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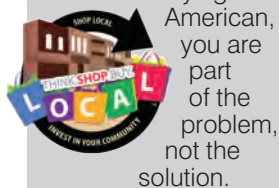
“We’re not gullible but my wife and I really bought into the April 1st story about the 90-year-old lady that invented the iPhone app that translates dog barking into English. Thanks for making our day.”



HOT LINES:

“I never see any Hot lines thanking the Times for all they do for our communities. I, for one, would like to say thanks and tell you how much I love and appreciate our hometown newspaper.”

“Unless you are shopping local and buying American, you are part of the problem, not the solution.



We’re Americans, let’s act like it.”

“I have seen several Hot lines regarding the upcoming Fenton school millage. Please get the facts. The funding is only for much



needed technology, security and transportation – period. Thank you.”

HOT LINE

of the week

“I WAS GOING to predict that there is no way in the world that any jury could find George Zimmerman guilty, but then I remembered that a jury let OJ go free.”



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Area communities
by the numbers

► Fenton has highest income,
Linden leads in higher education

By Tim Jagielo

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Though tables of statistics can make one's head spin, numbers can provide some clear and unbiased information.

The 2010 U.S. census is gradually releasing detailed population information, which paints a picture of our country, state and local areas.

Compiled here are the basics related to housing, income and population race and ethnicity, in Fenton, Linden and Holly.

See **NUMBERS** on 13A

Summary

► The U.S. Census provides a detailed look at the numbers that measure income, housing and ethnic makeup of the region.

New Linden City
manager selected

Mark Tallman

By William Axford

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Linden — In a 6 to 1 vote, the Linden City Council voted Monday to offer Mark Tallman the city manager position. Councilor Danielle Dixon cast the dissenting vote. The offer came after five interviews and former City Manager Chris Wren's resignation in January.

See **MANAGER** on 15A

Adopt-A-Pet takes in 25 dogs from bust



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Adopt-A-Pet volunteer Judy Kaiser holds Dion and Hera, Shih Tzu mixes, rescued from the Allegan County puppy mill that was raided on Tuesday. Office manager Diane Gale pets the older one, who is more socially damaged by the puppy mill experience.

More than 350 dogs seeking homes after animal rescue

By William Axford

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Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton Township has taken in 25 dogs from the animal rescue in Allegan County earlier

this week. Director Jody Maddock said the dogs are in surprisingly good health but are in need of dental work. Maddock said Adopt-A-Pet has been flooded with

calls for volunteers after the Times' Wednesday article.

“We have almost all of the dogs in foster care but there are some we want to

See **DOGS** on 12A

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Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation Executive Director Vince Paris is looking forward to the upgrades to the building. “This is going to be a win-win for the community,” he said.

A building ahead of its time

► Fenton Community Center designed by world-renowned architect in 1938

By Ryan Tackabury

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Fenton — If you are looking for a historical and significant piece of architecture, you need to look no further than downtown Fenton.

Almost 75 years ago, two world-renowned architects visited the town of Fenton. Gottlieb Eliel Saarinen, assisted by his son, Eero Saarinen, worked together as a team on many buildings

such as the Cranbrook Institute of Art, the Smithsonian Institute, and the Fenton Community Center.

The Fenton Community Center's name was slightly changed to Fenton Community & Cultural Center in 2006.

Eero would go on to design many other well-known creations such as the Gateway Arch in St. Louis.

See **BUILDING** on 22A

Summary

► In 1938, the Fenton Community Center was built and considered to be an architectural gem that was ahead of its time.

Want to save money at the grocery store?

► Tri-County Times website now
features manufacturers' coupons

By Sharon Stone

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The Times new national coupon pages on their website is just one more example

of how the newspaper can save you money in addition to bringing you the news every Sunday and Wednesday. A new feature on the Times website, www.tctimes.com, is a link to manufacturers' See **COUPON** on 20A



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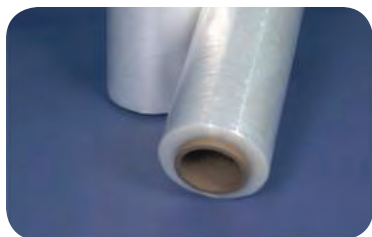
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2 Trash protector

To discourage dogs, cats and birds from ripping into trash bags, spray the bags lightly with insect repellent. The smell drives the animals away.



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Margret Davis (front) and her husband (behind her) had coffee with friends Wednesday morning at the Loose Senior Citizen Center in Linden. Davis said nothing is beyond a person's reach and that young people should follow their dreams.

'I wouldn't change a thing'

Seniors encourage youth to dream big and work hard

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One doesn't have to look very far to see reports of bad news. From a \$15 trillion national deficit to an 8 percent national unemployment rate, the future of today's younger generations isn't the brightest. So what do retirees, many of whom have lived a successful life, have to say to younger generations who are fretting about their future?

"You look at the future for young folks and it's tough," said Joe Sobczak, who was one of many seniors meeting for coffee Wednesday morning at the Loose Senior Citizen Center in Linden.

"Don't think anything is beyond your reach."

Margaret Davis
Retired teacher



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | WILLIAM AXFORD

After graduating high school, Joe Sobczak joined the Marines for two and a half years and then worked at Chrysler for 30 years. Sobczak recognizes that times are different and recommends younger generations to get an education.

"If there's a possibility, get an education."

Sobczak admits times were different when he graduated high school in the late 1950s, when jobs were more plentiful and a high school diploma was the most basic requirement for working. After graduation, Sobczak married his high school sweetheart and served in the Marine Corps for two and a half years. After his service, Sobczak worked and retired from Chrysler after 30 years.

See **SENIORS** on 8A

Saying goodbye

► It's never easy to let go of a beloved pet

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Jim Little and his black lab, Buddy, definitely lived up to his name. They were "best buddies," taking leisurely walks together every day in their Fenton Township neighborhood. When Little rattled his keys

and grabbed his wallet, it was Buddy's cue that something exciting was about to happen — either a stroll in the neighborhood or a ride in the car. Buddy went just about everywhere Little went.

That all began to change as Buddy grew older and found it harder to keep up. "I saw it coming about a year before we had to do something about it," said

See **PET** on 21A

"It (euthanasia) actually means 'a good death.' You gave your pet a good life; now let her have a good death."

Martha Tremblay
Fenton Veterinary Clinic



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Gary La Bar, D.V.M. of Pointe Animal Clinic in Fenton holds Frank, one of the many house cats around the office. Frank is healthy, with many years of life left.

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Sharpton, Jackson and now, Obama

There is no one on this earth who knows what happened the night Trayvon Martin died. The facts of the case are still unclear. The only sure fact is that it was tragic for all involved.

Shamefully, that hasn't stopped opportunistic race-baiters from crawling out from under the rocks they live beneath with their patented 'outrage' at any incident that has potential racial implications.

Shockingly, the most shameless race-baiter of all is our president, Barack Obama.

Let's take a moment to dissect his inane statement: "You know, if I had a son, he'd look like Trayvon. All of us have to do some soul-searching to figure

out how does something like this happen."

Let's ignore the media's portrayal of Trayvon as a saint, despite his record of graffiti, theft, violence, tattoos, school expulsions, and drug possession. Leave aside the fact that while Obama's imaginary son may have looked like Trayvon at age 12, he would likely look nothing like Trayvon at age 17, what with the multiple tats, gold-toothed grin and juvenile gangsta-wannabe persona. And I highly doubt that President Obama's son

would tweet under the handle of 'no-limit- ni(xxxx).'

Let's ignore all that and instead zero in on just the last part of Obama's state-

ment: "All of us have to do some soul-searching."

What the president of the United States is suggesting is that each of us is somehow collectively culpable in the death of Trayvon Martin. This standard guilt tactic by the left implies that every American is responsible for fostering the alleged racial climate that ultimately resulted in Martin's death. That each of us, in some way, willfully contributed to this tragic event.

President Obama's statement was no off-the-cuff remark. It was a carefully crafted comment, deliberately delivered with a theatrical flourish designed to maximize the typical white American's guilt at being... well, white.

The unspoken message? America is racist, and you are part of the problem. What's the cure for this problem? Why, re-electing President Obama, of course.

It's the same solution that can cure cancer and make the entire population of the earth hold hands while belting out a spirited rendition of "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing" in three-part liberal harmony.

Truth be told, the president's words are near criminal. They are near criminal for inciting further racial tension in America. They are near criminal to both Trayvon Martin and George Zimmerman, each of whom deserves a fair and impartial investigation untainted by race-baiting. But most of all, they are near criminal to all Americans — of any race, color or creed — who had nothing to do with Martin's death, but whom Barack Obama feels he can lay a guilt trip on for personal political gain.

Sharpton. Jackson. And now, Obama.

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Hot lines

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AREA COACH IS asked to leave coaching job for multiple reasons; including swearing at opposing coaches and telling kids on his team that they suck. He's now applying for another coaching job in our area. Do we really want this guy coaching our kids? Let your school know your thoughts.

IF OBAMA CAN bully the Supreme Court, tell them what and how they should rule on their decisions, how do you think Obama views you, the common citizen?

A LIBERAL I may be, but no more nukes for me. If the USA is honest, tongue and cheek, we have more nukes than the world can handle. We don't need nukes.

THE REAGAN YEARS were the worst eight years of my life. I don't see how anyone can think he was a 'great president.'

I WANT TO thank the person who paid for our meal at the Fenton Coney Wednesday morning. May God bless them and give them lots of blessings.

SOMEBODY SPILLED THE beans. These companies sell this pink slime to meat stores, which is added to the ground beef as filler. That doesn't sound good to me. I hope people will call their opinion in. Thank you.

WHY IS HOLLY schools pushing for no one-on-one support for special needs children? They're being pushed into regular classrooms with the expectation that their peers will give them direction. Their peers are not qualified, and this only hurts all children's educational needs.

I SINCERELY HOPE the college youth Obama has been 'wooing' can see through the smoke and mirrors he uses. Investigate the numbers he pulls from thin air and spews them out as facts. Check his record, especially his oath to protect and defend the constitution, while leading us into socialism.

HAS ANYONE EVER noticed that those who are pro abortion have already been born?

FROM THE BEGINNING of time and before man appeared, warming and cooling weather cycles have occurred. A period from the 16th-19th centuries has been described as a Little Ice Age. Makes sense that global warming is now naturally occurring and not caused by man as some faulty "scientific" declarations claim.

ACCORDING TO THE Federal Aid Highway Act, states would lose federal funds for road repairs unless the minimum drinking

age was raised to 21 years minimum. That is how the federal government over-reaches into the state's independent governing. Obama's plans call for more federal regulation especially in education and healthcare.

IN MICHIGAN PRIMARIES, a voter can select a ballot of Republican, Democratic or both candidates that will identify the voter with a party in that election only. The voter's type of ballot may be public information through political parties. Use an Independent ballot to avoid public party designation.

OLD MAN BOB Clark may lose a couple of tractor sales based on his "Retired GM Shop Rat" comment. Oh and by the way, I'm not a retired "Shop Rat" if that's what you were thinking.

THE 2012 PRESIDENTIAL election decision is simple. If you want to be a socialist, have the government take care of you and tell you what to do, then vote for Obama. If you do not mind working and caring for yourself and enjoy freedom then vote for Romney. Vote.

IT WAS NICE to see the article about consignment shops closing without returning items or paying their consignors. I'd like to see more action, there was also a consignment shop in Holly that stole money from thousands of people and was never repaid. I'd like to see the same response for this.

THE CONSIGNMENT STORE has shut its doors, with consignor merchandise still in the store, and money owed to me and many others. How do we get our merchandise back and the money owed us?

