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Closer.” Why is it any less ridiculous for Fenton?”

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FIGHTING IN
HOCKEY

“Great article by Dave Troppens regarding fighting in hockey. Hockey is often boring, the possibility of the dropping of the gloves is what

keeps many fans watching. Eliminate fighting and hockey will disappear.”

“Fighting in hockey is barbaric and is reminiscent of the days of gladiators in the coliseum.”

STORY: SIGNS
WIN AWARD

“Holy smokes. Seriously?”

— Soapbox88

HOT LINE

of the week

“I JUST HEARD that the new Fenton city signs all over town just won a major design award. But someone must have missed the scroll lettered ‘MOM’ message that was accidentally included on top of all the signs.”



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Judge Duncan Beagle's courtroom in Flint is unique with a detailed wall mural on the history of Flint. A ramp is the only accommodation he needs for the job.

Wheelchair bound Judge Duncan Beagle positive through disability

By Tim Jagielo

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In 1991, the then 42-year-old Judge Duncan Beagle was married, became a circuit court judge, and also totally lost the use of his legs. “That was an interesting year,” he said.

Beagle wasn't paralyzed by an accident; his doctors

believed that an infection in his spine was the cause.

The Genesee County 7th Circuit Court judge and Fenton Township resident is wheelchair bound, but has long since adjusted to the lifestyle. He propels himself quickly through doorways, and drives to where he needs to go with a specialized Chrysler van.

Summary

▶ Judge Duncan Beagle of Fenton Township has lived with a disability since 1991, the same year he became a circuit court judge.

“That's why your faith in human beings gets reinforced. I see the worst of the worst in the courtroom.”

Hon. Judge Duncan Beagle
7th Circuit Court

As a judge, the only thing he needs is a ramp to reach his bench for proceedings, and the law professionals around him are accustomed to seeing the judge in a wheelchair.

See **JUDGE** on 15A

School board approves Summer Happening

▶ Festival OK'd to be held on Linden school grounds

By William Axford

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Linden — Linden may have two festivals this summer.

In a 5 to 2 vote, the Linden School Board voted to allow the Linden Summer Happening to be held at the high school and middle school. Trustees Steven Losey and Steve Murphy cast the dissenting votes.

Public comment went on for more
See **HAPPENING** on 22A

Inmates making unsightly highways beautiful again

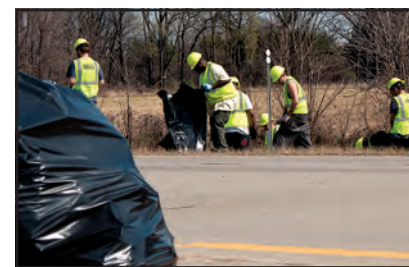
▶ Work detail gets non-violent inmates out of cell

By Sharon Stone

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As motorists travel along U.S. 23, many have been wondering where all the trash littering the median and shoulder came from. Although motorists may be responsible, the Genesee County Sheriff's Department is making the debris disappear.

See **INMATES** on 20A



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Genesee County Jail inmates are being utilized to pick up garbage that is littering the median and shoulders of local highways.



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Holly Township Library children's librarian Lucy Summers leads area children in activities before continuing with the dinosaur-themed story hour on Thursday.

Today's libraries moving beyond books

▶ Wide variety of services and resources available in addition to books

By Ryan Tackabury

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When you are looking for a book to read, you are likely to consider a visit to your local library. While the library offers as many books as ever, you may be surprised at what else they may have to lend you.

The Internet can be a great source of
See **LIBRARIES** on 23A

“We have quite a bit of local history. We have a very nice collection of information about Michigan, and a lot of books that are quite old.”

Shirley Roos

Director of Holly Township Library



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2 Sharpen dull knives with a flower pot

The unglazed surface of a flower pot can stand in for a sharpening stone. Just use the pot as you would a whetstone. Experts recommend holding the blade so the knife's edge faces away from you as you stroke the pot's edge. Otherwise, you'll be left with too fine of an edge that will feel sharp but then dull almost immediately upon use.

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Founding fathers, famous families, fill local cemeteries

► Ample room available in all three area graveyards

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For history buffs and those curious about the origins of their hometowns, local cemeteries are a rich place for digging up the past. From founding fathers to local landmarks, a stroll through a cemetery can be a walk through time. Fenton, Linden and Holly all host an annual cemetery walk in the fall, giving residents a crash course on their hometowns and the people who helped established them.

Here's a brief history of the local cemeteries.

Oakwood Cemetery

According to Oakwood Cemetery Chairman Doug Tebo, Clark Dibble founded both Dibbleville and

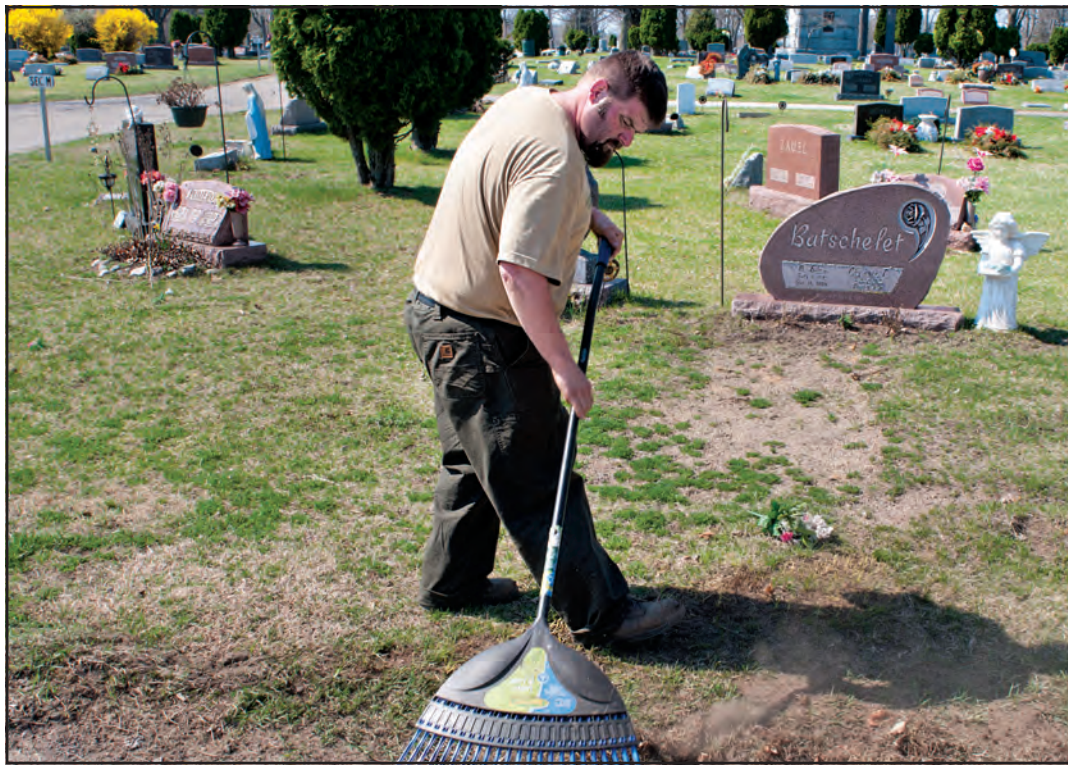
Summary

► Cemeteries in Fenton, Linden and Holly include many of the area's founding families.

Oakwood Cemetery in 1834. Dibbleville was in the cross section of multiple traveling paths and home to a mill, attracting people to live in the area. The most famous area of Oakwood Cemetery is Old Prospect Hill, where many of Dibble's family are buried.

According to lore, Fenton was named for Colonel William Fenton after he won a poker game. Fenton and his family, ironically, are buried

See **CEMETERIES** on 22A



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(Above) Willie Russell of the Holly Department of Public Works prepares the lawn at Lakeview Cemetery in Holly for the first lawn mowing of the year. Cemeteries in Fenton, Linden and Holly have founding families of their respective areas buried there. (Left) The Hadley, Baird, and Cogshall families are important to Holly's history. All three families have streets named after them in the village, and family members are buried at Lakeview Cemetery.



Raising a reader

► What you can do to help your child become a successful reader

By Ryan Tackabury

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Reading can be difficult skill to learn, and its importance cannot be overstated. Ensuring a young child transitions into a young reader is

an important job, and requires practice at home as well as at school.

Christine Eaton, a literacy teacher at North Road Elementary School in Fenton recommends

See **READER** on 21A

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Jayden Peters, 5, Dylan Miller, 4, (back row) listen along with Macklin O'Neil, 3, and Jenna Hudson, 4, to a story at the Holly Township Library on Thursday.



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Our worst enemy? Our own government

■ **A North Carolina mom** is understandably irate after her 4-year-old daughter returned home late last month with the lunch the mother had packed for the girl earlier that day. An unnamed government 'inspector' at the school determined the lunch 'didn't meet the healthy requirements.' It contained a turkey and cheese sandwich, banana, potato chips, and apple juice. The girl's lunch was confiscated and she was given three chicken nuggets to eat. Oh, and her mother was sent a bill for the government 'lunch.'

■ **How can anyone defend** the premise that we require people to present an ID to buy alcohol or cigarettes, drive a

car, or get on an airplane, but our own government says asking them to present identification to vote is a violation of their rights?

■ **The government website** (choosemyplate.gov), that our tax dollars built and maintain offers "innovative tips and food-wisdom" like this drivel: "Tip of the Day— Depending on their age, children can help shop for, clean, peel, or cut up fruits." Wow, most of the moms I know would never have been able to think of something this innovative on

their own.

■ **Government stupidity occurs** because worthless legislators are constantly trolling for a high-profile 'cause' to embrace and enact legislation to

'solve.' They then propose a ridiculous law — which everyone votes for because who wants to be known as the legislator who "doesn't care about bullying" — and we, the taxpayers, are saddled with more government training manuals, videos, websites, government regulations, inept employees and bureaucracy.

■ **New Jersey just passed an anti-bullying law.** The bill requires training for teachers, administrators and other school employees in how to recognize bullying, and mandates that school districts set up a "school safety team" to review complaints. The law also requires schools to hire anti-bullying specialists and districts to hire an anti-bullying coordinator. Schools and districts must regularly submit reports to the state Department of Education. What is the cost of this lunacy

for training, teachers, reports, safety teams, and what in the hell is an "anti-bullying specialist?"

■ **The biggest problem with our economy** today is our own government. Its regulatory overload and threats to increase taxes have terrified businesses into hunkering down, refusing to spend money, and declining to hire new people. Nearly every smart corporation is laying low so as not to come to their own government's attention.

■ **I challenge every reader** to go to YouTube, type in "Judge Judy - This Is Who We Are Supporting With Taxes" and spend seven minutes watching the most outrageous video you have ever seen. You will see exactly how our government is using our tax dollars to finance the economic and moral destruction of our country. Do it now!

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TAKING A CLASS on the Constitution would be great. Another easy way to see what it says is to read it. It only takes a few minutes. People seem to think the Constitution is a long document. It is not, I carry a copy with me much of the time.

■ ■ ■
OBAMA HAS NOT increased oil-drilling permits. Any new drilling on public land is due to the Bush administration's approval of permits. Any new drilling has been solely on private land, which the government has no say — for now. Thank Iran for high gas costs — and Obama.

■ ■ ■
VOLUNTEERS FOR THE VA National Cemetery clean-up in Holly on April 14 need to RSVP a headcount to pardoncarl@yahoo.com or (810) 629-5574 by April 9. Cleaning supplies and lunch will be provided. Thanks for your support!

■ ■ ■
I COULD NOT believe it. We were fishing on the Detroit River and the U.S. coast guard boat was pushing a barge in the river installing buoys. They had rap music blaring, filled with profanity including the F-word with little kids fishing out there. What a disgrace.

■ ■ ■
TO THE LADY who thought it was OK to text/Facebook on her phone all the way up Academy Road Wednesday,

April 21 in the morning. It is not OK to text message or Facebook while driving anywhere in the state of Michigan.

■ ■ ■
CORRECTION — CLINTON RODE the economic wave of prosperity created by the Reagan and Bush 1 policies. Clinton signed NAFTA into law. Clinton made banks loan money for houses to people who should not have been approved. Pattern?

■ ■ ■
SINCE JANUARY 20, 2009 we have seen people on food stamps increase more than 28 percent, gasoline has increased 230 percent, unemployment has increased 18

percent, the national debt has increased by \$5 trillion, and the hidden costs of Obamacare are predicted to bankrupt us. So that's the 'change' we were promised.

■ ■ ■
CHECK HER WEBSITE and cringe, Debbie Stabenow has voted against anything that has a chance of lowering the price of gas. Stabenow votes for higher taxes every time and projects like algae fuel, stimulus and throwing money at anything green. Debbie's like Barack Obama with red hair and heels.

■ ■ ■
WHAT'S GOING ON with the 'no dogs allowed' signs up at the ball fields in Fenton?

Why couldn't you have put up 'bags' for peeps to pick up their dog droppings instead of not allowing them in there? We pay taxes on something we cannot use.

■ ■ ■
WE WERE OUT bike riding and Eddy Lake Road in Fenton is in need of trash pick up. Those residents in Andover Woods whose backyards butt up to Eddy need to have a clean-up day along there. It looks terrible.

■ ■ ■
LET ME ADD a comment on my anti-abortion postings — if a woman was raped or the pregnancy is dangerous to her health, that is something different. Though it is technically considered an abortion, I do not classify those cases with the cruel abortion I have been referring to. In those cases, abortion isn't irresponsible, that is the only reason abortion should exist.

■ ■ ■
I WAS THINKING of voting Republican this time until I started looking around at their agendas and decided that a Republican leader would just give the rest of my retirement to the millionaires that don't pay taxes as it is.

■ ■ ■
IT IS APPALLING this spring to drive down our highways and especially U.S. 23 and see the trash in the ditches, has no one any shame. How hard is it to save your stuff until you get to a receptacle designed for it? Have some pride in our land.

■ ■ ■
IS THERE ANYONE out there who would be willing to donate or sell a vehicle to a single veteran with two children, or help with car repairs? If so, please call (248) 459-8624. Thank you.

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— Michelle Verhelle
Fenton



"Probably Shell Silverstein's 'Where the Sidewalk Ends' because I always thought his poetry was clever."

