Two eateries rise to top of fire hall possibilities

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Fenton — The future of the old fire hall became a little clearer on Tuesday, after a committee of the Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) narrowed down the candidates of future tenants from four to two.

The committee, composed of Jim Saule, Doug James, and Tom Bertschy, selected the Arbor Brewing Company and the Clarkston Union, noting that they were both well prepared, as well as having community involvement.

Saule said that Fenton would have been fortunate to have both entities.

Citizen comments

"I look forward to a very prosperous partnership with the one of the two we select." — Tom Bertschy
Fenton Downtown Development Authority

Move over — it’s the law

Obscure statute costing motorists big bucks

By Ryan Tackabury
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With more than one million people in Michigan expected to travel this Memorial Day weekend, traffic is going to be heavy. It is conditions like this that make Michigan’s Emergency Vehicle Caution Law, or “move over” law important for motorists big bucks.

Public access site on Lake Fenton to close for upgrades

Open weekends — limited parking

Lake Fenton — If you need to get your boat or pontoon put in at Lake Fenton, you might want to take care of that as soon as possible. If you wait until after Memorial Day, you'll face temporary closures and limited parking at the public launch, off Grove Park.

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By Tim Jagielo
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Peak planting time

"It is that time of the year, everyone has got the bug," said Paula Visser, a team member at Bordine’s greenhouse in Mundy Township on a busy Wednesday afternoon. She said business really picks up after Mother’s Day, with a significant peak on Memorial Day.

NEW LINDEN CITY MANAGER

…”It’s a beautiful place.”

By William Axford
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Mark Tallman has been Linden’s city manager for less than a month but he is already confident that he made the right career move. From meeting with residents to learning each facet of the city’s operational process, Tallman has been busy integrating himself with the community and learning of the various planned summer activities.

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50 shades of red reading
‘Fifty Shades of Grey’

By Sally Rummel
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I turned 50 shades of red reading ‘Fifty Shades of Grey’ and I haven’t even finished the book yet. But you can bet I plan to keep reading. I have to find out what happens next in this first book of a trilogy by E.L. James that has captured the world’s attention — especially that of women.

If you haven’t heard about this international erotic fiction phenomenon, then you haven’t been reading, or watching TV. ‘Fifty Shades of Grey’ has been the featured topic on Dr. Oz, Ellen DeGeneres and on Saturday Night Live, which spoofed the book in a naughty Mother’s Day skit just a couple of weeks ago.

The series, which includes ‘Fifty Shades of Grey,’ ‘Fifty Shades Darker’ and ‘Fifty Shades Freed,’ tells the tale of an affair between a manipulative young millionaire and a naive younger woman. The trilogy was issued in paperback in April by Vintage Books, which is part of Random House and the Knopf Doubleday Publishing Group — sending sales sky high when the publisher printed and distributed the books widely for the first time.

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SUNSCREEN
Does it really work?
What’s the shelf life?
Are sports sunscreens better?
Does swimming remove it?

By Christopher Jones
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Beachgoers go to the beach, and walk out with a dark tan. Unfortunately, that’s not all they will walk out with. Many of them will also walk out with various forms of skin damage.

The least problematic is the red, tender skin painful to the touch, known as a sunburn. The severe problems occur when the sun’s ultra violet (UV) rays damage skin cells and turn them rapidly dividing

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I didn’t even know it. Now it’s gone! Thanks Dr. Shuster!

By Dr. Thomas Shuster

“I didn’t know how much pain I was in until after the procedure. My legs feel great!”

42 year old - working woman from Fenton

“The pain comes on so gradually, I didn’t even know it. Now it’s gone! Thanks Dr. Shuster!”

64 year old - retired chef from Grand Blanc

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How’s it hanging

How’s it hanging? Your flag that is.
If you are like most people these days, it isn’t.
And that’s too bad.
One of the few good things to come out of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack was the long overdue reemergence of patriotism in this country.
Of course, that’s not to say that the simple act of displaying a flag automatically elevates you to patriot status. That’s no more true than the absence of a flag implying the lack of same.

