

**STORY:
SPARTY MASCOT**

“Cool story on Sparty. I know Mike well and he was, and is, an excellent athlete, a requirement for all Spartans.”



— Jim

**STORY:
BILLBOARD**

“The topless bar, unfortunately, has as much right to put up a billboard that is in good taste as any other business. It’s called freedom.”



**STORY:
CONCEALED
WEAPONS**

“I stopped trying to look cool with guns strapped around my hip when I was 10 years old. I thought I was so cool, but I grew up.”



**HOT LINES:
TEACHERS**

“I’m not a teacher, so I don’t have any bias in that situation. But all these people who are bashing the teachers right now should really look into these new laws. The teachers have been stripped of almost every right that they had.”



**HOT LINE
of the week**

“WELL, IT TOOK just one vote to see that Joe Graves voted with the Democrats and the unions, and against the Republican party. Say it ain’t so Joe.”

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Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton Township regularly rescues dogs from puppy mills, operations where dog breeders are thought to be more concerned about profitability over the health of animals.

Rescuing the abused and abandoned

► Adopt-A-Pet ensures pets find a safe, loving home

By William Axford
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Ann Haney of Grand Blanc Township wasn’t looking for a new dog when she walked into Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton Township. But when Missy locked eyes with Haney, she knew she had to take her home.

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“It’s one of the best places to get a dog. They are healthy when you get them and they make sure the dog is with the right family.”

Dave Franz
Fenton Township resident

How to adopt

Director Jody Maddock said Adopt-A-Pet looks for people who are genuinely interested in adoption and display the ability to take care of them. “When we talk to people about adoption, it sounds like conversation but really we’re fact seeking,” Maddock said. People who show that they understand the responsibility of adopting, including financial and emotional commitments, are more likely to be approved for adoption. Adopt-A-Pet also checks the environment the pet is going into and reviews rental agreements.

Tagline’s (un)official contest results revealed

► ‘Where Welcome Means Something’ is choice of Times’ readers

By Sharon Stone
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The people of Fenton have spoken.

With several hundred reader tagline suggestions to sort through, the Times has determined that the most popular choice was No. 16, based on the list of tagline entries published in the Sunday, Feb. 19 issue.

Tagline suggestion No. 16 is “Fenton, Where Welcome Means Something.” This idea, submitted

See **TAGLINES** on 8A

Summary

► For the past several weeks, the Times has been running a fun contest to come up with an alternative tagline for the city of Fenton. With all the votes in and counted, “Fenton, Where Welcome Means Something,” was the top choice of the 87 suggested taglines submitted by readers.

Inspiring students to give their all

► Paraplegic athlete visits Fenton High School

By William Axford
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Fenton — When Willie McQueen sat before the Sports and Society class at Fenton High School on Friday, some of his first words were, “I played football for Flint Southwestern Academy. I played with no legs.”

Students received a motivational speech from a wheelchair bound athlete Friday

See **INSPIRING** on 14A



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Willie McQueen shares his experiences with students at Fenton High School on Friday. McQueen is currently an assistant coach at Flint Southwestern.

City moves forward in \$1.6 million community center project

By Ryan Tackabury
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Fenton — On Monday the Fenton City Council agreed to amend its contract with Lindhout and Associates to provide architectural services for the community center renovations and expansion.

The original contract paid Lindhout 8 percent of construction costs, which came out to \$43,360. The contract amendment came after a decision to

renovate the existing building in addition to the construction of an expansion. With additional costs, Lindhout will receive \$133,546, which is still 8 percent of the now \$1.6 million total for



Benjamin Smith
Fenton City councilman
“We need to get the ball rolling on this.”

the community center project.

The payment will come from the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), and no amendments to the budget are required.

“I think this has been a long-awaited first step toward eventual renovation and cultural center addition,” Councilwoman Patricia Lockwood said. “It is a good project for the city and a good project for the DDA.”

See **PROJECT** on 9A

Time running out for free online access to the Times



► Subscription to be required soon for EZ Read and other online features

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while longer — it’s free. Like many newspapers across the nation, the Times will begin requiring a subscription to view many online products,

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2 Unstick a stubborn zipper in seconds

I scored a gorgeous woven handbag on sale a few months ago and have been using it nonstop ever since — so I was upset to find the zipper stubbornly stuck last week. Luckily, my friend knew of a remedy: Just lightly rub a candle along the teeth on both sides of the zipper. The wax will lubricate the metal just enough to get the zipper moving again without damaging the bag's fabric.

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Parenting

► School elective gives taste of world's toughest job

By Tim Jagielo

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The infants in teacher Teri Chambers' parenting class at Holly High School aren't real, but they do raise real anxiety, and teach real lessons to the students.

On Thursday, Chambers activated four high tech infant simulators that don't move, but they do make a lot of noise.

Chambers remotely activated them one by one in her class, and they came to life with a bleep, and made a contented "cooing" sound. An "aww" rippled through the class — until the babies started crying.

Suddenly, Sarah Wilson, 16, had to figure out what the doll, named "Ava," wanted. It would not stop crying until she did. This is only a demonstration. This semester, she'll take one of these pieces of technology home for three entire days. "I think it's going to be horrifying," she said. "I'll lose sleep, and I like my sleep."

These students are about to embark upon the second, more advanced trimester of this elective. "We call it 'parenting' because it teaches them how to be a parent," said

"They cry, they stare at you, I saw 'Chucky' at a young age and it ruined everything for me."

Nikki Bouchard
Holly High School student

See **PARENTING** on 8A



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(Above) Sarah Wilson, 16, of Holly High School quickly grabs the bottle for her infant simulator, as it becomes agitated and starts crying Thursday afternoon. (Left) Holly High School teacher Teri Chambers demonstrates the proper way to hold the infant simulator. Leaving the baby on its belly takes points away from the student.

Summary

► The 'Parenting' elective course at Holly High School teaches the basics of responding to an infant's needs, and also the financial impact of a baby.



Alternative tanning options growing in popularity

► Spray tans, OTC tanning products offer safe, quick results

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If you want a truly "safe" tan in time for spring break and warmer weather, your best bet may be found at an indoor tanning salon — using their spray tan booth.

With more than 28 million Americans using indoor tanning salons, tanning is a big

business, bringing in more than \$5 billion in revenues. With concerns about health risks and more stringent regulation of the industry, alternate tanning methods, including salon spray tans, over-the-counter tanning sprays and tanning towels, are gaining in popularity.

At Australian Sun in Fen-

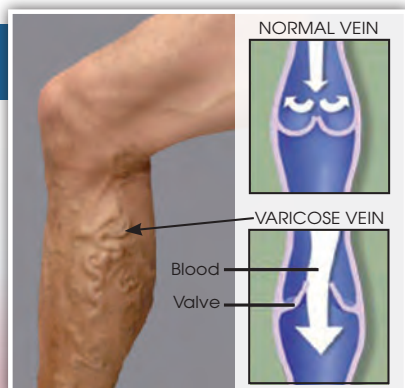
Summary

► Because of the health risks associated with tanning, many people are opting for alternative methods of tanning at their local tanning salon.

ton, owner Angie Little estimates that 50 percent of her customers now use her spray tan service. "Quite a few clients are concerned about their aging skin, and they're beginning to choose

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Every municipal study ever done cites three elements as absolutely critical to healthy communities:

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 - 2) A vibrant and growing retail base.
 - 3) A quality hometown newspaper.
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Our area school systems are simply the best — by any measurement. They are state-of-the art facilities with involved parents and dedicated staffs. When a millage is truly needed, we — the residents — step up to the plate and pass them. A premium school system is the primary component of any strong community.

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The Times aggressively supports the showcase facilities that are the cornerstone of all four area school districts today.

The Times initiated, and funds, the 'Shop Local' campaign that was created with the singular goal of educating our citizens as to the immeasurable benefits to themselves and their communities when we spend our dollars locally.

The Times is our community watchdog via its presence at municipal meetings in every city, village and township in their circulation area. They go to the meetings so we don't have to.

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Remember that we, the residents, are the community, not the buildings, roads or government. The choices we make — whether it's

supporting schools, shopping local or supporting your local newspaper — will dictate our future. We control our own destiny through our choices.

Support our schools, support a "Shop Local" mentality, and support your hometown newspaper that supports you.

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FOR EVERYONE UPSET about lotto winners continuing to use their food stamp cards: every day, I have customers come through my line, buy food on their food stamp card, and then pull out a wad of cash and pay for liquor and cigarettes. That to me is just as bad.

"OBAMA IS NOT responsible for gas prices" so says The King. A right-winger with a brain. That is refreshing.

WE WOULD LIKE to thank the young man in the silver pickup truck who paid for my husband's car wash after we let him go in front of us. It was greatly appreciated, thank you.

MR. 'LAW OF nature' guy, can you call back in and explain exactly where religion has been forced into the government? All I've ever witnessed was the government suppressing religion.

DO PEOPLE JUST figure that if they don't see traffic coming that they don't have to stop at a stop sign? The sign is there for a reason.

HELLO AMERICA, NEITHER our sitting president, nor all the candidates so it seems, have ever served a day in our military forces. How can they ask to be Commander-in-Chief if they have never been in battle, or even to boot camp? Think about it.

WE DON'T KNOW that much about San-torum. At least we know that Obama won't

take Medicare or Social Security away. Things could be worse.

OUR COUNTRY HAS gone completely down the drain in the last few years. Whoever thinks Obama would be the best fit for the job, think about it and do a little research before November comes. It only took four years for things to get this bad, just imagine what could happen in the next four years.

BECAUSE I THINK abortion is disgusting, I must be okay with child abuse? A child must have submitted that Hot line, because nothing I said should lead anyone to

believe that child abuse is acceptable. It is completely unacceptable, and every bit as bad as abortion.

I WAS WATCHING on CNN news where they stated that the unions are going to give Obama \$400 million for his campaign. I'm curious, where is this \$400 million coming from? It makes me wonder.

TO THE NUTBAG who called Mr. Carangi a wimp for carrying a gun, at least he stands a better chance of being a live wimp than a dead man.

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High gas prices

Mr. Childs, your comment about Obama not being responsible for the high gas prices is wrong. He and his administration are directly responsible. OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) sets oil prices based on the U.S. dollar. Oil is traded in that currency as well. As our currency is devalued, the price of oil goes up. We have had at least two Quantitative Easing's devaluing our dollar by 16 percent. A third is most likely on the way. Obama and his energy secretary want gas to be at \$5 or higher so as to shove his green energy program down America's throat and to force the American people to buy Government Motors electric Junk. Now we subsidize the Volt to the tune of \$10,000. The people who are most likely to buy the Volt do not need any subsidies.

— Gerald Kazmer, Linden

Compiled by Eric Trowt, intern

What was your favorite pet?

street talk



"I would say dogs because they're so lovable and sweet."

— Georgiann Zadony, Fenton



"I'd say our cat Fuzz but he passed about six years ago."

— Donna Craven, Linden



"Our black lab named Sierra. We've had her for three years."

— Jeff Shannon, Linden



"Definitely a dog but I want to get a chameleon."

— Brandon Haley, Linden



"I'd say a cat because my folks always had a cat as a child."

— Sally Boze, Fenton



"A cat because they're very friendly and catch the mice."

— Nazia Kabban, Fenton Township

Holly Village could see small debt service relief

►Additional 500 new customers could reduce quarterly fee by \$5.66

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly — Customers of the village water and sewer service are very likely getting a little bit of a break on their late April bill.

During the village council meeting on Tuesday, Manager Jerry Walker said that a \$5.66 reduction in the sewer and water debt service fee will be proposed to the council at the next meeting.

Currently, all individual premises are charged a flat \$48.30 fee to cover the bond debt owed by the village for upgrades and facilities. As early as April, that payment could drop to \$42.64.

The adjustment is coming from an additional 500 parcels being added to the customer list, primarily from the Holly Woodlands and Presbyterian Village manufactured home communities that were being charged one fee per community, instead of each individual home.

Brian Klaasen and Jerry Flewelling of The Department of Public Works (DPW) are auditing customers, and expect to have more than 500 within another week. "They need

to do physical inspection inside of premises," said Walker. "They are in the process of doing that."

Walker said the customers he spoke with who are being added to the rolls weren't thrilled with the fee, but understood its purpose. "It is very probable we will find customers throughout the year," he said.

Summary

►The Village Council will likely be able to lower the quarterly sewer and water bond debt service fee by \$5.66 by a resolution at the next meeting, because of at least 500 customers being added.

Walker said a resolution will be prepared with a more accurate number of recently added customers, to reduce the overall sewer rate and water debt service fee. "Which is exactly what council said it would do," he said.

When the quarterly service fee was first set in May 2011, Walker made it clear that the village would revisit the fees on a regular basis, and lower the rate if possible.

"That is what you have an opportunity to do at the next meeting," said Walker. Rates were initially set to go up to more than \$50 in July, but could instead drop by \$5.66.