— Julie Burke, Fenton



"‘Good night Moon,’ my mom always read it to me."

— Anthony Delgado
Burton



"I'd say the 'Narnia' collection, because I always found it to be very adventurous."

— Angie Bucsi
Fenton



"‘Nancy Drew’ because I’ve always liked a good mystery."

— Tina Jimenez
Fenton



"‘The Little Engine That Could’ because it teaches you to never give up."

— Sharon Marshall
Fenton Township

County commissioner appointment up for grabs

►Applications were due Friday

By Sharon Stone

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Fenton Twp. Trustee Tony Brown has submitted his application seeking the position of Genesee County commissioner, left vacant when Joseph Graves resigned in order to step into his new role as state representative for the 51st District.

Brown (R-Fenton Township) has been making news with local politics since 2003 when he fought a proposed trailer park, which was set to be developed on land behind his Jennings Road home. The land remains vacant.

Brown ran and was elected as trustee in November 2004. He was elected again in 2008. He has not decided if he will seek another four-year term as trustee if he is not appointed to the county commissioner seat.

“I will be proud to serve if they choose me,” said Brown.

Graves was elected to the two-year Genesee County commissioner seat in November 2010. After Paul Scott, the former state representative for the 51st District was recalled from office in November 2011, Graves (R-Argentine Township) was selected as the Republican candidate to run for Scott’s seat. Graves was elected on Feb. 28 to serve the

remaining months of Scott’s term, which expires in November.




The deadline to submit applications was Friday at 4 p.m.

Jonathan Ettinger has also submitted his application. The Linden resident ran for a seat on the Linden Board of Education in 2006 but was not elected. The

self-employed consultant also interned with the city of Fenton in 2007, and has a BA in economics. “I’m not here for an agenda. I want to do my part to fix things and move forward,” Ettinger said.

As of 12 p.m. on Friday, seven individuals had submitted their applications to the county. Candidates had until the end of the

business day to turn in their applications. According to County Clerk Michael Carr, in addition to Ettinger and Brown, applications were submitted by Chuck Timmons, Dan Harrell, Fred Shaltz, Thomas C. Ureche Jr. and Judy Zabik. The empty seat must be filled 30 days after Graves resigned, which is April 5.



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Holly Academy educator wins teacher of the year

►Academy students also fare well in Flint Regional Science Fair

By Tim Jagielo

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A Holly Academy Science teacher took home the award for teacher of the year at this year's Flint Regional Science Fair. "I was stunned, I cried a lot," said award recipient Katherine Carswell.

The fair was held at Kettering University in Flint, running from March 16-19.

Each year, the Flint Regional Science Fair (FRSF) awards a science teacher from a participating local school. Carswell also received a plaque and \$200. At Holly Academy, she teaches grades seven and eight. "I usually live off of the success of my students," she said. "But it's nice to be recognized."

Carswell was nominated by one of her students, and then evaluated by a com-



Katherine Carswell

mittee and last year's winner, a teacher from Doyle-Ryder Elementary School in Flint.

In the nomination, the student said, "I believe that Ms. Carswell should receive the teacher of the year award because in the short year and a half that she has been on the Holly Academy staff, she has made a huge impact in the way science

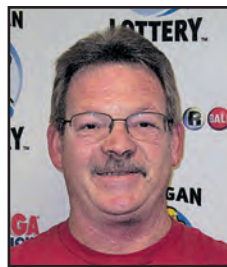
is taught (helping students) of all learning styles benefit."

Out of the 335 students that participated, more than 20 were from Holly Academy, and many won awards in the form of gift certificates up to \$300.

The FRCF awarded \$20,000 to students in all. Supporting the event were local businesses, and large non-profit organizations like the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, and the University of Michigan-Flint.

Local party store sold \$250,000 winning ticket

The tri-county area is luckier than residents may realize. Michael Durgan recently won \$250,000 when he turned in his lottery ticket at the Fenton Party Store, located at 502 West Silver Lake Rd. Durgan was one of nine winners in Michigan that matched the Mega Mil-



Michael Durgan

lions drawing of March 20.

"When she checked the numbers and found the ticket to be a winner, I started shaking and so did she," Durgan told the Michigan Lottery. Durgan had stopped to pick up cigarettes and checked in his ticket he purchased two days prior.

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**REVISION TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT (PD) OVERLAY DISTRICT
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A Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Groveland Township Hall, 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly, MI 48442 for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in the proposed amendment. The amendment, if adopted by the Groveland Township Board, would revise the Groveland Township Codified Ordinances as follows:

The amendment would revise Planned Development (PD) overlay district; add (5) any principal permitted use in I-1 Light Industrial District to Sec. 54-643.

Proposed language for the amendment is available at the Township Office during regular business hours. If you are unable to attend the meeting your written comments are welcome prior to the night of the meeting, or you can telephone (248) 634-4152.

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Police&Fire report

DRUNK DRIVER

At 12:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 17, a Holly police officer spotted a pickup truck traveling well below the speed limit on North Saginaw Street in Holly. The police officer followed the truck and observed it hitting the curb multiple times. Assistance was requested and a traffic stop was initiated on the 2001 GMC Sierra, driven by a 62-year-old Waterford resident. The driver was suspected of driving while intoxicated. The driver told the officer he drank two beers and was on medication. A passenger in the truck, a 44-year-old Waterford resident, was found to have an arrest warrant from Macomb County. A preliminary breath test revealed the driver had a blood alcohol content of .23 percent, nearly three times the legal limit. He was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and the vehicle was towed.

MAN FOUND SLEEPING IN CAR

At 2:44 a.m. on Thursday, March 15, a Holly police officer spotted a parked vehicle with one of the doors open behind a business. After calling for assistance, the officer approached the car and saw a clear baggie containing a green leafy substance

in plain view on the center console. The officers observed a man, later identified as a 44-year-old Waterford resident, sleeping in the back seat. When asked what he was doing at this location, the man in the car said he had been sleeping. The man said the marijuana in the baggie belonged to him. He did not have a medical marijuana card. The man was arrested for possession of marijuana.

TRUANCY UNDER INVESTIGATION

At 8:50 a.m. on Monday, March 19, Holly police were sent to a home on Grange Hall Road to investigate a citizen complaint. The complainant said she was the caretaker at the house and the owner's children were supposed to catch the bus for school, but missed it. She said two other boys tried to get into the window of the home to join the brothers. She said a possible runaway was also inside the home. She told police the boys locked themselves in a room and would not come out. At the request of the officers, the boys opened the bedroom door. The boys said they would not go to school. Contact was made with the runaway boy's mother who reported him to Grand Blanc Township police. The runaway was transported to the police station and released to his mother. The two brothers were transported to school. The Oakland County Family Court was advised of the situation. The truancy investigation is pending.

See **POLICE** on 8A

Teens vie for chance to win set of wheels

►Freedom Center holds March Madness car giveaway

By Sally Rummel

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Area teens will be "driven" to vie for a chance to win a car next Wednesday, March 28 at 7 p.m. at The Freedom Center, capping off a month's worth of outreach activities to coincide with March Madness.

Their theme for March Madness this year is "Driven," according to Youth Pastor Jason McKay. This is only the second time that a car has been given away during March Madness. In 2007, Josh Wood won a 2000 Cavalier, which

he drove until six months ago. "It got me back and forth between school and work," said Wood, now 21 and living in Linden.

Students who have attended Wednesday evening events at The Freedom Center this month each have received a ticket when they sign-in. Each ticket has been put in the drawing for prizes donated by area merchants. Two lucky winners each

week have also gotten a key in the drawing, including the last two to be drawn this Wednesday before the car giveaway. Junior high students are vying for a \$100 Genesee Valley Center Shopping Spree, instead of the car.

One of the keys will turn on the ignition of a 2002 Sebring with only 90,000 miles on it, donated by Randy Wise Buick/GMC. Muffler and Go, Kan Rock Tire, Thomas Auto Collision and Duke's Car Stereo have teamed together to "trick this car out" with a paint job and custom graphics, new interior, new rims and tires, custom exhaust and a spoiler.

Other prizes include two drivers' training scholarships from Major Driving School in Grand Blanc, tickets to Owosso Speedway Race Track, tickets to WinterJam concert in Ypsilanti, a bike from CycleFit Multisport and gift cards from many area businesses.

“We’re happy to support this important community event. Both Randy Wise and Chris Wise are behind it 100 percent. So many other businesses have gone out of their way to make this happen for one fortunate teen. It’s a great event.”

Kyle Canada
Used car manager at
Randy Wise Buick/GMC



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A 2002 Sebring, donated by Randy Wise Buick/GMC, will be given away this Wednesday, March 28 at a March Madness event at The Freedom Center in Fenton. Several other local businesses partnered with Randy Wise to detail the car with a new paint job, accessories, etc.

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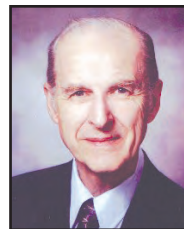
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Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



Must we pay for every good day?

We met standing in line at the Post Office on a pre-spring, almost balmy, day. I opened the conversation by commenting on how fast the line was moving, somewhat of a minor miracle. "Yes," he agreed, "there are three working at the counter today and that makes a difference."

Now that we were off to a positive start, I added a comment about the nice weather, hoping it might lead to talking about the goodness of God. "It's a beautiful day!" he replied, "but I dread what's ahead."

"Why is that?" I asked, just as he reached the front of the line.

"We're going to pay for this!" he said, turning to answer my question as he headed for the counter to do his mailing.

"I don't believe that!" I called, probably causing everyone in line behind me and all the postal workers to wonder what prompted my long distance declaration of unbelief.

What about my postal partner's pessimistic view that sunshine must always be followed by clouds and storms? Does God have us all on a weather tether that demands our being jerked back to cold reality after every pleasant day? Of course not!

Certainly, clouds, rain and even storms come along from time to time, but this doesn't mean they're paybacks for blessings we've received. God is good and loves us!

Not that the goodness of God guarantees

we'll be kept from all storms.

On the contrary, our Lord warned that trouble is a part of life (John 16:33). In other words, storms come to all.

The disciples of Jesus once found themselves in a life-threatening storm on the Sea of Galilee. Strong winds piled waves high and they were in danger of going down. J.C. Ryle, a 19th century writer whose books are still favorites of many, described this panic point in the lives of these men of faith as follows:

"Here are the chosen disciples of the Lord Jesus in great anxiety. Perhaps they had expected Christ's service would lift them above the reach of earthly trials. Perhaps they had supposed He would always grant them smooth journeys, fine weather, an easy course and freedom from trouble and care. If the disciples thought so, they were much mistaken."

There was, however, a purpose in this time of peril for those enduring it. The storm and its miraculous end increased the faith of the disciples, enabling them to build the faith of others for the rest of their lives. And there is no evidence that the storm came because they had smooth seas, quiet breezes and sunshine the day before it arrived.

If this is a good day, enjoy it and give thanks. Don't waste sunny days, thinking they forecast fierce storms in the future.

When John Haggai was 24 years old and the pastor of his first church, he suffered a nervous breakdown. In his book, *How to Win Over Worry*, Haggai charts his way out of personal darkness, writing that one of the keys to finding peace was learning to seize the day. But it's tough to seize and appreciate today's good things while thinking God may require payment for them later.

Reject such negative thinking. The blessings God sends today won't require the sky to fall tomorrow.

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

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POLICE

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DOGS CAUSE RUCKUS IN NEIGHBORHOOD

Fenton police responded to an animal complaint on East Street at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20. Police were advised that two aggressive dogs, a white pit bull and a black lab, were running loose. The caller said the dogs were trying to get into the homes of some of the neighbors. When the officer arrived, she observed the two dogs sitting on a porch in the 300 block of East Street. As she approached the house to speak with the owner, the dogs charged. The officer retreated to her patrol car and called animal control. When animal control arrived, the dogs charged those workers as well. A worker shot the pit bull with a tranquilizer gun and when the dog fell asleep, it was placed in their vehicle. Both dogs were

taken to animal control. Later in the day, the 56-year-old owner of the dogs called police to see where his dogs were. Police are seeking warrants for harboring vicious animals and letting dogs run at large. Lt. Jason Slater said this dog owner has had nine related incidents since 2006.

OWNER LEAVES POT IN PLAIN VIEW

At 5:20 p.m. on March 21, Fenton police received an anonymous tip that there was a container of marijuana in plain view inside a green Ford Explorer parked in a department store parking lot on Owen Road. Police arrived and observed the container. They waited for the owner to come out to the vehicle. The 22-year-old Holly woman initially denied that the substance was marijuana. She changed her story several times during questioning. She was arrested for possession of marijuana and was given an April 30 court date.

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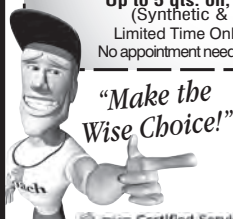
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Natalee Marshall, 17, of Fenton High School assists during her group's presentation at the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce Girls and Business event at Johnny's Pizzeria on Wednesday. Each group had a box and a few simple objects around which to design a product and marketing campaign. Her group created high-tech accessories. "I thought it was really fun and interesting," she said. More than 80 high-school aged girls met and networked with local businesswomen to foster the entrepreneurial spirit.

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AUTHOR COMING TO HOLLY LIBRARY

Tracie McMillan is coming to the Holly Township Library 6 to 8 p.m. on April 3. McMillan is a Holly native and author of "The American Way of Eating." McMillan's work has appeared in the New York Times, Fortune, Businessweek and Time. Books will be available for sale and refreshments will be available from the Friends of the Holly Township Library.

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Maintenance checklist

► Tips to prepare your vehicle for spring and summer travel

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Winter is over and it's time to get your vehicle ready for the coming season of travel and road trips.

Whether you're driving across the country or running errands across town, here is an end-of-winter vehicle maintenance checklist for safe, money-saving spring driving:

• **Tires** — check your tire tread easily by inserting a penny into the tread. If the top of Lincoln's head sticks out, your tires are starting to show signs of wear and should be replaced. Check your tire inflation and inspect the tread for uneven wear. Look for bulges and bald spots. If you rotate your tires seasonally, you'll extend the life of the set.

• **Blades** — early spring is a good time to check and replace them. Replace every six months or when they are cracked, cut, torn, streaking or chattering.