But let me ask you a question? At this very moment, do you have a flag flying outside your home?

If not, why?

It likely isn’t a financial issue. An American-made flag kit, complete with a three feet by five feet flag, a pole, and a mounting bracket, costs about $10 to $12 and will last at least two years with a little care.

I suppose it could be simple geography. Maybe you live in an apartment building where it’s not allowed.

Or maybe you wish to drill a permanent hole in your aluminum or vinyl siding. But, I digress.

It seems to me that most of us don’t love our country simply because it happens to be the place where we live. Patriotism is far more complex than just some abstract emotional attachment to dirt. It has an intellectual foundation as well that is based upon a deep conviction to America’s founding principles – that we are indeed fortunate enough to live in the freest nation on the planet and that the freedom we enjoy will always have to be defended from those who would take it from us if they could.

And that’s why, for the royal life of me, I simply can’t understand why there isn’t an American flag flying outside every single home and business across the land.

We give credence and respect to Hollywood morons, while – unfortunately – we fail to give the proper respect to our most precious asset – the men and women of our armed forces. The simplest of acts – the flying of the American flag – sends the message that while we may not necessarily always agree with everything our leaders decide, we are united as one in support of our military troops.

Tomorrow is Memorial Day. Soon we will celebrate Independence Day. While we at home are enjoying cookouts, opening up the pools and heading to the beach, 150,000 of our brothers and sisters will be over 6,000 miles from home sleeping fitfully on cots, eating C-rations and risking their lives daily.

I ask you once again… How’s it hanging?

— Greg Smith

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Compiled by Christopher Jones, intern

What is on your bucket list this summer?

“Fun in the sun, on the boat. That’s always been my motto.”
— Greg Smith, Fenton

“One: go to Minnesota where my sister lives. Two: go to Mt. Rushmore in South Dakota. It would be my first time.”
— Bob Cookes, Linden

“To compete in the Capital City Half Marathon in Lansing. It’s in September so it will give me time to train.”
— Melissa Miller, Fenton

“I wanna go back to Greenfield Village in Dearborn. You have to go there if you like history.”
— Christine Clark, Holly

“Going to Illinois to see my daughter’s dad’s family. It would be my first time visiting them with her.”
— Alicia Adams, Linden

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Annual ‘Fun Fair’ sure to thrill families

Fundraiser to provide technology for schools

By Sharon Stone
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Everyone is invited to attend the 13th annual West Shore/Torrey Hill Fun Fair and Silent Auction, set for 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 2.

Event organizer Tammy Fray said volunteers have been busy finalizing last minute plans for the Fun Fair and Silent Auction. Rain or shine, the family-friendly event will go on as planned. The annual festival will be held on the grounds of Torrey Hill Intermediate School and West Shore Elementary School.

Throughout the years, since parents Becky Davidek and Laurie Newman established the first fun fair in 2000, thousands of family members have enjoyed the various activities, as well as the popular silent auction.

After five years of organizing the event, Newman and Davidek stepped down. Other parents stepped in and the tradition continues to grow.

Chair Tammy Fray said they will have nearly 30 games, a slide, candy store, fire trucks and police cars to see, bracelet-making area, “win a fish,” area and the Torrey Hill robotics team will be hosting a competition. A DJ will be on hand to provide music and food and refreshments will be available.

Fray said they have about 120 auction items, including bikes, Razor scooters, an inflatable kayak, gift cards, massages, water filtration system and much more. Superintendent Wayne Wright and other staff members have committed to be at the pie booth and dunk tank.

“We are hoping to exceed our record last year, which was over $12,000,” said Fray. Torrey Hill plans to purchase iPad tablets and Apple TVs for every classroom with proceeds. West Shore will be purchasing guided reading leveled text for classroom instruction. Additional proceeds will go toward technology needs.

