interested in what designer outfit their favorite celebrity is wearing will want to tune into ABC Sunday evening for the 84<sup>th</sup> annual Academy Awards, beginning at 8 p.m., locally.



Comedian Billy Crystal, the 63-year-old actor famous for his roles in 'When Harry Met Sally' and 'City Slickers,' will host the awards show once again. This will be his ninth time hosting the show.

Insider predictions have George Clooney, who starred in 'The Descendants' or Jean Dujardin who starred in 'The Artist' winning the Oscar for Best Actor, while others predict Gary Oldman winning for his role in 'Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy.'

To find out everything there is to know about the Academy Awards, visit their website at [oscar.go.com](http://oscar.go.com). Movie buffs can also be one of the 360,000 fans following the awards on Facebook. Those serious about hearing the latest news can download an Oscar app.

### Red Carpet festivities

Hosts Rachel Smith and George Penacchio will be broadcasting live on the red carpet welcoming this year's Academy Award nominees to the Hollywood & Highland Center. Cameron Mathison asks the stars your Facebook and Twitter questions and reporters Tina Malave and Lawrence Zarian use the power of Trendrr to track what is red hot, right now. Fashion expert Roshumba Williams joins Michelle Tuzee on the fashion skyway above the red carpet to critique the red carpet couture. \*Syndicated in select markets. 1:30 p.m., PT / 4:30 p.m., ET.

## NOMINEES

### Best Picture

- The Artist
- The Descendants
- Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close
- The Help
- Hugo
- Midnight in Paris
- Moneyball
- The Tree of Life
- War Horse

### Actor in a Leading Role

- **Demián Bichir**, 'A Better Life'
- **George Clooney**, 'The Descendants'
- **Jean Dujardin**, 'The Artist'
- **Gary Oldman**, 'Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy'
- **Brad Pitt**, 'Moneyball'

### Actress in a Leading Role

- **Glenn Close**, 'Albert Nobbs'
- **Viola Davis**, 'The Help'
- **Rooney Mara**, 'The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo'
- **Meryl Streep**, 'The Iron Lady'
- **Michelle Williams**, 'My Week With Marilyn'

### Actor in a Supporting Role

- **Kenneth Branagh**, 'My Week With Marilyn'
- **Jonah Hill**, 'Moneyball'
- **Nick Nolte**, 'Warrior'
- **Christopher Plummer**, 'Beginners'
- **Max von Sydow**, 'Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close'

### Actress in a Supporting Role

- **Bérénice Bejo**, 'The Artist'
- **Jessica Chastain**, 'The Help'
- **Melissa McCarthy**, 'Bridesmaids'
- **Janet McTeer**, 'Albert Nobbs'
- **Octavia Spencer**, 'The Help'

### 2011 WINNERS

**Best Picture** – The King's Speech

**Best Actress** – Natalie Portman

**Best Actor** – Colin Firth

**Best Supporting Actress** – Melissa Leo

**Best Supporting Actor** – Christian Bale

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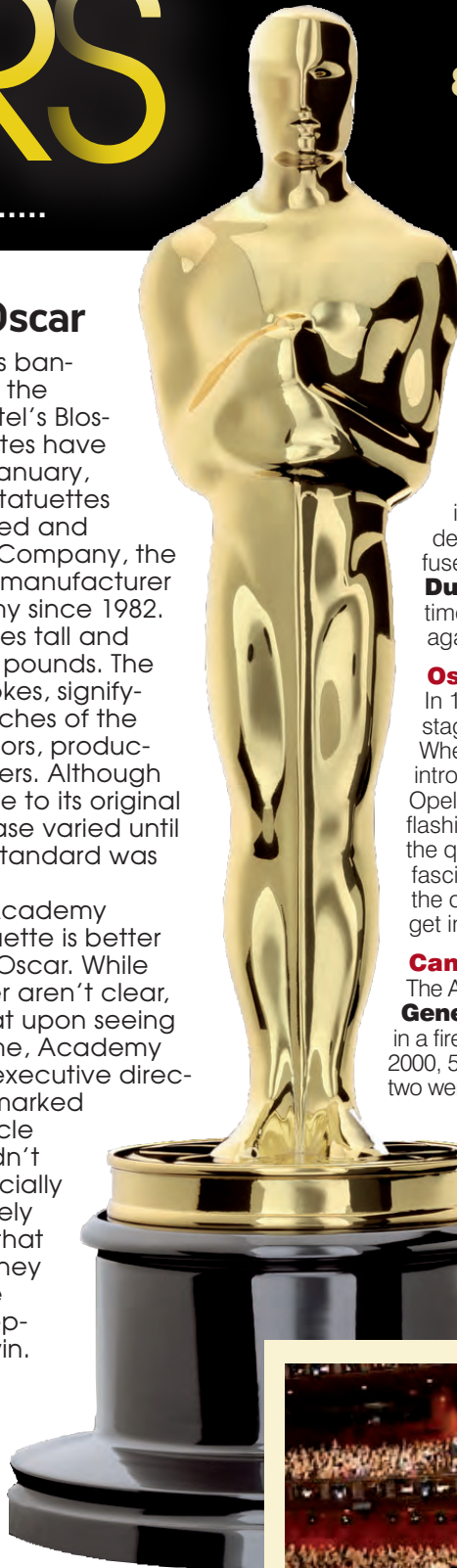


# 2012 OSCARS

EXPOSED: Who is Oscar, what he's made of.....

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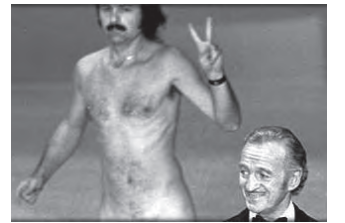
## Oscar fun facts

### Saying no to the Oscar

So far, only three people have refused the Oscars. **George C. Scott** who won in 1971 for his portrayal of General Patton, said that the politics surrounding the award was "demeaning" and that the Oscar ceremony was "a two-hour meat parade." **Marlon Brando** who won in 1972 for his role in *The Godfather*, also refused his Oscar based on the poor depiction of Native Americans by Hollywood. The first man to refuse the Oscar, however, was not an actor. In 1935, a writer named **Dudley Nichols** refused it (for *The Informer*) because at the time, Writers Guild was on strike against the movie studios.

### Oscar Stunt

In 1974, Robert Opel got backstage by posing as a journalist. When host David Niven was introducing Elizabeth Taylor, Opel ran naked across the stage flashing a peace sign. Niven, ever the quick wit, remarked "Isn't it fascinating to think that probably the only laugh that man will ever get in his life is by stripping off and showing his shortcomings?"



### Can I get another one please?

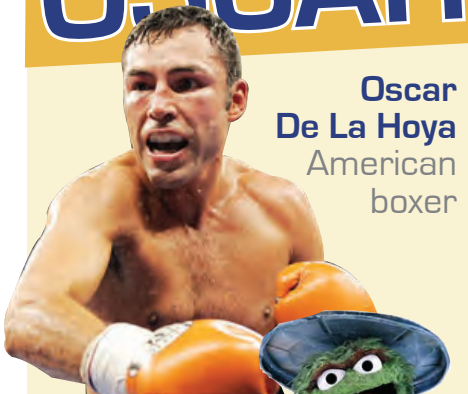
The Academy has reissued Oscars for extenuating circumstances. **Gene Kelly** was reissued one after his original Oscar was burnt down in a fire. **Jack Lemmon** got a new one after his old one rusted. In 2000, 55 Oscar statuettes were stolen en route to the Award show. Fifty two were recovered next to a trash bin and one was found years later in a drug bust but two are still missing. Willie Fulgear, the guy who found and turned in the Oscars, was given \$50,000 and two tickets to the show. Ironically, burglars broke into his flat afterwards and stole most of his prize money. Several Oscar winners had their statuettes stolen: **Whoopi Goldberg**, **William Hurt**, and **Orson Welles**. **Margaret O'Brien** got her stolen statue back after it went missing for 20 years.