• **Give your vehicle a good washing from top to bottom.** Always clean the tires and wheels

before washing the body, and don't use the same mitt for both, experts suggest. Spring is a good time for waxing, too (see related story).

• **Fluids** — check all automotive fluids, including engine oil, power steering fluid and transmission fluids, windshield washer solvent and antifreeze/coolant. The antifreeze/coolant should be refreshed every two years, according to the Car Care Council.

• **Brakes** — check the entire brake system, including brake linings, rotors and drums.

• **Check the shocks or struts**

for signs of physical damage, or warning signs that they need to be replaced.

• **Check hoses and belts**, which can affect the electrical system, air conditioning and power steering, as well as the cooling system. Old hoses and clamps may need to be replaced.

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❑ **Check your tire pressure.** Your fuel efficiency will depend upon it.

❑ **Check your front-end alignment.** "This year, it will likely be better because of our mild winter," said Niles.

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Best-sellers and best deals

► Local dealerships give customers a reason to buy or lease this spring

By Sally Rummel

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New car sales have been the best

Summary

► Spring is a great time to buy or lease a new vehicle, with local dealerships offering their best-selling vehicles and many deals.

since 2008, showing that people are excited about the 2012 models in local showrooms, and have enough confidence in the economy to buy or lease a vehicle this spring.

Here are some of the most popular models at area

dealerships, including those that give consumers "the best bang for their buck."

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Best selling:

The 2012 Chevy Cruze and the 2012 Malibu are running "neck and neck," according to New Car Sales Manager Tom Turner. The 2012 Equinox is definitely the most popular crossover.

Best deal: The Malibu lease is the best deal out there, with a GM discount, a customer would only pay \$260 to \$270 per month, said Turner.



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Best selling: The hottest two vehicles at Lasco Ford this year are the Fiesta and the Focus, said Matt Lasco. "Their fuel efficiency at 40 mpg with lease payments less than \$200 per month are making them top sellers. We'll sell 40 or so of them this month."

Best deal: The 2012 Fusion with its special lease package, said Lasco.

"This 4-cylinder vehicle gets 30 mpg and comes with all the extras, a moon roof and leather seats for just \$230

per month. This is the best buy I've had in the past five years."

See **BEST-SELLERS** on 14A



Tips for transporting bikes, pets and luggage carriers



By Sally Rummel

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If your family plans to be on the road this spring and summer with an active itinerary, now is the time to select bike racks, rooftop cargo carriers and pet carriers to accommodate the extra load.

How to choose a bike rack:

The right rack should fit your vehicle correctly, securely transport the bikes, and be affordable at the same time. If you choose the wrong rack for the job, it could be a safety hazard, may damage your vehicle or could lead to lost, stolen, or damaged bicycles.

- Decide what you need and assess your current vehicles.

- Ask yourself the following questions: How often do you plan to use the rack and how many bikes will it be transporting? Is your vehicle leased or rented, or do you own it outright? How high can you lift a bicycle by yourself, and hold it in position

with one hand? Do you have a special bike, like a tandem, or just standard bikes? Will you need to switch the rack between different vehicles, depending upon who's driving? Does your vehicle already have a tow hitch or roof-mounted utility rack? If so, what is the load capacity?

Does your vehicle have a rear-mounted spare tire that will interfere with certain types of mounts? Do you engage in other sports or activities, which may make one rack type more useful or cost-effective than another? How much are you willing to spend?

Types of bike racks:

- **Strap-on trunk rack** is the least expensive, but also the least secure.

- **Roof rack** is the most versatile, but the most difficult to use.

- **The hitch-mount** is the most expensive, but easiest to operate. The main benefits of hitch racks are that it's easier to put bikes on them, and that they are very easy to install

on your car, usually with just one bolt.

- **Specialty racks** that are designed specifically for use with pick-up trucks or for inside SUVs or vans.

CycleFit Multisport in Fenton sells a popular platform rack that holds each bike by the wheels with an arm that radiates out from the holder. "We have racks that hold two or four bikes," said Matt Coe, manager. "The biggest advantage with this rack is that the bikes don't bang against each other and get scratched."

Rooftop carriers

When you have no more room in your car's interior because it's filled with kids, pets, an infant seat, etc., it's time to explore the possibility of buying a rooftop cargo carrier.

Adding a roof rack or cargo carrier to your vehicle is like putting a second story on your home. You get more space, comfort and convenience with a roof rack or cargo carrier.

Rooftop cargo carriers generally suit all types of cars and vans. One important detail when selecting a particular brand or style is to check whether it is detachable when you do not need it. Rooftop carriers come in various sizes and shapes, so there is a wide range of options.

If you move around with your family, you could use a larger rooftop carrier so that they carry everything needed for a vacation. If you have more than one car, a detachable carrier would be the most versatile. Carriers come in both open and closed-type carriers. Open carriers allow you to transport something as big as a kayak or even a bicycle on top. A box-type carrier allows you to pack only those things that can fit in that box space.

Sears is known for its different styles of rooftop carriers. The Sears Auto Center at Genesee Valley Center in Flint has a display of various types of carriers, both hard and soft, and they can be ordered and shipped, free, to the local Sears Hometown Store in Fenton for more convenient pick-up.

Pet carriers

A proper pet travel carrier is important for the health and safety of your dog or cat. Allowing your pet to roam around inside your car, unrestrained, may not only be bad for the upholstery, but also for your pet's safety in the event of a collision.

Pet carriers usually have handles that make it easier to carry your pet from inside the house to the car. These dog carriers are made of strong plastic that will protect them in case of accidents. These crates should be large enough for a dog to be able to stand up and turn around.

Larger dog crates are ideal for keeping in the bed of your truck or the back of your SUV for frequent trips with your pet and make handy travel kennels. Many folding dog crates fold up flat for easy storage.

The newest pet travel carrier trend is a pet stroller. A pet stroller keeps the weight of your pet off your shoulders and back and makes it easy to maneuver through busy areas. Pet strollers are fully enclosed but well ventilated so your companion is always happy and safe.

At Pet Supplies Plus in Fenton, they have several different sized plastic crates with metal doors, as well as seat belt attachments to harness your pet safely. "We also have car seats for small dogs, that allow them to sit up and watch outside the windows," said manager Kari Romanowski.

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How to clean your car windows

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Nothing finishes off a good clean car like shiny, sparkling clean windows. Especially for a typical Michigan spring, keeping your car windows clean is also a matter of safety. Driving your car with dirty, hazy windows on a rainy night or in heavy traffic can be a serious impairment to driving.

Most important aspect of cleaning your car windows

"Elbow grease" is the most important component of cleaning your vehicle's windows, according to David Niles, of Auto Lab in Fenton. "Then it's a matter of using the right products, especially when there's bug residue and other heavy grime on your windows." He suggests using RainX Protective Coating twice a year, and in-between times, using RainX Windshield Solvent.

What products to use

"We clean car windows the same way we clean all of our glass products," said Bob Stevens, of Stevens Glass in Linden. "We use Window-Glo, a commercial glass cleaner available here at Stevens Glass. It can be used for any hard surfaces, from countertops to faucets, dashboard, etc."

He suggests using microfiber or lint-free cloths, but also said that paper towels work well if they're used up before they wear down into lint. He works on the exterior windows first, then the interior glass while the outside is drying. "That way, the outside is already clean so you can see what you're doing," said Stevens.

In the case of heavy grime, he gets the glass very wet, then uses his bare hands to break loose the dirt, then uses a paper towel for a final cleaning step.

Stevens endorses the use of Aquapel as a protective treatment for vehicle glass. "It lasts much longer, six months to a year, depending on how often you wash your car," he said.

Other auto enthusiasts use ammonia cleaners, while some use TSP, and others use nothing but clear water. Whatever you use, the principles are the same: clean, dry and polish. Be careful when using glass sprayers not to over-spray on the dash and upholstery. Some people suggest spraying one side of a clean towel, wiping the glass, then drying with the other side.

Here's the process

- Start with the driver's door and front passenger door. If the door has a window frame, lower the window approximately one inch to allow access to the top part of the glass. This part should be cleaned and dried first.
- Spray with glass cleaner and buff dry. Roll the window back up and clean the rest of the window, paying special attention to the corners where you get the most smears and streaks. Also, remember to clean your driver's side and passenger side mirrors.
- When you're sitting on the passenger side, clean the inside of the windshield, since your access won't be obstructed by the steering wheel. Be careful with the rear view mirror, as it could easily break loose from the glass. The inside of the rear window is the most difficult to reach and should be done last. Use the backside of your hand to guide your towel down into the corners.

Improve your car's style

Unique accessories add personal touch

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Whether your vehicle is an expensive status symbol or just a daily ride, you can give it your own personality and make it even more functional by adding unique accessories and gadgets.

Keeping your car or truck clean inside and out is the first step in creating a vehicle that's uniquely your own. You can buy nylon

litterbags and backseat organizers to contain the clutter and either detail your vehicle yourself, or have it detailed professionally.

Keep it smelling fresh with an air freshener designed for automotive interiors. Once you begin to keep your vehicle clean, it becomes easier to maintain and you're more likely to want to add to its style and function.

This list can be endless — from seatbelt pads, to custom cup designs, car-finding keychains, an Apple iPod app to diagnose car computer problems, garage laser park device, flashing simulated alarm lights and more.

Here are a few ideas to get you started:

■ **Personalized license plates and frames.** You can check the availability

of names at your local Secretary of State office or online at www.plateityourway.com. You can buy frames at any auto supply store or through after-

market suppliers that can order custom frames. Custom plates and/or frames make a great gift for upcoming special events like Father's Day or graduation.

■ Customized seat covers.

You can cover your interior car seats with just about any material you want, from lambs' wool for warmth and comfort, to designer Louis Vuitton seat covers. Animal prints, Hello Kitty, college or pro sports themes are available.

■ Custom floor mats.

These can be like indoor carpeting for your vehicle, and you can pick just about any color, texture or theme. They'll also protect your interior from wet springs and snowy winters. An interesting product endorsed by Popular Mechanics are WeatherTech all-weather floor mats — designed and manufactured in the U.S. from rubber compounds and machinery sourced from North America.

■ Custom steering wheel covers.

Cover up an unsightly steering wheel or add a spark of color

or design with a new wheel cover. You can complement the exterior paint of your car or choose a color or theme that is personal to you.

■ Vinyl window stickers.

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WAXING 101:How to
wax your
car for
best
results**By Sally Rummel**

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It takes more than just regular washing to make your vehicle look good. It's also important to detail and wax it regularly, whether as a do-it-yourself project or by a professional.

What you will need:

- Microfiber towels
- Black-trim treatment
- Spray-on detailer
- One-step polish/wax
- Wax applicators or orbital polisher

If your car hasn't been waxed recently or has a neglected finish, you might also need:

- Clay bar
- Mild polish or pre-wax cleaner
- Wax

For the
perfect
finish**STEP 1:**

Wash and dry your car thoroughly to get the "easy" dirt off so the cleaning products can take care of the harder grime.

**STEP 2:**

Clean the doorjambs. Spray them with a between-wash detail product, then wipe them down.

**STEP 3:**

Treat the black trim with a special product designed for this purpose. Because the trim is made with some kind of plastic product, they get brittle, stained and oxidized over time.

STEP 4:

Clay the car to remove deep ground-in dirt and stains without damaging the surface. Buy a clay kit that includes a bar, detail spray and wax. Follow directions and the surface should feel noticeably smoother.

STEP 5:

Polish the car with a combined polish/wax product if your car's finish is good or use a two-step polish and waxing process if it's not.

**STEP 7:**

Use a microfiber towel or a detail brush to clean out any wax that may have accumulated around trim pieces, emblems and badges.

**Q: How often should I wax my vehicle?**

A: You should continue to wash your car regularly as weather permits; re-wax in six to 12 months or when water no longer beads on the surface of the paint. For between-wash touch-ups, a detailing spray will give your car that just-waxed look.

Source: cars.com

STEP 6:

Wax your vehicle to protect the paint underneath. Apply wax directly to the surface by using an electric orbital polisher/waxer. Work one small area at a time. Don't get wax on the black plastic trim, as it will stain. Buff the wax off gently with a microfiber or cotton towel. If using a power polisher, be sure to use a new pad.

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Best selling: Whether they lease or buy, customers love the 2012 Buick Regal because of its styling. The most popular crossovers are the GMC Terrain and Acadia, according to New Car Sales Manager Richard Brinker. “They love the versatility, styling and multi-function of these new vehicles.”

Best deal: The 2012 Buick Regal has the most advantageous, aggressive lease program in the market, said Brinker.



Best selling: The Chrysler 200 is very popular, according to General Sales Manager Tim Hall. Its 30 mpg fuel efficiency, aluminum wheels, nice interior and luxury ride make it one of the best-selling vehicles. In addition, the Chrysler Town & Country continues to be the world's best-selling mini-van. “It's the best value for a family, especially those who are going on spring break this year,” said Hall.

Best deal: The Chrysler 200 is available for a 36-month lease for just \$199 per month, according to Hall.

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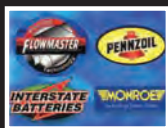
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He mostly gets reactions from children who ask why his legs don't work. He shrugs and says to them, "the batteries just went dead, I haven't been able to replace them." Otherwise, he doesn't notice how people react to him, and he mostly doesn't need any accommodations.

This positive attitude was born out of a conversation with a younger man who was paralyzed from the neck down. Beagle wasn't taking his new "situation" very well, but was set straight by the man who couldn't move his arms. "It really comes down to attitude," he said.

He reiterated that he is blessed, with a job and a family that supports him.

Beagle said he could not have adjusted to his new life without his wife Dana, his friends and his family. "My wife was incredibly supportive and loyal."



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Judge Duncan Beagle of Fenton Township is wheelchair bound, but very positive about his disability.

Beagle's father, a retired lawyer in his 70's at the time, came up from Florida to run his law practice.

While he is a judge with an important and difficult job, Beagle looks up to other productive people with disabilities. He befriended Willie McQueen, the young Flint man who lost

his legs and became popular by playing high school football, and speaking on national talk shows. "This kid is bright," Beagle said. "He's my inspiration."

The only time he feels he needs help is at a library or a store, when items are out of his reach. "That's why your faith in human beings gets reinforced," he said. "I see the worst of the worst in the courtroom. I see a lot of neglectful parents."