The village currently pays \$1.7 million annually for bond debt service. This was, and still is, a topic of ire among residents who feel that they already paid too much in sewer and water fees.

"It is very probable we will find customers throughout the year."

Jerry Walker
Manager, Village of Holly

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**Fire chief urges caution
as wildfire season returns**►Chipping is safer than
burning last year's vegetation

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Wildfire season has returned to areas of Michigan where winter snow has melted. A recent handful of warm, windy days has contributed to wildfires in southern and central portions of the state.

Department of Natural Resources officials urge residents and visitors to use extreme caution before engaging in outdoor activities with the potential for wildfire.

"Several winter storms have created a tremendous clean-up task in many areas," said Bill O'Neill, the DNR's acting Forest Resources Division chief and state forester. "We are urging people to consider fire-safe alternatives, such as chipping instead of burning the debris."

Chipping eliminates the risk of wildfire altogether and it reduces exposure to unhealthy smoke. An added bonus,



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Fenton Township firefighters finish off a blaze that scorched 200 feet of brush on Lahring Road on Thursday.

the wood chips can be used as mulch for landscaping around your home."

For those who do expect to burn yard waste, the DNR asks that you plan carefully and follow the following fire-safe tips:

- Check first with local fire officials to be certain burning is not prohibited where you live.
- Choose a day that is cool and damp to conduct your burn. The likelihood an ember will escape from a burn pile and ignite a wildfire drastically increases on warm, windy days.
- Arrange small mounds of debris in spots cleared of flammable vegetation.

Summary

►With unseasonably warm temperatures, residents might be tempted to burn last year's vegetation to clear up their property. Underbrush and last year's vegetation is dry, can catch fire and spread quickly. Before burning, contact your local fire department to make sure burning is permitted.

In southern Michigan, burn permits and information on burning can be obtained from local fire departments and township offices. For more information on wildfire safety, open burning, home preparedness and other fire-related topics, visit www.michigan.gov/preventwildfires.

Fenton Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff said, "The fire department encourages people to use common sense when burning and only do it on days where the ground is wet and there is little wind. Right now, all of the vegetation on the ground is dead and burns very easily."

"Even though the ground may appear wet, the vegetation left from last year's season is dead and burns rapidly."

The city of Fenton does not issue burn permits and there is no open burning allowed, only recreational fires (residents can go to the city's website www.cityof-fenton.org to learn more about the open burning regulations).

Tyrone Township allows for open burning, as long as residents obtain a burn permit from their township offices, and abide by the rules of the permit. Residents should remember that the Tyrone Township offices are closed on Fridays, so if they want to burn on a weekend they need to get a permit before the end of business on Thursday, according to Cairnduff.

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Police&Fire report

HOLLY POLICE ARREST FENTON MAN FOR OWI

AT 12 a.m. on Sunday, March 11, a Holly police officer spotted a vehicle traveling 45 mph in a 35 mph zone on Saginaw Street. The officer followed and initiated a traffic stop after the vehicle turned left onto westbound Grange Hall Road. While speaking with the driver, a 49-year-old Fenton man, the officer could detect a strong odor of intoxicants. After several field sobriety tests, the driver registered a .14 on a preliminary breath test. The man was placed under arrest for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and transported to the police station for processing, at which time a chemical test revealed a blood alcohol content of .17 percent. The man's vehicle was impounded and the license plate was confiscated.

CITIZEN TURNS PURSE IN TO HOLLY POLICE

On Thursday, March 8, an unknown citizen turned in a blue leather purse she had found in a shopping cart in the Holly Foods parking lot to a Holly police officer. The officer opened the purse and found paperwork with the name of the woman who owned the purse. The officer drove to the listed address and returned the purse to the owner. The woman told the officer that she must have forgotten the purse, which was in the top portion of the cart.

CREDIT CARD FRAUD

At 6:40 p.m. on Wednesday, March 14, a 33-year-old Fenton woman reported to Fenton police that someone tried to obtain between 15 and 20 credit cards using her personal information. The suspect was successful in obtaining one credit card and charged \$2,800 on it at a department store in Belleville. Police are investigating. Attempts such as this can typically be seen on credit reports.

APARTMENT BROKEN INTO

At 1:15 a.m. on Sunday, March 11, Fenton police were sent to an apartment off Torrey Road to investigate a breaking and entering complaint. Upon arrival, police met with the 54-year-old male resident who said someone broke into his apartment, ransacked it and stole several high priced items including guitars, TVs and an electric keyboard. He believes the break-in occurred between 9 p.m. on March 10 and 1 a.m. on March 11. Lt. Jason Slater said

the responding officer believe the suspect entered the apartment through a bedroom window, which had a torn screen and exited through the front door. The case remains under investigation.

INTOXICATED DAUGHTER

At 3 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, Fenton police responded to a home on Chinkapin Rill on a report of an intoxicated 17-year-old female. Upon arrival, police met with the 42-year-old mother of the teen who said she came home and saw that her daughter was intoxicated. The daughter left the home and walked to a nearby friend's home and together, they walked to a grocery store on Silver Parkway. Police located the daughter at the store and when confronted, she admitted to drinking vodka. A preliminary breath test revealed a blood alcohol content of .168 percent. She was ticketed for Under 21 Consumption and was given a court date.

INMATES CLEAN UP HIGHWAY

Genesee County Sheriff Robert Pickell said inmates of the Genesee County Jail picked up about 12,000 pounds of debris this week when they took part in a work detail of cleaning up U.S. 23. Pickell said over four days, 40 inmates, under the supervision of sheriff's deputies, picked up all sorts of trash along the highway, between Owen and Hill roads. The inmates, with offenses such as drunk driving or driving with suspended licenses and Friend of the Court violations, picked up enough garbage to fill 240 trash bags, each averaging 50 pounds. More clean-ups are planned, using the inmates. The sheriff said non-profit organizations may request the use of work-detail inmates to help with their projects as long as there is no alcohol involved with an event.

DRIVER TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

At 11:53 p.m. on Thursday, March 8, Holly police were sent to the area of Grange Hall and North Holly roads on a report of a possible drunk driver. The 911 dispatcher told police that a black SUV, with its hazard lights on, was traveling westbound on Grange Hall Road and it nearly hit a vehicle head-on. Police spotted the vehicle and clocked it traveling 28 mph in a 45 mph zone. Police initiated a traffic stop and made contact with the 80-year-old Ortonville resident. The driver was unsure as to where he was or what time it was. The driver was asked to exit the vehicle and an ambulance was called to transport him to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township after he appeared unsteady on his feet. There were no signs of alcohol. The vehicle was impounded for safekeeping. Police will file a request for a driver evaluation.








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PARENTING

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Chambers. She's quick to point out that her class doesn't replace or usurp what the students' parents taught them. It does however, teach students about feeding, holding, changing diapers, and responding to the baby's needs.

The class is offered to grades 10, 11 and 12. It is mostly girls, but Chambers has four boys currently enrolled. She said that she has had males take the course because they thought it would be easy. “They are sadly disappointed,” she said.

They'll spend three days immersed in the experience of responding to the needs of the baby, as it runs its program for each day. That program will probably include crying every hour of the night, and demand feedings, diaper changing, and anything else built into the program.

It's this experience last trimester that caused a morning break-down in Nikki Bouchard on the second day. “New moms often do that,” said Chambers.

Not only did Bouchard have a deep dislike for dolls, but the doll had kept her up all night. “They cry, they stare at you, I saw “Chucky” at a young age and it ruined everything for me,” she said.

“When it was crying I had to figure out what it needed right away,” she said.



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Jason Beelby, 16, admitted he took the parenting course for the girls. “Girls think it's attractive,” he said.

She told her parents, “It was horrible, it cried all night,” she said. “I don't know how my parents did it.”

She also had to sit with the baby for 20-minute burping sessions that were not realistic, but took up a realistic amount of the student's time not spent doing other activities.

Chambers will know what the baby does because it saves the information. And she'll know if a baby is neglected in any way, and it will all add up to 100 points.

Not only is the physical impact of the child illustrated, they also learn the financial impact.

Chambers instructs the students to come up with a budget for their child, which includes all the staples they would need; diapers, clothing, formula, and many accessories. “Kids are expensive,” said Bouchard.

Bouchard also had to fill out a thick stack of paperwork related to the child, including logs of everything she had to do with it. It ends up being a complex project that to Bouchard was invaluable. “This is the class I learned the most from,” she said.

The course is divided into two trimesters. The first section deals with preliminary parenthood, prenatal care, dealing with doctors, preparing for the child's arrival and how the child develops in the womb.

One component of the class is basic contraception. “So many people don't know about their own bodies to keep from getting pregnant,” she said.

The point Chambers wants to make, is that teens should wait to have their own children. If her words don't do the trick, maybe dealing with a baby simulator for three days will help.



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The infant simulators run programs that teach the students about responding to the baby's needs.

TAGLINES

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by a reader of the Times, received 13 percent of the votes.

Coming in at a distant second is No. 56, which is “Family, Faith, Fun... Fenton.” This suggestion received 7 percent of the votes.

Due to the close vote, three suggestions tied for third place, each bringing in 6 percent of the votes. The three-way tie goes to No. 11 “Find It In Fenton,” No. 78 “Fenton – Believe In A Better Place,” and No. 21 “Fenton, Where History and Progress Meet.”

The “just for fun” contest, which has no official bearing, was in response to the large number of Hot Line comments over the past several months from citizens dissatisfied with Fenton City's current tagline, “Be Closer,” which was created by the city's marketing firm New Moon Visions and approved by the city's Downtown Development Authority and Fenton City Council.

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“Family, Faith, Fun...Fenton”

3rd place (three-way tie)

“Find It In Fenton”

“Fenton – Believe In A Better Place”

“Fenton – Where History And Progress Meet”

4th place (three-way tie)

“Fenton – Living The Dream”

“Vacation At Home”

“Fenton – Surrounded By Lakes”

5th place

“Fenton – Always in Season”

News briefs

DEDICATION AT LINDEN MILLS MUSEUM

New stairlifts have been installed at the Linden Mills Museum, located at 201 North Main St. in Linden. A dedication program is scheduled for Friday, March 23 at 2 p.m. The stairlifts will allow those with limited mobility to gain access to the museum. One was installed at the entryway and two on the stairways to the top floor. The stairlifts are possible through a grant from the Fenton Community Fund, W.F. Close memorial funds from the City of Linden and donations from the Kiwanis International Linden. Additional funding came from funds donated in the memory of Carolyn Kaufman, a longtime Linden resident who passed away in 2011.

THE UPS STORE IN FENTON DONATES \$1,000 TO LOOSE SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER

The UPS Store, on Silver Parkway in Fenton, raised nearly \$900 for the Loose Senior Citizen Center (LSCC) to help meet future needs of the organization. During the month of February, the store donated \$1 to the senior center for every package shipped via UPS. The owner, Les Beare, personally added to the contributions to make it an even \$1,000. "Loose Senior Citizen Center serves our local community, which is why I support it," said Beare. "We are proud to be able to serve the community in this manner and to help raise awareness of the needs of the senior center." Carl Gabrielson, director at Loose said, "We appreciate the support and generosity of The UPS Store. As the senior community grows, we hope to expand our facilities to serve them, so this donation will definitely come in handy."

LIBRARY NEWS

Library patrons searching for obituaries in Genesee County may visit the Cromaie Library in Hartland for information. The Cromaie Library in Hartland has two obituary binders available in the Local History section on the first floor, which include Genesee County and surrounding areas. Information from surrounding cemeteries is available as well. The Genesee District Library headquarters on Pasadena Avenue, Flint has moved some of its genealogy books to the McFarland-Grand Blanc Library. They have a film record of obituaries, as well as 383 Michigan genealogy books.

EASTER EGG HUNT AT HYATT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN LINDEN

The City of Linden is having an egg hunt at Hyatt Elementary School on Saturday, March 24. Breakfast, pictures and children's activities start at 9 a.m. and last until 11 a.m. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 at the event. A Bunny Hop Kiddy Fun Run is at 10:30 a.m. Tickets are \$4 in advance and \$5 at the event. For the egg hunt only, tickets are \$1. The egg hunt starts at 11:15 a.m. behind Hyatt Elementary. For more information, call (810) 629-5447.

PROJECT

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"We need to get the ball rolling on this," said Councilman Benjamin Smith.

The plan consists of an addition being built on the south end of the building, as well as a series of renovations to what currently exists. Making the building reliably handicap accessible, safe, and code compliant were all priorities of the design.

Piet Lindhout said that caution was taken with the addition to respect the work of world-renowned architects Eliel Saarinen and his son Eero Saarinen whom originally designed the building in 1938.

The DDA must also approve of the contract amendment and will discuss the matter and a meeting later this month.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

GREAT JOB TO all who performed in the Lake Fenton Spring Fling! It was a great show. And thank you to Mrs. Solgat, for all of your hard work! Our kids are blessed to have you and all of the great West Shore teachers!