### What is a seatfiller?

A seatfiller's job is to fill all of the empty seats located in the camera section of the audience in an award show or televised special. This means that you will be sitting in the first 10-15 rows of the house. You are making sure that when we do camera shots of the audience throughout the telecast, that the camera does not see any empty seats. You will only be moving during commercial breaks when the talent or their guest, whose seat you are in, returns. You may get lucky and never have to move during the entire night, or may move several times. Consider it similar to a game of musical chairs.

## So you say your name is OSCAR



**Oscar De La Hoya**  
American boxer

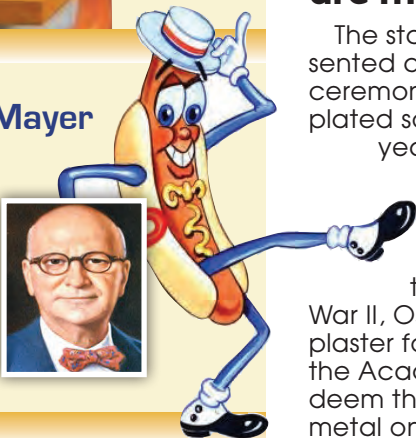
**Oscar The Grouch**  
a Muppet on Sesame Street



**Oscar**  
a fish in Fish Hooks

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## A knight called Oscar

Since the initial awards banquet on May 16, 1929, in the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel's Blossom Room, 2,809 statuettes have been presented. Each January, additional new golden statuettes are cast, molded, polished and buffed by R.S. Owens & Company, the Chicago-based awards manufacturer retained by the Academy since 1982.

Oscar stands 13½ inches tall and weighs in at a robust 8½ pounds. The film reel features five spokes, signifying the five original branches of the Academy: actors, directors, producers, technicians and writers. Although the statuette remains true to its original design, the size of the base varied until 1945, when the current standard was adopted.

Officially named the Academy Award of Merit, the statuette is better known by its nickname, Oscar. While the origins of the moniker aren't clear, a popular story has it that upon seeing the trophy for the first time, Academy librarian (and eventual executive director) Margaret Herrick remarked that it resembled her Uncle Oscar. The Academy didn't adopt the nickname officially until 1939, but it was widely known enough by 1934 that Hollywood columnist Sidney Skolsky used it in a piece referring to Katharine Hepburn's first Best Actress win.

## The stuff that dreams are made of

The statuettes presented at the initial ceremonies were gold-plated solid bronze. Within a few years the bronze was abandoned in favor of britannia metal, a pewter-like alloy which is then plated in copper, nickel silver, and finally, 24-karat gold. Due to a metal shortage during World War II, Oscars® were made of painted plaster for three years. Following the war, the Academy invited recipients to redeem the plaster figures for gold-plated metal ones.



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## FENTON COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL CENTER

The Fenton Community & Cultural Center Board of Governors would like to inform the City of Fenton of the approved operating budget for 2012 and the actual year to date Income Statement for 2011 and 2010.

	2012 Approved Budget	2011 Actual	2010 Actual
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE REVENUE</b>			
Rackham Foundation Endowment	\$70,000.00	\$69,701.26	\$69,033.10
Interest & Dividends	150.00	379.21	139.07
Facility Rental	40,500.00	39,965.00	37,052.50
Misc. Revenue	100.00	500.03	1,166.23
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$110,750.00</b>	<b>\$110,545.50</b>	<b>\$107,390.90</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES</b>			
Facility Staff	34,000.00	32,322.37	29,535.54
Rental Costs	1,850.00	1,480.30	1,658.90
Depreciation	7,500.00	6,849.29	21,620.57
Supplies	3,500.00	3,133.17	4,461.96
Utilities	24,560.00	21,927.92	17,178.63
Membership, Fees, Licenses,			
Insurance, Marketing	8,125.00	9,841.38	7,001.16
Building Maintenance	10,200.00	5,888.26	10,285.04
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$89,735.00</b>	<b>\$81,442.69</b>	<b>\$91,741.80</b>
<b>RESERVE BALANCE</b>	<b>\$21,015.00</b>	<b>\$29,102.81</b>	<b>\$15,649.10</b>
Total reserve balance at 12/31/11	\$154,230.42		

## ORGANIC

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Doug Crider, age 47, of Fenton Township, grew up eating fruits and vegetables from his grandfather's massive garden and continues to feed his family that way today. Calling himself an organic urban gardener, he believes in the value of organic foods, supporting the growth of foods grown "the old fashioned way" with cow manure and compost tea.

He grows all of his own tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, onions and herbs, canning his bounty to feed his family throughout the year. Even in the winter, a small windowsill garden supplies his table with fresh bell peppers and tender lettuce.

What he doesn't grow himself, he buys organic at the grocery store. "I buy as much organic as I can," said Crider. He's a big believer in buying organic counterparts for products that are grown on the ground — like carrots and strawberries — because the pesticides used tend to settle into the ground. He feels he can scrub tree-grown produce like apples to get much of the pesticide residue off.

He also buys all USDA organic meats,

noting that consumers need to read the fine print carefully to understand confusing food labels, especially in the meat department (see sidebar).

Crider understands the economic reality of today's food industry. "The reason organic foods cost more is that the commercial farmers who grow most of our regular food supply today are subsidized by U.S. taxpayer dollars, while organic farmers get nothing," said Crider, senior manager of facilities and operations for Schwan's Food Co.

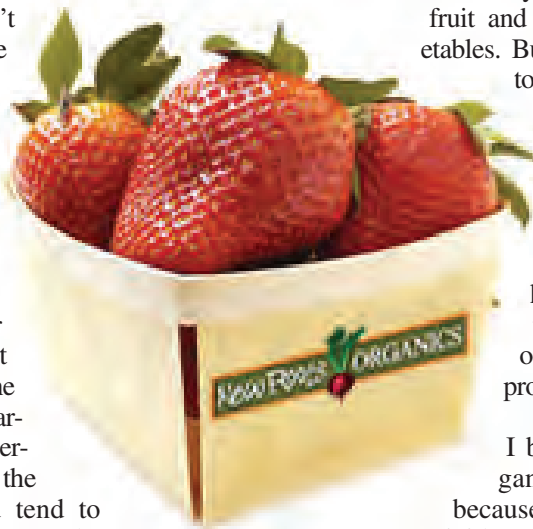
He also understands the consumer need to save money in this economy, and also to buy what is perceived by appearances to be healthy — giant steroid-sized fruit and pesticide-laden vegetables. But it's also important to know the truth behind appearances — and that smaller, even blemished fruit, like a person grows in his or her own garden, is healthier for the body than the produce most often sold in regular produce aisles today.