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



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Compiled by William Axford, Staff Reporter

What's your top advice for young people?

Question asked of Loose Senior Citizen Center members

streettalk



"Behave in public."

— Judy Matsko



"To think twice when you interact with seniors."

— Joyce Wilson



"Learn how to budget your money wisely so you can pay your bills when they come."

— Daralee Rowan



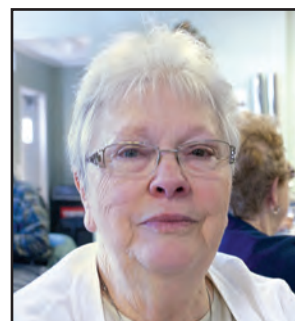
"Stay in school, no drugs and alcohol. Bad mistakes you make last a lifetime."

— Casimir Wasiemewski



"Be aware of how serious it is coming into adulthood. Every decision follows you through your life."

— Jean Hudson



"Attend school, don't drop out, and stay away from drugs."

— Jean Nankvis

Linden City budget set at \$3.8 million

►\$90,000 less than previous year

By William Axford

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Linden — Interim City Manager Scott Sutter presented the 2012-13 city budget to the council on Monday night. He anticipates a \$3.8 million budget, which is nearly \$90,000 less than 2011-12's budget.

Sutter attributed the reduced funding to the decline in property tax revenue, which decreased by 7 percent last year and 9 percent in 2011. However, Linden saw their population increase by nearly 40 percent during the last census and anticipates receiving an additional \$519,900 in revenue from the state.

Sutter has recommended a 3 percent pay increase for City Clerk Marti Donnelly, Deputy Treasurer Susan Young and Fire Chief Brian Will. Each increase amounts to a \$53,870 salary, \$16.76 per hour and \$21.96 per hour, respectively. The last raise given to each position was in July of 2009 but reduced in January of 2011 by about 2.5 percent.

All other city employees received a pay increase at the beginning of the year or they are included in the union contract.

Funding has also been set aside for building improvements within the city. Sutter has allocated \$18,000 toward replacing the roof on City Hall; \$10,000 for insulating and installing a new ceiling in the Fire Hall bays, and \$6,000 for replacing the ceiling tiles in the Linden Museum in the Mill Building, all from the general fund. Along with a few other projects, \$36,000 from the fund balance will be set aside for updates around the city.

Although they are experiencing a reduction in funding, Sutter said the city has done well to keep a healthy fund balance. "Due to increases in revenue sharing and Act 51 funds and the expenditure reduction measures mentioned, the city has been successful in proposing a 33 percent unrestricted fund balance in the general fund of four months of operating expenditures for 2013," Sutter wrote to the city council.

A public work session by the city council is planned for April 16 at 6 p.m. to continue finalizing the budget.

Summary

►The 2012/2013 proposed budget for Linden includes pay increases and building projects around the city. Overall, the city will receive nearly \$90,000 less in funding this coming year.

Community invited to prayer breakfast

►Fenton Area Clergy hosts National Day of Prayer event

For the fourth consecutive year, the Fenton Area Clergy and the Fenton Kiwanis Club will team up to sponsor a community breakfast to mark the National Day of Prayer.

This year's event will be held on Thursday May 3, in the Family Life Center of the Fenton United Methodist Church, 119 South LeRoy St. Breakfast will be served at 7 a.m. and the program will be completed by 8 a.m.

The National Day of Prayer was formally established

in 1952 by declaration of the U.S. Congress asking that citizens spend time in prayer and meditation on the first Thursday of May each year. However, George Washington and the Continental Congress first mandated a national day of prayer and fasting in 1775. Several presidents have made similar declarations throughout the history of

our country.

Dale Swihart, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Fenton said speaking at this year's breakfast is Jeremy Peters, associate pastor of the Fenton United Methodist Church. The program will include a time for community prayer.

Tickets are \$10 and they may be purchased from Kiwanis Club members, the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce or area churches. The deadline for ticket purchase is April 29.

For additional information, call Bob Burek at (810) 750-6978 or Swihart at (810) 629-7801.

Summary

►The community is invited to attend the National Day of Prayer breakfast on May 3 at the Family Life Center of the Fenton United Methodist Church. The deadline to purchase tickets is Sunday, April 29.

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Crust - a baking company ~ \$3 off a whole fruit pie. Enter to win a whole fruit pie.

Elle Marie Salon ~ Our two-year anniversary is April 19. Come and celebrate with 50 percent off all Bumble and Bumble hair products. Enter to win a Gift Certificate.

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THE UPS STORE IN FENTON CELEBRATES EARTH DAY

In celebration of Earth Day on April 22, The UPS Store at 17195 Silver Parkway in Fenton is encouraging consumers to help protect the environment by bringing in clean, foam packaging peanuts of all sizes, shapes and colors for reuse. This is part of an ongoing effort by The UPS Store to increase peanut recycling throughout the year. "We applaud Earth Day for the awareness it brings to green initiatives," said Les Beare, The UPS Store franchisee. "It's our responsibility to assist Earth Day's efforts every day by providing a convenient solution in the Fenton community to recycle this commonly-used packaging material." To help further reduce our carbon footprint, The UPS Store offers air-filled film pillows, an alternative, protective packaging material that can be reused or recycled with plastic bag waste. The UPS Store is open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, call the store at (810) 750-2920.

Calendar of events

MOMS Club meets Tuesday

The MOMS Club of Linden/Fenton invites all stay-at-home moms from Linden, Fenton and Holly to join them for their monthly meeting, April 17 at 9:30 a.m. Their purpose is to bring together moms for friendship and support. They offer playgroups, moms' night out, community service projects and much more. They meet the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at Faith Baptist Church, 4158 Silver Lake Rd, Linden. (They are not affiliated with the church.) For more information, email momsclublf@yahoo.com.

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Police&Fire report

ARGENTINE POLICE RAID APARTMENT, MAKE ARREST

On Thursday, April 12, Argentine Township police officer executed a search warrant at an apartment in the Pinehurst Apartments on Harper Street, the same apartment building where 4-year-old Dominick Calhoun was killed two years ago. Police Chief Dan Allen said the search warrant was obtained after a three-week investigation stemming from reports of drug sales being made from an apartment. During the search, a large amount of

prescription medications was seized. Police also seized marijuana, drug paraphernalia, an undisclosed amount of cash and a vehicle. A 49-year-old Argentine Township man was arrested for possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance. He was lodged at the Genesee County Jail, pending his arraignment.

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At 7:40 p.m. on Thursday, April 12, Fenton police were sent to a home in the 200 block of Fifth Street to investigate a malicious destruction of property complaint. A 29-year-old resident told police someone had thrown a piece of concrete through the window of her 1996 Subaru, while it was parked in her driveway. There are no suspects.

Village may implement police cuts

►Layoff, hour reductions to cover \$126,000 budget gap

By Tim Jagielo

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To bridge a \$126,000 shortfall in the Village budget, the Holly Police Department (HPD) might be making cuts.

Two sergeants' positions will possibly be scaled back to part time, and one full-time officer might be laid off.

Two layoffs have already occurred, one at the village office and another at the Department of Public Works (DPW). These layoffs saved the village more than \$111,000 per year, and came at the same time as fired former manager Marsha Powers' lawsuit settlement.

Council member Jackie Campbell said they had no choice but to look to the HPD for more cuts.

These cuts are part of the 2012-13 budget that the council accepted on Tuesday. They will not vote to adopt the budget until June. Campbell said there is one more work session ahead before it can be passed. She said the police department was last on the list for cuts, and these cuts came at the recommendation of Chief Elena Danishevskaya.

Currently, chief Danishevskaya said the sergeants are considering temporarily dropping down to part time, and

early retirement for an officer is being considered. These cuts aren't set in stone yet, she said. "We're still working on it, we're hoping we can avoid any layoffs," she said. "Layoffs are the last thing we would ever want to do."

To save the one full-time officer, early retirement for another department member is being explored. "I would love to see it, I really would," said Campbell. "These are still hard times; we're still in an economic crunch."

They also decided not to touch the HPD dispatch center, as it is being paid for in part by a millage, and may have the potential to be utilized by other municipalities.

Using fund balance dollars was also an option, which the council decided against.

"The past five years have been difficult for municipalities as we have struggled with providing service, which is the only reason we should exist, with declining revenues," said Walker in an email. "The result has been doing more with less."

Village officials have projected general fund revenues of \$2,526,214, and general fund expenses of \$2,672,508, with a \$146,249 difference. With the adjustments to insurance coverage, the budget shortfall was reduced from \$146,249 to \$126,000.

The village must submit a balanced budget by June.

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Jackie Campbell
Village Council
member

Summary

►The Holly Village Council has accepted amendments to the proposed 2012-13 budget, which includes reducing the Holly Police Department by one full-time officer and bringing two full-time sergeants to part time. The budget will be adopted in June.

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Joe Sobczak talks about life at the Loose Senior Citizen Center Wednesday during a coffee social.

SENIORS

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"It's a different mindset of youngsters today, with all the degrees and schooling," Sobczak said. But no matter what path younger people choose to take today, Sobczak stands firm that it should be what they want to do and not what they think they have to do. "Do what your heart is telling you to do," he advises.

For Ed Collins of Fenton Township, his advice for a happy and successful life is simple.

"Strive to be the best at what you do and go to work every day," Collins said. "If you have an opportunity, grab it, as long as it's within reason."

Collins worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 37 years and said he embraced overtime every chance he could. Like Sobczak, Collins understands that today's workforce is nothing like it was when he was younger. Still, he reiterated the importance of working and staying employed.

"If you have to take a lower paying job, take it and build up on it. Never give up," said Collins.

For lifelong teacher Margaret Davis of Linden, the need for education is much more prominent today than it was in previous decades. Davis believes there isn't a reason why any young person can't achieve whatever they want to.

"Don't think anything is beyond your reach," Davis said, who encourages young people to follow their dreams.

What about marriage and raising children? The three seniors had many of the same responses, each having been married more than 40 years and having grown kids of their own. For a successful marriage, the relationship is all about compromise. Things can't always go one partner's way and conversely, your spouse should listen to what you have to say. When it comes to raising kids, Davis had a simple formula: "Just love them. If you do, they'll turn out fine."

When asked if there was anything they would change in their lives, all three seniors said, "Nothing. There isn't a thing I would change about my life."

"There isn't a thing I would do differently," Davis said. "You learn from the mistakes as much as you do from your success."

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By: Dr. Juan Alvarado

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If these do not relieve the symptoms, it is best to see an optometrist. When I see a patient with a red eye, I first take a case history, this will often tell us what is causing the red eye. Then I examine the eyes with a slit lamp. A slit lamp is like a microscope to examine the eyes. This instrument enables me to determine if a red eye is from infection, such as bacterial, viral, toxic, or allergic.

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Beating a ticket

► What are your options after receiving a citation?

By Ryan Tackabury

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Everyone has been there — losing track of the speed limit, or rolling through a stop sign, and now have one more traffic ticket to deal with than you ever wanted.

This ticket can be more than a small inconvenience. It can potentially add points on to your driver's license and cost you a fair bit of money.