Beagle does miss a few things from his wheelchair. He misses dancing with his wife and officiating high school basketball games.

Beagle believes he is fortunate to become disabled after the pivotal Americans with Disability Act of 1990, which made public buildings more handicap accessible.

"There comes a point in time when you just go about your daily life, and I've learned to have a sense of humor about it," he said.



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Judge Duncan Beagle explains the large wall mural in his courtroom in Flint, just before his cases for the day begin on Thursday.



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SUNDAY

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Fenton's Spees is a part of Tigers' 2012 HOF class

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SOFTBALL PREDICTIONS

Area teams are scouted before 2012 season begins this week.

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Eagles, Harp soar in season-opener

► Senior scores four goals in 6-1 victory against Goodrich

By David Troppens

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Goodrich — In recent months, Megan Harp has been the perfect definition of the walking wounded.

During Linden's girls basketball season, she suffered from a knee, hip and groin injury. And when she was finally getting somewhat healthy, she suffered a concussion.

However, she keeps marching on.

And on Wednesday afternoon, she made her presence noticed in Linden's season-opening varsity girls soccer contest on Goodrich's pitch.

Harp, a senior, scored four goals in the Eagles' 6-1 non-league victory against the Martians. The scary part is Harp admits she's not feeling close to 100 percent.

"I'm probably at about 75 per-

cent," Harp said. "Maybe (I'll be 100 percent healthy during the season). But I don't know. I'm accident prone. We'll see."

Harp is one of five seniors on the Eagles' squad, so she'll be looked upon for leadership. She'll also be looked to bring versatility to the Eagles' lineup. That versatility was on display against Goodrich.

She opened the game playing defense, the position she's played the most in recent years. However, she was then moved to forward where she thrived as well, scoring all three of Linden's goals in the second half.

"I definitely like offense better because I get the opportunity to score goals," Harp said. "I definitely feel better as a player (after this game) because I know I can score."

The Eagles had six freshmen

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Linden's Kelsey Brecht (left) tries to get by Goodrich's Danielle Bearden in the Eagles' 6-1 victory on Wednesday.

Fenton's Garza headed to Concordia (Chicago) to play soccer

By David Troppens

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Danielle Garza is unlike most athletes who earn college scholarships.

When it comes to playing time, she has quite a few options.

A keeper by trade on the Fenton varsity girls soccer team, Garza will get a chance to play between the pipes when she

goes to Concordia University Chicago, but she's going to get a chance to play as a normal position player as well, on defense.

"I'm going to go as a goalie and a defender," Garza said. "I'm going to go as both, but most likely I'm going to be a defender and be able to start."

Garza, who also was looking at Northwood University and

Cincinnati Christian, saw Concordia and loved it immediately.

"It was away from home, and when I went to visit and got together with the girls, there was a really good feeling," Garza said. "I was comfortable. I fell in love with it when I got there."

Concordia finished last year 10-6-1, so it is a strong program. Garza says she's ready for the

challenge. Fenton coach Matt Sullivan said he thinks Concordia is a good fit for Garza.

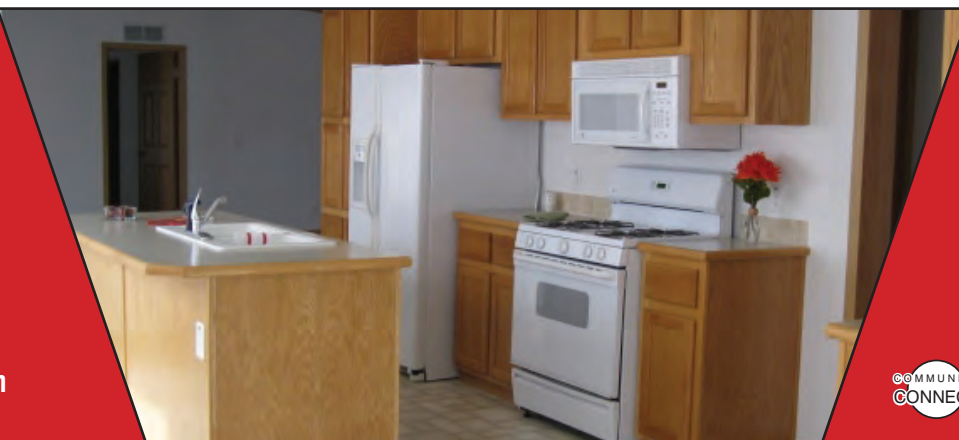
"I am so excited for her to be able to live there," Sullivan said. "The school itself is smaller, so it shouldn't distract her from her studies. As for soccer, I think she will be challenged plenty, but should have an immediate impact."

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Spees among seven headed to Fenton's HOF

► Ex-state champ made a splash in the pool

By David Troppens

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Marty Spees came across swimming honestly.

Considering he lived on Lake Fenton, where his parents still live, swimming came naturally to him.

"They wanted their kids to know how to swim," Spees said. "I started at the 'Y' with swim lessons. Apparently there was some talent there, or too much energy. Too much energy, that's probably what it was."

Whatever it was, Spees' swimming ability has earned him a spot in the 2012 Fenton Area Public Schools Educational Foundation Athletic Hall of Fame class. He'll join Darby Decker, Christopher Piwowarczyk, Becky (Wheatley) Moore and Mark Covert. The undefeated 1950 football team is also being honored, while 1914 All-State quarterback Hoyt Glasper is being honored among the veteran class. Ex-National Football League player Bruce McLenna is entering as an honorary member.

Spees ranks as one of the greatest swimmers to ever come out of Fenton High School.

Spees' resumé

Marty Spees is one of seven individuals and one team being inducted into the Fenton Athletic Hall of Fame. Others will be detailed in future stories. Here is a list of some of his prep credentials.

■ State champion in 200 individual medley and runner-up in 100 backstroke in 1987.

■ All-State in the 100 backstroke and 200 individual medley in 1986 and 1987.

■ 1987 All-American in the 200 individual medley.

■ Four-year letter winner at Western Kentucky University.

Since 1960, he is one of eight individual state championships earned by Fenton swimmers.

During his senior year, he won the state championship in the 200 individual medley (1:57.52), while earning runner-up honors in the 100 backstroke (54.77), losing to a Marysville's Ron Howard, who posted the seventh-best time in the national that year at 52.17 seconds. He helped

the Tigers finish in sixth place in the team standings.

"It was one of the highlights of my swimming career, particularly at Fenton," Spees said. "A lot went into that. There was a lot of preparation, a lot of physical training and mental training. Coaches and family were involved in that."

More than the race, Spees remembers who witnessed his state performance at Eastern Michigan University that day.

"What I remember, and this gets me a little choked up, is my grandparents were in the stands. They were a part of my whole swimming life."

"I remember my grandfather just watching. He had a tear fall out of his eye. And bless his heart. He passed away a few months after that. It was a proud moment for my grandparents and parents to be a part of that special occasion."

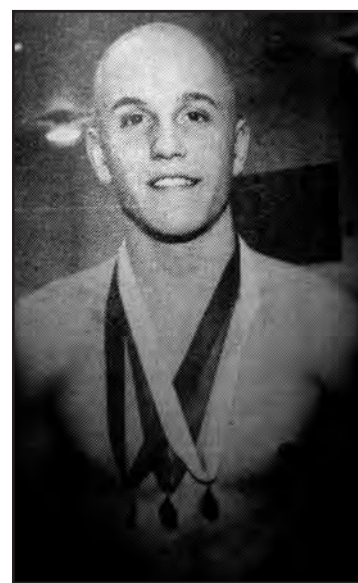
He led throughout the championship race.

"I started with the butterfly and led the race," Spees said. "The guy in second was a stronger breastroker, so I remember vividly thinking I had to maintain the lead through the breaststroke. I was able to do that and won the race."



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(Above) Fenton swimmer Marty Spees swims in the pool during his 1987 state championship season. (Right) Spees proudly displays his medals he earned at the 1987 state swim meet.



Spees held many school records, including the 200 IM, the 100 butterfly and 100 breaststroke records. He ended up being an All-American in the 200 IM in 1987, placing in the top 25 in the event nationwide.

He also was pretty good before his senior year. He earned All-State honors in the 100

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EAGLES

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and two sophomores on their varsity roster on Tuesday. Right now, Linden coach Kevin Fiebernitz is trying to figure who will remain on the varsity and who might be moved to the JV. For the most part, the freshmen made his decision challenging by playing pretty well.

"We know what our core group is going to bring to the table. We are just trying to figure out what our young girls are going to bring to the table," Fiebernitz said. "We also have to figure out, positionally, where everyone is going to go. I don't think we are quite there. We are getting closer."

Early on it was Linden junior forward Kelsey Brecht that stole the show. She scored the season's first goal just 8:05 into the contest, scoring on a shot from about 18 yards out.

Brecht also provided the second goal on a well placed shot with 18:11 left in the half. From about 25 yards out, she took a shot that soared above the Goodrich keeper's hands, but below the crossbar, earning the Eagles a 2-0 lead.

It remained 2-0 until Harp started her scoring spree with 2:48 left in the half. She created her own goal with a nice touch to an open space where she was able to shoot from 18 yards out. She scored, and Linden led 3-0.

Goodrich tried to get back into the game, scoring on Danielle Bearden's goal with 35:40 left, but just 25 seconds later, Harp had her second goal. Linden's Jessie Magalski took a shot, but it was saved, earning Harp a putback shot and her second goal. Linden led 4-1.

Later, the Eagles scored a goal off a cor-



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS

Linden's Megan Harp (left) had four goals in the Eagles' 6-1 win Wednesday. She's competing with Goodrich's English Haught for the ball.

ner kick. Karrah Varner crossed it to Sam Thornton, who flicked it to Harp for her third goal. Harp added a fourth on a pass from Sarah Ford on a shot from about 18 yards out. Linden led 6-1 with 17:09 left.

The Eagles liked what they saw in the first game.

"We are learning who is going to play where," Harp said. "We learned to play the ball back to each other and talk."

"Right now with all the new girls coming up, we are starting to become a family. We are all coming together well and practices are good. We still need a lot more work, but it's going good."



ASK THE MECHANIC

Chris Wilkinson,
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Q: I have a Ford Windstar, when it goes up a hill, the AC stops working. It also won't start when it hasn't been driven for a couple of days. The battery is 6 months old and the alternator is brand new.

- Aquiles

A: Aquiles, I would need more information on your vehicle to be able to help with these problems, but here is some information. First, the A/C cutting out when going over hills could be that the engine temp and condenser gets too warm. This system has a switch that will prevent the A/C from running during these conditions. Keep an eye on the temp gauge when the A/C cuts out and see if this is possibly the cause.

As far as the engine not starting after sitting for a couple of days; if the battery is going dead and it is not turning over then you most likely have a battery draw. First things to look for are lights that may be on such as map lights, glove box light, trunk light or visor lights. Sometimes this can be a very hard problem to find and you may need to take it into a shop.



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SPEES

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backstroke and the 200 IM at the 1986 and 1987 state meets as well.

After graduating from Fenton High School, Spees went to Division 1 Western Kentucky University to swim.

"It was a lot like Fenton," Spees said.

"It was a Division 1 school, but a smaller school. There was a lot of pride and dedication. Being part of that team and being able to compete at a higher level was a lot of fun."

He earned four letters at Western Kentucky University and was the captain of the team his senior year. He completed a civil engineering degree while there.

After graduating from college, he came back to Fenton and coached the middle school swimming program from 1993 to 2000. He's also officiated many swim meets, including many Michigan High School state meets. He currently lives in Indianapolis. He is getting back into competitive swimming a bit, in the master's class.

Spees said his time at Fenton was priceless. He's honored about his induction.

"It's a real honor," Spees said.

"I think it's a sense of pride not only for me, but for my family.

"Fenton to me is home. I was born and raised here. I raised my kids here a good portion of their lives. ... I live in Indianapolis now, but Fenton is still home."

And now he has a permanent home in the Fenton Athletic Hall of Fame.



Q. Just took a drink of milk and it was warm. My refrigerator is turned up as high as it will go. Any ideas why?

A. Welcome to spring / summer! When warm weather arrives and you open your windows to let in that warm / moist spring air, and you open the fridge more often to get a cold drink, that warm moist air turns to frost in the cooling part of your refrigerator. Doors out of alignment or worn gaskets can also cause air leakage. If your defrost system starts to have issues, the air from your freezer section can no longer get to your fresh food side to cool. You may need help diagnosing the component that has failed. Call Mr. Appliance for help!

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2012 TRI-COUNTY SOFTBALL PREVIEWS

LINDEN EAGLES

Coach: Gordon Jamison
Lost All T-C players: Katie Berlin (OF).

Summary: The Eagles are hoping for this to be a breakout year, and they have enough pieces to suggest that might happen. Eleven girls return from last year. Returning around the infield are Katelyn Webster (second), Kaitlyn Dunleavy (short) and Savannah Weaver (third). Meanwhile, behind the plate, Taylor Wilson also returns. Tori Davis, Maija Satkowiak and Bri Senter are other returning position players.

On the mound, the Eagles have three legitimate arms. Julie Guckian returns and should see good time on the mound. Meanwhile Molly Sherman also looks good. Morgan Grantner gives the Eagles a third strong arm.

Coach Jamison says: "That's part of the reason why we (had all the young players on the team last year). We wanted to get them some experience and exposure last year and we're hoping it pays off this year."

Projection: The Eagles traditionally struggle to compete with the top teams in the Metro League, but there's reason to think this team can move up from the 4-12 ranks to a .500 team this season. Look for the Eagles to be improved.



LINDEN'S
JULIE
GUCKIAN



LAKE
FENTON'S
ASHLEY RINKS

HOLLY BRONCHOS

Coach: Jaimie Miller
Lost All T-C players: None.

Summary: Holly has a lot of returning players, starting with seniors Randi Lewis (pitcher/infield), Bre Thomas (pitcher/outfield), Rachel Harrington (third) and Chelsea England (shortstop). But the experience doesn't stop there. Three juniors also return — Sydney Aulsebrook (second), Alyssa Booten (pitcher/first) and Taylor Turner (catcher). Hannah Steigerwald (centerfield) returns after a solid year last season, and provides speed. Katie Ordiway and Megan Louis are two other sophomore with good speed. Sophomore Alex Fiddes and freshman Rowena Bemman are first-year players.