■■■■
MR. CARINGI IS not a coward. He is only exercising his right to bear arms. You are the coward for feeling so threatened by it. It's the law, and in today's dangerous and untrustworthy world, it is responsible to carry a gun. I hope that one day you don't find yourself in a dangerous situation where you were wishing you yourself would have been carrying a gun.

■■■■
TO THE PERSON who thinks teachers carrying guns is a sad suggestion. I'll tell you what would be ever more sad is if some lunatic found their way into the school and started killing little ones. Quit hugging your tree and face reality.

LAKE FENTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS Offers School of Choice Programs 105 and 105c for Students in Grades K-12

The Lake Fenton Community School District is accepting applications for the 2012-13 school year under Sections 105 and 105c of the State Aid Act.

- Section 105 – Students who reside within the Genesee Intermediate School District's (GISD) boundaries.
- Section 105c – Students who reside in counties contiguous to Genesee County.

Applications will be available March 19, 2012 through September 6, 2012.

- Transportation will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- There is no tuition charge for students accepted for enrollment under these programs.
- To apply, complete the application and return to Douglas Halabicky, Student Services, Lake Fenton Community Schools, between March 19, 2012 and September 6, 2012, no later than 4:00 p.m.
- Applications may be obtained in person, mail, online (www.lakefentonschools.org) or by calling:

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- Notification of acceptance should be completed by June 29, 2012 if application is received prior to June 1, 2012. Applications received after June 1st, may take longer for acceptance notification.
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Township removes Slaughter from NOCFA board

►Based on two complaints from fire authority board

By Tim Jagielo

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Rose Twp. — Acting on a recommendation from the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) fire board, the Rose Township Board of Trustees voted 3-1 to remove Treasurer Susan Slaughter from the NOCFA board.

Clerk Debbie Miller was excused for training and Slaughter voted against the motion.

Initially, Trustee David Gordon asked Slaughter before the vote if she would

step down quietly, however, she refused. Gordon made the motion to remove Slaughter, and Trustee Diane Scheib-Snyder seconded.

The effort to remove Slaughter began in late February at a special NOCFA meeting.

The Board passed the resolution asking the Rose Township board to consider removing her. Their complaints were based on two instances, which were rehearsed again before the board took a vote.

One of the items in the original resolution was con-

cerning her individual ratings of NOCFA Chief Jeremy Lintz, for his annual review. Slaughter's reviews were consistently lower than the other members, which include Holly Township Supervisor Jesse Lambert, and Scheib-Snyder.

Slaughter said that she looks at Lintz's service differently than the other members, because of her experience.

The other issue stemmed from new residents dumping materials in an unauthorized dumpster. Fire department members obtained an address

Summary

►The Rose Township Board of Trustees voted to remove Treasurer Susan Slaughter from the NOCFA fire board, at the recommendation of the fire board.



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Rose Township Treasurer Susan Slaughter defends herself before being removed from the NOCFA board by a 3-1 vote on Wednesday.

that led to The Michigan State Police (MSP) beginning the process of issuing a \$40 ticket to the new residents. Slaughter made a call to the MSP saying they would handle the illegal dumping.

The dispute arose from whether Slaughter had the authority to stop the ticket. She maintains that Supervisor Glen Noble told her to call the MSP, while Noble has no recollection of that order.

Slaughter asked that Rose Township Constable Emile Blair speak on her behalf. Blair said he was present when

Noble asked Slaughter to call MSP about the ticket.

The ensuing discussion was heated, with Noble and Slaughter talking over each other about the incident. "No recollection, I'm serious about that," said Noble. "I wouldn't have done that without your say," said Slaughter.

In the end, the board voted Slaughter out. "I'm really kind of appalled that the board would handle it in this fashion," said Slaughter, describing the dumpster issue as a "fiasco."

Despite being fired by the people she must still work with on the township board, she said she will simply move forward.

"I don't feel it's going to affect the way I do my job at all." She said she would continue to work for the community despite being removed from the fire board.

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TANS

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the spray tan over traditional tanning,” said Little. “It only takes five minutes, and it lasts about a week with little maintenance.”

With the temporary closing of Tropi-Tan on N. LeRoy St. in Fenton, Little says that her business has picked up a number of new clients. “The average age of our clients used to be between 25 and 50. Now it has expanded to 16 to 80 year olds,” she added. TropiTan’s Owen Road location has accommodated its customers.

Kristen Steele, co-owner of The Retreat Salon & Skin Spa in Fenton, offers spray-tanning services in their salon/spa setting, and she sees its popularity growing every day. “I used to do just a few a week, now it’s anywhere between 10 and 20 per week,” she said. “In addition to all the concern about skin cancer and aging skin, it’s also about convenience. Many people don’t want to take the time to tan a month ahead of an event like spring break or a special occasion. It only takes about five minutes to do, and it provides a flawless finish.”

While there are dozens of quality over-the-counter spray-tanning solutions available, Steele says it’s all about the application, more than the product. “The finished product that you get with a professional spray tan is similar to the difference between finger painting and air brushing. It’s all in a quality application done professionally.”

Serendipity Day Spa in Linden has recently added spray tanning to its list of spa services. “We decided to go with spray tanning because it’s the healthy alternative to traditional tanning,” said spa manager Julie Emington. “We use airbrush style tanning customized to each client,



Many tri-county spas offer spray on tans, which are convenient and don't expose customers to harmful UV rays.

instead of an automotive booth. It has been a big hit with our customers, especially now with spring break coming. Some people get it done every week to keep a tan going, while others do it before a special occasion.”

Many tanning salon owners, like Melissa Pelettier of Radiant Sol in Holly, are committed to making the tanning experience as safe as possible for their customers. “You have to tan responsibly,” said Pelettier. “All of our bulbs are bronzing bulbs, which mean they have much lower UVB rays. We start our customers out

at five to six minutes at the beginning. “Think of tanning like having one glass of wine,” she added. “There are benefits, including Vitamin D and reducing the affects of Seasonal Affective Disorder (S.A.D.) If you overindulge and have

three glasses of wine a day, it’s going to be harmful.”

Dermatologist Chris Buatti, M.D., of The Skin & Vein Center in Fenton, would argue that there are no health benefits to tanning. “When you tan indoors, there’s a 75 percent greater risk of melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer,” said Dr. Buatti. His main concern is for the 2.3 million teens who tan on a regular basis. “Seventy percent of people who tan are between the ages of 16 and 29,” he said. “It’s definitely a concern to me.”

The Food & Drug Administration’s report on tanning says that UV radiation in tanning devices poses serious health risks. A recent report by the International Agency for Research on Cancer, (IARC), part of the World Health Organization, concludes that tanning devices are more dangerous than previously thought.

Exposure to UV radiation, whether from the sun or indoor tanning beds, can cause:

- Skin cancer
- Skin burns
- Premature skin aging
- Eye damage (both short-term and long-term)

The FDA recommends the following:

- Goggles should be worn while indoor tanning.
- UV exposure schedules should be limited to no more than three days per week.
- Michigan law states that before someone under 18 can tan, a parent/guardian must present, in the presence of the owner or operator, a statement similar to other customers that they read and understand the risks tanning poses to their child and that the child will wear protective eyewear.



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HOT LINE CONTINUED

OMG SANTORUM'S MAGIC spell is continuing to convince more people to vote for him. This guy would be a worse disaster than Obama. He is totally incapable of running the country and all he seems concerned about is birth control. What is going on? A concerned conservative.

PEOPLE IN THE Argentine area keep watch. Someone is going around cutting deadbolt locks on people’s garages and stealing thousands of dollars worth of equip-

ment and guns. Keep watch it happens during the day while everyone is at work.

DID ANYONE OTHER than my wife and me get their absentee ballot too late to have their vote count?

WHEN MR. OBAMA told Catholic organizations that they would have to provide contraception to women, it backfired. Then he said Insurance companies would supply these products, which means you and me. Then they created Sandra Fluke by way of Anita Dunn. She’s a fraud just like those other cronies.

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Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton Township conducts a rigorous background check on prospective foster families ensuring pets go to the best homes possible.

PETS

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"I sat on the bench with Missy for about three hours before she even took a sigh," Haney said. "I wasn't allowed to see Missy at first because she had just been rescued from a puppy farm in Ohio."

Haney is one of hundreds of foster pet owners who have taken in animals from Adopt-A-Pet, an organization that rehabilitates abused and abandoned animals. Director Jody Maddock said Adopt-A-Pet's mission is to find a loving home for each of their cats and dogs. Taking home a new pet involves a lengthy interview process and constant checkups.

"We say that every cat and dog that comes through our door has a perfect family waiting for them," Maddock said. "We need lots more foster families. Adopting

one of these pets is a little heartbreaking at first, but it is so worth it."

In her 11 years at Adopt-A-Pet, Maddock has met numerous animals she thought wouldn't make it into a home. One was a French bulldog named Sookie who was recovered from a puppy mill that had infected eyes and needed a hysterectomy. After several surgeries and despite becoming completely blind, Sookie was eventually adopted. Another rescue story includes a dog that was abandoned and dangerously underweight. A dog that Maddock described as "skin and bones – not much else" eventually gained weight and ate regularly.

Many dogs that come through Adopt-A-Pet are recovered from puppy mills, operations where dogs are generally over-bred and abused until they are sold. Adopt-A-Pet in Fenton Township works with organizations that raid puppy mills annually.

Fenton Township resident Dave Franz is one foster pet owner who adopted a dog rescued from a puppy mill. Franz said that he and his wife instantly fell in love with a Dodson named Roxy and had to have her.

"Living with us was a big change for Roxy, she had been a caged dog most of her life," Franz said. "She was shy because she was transferred many miles in a truck across the U.S. Within a week living with us, she was the same as any puppy."

Some dogs take more effort to rehabilitate. At first, Missy would shake and bark as soon as Haney left her alone. Haney took Missy on frequent car rides and walks in public until Missy knew Haney wasn't going to abandon her. Haney held Missy often, building trust.

"Pets are just like a child, you have to gain their trust," Haney said.

Maddock said interested foster pet owners should demonstrate that they have carefully considered the commitment it takes to adopt a pet, both financially and emotionally. Maddock said Adopt-A-Pet meets frequently with people for lengthy periods of time before sending a pet home.

"We look hard to make sure it's a good match," Maddock said. "We look at people's specific situation."

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Shelby Jorgensen, 7, shows her dog, Dozer, after her family and friends brought her enough dog and cat gifts to fill an entire van to donate to Adopt-A-Pet in Fenton. She is a first-grader at Holly Academy.

Shelby's birthday wish

► Her gifts are for the dogs and cats at Adopt-A-Pet

By Sally Rummel

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While most young girls are excited to open up birthday packages containing dolls, games and stuffed animals, Shelby Jorgensen, of Holly, was even happier to open up gifts of dog food, cat litter and chew toys.

When Shelby celebrated her 7th birthday on March 3, the 30 family members and friends on her guest list complied with Shelby's wishes and brought "gifts" for the dogs and cats housed at Adopt-A-Pet in Fenton.

Robby and Leslie Jorgensen have passed on their love of animals to both Shelby, 7, and Tyler, 12. Their family dog, Dozer, a 9-month-old bulldog mix, was a rescue dog, not from Adopt-A-Pet, but from a family who couldn't keep up with this rambunctious, excitable puppy. Their previous dog, Ryder, a St. Bernard, was adopted from Adopt-A-Pet.

"Because Shelby loves animals so much, this was her way of helping out Adopt-A-Pet," said Shelby's mom, Leslie. "It was also healing for her and Tyler, because just a month before her birthday, we lost our 12-year-old lab mix, Daisy."

Summary

► Shelby Jorgensen, of Holly, recently celebrated her 7th birthday, but it was the dogs and cats at Adopt-A-Pet in Fenton who benefited from this special occasion.

which gave them a tour of the facilities, and showed Shelby specifically how her gifts would be used.

"It's become a new trend in the past year for people to ask for monetary donations or gifts in lieu of birthday presents," said Jody Maddock, director of Adopt-A-Pet. "We love it when kids like Shelby do it, because it's such a selfless act for a child to give up toys and presents. We showed Shelby just how much her gifts mean to the dogs and cats whose home is at Adopt-A-Pet. They don't have a family to go home

to, so we rely on the community to become their family."

Both Shelby and Tyler plan to sign up for an upcoming volunteer class at Adopt-A-Pet, to learn how to bathe the animals, play with them and give them affection. "They both want to be veterinarians when they grow up," said Leslie."

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Willie McQueen demonstrates how he was an effective defensive tackle for Flint Southwestern Academy, with Brendan Doherty, 18, at Fenton High School on Friday.

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INSPIRING

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morning. Flint native McQueen travels to multiple schools throughout Flint and the tri-county area, inspiring students to try their best, no matter what obstacles they have to overcome.