“Technology is the future and schools no longer have funds to purchase these items,” said Fray. “That is why this fundraiser is so important to our district.”
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Craft show seeks new vendors

Fourth of July event takes over lawn at community center

By Sharon Stone
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Despite being ahead of last year, Mary Ferrier is seeking new crafters for the Fenton Freedom Festival Craft Show. The craft show will be held from 3:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 4 at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center. Entries are on a first come, first served basis and there is a limit of two spaces per vendor. Booths are $40 per space before June 15 and $50 afterward. Booth rent is free for the “most patriotic booth.”

In addition to this craft show on July 4, the American Legion will be sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast at the community center. After the Fourth of July Parade, a chicken dinner will be sponsored by the Lions Club in the park behind the community center. “We are about half full and way ahead of last year,” said Ferrier.

For additional information about the craft show, contact Ferrier at (810) 629-8698 or at (810) 869-5434.

LAUNCH

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The Department of Natural Resources announced Wednesday that it will be temporarily closing the boating access site from Tuesday, May 29 to Tuesday, July 24.

Jim Case, supervisor at Seven Lakes State Park, said the DNR site on Lake Fenton will be closed Monday through Friday of each week and then be open starting at 5 p.m. on Friday through each weekend-end for boat launching and retrieval. There will be limited parking spaces.

Later on in July, additional closures are to be expected when concrete is poured to allow drying time.

Signs notifying boaters of the specific dates and times of the closures will be posted at the boating access site prior to the shutdown date. The DNR expects to complete construction by July 24.

The project includes paving the driveways and parking lot, installation of an accessible sidewalk and landscaping. The parking lot will include environmentally friendly permeable pavement, the landscaping will consist of native species, and an eco-friendly rain garden that will absorb run-off before it reaches the lake.

The project is funded through the Michigan State Waterways fund, a restricted fund derived from the collection of boat registration fees, a portion of the Michigan marine fuel tax and user fees. Waterways funding is dedicated to the acquisition, construction, operation and maintenance of recreational boating facilities.

The next closest DNR boat launch is located on Lake Ponemah, off North Road. For details or updates about this project, contact Case, the DNR Parks and Recreation Division Unit supervisor or Jason Dunkel at (248) 634-7271.

Recreation Passport

The Recreation Passport has replaced motor vehicle permits for entry into Michigan state parks, recreation areas, and state-administered boating access fee sites. It is also required at designated state forest campgrounds and non-motorized pathway parking areas. This new way to fund Michigan’s outdoor recreation opportunities helps to preserve state forest campgrounds, trails, and historic and cultural sites in state parks, and provides park development grants to local communities.

Register for Recreation Passport ($10 for motor vehicles; $5 for motorcycles) by checking “Yes” on license plate renewal forms, or at any state park or recreation area.

To learn more about the Recreation Passport visit, www.michigan.gov/recreationpassport or call (517) 373-9900. Non-resident motor vehicles must still display a valid non-resident Recreation Passport ($29 annual; $8 daily) to enter a Michigan state park, recreation area, state-administered boating access fee site, state forest campgrounds and non-motorized pathway parking areas, which can be purchased at any state park or recreation area, or through the Michigan e-Store at www.michigan.gov/estore.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the state’s natural and cultural resources for current and future generations. For more information, go to www.michigan.gov/dnr.
HOLLY MEMORIAL DAY PARADE
The Holly Memorial Day Parade runs from 9 to 11 a.m. on Monday, May 28, in downtown Holly. The parade will begin at the Hulet-Bravender VFW Post on Airport Road, continue through downtown Holly and over to Lakeside Park for Memorial Day services.

TOWNSHIP REAPPOINTS PLANNERS
On Monday, May 21, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees reapointed three individuals to the township’s Planning Commission. Scott Hemeyer, Tom Richard and Donna Warren were each reapointed to another three-year term, ending in 2015.