"The top three foods I believe in eating organic are brown rice, because there are so many pesticides used in growing it; leafy greens like celery and spinach, and strawberries, which are one of the most contaminated fruits on the market," said Crider.



### Summary

► Organic fruits and vegetables may not be as pretty as their regular grocery store counterparts, but their beauty lies within, with less contamination and truer flavor.



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# business profiles

## Crust rolls out its new bakery concept in Fenton

► Open seven days a week

By Sally Rummel

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While the community sleeps, Fenton's downtown bakery, Crust - a baking company, is wide awake and working, creating more than 100 varieties of artisan breads, pastries and baked goods for everyone to wake up to.

In addition to hearty breads, signature pies, delicate pastries, cinnamon rolls, cakes and cookies, the Crust menu also includes a Soup of the Day, Sandwich of the Day, open-faced Toasts, savory and sweet pies and pot pies either whole or by the slice in beef, chicken and fish varieties.

The retail bakery is open seven days a week, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., at 104 W. Caroline, behind The State Bank. Visitors to Crust are able to take their treats home, or enjoy eating them at a stand-up bar inside the bakery. "We're hoping to have outdoor sidewalk seating in the summer months," said Mark Hamel, who owns Crust with partner Mike Green and Chad and Marybeth Brennan.

Crust officially opened its doors Feb. 1, after a year-long journey by the owners, whose initial goal was to supply their restaurant, The French Laundry, with its own



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Assistant Baker John Shipman shapes loaves of bread, while owner Mark Hamel watches over a shelf of finished loaves at Crust - a baking company, in downtown Fenton.

artisan breads and baked goods. They had previously enjoyed a 14-year relationship using products by Zingerman's Bakehouse of Ann Arbor.

When The French Laundry owners lost

their bid in December 2010 to open a pub/bakery at the old fire hall site in Fenton, it became a blessing in disguise, according to Hamel. "Just a week later, we were offered a building for sale that met our specifications

for a downtown bakery with see-through glass windows into what would become our production house," said Hamel. He ordered two specialty ovens from Italy, designed the production house space, and sent Mike Green to French Culinary School in New York City to learn the art of breads and pastries, naming him Executive Baker upon his return.

Crust employs 33 local people, who work in shifts almost around the clock, from midnight to 10 p.m. Using more than 3,000 pounds of flour each week, bread bakers churn out a baker's dozen of varieties each day — ranging from Bowery Rye to Saskatoon Prairie Seed and Tri-County Pepper, in addition to City White, Cinnamon Raisin, Challah, among others. "We still have breads and baked goods for sale at The French Laundry like we always have," said Hamel. "We just have a more extensive selection here at Crust."

Crust is also offering pie-baking classes, and promises bread-baking classes in the near future. They're also working on wholesaling their products now on a small scale, as they grow into their brand new bakery concept.

For more information, call Crust at (810) 629-8882.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Michigan Coin Gallery boasts one of the largest collections of coins and currency in the tri-county area, in addition to jewelry, collectibles, art and consignment.

## Michigan Coin Gallery moves to larger location

► Extra room allows for consignment items

By Sally Rummel

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Michigan Coin Gallery has moved into a new building and expanded its inventory to include a new feature — consignment items. This newly expanded location is at 2415 Owen Rd., Suite A, across the street from Joe & Lewie's Penalty Box in Fenton.

"We want to offer local people a place to go where they can buy and sell coins, currency, gold jewelry, collectibles and art at fair prices," said the store owner.

### Summary

► Michigan Coin Gallery has moved into a larger location at 2415 Owen Rd., Suite A, Fenton, and has added consignment items.

"We have one of the area's largest collections of art, mostly original paintings and high-end prints."

Visitors to Michigan Coin Gallery will find a varied inventory — from coins and currency dating back hundreds of years to historical fishing lures, baseball cards, wood carvings, art and furniture. Because of limited space, the owner asks that interested consignors

call him at the store to set up an appointment before dropping off items. "We offer the highest pay-out, guaranteed," said the owner.

For more information, call Michigan Coin Gallery at (810) 208-7480.

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# teentalk

Compiled by Eric Trowt, Intern

## David Dixon II

■ 17-year-old senior

■ Holly High School

■ **My family:** parents, David and Iona Dixon, and I have four siblings, Emily Crystal, Maria and Kyle.

## “Live life the way you want.”

### What sports and leisure activities do you enjoy?

Programming, web design and Minecraft.

**My dream car is:** I don't really care, a regular car is fine.

**My all-time favorite movie is:** 'Easy A,' because it has Emma Stone in it.

**My earliest memory is:** Going to Mackinac Island when I was in the fifth grade.

**If you could have one superpower, what would it be?** I'd want invisibility, because people wouldn't notice me when I passed.

**I always:** double check what I do.

**I never:** disagree with higher authority.

**If you could make one rule everyone has to follow, what would it be?** I'd want everyone to be nice to each other.

**Is there an event in your life you would like a 'do-over' for?** I'd say going to East Tawas because I loved how peaceful it was there.

**If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be?** I'd go back to the day MLK got shot just to feel how dreadful it was.

**If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say?**



**AWESOME!** Because that's what I am and nobody can tell me different.

**What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to?**

Graduating from college will be nice.

**Front row seats and backstage passes. Who are you seeing?**

Rihanna, because I think she's beautiful.

**What has been the best day in your life so far?** Everyday of high school because if I wasn't here, I'd be at home doing nothing.

**How are you preparing for college?** Working hard and checking out scholarships.

**My parting advice for a better world is:** Remember to stay focused.

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## student body

## How would your life change without your cell phone?

"It would be a lot harder to contact people; it would definitely take some getting used to."

**KAREN RANGE, SENIOR**



"It would be harder to do my homework and I'd have to buy separate electronics to replace the other stuff my phone does."

**ASHLEY BARTO, SENIOR**



"It would be boring not talking to people."

**EDDIE DAVIS, SENIOR**



"I probably wouldn't have a social life."

**EMILY DIXON, SENIOR**



"I wouldn't be able to get a hold of anyone or even leave my driveway."

**JAMES SCHAEFFER, SENIOR**



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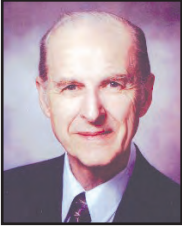
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## Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



### When you think God is against you

"All things are against me."

Those were the words of Jacob, a patriarch of Israel (Genesis 42:36) and considering what he had been through in life, as well as what he now faced in old age, his moving lament was understandable.

Jacob's son, Joseph, had disappeared years earlier and this grieving father was convinced that he had died, probably having been killed by a wild animal.

Another son, Simeon, was being held hostage in Egypt, where he had gone with his brothers to get food enough to sustain their families through the famine that was devastating their homeland. Enduring the famine was stressful enough but now some Egyptian official was demanding Jacob send his youngest son, Benjamin, along on the next trip for food to secure Simeon's release.

What else could go wrong?

Perhaps that's how you feel today.

All the things you feared might someday come your way are arriving and you don't know what to do about it. You can identify with Jacob's pessimistic conclusion because it sounds like the story of your life, but it's important to know that this distressed father was wrong. All things weren't against him. Actually, the opposite was true.