"I tell students to keep striving for the best, just because you're in a good situation now doesn't mean you need to stop fighting," McQueen said. "Excel your knowledge and become great."

McQueen, 25, is a double amputee who lost both his legs in a train accident in Alabama. McQueen tried out for the football team in seventh grade at Southwestern Academy in Flint, playing the position of left tackle. McQueen played on his hands and eventually became a starter.

Currently, McQueen is a Mott Community College student with a 3.9 grade point average and he coaches football at Flint Northern. McQueen said he speaks to about 40 classes a year, including Flint schools, Hannity schools and now, Fenton schools.

But McQueen wasn't always so driven. He dropped out of school during his

senior year of high school and began smoking marijuana. After some motivation from Judge Duncan Beagle, also a paraplegic, McQueen went back to school and began his career as a motivational speaker.

"I always had Judge Duncan Beagle in my court," McQueen said. "I tell kids as long as you get back up and fight, you'll go further. You're going to go through some tough times."

The class listened as McQueen described how he lost his legs, and also lost his mother to cancer earlier this year. "It's just a challenge to keep a smile on my face," he said.

Maggie Pooler, 18, was inspired by his speech. Pooler plays tennis, and said she couldn't imagine trying to play without legs. "I can't picture life going through what he went through," she said.

Teacher Sean Lawrence appreciated that McQueen could discuss overcoming his challenges while demanding respect on the field. "He's a great inspiration," he said.

Reporter Tim Jagielo contributed to this story.

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Hickoffs, seniors make their mark

► Twins' era ends with 74 wins, four Metro League titles

By David Troppens

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Saginaw — When the Fenton Tigers fell to top-ranked Saginaw in the Class A regional semifinals on Monday, what may have been the best boys basketball season at Fenton in just over 20 years came to an end.

But it also marked the end of another era.

After four years of playing varsity basketball, the Hickoff era came to a conclusion. And what an era it was. During it, the Tigers won four Metro League titles, went 61-7 in Metro League play and 74-13 overall.

The twins, who are headed to Notre Dame College of Ohio to play Division 2 college basketball next year, capped it with what was arguably the best season in the last 20 years, certainly of the new century, going 22-2 overall and 15-1 in league action. The Tigers capped the season by winning their first ever



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SCOTT SCHUPBACH

Fenton's Ryan Hickoff (left) ended his career with over 1,000 points for the Fenton Tigers.

Class A district, first district title of any sort, since 1990, and then pushed Saginaw on Monday before losing 59-48 in the regional semifinals.

The Hickoffs, both four-time Tri-County First-Team players and both Tri-County Player of the Year once, loved their four years at Fenton.

"My whole career here in Fenton was unbelievable," Ryan Hickoff said. "It was so much fun. The players, the coaches — it's just a great experience for me. I loved the whole run. I wouldn't change it for anything."

"It's really fun to play with all those guys. This year we did

See **SENIORS** on 19A

Holly powerlifters take second at state meet

By David Troppens

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The Holly powerlifting team has had its share of success at the Michigan High School Powerlifting meet.

This year was no exception.

The Bronchos had eight powerlifters place in the top four of the state meet, earning the squad a varsity state runner-up finish

at Lake Orion High School, recently.

The Bronchos were the defending state champions at the varsity and JV level, and finished second at the varsity level in 2010 as well.

"Our kids did a great job against the top competition from all over the state," Holly powerlifting coach Mike Mill-

house said. "We wanted to win back-to-back championships, but our guys shouldn't be too disappointed given how tough the field was this year."

The Bronchos had two second-place finishers, including the school's first-ever girl placer at the meet. Sarah Dewaslsche (145) placed second in her class.

See **HOLLY** on 19A

Summer weather in March has area teams smiling

By David Troppens

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Fenton — Fenton varsity girls tennis coach Gary Ballard had a huge smile on his face.

It was March 14, and his team was outside practicing in 70-degree weather.

"This is fun," Ballard said. "This weather makes everyone smile. The girls are excited to have their first day out here. It's Michigan and it's 70 degrees."

The warm and sunny weather the tri-county area has been experiencing has had a similar effect for a lot of practices this week, as spring sports teams began preparing for their seasons.

After spending most of last year's spring dealing with cold, snowy and rainy conditions, the spring coaches are finding this year's unseasonably warm and sunny days a nice change of pace.

"All of the girls have been cooped up all year and they just want to be out here," Fenton varsity girls softball coach Rick Bescoe said. "That's probably part of the reason why they play softball — they love the outdoors."

"The nice weather just makes it more fun for all of us," Fenton girls soccer coach Matt Sullivan said. "Playing in a gym is miserable. The girls are happy because they will be more tan for spring break."

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Fenton hoop program keeping it within the family

► Ex-players, current athletes helping out with AGS' basketball program

By David Troppens

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Fenton — Tyler Szczepanski loved it when he was a player within the Fenton High School boys basketball program.

The experience made such an impression on Szczepanski that he wanted to remain with the program.

Summary

► Fenton's past and current players are helping the boys basketball program's future by coaching at the middle school level.

So that's what he did.

Szczepanski, who also is an assistant with the varsity boys basketball program, completed his first season as co-head coach of the AGS

eighth-grade boys team this winter.

And the 2010 Fenton graduate is not the only one making a difference. His assistant coach, Trevor Kline, also graduated in 2010 and works with Szczepanski and co-coach Hugh Judson. Meanwhile, the seventh-grade boys basketball team has current JV player Mitch Campbell as an assistant coach for head coach Don Buchanan.

"It's a joy to come to practice with these kids," Szczepanski said. "Knowing it's important to give back to something that meant so much to me feels good."

"The program has done so much for us, we should give back," Kline said. "I have had so much fun playing basketball during my time at Fenton High School, I just want those kids to have the same

experience I had."

Campbell's experience is a bit different than the eighth-grade pair. The sophomore is still a player in the high school program.

"They have a sophomore project they have to do and he asked if he could come over here and coach," Buchanan said. "I thought it was a great idea."

Campbell has enjoyed the experience. And he's learning as well.

"It's nice being back. I played for coach Buchanan and it's nice to see him again," Campbell said. "I like coaching with him."

"(When you coach) you see a lot that you don't see on the court in your own game. You see a lot watching others."

Both teams saw their seasons end successfully on Wednesday against Brandon.

The seventh-grade team ended an 8-4 season, defeating Brandon 33-17. The Tigers led 24-2 at halftime.

Aaron Sarkon led the squad with eight points, while Adam Gornick had six points.

The eighth-grade game was close. Fenton trailed 6-0 early, but had a 17-11 lead by halftime. The lead grew to double-digits in the second half, but it took a blocked shot by Austin Mercord to earn the victory by a 29-26 margin. Chris Gilbert led Fenton with six points, while Jake Cairnduff, Nick Campbell and Ben Hajciar had four points each. The Tigers finished the season at 7-5.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS

Ex-Fenton player and now co-coach for the Fenton eighth-grade boys basketball team, Tyler Szczepanski, discusses a play with his team during Wednesday's game against Brandon.



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Fenton eighth-grader Jake Cairnduff drives with the ball during the same game. The seventh-grade team beat Brandon 33-17, while the eighth-grade squad won 29-26.

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Up, down or the same

We've listed a few of the key Detroit Tigers and will answer whether they play better (up), worse (down) or about the same as last year.



Justin Verlander



Max Scherzer



Ryan Raburn



Austin Jackson

Justin Verlander: Verlander had the best season of his young career, and once he's retired, it's easy to think last year will be his best season of his career. He's still going to be an ace and still be one of the best pitchers in baseball, but expecting another season like that, is tough.
SLIGHTLY DOWN

Max Scherzer: He's the biggest mystery in the starting rotation. One day he looks like an ace. The next start you wonder where the guy you saw a week ago went. He's 27 now and should be nearing the peak of his career. If he's ever going to become a bit more consistent, this is the time to do it.
SLIGHTLY UP

Ryan Raburn: Traditionally a poor hitter in the first half of the season, particularly through May, Raburn always produces with the bat in the second half like an all-star. He bats .228 during the first half of seasons and .300 during the second half of seasons during his career. That issue, coupled with his lack of a true position, has always kept Raburn from really being a legit regular starter. He's hot right now in spring training, so he's going to be given every chance to end the bad Aprils and Mays this year.
UP

Austin Jackson: At only 25, one could make the argument that Jackson should have no issues rebounding back to his rookie numbers. But he needs to reduce his strike outs from the 180s to at least the 110 range. If he does that and gets 15 more hits with those lost K's, he becomes an effective option. But it looks like that's not going to happen. While he's batting .300 this spring training, he has struck out eight times in 20 at bats.
SAME



With spring training, there's always hope. Everyone's a pennant contender. And at Lakeland, it's no different. In fact, at Tiger Town, optimism is at its highest point since, well, 2008. And most Tiger fans remember how well that season went. Still, the optimism is based on some strong reasons.

With the addition of Prince Fielder to the fold, there aren't many teams that can parade two players like Miguel Cabrera and Fielder in the heart of their order. Meanwhile, the starting pitching rotation is about as solid as anyone's in baseball at the top two positions. 2012 American League MVP and Cy Young Award winner Justin Verlander and Doug Fister return to those spots.

Still, with every spring training, questions remain. Here are a few burning questions while the Tigers are in Lakeland.

Will Cabrera work at third base?

Based on reports, Cabrera has been reasonably solid at third base. He's made just one error through Tuesday's games, is getting to routine balls and has shown a solid arm. However, his range still remains a question. As much as the Tigers want to say this experiment is etched in stone, it will be up to Cabrera to make it work, and a few games in spring training won't be the determining factor. It's reported, Cabrera embraced the transition to third. That's a plus. When people are on board and happy with a transition like this, it certainly increases their chance to succeed. The answer to this question should be answered by mid-May.

What about the rest of the defense?

The Tigers won't be baseball's best defensive team by any stretch of the imagination. In fact, they should be in the bottom half. No matter how well the Cabrera experiment works, it's a given the Tigers will lose some defense there. Fielder, at best, is adequate at first. And with Ryan Raburn's bat heating up, there's reason to think he'll get ample time at second base as well, another below-average glove. This

is where Brandon Inge, if he can find a way to hit, can help out. If he can earn even split starting duty at second, that would allow the Tigers to give most of the other starts to Ramon Santiago and then move Raburn to left for more games, a position he's more comfortable with. Delmon Young is a poor fielder, so it would be nice to see him play more DH.

The fifth starter mystery

The Tigers still haven't had some-one step up and seize that fifth-starter spot in the pitching rotation. That's a concern. But then again, finding a quality fifth starter is an issue for just about every team in baseball history.

Lefty Andy Oliver is off to a fine start, while another contender, Jacob Turner, was sidelined with tendinitis recently. Lefty Duane Below is another player being given ample chances, but has yet to impress. A few others are in the mix, but the spot remains a mystery as the Tigers enter the second half of March.

What's going on with Brandon Inge?

The fact that a player like Inge is a concern of so many fans, tells you just how solid the Tigers are. Because of fans' polarized views of Inge, this is more of a fan-interest curiosity thing. By all reports he's looked outstanding at second. The question is, can he hit enough to justify playing the position in any sort of regular fashion. If he can, Inge will get his starts at second, and even in the best-case scenario with Cabrera at third, Inge will still find 20 games or so the spell him. It's clearly to the team defense's advantage to see Inge prove he can produce at the plate.



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SENIORS

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something special. We went 22-2 and got a district championship, which is really special. And that's going to be in your mind later in life."

"I loved every minute of it," said Dylan Hickoff, who eclipsed the 1,000-point mark of his career in Monday's game. "I loved all of my teammates. I loved all of our coaches. It was just a fun experience. I'll always remember it."

One man who will miss the Hickoffs is coach Tim Olszewski.

"They are always willing to help out and do what is needed," Olszewski said. "Not only for the team, but for the young kids that play basketball as well. They are epitome of class. It's what they do."

"The kids have to realize they jump rope after games and do all this extra stuff to become as good as they are. It's not by accident their skill level is where it's at. And it's not by accident that they are as good as human beings as they are, because you have to work at those things, and they do."

Along with other seniors Conor Muntin, Derek Jenkins and Jack Lukas, the squad was elevated to a new plateau this year. Talks about not winning district titles and not being able to compete with the better teams in the state are the thing of the past. The seniors hope the players look at this year's progress and advance off the base established this year.

"This year taught them how to work hard and take all the doubt that surrounds a team like ours, and use it as motivation," Muntin said. "It made us work that much harder. That will only be beneficial to the younger guys com-



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Dylan Hickoff (right) ended his Fenton varsity basketball career with just over 1,000 career points.

ing up next year."

"I think once they have been a part of a winning tradition, they realize to maintain that there is a price to be paid," Olszewski said. "I know I'm ready for the challenge, and I'm sure right now they are ready for the challenge as well."