Coach Miller says: "We are not going to try to overpower opponents. We are going to try to out-play and out-smart our opponents. So far what I've seen the first couple of days of practice is this is a group that comes out with smiles on their face and going out hard. I've seen great improvement in just one week."

Projection: The Bronchos have struggled over the recent decade and won't be among the top teams. However, getting close to .500 this year is a realistic goal.

LAKE FENTON BLUE DEVILS

Coach: Amos Rinks
Lost All T-C players: Alex Wilkinson (OF), Alyssa McCoy (OF), Allie Newman (3B).

Summary: The Blue Devils lost a lot of talent and have only one returning senior and one returning junior, but that doesn't mean they don't have a quality squad. The only senior is Ashley Rinks (third/outfield), who provides a great bat and leadership. The sole junior is Shelby Beckmann (outfield/second), who also is a strong player.

The returning sophomores are strong. Alexis Melton (catcher/infield), Paula Valacak (pitcher), Taylor Sheyachich (first/outfield) and Kayla Ward (short) are all strong players. Ward could be the best of the bunch. Tricia Whittaker (pitcher/first) will see quality time as well.

Two freshmen to watch out for are Melody Draeger (catcher/second) and Kim Roe (pitcher). Juniors Julianna Davidek (second/outfield) and Allyson Jackson are two juniors playing their first year on varsity.

Coach Rinks says: "Being we have so many freshmen and sophomores, it's hard to say we can shoot for the moon. But we do have some talented kids. I think we will be pretty competitive. I think we might be a sleeper here and there."

Projection: The Blue Devils are young, but have talent, so finishing above .500 and with 20 wins is a definite possibility. They should be a fun team to watch mature as the season goes on.

FENTON TIGERS

Coach: Rick Bescoe
Lost All T-C players: Lauren Reynolds (OF), Gabi Johnson.

Summary: The Tigers won a Metro title last year, and have a good team this year as well. A lot of strong players return, including Tri-County Softball Player of the Year Sammi Cowger. She will pitch, but will play somewhere in the field when she's not pitching. Sarah Collier (first) provides a powerful bat, while Sierra Hollis (inf/of) is very versatile. Marina Cleis (second) provides a strong glove and power at the plate, while Ellie Cowger has great speed and is a great slapper. Sarah Halstead is a slapper with speed, while Brooklyn Sondgeroth is a strong senior leader. Jessica Keller, who transferred from Lake Fenton, could make a nice difference.

Coach Bescoe says: "We have the potential to finish at the top (of the Metro). They are ready to compete against anyone. It should be an exciting year."

Projection: The Tigers return a lot of the pieces that allowed them to earn a league title last year. They remain one of the strong contenders in what should be an entertaining Flint Metro League race this spring.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO THE PERSON who stated that I'm not a Christian if I don't go to church on Sundays or if I support the death penalty. I don't need church to have a relationship with God. Worry about your own soul. You obviously don't understand scripture.

ON THE SUBJECT of abortion, how about everyone just mind their own business.

TO THE PEOPLE who write ridiculous, false Hot lines that don't make sense, please at least do your research so I don't get dumber when I pick up the paper in the morning.

PEOPLE, ABORTION IS wrong. Let me remind everyone God will not give you more than what you can handle. I had a baby at 13 years old. I was raped and now she's 17 and graduating this year. No matter what, a baby has the right to live.

IN THREE SHORT years, Obama has increased the American debt by \$5 trillion. Can you imagine the kind of damage he'll inflict if he has another five years? If you're not afraid, you should be.

I'D LIKE TO add that pregnancy has been known to improve a woman's health and with today's technology and options, a woman with health problems can have a healthy baby. If a child is unwanted, there are good people who will raise that child with love. We have options.

THIS IS IN regards to the guy that called in about the Christian being pro-life, anti-woman, religious Republican like some of you may think I am. As a Christian, you should think about the Bible's position and God's position, and God says, "thou shall not kill."

WE SUPPORT FENTON schools and teachers in many different ways; however, we can't afford the new school bond. It's

not that we don't support our schools; it's just that we can't afford to pay higher taxes. Please don't confuse the two issues.

THIS NEW CONCEALED weapons law the Republicans are trying to shove down our throat is crazy. Allowing concealed guns in schools, churches, and sports arenas. This is a stupid law.

WHY IS IT that the news has the weather on every five minutes? It's sickening.

PRESIDENT REAGAN RESTORED our economy in the '80s and created more than 8 million new jobs. Even George W. Bush created 1.2 million new jobs during his term as president. President Obama is one of the worst presidents ever. He is corrupt, and he needs to go.

PRESIDENTS AND GOVERNORS do not control the price of gas. However, commodity speculators do control the price of gasoline. They are watching as President Obama has rejected all oil well drilling ventures in the United States costing our country many millions of jobs, plus costing us higher prices and taxes.

DO YOU REALLY think that Obama has a say on who imports, who exports, and who sends jobs overseas? You say 'he's the boss,' you need to understand the function of government. Business does what they want as long as they stay within certain guidelines that have been set for many years.

THOUGHT FOR THE day — electric cars versus gasoline powered cars. When the grid goes down, so do the electric cars. Just imagine, at the flip of a switch, an entire country immobilized. The way this country is heading, eventually someone will flip that switch.

I'M ALWAYS AMAZED how some people want to compare killing babies with the death penalty for capital crimes. Ignorance is bliss.

Chamber Trivia:

Q. Can only Fenton based businesses join the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce?

A. No, the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce serves Genesee, Livingston, and Oakland Counties. Approximately 300 out of our 500 members have a Fenton mailing address. The other 200 from surrounding areas are members because they want to do business with people in Fenton and/or for the benefits our Chamber provides. Many of our current members belong to other Chambers for the same reason, so they can do business or create name recognition in that market. The Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce is also the Chamber for Linden, that is why at least two Chamber Community Events each year are held in Linden. The Linden events are: the Eggciting Easter Event on March 24th and Linden Autumn Festival on September 22nd. This year the Chamber's Golf Scramble will be held in Linden at Spring Meadows County Club on May 21st.



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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Non-violent offending inmates over the course of a few weeks will have cleaned the entire stretch of the U.S. 23 corridor between Owen and Hill roads in Genesee County.

INMATES

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Last week, Genesee County Sheriff Robert Pickell said inmates picked up about 12,000 pounds of debris when they took part in a work detail of cleaning up U.S. 23 between Owen and Thompson roads.

In an ongoing clean-up work detail, 19 Genesee County Jail inmates bagged 128 garbage bags of trash that was strewn along the highway over the past several months. Inmates started where they left off last week, at Thompson Road. They will continue to work their way north along the highway.

Debris, including tires, car parts, paper, chairs, furniture and probably even the kitchen sink have fallen from or tossed from passing vehicles.

Once all the filled bags are lined along the shoulders, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will arrange for the Genesee County Road Commission to remove them.

The sheriff's department allows only inmates with non-violent convictions, such as driving offenses, larcenies or Friend of the Court violations, to take part in the work detail. Members of the sheriff's department transport the inmates to various areas of highways that have a lot of trash, using an old school bus, which was repainted for the sheriff's department.

For safety, the inmates wore lime green safety vest and hard hats.

Undersheriff Chris Swanson said Genesee County receives \$10 per inmate per day from MDOT, which will then be deposited into a general revenue account.



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READER**Continued from Page 3A**

setting aside 10 to 30 minutes each night to read with and to your child.

"Children develop important comprehension and listening skills as they listen to and discuss books," Eaton says. "It is also important for your child to read books to you to help develop reading fluency."

What children read, and have read to them, is an important aspect of improving their literacy abilities. Eaton suggests reading nursery rhymes to younger elementary students in order to develop

Most important, just enjoy reading books together."

Christine Eaton
Literacy teacher,
North Road
Elementary School

important literacy skills such as phonemic awareness and the ability to understand story elements.

Alliteration and repetition are common traits of nursery rhymes, and are often used in children's books as they help younger kids notice patterns that will allow them to improve their reading skills.

"Try to choose books that your child is able to make connections with the characters and their experiences."

Older students, Eaton said, benefit from exposure to many different genres. Finding a book that interests them and keeps their attention is important, as it encourages them to continue reading.

"Most important," Eaton said, "just enjoy reading books together."

The Internet also offers many different tools for helping a parent raise a child who is a strong reader. The website www.readingrockets.org is the website of a national literacy initiative made to provide you with the best information possible to help children read. In addition to offering teaching strategies, the website also offers answers to common questions, book recommendations, and more.

**Picking picture books**

Christine Heron, Librarian at the Fenton Jack R. Winegarden library is no stranger to recommending books to children learning to read.

"A lot of stories that I use in story time are what I consider 'my favorites' because they promote early literacy in subtle ways," Heron said.

"The Little Mouse, the Red Ripe Strawberry and the Big Hungry Bear" by Don and Audrey Wood tells the story of the Little Mouse must protect his coveted strawberry from the big bear. Heron lists the book as an example that can help children build vocabulary.

"Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What do you see?" by Bill Martin Jr. is one book of many in a family that Heron values for their repetition and alliteration, which are helpful in teaching children to read.

"Chicka Chicka Boom Boom" is also by Bill Martin Jr. and about letters that decide to climb up a coconut tree, is another example that uses repetition and alliteration, and also teaches the alphabet.

"If You Give a Mouse a Cookie" by Laura Joffe Numeroff explains the consequences of letting rodents indulge in sweets. Heron describes the book as a timeless classic.

"The Very Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle is a story about what the title suggests, a Caterpillar with an excessive appetite. Not only will children learn what the caterpillar finds to eat, Heron suggests the book because it teaches them about science, counting, and the days of the week.

Heron also recommends the book "Guess How Much I Love You" by Sam McBratney. "A bedtime story that illustrates loving reassurance to a young child," she said. "Just a wonderful story."

HOT LINE CONTINUED

I DIDN'T SEE anything at Linden Mills Days about a beer tent. Without a beer tent, it'll be lucky to last a year. Good luck with that.

I SURE WISH more people would spread the word on Ron Paul. The other runners don't like him, so he's my man. Paul must be against the plutocracy running American now. Think about that Republicans, he just might be the right guy.

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CEMETERIES

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in Flint and not Oakwood Cemetery. Dibleville became part of Fenton as the years went by and has been noted as Fenton's historical downtown area.

Many families in Oakwood Cemetery have been involved in defining moments in American history. Tebo said 163 civil war veterans are buried in the cemetery. Members of the Donaldson family fought in the Revolutionary

War and the War of 1812 as well.

Tebo doesn't know exactly how many people are buried in the cemetery but estimates at least 10,000 people fill Oakwood. Tebo said there's room for more, too.

"We opened up a new section in the south end of the cemetery and plan on opening another section about a year from now," Tebo said. "We can probably accommodate another 1,000 people."

For people interested in eventually

buying a plot in Oakwood, Tebo recommends calling Fenton City Hall for more information.

Fairview Cemetery

Linden's cemetery was built out of necessity. David Kincaid, president of the Linden Mills Historical Society, said the first death in Linden came in 1836 when James Ball fell off a mill. Perry Lamb, the founding father of Linden, sold some land to the town, establishing Fairview Cemetery. The cemetery grew as other families such as Fisk, Wilcox, Sturgis and Bowles donated or sold land off to Fairview.

Kincaid said the Bowles family was very involved in the cemetery, as they owned one of Linden's first mortuaries. The Bowles' funeral home is still active today, as it is owned by Sharp's Funeral home.

Like Tebo, Kincaid isn't sure how many people are buried in his town cemetery. There is ample room, however, for more people.

"I'd estimate there's about 3,000 people buried there," Kincaid said. "Many of the original settlers came from Genesee County, New York."

Lakeside Cemetery

Lakeside's 40 acres harbors the oldest names in Holly, including Winglemire, Hadley, Cogshall and Fenwick. The names are familiar to most Holly residents as a majority of the streets in town are named after founding families.

Holly Department of Public Works



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | WILLIAM AXFORD

Fairview Cemetery has the founding families of Linden.

employee Willie Russell said the oldest grave he's aware of belongs to Jeremiah Hadley, dating back to 1851. The vast space of Lakeside Cemetery ensures that many of the residents have the option of being buried in their hometown.

"There's adequate room for more, right now we're working on two more sections," Russell said. "I'll never see it fill up in my lifetime and my kids probably won't either."

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HAPPENING

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than an hour as organizers, residents and board members debated the logistics of the Summer Happening. The entertainment tent consumed the majority of the discussion, especially its close proximity to the schools and surrounding neighborhoods.

"We have a ton of kids in the neighborhood. We don't need the noise and alcohol," said Andrew Wischman, who lives on Knottingham Drive. Wischman said the 16 property owners on Knottingham Drive oppose the Sum-

“The entertainment tent is our primary money maker.”

Brian Carr
Summer Happening organizer

mer Happening being held so close to their homes, believing festival attendants would damage their properties while drunkenly wandering through their neighborhood.

The tent has a maximum capacity of 900 people. Matt Mlinarich said his father Mike was open to the possibility of allowing the entertainment tent on his property located near Hogan Road. Mlinarich has not given organizers permission to use his property yet and said he would need more details and consent from surrounding neighbors before making a decision.

Per state law, alcohol is not permitted on school grounds. Event organizer Brian Carr said the noise will be projected toward a wooded area and police enforcement will be used during the festival.

"The entertainment tent is our primary money maker," Carr said. "The revenue goes toward our bills and extra monies go into a fund for next year." Carr said the Summer Happening wouldn't be possible without the entertainment tent.

The Summer Happening is scheduled to take place July 19 to 22 and will include a carnival, fireworks, activities and an entertainment tent. The Summer Happening was canceled last year due to discrepancies concerning noise and public intoxication. Since then, organizers have been searching for a new location to hold the festival.

Linden Mills Days, which was held last year in lieu of the Summer Happening, is set to be held in downtown Linden this summer and has the official backing of the Linden City Council.

Alcohol and smoking on or off school grounds was a major concern for the board members and will be issues to be addressed before the festival is held.

"It seems like everything is scheduled around alcohol," said Losey. "I love the idea of bringing back the event but I'm torn about it."

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LIBRARIES

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information, and the library can be a great source to use the Internet. Many people go to the libraries in the area every day to make use of the computers available, as well as the free wireless Internet connection they offer.