Granted, Jacob had come through

some tough times and his future appeared pretty bleak, but there were a number of unknowns working in his favor. Both of his sons were alive and well. Though Joseph had spent some time in prison, he had been released and now held one of the top positions in Egypt.

Jacob would see both of his sons again and Joseph would provide for him during the final years of his life. He would meet grandchildren he didn't know existed and pronounce blessings on them and their posterity. Things were going to turn out better than Jacob imagined when he concluded all things were against him.

During my teens, I discovered a Bible verse that I saw as a means of staying calm in any crisis, a faith builder for all circumstances: "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28).

"You've chosen a difficult Bible verse to live by," said my pastor; and I couldn't imagine what he could be talking about. Why would it be difficult to live by a promise that God is in control and would make everything work out for my good? Years later, after living through times that tested my faith, I would understand the wisdom of my pastor's words, but I have never found God's promises to be untrue.

A pastor once visited a farmer and saw a sign on his weathervane that said "GOD IS LOVE!" "Do you mean that God's love is as changeable as the weather?" asked the pastor. "No," replied the farmer, "I mean God loves me no matter which way the wind blows."

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

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### NOTICE

#### ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS MARCH 2012 BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING DATES

The Argentine Township Board of Review for 2012 will be held at the Argentine Township Hall, 9048 Silver Lake Road, Linden MI 48451 on the following dates:

Tuesday March 6, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.-**Organizational Meeting**

#### **Appeal Hearings:**

Monday, March 12, 2012-----9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 13, 2012-----1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 14, 2012-----1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 15, 2012-----1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY CALL (810) 735-5050 to schedule**

**By Board resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 15, 2012.**

The 2012 tentative equalization ratio is 50% and the estimated multiplier is 1.0000 for all property classifications.

Protest at the Board of Review is necessary to protect your right to further your appeals to the Michigan Tax Tribunal for valuation and exemption appeals and/or State Tax Commission for classification appeals.

Homestead affidavit Information is required by P.A. 237 of 1994 if you purchased your homestead after May 1, 2011. To claim the homestead exemption, if you have not already done so, you must file an affidavit before May 1, 2012.

Robert W. Cole, Jr, Supervisor  
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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING UPON SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE TYRONE TOWNSHIP GREAT OAKS DRIVE SEASONAL ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT (2012) SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

(1) The Township Board of Tyrone Township, Livingston County, Michigan (the "Township") in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan, has determined to levy special assessments against lands in the TYRONE TOWNSHIP GREAT OAKS DRIVE SEASONAL ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECT (2012) SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT (the "District") that will be benefited by the establishment of subcontractors for the snow removal and road grading of Great Oaks Drive in Tyrone Township. The District consists of the properties identified on the map below and is more specifically identified by the following property identification numbers:

4704-23-100-022	4704-23-100-021
4704-23-100-026	4704-23-100-015
4704-23-100-017	4704-23-100-014
4704-23-100-018	4704-23-100-020
4704-23-100-025	4704-23-100-010
4704-23-100-027	4704-23-100-011
4704-23-100-019	4704-23-100-013
4704-23-100-028	4704-23-100-012

(2) The proposed special assessment roll for the District (the "Roll") has been prepared and is now on file in the office of the Township Clerk and is available at such office for public examination during the hours the Township Office is regularly open to the public for business.

(3) The Township Board will conduct a public hearing beginning at 7:00 p.m., local time, on March 6, 2012, at the Tyrone Township Offices, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan, to explain and answer questions pertaining to the Roll and to hear objections to the Roll. Any person objecting to the Roll must file his or her objections before the close of the public hearing or within such additional time (if any) as the Township Board may grant.

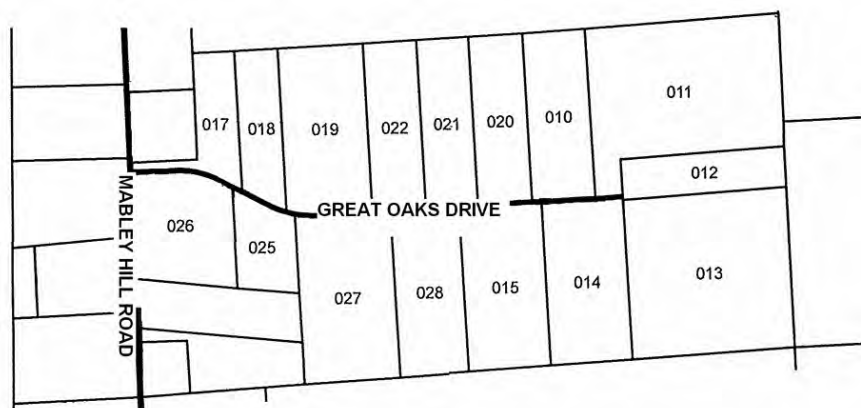
(4) The owner or other person having an interest in property that is specially assessed is entitled to file a written appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after confirmation of the Roll. However, appearance and protest at the public hearing are required by law in order to appeal the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner or other party in interest or his or her agent may (i) appear in person at the hearing to protest the assessment or (ii) file an appearance and protest by letter before the close of the hearing. The Township Board will maintain a record of the persons who appear and protest at the hearing. If the hearing is terminated or adjourned for the day before a party is provided the opportunity to be heard, a party whose appearance was so recorded shall be considered to have protested the special assessment in person.

This notice is given by order of the Tyrone Township Board.

Dated: February 7, 2012

Keith L. Kremer  
Tyrone Township Clerk

#### APPENDIX I Map of Special Assessment District



## Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memoriums

### Bernadine I. Carr

Bernadine I. Carr - age 78, died February 20, 2012. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneral-home.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneral-home.com).



### Edward R. Edens

Edward R. Edens - age 87, died February 23, 2012. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneral-home.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneral-home.com).



### Verna M. Spear

Verna M. Spear - age 71, died February 19, 2012. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneral-home.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneral-home.com).



### Brian Swyers

Brian Swyers - age 51, died February 23, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Freda Shephard

Freda Shephard - of Grand Blanc, died February 24, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



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### Howard C. Volkening

1945-2012

Howard C. Volkening - age 66, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on February 21, 2012.



Beloved husband of Kathy. Dear father of Dee (Rob) Barducci, Harold

(Dana) Volkening and Nicholas (Janell) Volkening. 9 grandchildren and 1 on the way. 3 great-grandchildren and 1 on the way. Howard also leaves extended family members and friends. He was a member of V.F.W post 3243. He will be remembered as a loving husband and father. Funeral service will be Monday, 11 AM at Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Rd, Holly. Friends may visit at Temrowski Family Funeral Home, 500 Main St., Fenton, Sunday 4-8 PM. Contributions may be made directly to the family. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneral-home.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneral-home.com).