Along with hard work, it has created belief in the program as well.

"They learned to believe in themselves. They can do a lot of great things," Dylan Hickoff said. "They are all great players. I know if they come together as a team, they can do some great things. I believe in them."



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The Holly varsity powerlifting team took second at the state meet at Lake Orion High School on March 10.

HOLLY

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"We only took third girls this year," Millhouse said. "We've never had any girls go in the past."

Meanwhile, Anthony Konas (145) led the Holly boys, taking second with a total weight lifted of 1,025 pounds.

One other Holly competitor took third. That was David Tremblay (123) with a total of 675 pounds lifted.

Fourth-place finishers for Holly were Kyle McCarty (132), Colton Richards (155), A.J. Lewandowski (165), Aaron Suttles (194) and Kyle Vandell (207).

Ten of the power lifters that qualified for the state meet this year return next

season. Earlier this year, the squad won regional meets at Durand High School and at Whitmore Lake High School.

Since Holly began its advanced conditioning class, which includes lifting, the school has seen success out of its boys' programs. Holly has finished first in the male portion of the Metro League's All-Sports trophy in three of the last five years. The number of students who can bench 200 pounds was 95 students last year. That is an increase of 19 over the previous high a year earlier.

"Everything we do in our conditioning class is to work toward that goal," Millhouse said.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS

Marina Cleis (front) and the rest of the Fenton softball program take advantage of the unseasonably warm weather with a sunny and warm practice outdoors.

WEATHER

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Last year's poor weather hurt most sports teams in terms of progress. With the good weather, teams are getting a jump on learning their teams.

"I love the weather starting out. It gets us out right away," Linden girls soccer coach Kevin Fiebernitz said. "Last year the big thing was we never got outside. And when we got outside, it was too cold or snowy. We lost five games due to the weather. It was a nightmare."

"It's really going to help all the teams be better prepared early on," Bescoe said. "That's always the difficult part. If you are indoors, how do you get flyball (practice)? How do you get the infield on the dirt? The weather

will help a couple of things."

Last year's weather was so bad, it has actually impacted this year's practices for the Fenton girls tennis team. The squad only had two outdoor practices before its first meet of the season last year, so it has rented out indoor facilities for early morning practices. Because of the planned sessions, the team actually practiced indoors on Tuesday and did so on Thursday as well.

"We practiced inside on Monday because we scheduled it and on Tuesday," Ballard said. "This year we don't want to miss any days. So we are going at 5 a.m. (on days that rain looks possible) to make sure we get our practices in. We are shooting for outdoors on Friday."



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Linden Mills Days to have fireworks

►DDA grants \$5,000 to organizers for purchase of fireworks

By William Axford

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Linden — The Linden Mills Days is one step closer to bringing a carnival to their festivities. The Linden Downtown Development Authority (DDA) approved a \$5,000 grant to organizers, securing the necessary funds to purchase fireworks. Skerbeck Brothers Carnival requires organizers to have fireworks before coming to Linden.

Linden Mills Days organizer Cyndi Roesner said she is waiting for the carnival's contract to come in the mail before moving on.

"(Fireworks) are just one step closer," Roesner said. "We're really excited to move forward and plan a fabulous event for the community."

Linden Mills Days is

Summary

►The Linden Mills Days has received \$5,000 from the Linden DDA to purchase fireworks.

scheduled for June 21 to 24. The carnival, fireworks, battle of the bands and an entertainment tent are some of the activities planned for the four-day festival. Roesner appeared before the Linden City Council Feb. 27 and received support from councilors.

Linden Summer Happening chairman Tim Murphy said organizers for the Summer Happening are attempting to relocate the event to another community. Murphy expects to have more information in the upcoming week.

"It would happen during the third week of July," Murphy said. When asked about the Linden Mills Days receiving funding from the Linden DDA, Murphy said, "That's fine, we're two different organizations. It's different what they do and what we do."

Roesner said Linden Mills Days organizers are still looking for volunteers and sponsors. For more information, call city hall at (810)735-7980 or email info@lindenmillsdays.org.

"We're really excited to move forward and plan a fabulous event for the community."

Cyndi Roesner

Linden Mills Days organizer

HOT LINE CONTINUED

REGARDING THE WOMAN who defended the "man with the gun." He can hang it around his neck if he wants. But, as far as I am concerned, he should stay away from schools and students. Let him train to be a policeman if he wants to help.

ABORTION IS AN irresponsible person's way of not accepting the responsibility for their actions.

IT'S NOT "OBAMA math" to not count retired people and those who actually have jobs as part of the unemployment rate, that's the way it's always been done. I love how things that haven't changed since the early 20th century suddenly become breaking news when there's a Democrat in office.

TO THE PERSON who said that open carry, is for tobacco-spitting confederate flag flyers you are wrong. I do not smoke or chew nor fly the flag and I do support open carry 100 percent. Quit being closed-minded you pig-headed liberal.

BY PRO-CHOICE I am meaning that Jesus spoke about us being free to choose how each of us lives our lives without judging how someone else lives theirs. He didn't force people to listen to him. Jesus doesn't criticize unbelievers; he has his finger pointed at you and me.

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LET'S SEE, IT takes about \$500,000 to move Obama in Air Force One. He takes a visiting dignitary to Dayton to see a basketball game and back to Washington in a half a day. He must have been trained by Fenton DDA. Such a waste.

I LOVE THAT the person saying that speaking for God about abortion is bad, goes on to speak for God. Classic!

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ABOUT TRASH LINED U.S. 23. Maybe the long-term unemployed and the life-long welfare recipients could volunteer one day a month to pick up litter, while the rest of us are at work. Or maybe it should be a law.

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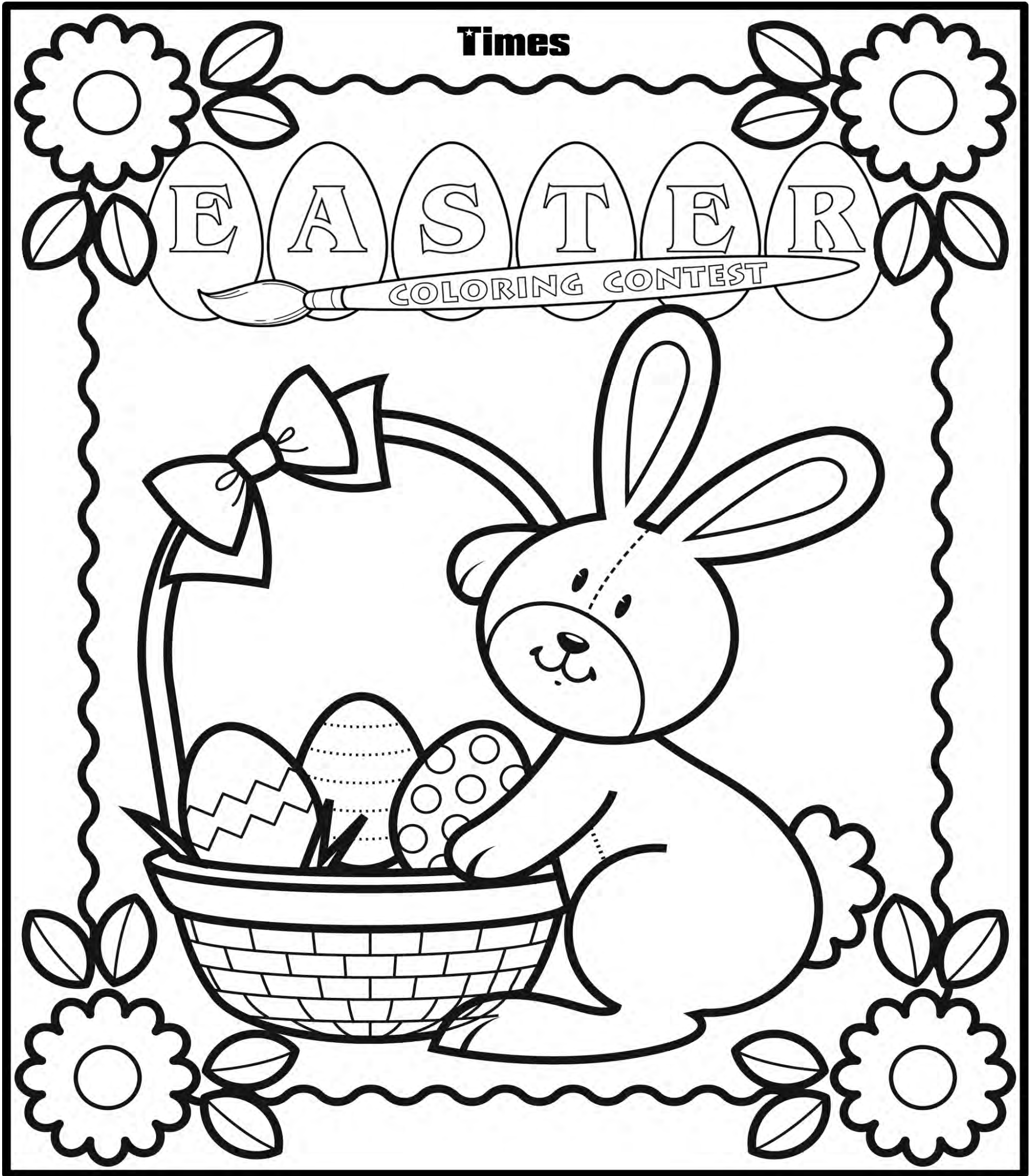
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"Certain situations" is key, as values overall, Wentworth says, have not begun to
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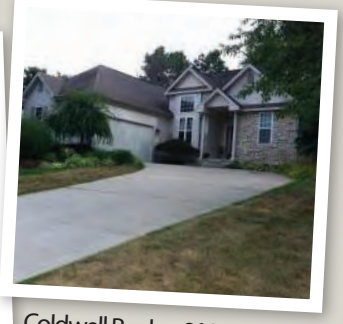
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School news



SPELLING BEE WINNERS

Corinne Brown (center), a sophomore at Lake Fenton High School took third place at the Glenowyn L. Jones Championship Spelling Bee on Wednesday, March 14. She competed in the nine- through 12th-grade competition. Brown also took second place during the Genesee County Regional Spelling Bee on Tuesday. All of the finalists received a plaque to take home. Lake Fenton High School junior Angela Todd took second place Monday at the Genesee County Regional Spelling Bee. This portion of the competition was for grades seven, 11 and 12 and held at the Genesee Intermediate School District's Davis Education Center. Brown and Tanner Shemes, a ninth-grader at Lake Fenton High School each took second place in their respective grades in the Genesee County Regional Spelling Bees for grades eight, nine and 10 on Tuesday. Glenowyn L. Jones and Genesee Intermediate School District sponsor the Genesee County Regional Spelling Bee.

Calendar of events

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS HOSTS DANCE

Parents Without Partners, Flint Chapter 110 is hosting a dance on Thursday, March 29. It is open to the public and it will be held at the Flint Eagles No. 629, 2149 North Dort Hwy., two blocks north of Davison Road in Flint. Orientation begins at 7 p.m., followed by the dance from 8 p.m. to midnight. For more information, call Ann C. at (810) 422-5283, Ann H. at (810) 516-9845 or Lois at (989) 843-0640. Parents Without Partners, Inc. is now the largest international, nonprofit membership organization devoted to the welfare and interests of single parents and their children.

TYRONE HISTORICAL SOCIETY DINNER

The Tyrone Historical Society will meet on Monday, March 19 at the Tyrone Township Hall on Center Road. There will be a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. Following dinner, Tony Kniaz, a speaker from the Hartland area will talk about the Civil War. Kniaz was a reenactor for years and collected artifacts that he will bring to show the guests. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to bring a friend.

MOMS CLUB MEETS MARCH 20

MOMS Club of Linden/Fenton invites all stay-at-home moms from Linden, Fenton and Holly to join them for their monthly meeting, Tuesday, March 20, at 9:30 a.m. Their purpose is to bring together moms for friendship and support. They offer playgroups, moms' night out, community service projects and much more. They meet the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at Faith Baptist Church, 4158 Silver Lake Rd, Linden. (They are not affiliated with the church; this is simply their meeting place). For more information, email momsclublf@yahoo.com.

REAL ESTATE

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rise yet. The type of property obviously has a large effect on the price, with a high demand for waterfront property and homes in the \$150,000 to \$250,000 range.

Wentworth has an optimistic outlook on the near future of the market, and believes things will improve. "I don't see any big, major changes. But that's okay – because the major changes that were negative already happened, and I think slowly we will start to see all positive things out of the market over the next year," he said.

For those dealing with the housing market, Wentworth said people need to be mindful that things have changed over the last few years. "It is not what it was two years ago, and any house that is priced correctly is selling in 30 days," he said.

Many of these thoughts are echoed by John Tremaine of Tremaine Real Estate.

"If your home is priced right, it will sell fast," Tremaine says. "There is a huge demand, and the supply is limited for homes that are priced right."