The Internet can also be a useful way to interact with your library while at home. The majority of libraries offer the ability to browse their collection while at home through their website. Some will allow you to renew the books you have checked out, and even place holds on books you want to have waiting for you on your next visit.

Other Internet services include online research databases. The Genesee District Library, as an example, provides patrons several genealogical websites that only require a card to access.

Libraries lend out many types of media besides books today. Music CDs and DVDs are popular items, and can be free or cost a small fee depending upon the library.

With the success of the Kindle Fire and iPad, e-books have become common desires for library patrons. The Genesee District Library offers a digital branch where you can borrow copies of e-books, music, and video.

In addition to e-books, it is common for libraries to also offer hard copies of audiobooks. Books on CD are very popular, and are frequently released at the same time as their paper counterpart.

Of course, even with all of these additional offerings, libraries are still a place to find traditional books to read. Today, finding the book you are looking for can be easier than ever, through interlibrary

Summary

▶ Libraries today offer a wide variety of services and programs, in addition to loaning out many different types of media in addition to books.

Services and materials offered by libraries

Books
Magazines
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loan programs like the Michigan E-Library (MeL).

Shirley Roos, Director of the Holly Township Library, says that the MeL program provides a helpful service. "If we do not have a book here at our library,

we can order it from any Michigan library and have it sent here," she said.

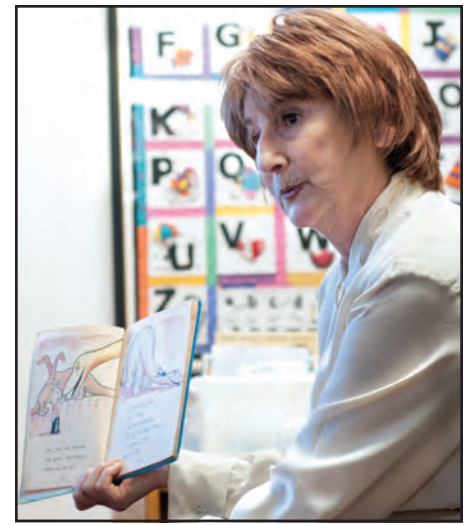
Every library is different, with each having its own benefits to offer. "We have quite a bit of local history. We have a very nice collection of information about Michigan, and a lot of books that are quite old," Roos said, describing the Holly Township Library.

Making all of these services available to the public costs money, and the majority of the funding for these libraries today comes from property taxes. Additional revenue sources come from state aid, penal fines, grants, and gifts.

Providing financial assistance as well as making each library a little more unique are their individual Friends of the Library groups. These groups band together to raise money for different library projects.

The Friends group in Holly for example uses money received from bake sales to help keep the library's technology up to date. The Fenton and Linden friends groups hold book sales to raise funds to meet other library needs.

Libraries are often also the home of many different types of events, aimed at a variety of age groups. Story time for



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Holly Township Library children's librarian Lucy Summers works to instill a love of reading in the children she works with.

children, musical concerts, and meetings with authors are all events that have been put on recently by libraries in the area.

The easiest way to stay up to date with library events, and all of the other services that they offer, is to check their webpages online at www.thegd.org and www.hollytownshiplibrary.org.

Funding for Genesee County libraries

The Genesee District Library (GDL) is funded by a .7481 county-wide millage (excluding City of Flint). An additional 0.25 mills was approved on May 3, 2011. The remaining revenue comes from other sources, such as fees and fines, state aid, penal fines, sponsorships, grants and gifts.

Library Cards

Anyone can obtain a GDL Library card. The card is free to any resident or property owner of Genesee County, Tyrone, and Deerfield townships in Livingston County. City of Flint residents (typically under the Flint Public Library coverage) can be issued a similar but slightly restricted card by filling out a registration form and showing proof of residence. For members of communities outside Genesee County, the card is available for purchase (\$100 per year). To obtain a card, go to any location, show identification or proof of property ownership, and fill out a registration form. The card is necessary for material checkout and most online resources. The library card replacement fee is \$2.00.

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LifeStyle

Of art and science

Being a chocolatier



Carol Schuler of Sweet Variations has been working with chocolate since the early '80s. She said her job takes a little science, and a little art.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Carol Schuler, owner of Sweet Variations in Fenton, finishes off a batch of marshmallow bunnies on Tuesday. It takes a little creativity to come up with different ways to decorate her treats.

By Tim Jagielo

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Real chocolate requires real care in preparation.

To properly temper chocolate, it must first be heated to 120 degrees Fahrenheit, taking it from a solid block to completely melted. Then it has to be cooled to 86 degrees, and then raised back up to 89, which is the "working temperature" for chocolate. It also has to be agitated.

"Real chocolate has to be tempered," said Carol Schuler, owner of Sweet Variations in the downtown area of Fenton known as Dibbleville. Tempering it changes the chemical structure of fat in chocolate. She said it sometimes comes out wrong and has to be tossed out. This is why she

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“It just grew and grew, and got out of hand.”

Carol Schuler

Sweet Variations owner



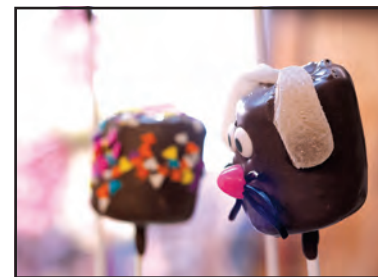
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Getting the chocolate right requires a proper heating and cooling process, otherwise the batch could be ruined.

Why chocolate is healthy for us

- **A little, in moderation**, may be beneficial. It's believed that chocolate may help protect your cardiovascular system. The reasoning being that the cocoa bean is rich in a class of plant nutrients called flavonoids.
- **Flavonoids help protect plants** from environmental toxins and help repair damage. They can be found in a variety of foods, such as fruits and vegetables. When we eat foods rich in flavonoids, it appears that we also benefit from this "antioxidant" power.
- **Antioxidants are believed** to help the body's cells resist damage caused by free radicals that are formed by normal bodily processes, such as breathing, and from environmental contaminants, like cigarette smoke.
- **Flavanols are the main** type of flavonoid found in cocoa and chocolate. In addition to having antioxidant qualities, research shows that flavanols have other potential influences on vascular health, such as lowering blood pressure, improving blood flow to the brain and heart, and making blood platelets less sticky and able to clot.
- **Your best choices** are likely dark chocolate over milk chocolate (especially milk chocolate that is loaded with other fats and sugars) and cocoa powder that has not undergone Dutch processing (cocoa that is treated with an alkali to neutralize its natural acidity).

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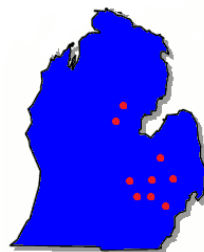
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Think outside the box and start to mix & match

1

► Imagine the outfit combinations. Let's take a simple black blazer as an example. What if we stretch the combinations by trying them on with the rest of the wardrobe essentials. For example, if you have a sporty clothing personality, maybe you can wear the blazer with a simple white tee and a pair of khaki slacks? Or how about swapping the classy pencil skirt with a short denim or full pleated skirt? You can also pair the blazer with a striped tee and distressed jeans for a cool and laid-back look. A long summer dress will also look terrific with the blazer jacket!

2

Maximize your wardrobe with accessories

► The wardrobe essentials are meant to be your blank canvas where you can work your magic with accessories. Accessories work best with the basics because you'll get more outfits and be able to create several distinctive fashion looks.



Plan an outfit around a key item

3

► Challenge yourself and build an outfit around your fashion fetishes; anything you love and have many of and something that oozes 'you'-factor. It's also a lot about putting on clothes that you feel like wearing and would love to express yourself in. So if you're dying to show off a pair of new stunning shoes then do it and build an outfit around them and bring them to people's attention.

Embracing the Consignment shop

► Consignment benefits for buyers

The most obvious benefits for shoppers of consignment shops are the savings. Discounts and percentages off used items, and even designer items, can usually range from 20 percent to 70 percent, however, sales of 90 percent off are not unheard of. The key to shopping consignments is knowing how each individual shop marks down items. Some shops color code tags, with different colors representing certain percentages off, and others mark down items by how long they have been in the store. Mark-down prices are also sometimes negotiable, depending on the store. Always check with an employee if you are unsure about the way savings work.

► Consignment benefits for sellers

Often those who use consignment stores to sell old clothing and other items see payment quickly. There are two ways most consignment stores repay sellers - the most popular way is that the store repays the seller a portion of the price an item was sold for at a given date after the item was purchased. This could be anywhere from 20 percent to 60 percent of the sale price.

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Carol Schuler, owner of Sweet Variations in Fenton tries to fix a marshmallow Easter bunny, with a gummy ear that won't stick on Tuesday.

CHOCOLATE

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describes herself as part chemical engineer, part artist. If she gets the batch wrong it turns into "this glob of crystallized crap," she said.

Different chocolates have different viscosity, and a different grain, she said, and take different preparation.

Schuler is a chocolatier, meaning she produces and sells chocolate candy, but she can't remember when she really became one. "It just grew and grew and got out of hand," she said.

On Tuesday, she finished making marshmallow bunnies, with gummy ears. That part, she said, is art, or just playing.

Schuler has owned the shop since 1981. At the time, the shop was called "Variations," and sold candy, gifts, and

ice cream. She began making chocolate bunnies out of necessity.

"That was a whole different world to me," she said. Schuler had fast food and restaurant experience. She knew how to make a steak, but had to learn how to make candy. "I didn't know I could do chocolate, I guess I can."

She wasn't planning on expanding into the numerous products she has today. She said that grew out of the occasional slow day, and the urge to experiment. She learned through trial and error.

She sees innovating and coming up with new tastes as being central to her business. An innovation she likes was a pomegranate tangerine cream, coated with chocolate, or a chocolate truffle with honey and lavender on top. "You gotta be different, you gotta innovate," she said.

Social News

O'BERRY CELEBRATES 80TH BIRTHDAY

Roger A. O'Berry, born in Fenton on March 14, 1932, celebrated his 80th birthday this month. O'Berry's family and his wife of 35 years, Shirley J. O'Berry, celebrated with him at Italia Gardens in Flint on March 11. O'Berry attended school in Fenton and was a Fenton teacher for 37 years.



He has eight children, Kevin, Karen, Sarah, Elizabeth A., John, Edward, Tim, and Cynthia. He has 13 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. He loves history, golfing, NASCAR, gardening, the Red Wings, and above all else his beloved University of Michigan.

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Weir Building Company moves office

►Lake Fenton Commercial Park is convenient location

By Sally Rummel

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Weir Building Company has built its own reputation for quality custom homes and larger-scale remodeling projects since Chris Weir founded the company 12 years ago.

He recently moved his design and management offices to 14261 Torrey Rd., Suite B, in the Lake Fenton Commercial Park. This new location offers Weir an opportunity to meet with clients in a comfortable office setting, where they can work together to refine each project's design, budget, scope of work, etc.

Its accessibility off U.S. 23 makes

it a convenient location for Genesee, Livingston and North Oakland county clients.

In addition to building custom homes, Weir is a Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist, trained in construction techniques designed to allow homeowners to remain in their homes comfortably as they age. Less than 1 percent of builders and remodelers nationwide have achieved the CAPS certification. Weir is one of only two contractors in Genesee County to hold this designation. He has also obtained the designation of Certified Graduate Remodeler (CGR).

For more information about Weir Building Company, visit his company's website at www.weirbuild.com or call Weir at (810) 629-8400.

Business profiles



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Chris Weir stands outside his new office location at 14261 Torrey Rd., Suite B, behind Chris' Automotive Repair.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Great Clips owner Sue Schoonmaker (left) is pictured, with manager Angela Kincaid-Lucas.

Great Clips opens newest salon in Fenton

►Salon offers affordable, convenient styling every day

By Sally Rummel

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As the official hair cutter of both the Detroit Tigers and the Detroit Red Wings, Great Clips is proud to have opened its newest location in Fenton on March 10. Great Clips is located at 18040 Silver Parkway, near Subway and Batteries Plus.

Owners Mike and Sue Schoonmaker welcome new customers with a special introductory offer of \$4.99 haircuts now until Easter. "After that, prices are still very affordable — just \$12 for adults and \$10 for kids and seniors," said the Schoonmakers. "We're haircut specialists. Along with haircuts, we offer shampoos and styles. We keep all of our special instructions in our computer, so we know exactly how to do it again for a return customer who loved the last haircut."

For today's busy families, Great Clips offers free web and Smartphone apps that tell prospective clients the location of the nearest Great Clips salon, and if there's any wait time. "You can check in directly from your web browser or Smartphone," said Mike. "We're also open seven days a week for your convenience."

Great Clips is looking forward to the upcoming Prom season, offering young people affordable formal updos during this special spring event.

Managing the local salon is Angela Kincaid-Lucas, a 1992 graduate of Lake Fenton High School. She leads a staff of eight Michigan state board licensed and qualified hair stylists, as well as a part-time receptionist.

Great Clips is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (810) 714-7328.

Three experienced agents join Coldwell Banker Professionals

By Sharon Stone

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Coldwell Banker Professional team in Fenton announces three new agents to its office, Lisa Ryan, Amanda Miller and Valleri Barette.

Ryan has lived in the area for more than 35 years and has local expertise and professional experience within the building industry that is beneficial to her clients.

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Ryan can be reached at (248) 249-3939.

Miller's family was raised in Fenton and they continue to live in Fenton community. She has experience with

customer service, is licensed by the state of Michigan and was professionally trained by Coldwell Banker to assist all of her clients in their real estate endeavors.

Miller can be reached at (810) 701-5614.

Barette is licensed by the state of Michigan. She is a graduate of Western Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in interior design as well as a master's degree in education. She is also a graduate of Fenton High School.

Barette's primary goal is customer satisfaction in the real estate market. She can be reached at (810) 814-1525.

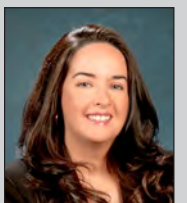
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teentalk

Compiled by Eric Trowt, Intern

Blake Ordiway

■ 18-year-old senior

■ Holly High School

■ My family: parents, Ralph and Sharon Ordiway, and I have a sister, Katie.

“Go big or go home.”

What sports and leisure activities do you enjoy?

Baseball, basketball, soccer and football.

My dream car is: A black Cadillac Snoop Deville.