### Kenneth Howerton,

Kenneth Howerton - age 46, died February 19, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Clarence Utter Jr.,

Clarence Utter Jr. - age 84, died February 21, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Emma Hornes,

Emma Hornes - age 88, died February 18, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Helen Taylor,

Helen Taylor - age 85, died February 18, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Albert Brunette,

Albert Brunette - age 78, died February 22, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Cratie B. "Jane" Merritt

1910-2012

Cratie B. "Jane" Merritt - age 101, of Fenton, died Wednesday, February 22, 2012. Services will



be held 11 AM Monday, February 27, 2012 at Fenton United Methodist

Church, 119 S. Leroy St., Fenton with Rev. Bill Donahue officiating. Interment will be held at Toledo Memorial Park Cemetery. Visitation will be held 9 AM until the time of service Monday at the church. Jane was born November 29, 1910 in Gamaliel, KY, the daughter of Thomas Denton and Lassie (Copus) Hale. She was a member of Fenton United Methodist Church and was the co-owner of Twin Gardens restaurant for over 25 years. Surviving are: son, Fred E. Darter and wife, Janet of Rochester Hills; three grandchildren, Rick Darter, Robyn (Ken) Gorinski, Ronald Darter; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by two husbands, Fred L. Darter, L.J. Merritt; two brothers, Ernie Hale and Harold Hale; four sisters, Esther Cunningham, Beulah Urbanowicz, Sophie Beck, and Susie Windish. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Zheng Sang,

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### Virginia Baxter,

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### Richard Kominek,

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### Jerry Eason,

Jerry Eason - age 74, died February 19, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).





Recipes

# Broiled Lobster Tails

with Garlic Butter Sauce

- INGREDIENTS**
- 2 fresh lobster tails
  - 4 T. (1/2 stick) unsalted melted butter, plus more for clarified butter
  - 1/2 t. paprika
  - 1/2 t. garlic powder
  - 1/2 t. white pepper
  - Salt, to taste
  - Fresh lemon wedges for garnish, plus lemon juice to taste
- INSTRUCTIONS**
1. Place an oven rack in the medium position and preheat the broiler.
  2. Place the prepared lobster tails on a foil-lined baking sheet.
  3. In a small bowl, combine the melted butter, paprika, garlic powder, white pepper, and salt.
  4. Using a silicone brush, gently brush the lobster tails thoroughly with the butter mixture.
  5. Broil the lobster tails until opaque and cooked-through.
  6. Sprinkle with fresh lemon juice, if using, and serve immediately with clarified butter.

Retiring worker discovers secret plan

**DEAR AMY:** I work 25 to 30 hours a week as the administrative executive for a small religious nonprofit. I informed the officers that I am retiring in three months. Two weeks ago, I found a business plan for the organization. The president wants to make my position full time, which means that the part-time secretary, will be let go. The retirement announcement will be made public shortly. I'm wondering if it's my place to say anything to the secretary so that she can look for another job?

— Supervisor

Amy Dickinson

Ask Amy

- DEAR SUPERVISOR:** I don't understand what about the organization's business plan is unethical. You are retiring. It is not for you to decide how they should restructure to move forward. You should not tell the secretary about this. You are making assumptions way outside your pay grade.
- DEAR AMY:** I am a middle-school teacher. Students often make comments on my stature because many of them are taller than I am. I know how to respond to a rude comment from a student, but I'm at a loss on how to respond to my co-workers.
- Petite Teacher
- DEAR TEACHER:** When someone outright asks your height, the quickest way out is to simply tell them your height, without starting a conversation. You will definitely make more certain progress in retraining yourself -- rather than educating other people to behave differently.

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**WEDNESDAY**  
**Abs and obliques:** Crunches, 20 reps. Bicycles crunches, 20 reps. Plank, hold for 30 seconds. Side plank, hold for 30 seconds on each side.

**THURSDAY**  
**Lower body:** Walking lunges, 10 reps on each leg. Wall squat, hold for 30 seconds. Calf raises, 15 on each leg. Jump squat, 10 reps. Repeat circuit twice.

**FRIDAY**  
**Cardio:** Thirty-minutes of the cardio of your choice. See Monday for more details.

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY**  
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Why purebreds should be spayed, neutered

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** In a list of "responsible" things one should do to their pets, you wrote that owners should spay or neuter them. Well, I own a purebred German shepherd, and I think your advice is just wrong for owners of purebred pets. Maybe mongrels from the shelter need to be spayed and neutered but doing that to my "shep" will alter his behavior. Plus I plan to breed him. You should rethink your advice.

— Tom C., Roswell, Ga.

- DEAR TOM:** Nah, I don't need to rethink my advice. The vast majority of pet owners in this country do not need to be breeding their dogs or cats for any reason.
- There are, indeed, professional breeders who do not spay or neuter their dogs or cats, but responsible breeders don't just breed pets because they have certification papers. They have to select carefully so that harmful traits (like hip dysplasia, a rampant problem with German shepherds) do not carry through to new generations. Some professionals only breed working dogs, for police and military, for example, and do not deal with the public. Others are extremely selective about whom their dogs go to. Many will recommend that dogs not suited to be bred be neutered or spayed.
- Neutering your German shepherd may indeed cause behavioral changes; in many dogs the procedure reduces aggression. But you also eliminate the risk of your dog getting out and fathering a bunch of unwanted puppies with, say, the owner of different breed of dog who thought her precious also was too special to be spayed.
- But you don't have to believe me. Talk to your dog's vet, or to a professional AKC-registered breeder of German shepherds (learn more at [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org)), and get the facts.

Sunday Jumble

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EVITLY

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To your good health

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** I've always heard that at older ages, it doesn't matter how high the first number of a blood pressure reading is; it's bound to rise with age. My blood pressure is 185/70, and my doctor wants me to go on blood pressure medicine. My second number is fine. Why is he making a fuss? I am 67. I don't like taking drugs.

— W.S.

- ANSWER:** You have heard wrong. Both numbers of a blood pressure reading are significant. If either is higher than normal, it indicates high blood pressure. It is true that systolic pressure, the first number, rises with age. And it is true that the second number, diastolic pressure, tends to plateau after age 50. However, a higher-than-normal systolic or diastolic pressure constitutes hypertension, high blood pressure.
- The first number is the pressure imparted to blood when the heart pumps it into the aorta. It takes a great deal of pressure to circulate blood through all the body arteries. The second number is the pressure in the heart as it fills with blood. Normal pressure is less than 120/80. High blood pressure is 140/90 and above. Numbers between those two pressures are called prehypertension, a short stop lower than actual high blood pressure.
- You have high blood pressure, hypertension. You doctor made a fuss because uncontrolled high blood pressure causes artery hardening, leads to strokes and heart attacks, puts the kidneys out of action, contributes to congestive heart failure and promotes dementia. Still think your pressure is OK?
- If you are overweight, weight loss brings pressure down. So does shunning salt. It's not the saltshaker on the table that pushes people over the recommended daily limits (1,500 mg of sodium), but it is commercial foods. Become a reader of the sodium content of the foods you buy. Potassium lowers blood pressure. Potassium-rich foods are baked potatoes, bananas, orange juice, peas, beans, milk, spinach, squash, watermelon, figs and cantaloupe.
- Be as physically active as your doctor allows.
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## Foundation awards five grants

### ►Funds supplement educational programs

**Lake Fenton** — The Lake Fenton Community Schools Foundation Board of Directors awarded five grants totaling \$2,199 in January.

Thomas Hufton, board president said, "The Board is pleased to be able to continue granting awards, which have totaled over \$25,000 in the past four years. With awards averaging \$500, teachers and administrators find them very helpful in supplementing their educational programs."