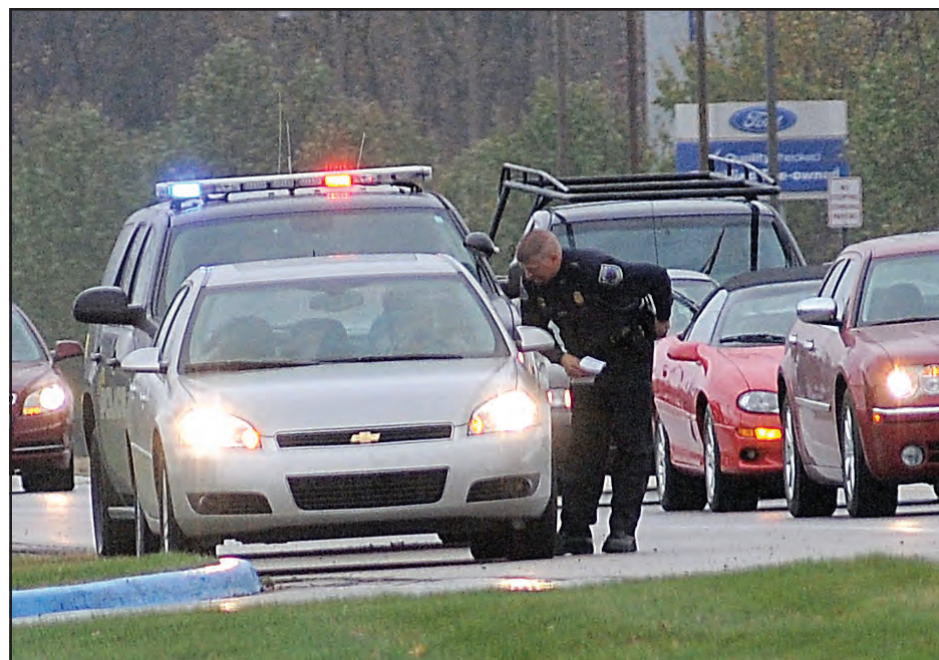
What are your options when trying to deal with the ticket? You can either pay up, or if you are determined, try and fight it.

Summary

► Facing a traffic ticket? Being polite, sincere and admitting your error could be your best bet for receiving just a warning from the officer. If you still receive the ticket, research exactly what you were ticketed for, dress professionally and ask questions as you fight the ticket in court.

Everyone has heard the story about how a friend of a friend managed to beat their traffic ticket by postponing their court appearance so the officer who is-

sued the ticket might not appear. This method may not be reliable, though it is something you can try if you wish to contest the ticket in court. Delaying can be an effective tactic, such as requesting a written report.



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Although it varies from community to community, speeding tickets tend to be one of the more common forms of traffic violations.

If you do contest the ticket, you may be offered a deal during your pre-trial appearance by the prosecuting attorney. If you decide to take the deal, be absolutely certain of the terms that you are agreeing to.

When planning to go to court to fight the ticket, make certain to be prepared. Simply showing up in court is not going to do you any favors — you need to have a case, and present it well. Present yourself well — dress

professionally, and act confident.

Research the law referenced by your ticket and gather the information you need to make your argument why you were not at fault. Attending court prior to your court date is a good way to familiarize yourself with court procedures, which will be very helpful in fighting a ticket.

Request information about the evidence against you, and read about it. Making yourself familiar with the equipment used to determine your speed will better allow you to present a case against it. Ask the officer if he was moving at the time he captured your speed, as this can effect the results.

At your court appearance, you will have the opportunity to question the officer who ticketed you. Asking questions about details of the day you were ticketed, such as what clothes you were wearing, can hurt the officer's credibility if he is unable to answer.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said that a person's attitude when pulled over can have an impact on what happens. "If someone treats you with respect and seems to be sincere, and admits that maybe they broke the law or whatever the case may be, I think the officer is more apt to go with a warning as opposed to a citation," Aro said.

"It's strictly up to the officer at the time as to what form of action should be taken."

The cheapest and most efficient way of avoiding a traffic ticket entirely is to simply follow the law.

"It's strictly up to the officer at the time as to what form of action should be taken."

Rick Aro
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DOGS

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keep here," Maddock said. "The dogs are just starting to come out of their shells and we're slowly getting them vetted."

On Monday, authorities rescued more than 350 dogs from two breeders. Most of the dogs were Shih Tzu and Pomeranian mixes, along with some Yorkshire Terriers and Maltese. The animal rescue is considered to be the largest of its kind in the his-

tory of Michigan.

Maddock said Adopt-A-Pet may take in more dogs from the rescue in the near future.

Puppy Suds Pet Grooming of Linden also donated time and work for five of the dogs, for bathing, transporting and grooming.

Adopt-A-Pet is currently seeking monetary donations to purchase medication and medical procedures for the dogs. For more information, contact Adopt-A-Pet at (810) 629-0723.

Walking for puppies

► Tomek raising funds to help care for rescued dogs

By Sharon Stone

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Fenton — As soon as the second graders at Tomek Eastern Elementary School heard about the rescued puppies heading to Fenton Adopt-A-Pet, they decided they had to do something to help.

Second-grade teacher Sara Eastman informed Adopt-A-Pet on Thursday that the entire school has organized a walk-a-thon for Friday, April 20. The students will be asking for pledges in order to raise money to cover some of

the expenses of caring for the rescued puppies.

Adopt-A-Pet has taken in more than a dozen animals this past week from a puppy mill operation in Allegan County. The

rescue is considered the largest recovery of animals in Michigan said Adopt-A-Pet Director Jody Maddock.

The students have set a goal of raising \$3,000, said Eastman. Last year the students held a walk-a-thon to raise money for Haiti and raised \$2,000. Eastman is running a marathon this weekend, as well, to collect pledges.

The walk-a-thon is expected to begin at 9:30 a.m. on April 20. Eastman will be providing popsicles and she will have some different areas set up so that the children can skip and sprint to break up the time.

Summary

► Tomek Eastern Elementary School students hope to raise \$3,000 to help care for several puppies that the Fenton Adopt-A-Pet received this past week from a puppy mill rescue in Allegan County.

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NUMBERS

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Fenton, Linden and Holly compared

Our three major areas compare closely, according to the 2010 Census data. Fenton leads the way in mean estimated 2010 income, according to the census, far out earning the largest nearby urban center of Flint.

Linden, though still higher in mean income than Flint, makes roughly \$15,000 less than Fenton or Holly.

Linden, by at least one measurement, leads in education, with more than 30 percent of adults over the age of 25 attaining a bachelor's degree or higher.

National highlights

The census reflects a drop in median income from 2009 to 2010, which should not come as a surprise. In 2010, the median income was \$49,445, down from \$50,599. The average income in the Midwest was \$48,445 in 2010.

The poverty rate also increased from 14.3 to 15.1 percent of people living in poverty.

Compared to Michigan

Fenton and Holly are close to the statewide mean income level of around \$58,000.

The area communities attain slightly more in post bachelor's degrees for ages 25 and over.

2010 CENSUS NUMBERS

MICHIGAN

- **Population:** 9,883,640
- **Race / ethnicity makeup:**
 - White: 7,803,120
 - Black: 1,400,362
 - Asian: 238,139
 - Hispanic or Latino: 436,358
- **Sex/Age:**
 - Male: 4,848,114
 - Female: 5,030,526
- **Largest age group in population:** 35-49 with 2,022,555 people in the age group.
- **Housing:**
 - Total homes: 4,532,233
 - Rented Homes: 1,079,166
 - Owned homes: 2,793,342
 - Vacant homes: 659,725, or 7 percent.
- **Mean est. 2010 income:** \$59,772
- **Percentage of population aged 25 and older, with a bachelor's degree or higher:** 25.2 percent

FENTON

- **Population:** 11,746
- **Race/ethnicity makeup:**
 - White: 11,127
 - Black: 151
 - Latino/Hispanic: 293
 - Asian: 88
- **Sex/Age:**
 - Male: 5,500
 - Female: 6,246
 - Largest age group: 35-49 with 2,430
- **Housing:**
 - Total Homes: 5,572
 - Rented occupied Homes: 2,080
 - Owner occupied homes: 2,985
 - Vacant homes: 505, or 11 percent
- **Mean est. 2010 income:** \$59,265
- **Percentage of population aged 25 and older, with a bachelor's degree or higher:** 28.2 percent.

LINDEN

- **Population:** 3,991
- **Race/ethnicity makeup:**
 - White: 3,863
 - Black: 18
 - Asian: 17
 - Latino/Hispanic: 79
- **Sex/Age:**
 - Male: 1,876
 - Female: 2,115
 - Largest age group: 65 and over, with 795 people.
- **Housing:**
 - Total homes: 1,695
 - Rented occupied Homes: 263
 - Owner occupied homes: 1,289
 - Vacant homes: 143, or 12 percent.
- **Mean est. 2010 income:** \$42,962
- **Percentage of population aged 25 and older, with a bachelor's degree or higher:** 32.4 percent.

VILLAGE OF HOLLY

- **Population:** 6,086
- **Race/ethnicity makeup:**
 - White: 5,783
 - Black: 70
 - Asian: 34
 - Latino/Hispanic: 217
- **Sex/Age:**
 - Male: 2,961
 - Female: 3,125
- **Largest age group:** 35-49, with 1,320.
- **Housing:**
 - Total homes: 2,703
 - Rented occupied Homes: 651
 - Owner occupied homes: 1,802
 - Vacant homes: 250 or 11 percent.
- **Mean est. 2010 income:** \$58,726
- **Percentage of population aged 25 and older, with a bachelor's degree or higher:** 16 percent.

THE TRI-COUNTY AREA COMPARED TO FLINT

- **Population:** 102,434
- **Race/ethnicity makeup:**
 - White: 38,328
 - Black: 57,939
 - Latino/Hispanic: 3,972
 - Asian: 464
- **Sex/Age:**
 - Male: 49,140
 - Female: 53,294
 - Largest age group: 35-49, with 19,856 people.
- **Housing:**
 - Total homes: 51,321
 - Rented occupied Homes: 18,108
 - Owner occupied homes: 22,364
 - Vacant homes: 10,849 or five percent.
- **Mean est. 2010 income:** \$30,826
- **Percentage of population aged 25 and older, with a bachelor's degree or higher:** 20.2 percent.

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LHS teacher selected for STARS program

►Christy Miller one of 40 in country heading to Tennessee

By Sharon Stone

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Linden — Christy Miller, a teacher at Linden High School has been chosen to participate in the prestigious Siemens Teachers as Researchers (STARS) fellowship program taking place this summer.

Miller will travel to Oak Ridge National Laboratory, in Tennessee, the U.S. Department of Energy's largest, multi-purpose, national research laboratory and will join a group of 40 middle and high school teachers from across the country for the program. She was selected after applying for the spot on the Siemens website.

The STARS fellowship, from June 17-29 is designed to empower teachers to bring the excitement of authentic research into their classrooms and inspire students to pursue science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education.

In addition to conducting research with leading scientists, Miller and the other teachers will also benefit from a number of facility tours and seminars aimed to assist teachers in effectively incorporating research into their science and math classrooms. Each teacher will also receive a grant to purchase equipment and/or supplies for their classroom.

Linden Superintendent Ed Koledo said Siemens' work with educators in the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields is exceptional.

"Having Christy participate in their STARS program is a great opportunity for Christy," Koledo said.

"With all the work Christy already does as a science teacher at Linden High School, including sponsoring our high school robotics team, I don't think they could have picked a better candidate to participate and I'm sure it will be our students who really end up benefiting from Christy's experience this summer."

Miller has been teaching chemistry, biology and zoology at LHS for the past six years. She also started a FIRST robotics team, the RoboEagles, two years ago with the help of the Fenton area team, the Grayt Leviathons.

"I look forward to my fellowship in the STARS program to help foster the connections between current research and the classroom," said Miller. "I am very excited to work with top scientists and the other outstanding teachers that are part of the program. There is some very exciting research taking place at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory that I feel privileged to take part in."