According to Tremaine, the current housing market poses a couple challenges to those looking to buy a home. Those looking to move into a new home may have difficulty getting their investment back from selling their original home before purchasing the new one.

Other problems facing people looking to purchase a house are other homebuyers. With a lack of property on the market, buyers often find themselves facing greater competition. Despite these extra difficulties, Tremaine says buyers are still in a good position in the current marketplace.

"It's a great time to sell, it's a better time to buy. If you are in a position to buy, you can get a fantastic deal," he says.

What can you do to make sure you snag that fantastic deal? "Do your homework," Tremaine says. "Have your financing in line, so that when that opportunity does present itself, you can grab it. Odds are someone else is going to see it too."

Patrik Welty of Legacy Realty Professionals agrees that the big problem facing the housing market is all about supply and demand. "The issue today is lack of inventory," he says.

"We really don't have enough property to sell. We've got way more buyers than we do sellers, and that shortfall is leading to a lot of frustration for buyers today."

Another issue cited by Welty is a lack of bank-owned properties out there, saying

Nationwide:

Foreclosures drop but on pace to hit record

Mike Colpitts, a writer for Housing Predictor said, foreclosure filings dropped a slim 2 percent in February, but are still on pace to hit a new record volume for 2012, despite an increase in short sales by lenders on homes in default of their mortgages, according to RealtyTrac.

February foreclosure activity in 26 states with judicial foreclosures rose 2 percent from January and was up 24 percent from a year ago as banks picked-up the pace to take back properties that are in default. Foreclosures were slowed in states that required banks and mortgage servicing companies to complete foreclosure proceedings through the courts.

"February's numbers point to a gradually rising foreclosure tide as some of the barriers that have been holding back foreclosures are removed," said Brandon Moore, CEO of RealtyTrac. "Although national foreclosure activity was pushed lower by decreases in a handful of larger states, 21 states posted annual increases in foreclosure activity, the most states with annual increases since November 2010."

Summary

►A lack of houses on the market is the major issue facing real estate sales today. A savvy buyer or seller may be able to make the current environment work for them, as long as they take the time to study the market.

"The issue today is lack of inventory."
Patrik Welty
Legacy Realty

that they are not coming on to the market at the same pace as they have been in previous years.

Welty says that this time last year, they had more houses on the market, and things are not currently changing. "Our inventory has been declining over the last several weeks," he said.

Even with the demand being high, the price people are prepared to pay may not be. Welty says that there are only so many that are willing to sell at the current market values, which is partly responsible for the shortage of real estate.

Welty does offer some optimistic speculation of what we can expect in the near future. "Traditionally, home owner sales tend to rise as things warms up, and this premature warming we are going through might lead to a substantial number of people putting their homes on the market."

If the weather does in fact have a sizable impact on the market, Welty said, that remains to be seen.

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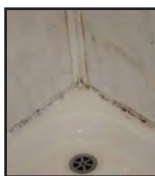
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- **1 out of 6 people** who suffer from allergies do so because of the direct relationship to the fungi and bacteria found in the air duct system. (Source, Total Health and Better Health Magazines)
- **Indoor air** is found to be up to 70 times more polluted than outdoor air. (Source, Environmental Protection Agency)
- **The elderly**, asthmatics and people with breathing problems are also likely to be sensitive to pollutants in the air of their own home. (Source, Department of Consumer Affairs)
- **Children are more likely** than adults to be affected by polluted air. They breathe faster, inhale more air per unit of body weight and are closer to the ground, where the concentrations of pollutants are higher. (Source, Department of Consumer Affairs)
- **Legionnaire's Disease** was spawned from air ducts and killed 29 people in 1976. (Source, American Lung Association)
- **Most people spend** 60 to 90% of their time indoors. (Source, American Lung Association)

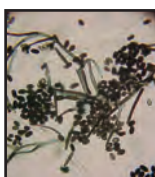
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Mold grows in warm, dark, moist aerobic environments with a good food supply. Molds aren't picky, so any organic material--wood, plaster, dirt--will do. Bathrooms are prime breeding grounds for mold because of high moisture and available food supply.



Mold Types

There are more than 100,000 different types of mold, and some are toxic. Cladosporium, aspergillus, mucor, alternaria and penicillium are all common household molds and are not considered toxic.



Toxic Mold

Strachybotrys and memnoniella are both toxic molds and need moist plant matter, like wood, to grow. The mold may appear slimy when wet and have white edges. Contact with large quantities of toxic mold spores makes people seriously ill. If toxic mold is suspected, it should be removed by professionals.



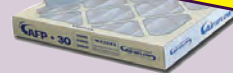
How to Prevent Mold

The best way to prevent mold is through moisture control. Dehumidifiers and ventilation fans are two ways to control moisture levels. Painting woodwork with antifungal paint will also prevent mold growth.



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Travel Brokers offers

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Travel agency has seen many changes in its 30 plus years of business

By Ryan Tackabury

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Q: When did your business get its start?

A: The Travel Brokers was founded by Cheri and Randy Church and first opened for business in 1979 in the Kingsley Square Plaza on Fenton Road near Hill Road in Flint.

In 1995 we opened a branch office in Fenton. About three years ago we moved our Fenton office from Silver Parkway to its present location on North Leroy in the Lake Winds Plaza.

Q: What were the early days of your business like?

A: We opened because there was a niche for selling discounted airline tickets. This was during the time of the introduction of what was called "super-saver" airfares and most of our competitors were still selling full-fare air tickets primarily. Word soon spread of our low air ticket prices and within a couple years, we added several new agents to meet the increased demand. Our big break came in early 1980 when we sold a group of 100 to Las Vegas. We won over a lot of clients because of that trip.

Q: Tell us about your employees.

A: Our Fenton branch is staffed by Cheri Church, Debbie Queen, Fran Halliday and Sharon Ewles, who

have a combined 60 years of experience in the travel industry.

Q: What sort of trips do you usually plan?

A: We arrange honeymoons, anniversaries, business trips, cruises, family vacations, couples getaways and more. We specialize in small and large groups.

Q: How has your business changed over the years?

A: During those early days there was not a big demand for cruises or tour packages but today that is a major portion of our business. The travel industry has changed a great deal since 1979 mainly because of the advent of the Internet. Although it has brought us more competition, it has also made us far more efficient in addition to bringing us trip requests from all over the nation.

Q: Where can your clients find you online?

A: Our website, www.travelbrokersinc.com, is basically another branch office that is open 24/7. Many of our clients communicate with us exclusively via our website and e-mail. We use it to advertise our latest specials as well as provide travel information, airport parking discount coupons, flight status,

"The travel industry has changed a great deal since 1979."

Cheri Church
Travel Brokers president

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Cheri Church of Travel Brokers specializes in finding great travel deals.

online check-in, luggage policies and much more.

Q: What do you offer that your competitors do not?

A: We are occasionally asked why people should buy from us instead of buying from a large online agency or buying direct. The answer is quite simple; why would you not want to buy locally if you can get the same price (or lower) and have a local person to talk to and ask questions?

For those who like to surf the web in the evening or weekends they can buy directly from our website with access to all of the latest specials and still get our support when we are open. It's the best of both worlds.

Q: What advice can you give to your clients?

A: Although we specialize in finding great travel buys, we want our clients to have a great trip experience. Often we can find a much nicer trip for just a small increase in cost; in other words, the best value.



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Powells look back on 70 years together

► Fenton couple married before attack on Pearl Harbor

By Tim Jagielo

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It was a day much like their anniversary that Dallas and Rose Powell were married. It was March 14 and spring was making an appearance with warm weather and cloudless skies.

"I always thought they were the ideal type of marriage, very nurturing, they always did things family, they were just the perfect parents."

Karen Hajec
Daughter of Dallas and Rose Powell

"I thought the weather like this is weird, but 70 years ago today it was weird like this too," said daughter Karen Hajec, of the day her parents were married.

Dallas, 91, and Rose, 89, were married at the Fenton First Presbyterian Church. Rose was a dentist's assistant and Dallas worked at GM Proving Grounds. They were 20 and

18, respectively.

On this week in 1942, Americans were gripped with fear, warily watching the fighting that would eventually be called World War II, engulf Europe. They were married before the attack on Pearl Harbor, and they were soon swept up into the war together, as Dallas joined the Navy in August. Rose followed Dallas in his Navy travels. "Only by his invitation," she quipped. "Wherever he was stationed, I was with him."

Their red house in Fenton was built by Dallas in 1952. They still live there and they raised their two children there. Throughout their lives, Rose stayed home while Dallas worked, except for when Dallas had back surgery.

Rose, still feisty, joked that their 70 years together feels like 190. "We're very happy," Rose quickly added with a laugh. "It seems like the older you get, the faster



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Dallas and Rose Powell have been married for 70 years. They have three grandchildren, four step grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and six step great grandchildren.

the years go by," said Dallas. "You've got so much to look back at. We've had a good life."

The couple still flirts with each other, and has a little trouble recalling any specific highlight of their marriage. "Every year we had a family vacation," said Hajec. "They continued on after we grew up."

They visited every state in the U.S. "That was more important to us than going abroad, because we wanted to know our country," said Rose.

Watching her parents' marriage, Hajec said, "I always thought they were the ideal type of marriage, very nurturing, they always did things family, they were just the perfect parents." She said Rose was the perfect 1950s mom. "She took care of the home, that's a full-time job," said Dallas. He said the highlight of his day was coming home to see his wife and kids.

Hajec has grown up hearing about her parents, who were viewed by many as a great example of a family. "I always felt proud to know they were my parents, when I looked at different people, I couldn't have picked better parents, loving supportive through ups and down," said Hajec.

Those downs included WWII, Dallas' back problems, and the sudden loss of their son, Dallas, who passed away in 2006, still in his early 60s.

For couples considering getting married, Dallas had some advice. "I think that they should take time to assess the values of the other person, what they have in common, so that they are adaptable to each other," said Dallas.

Rose offered no advice to a newly married couple. "They can't do the same things we did," she said. "I loved to be a housewife for this guy."



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Rose and Dallas Powell were married this week in 1942, at ages 18 and 20. They were considered a "late" marriage at that time.

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Compiled by Eric Trowt, Intern

Jack Lukas

■ 18-year-old senior

■ Fenton High School

■ My family: parents, Donald and Kristen Lukas, and I have a sister, Sheila.

“Live life like it's the last day of school.”

What sports and leisure activities do you enjoy?

Football, basketball and lifting weights.

My dream car is: A black Lamborghini Diablo.

Dream Destination: I'd want to go to Sydney, Australia, because I hear it's really nice there.

My all-time favorite movie is: The Dark Knight because I really like the Batman series.

My earliest memory is: going up North to my grandma's cottage in Harbor Springs. I must have been about 5 years old.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be? I'd want to fly so I could go where I want without having to deal with people.

I always: try to have fun.

I never: give a bad effort.

If you could make one rule everyone has to follow, what would it be? Don't hold grudges on people.

Is there an event in your life you would like a 'do-over' for? I'd redo our last football game against Lowell because we lost and that's the last game I'll ever play.

If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be? I'd want to see the first moon landing on TV, because it was a huge moment in human history.



If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say? Free hugs because it's funny and friendly.

What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to? March Madness because I love watching basketball.

Front row seats and backstage passes. Who are you seeing? Waka Flocka Flame, because I really like his music.

What has been the best day in your life so far? It was on my

last spring break when we went to Cancun. That whole trip was really nice.

What are your plans after graduation? I'm attending the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

How are you preparing for college? I'm filling out scholarships and maintaining my grades.

My parting advice for a better world is: Always give your best effort.

FENTON HIGH SCHOOL student body

What is the best elective course that your school offers?

"Video production, because it's a fun class."

GERAD WEGENER, SENIOR



"The American Legal System class. We have lots of guest speakers and go to the courthouse."

KYLE COSTIGAN, JUNIOR



"I'd say American Legal Systems because we get to learn about the law before we get to college."

CAITLYN CARR, SENIOR



"Advanced Journalism, because it gives us a sense of the real world."

KATHRYN LEAVY, SENIOR



"Video production, because of the teacher and it's a lot of fun."

ANDREW HUNTLEY, JUNIOR



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Calling all euchre players

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786

Paul Scott is hosting a charity euchre tournament on Saturday, March 24 in Grand Blanc to raise funds for his Paul Scott Community Fund.

The tournament is being held at Little Joe's restaurant in Grand Blanc, beginning at 6 p.m. Registration is at 5:45 p.m. The cost per player is \$25 and the sponsor level is \$100.

Euchre players can test their card-playing skills to snatch one of the prizes. First place wins \$150, second place wins \$50, third place wins \$35 and last place wins \$20.

In addition to winning prizes, tournament participants are also contributing to Scott's community fund. Proceeds from the event go toward college scholarships for area high school seniors who have displayed a profound interest in public service.