The Lake Fenton Community Schools Foundation began in 2004 as a non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the educational opportunities for students in the Lake Fenton District. The Foundation helps fill the gaps by funding projects that would not necessarily be possible within the district budget. "The Foundation is grateful to the businesses and individual supporters whose financial support makes it possible to carry out our

### The five grants include funds for:

- **Service the Speech Therapy** for special education at Torrey Hill Intermediate School and Lake Fenton High School with an iPad 2.
- **Service the math students** at Lake Fenton Middle School with an iPad 2.
- **Creation of a Help Room** to handle families with catastrophic loss or individual student or family needs for assistance as homeless.
- **Service the Speech/Language therapy** within the Lake Fenton school district leveraging applications (apps) for iPads for pre-school through high school age therapy and a protective cover for the iPad.
- **The purchase of two instruments**, a Bass Diatonic Xylophone Orff and a Soprano Diatonic Orff Instrument, for use at West Shore Elementary School, Torrey Hill Intermediate School and Lake Fenton Middle School.

mission," said Hufton.

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### LF Daddy Daughter Dance

The Lake Fenton Music Boosters is hosting the annual Daddy Daughter Dance, for Lake Fenton Community Schools from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on **Saturday, March 3** at Lake Fenton High School. The Daddy Daughter Dance is for girls, from preschool through 12th grade. The cost is \$15 per Daddy-Daughter couple and \$7 for each additional daughter. There will be no tickets sent home this year. The girls' names will be put on a master list and she and her date will check in at the door. Due to a lack of space, only those with their names on the master list will be allowed to enter the dance. Professional photos will be available by Hot Shots Photography and Build a Bear workshop, which is optional and for an additional cost, will be at the dance.

### Amber Waves at FYT on March 4

The Flint Youth Theatre invites everyone to meet the award-winning playwright James Still, on **Sunday, March 4** at the Flint Youth Theatre, 1220 East Kearsley St., Flint. The event includes a performance of Amber Waves, followed by a talkback session and reception with Still, the director and cast. Still will share his insight into the life experiences and philosophies inspiring his play, Amber Waves. He has twice been nominated for the Pulitzer Prize. His work for television includes writer and story editor for Maurice Sendak's Little Bear the Bill Cosby series, Little Bill. The performance of Amber Waves is at 4:30 p.m., talkback begins at 6 p.m. and the reception follows at 6:30 p.m. The Flint Youth Theatre is a program area of the Flint Institute of Arts.

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### TOPIC

**Q** Who did the 1980 men's U.S. hockey team defeat in the finals to win the gold medal?

**A** The win against Russia came in the semifinals. The U.S. beat Finland, 4-2, in the Gold Medal game.

## What's on SPORTS NETWORK

### SATURDAY

#### AUTO RACING

(ESPN)  
Nationwide Series, 1:15 p.m.

#### BASKETBALL

(CBS)  
Vanderbilt at Kentucky, Noon  
(ESPN2)  
Notre Dame at St. John's, Noon  
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Villanova at Georgetown, 2 p.m.  
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Missouri at Kansas, 4 p.m.  
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Nebraska at Michigan State, 8 p.m.  
(TNT)

NBA All-Star Sat. Night, 8:30 p.m.

#### GOLF

(GOLF)  
PGA: WGC Match Play, Noon  
(NBC)

PGA: WGC Match Play, 2 p.m.  
(NBC)

#### HOCKEY

(FSD)  
Avalanche at Red Wings, 7 p.m.

#### MMA

(FX)  
UFC 144 preliminary bouts, 8 p.m.

### SUNDAY

#### AUTO RACING

(FOX)  
Daytona 500, Noon

#### BASKETBALL

(ESPN)  
Indiana at Minnesota, 1 p.m.  
(CBS)

Pittsburgh at Louisville, 2 p.m.  
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Duke at North Carolina, 3 p.m.  
(CBS)

Wisconsin at Ohio State, 4 p.m.  
(TNT)

NBA All-Star Game, 7:30 p.m.

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PGA: WGC Match Play, 2 p.m.  
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#### HOCKEY

(NBCS)  
Blackhawks at Ducks, 7 p.m.

## Fenton Tigers cruise past Avondale, 75-54

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## COLLEGE BOUND

Linden's Madisen Nosek, Lake Fenton's Karlie Dieck headed to Lawrence Tech.

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## Tigers show no mercy against Tri-City Chiefs

► Fenton scores seven goals in second period, defeats co-op squad, 9-0

By David Troppens

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**Hartland** — Jake Foguth had never lost a game to Linden's hockey squad in his entire career at Fenton.

And he didn't want to start on Thursday.

The Fenton Tigers got two goals from Foguth helping ignite the Tigers' 9-0 mercy-shortened victory against the Tri-City Chiefs, a co-op program that has players from Linden, Lake Fenton and Durand on it.

"We got the satisfaction of beating Linden, I guess," Foguth said. "I don't think we've lost to them ever in my four years here. That's always a good thing."

On Thursday, the Tigers dominated the afternoon contest at Hartland Sports Arena, particularly the second period. Fenton (11-10-2) led just 2-0 entering the first intermission, but dominated the second period with seven goals on just 11 shots. Meanwhile, the Chiefs didn't have a single shot on net in the second period.

Jake Blackburn scored the second period's first goal with 11:51 left. Then, 51 seconds later, Kyle Lixie scored, making it a 4-0 lead.

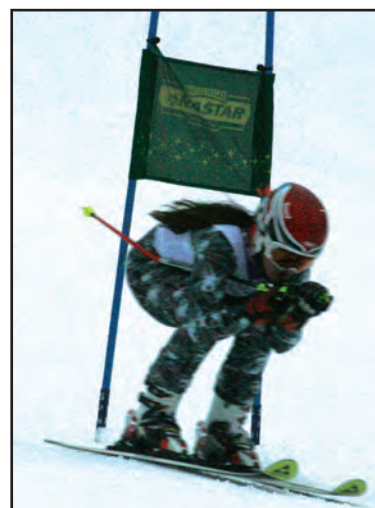
The rout was on from there. Foguth scored his first goal of the game with 8:49 left in the second

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Tri-City's Tyler Benedict (left) battles with Fenton's Betrus Wyatt for the puck in the Tigers' 9-0 victory Thursday.



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Lauren Rhoads won a regional title in the slalom recently. The Fenton girls ski team competes at the state meet on Monday.

## Fenton girls ski team aiming to cap strong season with state appearance

By David Troppens

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**Groveland Twp.** — Marina Nimmo remembers the lean years with the Fenton varsity girls ski team.

"My freshman year we were dead last in the region," Nimmo said.

Things have changed dramatically for the Tigers.

Recently, the Fenton girls did more than win a regional championship. The Tigers dominated the regional, scoring less than half of the points of the second-place team.

Due to their performance, the Tigers are headed to Nubs Nob Ski

Resort for the State Skiing Championships on Monday.

"It's been cool to see the team go this far and even win regionals," Nimmo said. "It was hard to believe we won by that much. It was really cool."

### Summary

► After winning a regional title, the Fenton girls ski team is headed to the state meet on Monday.

"I was really excited for the whole team," junior skier Lauren Rhoads said. "To have five of the six girls in the top 10 for slalom, that's incredible."

"It was insane how happy I was. We accomplished what we were trying to go out and do."

The Fenton girls ski team head-  
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## Holly/Oxford boys ski team takes SEMSL crown

By David Troppens

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The Holly/Oxford boys ski team picked a nice day to have a strong meet.