Miller is also excited about the success of her school's robotics team. In just their second year of competition, they recently learned that they qualified for the State Championship. As with any new team, however, sponsorships are crucial to fund their projects and entries into the competitions. If anyone would like to donate to the RoboEagles robotics team, they can contact Miller at cmiller@lindenschools.org for more information.

"I'm sure it will be our students who really end up benefiting from Christy's experience this summer."

Ed Koledo
Linden schools superintendent

Summary

►Linden High School teacher Christy Miller was one of 40 in the country selected to attend a Siemens Teachers as Researchers (STARS) fellowship program this summer in Tennessee.

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MANAGER

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Tallman is a former city administrator for the city of Kechi, Kansas. Prior to working in Kansas, Tallman was a business development manager for the Genesee Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Jackson Downtown Development Authority Director Jonathan Greene was given heavy consideration and he initially drew favor from some of the councilors.

"We have the seasoned veteran versus the young guy who may be ready to move up," said Councilor Charlie Ross. "Is Mr. Tallman jaded? Is Mr. Greene ready for this position?"

Mayor David Lossing echoed similar views, likening the choice to a seesaw between Tallman and Greene.

"I like Greene's energy and his previous involvement in the area," Lossing said. Greene grew up in Hartland and expressed interest in moving back to the area. "Tallman was very cool, calm and collected."

Some councilors though were not impressed with Greene's answers, referring to his responses as "canned and predetermined." When asked about the importance of meeting with staff members, Greene responded, "Nothing replaces

the squirm of when you ask an employee about a task face-to-face."

Some councilors interpreted Greene's response negatively. Councilor Ed Ciesielski compared Greene's squirm response to words Snidely Whiplash would use. Dixon said the words could have been misinterpreted. Dixon felt that Tallman didn't give specific answers and spoke too much about his experience in Genesee County and not enough about Kechi, Kansas.

After some discussion, the council agreed Tallman would be a better fit for Linden. The council described Tallman as level headed, direct and knowledgeable in community development.

"I was impressed most that Tallman just didn't look downtown for development but was concerned about all of the city," said Councilor Ray Culbert.

Oak Park Assistant City Manager Diane Lemanski also interviewed Monday night. Fenton Assistant City Manager and Downtown Development Authority Director Michael Burns interviewed for the position last month, as well as former Scio City Manager Darrell Fecho. Tallman was narrowed down from 46 applicants.

Tallman's contract will be voted upon at the April 23 city council meeting.

"Tallman was very cool, calm and collected."

David Lossing
Linden mayor

Summary

► Former Kechi, Kansas City Administrator Mark Tallman has been selected for the city manager position in Linden. Linden City Council is expected to take action on his contract on April 23.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

REPUBLICANS' IDEA OF job creation — spend \$15 million taxpayer dollars to hire and train new state troopers when there are countless laid off police officers all over Michigan that could start immediately. Snyder is not giving money to local police because he can't keep them under his thumb.

THAT'S ALL WE ever hear about from Holly schools, another media campaign crying about more cuts due to (fill in the blank excuse) causing less revenue. Hey, let's spend millions to refurbish a school and close it a year later. No thanks, I will be sending my kid to Clarkston.

THE KEYSTONE PIPELINE, if it ever gets built, will raise the price of gasoline for Americans by making it easier to export gasoline surpluses to other countries. It is a myth that it will help lower gas prices. How do I know? It says so in TransCanada's prospectus.

FOR THE PERSON who was asking about low cost spay and neuter, there is a place in Warren called All About Animals Rescue that does them at a huge discount. They also do shots, deworming and other services. I took six cats there. They will also do feral cats.

ALTHOUGH ROMNEY THINKS the trees in Michigan are the right height, he still would have let GM and Chrysler go out of business. In fact, every Republican presidential candidate has said as much. Be honest and ask yourself, do Republicans value what matters most to Michiganders?

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AS THE LAKE Fenton High School attendant from a few days ago talking about the worm-like maggots in the wood chips, my request was blown off and I have decided to move ahead and contact the school board president. I am still open to any kind of help. Thanks.

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(NBCSp)
Senators at Rangers, 7 p.m.

(NBCSp)
Blackhawks at Coyotes, 9:30 p.m.

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(NBCSp)
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SUNDAY

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(TBS)
Rangers at Red Sox, 1:30 p.m.

(FSD)
Tigers at White Sox, 2:10 p.m.

(ESPN)
Angels at Yankees, 8 p.m.

BASKETBALL

(ABC)
Heat at Knicks, 1 p.m.

(ABC)
Mavs at Lakers, 3:30 p.m.

(FSD)
Bulls at Pistons, 6 p.m.

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(NBCSp)
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(NBCSp)
Canucks at Kings, 10:30 p.m.



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Linden defeats Lake Fenton, 4-0.

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Fenton edges Linden

► Newblatt goal, Baker's second-half saves sparks 1-0 Tigers' victory

By David Troppens

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Linden — There's no better way to get back into the action than by playing your rivals.

And that's what the Linden and Fenton varsity girls soccer teams did on Thursday.

This time it was Fenton that snuck by with the victory as the Tigers got a goal with four minutes left in the first half from Marissa Newblatt on a ball that wasn't cleared in front of the Linden net. In the second half, the Eagles either thwarted good chances or were stopped by Fenton keeper Rachel Baker, resulting in a 1-0 Fenton victory.

The game-winning goal came off a corner kick situation. The ball came to Allison Cialkowszewski who had her shot saved. The rebound eventually got to

Newblatt, resulting in the goal.

"All of us were scrambling," Newblatt said. "A.C. (Cialkowszewski) touched it and I think I got a foot on it going for the ball. It was just a blur."

That blur was enough to give the Tigers the victory. And while the game doesn't count toward the Metro League standings, beating Linden is always a good thing for a Fenton Tiger.

"Every time we beat Linden, it's a great feeling," Newblatt said. "We go out here and we just want to out-tough them and beat them to every ball. It feels like another accomplishment under our belt."

Fenton dominated the first half, but the Eagles did more during the second half, earning at least three great chances to score.

See **NEWBLATT** on 18A



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Fenton's Natalee Marshall (left) competes with Linden's Sam Thornton for the ball in the Tigers' 1-0 victory at Linden High School on Thursday.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SCOTT SCHUPBACH

Fenton second baseman Parker Cislo tries to tag a Flushing runner during the Tigers' twinbill with the Raiders on Wednesday.

Fenton Tigers play strong ball in twinbill with Flushing

By David Troppens

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Fenton — Derek Jenkins has never had a final-inning hit to win a ball game.

That changed on Wednesday. The Fenton Tigers' No. 3 hitter produced a bases-loaded single, scoring pinch runner Mitch Lockwood, earning the Tigers a 6-5 extra-inning victory against Flushing (3-1-1) at

Fenton High School.

In the nightcap, the two teams couldn't solve anything in regulation again, as they settled for a competitive 4-4 tie with the game being called due to darkness after six innings.

In the opener, the Tigers (3-3-1) trailed by three runs twice, at 3-0 after the first inning and

See **TIGERS** on 19A



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Lake Fenton's Tyler Hammond had three hits in the Blue Devils' 17-7 victory against Bendle on Wednesday.

Blue Devils post 1-0-1 mark vs. Bendle in twinbill

By Al Zipsie

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Burton — Two pitching performances into his varsity career, it's been a case of so far, so good for Lake Fenton's Brad Oldenburg.

Oldenburg tossed six shutout innings on five hits, while striking out 11 in the second game of a doubleheader with Bendle. Unfortunately, all his performance did was earn the Blue Devils a tie, as Lake Fenton (2-3-1) couldn't score itself, resulting in a 0-0 draw at Bendle High School on Wednesday.

The Lake Fenton bats were potent in the opener, striking for 13 hits in a 17-7 victory against Bendle.

But the nightcap was a thriller. It was a pitchers' duel between Oldenburg and Bendle lefty Danny Deiner. Deiner allowed just two hits, matching Oldenburg's six innings of shutout ball. Both were up to the task.

"I don't count the strikeouts. I just work on getting the batter out," Oldenburg said. "I wish we could carry over some runs from the first game. I am just excited to pitch again."

"My defense helped me out a lot. I could not have done it without them. They made some big plays or it would

not have been a shutout."

The Blue Devils' only hits in the second game were singles from Wyatt Wilson and Cody Alexander, who had four hits in the two games.

But while Lake Fenton struggled at the plate, Bendle didn't do much against Oldenburg. Oldenburg had the curve ball working well, striking out the side in the second inning. In the fourth frame a Tigers' base hit was wiped out when second baseman Tyler Hammond made a catch and doubled the runner at first.

Bendle put together a threat in the fifth. Back-to-back singles put runners on first and third with no outs. However, the runner was picked off trying to steal second. Oldenburg capped the inning with a strikeout. The game was called after six innings due to darkness.

"He came in as a freshman at 5-foot-1 and he has gotten stronger," Lake Fenton coach Hewitt Judson said. "His curve ball was working early, and he went to power pitching late."

Lake Fenton scored six runs in the first inning and never trailed in the first contest. Bendle cut the gap to 9-7 with four runs in the bottom of the fourth, but the Blue Devils responded with a five-

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LF softball collects 29 hits in doubleheader split

By David Troppens

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The Lake Fenton varsity softball team collected 29 hits in its doubleheader with Bendle on Wednesday, but was only able to go home with a split.

In the opener, the Blue Devils had 19 hits and scored six runs in the fifth inning, helping spark an easy 12-4 victory against the hosts.

However, in the second contest, Bendle scored two runs with two outs in the bottom of the sixth inning, breaking a 3-3 tie and earning the squad a 5-3 victory.

In the opener, the Blue Devils actually trailed 4-1 after four innings, but the six-run fifth gave them the lead for good. The inning started with a Kayla Ward bunt single, followed by a single by Shelby Beckman. Alexis Melton followed with a two-run triple, and Paula Valacak drove Melton in with an RBI-double, tying the game at 4-4.

Ashley Rinks singled and then Melody Draeger followed with a two-run triple, giving Lake Fenton its first lead at 6-4. The gap grew to 7-4 after an RBI-fielder's choice grounder off of Patricia Whitaker's bat.

Bendle cut the gap to 7-5 with a run in the bottom of the fifth, but the Blue Devils (3-3) blew the game open with five more runs in the top of the sixth inning. During that stanza, Rinks hit a solo home run. Later in the inning, Whitaker hit a two-run single, and Ward hit an RBI-triple.

Paula Valacak got the complete-game victory, allowing 10 hits and two walks, while striking out 10. Rinks led the offense with four hits, while Ward and Beckman had three hits each.

In the second game, Lake Fenton tied the contest at 3-all with three runs in the fifth, but Bendle took the lead for good

with two runs after two were out in the sixth. That rally started with an Elizabeth Knowles walk and a Nikki Moody single. Bianca Hundley and Jacqueline Simpson each followed with two-strike RBI-singles, putting Bendle up 7-5.

Melton started the three-run fifth for Lake Fenton, with a single. Valacak and Rinks followed with singles, loading the bases. Then, with two out, Taylor Sheyachich hit a three-run triple, the fourth three-bagger by Lake Fenton in the twinbill.

Kim Roe went the distance on the mound, allowing eight hits and six walks, while striking out five. Lake Fenton's offense provided 10 hits and three walks, but stranded eight runners, including leaving the bases loaded in the first inning. Rinks and Draeger had three hits each in the second game.



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Lake Fenton's Ashley Rinks hit a home run against Bendle on Wednesday.