My all-time favorite movie is: ‘Iron man,’ because I like that it’s not your regular super hero movie.

My earliest memory is: Going up north with my parents when I was 3 or 4.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be? I’d want to fly so I could get to different places quickly.

I always: like to go fishing.

I never: do drugs.

If you could make one rule everyone has to follow, what would it be? That everyone has to buy me McDonald’s on Wednesdays.

Is there an event in your life you would like a ‘do-over’ for? Probably my first varsity baseball game because I was nervous when I didn’t need to be.

If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be? I’d go back to the last time the Tigers won the World Series, because it’s been too long.

What is your dream destination? Alaska, because of the fishing.

What is an upcoming event you



are looking forward to? My first college baseball game.

Front row seats and backstage passes. Who are you seeing? I’d want to go to a Tigers game because I’m a huge fan.

What has been the best day in your life so far? When I hit the game-winning field goal against Fenton. That whole weekend was

great.

What are your plans after graduation? I’m going to Alma College to play baseball and football.

How are you preparing for college? I’ve been visiting schools and trying for scholarships.

My parting advice for a better world is: Enjoy high school because it goes fast.

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Do you use your library, and how?

“No, I don’t really read unless I’m in English class.”

GERALD KIRBY, JUNIOR



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“Yes, I use the computers for school projects.”

AUSTIN MOLLER, SOPHOMORE



“Yes, for student council meetings and for school projects.”

EMILY TSCHIRHART, SOPHOMORE



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There are several ways individuals or businesses can contribute to this project.

They can assist with the basket assembly on April 5 and monetary donations are accepted (check payable to FUMC, with "Easter Basket" written in the memo). All monetary donations will help purchase needed items for the baskets.

Residents can also donate or collect items needed for baskets which include individually wrapped candy, chocolate bunnies, toothbrush/paste, small books, small stuffed animals, small toys (i.e. bubbles, chalk, jump ropes, cars, balls, etc.). For more details contact Teri Sydenstricker at terisyd@charter.net or call Fenton United Methodist Church at (810) 629-2132.

Tri-county fundraisers

LF Project Graduation fundraisers

Organizers of Lake Fenton High School's Project Graduation have scheduled two upcoming fundraisers. The first is a scrap-booking and graduation board event, the "12-Hour Crop," to be held on April 28. It runs from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Lake Fenton Middle School cafeteria. Registration is \$40, which includes lunch, dinner, drink and snack bar, goodies, prizes and fun. For more information contact Kathy Fredrick at (810) 853-0039 or Lori Mundy at (810) 241-5120. The Project Graduation golf outing is set for Saturday, May 5 at Fenton Farms Golf Club. Cost is \$70 per person, which includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch at the turn and dinner. Shotgun start is at 9 a.m. Organizers are also seeking breakfast, lunch and hole sponsors. For more information, contact Ron Sarkozi at (810) 877-1071.

Calendar of events

Fenton Kiwanis Club meets Tuesdays

The Fenton Kiwanis Club meets Tuesdays at 12 p.m. at John's Pizzeria on North LeRoy Street in Fenton. The Fenton Kiwanis Club is part of Kiwanis International, which is a global organization of members dedicated to serving the children of the world. Kiwanis and its family of clubs, nearly 600,000 members strong, annually raise more than \$107 million and dedicate more than 18 million volunteer hours to strengthen communities and service children.

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Easter Vigil Mass, Saturday, April 7th • 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday Masses

April 8th • 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12 noon

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Friday, April 6, 2012

12:00 Noon: Good Friday Tenebrae Service

7:00pm: Good Friday Passion Meditation featuring Youth

Sunday, April 8, 2012

7:00AM & 9:00AM Traditional services with Communion

11:00AM Contemporary service with Communion



Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memoriums

Donald Kolb,
Donald Kolb - age 75, died March 21, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Sharon Hallmark,
Sharon Hallmark - age 70, died March 21, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Joy S. Yancy,
Joy S. Yancy - age 89, died March 17, 2012. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Patrick Egan,
Patrick Egan - age 52, died March 20, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Gloria Broadworth,
Gloria Broadworth - age 85, died March 19, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Donald "Ryan" McGrew,
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Elaine Margaret Brown

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Elaine Margaret Brown - "Aunt Tootie," age 94, of Linden, died March 21, 2012. Born September 1, 1917 in Flint, the daughter of



Martin P. and Margaret (Stephenson) Brunette. Elaine married William R. Brown on June 23, 1945. He preceded her in death on December 15, 1993. She was employed by AC Spark Plug in the Personnel department for 20 years, served as President of Big Sisters of Flint/Genesee County from 1964-1966 and had been a member of Iota Zeta Chapter of Pi Omicron Sorority since 1959, President in 1963. Elaine was a lifetime founding member of Spring Meadows Country Club. Aunt Tootie was much loved and will be dearly missed by survivors: brother, Robert and wife Norma Brunette; sister, Betty and husband Ted Bennett; nine special nieces and nephews, including Melissa Swartz, husband Michael and their children, Mackenzie and Mitchell, several great-nieces and -nephews. She was preceded in death by her sister Patricia Grant and brother Donald Brunette. Cremation has taken place and no service will be held. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Shannon Conklin,
Shannon Conklin - age 32, died March 17, 2012. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Mable C. Wheeler,

Mable C. Wheeler - God took Mable home on March 4, 2012 at age 103 1/2.



Born in Quebec, Canada, Mable lived in Fenton for 59 years, then moved to Scottsdale, AZ, 8 years ago to be near her children, Linda and Luther Bruce, and Dwight Wheeler. She also has 2 married grandchildren, Laura Primus and David Bruce, and 6 great-grandchildren. Mable has traveled to every continent except the Antarctic, which was still on her "to do" list. Throughout her life she volunteered in many activities, from rolling bandages in WWII, Girl Scouts, and Fenton Chamber of Commerce, school library Historical Society, and Music Club. Her volunteerism continued while living at Desert Flower. She was an energetic, sweet and caring lady who will be missed very much by her family and many friends who truly loved her. A Celebration of her Life was held March 9, 2012, at Desert Flower Assisted Living, Scottsdale, AZ. Contributions can be made to Doctors without Borders, or Hospice of the Valley, Phoenix, AZ.

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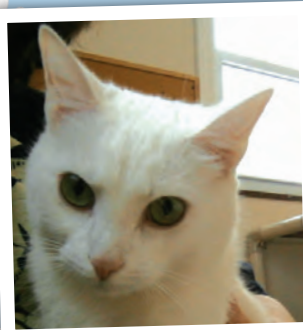
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her children, Thelma (Bob) Tilburt, Brent (Mary) Taylor and Dale Taylor; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and many friends. Mrs. Taylor and her husband were the founders of Taylor Hardware in Fenton. Visitation will be Sunday from 4-8 PM at the Temrowski Family Funeral Home, 500 Main Street, Fenton. Her funeral service will be Monday, 11 AM at the funeral home. Donation appreciated to Mission Aviation Fellowship for the Alan & Alyssa Discoe Mission, P.O. Box 47, Nampa, ID 83653. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

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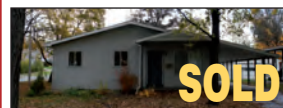
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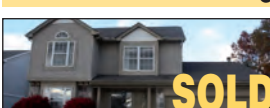


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Vacant Land

HARTLAND SCHOOLS. Dunham Rd., E. of Bullard Road. Partially wooded 3.2 acre parcel with pole barn. Nat. gas at road. Convenient location. \$60,000.

HARTLAND SCHOOLS. Linden Rd., S. of Faussett Road. Desirable 2 acre setting w/great location on paved road. Scenic views of Ore Creek across the street. Nat. gas at road. Just listed at \$44,000.

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PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS MARCH 19, 2012

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday March 19, 2012 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Dan Chapman led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as amended.
3. Approved invoices & expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$1,175,513.07.
4. Approved the 2012 Dust Control Agreement with the Genesee County Road Commission.
5. Adopted Resolution No. 2012-02, revising the policy for the payment of property taxes.
6. Adopted Resolution No. 2012-03, classifying all non-special assessment Fire Fund revenues as assigned, in compliance with GASB 54.
7. Adopted a proclamation designating May 1, 2012 as Law Day.
8. Adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

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Garage Sales 13

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The project/work includes Rose Township properties as listed and miscellaneous properties if requested.

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Beebe Cemetery, Corner Fish Lake and Rose Center Road
Rose Center Cemetery, Milford Road
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The plans and specifications are on file and may be examined and picked-up from the Clerk on or after **8:30 A.M. on Monday March 26, 2012** at the Township Office 9080 Mason Street, Holly, MI 48442.

Bidders must supply the telephone and fax number, street address, certificate of liability insurance and the name of the individual or firm whom Addenda, if any, can be directed.

Oral statements may not be relied upon and will not be binding or legally effective.

The right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals, and to waive defects in the proposals is reserved by the Owner.

Debbie Miller
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Project Information

Sealed bid proposals will be accepted from qualified contractors by Lake Fenton Community Schools for Lake Fenton Community School for the Torrey Hill Intermediate School Improvements. Proposals may be mailed or delivered in person to:

Wayne Wright, Superintendent
C/o Lake Fenton Community Schools
11425 Torrey Rd
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Pre-Bid Meeting

A pre-bid meeting and project walk-through will be on March 29, 2012, at 1:00 PM (local time) at the Torrey Hill Intermediate School.

Bid Information

Proposals must be received prior to 2:00 PM (local time) on April 19, 2012 at the Lake Fenton Community Schools Administration Office. Proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at 2:05 PM in the Lake Fenton Community Schools Middle School Board Room. All bids received after 2:00 PM on the bid date will not be accepted and will be returned to the Bidder unopened.

Proposals and Award

The Owner will award contracts on or about April 30, 2012.

Plans and Questions

Interested Bidders should contact Wolgast Corporation at (989) 790-9120.

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Owners Rights

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, accept a bid other than the low bid, and to waive informalities, irregularities, and/or errors in the bid proposals, which they feel to be in their own best interest.

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2012 AT 7:00 PM BY THE FENTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION AT THE FENTON TOWNSHIP CIVIC-COMMUNITY CENTER, 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Amendments to Zoning Ordinance No. 594:

Article 3 District Regulations, Section 3.16 C-2 & 3.17 C-3 to split restaurants with live entertainment and restaurants with outdoor seating as separate uses permitted by special use permit.

Article 11 Design Standards, Section 11.63 adding language to require restaurants with outdoor seating or that have live entertainment to be 100 ft. from residential district and allow a waiver for those existing that do not meet that requirement if the applicant demonstrates that the adequate steps are taken to ensure that the sound is not a nuisance to any nearby residential uses through improvements such as, but not limited to sound proof fencing or overhead soundproof structures.

Article 11 Design Standards, Section 11.63 A, requiring an applicant requesting live entertainment that is performed outdoors the applicant to demonstrate that the adequate steps to ensure that the sound is not a nuisance to any nearby residential uses through improvements such as, but not limited to sound proof fencing or overhead soundproof structures.

Article 3 District Regulations, Sections 3.14 OS, 3.15 C-1, 3.16 C-2, 3.17 C-3, M-1, M-2, M-3 & PUD to add the use of outdoor speakers as a use permitted by special use permit

Section 11 Design Standards. Section 11.49 B, requiring the applicant using outdoor speakers to demonstrate that the adequate steps to ensure that the sound is not a nuisance to any nearby residential uses through improvements such as, but not limited to sound proof fencing or overhead soundproof structures.

YOUR OPINIONS MAY BE EXPRESSED VERBALLY AT THIS HEARING OR IN WRITING TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION PRIOR TO THIS HEARING. THE PLANNING COMMISSION ENCOURAGES YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS MATTER.

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ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

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SundaySudoku

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

ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

PUZZLE ANSWER KEYS

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

SUPER CROSSWORD
ANSWERS

WELK	JAMAL	TROY	DRAKE
EDIE	EXILE	ROPE	EAMON
ANEGOT	ISTIS	AMAN	AMEND
RAN	VESIT	IDYL	ORANGE
P	AR	CAGE	ANT
ISOL	WHO	THINK	STHAT
RIEBA	RIPE	NEATO	LOCO
ELENA	IVY	ERE	FAKIR
ABSOLUTE	CUP	ARGUMENT	
DYE	ASH	GALLOOT	AMONG
HEHA	ONT	BEEN	
CROCE	UPDATE	RGT	ARK
CHILDREN	YES	POSE	IDON
RIAVES	NGO	PAD	ADELE
AREA	FRUIT	FLUE	EPEE
BORN	PEOPLE	WOULD	FATS
ALL	AHEM	CAL	
ROBERT	HONE	AMOK	EWEE
ADORE	HAVE	WONDERED	WHY
RODIN	ALEG	KAZAN	NEAR
ERECT	YORK	SEEDY	ARTE

WEDNESDAY SUDOKU
ANSWERS

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

WEDNESDAY JUMBLE
ANSWERS

Jumbles: BEGOT PUDGY TYPHUS CONCUR
Answer: What the pooped kangaroo was—"OUT OF BOUNDS"

SUNDAY JUMBLE
ANSWERS

Jumbles: EAGLE GASSY KITTEN MYSTIC
Answer: What the long tour made him—"SEE" SICK

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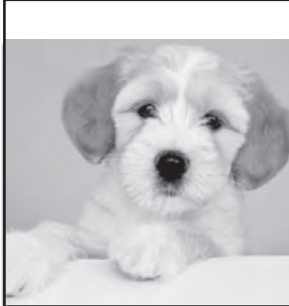
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW. Notice under MCL 600.3278: Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under MCL 600.3201 et. seq., the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior/Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 2000-4, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as Servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your dam-ages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest. Default having occurred in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Jerry R. Goss, a married man, ("Debtors") to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.), dated January 10, 2000, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Genesee in the State of Michigan on January 14, 2000, in Liber 4374, Page(s) 96, et. seq., said Mortgage being last assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior/Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 2000-4 ("Green Tree"), by Mortgage Assignment dated December 28, 2011, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Genesee in the State of Michigan on January 10, 2011, in Instruction Number 201201100001347, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$61,229.41, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Debtors to Green Tree together with interest at 8.25 percent per annum. NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on April 4, 2012 at 11:00 a.m., in the main lobby of the Courthouse in Flint, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Genesee, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows: TO-WIT: LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF BURTON, COUNTY OF GENESSEE, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE WEST 1/5 OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF LOT 21 OF HILL-LAWN ACRES, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 19, ON PAGE 21, GENESSEE COUNTY RECORDS, which also includes any interest Green Tree may have in the 1999 Friendship Homes Mobile Home, Serial Number MY0051353ABF. The redemption period shall be six (6) months unless the property is established to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed, or unless under MCL 600.3240(17), prior to the foreclosure sale the borrower follows the procedure set forth in that section to establish the presumption that the property is used for Agricultural purposes, in which case the redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of the sale. Dated: February 27, 2012 U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior/Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 2000-4, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as Servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents By: DONALD A. BRANDT (P30183) BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & PEZZETTI, P.C. Attorneys for Green Tree 1241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817 Traverse City, Michigan 49696-5817 (231) 941-9660 File No.: 6140.1057 Ad #231877 03/04, 03/11, 03/18, 03/25/2012