The co-op squad captured the Southeastern Michigan Ski League team championship, by scoring just 73 points at the SEMSL event held at Alpine Valley Tuesday.

In girls' action, Fenton placed third, while Holly/Oxford took sixth.

The Holly/Oxford squad was particularly strong in the giant  
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Fenton's Dylan Hickoff (left) drives against a Swartz Creek defender in a past game. The Tigers defeated Avondale 75-54 in a non-league contest on Tuesday.

# Tigers continue to play strong ball, defeat Avondale

By Al Zipsie

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**Auburn Hills** — With a Flint Metro League championship behind them, the Fenton varsity boys basketball team is just trying to stay focused for the upcoming MHSAA Tournament.

Despite a stellar 18-1 record, the Tigers are nowhere to be seen in the Class A polls, as a top-10 member or even an honorable mention selection.

The Tigers hope to prove those polls wrong when districts begin March 5 against Swartz Creek. On Tuesday, the Tigers did what they could to prove the lack of respect wrong, by winning a road game at Avondale 75-54. The tune-up gave Fenton a chance to play a very physical style.

"It was not a typical game for us. The OAA is physical with a lot of contact," Fenton coach Tim Olszewski said. "The kids responded and showed we can play that type of game well."

Fenton had four players score

in double-figures with Ryan Hickoff leading the way with 22 points. Eric Readman had a solid effort with 17 points, while Cory Cox added 14 and Dylan Hickoff 11. Ryan Hickoff also had five blocks, five steals, four assists and four rebounds. Readman had six assists. Damon Thomas chipped in seven points.

"We have a lot of big guys on the wing with Cory (Cox) and the Hickoffs, who are so easy and fun to play with," said Readman. "I know I can take it to the hoop and if two people are on me, I know I can kick it out and those guys will knock down the shot."

The game was tied at 7-all when Ryan Hickoff hit a pair of three balls, one from deep range, helping spark a Tigers' run. The Tigers went on a 14-2 tear and led 21-11 after the opening quarter. It was a 33-23 lead at halftime. Two minutes into the second half,

the Yellow Jackets came within four points at 35-31. Fenton then scored 13 unanswered points, surging to a 48-31 lead.

Avondale didn't make another run at the lead. Ryan Hickoff had a two-handed slam with 1:11 left

in the third quarter. He also scored on a dish from Readman in the final seconds. Fenton led 57-36 entering the final quarter. During the Tigers' 13-point run, Readman had two strong drives to the hoop, and Hickoff

made a pick and took it in for a layup. The Tigers' defense triggered the running game, as they broke the game wide open.

"We locked it down on defense and it got the running game going to break it open," said Readman.

"We just stay mentally focused," Hickoff said. "We can play the physical game, fighting and diving for loose balls. We

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## Summary

► Tigers improved to 18-1 with the road win at Auburn Hills Avondale. Ryan Hickoff scored 22 points.

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lines the list of participants headed to the state meet. Also headed to the state meet individually are Fenton's Julian Weinberg (both events) and Seth Thompson in the giant slalom. Holly/Oxford's Lars Joergens-Koka is also competing in the giant slalom, as is Holly/Oxford's Rachel Harrington.

The Fenton girls entered this season with high expectations. The Tigers qualified for the state meet a year ago, placing seventh out of nine qualified teams. The girls have come through those expectations pretty well, winning the divisional title and the regional title.

"We didn't really feel too much pressure," Rhoads said. "It was more just ourselves wanting to do well and wanting to push it to see what we can accomplish this season."

The girls said the squad thrived because of its depth.

"We work together really well as a team," Nimmo said. "We've had a lot of discussions about skiing for each other instead of for yourself. I think that's helped a lot. When you get in there, it's not about where you place. It's about helping the team out finishing, not pushing yourself too far."

"Our focus is on our chemistry, that everyone was together and on the same page," Rhoads said. "We all had the same



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Fenton's Marina Nimmo is one of the Tigers headed to the state meet on Monday.

goals we wanted to accomplish this year."

When it comes to the state meet, the northern teams have a big advantage. First off, in many instances there's more of an opportunity to ski. But, there's also more of a chance to ski the slopes that the state meets are at, and many of the mountains have steeper slopes. The state meet has slopes that Mt. Holly can't create.

"Schools like Traverse City Central are very strong and they are an hour away from Nubs," Rhoads said. "They pick the place they want to train. And training on that pitch every single day definitely gives those kids an advantage, because they know how to ski on it."

The Tigers' goals at state are more abstract than specific ones.

"I just want to ski our best," Nimmo said. "We got nothing to lose at this point, so we are just going to go and see how it ends up."

"I'm happy with however we place," Rhoads said. "The accomplishment is more that we got here by such an overwhelming amount."

"I do think we have a chance to be very competitive. I think we have a chance to make it in the top three. If everyone stands up and skis for the team, we really have a chance to be really strong and very competitive."

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## GIRLS BASKETBALL

► **Flint Northwestern 28, Fenton 23:**

The Tigers scored only three points in the fourth quarter, resulting in the loss. Fenton led 20-14 entering the fourth quarter, but Flint Northwestern put together a 14-point period, allowing them to leave Fenton with the win.

Julie Gilbert and Hannah Evo led the Tigers with six points each, while Payton Maxheimer had four points. Fenton got to the free-throw line only 10 times, making just four of them.

► **Goodrich 64, Lake Fenton 26:**

The Blue Devils found out why Goodrich remains undefeated with just one more game left in the regular season, outscoring the Blue Devils 17-4 in the first quarter.

Aketra Sevillian led Goodrich with 22 points. Hannah Rummel led the Blue Devils with 13 points, while Mackenzie Gottron had eight points.

► **Carman-Ainsworth 68, Holly 40:**

The Bronchos were outscored 22-9 in the first quarter, and Holly (14-5) never bounced back, resulting in the loss. Allyssa Copley led Holly with 15 points, while Jessica Beeler had 10 points. Eight Carman-Ainsworth players scored at least six points each.

## BOYS BASKETBALL

► **Durand 61, Lake Fenton 49:**

The Blue Devils were within a 28-24 half-time score, but were outscored 18-7 third quarter, resulting in the loss. Lake Fenton scored 18 points in the fourth quarter, but it wasn't enough to make up the deficit.

Kaleb Nealy led the Blue Devils (2-16) with 19 points, while Chase Hanson had 11 points.

## Dieck, Nosek are teammates once again

## ► Area prep girls basketball stars venturing to Lawrence Tech to continue athletic careers

By David Troppens

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Karlie Dieck and Madisen Nosek were teammates last season at Lake Fenton High School.

They are going to have a chance to be teammates again next year.

The pair are headed to Lawrence Tech to continue their basketball careers at the collegiate level next season.

Both are excited to start their collegiate venture.

"It means a lot," Nosek said. "It's always been my dream to play in college since the second grade. That's really cool to me."

"It's always been a dream of mine, but I thought I was going to go to school for academics," Lake Fenton's Dieck said. "I didn't think I'd be going for basketball. But now I'm going to school for both."

Both players are key members on what have been reasonably successful seasons. Linden (9-10) has a chance to enter the postseason with a .500 mark with a win against Brandon, while the Blue Devils (13-7) cleared .500 a long time ago. Now the duo will enter a program that's just beginning next season.