BOARD ACCEPTS RESIGNATION
On Monday, May 21, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees accepted the resignation of Jim Hall, who was serving on the Board of Review. The board also unanimously adopted a resolution to honor Jim for his service to the township.

WINGS & WHEELS
Wings of Mercy East Michigan will be hosting “Wings & Wheels” at Price’s Airport in Fenton Township on Saturday, June 23, to raise money for their organization. The event will feature a pancake breakfast, airplane and helicopter rides, a classic car show and more. Wings of Mercy East Michigan is a group of volunteer pilots that provide free air transportation for patients with limited incomes needing treatment at medical centers within 800 miles of eastern Michigan. Money from the fundraiser will help offset the high costs of the fuel needed to provide this service.

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY - JUNE 2
A Householder Hazardous Waste & Electronic Waste Collection Day is scheduled for Saturday, June 2.
Acceptable materials include:
Household Hazardous Waste - pesticides, herbicides, solvents, paint thinners, aerosol cans, oil-based paint, used motor oil, antifreeze, mercury, fluorescent light bulbs (compact and tube), batteries (household and car), corrosives and old prescriptions. Up to seven (7) tires will also be accepted (no tractor or semi tires; tires must be off the rim). Electronic waste – television sets, computers, monitors, laptop and notebook computers, printers, copiers, DVD and VCR players, fax machines, cell phones, video cameras and stereo equipment.
Materials not accepted include: commercial waste, explosive materials, radioactive materials, medical waste, industrial waste, latex paint and TV consoles.

COLLECTION SITES
Flint East – Water Service Center, 3310 E. Court Street, Flint, MI - household hazardous waste and tires only.
Goodwill, 501 South Avonell Ave., Flint - electronic waste only.
All sites will be open between the hours of 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. For more information, call Genesee County Recycle Hotline at (810) 762-7744.

Hall Chrysler robbery suspect charged
Detectives believe his accomplices in Detroit area

By Sharon Stone
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Anton Dejuan Rollins, 20, of Detroit was charged with a four-count felony warrant for a breaking and entering in Fenton Township earlier this month.
Det. Sgt. Bill Lanning of the Genesee County Sheriff’s Department said the sheriff’s department responded to the dealership around 2 a.m. Friday, May 18. As much as $30,000 in damage was caused to the vehicles when thieves broke in to them to steal navigation and stereo systems.
Rollins was apprehended shortly after the incident and some of the stolen items were recovered.
Lanning said the sheriff’s department believes there are additional suspects, also from Detroit.
On Monday, May 21, Rollins was arraigned with one felony count of possessing burglary tools and three felony counts of breaking and entering a vehicle to steal between $1,000 and $20,000 worth of property.
The judge ordered a cash surety bond of $5,000 on each count. As of Friday, Rollins remained lodged in the Genessee County Jail. His preliminary exam is set for Tuesday, May 29.

Katie’s Game Golf Event
The second annual Katie’s Game Golf Event in memory of Katie Wyatt is set for Friday, Aug. 3 at Fenton Farms Golf Club. Katie passed away on June 14, 2011 at the age of 14. She had been battling a form of liver cancer more commonly found in adult men, since she was 11.
An event in memory of Katie Wyatt is set for Saturday June 23, to raise money for the American Red Cross. Wings for Kids will feature a pancake breakfast, airplane and helicopter rides, a classic car show and more. Wings for Kids is a group of volunteer pilots that provide free air transportation for patients with limited incomes needing treatment at medical centers within 800 miles of eastern Michigan. Money from the fundraiser will help offset the high costs of the fuel needed to provide this service.

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LAW
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the safety of officers patrolling the roads on this holiday weekend.

Although the law was passed in Michigan in 2001, many people are still un-
aware of what is referred to as the “move over law,” or what details it entails.