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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 # 200911160073689 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 venue, 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

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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: Lateka Osborn, single and Owen Jackson, single to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. as nominee for Citi-Mortgage, Inc. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 23, 2007 and recorded August 1, 2007 in Instrument # 2007080100601050 Genesee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: CitiMortgage, Inc., by assignment dated February 10, 2012 and recorded February 27, 2012 in Instrument # 201202270010825 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars and Thirty-One Cents (\$64,372.31) including interest 6.625% 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 venue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on April 25, 2012. Said premises are situated in City of Flint, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot(s) 9 except the North 25 feet; Lot 10 and the North one-half of Lot 11 of Stockdale, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 8 of Plats, Page(s) 19 of Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 3213 Proctor Ave, Flint MI 48504 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: 3/25/2012 CitiMortgage, Inc. Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-54085 Ad #23474 03/25, 04/01, 04/08, 04/15/2012

NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 8, 2012 FOR ROSE TOWNSHIP FENTON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOND PROPOSAL

To the qualified electors of the Township of Rose, County of Oakland, State of Michigan:

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN THAT THE Township of Rose, 9080 Mason Street, Holly MI 48442 WILL BE OPEN:

MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2012 FROM 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. LAST DAY TO REGISTER

FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS IN SAID CITY/TOWNSHIP NOT ALREADY REGISTERED.

THE MAY 8, 2012 SPECIAL ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN VOTING PRECINCT #1 OF ROSE TOWNSHIP, FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING FOR FENTON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOND PROPOSAL.

Full text of the proposal(s) may be obtained from:
Debbie Miller, Clerk, Rose Township, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, MI 48442, 248-634-8701

KING FEATURES

SuperCrossword

ACROSS

1 Myron Floren's boss

5 Malcolm — Warner

10 Priam's kingdom

14 Daddy duck

19 Adams or Sedgwick

20 Napoleon's fate

21 Something to skip?

22 De Valera of Ireland

23 Start of a remark by Dan Post

26 Rectify

27 Sprinted

28 Part of a suit

29 Pastoral poem

30 Sherbet flavor

31 Norm

32 Rib —

34 One of "Them!"

35 Dirty

37 Part 2 of remark

45 Colleague of Dolly and Loretta

46 Mature

47 Peachy-keen

48 Plumb crazy

49 "Maria —" ('41 song)

51 College growth

52 Before, to Byron

53 Mendicant monk

54 Utter

56 See 90

59 Dispute

61 Pigment

62 Hibachi residue

63 Oaf

65 "Love — the Ruins" ('75 film)

66 Part 3 of remark

69 "I Got a Name" singer

73 Add info

74 Mil. group

76 Genesis vessel

79 "Little —" ('64 hit)

81 "Be my guest!"

82 God with a trident

84 Storms

85 — Dinh Diem

87 Paw part

88 Jergens or Astaire

89 Field of knowledge

90 With 56 Across, common appetizer

92 Chimney part

93 Duel tool

94 Part 4 of remark

97 Domino or Waller

98 Herriot title start

99 "Excuse me"

100 Western st.

101 Mugabe of Zimbabwe

105 Whetstone

107 Out of control

109 She's a sheep date

112 Venerate

113 End of remark

117 "The Kiss" sculptor

118 One of the Waughs

119 "East of Eden" director

120 Imminent

121 Upright

122 Michael of "Cabaret"

123 Unkempt

124 "Vissi d'—" ("Tosca" aria)

DOWN

1 Sport

2 O'Brien or Skinner

3 Mortgage, e.g.

4 Beer barrel

5 Baseball's Derek

6 Shaft

7 Freshen a fuchsia

8 Cover girl

9 Kapaa keepsake

10 Auto transaction

11 Actress Schneider

12 Fall birthstone

13 Craving

14 Lack

15 "— Lama Ding Dong" ('61 tune)

16 Prayer finale

17 Hong —

18 "The NeverEnding Story" author

24 — Office

25 Regret audibly

30 In the know

31 Nero's instrument

32 Duplicate

33 Savored the seitan

34 Fall flower

35 David of "Dark Shadows"

36 Too tubby

37 Twist and turn

38 Bee flat?

39 Born

40 You'll get a kick out of it

41 Texas landmark

42 Symbol

43 Buttercream, e.g.

44 Laramie or Sumter

45 Devour

50 — carte

53 "Fee, Fi, Fo, — . . ."

55 Leading man?

56 Container

57 Arm bones

58 Annie of "Designing Women"

60 Jets and Sharks

63 Opening

64 UK honor

67 Delayed

68 Worn down

69 Cugat consort

70 Mississippi or Missouri

71 New York city

72 Bk. offerings

75 It's in the bag

76 Skilled

77 Romeo and Juliet

78 Banjo locale

79 Grouch

80 Register

82 Hogan or Hindemith

83 Perfect

86 Word with baby or snake

87 Horner's fruit

90 Sensed

91 New Jersey town

92 Adversary

95 One who no's best?

96 "What a relief!"

97 Charlatan

100 Uncool

101 Hard to find

102 Miasma

103 Portend

104 Rohmer or Carmen

105 Sign of sanctity

106 "Glad All —" ('64 hit)

107 Carpenter's tool

108 Knight's quaff

109 Kind of pitcher

110 "Huh?"

111 Bronte heroine

113 Horse hash

114 Endorses

115 Duncan's denial

116 "Jurassic Park" stuff

ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

Times
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The City of Linden's Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Monday, April 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., as part of the regular meeting agenda, in the Council Chambers located at 201 N. Main Street, Linden, Michigan to consider amendments to the City of Linden Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Article 4 – DISTRICT REGULATIONS**Section 4.5 Schedule of Area, Height, Width and Setback Regulations**

Section 4.5.1A will be added to LS-Local Service Footnotes
 Section 4.5.1A will be added to GC - General Commercial Footnotes
 Section 4.5.1A will be added to CBD – Central Business Districts Footnotes
 Section 4.5.1A will be added to LI – Limited Industrial Footnotes

The text of the proposed amendment is available for review at the city offices during normal business hours. Persons wishing to comment on the matter are encouraged to attend the public hearing or to address written comments to the City Clerk in the City Hall at P.O. Box 507, 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, Michigan 48451 prior to the date of the public hearing.

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THIS WEEK'S OPEN HOUSES



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(Silver Lake Road to Main Street to Oak,
left on Oak to First Street)

Charming older home on corner lot close to downtown Fenton. Freshly painted, very clean, 5 bedroom 2 story home with two of the bedrooms on the 1st floor, central air, 1133 sq. ft., lots of storage space, enclosed porch, storage shed, detached 2 car garage with electric, floor drain and workshop. Move-in-ready but some updates needed.

\$73,900

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FENTON TOWNSHIP

2452 Golden Shores
(US-23 to N. on Torrey Rd. to Golden Shores Dr. go E.)
Bank Foreclosure.

Lovely 3 bedroom ranch in beautiful neighborhood, dining room, natural fireplace in living room. 2 full bathrooms, central air, 1252 sq. ft., full unfinished basement, huge deck off dining is 16x14, fenced backyard, and 2 car garage.

\$121,900

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GROVELAND TOWNSHIP

8282 Standing Pines Drive
Bank Foreclosure.

4 bedroom ranch with living room, family room, 3 full bathrooms. Walkout basement with full bath and 5th bedroom. 2573 sq. ft. + 1800 sq. ft. in lower level. 3 car garage and deck All on 10 acres.

\$211,000

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HIGHLAND TOWNSHIP

4510 Strathcona
Bank Foreclosure.

3 bedroom ranch on half acre with 1.5 bathrooms. 1200 sq. ft. Full unfinished basement. Deck and 2 car garage. Backs up to Woods with Lake Privileges. No kitchen cabinets. Cash terms only.

\$55,000

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FENTON

344 Center Street

Nice 4 bedroom ranch on corner lot approximately .9 acre. Fireplace in dining room, 2.5 baths, central air, basement, 1458 sq. ft., large deck for entertaining, storage shed with new roof and 2 car garage. Updates include kitchen, bathroom, flooring and water heater.

\$139,900

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ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP

15275 Longfellow Drive
Nice no fuss lake cottage

that is cute as can be inside with a fabulous sandy beachfront, dock and raft included. Long tree lined lot takes you back to lake communities of a simpler time. Use it as a local vacation spot or indulge your unencumbered Bohemian lifestyle. Land Contract terms.

\$169,900

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HOLLY

423 Hastings

Updated 3 bedroom ranch in Holly close to schools and play area. New roof, kitchen, floor covering and water heater makes this move-in ready. Detached garage with a nice size backyard for the kids. All appliances included with house.

\$49,000

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ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP

8244 Whitney Road

Spacious 5 bedroom home is ready to move right in. Family room, dining room, 2 full bathrooms, 1st floor laundry and 1725 sq. ft. Numerous updates including new boiler, well pump, paint and carpet. Enjoy peaceful setting but close to amenities.

\$99,500

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LINDEN

342 Sweet Briar Ridge

Beautiful 4 bedroom ranch

in a Great neighborhood, dining room, living room with gas fireplace, 2.5 bathrooms, central air, 1539 sq. ft. + approx 928 sq. ft. in finished lower level with family room, bonus room and bathroom, large deck for entertaining in the summer and 2 car garage.

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ROSE TOWNSHIP

9950 S. Big School Road

Cottage on

Big School Lot Lake.

A no wake lake.

Enjoy beautiful sunsets, swimming and fishing. Get the up north feel and still be close to shopping and restaurants.

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HOLLY TOWNSHIP

5296 Evans Road

Great Buy! 18 Acres w/well maintained Farmhouse w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, central air, stone fireplace in family room, 2000 sq. ft., basement, 2 car garage, patio, shed, cottage, lots of pastures & mature trees surrounding the property. Updates: CA, generator, electrical, roof & well.

\$189,900

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FENTON TOWNSHIP

13109 Lake Shore

Exquisite 2 story home w/50' on All Sport Fenton Lake. 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, CA, fireplace in living room & basement, 1st floor laundry, 3100 sq. ft. + 1611 sq. ft. in finished lower level walkout w/complete kitchen, bedrooms, family room, bathroom & home theater system, in-law-apartment, deck, sprinkler system & 3 car garage. Vacant lot available next door.

\$685,000

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GRAND BLANC TOWNSHIP

5383 Spicer Heights

What a deal! 3 bedroom Ranch in the Grand Blanc School district, 1 Bath, 1st floor laundry, 1199 sq. ft., big deck and fenced yard. Serene setting backing to farmer's field. A little updating and general maintenance and this one will be ready to go!

Cash Only.
\$28,500

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LINDEN

518 Tania Trail

Stunning 3 bedroom ranch

w/1547 sq. ft., open floor plan, granite counter, stainless appliances, HW floors, gas log fireplace in the Great Room, central air, 1st floor laundry, patio, storage shed & basement w/daylight window. If you're ready to move, bring the furniture, this home is move-in ready just for you.

\$134,900

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HOLLY

135 Park Avenue

Updates within the past five years: Furnace, Roof, Bathroom, Kitchen, Windows and Siding.

Darling 1.5 story home in prime Holly Village location with 1 bedroom down and 3 bedrooms up, basement, detached garage, shed and fenced corner lot.

\$89,900

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FENTON TOWNSHIP

13111 Torrey Road

Sparkling Shore Frontage on Lake Fenton on popular Crane's Cove. Unique cottage with 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, cathedral ceiling in kitchen, heated sun room, 1st floor laundry, 750 sq. ft., +375 in finished basement & deck. Updates decks, dock, seawall, electrical & kitchen.

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Panoramic setting on 28 acres

Totally renovated farmhouse in 2001 with a new addition in 2005. New cherry kitchen w/island. Huge 30x43 garage. This home is must see for only **\$224,900**

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Custom Ranch

3-4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, hardwood floors, full finished basement. Granite kitchen, stone master bath, 15 ft. ceilings. Finished lower level. Huge deck with hot tub, backs up to 7 acre park. **\$219,900**

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Huge Deck

Wonderful contemporary 4 bedroom 2.5 bath home with open floor plan. Firelit great room, first floor laundry, open loft area, rec room and much more.

\$174,900

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All-sports private Crane Lake!

Wonderful for swimming, boating and fishing. Dock and sandy beach. (No public launch area!) Master suite walks out to deck. Don't miss this opportunity to own this beautiful home on the lake! **\$169,900**

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GRAND BLANC



Open Floor Plan

3 bedrooms, 2 full baths with full basement. Gas log fireplace in the living room, spacious bedrooms, master bathroom and so much more.

\$159,900

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LAKEFRONT LOTS

FENTON



Waterfront Lot

Walkout site, steel seawall, 79 ft. sandy beach, recent survey, sewer hookup. **\$399,900**
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Waterfront Lot - Sandy Beach, steel seawall, walkout, recent survey, 40 ft. sandy Beachfront. **\$250,000**

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Priced to sell. Over 2200 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bath. Vaulted cathedral ceilings, firelit living room florida room, first floor master with walk-in closet and master bath.

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Lake access and dock privileges

3 bedrooms, 3.5 bathrooms, full finished basement with lots to offer. Great room has 13 ft. ceilings and 3 way fireplace. This one won't last long at **\$159,900!**

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3 bedroom, 2.5 bath ranch offering Deeded Lake Ponemah access with docking privileges. 2-car attached garage with additional 3 car addition.

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