"It's going to be their first year of basketball, so that's very exciting," Dieck said. "They are redoing the facilities. I'm excited."

"I think it's really cool," Nosek said. "It's definitely exciting, knowing we can leave our mark there."

Lawrence Tech women's basketball coach Mary Pinkowski is excited to have both players.

"Madisen was one of the first prospects that I actually saw and it's kind of nice to actually see her signing and seeing it all come together.

"I'm really big on recruiting character first, and I got to know her right away. Any time we asked her something, she was on the ball. She was very polite. Obviously she has great playing ability. She can shoot the ball and pass the ball. She's just an all-around versatile athlete.

"Karlie is kind of like Madisen in that she is a blue-collar player. She works hard.

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Lake Fenton's Karlie Dieck (left) and Linden's Madisen Nosek (above) are both headed to Lawrence Tech to continue their basketball careers next fall.

Linden falls in final minutes;  
Lake Fenton defeated on late jumper

By David Troppens

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Linden's varsity girls basketball team has played as well as its offense has gone on a night-to-night basis.

On Wednesday, the offense struggled, resulting in a 39-27 non-league road loss to Flushing.

The Eagles (9-10) had a chance at the end. With two minutes to go, Linden was down by just six points. However, a turnover resulted in a breakaway layup for Flushing, pretty much icing the win.

No one scored double-digits for the Eagles, with Kelsey Brecht leading the charge with seven points.

"We're playing pretty good, but it was the same thing on offense as usual," Linden coach Ben Varner said. "We are getting better and that's the main thing. They are playing good and playing together."

Sabrina Kinney added five points, while Jordan Sargent had six rebounds.

**Durand 52, Lake Fenton 51**

Durand's Kristen Long hit a buzzer-beating three-pointer, leading the Railroaders to the victory.

Lake Fenton (13-7) was paced by Sidney Scott's 17 points and nine rebounds, while Mackenzie Gottron had 13 points and eight rebounds. Faith Weier chipped in eight points.

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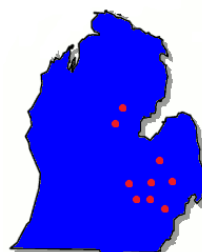
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Holly/Oxford's Spencer McKay took 15th in the slalom at the SEMSL meet.

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slalom, scoring just 29 points. Fenton's boys qualified for the meet, placing sixth in the seven-team event.

The Broncos' performance came not long after a tough performance at regionals kept the team from qualifying for the state meet.

"I'm really happy for my boys to finish off the season with a big win," Holly/Oxford coach Phil Nimmo said. "They were frustrated that they didn't ski as well as they could have at regionals, and missed out on qualifying for states, but they put that behind them and focused on taking SEMSL."

"They all stepped up with all four of our boys in the top 14 in giant slalom and top 21 in

slalom."

Dalton Sink led the team by winning the GS individual title with a two-run combined time of 35.20 seconds. His time of 17.19 on his first run was the best performance all day long. Following closely behind was Fenton's Seth Thompson (35.25) in second place.

"It was really exciting to see Dalton Sink with the GA in his last high school race," Nimmo said. "He worked hard all year and it paid off."

Other Holly skiers to finish in the top 10 were Lars Joergens-Koka in fourth (35.59) and Alex Schultz in seventh (36.23). Fenton's Max Weinberg placed ninth (36.30).

In the slalom, Holly/Oxford had just one participant in the top 10, but did finish with three in the

top 15. Joergens-Koka led Holly in third place (42.38), while Schultz placed 11th (44.80).

The Fenton boys were paced by Thompson, who took runner-up honors (42.30).

The Fenton girls took third in both events, resulting in their third-place overall finish. In the slalom, the Tigers had two top-10 performers. Kelley McKay took seventh (47.31), while Lauren Rhoads was eighth (48.05). Holly/Oxford's top performer was Rachel Harrington in 17th (50.25).

In the giant slalom, McKenna Valley led the Tigers, taking third place (36.92). Harrington led the Broncos with a 16th-place finish (38.11).

The final meet of the season is the State Ski Meet to be held Monday at Nub's Nob.

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They are not super tall or super quick, but they are going to work their butts off."

Lawrence Tech, who is nicknamed the Blue Devils, is going to play at the NAIA level in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Nosek was looking at Concordia (Chicago) and a few other schools.

"I picked Lawrence Tech because it was the closest to home and I love the coach a lot," Nosek said.

Dieck was looking at Lawrence Tech or Michigan State. However, Michigan State didn't give her a basketball option.

"The fact that I can get my degree in four years instead of six sold me," Dieck said. "And being able to play basketball was another big seller."

Dieck and Nosek were the school's first recruits from the tri-county area.

"I'm excited to get them and I hope the coaches stay in touch with Lawrence Tech," Pinkowski said. "I'd love to get some more players from out this way and keep this connection."

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period, and Betrus Wyatt followed with a power-play goal with 6:38 left in the period. Fenton led 6-0.

The only question that remained at that point was if the Tigers would earn the eight-goal mercy rule. They would, getting two goals from Lixie and another from Foguth in the final six minutes of the second period.

"They didn't show up today," Tri-City Chiefs coach Peter Lynch said. "It was disappointing. Despite our record, we have expectations for the kids, and we actually have been playing pretty well. The effort wasn't there today. It happens."

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played hard and we picked up our defensive pressure in the second quarter."

"Defense has been our staple," Olszewski added. "We played great third-quarter defense with ball good ball pressure from Damon and Jack Lukas. We have that athletic potential. When we amp up the defense, it gets the fastbreak going."

The Tigers finish the regular season at Powers Tuesday.

The Tigers got three goals from Lixie and two each from Foguth and Wyatt. Phillips and Blackburn had a goal each.

Foguth is pleased with the season the Tigers have had. For most of it, Fenton had only 10 skaters. They had 10 skaters on Thursday.

"At tryouts I saw how many kids we had and I didn't think we'd be that great," Foguth said. "But we've practiced hard and have come a long way. We hope to finish the year out right."

"If you asked me before the season started, I thought we were looking at a pretty tough road as far as our record was concerned," Fenton coach Jeff Myatt said. "Especially with how tough our schedule

was. It's the toughest schedule Fenton has ever seen."

Next week regional action starts. The Tri-City Chiefs play Lansing Catholic Central on Tuesday at 8 p.m. at Howell Grand Oaks Arena, while Fenton plays the winner of Monday's Goodrich-Notre Dame Prep contest on Wednesday at Perani Arena. The opening faceoff is slated for 7 p.m. Both teams had one more regular season contest before the playoffs begin. Fenton has high hopes once the playoffs start.

"We are going to do whatever it takes to get the 'W,'" Foguth said. "We actually lost to both of those teams the last two years, so we are looking for a little bit of revenge. We'll see how it goes."

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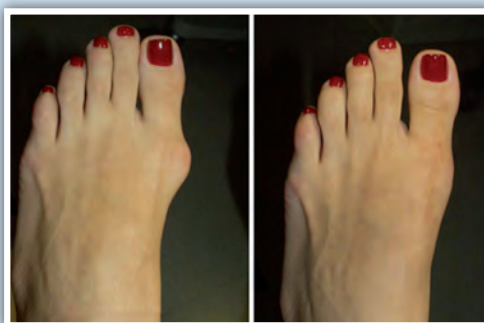
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