When an emergency vehicle has its emergency lights flashing, drivers are required to
give the emergency vehicle room by moving to the inner lane in the case of roads
with two lanes of travel in each direction. On roads with one lane of traffic in each
direction, vehicle operators are expected to slow down and pass with
caut, while providing as much space as possible between themselves and the
emergency vehicle.

According to the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning, emergency
vehicles are defined as police, fire, rescue, ambulance, and road service vehicles,
which include wrecker and courtesy vehicles operated by the Michigan De-
partment of Transportation (MDOT).

If the emergency lights of the vehicle are off, a driver is not re-
quired to move over, though it is recommended that they
still pass with caution.

A driver who does not move over can be found guilty of a misdemeanor. If
the driver causes the injury or death of a police officer or other emergency response
personnel worker, the driver can face up to 15 years in prison, and/or a fine of up
to $7,500.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said that the law is needed to help protect the
lives of officers and emergency respond-
ers whose work may
find themselves in
dangerous roadside
conditions.

“There it’s re-
ally critical is on
the freeway, where
cars are going at a
much higher speed.
On Memorial Day
weekend, the free-
ways can be really
packed,” said Aro.

Aro said that he
has had experience in
the dangerous conditions that can crop up
on the freeways. “There were times when
I would have trucks go by us and they are
so close they would blow your hat off,” he
said. “There are cases in the past where
officers were injured or killed.”

The law was first introduced more than 10 years ago in Michigan after a police
officer in Lansing was killed while writing
a speeding ticket.

Summary
Those
who violate
Michigan’s
Emergency
Vehicle Caution
Law (move over
law) could face
up to 15 years in
jail or a $7,500
fine in the worst
case scenario.
LINDEN
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what the city’s future needs are.
“I’ve very much appreciated every moment in Linden,” Tallman said. “It’s a
beautiful place. If I can maintain that and add to it, I’d call that success.”

Since the inception of his new role, Tallman said he has had multiple conversations
about the business climate and the need to improve it. And, Tallman may just be the
man to do it, given his past expertise.

He was a city administrator for Kichi
Kansa for three years prior coming to
Linden. Before Kansas, Tallman was a busi-
ness development manager for the Genesee
Regional Chamber of Commerce for nine
years. Add growing up in Genesee County
to his resume and Tallman has both previ-
ous knowledge of the area and experience
expanding business climates.

“Linden is already a nice place but the
residents want to see a variety of busi-
nesses, new businesses,” Tallman said.

Tallman said he is still in the process of
meeting with business owners and resi-
dents and said he will build an economic
plan based on input from the community.
The city manager plans to utilize the city’s
strengths — the sound city budget, strong
community activities and the multitude of
summer activities — to attract outside businesses to
build and stay in Linden.

If residents haven’t had the chance to meet Tall-
man yet, there’s a good chance they’ll run into
the city manager at least once this summer. Tallman said it’s going to be a busy summer and he plans to be
as involved as possible.

“There will be many opportunities to
bring people into our community this
summer,” Tallman said. “Businesses should take
advantage of these events, be involved.”

The farmers’ markets, Music by the Mill, Mov-
ies by the Mill and holiday parades are just a
few of the summer events planned for Linden.

In addition to being involved in the
community, Tallman said he
would like to see more activity with the
Linden Millpond, whether through
an annual event or a weekly activity like
Music by the Mill.

Developing the Union Block is also one of
Tallman’s goals. He knows that the task
will not be easy.

“We need to find builders, tenants for the
Union Block,” Tallman said, adding that the
slow economy has been a major roadblock to
building up the former business district. “It’s
going to take collaboration and cooperation.”

Despite the challenges, Tallman main-
tains he is very lucky and fortunate to be a
part of Linden. He has an open door policy
and plans to join one of the city’s civic
groups in the near future.

“I want to get my job done before I go
and play in someone else’s sandbox,” Tall-
man said. “The visual aesthetics of the city
are beautiful. I’m pretty lucky to be here.”