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Holly bats prove potent in games with WOLL

► Bronchos score 19 runs in contests, leading coach Jackson to first varsity wins at Holly

By Al Zipsie

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Holly — The Holly Bronchos treated Benny Jackson to his first wins as a the new Holly varsity baseball coach.

Holly swept a doubleheader in its home opener Thursday with non-league Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes, defeating WOLL 10-0 and 9-8.

Summary

► Holly scores 10 runs in opener and gets key game-winning triple by Blake Ordiway in the nightcap, earning the Bronchos a baseball double-header sweep against Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes.

The Bronchos (2-1-1) found two different ways to earn a victory. In the opener, Holly stunned the Lakers with 10 runs in the bottom of the first inning and went on to win by the 10-run rule. In the nightcap, the Bronchos built a 7-1 cushion, blew the lead as WOLL scored seven runs in the top of the fifth for an 8-7 lead, and then came back to win it in the bottom of the fifth during the team's final at bat.

The Bronchos' Blake Ordiway hit a game-winning triple in the bottom of the fifth inning, chasing home Alec Miller for a walk-off 9-8 victory, completing the twinbill sweep.

"I love hitting with the game on the line," Ordiway said. "I was trying to get the ball up and out of the infield. I just flicked it out there and found the gap."

"We won with diversity. The first

“It feels good to get the first wins. They were neat wins for us.”

Benny Jackson

Holly's first-year varsity baseball coach

game we scored a bunch early and won big. Then in the last game, we had a good lead and lost it, but we came back for the win.”

Sophomore Drew Eggleston started strong on the mound of the second game, but was chased out of the game after 4 1/3 innings when the Lakers started making their comeback, scoring six runs. WOLL took the lead after a two-out three-run triple. WOLL led 8-7.

Holly's twins Mason Kerner and Justis Kerner started a rally in the Bronchos' fifth. Mason led the rally off with a walk, went to second on a passed ball and to third on brother Justis' ground out. Miller drew a walk. A botched pickoff play allowed Kerner to score. Finally, Ordiway responded with his game-winning hit.

Ordiway had two triples, while Joe Perry and Joe Thomas had two hits each. An Ordiway triple also scored Miller for Holly's first run of the game in the bottom of the first inning, tying the game at 1-all. Offensively, Brent Smiles had

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Linden's Jordan Sargent (front) shields the ball away from Lake Fenton's Alyssa Krueger in the Eagles' 4-0 victory against the Blue Devils on Tuesday.

Eagles heat up in chilling weather vs. Blue Devils, 4-0

By David Troppens

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Linden — The winds were whipping and the temperatures were in the high-30s, but nothing seems to stop the red-hot Linden varsity girls soccer team these days.

The Eagles upped their record to 3-0-1 on Tuesday, defeating area rival Lake Fenton 4-0 at Linden High School.

While the Eagles dominated possession, the Blue Devils remained in the contest until about midway through the second half. That's when Linden's Rebecca McDonald sent a cross to the farside post to Gabrielle Freeman, resulting in the Eagles' first goal of the second half. It also put Linden up 3-0, placing them comfortably ahead.

The Eagles had four goals scored by four different players. Jessie Magalski and Kelsey Brecht each scored goals in

the first half, giving the Eagles the 2-0 halftime lead.

In the second half, Ashley Porter capped the scoring with a blast that snuck inside the near-side post off a shot from about a 50-degree angle.

Karrah Varner and Brecht also had assists in the contest.

Linden dominated the good scoring chances, but Lake Fenton did have one good chance to cut the Eagles' lead to just one before Linden scored in the second half. Lake Fenton's Jordan Newman got the ball near midfield, drove down to the Linden net with one defender between her and the keeper, and took a shot once she passed that defender. However, the dangerous shot went just wide of the net.

In net, Lexi Downes made five saves to earn the victory and shutout for Linden.

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The first came on a shot by Kelsey Brecht toward the near-side post just five minutes into the second half. Baker made that save. Then, with 30 minutes left, Brecht took what was a good scoring chance and made it into a breakaway. However, Baker stood tall again, making the save. Then, with 15 minutes left, Brecht crossed a ball to Rebecca McDonald, who headed it. However, the dangerous chance went wide.

Linden had two decent chances to score in the first half as well. Just four minutes into the game, Jordan Sargent hit a shot from 20 yards out off the crossbar. Later, Fenton's first-half keeper Danny Garza faced a tricky high shot that tried

to sneak below the crossbar. However, Garza was up to the task, making the save.

While the game has no league implications, the squads usually play a second game against each other. Both coaches like what it brings out of their teams.

"You know you are going to get 100 percent out of your kids' focus, hustle and effort because it is a rival," Fenton coach Matt Sullivan said. "It means a lot to these girls."

"The reason we play them is, first off, me and Matt are friends. We have a lot of respect for each other," Linden coach Kevin Fiebernitz said. "And the nice thing is the kids have a lot of respect for each other. They played hard, but don't play dirty."

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PREP REPORT

BASEBALL

► **Linden 2-9, Powers 5-0:** Josh Hoeberling tossed a three-hitter and struck out 10 batters, leading the Eagles to the shutout victory against Powers in the nightcap. Hoeberling threw 70 percent strikes, walking just two batters. Offensively, the Eagles had 12 hits, with Mitch Juhl leading the way with three hits, which included a two-run home run. Brenden Pudduck also had two hits, including his first home run of the season. Dillon Nash and Bryce Benedict had two hits each.

In the first game, Tyler Benedict tossed six innings of seven-hit ball, taking the hard-luck loss. Jim Ingamells led the offense with two hits, while Mitchell Ryan and Pudduck had a hit each.

► **Goodrich 3-2, Holly 1-2:** The Bronchos got two runs in the fourth inning of the second game, helping earn the tie. David McNeely had a triple, while Gunnar Lafave had a hit and scored a run. Mason Kerner scored the other run. Joel Perry went five innings on the mound. The game was called due to darkness.

In the opener, McNeely went 2-for-3 with a double, while Brent Smiles added a hit and a run scored. Blake Ordiway tossed a five-hitter.

► **Carman-Ainsworth 6-11, Lake Fenton 2-8:** The Blue Devils got two hits from Jim Lyons in the opener, while Neil Allor, Jeff Heller and Tim Hooks had one hit each. In the nightcap, Tyler Hammond had two hits (triple) and three RBI. Wyatt Wilson also had two hits, while Allor had a double.

SOFTBALL

► **Linden 11-18, Mt. Morris 1-1:** Julie Guickian posted the pitching victory in both games, tossing a two-hit, eight-strikeout contest in five innings in the opener. She struck out four in relief in the second game. Offensively, Maija Satkowiak led Linden with six hits, seven RBI and six runs scored. Savannah Weaver had three hits and scored four runs, while Tori Davis had three hits, three RBI and three runs scored.

SOCCER

► **Lake Fenton 8, Durand 0:** Jordan Newman scored five goals and had one assist, helping lead the Blue Devils (1-2) to their first win of the season. Sidney Scott, Melissa Williams and Kaitlyn Begley had a goal each, while Scott and Sierra Bruder had two assists each. Melissa Eggleston had two saves in net.

► **Marian 7, Fenton 0:** Marian scored three first-half goals, and four more in the second half. Fenton keeper Danny Garza made seven saves.

TENNIS

► **Fenton 8, Kearsley 0:** The Tigers won all eight flights in straight sets, including three of them by 6-0, 6-0 scores. The shutouts were provided by Justine Hanson (No. 4 singles), Lilly Dubois and Emily McIntosh (No. 1 doubles), and Ashley Howe and Allison Peters (No. 3 doubles). Other winners were Madison Ballard (No. 1 singles), Kendal Stephens (No. 2 singles), Maggie Pooler (No. 3 singles), Josie Foguth and Kelsey Kidd (No. 2 doubles) and Kelly Chopski and Kaytlyn Praedel (No. 4 doubles).

► **Holly 7, Brandon 1:** Holly won all four doubles flights in straight sets, sparking the key Metro win. Doubles winners for Holly were Audrey Crimmins and Carly Postma (No. 1), Tabitha Stigerwald and Felicia Doolin (No. 2), Melanie Hawks and Victoria Skubik (No. 3) and Leah Moller and Abby Chatfield (No. 4). Singles winners were Bri Rodriguez (No. 1), Natalie Clink (No. 3) and Alex Knight (No. 4).

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5-2 after the third. However, Fenton responded with three runs in the bottom of the fourth, tying the contest up at 5-all.

The deadlock remained until the Tigers batted in the top of the eighth inning. The inning started with a Kyle Jenkins walk. Later, a single by Parker Cislo and a walk to Connor Davidson loaded the bases with just one out. A pop out to the infield made it two out. However, Derek Jenkins responded by hitting an 0-1 pitch to centerfield, earning the Tigers the win.

“(I was looking for) anything to drive up the middle,” Jenkins said. “That’s my first walk-off hit, so that’s pretty good.”

Fenton fell behind in the opener in the first inning when the first three batters reached base and eventually scored, making it a 3-0 Flushing lead.

In the second, the Tigers responded. Kyle Schrade walked and eventually scored on Cory Kline’s RBI-triple. Kline scored on Cislo’s single, cutting the gap to 3-2. Flushing scored two runs on four hits in the third inning, raising the Raiders’ edge to 5-2. However, the Tigers responded with three runs on one hit and three walks in their fourth, tying the game at 5-all.

Kline almost provided the go-ahead

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a hit, walked twice and scored two runs in the second game. Miller had a triple, a walk, a hit by a pitch and three runs scored. Ordiway had the two triples and two RBI.

Holly sent 15 batters to the plate in the first inning of the first game, scoring 10 runs.

Junior Chris Green made his varsity pitching debut, earning the six-hit, eight-strikeout five-inning shutout.

“It felt good my arm was alive, mostly going to the curve ball,” Green said. “It is very comforting to pitch with the big lead. Things look good with a solid lineup, good hitting and good depth.”

Offensively in the opener, Smiles went 2-for-2 with a double and a home run. He drove in four runs. Miller doubled with two walks and two RBI.

“It was nice to get coach his first wins,” said Ordiway. “It feels great to be pitching for his first win as head coach.”

DEVILS

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run fifth inning.

Hammond and Tim Hooks led the offense with three hits each, while Neil Allor (triple) and Wilson (double) had two hits each.

“We really hit the ball well in the first game,” Judson said.

Cody Alexander got the win, and Tyler Begley tossed three shutout innings down the stretch for the save.

Lake Fenton travels to Linden for a non-league doubleheader on Monday.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SCOTT SCHUPBACH
Fenton’s Connor Davidson (right) is congratulated by coach Chad Logan while rounding third base after hitting a home run against Flushing. The Fenton Tigers won the first game of a doubleheader against Flushing 6-5 in eight innings, and tied the second 4-4.

run in the fifth with a single. Schrade, who singled, tried to score, but was out at the plate on a nice relay by Flushing. However, the Tigers would get that run in the bottom of the eighth.

Sam Coffey got the win, tossing three shutout innings of relief.

In the nightcap, Fenton scored two runs in the second and fourth innings, while Flushing scored three runs in the

fourth and the tying run in the sixth.

In the Fenton second, Jenkins singled and scored on Josh Bryant’s RBI-single. Mitch Lockwood singled, pushing pinch runner Conor Muntin to third. He scored on Alex Chase’s sacrifice fly.

In the Fenton fifth, Davidson hit a solo home run to start the inning, and Kyle Jenkins provided an RBI-double, plating Derek Jenkins. On the hit, Kyle Jenkins was thrown out at third before pinch runner A.J. McFall, who got on base after a Brady Sarkin single, failed to score before the out at third.