Since it was established in 2009,

the Paul Scott Community Fund has awarded \$9,380 to area youth in sponsorships and scholarships.

Last year's recipients were Patricia Drake of Goodrich High School, Mat-

thew Chema of Grand Blanc High School, Anastasia Bubin of Lake Fenton High School, Jessica Ulrich of Fenton High School and Colin Westphal of Linden High School.

When asked why he established this fund, Scott said, "We need our younger talent to stay in the community and be engaged in service now more than ever.

"This will be our third year giving scholarships to graduating seniors who display an interest in entering public service. It's important to our non-profit that we recognize and encourage our top scholars who are committed to improving this community.

To register, e-mail Scott at paulh-scott@gmail.com.

"It's important to our non-profit that we recognize and encourage our top scholars who are committed to improving this community."

Paul Scott

Paul Scott Community Fund

VILLAGE OF HOLLY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF VARIANCE REQUEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with Article 25 of the Village of Holly Zoning Ordinance, the Village of Holly Zoning Board of Appeals will hear requests for a use variance on April 2, 2012 at 7:00 PM (or as soon thereafter as possible) in the Village Council Chambers located at 315 S. Broad St., Holly, Michigan.

An application for a use variance was filed by Holly Township for 4092 Grange Hall Rd. The parcels bear tax identification numbers 01-27-301-017. The applicant is requesting a use variance to allow a Recycling Center to be located on Commercially Zoned property.

Written comments may be submitted to the Village Clerk-Treasurer, 202 S. Saginaw St., Holly, Michigan 48442 prior to the review and may also be submitted at the meeting. All documents pertinent to the application are available for inspection in the Village Offices at the above address during regular business hours.

Interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting. Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend are asked to contact the village offices at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (248) 634-9571 during regular business hours.

Catherine Behrens
Clerk-Treasurer, Village of Holly

Back to the Bricks

►Third annual promotional tour begins June 15

Spring is on the way and so is the third annual Back to the Bricks promotional tour. The "Heart of Michigan" tour runs Friday, June 15 – Friday, June 22. In addition, on Saturday, June 23 tour participants will drive into the Sloan Museum Auto Fair. The eighth annual Back to the Bricks, is set for Aug. 14-18.

Car enthusiasts are welcome to purchase a packet and join in on the tour. Registration begins April 25. Packets cost \$35, which includes an itinerary, T-shirt, hat, window cling, poster and two lanyards. The lanyards are important for the participants so they can get discounts, free items, and more along the tour.

This year's route will be touring the middle portion of the state with a couple of stops on the edge, so given the name "Heart of Michigan Promotional Tour."

For more information on the June tour or Back to the Bricks in August, visit www.back-to-the-bricks.org or call (810) 919-5078.



BACK TO THE BRICKS TUNE UP IN FENTON

On Monday, Fenton City Council gave its approval to a request made by Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation to hold a "Back to the Bricks Tune Up" event on Thursday, Aug. 9 from 3:30 to 9 p.m. This event in Fenton was successful last year and aligns itself with the larger

"Back to the Bricks" event held Aug. 14-18. Anywhere from 350-500 car enthusiasts are expected to participate in this event along with more than 1,000 spectators. SLPR has asked to close South LeRoy Street from Silver Lake Road to West Shiawassee Avenue to allow the cars to park diagonally along the roadway. In addition,

some of the public and private parking lots adjacent to LeRoy would be reserved for these vehicles. The Fenton Police Department will have four officers scheduled for second shift with two additional officers on overtime for this event.



BACK TO THE BRICKS Heart of Michigan Promotional Tour Route:

Friday June 15: Leave Flint, end in Mt. Pleasant,
Saturday, June 16: Leave Mt. Pleasant, end in Grayling,
Sunday, June 17: Leave Grayling, end in Traverse City,
Monday, June 18: Leave Traverse City, end in Cadillac,
Tuesday, June 19: Leave Cadillac, end in Grand Rapids.
Wednesday, June 20: Leave Grand Rapids, end in Sturgis,
Thursday, June 21: Stay in Sturgis, night two,
Friday, June 22: Leave Sturgis and end in Grand Blanc/Flint.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held on Monday, April 2, 2012, by the Tyrone Township Zoning Board of Appeals at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., to consider the following variance applications:

APPEAL NO. 1: Ref. Tyrone Township Zoning Ordinance No. 36 – Sections 20.01 (Table of Schedule of Regulations), Section 27.02 (Permitted Business Signs) and 27.1 (Summary of Sign Dimensional Standards and Regulations)

A variance request by William Wood (Woody's Towing Inc.) for a 61-foot setback variance from the Center Road right-of-way and a 34-square foot size variance to allow a 98-square foot sign, located at 9485 Center Road, (TAX CODE # 4704-17-400-006).

Additional information, legal descriptions and location maps are available at the Tyrone Township Clerk's Office, 10408 Center Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Tyrone Township Clerk, at (810) 629-8631, at least seven days prior to the meeting.

Gregory Carnes, Chairman
Tyrone Township Zoning Board of Appeals



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Even though men are pictured here on spin bikes at Anytime Fitness in Fenton, both men and women will enjoy the fun intensity of a spinning workout. Pictured at far right is Anytime Fitness owner Aaron Ford.

Business *profile*

Take a spin

►Anytime Fitness now has spinning classes

By Sally Rummel
news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

When Aaron Ford, owner of Anytime Fitness in Fenton, invites you to "take a spin," he wants to introduce you to the cycling sport of spinning.



Spinning classes are the newest fitness classes offered at Anytime Fitness, a 24-hour member access gym located at 3230 Silver Lake Rd. This high energy and fun workout on spe-

cially designed spin bikes burns up to 600 calories in just a half-hour workout, according to Ford.

"Unlike stationary bikes, a spin bike allows you to ride in a bent position with your forearms placed on the handlebars," said Ford. "This stance is a power position that allows you to keep your back comfortable, while pedaling at maximum power for your most effective workout."

Classes are offered Monday through Friday for beginner and intermediate levels. Weekday class times for Intro to Spin are 9 to 9:30 a.m., 4 to 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 to 7 p.m. Regular Spin classes are Monday through Friday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. and from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Advanced Spin classes are held Sunday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. or by appointment.

"These spin classes are offered to the general public, as well as to Anytime Fitness members," said Ford. "Our members do get two free Spin classes a month. Ask about our package prices. The classes are booking quickly."

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Social News

BIRTHDAY

Woman celebrates
104th birthday



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Letha Dolza celebrated her 104th birthday on March 6. She is from Fenton and currently lives in Clarkston at Autumn Ridge Assisted Living. Dolza served as president of both the Fenton Music Club and Fenton branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Club. Dolza was born in Hammond, Ind., and moved to Flint at the age of 6. She met her husband John Dolza while working for Buick Motor Company in Flint. John passed away in 1985. Dolza has five children, 12 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

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Application deadline is **March 23rd**, with a tentative start date of April 2nd. Please email resumes to appletons@hollyacademy.org, or fax to 248-634-5564.



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SuperCrossword

ACROSS

- 1 Auctioneer's item
- 6 Column style
- 11 Tiff
- 15 Wallace or Ayres
- 18 Revenue
- 19 Ann —, MI
- 20 Well-ventilated
- 21 Have bills
- 22 Irish mobster?
- 24 Irish singer?
- 26 Fluffy female
- 27 — contact
- 28 Frighten
- 30 Corduroy ridge
- 31 Sean of "Colors"
- 33 Covered thickly
- 36 In any way
- 38 Furnish
- 41 "The Dating Game" producer
- 42 Young follower?
- 43 "Rigoletto" composer
- 44 Adams' apparatus
- 45 Home wreckers?
- 49 "Make — double!"
- 50 Last name in fashion

DOWN

- 3 Cubic meas.
- 4 Philips of "UHF"
- 5 Saga
- 6 Knight's wife
- 7 Planet, for one
- 8 McGwire stat
- 9 Noun suffix
- 10 Balkan area
- 11 Bar food?
- 12 Wharf
- 13 Like
- 14 Cobb and Hardin
- 15 True-blue
- 16 Tom of "Adam's Rib"
- 17 "You — on My Mind" ('65 hit)
- 18 Complete the cake
- 23 Writer Rand
- 25 Oscar or Tony
- 29 Meyerbeer's "— Huguenots"
- 31 Seal school
- 32 Author Ambler
- 33 Sahara sight
- 34 Turgenev's birthplace
- 35 O'Hare info
- 37 Wire
- 38 Fired up

ACROSS

- 52 Diva Leontyne
- 53 "— been had!"
- 54 Baseball's Bucky
- 56 Evangelist Roberts
- 57 Sag
- 59 Bottled spirits?
- 61 Box
- 63 Kind of carpet
- 64 Fit for a king
- 65 Easy stride
- 66 Irish explorer?
- 70 "East of Eden" character
- 71 Dancer Gregory
- 72 They may be wild
- 73 Porthos' pal
- 75 Turn inside out
- 76 Cremona craftsman
- 78 Clarinetist Artie
- 79 School founded in 1440
- 82 Always, to Auden
- 83 Less available
- 85 Bartlett bits
- 87 Space —
- 88 Ally Walker series

DOWN

- 90 Country gentleman
- 92 — cotta
- 94 Bruins' sch.
- 95 Compare
- 96 Castle feature
- 97 Greek island
- 99 Celtic cultists
- 100 Sociable starling
- 101 Bluenose
- 102 Actress Davis
- 104 Rainbow shape
- 105 Scholastic abbr.
- 108 Irish composer?
- 110 Irish boxer?
- 116 Infamous Amin
- 117 Chip off Woody's block
- 118 Carve a canyon
- 119 Ill-tempered
- 120 Rock's — Zeppelin
- 121 AMEX rival
- 122 Impres-sionist painter
- 123 Elbow

ACROSS

- 39 Jubilee
- 40 Irish actor?
- 41 Bite for Bonzo
- 42 Freightor or ferry
- 44 Pool shot
- 45 — Magnon
- 46 Irish musician?
- 47 European health resort
- 48 — Patrick Harris
- 51 Torrid
- 52 Kelly's possum
- 55 Candle
- 57 Delhi wrap
- 58 Shoots the breeze
- 60 A la King?
- 62 Curb
- 63 "Git, Garfield!"
- 65 Bile producer
- 67 Circus sound
- 68 City in Pakistan
- 69 Talk really big
- 71 Dickens villain
- 74 Veneration
- 76 — code
- 77 Sea, to Seurat
- 78 Decks have four
- 80 Grimm creature

DOWN

- 81 Tidy
- 84 Extended metaphor
- 85 College courtyard
- 86 Amaze
- 89 Tierra del —
- 90 Multiplied 2 X 2
- 91 On the — vive
- 93 Significant years
- 95 Directional suffix
- 96 Industrialist
- 97 — oil
- 98 Unbending
- 99 Crusoe's creator
- 100 "The A-Team" actor
- 101 Skier Mahre
- 103 Architectural features
- 104 Aphrodite's lower
- 105 Evigan or Gumbel
- 106 Unwind a rind
- 107 Some
- 109 Ashen
- 111 Northwest-ern st.
- 112 Marsh
- 113 Author LeShan
- 114 Joanne of "Red River"
- 115 Sturm — Drang

ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memoriums

Joann Dodge,

Joann Dodge - age 76, died March 12, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Donald Hykal,

Donald Hykal - age 44, died March 14, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Laura Klinck,

Laura Klinck - age 84, died March 15, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Kenneth Sanders,

Kenneth Sanders - age 69, died March 15, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Trudy Bronson,

Trudy Bronson - age 64, died March 10, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Alvin Hemmert,

Alvin Hemmert - age 87, died March 16, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



June Shirley Mills

1925-2012

June Shirley Mills - age 87, of Holly, died Thursday, March 15, 2012. Funeral



services will be held 11 AM Monday, March 19, 2012 at Sharp Funeral Homes.

Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton with Pastor Drex Morton officiating. Visitation will be held 2-6 PM Sunday and 9:30 AM until the time of service Monday. Those desiring may make contributions to All Saints Lutheran Church, Hartland. June was born January 31, 1925 in Ferndale, the daughter of Rolla and Bernice (Marsch) Wharff. She married Martin Mills on March 20, 1947 in Ferndale. She was a member of All Saints Lutheran Church in Hartland. Mrs. Mills had been employed by General Motors and retired from Sears in 1983. She loved cooking, crocheting and spending time with her family. Surviving are: husband, Martin; daughters, Anita Lee and Michael Ellis, Donna Lynn and James Heddins; grandchildren, Brandon, Clifton, Andrew and Nathan Ellis, Samuel and Sadie Bartholomew; great-grandchildren, Lucas and Noah Bartholomew; one niece and several nephews; sister-in-law, Lois Mills. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Lloyd and Kenneth Wharff; brother-in-law, Raymond Mills. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Eugene V. Chandler,

Eugene V. Chandler - age 75, died March 10, 2012. Share memories at www.temrowski-familyfuneralhome.com.