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Mark Tallman
Linden city manager

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GREY
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That enthusiasm has carried over to local bookstores and libraries.

“We’ve only had the book in the Genesee District Library system since May 9, and there’s never been a response to any book like it,” said Trent Smiley, GDL community relations officer.

“We’ve already got 339 holds on 20 copies of ‘Fifty Shades of Grey’ that are distributed throughout our library system,” said Smiley.

“We’ve got nine copies of the downloadable version, with 174 holds on the first book. The second and third books each have three downloadable copies with almost 40 holds on each.”

Karen Piacentini, owner of Fenton’s Open Book in downtown Fenton, has sold almost 80 copies of “Fifty Shades of Grey” since she got it in stock a few weeks ago. She had resisted reading it herself until some of her teacher friends kept talking about where they were in the book.

Once Piacentini started reading, she admitted she couldn’t put it down. “You keep wanting to know if he is going to change or if she is going to change,” said Piacentini.

“It’s beyond your wildest imagination.”

It can also be almost embarrassing to read in public. “It’s very shocking,” said my sister, Mary Travis, of Huntington Woods, who told me about the book for the first time about six weeks ago. We always share favorite authors and books, and she told me she had read about the popularity of “Fifty Shades of Grey” in Time magazine and went out and bought it at Costco.

“I couldn’t take it to work to read on my break because I was too self-conscious,” she said. “I would have had to carry it in a brown paper bag!”

But Karen Piacentini insists that the book is about so much more than sex. “It’s also about true love, because that’s what everyone wants,” she said. “Everyone wants to fix another who is flawed. We all want to save that person.”

The fascination for women reading the book seems to be in the fantasies many women reportedly have for a relationship in the bedroom. Sex therapist Dr. Laura Berman has made it her topic on a number of talk shows since the book has been released.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

C’MON YOU ‘ME. me, me,’ people, recycle and think of others. Your plastics and metals stay in the landfill for thousands of years.

THANK YOU TO the kind person who bought our dinner for us at the Coney Grill on the Saturday before Mother’s Day. It was a nice surprise. Random Act of Kindness — I will pass it on.

LET’S GET THE Old ‘Tee Bone’z and the New Lake Ponemah Tavern open. The people on the lake want to contribute to the Fenton economy.

THE GOVERNMENT JUST sued a shoe company for false advertisement. Can you tell me why we cannot sue politicians for misrepresenting the truth about each other’s policies? And what’s wrong with some of these people writing nonsense in the Hot lines. How can these people claim to be Christians?

THANK YOU TO the lady that brought us bottled water after our fender bender in front of Coney Grill last weekend. Your kindness was appreciated.

RE: ONGOING WEED problems in our area lakes and streams. When folks stop pouring the chemicals on their lawns, they will stop feeding the weeds. Wake up! It’s proven. That’s why we have local ordinances regarding the distance from the water to apply fertilizers, etc., but then again, who is watching?

CONGRESS HAS NEVER passed an Obama budget. Congressional Budget Office calculated Obama Administration had a $1 trillion deficit every year including $1.3 trillion reported for 2012. But, $3.7 trillion rise in SS, Medicare and other retirement program liabilities in 2011 but weren’t registered on government’s books. Actual deficit for 2012 is $5 trillion.

REGARDING THE ‘CLOWN’ dumping pets in the country, pets are not allowed to be roaming the neighborhood so he is not a thief for trapping them but he is a jerk for dumping them in the country instead of contacting animal control.
Backyard grilling goes hi-tech

Seven out of 10 families will ‘grill out’ this Memorial Day

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If you’re grilling steaks, hamburgers or hot dogs this Memorial Day weekend, you’re in good company. About seven out of 10 Americans plan to grill on Memorial Day, but that’s only the beginning of a grilling season that will span the Fourth of July, Father’s Day, summer birthdays, Labor Day and beyond.