Flushing tied it up in the top of the sixth on a two-out run-producing double by Jordy Makranyi.

On the mound, Bryant tossed five innings of four-hit ball, striking out seven batters and allowing no earned runs.

Fenton coach Chad Logan was pleased with the team’s performance.

“We just played a doubleheader and we won the first game in extra innings, and tied the other game when we could’ve made a play and won. I shouldn’t have wheeled (Kyle Jenkins) around second. But we’ll take that every time. If we play like that and the other team plays like that, it’s going to be a good game. You don’t want to see 14-2, do you? This was a good doubleheader with both teams walking away with more positives than negatives.”

Derek Jenkins likes his team.

“I think we are really good,” Jenkins said. “I think we are going to compete and play some good baseball.”

The Tigers host the Lakeland Eagles for a doubleheader on Monday.

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"It's the worst part of my job," said Gary La Bar, D.V.M. of Pointe Animal Clinic in Fenton. He said putting a family pet down never gets easier. On Thursday he had no euthanizations. "It's a good day," he said.

PET

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Little, who had Buddy put to sleep last November at the age of 12. "I knew I was doing the right thing. The Bible says that man is born once and shall die once. That gave me comfort when my dad died and when I had to let Buddy go. As much as it hurts, it's a part of life."

Making the decision to let a pet go is one of life's most difficult moments. At some point, this decision will affect the lives of owners of more than 72 million pet dogs and 82 million pet cats in the U.S.

"It's a multi-faceted issue," said Sandy Smith, DVM, at Animal Health Clinic in Fenton. "Most of the time when we're dealing with this, I know the client and we can have a discussion. If I feel that the physical signs are there, I might say something like, 'I think your pet is ready. How about you?' I try to help the owner through the process." Animal Health Clinic has designed a Comfort Room, where pets and their owners can go for quiet time. The procedure of euthanasia can take place there, also, if a family chooses.

Most veterinarians will perform euthanasia in-office or at home, depending on circumstances. Gary La Bar, DVM, at Pointe Animal Clinic in Fenton, prefers it that way. "It's a less clinical situation at home and removes a negative connotation away from the veterinary office."

Pet euthanasia is performed by injecting a chemical solution made available only to veterinarians. Usually within six to 12 seconds, the pet will take a slightly deeper breath, then grow weak and lapse into what looks like a deep sleep — which is why the euphemism "to be put to sleep" is so regularly used.

The word "euthanasia" comes straight out of the Greek — "eu," goodly or well + "thanatos," death. "It actually means 'a good death,'" said Martha Tremblay, practice manager of the Fenton Veterinary Clinic. "You gave your pet a good life; now let her have a good death."

Once you've made the decision to say goodbye, you can choose to bring your pet home for burial — depending on your municipality's ordinances — or opt for group cremation or private cremation.

In a private cremation, cremated remains can be kept at home, buried, or scattered in a special place. Local

veterinarians work with companies such as Faithful Companions Pet Cremation Society in Royal Oak and Paws and Remember of Southeast Michigan in picking up pets and returning ashes, in the cases of private cremations. Pet Rest Gardens in Flushing provides full-service pet care, from cremation to burial, pre-planning, memorials and more.

"End of life issues are just as important as beginning of life issues," said Tremblay. "We encourage people to talk to our staff beforehand to make some of these decisions. It makes it easier."

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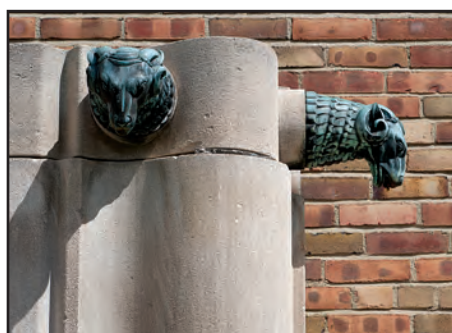
BUILDING

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Horace Rackham, a wealthy philanthropist who held a deep appreciation for the then small town of Fenton, passed away in 1930. Rackham made his money as an early Ford stockholder, which continued to be used for charity projects after his death through the Horace H. Rackham and Mary A. Rackham Fund. The establishing of the Fenton Community Center was one such project.

"You don't run into too many communities this size that have been given this kind of present 75 years ago," said Vince Paris, community center director.

In many ways, the community center was meant to be more than just a building – it was a place to promote social interaction. "It's not just the building. It's the environment. The bridge, the walkways, everything ties together," Paris said. The location of the community center was picked very precisely, as four buildings, including the town's first firehall, were taken down to make room.



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Unique fountain heads behind the Fenton Community & Cultural Center are currently inactive because of a water pump issue.

Although construction for the building began in 1938, in many aspects it was ahead of its time. Final drafts for the building contained plans for air-conditioning, which would not be added until more than 30 years later.

Many aspects of the building were designed not only to showcase unique aesthetics, but also to be functional. The stage in the building's main hall was also designed to store items underneath. The staircase outside leading to the entrance has longer, shallower stairs, making them easier to handle for someone in a walker. Tall windows in the building, apart from standing out, also let in more light.

The hand railings that lead up the interior stairs, and even the hinges on the doors look different than what you would see in other buildings made in the 1930s – or even ones built today.

Piet Lindhout of Lindhout and Associates, the architectural firm responsible for the upcoming community center renovations and additions, described the work of Saarinen as a "complete statement." The work that Saarinen did then, Lindhout said would be split up among many different types of specialized architects today.

"It doesn't have boundaries," Lindhout said. "It includes the site around it, the handrails, it includes the doorknobs and the hinges that hold the door up."

Lindhout said that Saarinen's signature was his simple use of everyday items. "There is not a lot of use of decoration, but a good use of common materials," Lindhout said.

The most iconic example of Saarinen's



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The Fenton Community & Cultural Center is currently used for events like a monthly foreign film series and political meetings.

style found in the community center is in the brick screen wall by the entryway, which can be seen while driving by the community center from South LeRoy Street.

"He wanted to set up a screen wall between the entry doors and the overhang. He made it in brick, and just left some brick out to let daylight penetrate in," Lindhout said. "Little things like that, we just don't do anymore, and it is a great design feature."

The architecture of the building remains a subject of study even today. "Every now and then you will see students from the architectural school walk through here and take a look around," Paris said.

The future will see the community center undergoing a change as renovations are conducted on the building, and a new addition is built. When presenting the design for the addition to the Fenton City Council, the

Downtown Development Authority, and the community center's board of governors, Lindhout assured that caution was taken in building the addition to respect Saarinen's work.

"What we will have is something that is keeping with Saarinen's style, but not trying to repeat or copy anything in the original building," Lindhout said.

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Compiled by Eric Trowt, Intern

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■ My family: parents, Betty and Efrain Segarra, sister Rachel Segarra.

“Live your life.”

What sports and leisure activities do you enjoy?

Ski team, theater, and piano

My dream car is: A yellow Jeep Wrangler.

My all-time favorite movie is:

Phantom of the Opera. I just like the songs and the plot.

My earliest memory is: I remember playing on a swing set outside our apartment in Texas and getting covered with red ants.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be? I'd pick invisibility, so I'm not always being watched.

I always: do my homework on time.

I never: do anything to disappoint my parents.

If you could make one rule everyone has to follow, what would it be? I'd ask that everyone try not to be so single-minded and to consider other people more.

Is there an event in your life you would like a 'do-over' for?

I'd go back and see the Maroon Five concert at the DTE again because it was one of the best concerts I've ever seen, and it would be awesome to see them again.

If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be?

I'd go back to the 1920s because I think that the music and fashion of that time

period are second to none.

If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say? 'Smile' because I don't think people smile enough.

What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to?

Graduation, because I think 13 years in one place is a little too long.

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

I'd want to see Cirque Du Soleil because I really like acrobatics.

What has been the best day in your life so far?

I took a trip to Puerto Rico to see my grandma, which was really cool because I hardly ever get to see her.

What are your plans after graduation?

First I'm going on a trip to France with my jazz band and then I'm going to U of M in Ann Arbor in the fall.

How are you preparing for college?

I'm hoping to get into the M-STEM program, which is kind of an early start for engineering majors.



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What advice would you like to give to adults?

"I'd like to say that they should pay more attention to their kids."

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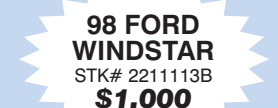
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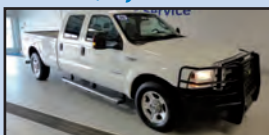
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LifeStyle

Magical entertainment

Fun and tricks at The French Laundry

By Tim Jagielo
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Madison Graff, 4, of Flint sat wide-eyed as performer Vince John II twisted the pink and white balloons into a unicorn before her eyes.

After he finished he placed the balloon unicorn in front of her, which she studied and held with child like wonder. Her brother Jacob, 11, was a little more reserved, and asked for a Luigi from the Mario Bros. video games, which John also created.

This wasn't a carnival or even a rare event; it is the scene every Monday night at The French Laundry in downtown Fenton.

See **FUN AND TRICKS** on 4B

Summary

►The French Laundry hosts children's night, every Monday, which features Vince John II, a performer currently living in Ann Arbor. He amazes guests with his repertoire of tricks.



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“It's something I'm talented at, and driven to do. It just worked. I don't know how to describe it.”

Vincent John II
Performer, Miraculous Entertainment

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(Above) Performer Vincent John II of Ann Arbor builds a balloon Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle for Matt Doherty, 15, of Tyrone Township, while Ed Abbott of Fenton watches at The French Laundry in Fenton on Monday. (Left) Madison Graff, 4, of Flint watches him finish a balloon unicorn during children's night at The French Laundry on Monday. (Right) John contact juggles a glass sphere for the dinner crowd.



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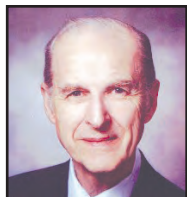
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By Roger Campbell



Those amazing after Easter people

Now that Easter is past, some will pack away their religious views until Christmas, but an annual trek to church to celebrate the resurrection, while not allowing this miracle to change their lives, is a far cry from what happened following the first Easter. These early believers had been given a charge to change the world and now that Christ was risen their real work would begin.

The task given by the risen Lord to His followers in their post-resurrection

meeting with Him must have seemed an impossible assignment. And there were many reasons to expect failure.

Peter, soon to be their spokesman, had recently denied he knew the Lord three times and women in the group had so doubted his promise of resurrection that they had come to his tomb with spices, hoping to preserve His body.

After the resurrection, Thomas couldn't muster enough faith to believe it had happened, so at first was given his shameful title "Doubting Thomas."

The survival of these weak ones as a group, let alone any hope of success in their mission, must have seemed doubtful, but more than two thousand years later, millions meet to celebrate the fact that Christ arose.

Those first century believers should be examples to all churches. They had none of our present day tools for outreach and worship but they were far

more effective in multiplying their numbers than we are today. Without printing presses, radio or television ministries or even church buildings, they effectively planted churches and by the end of the first century, their number had increased from 120 to approximately ten million.

In some areas, now considered important, the infant church was powerless.

These early believers were without financial power. The members had to sell their belongings and pool their resources just to survive but they didn't allow this money shortage to keep them from moving ahead by faith. If the church had waited until it was financially able, their work would never have begun.

Members of a church needing to enlarge their building voted to go ahead with the project. A family who attended another church heard of their faith and told me they had set aside a sizeable

amount of money to donate to the needy church as soon as construction started.

Meanwhile, the faith of the members of the church began to falter, so they called another business meeting, took another vote, and rescinded their first decision to build, not knowing about the waiting gift. These faithless ones still don't know what their unbelief cost them.