Earl Somerville,

Earl Somerville - age 72, died March 10, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



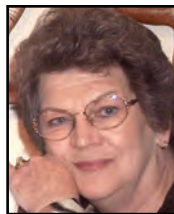
Frederick Turner,

Frederick Turner - age 76, died March 14, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Roland Haist,

Roland Haist - age 80, died March 16, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Elsie M. Sims,

Elsie M. Sims - age 77, of Fenton, passed away peacefully at home on March 14, 2012. Celebration of life luncheon at Olde Hickory Tavern, March 25th at 2PM.



Billy B. Green,

Billy B. Green - age 73, passed away March 14, 2012. Dear father of Melissa (Bret) Barker, Michael Green, Philip (Kendra) Green. Loving grandpa of Wesley, Max, Amanda, Ashley, Codi, Dasha and Chase. Dear brother of Sue, Melba and Nan. Billy also leaves Ima and JR, who have cared for him and been by his side. Cremation has taken place, Billy's family will gather privately. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



David Kaufeld,

David Kaufeld - age 54, died March 11, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Marjorie Krueger,

Marjorie Krueger - age 77, died March 12, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Muriel Kellerman,

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Donald Sigmon,

Donald Sigmon - age 57, died March 14, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Paul Bradford,

Paul Bradford - age 78, died March 13, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Alice M. (nee: Sneath) Wright,

Alice M. (nee: Sneath) Wright - age 85, died peacefully, March 14, 2012 at Caretel Inns of Linden. She is the beloved wife of Ralph "Pete" Wright. Surviving are her children, Bruce (Janice) Wright of Hartland and Terry (Joyce) Wright of Beverly Hills, FL; 5 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; 5 great-great-grandchildren; brother, Charles (Nancy) Sneath; and many nieces, nephews, and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Noa (nee: Barber) Sneath. Mr. and Mrs. Wright were High School sweethearts, together for 65 years. She graduated from Hartland High School in 1945. Mrs. Wright was an active member of Tyrone Community Presbyterian Church, where she was a Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, Vacation Bible School Teacher, and helped the children with crafts. She enjoyed ceramics, quilting, and weaving. A memorial service will be held Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at 11 AM at Tyrone Community Presbyterian Church. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Bernard Britton,

Bernard Britton - age 77, died March 13, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Bogdan Beslac,

Bogdan Beslac - age 67, died March 9, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Charles Baldrige,

Charles Baldrige - age 73, died March 13, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



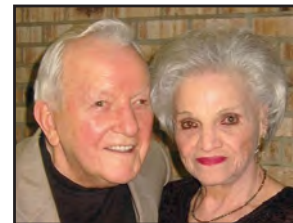
Corrine Burley,

Corrine Burley - age 84, died March 10, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Daniel McNiven,

Daniel McNiven - age 94, died March 14, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Stanley Peter Delecki

1919-2012

Stanley Peter Delecki - age 92, of Fenton, died Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at Genesys Health Park. Funeral Mass was celebrated 11 AM Friday, March 16, 2012 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St. with Rev. Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Interment followed at St. John Catholic Cemetery. Visitation was held from 5-8 PM Wednesday and 4-8 PM Thursday at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton where a vigil service was held 7 PM Thursday and was also held from 10 AM until time of Mass Friday at church. Those desiring may make memorial contributions to St. John G.I.F.T. Campaign. Mr. Delecki was born October 19, 1919 in Flint, the son of Albert and Sophie (Greber) Delecki. He married Anna Veronica Santa on May 11, 1946 and she preceded him in death on April 21, 2011. Mr. Delecki was a veteran of World War II serving in the U.S. Army Air Corp. He retired from Buick Motor Division as an inspector in 1980 after 34 years of service. Mr. Delecki was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, U.A.W. Local 599, Fenton VFW Curtis Wolverton Post 3243 and Dom Polski. Surviving are: 4 children, Nancy Williams and husband Ronald of Fenton Township, Dr. Chris Delecki and wife Bonnie of Seattle, WA, Tony Delecki and wife Lori of Fenton and Matt Delecki and wife Cheryl of Fenton; 12 grandchildren, Michael (Michelle) Williams, Timothy Williams (fiancee, Jaime Kapala), Brian (Erin) Williams, Zachary (Chelsie) Delecki, Lindsay (Eric Zenoni) Delecki, Kevin (Courtney) Delecki, Everett Delecki, Alex Delecki, Ryan Delecki, Carli Delecki, Elise Delecki, Marissa Delecki; 10 great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by his parents and eleven brothers and sisters. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Helen Lavene,

Helen Lavene - age 97, died March 12, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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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.

SUPER CROSSWORD ANSWERS

GAVEL DORIC SPAT LEW
INGOME ARBOR ATRY OWE
CARLOG AMBINO LOSAVER
EWE EYE ALARM WALE
PENN COATED ATALL
AFFORD BARRIS STER
VERDI CAMERA CHILDREN
ITA CHANEL PRIDGE IVE
DENT ORAL DROOP GENII
CARTON SHAQ REGAL
LOPE MARCOPOLO ARON
HINES GATS ARAMIS
EVERT AMATI SHAW ETON
EER RARER QUOTES AGE
PROFILER SQUIRE TERRA
UCLA EQUATE TURRET
CRETE DRUIDS MYNIA GPPA
PLIS GREENA ARCO SGA
HUGOWOLF ROBERTODURAN
IDIL ARLO EBERDE ORNER
LED NYSE DEGAS NUDGE

WEDNESDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

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WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: ICILY CRACK MADMAN GYRATE
Answer: When they took that tropical vacation, they apparently were saving their money for this—A RAINY DAY

SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: NOISY GNOME SUBWAY KETTLE
Answer: Even more fun than having a vacation is havin this—THE BOSS TAKE ONE

KING CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Solution time: 25 mins.

FBI BAIT ALMA
COS UNDO LEAR
COLANDER LILO
ACK ACCUSED
WINTER HOD
END RUG GEODE
EKED MOW SLUG
PYREX DAD ETO
SIR REPAYS
SPECTES BUN
WIDE SQUANDER
AKIN AMPS EMO
NEED WINE RUB

SUNDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

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**Constance (Connie)
Josephine (McCabe) Peabody**
1922-2012

Constance (Connie) Josephine (McCabe) Peabody - age 89, died on March 16, 2012. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 1:30 PM Monday, March 19, 2012 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide Street, Fenton with Rev. Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Interment will be at a family ceremony at a later date. Visitation will be at St. John's Church 12:30 PM until the funeral Mass. Connie was born in Windsor, Ontario October 13, 1922 daughter of Dr. L.G. and Teresa (Roesler) McCabe. She had 3 brothers and 2 sisters. Connie attended St. Mary's Academy and Holy Name College in Windsor and trained and worked as a medical technician at Grace Hospital, Detroit, Michigan. In 1944 she married Bob Peabody of Birmingham Michigan where they lived and operated the family fruit orchard. In 1960 they moved to Fenton to continue the orchard business. Connie loved the fruit business which she co-owned with her husband. Connie was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, St. Ann's Guild, the Fenton Art Guild and Bayview. She is survived by nine children: Mary Soper, Rob Peabody, Janet (Paul Perrault) Koebs, Katherine/Kitty Hendrick, Connie (Dan) Cobley, Bill

Peabody, Paul (Pam Merrill-Myers) Peabody, Rachel Peabody, Jim (Patty Smith) Peabody; 19 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Connie and her family led an active life including camping, downhill and cross country skiing. She was a Girl Scout leader and participated in the St. John's resettlement group, the Befrienders and was a member of the Holy Name church choir in Birmingham and the St. John's choir in Fenton. She was a member of Fenton Art Guild, the Garden Club and Bayview. Activities that continued throughout her life include her love of reading, travel and painting. Led and nurtured by Connie, the Peabody home was a place of pulsating exuberance, challenging discussion and lively activity. There was always room at the table for one more person. Her family and friends were touched by Connie's graciousness and her love of life. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you support your local museums, farm stands and farmers' markets. Arrangements by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



PAUL G. DONOHUE, M.D.

To your
good health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am a 38-year-old woman who has a very stressful job. It is also very well-paying, so I don't want to give it up. I think it might be giving me chest pain. The pain comes and goes unpredictably. Sometimes I am just sitting at my desk, and I get a squeezing sensation in my chest. At other times, I had been hurrying around. I have had several EKGs, been examined by three doctors, had a stress test and a radioactive stress test. The doctors say my heart is healthy, and the chest pain could come from stress. In speaking with people I trust, I have been told to have a heart catheterization. What do you think?

— P.A.

ANSWER: None of your three doctors told you that. Don't you think they might know more than your friends? You have to be guided by advice given to you by those who have had experience in assessing people's complaints. There's no pattern to your chest pain. Heart pain, in contrast, causes chest pain when a person is physically active. That pain goes when the person rests. Your kind of pain is not suggestive of a heart disorder. Your doctors have told you that your heart is healthy. You have had EKGs, stress tests and even a radioactive stress test. Those tests would have disclosed a heart problem if you had one. Furthermore, you are only 38 years old -- not an age for heart problems to occur. You mention no family history of heart trouble at early ages. With a catheterization, a thin, pliable tube is inched from a groin blood vessel to the site where the heart arteries are found. There, dye is injected so doctors can visualize the health of heart arteries. The doctors can spot any obstructions, like cholesterol buildup, in those arteries. It's an amazing test. However, complications can arise from any procedure that invades the body. When the detection of heart disease can be accomplished in no other way, information from a catheterization is justified. In your case, it's not. Stress is the most likely cause of your chest pain.

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Easy Pizza Dough

► **TIP:** Milk replaces water in this recipe to add flavor to the dough. If milk isn't available, substitute with water.

INGREDIENTS

- » 4 cups bread or all-purpose white flour
- » 1¼ cups lukewarm milk
- » 2¼ t. active dry yeast
- » 2 T. olive oil
- » 1 t. sugar
- » 1 t. salt
- » 1/4 cup additional milk

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 450 F.
2. Prepare the dough "starter." In a large liquid measuring cup, add the 1¼ cups warm milk, 1 teaspoon sugar and the yeast. Stir and set aside for 5 minutes. Allow the starter to foam up, which is called proofing.
3. In a large mixing bowl, add the flour and make a well in the center of the flour. Add the salt. Mix to combine well.
4. Mix the starter with the remaining milk, olive oil and the flour in the mixing bowl until combined and a little sticky.
5. Either turn out the dough onto a floured surface and knead by hand for 8 minutes to get a smooth, elastic, rubbery dough ball, or use a stand mixer with a dough hook to knead.
6. Put the kneaded dough in a bowl and drizzle with some olive oil. Cover the dough with a damp towel or plastic wrap. Allow to rise around an hour, or until it doubles in size. The rate of rising will depend on the temperature in the house and the potency of the yeast.
7. Sprinkle cornmeal on the bottom of the pizza pan. Deflate the dough and press into the pan. Stretch and flatten as necessary.
8. Top with sauce, cheese and favorite toppings. Bake for about 12 to 15 minutes, or until the bottom of the pizza looks slightly browned.

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Richard L. Ockerman Jr. and Katrina Smeets-Ockerman, husband and wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc as nominee for Flagstar bank FSB its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 23, 2009 and recorded November 16, 2009 in Instrument # 20091160073689 Genesee County Records, Michigan Said mortgage was assigned to: Everbank, by assignment dated January 31, 2012 and recorded February 6, 2012 in Instrument # 201202060006400 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Seven Dollars and Thirty-Six Cents (\$185,407.36) including interest 6.25% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on April 11, 2012 Said premises are situated in Township of Mundy, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Until 68, Maple Creek Preserve Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded as Instrument No. 200307180098378, Genesee County Records, and as designated as Genesee County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 315 together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements, as set forth in the above described Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of Public Acts of 1978, as amended. Commonly known as 6102 Fountain View Dr, Swartz Creek MI 48473 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 3/11/2012 Everbank, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 12-56226 Ad #22773 03/11, 03/18, 03/25, 04/01/2012

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: David Parris and Neva P. Parris, Husband and wife to First Franklin Financial Corp, Subsidiary of National City Bank of Indiana, Mortgagee, dated June 25, 2004 and recorded August 11, 2004 in Instrument # 200408110085125 Genesee County Records, Michigan Said mortgage was assigned to: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2004-FFH3, by assignment dated July 8, 2004 and recorded March 13, 2012 Instrument # 201203130027621 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Eighty-Five Cents (\$36,532.85) including interest 8.99% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on April 18, 2012 Said premises are situated in City of Flint, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 741 and 742 of Crestline, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Plat Liber 9, Pages 17 and 18, Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 1082 W Juliah Ave, Flint MI 48505 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 3/18/2012 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2004-FFH3, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-35477 Ad #23144 03/18, 03/25, 04/01, 04/08/2012

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