The first century church was also without political power. Neither the apostles nor members of their following could pull strings in high places. Their Master had said His kingdom was not of this world so they left politics to the politicians and set out to change society one person at a time. They soon became known as world changers (Acts 17:6).

Faith moves mountains. What mountains do you need to move?

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- 25,000** - lb. poultry.
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- 1,000** - bottles of wine.
- 850** - bottles of liquor.
- 8,000** - cigars.
- 13** - the number of honeymooning couples on board.
- 492** - the number of Titanic passengers who survived.
- 3** - dogs who survived (they were lapdogs taken onto lifeboats by their owners).
- 1,517** - the number of people killed in the sinking of the Titanic.
- 15 minutes** - the approximate time that the ship took to reach the ocean floor.
- 10 mph** - the speed at which the Titanic sank to the bottom of the ocean

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Stories from the survivors aboard the Titanic



Lucy, Lady Duff Gordon (1863-1935) first married at the age of 18. With her marriage ending in divorce, Duff Gordon was left with a daughter, Esmé, to support. She turned to dress making and opened Maison Lucile. Her designs quickly

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After the business became successful, Lucy hired Sir Cosmo Duff Gordon as a business partner to handle financial matters. Their relationship developed outside of work and the couple married in 1900.

Lady Duff Gordon did not plan on traveling on Titanic, but she and her husband set voyage on the ship due to urgent business matters in New York. Lady Duff Gordon and her husband, Sir Cosmo Duff Gordon, made it safely onto Lifeboat 1, occupied by only 12 passengers.



One of the most well-known stories about Titanic's survivors is that of the little **Navratil children, also known as the "Titanic Orphans."** Michel, 4, and Edmond, 2, who were traveling on Titanic with their father

under the false surname "Hoffman," to hide them from their mother who he was divorcing.

After Titanic's collision Mr. Navratil wrapped up Michel and Edmond warmly and placed them in Collapsible D. Once on Carpathia it was discovered the boys spoke no English and had no parent or guardian with them. First-Class passenger Margaret Hays volunteered to take both boys to her home in New York, keeping them together until family members could be contacted and arrangements made.

Back in France their mother, Marcelle, did not know the whereabouts of her boys until she saw their picture in the newspaper. After identifying herself as the boys' mother, the White Star Line gave Marcelle passage to New York on Olympic where she reunited with her boys. They returned to France on the Oceanic.



In 1912 **Margaret Brown** departed on a trip to Egypt, Rome and Paris with her daughter Helen. Once Margaret got news of her ill grandson she was forced to return home early and booked passage on the first available ship, Titanic.

On the night of the sinking Margaret was placed in Lifeboat 6. The lifeboat left Titanic with 21 women, two men, and a twelve-year-old boy onboard. Once rescued by Carpathia, Margaret's knowledge of other languages enabled her to help other survivors who spoke little English. Beyond gathering extra blankets and supplies for other survivors, she rallied and convinced first class passengers to donate to those survivors who had lost everything in the disaster.



It is reported that **12 dogs were also onboard Titanic** for her unforgettable maiden voyage. The 12 canines were brought onboard by 10 of Titanic's First Class passengers and their families.

Out of the 12 dogs onboard only 3 survived Titanic's tragic sinking, a Pekingese and two Pomeranians. The Pomeranians were brought onto lifeboats by their mistresses, Margaret Hays and Mrs. Elizabeth Barrett Rothschild. A Pekingese named Sun Yat Sen was saved by his master, Henry S. Harper, in Lifeboat 3.

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TITANIC documentaries!

Sunday, April 15th:

TITANIC'S FINAL MOMENTS - MISSING PIECES:

History Channel (2), 9am - 11am
The hosts of History's hit series Deep Sea Detectives took a dive to the Titanic in 2005, discovering several lost hull pieces that may hold the answers to questions about the ship's last minutes.

TITANIC'S ACHILLES HEEL:

History Channel (2), 11am - 1pm
This is the follow-up show to Titanic's Final Moments: Missing Pieces.

ANTIQUES ROADSHOW, BELFAST:

Ovation, 1pm - 2pm
From the offices of Titanic shipbuilder's Harland and Wolff in Belfast, Ireland.

REBUILDING TITANIC:

National Geographic, 10am - 3pm
A five-part series where modern engineers and craftspeople tackle the question of how to bring the Titanic back to life via authentic re-creation.

Episode titles and times:

10am - Raising the Bow
11am - Forging the Anchor
12pm - Powering a Giant
1pm - Floating Palace
2pm - Preparing for Disaster

Secrets of the Titanic:

National Geographic, 3pm - 4pm
This is the original documentary chronicling Bob Ballard's discovery of the wreck of the Titanic.

The Final Word with James Cameron:

National Geographic, 4pm - 6pm
Cameron, who has made more than 30 dives to explore the Titanic, brings together a team of engineers, naval architects, artists, and historians to solve the lingering mysteries of why and how an "unsinkable" ship sank.

Save the Titanic with Bob Ballard:

National Geographic, 6pm - 7pm
Bob Ballard looks back on his discovery of the wreck of the Titanic, reflecting on the current condition of the ship and what "Titanic-tourism" might be doing to hasten the demise of the remains.

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Eight students win new bikes

►Linden Masonic Lodge announces winners of Bikes for Books program

By Sharon Stone

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A few lucky readers won a new bike by participating in the Bikes for Books program sponsored by the Linden Masonic Lodge No. 132.

Summary

►Four boys and four girls who participated in the Bikes for Books program, sponsored by the Linden Masonic Lodge won new bikes.

More than 1,740 students took part in this year's program, which included students from Linden, Hyatt and Central elementary schools in the Linden Community Schools district and students from Torrey Hill Intermediate School in the Lake Fenton Community Schools district.

Bikes for Books was designed for boys and girls in grades three to five to help increase reading and comprehension skills. Gift cards were also given away this year to K-2 students who participated.

A boy and girl from each school won a bike.

"The reading program at Lake Fenton and Linden elementary schools was a huge success," said Chairman Fred Chapelle. "The lodge and the merchants went all out this year and it paid off. We had a lot of gift certificates

this year plus a special prize for the over achieves – or those who read the most books in 30 days."

Chapelle thanked his staff, PM Mylan Huyck, PM Paul Fuller, Charlie Blain and Jake Wambold for their hard work in promoting the program as well as local merchants, the staff at the schools and their helpers.

"We can't wait until next year," said Chapelle. "We hope this program will do nothing but grow like it has in the past two years."

Bikes for Books WINNERS

Linden Elementary School

Charlie Spalding – third grade
Lillian Wright – fourth grade

Hyatt Elementary School

Ryan Schubert – fourth grade
Katelyn Compton – third grade

Central Elementary School

Alan Loy – fifth grade
Shelby Holscher – fourth grade

Torrey Hill Intermediate School

Logan Knoll – fourth grade
Madison Hobson – fifth grade



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Madison Graff, 4, of Flint waits as performer Vincent John II builds a balloon unicorn on Monday at The French Laundry.

FUN AND TRICKS

Continued from Page 1B

A year ago, restaurant owners Chad Brennen and Mark Hamel wanted to start a children's night. Brennen said they auditioned another performer, but John stood out.

"He's animated, he's very talented," said Brennen. The first idea was to have a jester appear for a kids' night. "We thought it'd be fun," he said.

Brennen and Hamel liked his skills. "We thought it'd be nice to have tangible

entertainment going from table to table," he said. He also likes his personality, and how he interacts with people. John's style matches with the restaurant well.

John, 27, lives in Ann Arbor. He is a professional entertainer, working 60 to 80 hours each week, either performing, or booking more shows from his office. He owns his own company, Miraculous Entertainment.

His repertoire includes juggling, magic, sleight of hand, illusions, card and coin tricks, color changes, visual manipulations and disappearing and reappearing tricks.

Though it depends on the event, John carries a simple performance bag on his shoulder as he moves about the dining area of the restaurant. "It's great, a lot of families

come out, I see a lot of familiar faces each week," he said.

Although talented, John describes himself as a reserved performer. He isn't over the top with his delivery, and is very cool and calm in his work. He thinks this approach helps with his performance.

He can look like a jester, or come decked out in a tux, but on Monday, he became a walking tribute to Dr. Seuss, with a floppy red and white hat, and white face paint. He brought a variety of images to the show.

"The kids seem to love the balloons and he can do pretty much anything," said Brennen. John made several balloon creations while strolling around the restaurant on Monday, including a Leonardo from Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Luigi from Super Mario Brothers, and a convincing unicorn.

He has also made a Genie from the Disney movie Aladdin, and Rafikki from The Lion King.

Brennen hears positive feedback from the guests. "Quite honestly, there are times the adults will have him to the table and find him just as entertaining as the kids do," he said.

The restaurant pays John a flat rate for the night, but he also receives tips from the guests consistently, though he said he never asks.

He said as a performer, he earns between \$100 and \$150 per hour that he performs. He's been professional since practically right out of high school. "Basically I realized it was the best thing I could do," he said. "It's something I'm talented at, and driven to do. It just worked. I don't know how to describe it."

He has performed in front of just a few people, up to a thousand.

John said the performances give him a healthy dose of nostalgia. The kids remind him about childhood, and its inherent magic. "I think we should do more of that," he said.

"People being inspired by it is probably the best thing about it," he said. The best part to him is hearing about how long a balloon figure lasted, or how a particular child wants to learn magic.

David Copperfield inspired him 24 years ago, as he watched the famous illusionist reach his hand through a TV. John has been learning tricks ever since.

“We thought it'd be nice to have tangible entertainment going from table to table.”

— Chad Brennen

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Business profiles

Glik's... new interior reflects new fashion style, trends

By Sally Rummel

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If you haven't shopped in Glik's for a few weeks, you're in for a big surprise.

Summary

► Glik's has completely remodeled its Fenton store, reflecting new styles in fashion and the most current brands in juniors, misses and men's sizes.

The store has been totally renovated, reflecting new fashion trends, favorite brands and shopping styles. "People who like to 'shop local' will love the changes," said store manager Heather Hatfield.

"We've brought in brands and fashion to the tri-county area that used to require a trip to the mall."

Shoppers will find their favorite brands, including junior/misses styles from Silver Jeans, Miss Me and Rock Revival. "We're known for our junior fashion tops in 'LA Fast Fashion' style," said Hatfield.

Men will enjoy Nike Golf, Fox, Affliction, Hurley and Neff.

High-end accessories, including Oakley sunglasses, UGG purses and Nixon watches will complete any outfit. Glik's continues to be the largest regional seller of UGG boots, shoes and sandals and The North Face still dominates the outerwear scene.

Their newest lines of shoes include globally minded Toms Shoes with its mission of providing a needy child with a pair of shoes for each pair purchased. Another popular line is Sperry, with its classic styles now becoming a big fashion trend.

Glik's is located at 18025 Silver Parkway. For more information, call (810) 714-0381 or visit www.gliks.com.

Glik's is a family-owned business for 114 years, now owned and operated by Jeff Glik. There are 54 stores in eight states. The Fenton store has been open for about 25 years.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Glik's store manager Heather Hatfield shows the colorful walls and bright beach fashion of the junior department in the totally remodeled Fenton store.

Metro PCS... opens in Holly

By Sally Rummel

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One of the least popular aspects of owning a cell phone for many people is the confusing contract and length of commitment that is required by most service providers.

Metro PCS has set out to change all that with its no contract, no commitment philosophy of business. The newest Metro PCS location opened Feb. 1 at 15201 Holly Rd., at the corner of Holly and Grange Hall roads.

"We offer pre-paid unlimited cell phone service at a very low price," said Alex Jabbar, operations manager for this Holly store. "All of our services are

unlimited, so you won't rack up fees when using your phone." Monthly plans range from \$40, \$45 to \$50, with each adding additional features.

Cell phones at Metro PCS range from basic models for talking and texting to today's most popular smart phones. Popular brand names include Samsung, LG and HTC. "We also offer 4G service, the latest cellular technology with very fast data speeds," added Jabbar. "We service cell phones here, too."

Metro PCS in Holly is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 12 to 5 p.m. For more information, call (248) 382-5183 or visit their Facebook page at fb.com/metropcsholly.

Summary

► Metro PCS has opened its newest location at 15201 Holly Rd. in Holly.



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Operations manager Alex Jabbar said there is a variety of cell phone models available at the new Metro PCS store in Holly.

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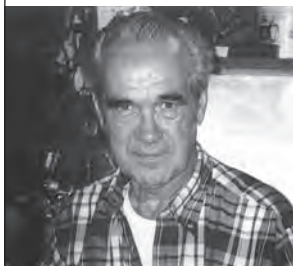
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Virgie (Stanley) Bell 1929-2012

Virgie (Stanley) Bell -
passed away on April 4,
2012. Virgie was born in



Plymouth,
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daughter
of Floyd
and
Mildred
Stanley.
Virgie
grew up
in the

Northville/Salem area and graduated from Northville High School in Michigan. She attended elementary school on 6 Mile and Angle Rd. in Salem Twp. She married Douglas Bell in 1949 and had four children. Virgie graduated Western Union Technical School and was an Office Manager for Wolverine Machine Products in Holly, Michigan where her family lived for over 20 years. Virgie then moved to Cumberland County, Tennessee in 1994 and was an active member of the Woman's Auxiliary, V.F.W. Post 5025. She was also a volunteer at the Cumberland County Chamber of Commerce and Cumberland County Habitat for Humanity. Virgie regularly attended weekly dances at the Disabled American Veterans in Crossville. Virgie is survived by her daughter, Susan McNeill and her husband Larry of Crossville; son, Daniel Bell of Fenton, Michigan, son, Michael Bell and wife Janet of Gwinn, Michigan. Grandchildren, Douglas Bell of Marquette, Michigan and Samantha Bell of Gwinn, Michigan, and Stephani Bell of Northern Michigan. In addition to her parents, Virgie was preceded in death by her loving husband, Doug Bell of Farmington, Michigan, her son, Stephen Bell of Perrysville, Ohio and her brother, Richard Stanley of Dearborn, Michigan. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2012 at 1 PM from the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main, Plymouth. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made in Virgie's memory to your local Veteran's Support Group. Share memories at www.schrader-howell.com.

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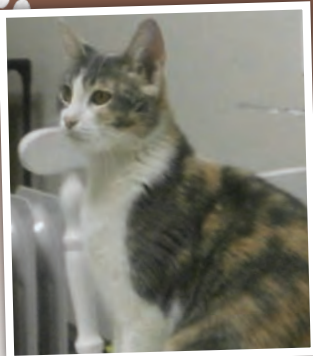
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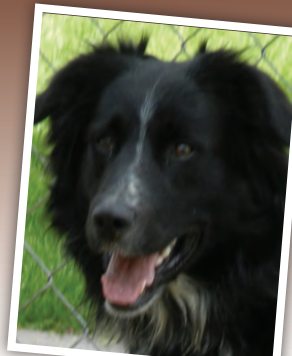
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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My husband has had a cough that seems to have lasted forever. He saw several doctors. Each gave him a different diagnosis and different treatment. None worked. The last doctor believed he had whooping cough and tested him for it. He did have it. The doctor said the cough would go away. He put him on antibiotics, but he said they wouldn't shorten the cough. Why did he give them to him? Isn't whooping cough a thing of the past, and wasn't it a children's disease? — K.P.

ANSWER: Whooping cough -- pertussis is the medical name -- used to be a frequent childhood illness. It is highly communicable, and in some infants, it proves to be fatal. The vaccine practically eliminated it. Adults get it, too, even if they were vaccinated in childhood. The vaccine loses its power in five to 10 years. Booster shots are necessary to shield people from the bacterium that causes the illness.

The typical course of whooping cough in a youngster consists of a week where the child appears to have cold symptoms. Then the child experiences explosions of a hacking cough that can be so violent that the child vomits after coughing. When the cough calms and the child takes a deep breath in, a high-pitched whooping sound is heard. The cough disappears gradually in a month. When treated early with the antibiotics erythromycin or azithromycin, the course of the infection is shortened.

Adult whooping cough is different. No whooping sounds are made. Adults cough and cough, and may do so for months. They are usually seen far too late for antibiotics to do any good. However, the antibiotics are prescribed to stop the spread of the whooping cough bacterium.

Whooping cough is making a resurgence and spreading across the country. Some infants have died from it. One reason is that many parents have opted to not have their children immunized out of fear of vaccine complications. Vaccines have been one of medicine's greatest achievement in prevention of diseases. Fear of them is unsound and dangerous.

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Top Names for dogs & cats

Naming that new puppy or kitten can take some forethought. You will need to find a name that will convey the spirit of the animal but also endure throughout the animal's life. Here is the list of the top 10 names for both dogs and cats, courtesy of PetFinder.

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1. Buddy
2. Max
3. Daisy
4. Bella
5. Lucy
6. Jack
7. Molly
8. Charlie
9. Sadie
10. Rocky

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Husband's Facebook flirting has wife hurting

DEAR AMY: For the past three years, since joining Facebook, my husband has been contacting former girlfriends. He communicates with them, delving into personal and emotional aspects of their lives. There was nothing overtly sexual (only flirty), and he asked her to send a picture from when she was a cheerleader in high school. I insisted he stop communicating with her, which he did. A few months later I discovered that he had created another account and a dossier of pictures of her from high school and from Facebook, along with his background research. Should this not bother me? — Anxious Spouse



Ask Amy

DEAR ANXIOUS: His "investigations" and dossiers are creepy. His secrecy tells you that he knows this is wrong. I gather he does not do this with male friends from high school. Why not?

DEAR AMY: I have a friend who recently decided to become vegetarian/vegan. She now shares articles via email and Facebook calling people who eat meat "depraved," "confused" and "unethical." Every time I try to talk to her about it, she thinks I'm somehow disagreeing with vegetarianism, which is not the case. I don't want to lose a good friend but things are going downhill fast. — Offended Omnivore

DEAR OFFENDED: I suggest you alter your own attitude and see these diatribes for what they are: vegetarian comedy. If you insist that these polemics are hilarious you might be able to enjoy them -- along with a nice juicy steak and a glass of merlot.

Food Smart



Roasted flank steak

INGREDIENTS

- » 1 flank steak, about 1 1/2 lb. trimmed
- » 1 t. chopped fresh thyme
- » 1/4 c. dry red wine
- » 3-4 garlic cloves, peeled, sliced
- » T. olive oil for marinade plus 1 T. for a cooking pan
- » 1 onion, peeled and cut into 6 wedges
- » 2 T. unsalted butter
- » 1 lb. mushrooms, sliced
- » salt and freshly ground pepper, to taste

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Notice is hereby given that after May 1 of this year the provisions of Holly Townships Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10, Article VI, Noxious Weed Ordinance will be enforced.

No owner of any parcel of land within the township or the occupant or agent of such owner shall permit on such parcel of land or upon any sidewalk abutting the same, or upon that portion of any street or alley adjacent to the same between the property line and the curb or traveled portion of such street or alley, any growth of weeds, grass or other rank vegetation to a greater height than six inches on the average, or any accumulation of dead weeds, grass or brush. No such owner or agent shall permit on such land poison ivy, ragweed or any other poisonous, noxious or unhealthful growths.

If after May 1st an owner, agent or occupant has failed to cut or cause such noxious weeds to be destroyed it shall be the duty of the commissioner to abate the nuisance, either utilizing township employees or private contractors which may enter upon such land and destroy by cutting, with or without mechanical equipment, any such weeds and all expenses incurred in such destruction shall be paid by the owner of such land. The township shall have a lien upon land for such expense, to be enforced in the manner prescribed by the general laws of the state providing for the enforcement of tax liens.

(d) Means of abatement.

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(e) **Exclusions.** This Article does not apply to weeds in unimproved lands, designated open space, open fields or fields devoted to growing small crops such as wheat, oats, barley, or rye. In the case of an easement or public property such as a forest preserve, and all other land as to which definite ownership is not known to the commissioner and cannot be established the county board of commissioners shall cause the destruction of noxious weeds in accordance with Public Act 359 of 1941.

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LEGAL NOTICE

At a regular meeting of the Groveland Township Board held on April 9, 2012, the following ordinance was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

ORDINANCE #186

REVISION TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT (PD) OVERLAY DISTRICT Add (5) any principal use in I-1 Light Industrial District to Sec. 54-643

Purpose: To provide light industrial opportunities within former and underutilized gravel and sand pits subject to Planning Commission under the Planned Development (PD) Overlay District.

Existing Language

Sec. 54.643. Principal uses permitted.

In the PD district, no building, or land shall be used and no building shall be erected except for one or more of the following specified uses, and only after review and recommendation by the planning commission to the township board for approval:

- (1) Any principal permitted use in the RE/F through RM, residential districts.
- (2) Any principal permitted use in the OS-1, office service district.
- (3) Any principal permitted use in the B-1, B-2, or B-3, commercial districts.
- (4) Any principal permitted use in the TR, technical research district.
(Ord. No. 164, 2-11-2008)

Proposed Language

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(Ord. No. 164, 2-11-2008)

(5) Any principal permitted use in the I-1, light industrial district.



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**TYRONE TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that a Public Accuracy Test for the May 8, 2012 Special School Election will be conducted on Thursday, April 19, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate to electors that the program and computer that will be used to tabulate the results of the election have been prepared in accordance with law.

Keith L. Kremer,
Tyrone Township Clerk

**ROSE TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF
PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST
OPTICAL SCAN VOTING DEVICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that, on Wednesday, April 18, 2012, at 11:00 AM, the Rose Township Election Commission will conduct a public accuracy test of the voting devices to be used to conduct the May 8, 2012 Election. The test will be conducted in the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street in Rose Township, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the program and computer that will be used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.


Debbie Miller, Clerk
Rose Township

**PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY APRIL 24, 2012 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AT 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

ZBA12-007 Donna Maidment 5428 Lahring Rd. requesting variance to allow existing accessory building to remain on vacant property after dividing vacant lot from lot with residence. Parcel 06-08-551-003

ZBA12-008 Gerald Durocher 4341 Island View Dr. requesting sight line variance to construct deck with railing on lake side of property. Parcel 06-33-502-026

ZBA12-009 Ghassan Saab 12351 Margaret Dr. requesting side yard setback variance to construct addition to the south side of residence. Parcel 06-11-501-019

ZBA12-010 Ed Abbott 13158 Log Cabin Pt requesting sight line variance to construct deck with trellis on lake side of property. Parcel 06-14-530-003

COPIES OF THE ABOVE LISTED APPLICATIONS AND THE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE FOR YOUR REVIEW. YOUR OPINIONS MAY BE EXPRESSED VERBALLY AT THIS HEARING OR IN WRITING TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS PRIOR TO THIS HEARING. THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ENCOURAGES YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THESE APPEALS.

This notice is published in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

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Huge Deck

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On 7.7 acres

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\$224,900

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Open Floor Plan

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Lake access and dock privileges

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3197 PONEMAH DR • FENTON TWP.



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