When you fire up that grill, don’t forget your barbecue thermometer, grill basket, mitt and … have your smartphone or iPad handy. Believe it or not, there’s an app for that, including:

• iGrill, an app which allows you to monitor your grilling food from up to 200 feet away. With dual probe capability, it also works as a standalone thermometer. Your Apple device will alert you when your grilling is done!

• Weber’s “On the Grill” app contains 40 recipes for rubs, marinades and sauces, plus a handy timer.

• “Grill-It” is an app that instructs how to light charcoal and walks you through answers to other popular barbecue questions.

• “BBQ” is an app that tells you if the weather is good to barbecue or not today — or four days from now.

But hi-tech grilling isn’t the only thing ready to ignite the excitement of a new barbecue season.

Infrared cooking is the latest in barbecue cooking techniques, heating up the amount of power available in outdoor cooking to speed up the grilling time and lock in juices and flavors. “Instead of flames hitting the meat directly, it hits the burner,” said Jeff Stone, of Sears Hometown Store in Fenton. “The grate is almost a solid piece of metal with holes in it, so there aren’t flare-ups.”

Char-Broil is one of the biggest names in grilling and their new line of TRU-Infrared grills generate a minimum of 65 percent infrared heat, which is evenly spread across the entire cooking surface to cook food — without drying — at temperatures that range from simmer to sear. The patented emitter and burner plate design on the grills limit the amount of hot air that comes in contact with the food, eliminating flare-ups, producing very even heat with no hot or cold spots, while using less fuel than traditional gas grills.

Some newer model gas grills are equipped with a searing burner, an infrared side burner that provides searing and maximum heat capabilities on just part of the grill, according to Stone.

For grill-lovers who prefer the pure grilled taste from a charcoal grill, new charcoal grills in the Performer line by Weber provide many of the accessories and conveniences of a gas grill — from extra working space to a larger cooking surface. The Performer uses a 5-gallon propane tank and burner unit to light the charcoal for you. All you have to do is pour in the charcoal, push a button and wait for about 10 minutes. Then you can turn off the gas and start grilling. The Performer is designed to be a complete cooking unit with large storage area, easy clean up ash catcher and working table space.

Kamado’s Big Green Egg is another favorite among charcoal purists, who like the low cooking temperatures over an extended time that make the grill popular with the “low and slow” barbecue crowd.

Whether your backyard cooking requires a new appliance this summer, there’s still a lot of grilling fun to be had with accessories, new recipes to try, etc. Memorial Day Weekend is the perfect time to get the outdoor summer parties started for the season.

Top five ‘gotta have’ new grilling accessories for this summer

If you’re looking at adding a few barbecue accessories to your backyard grill, check these out:

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Paying respect

Fenton Firefighter Eric Kanyak, 19, replaces a weathered memorial clay flag at the gravesite of a firefighter at St. John Cemetery Thursday afternoon, with the assistance of Nate Mosher. Every year, Fenton firefighters replace old flags at gravesites in Fenton, Linden and Holly to pay respect.

GRILLING
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1. Fork It Over — $13
   This cleverly designed barbecue fork has two long, stout tines and a 13-inch long hardwood handle. What makes this fork unique is that protruding from each side of the main tines are two sharpened spikes designed for flipping over slabs of meat with just a twist of the wrist.

2. Dual Grill/Griddle Pan — $20
   This versatile grill-top accessory takes the frustration out of cooking small and delicate foods, such as vegetables, seafood and fruit, that have a tendency to fall through cooking grates. It’s also useful for searing all cuts of meat. The split-personality pan has a solid, ridged griddle on one side (for steaks, chicken and fish) and a perforated grill (for shellfish and vegetables) on the other. It measures 12 by 16 in., and is finished with nonstick porcelain enamel for easy cleaning.

3. The Grillslinger Utensil Belt — $55
   It’s a carpenter’s tool belt designed for backyard grillers. Made of breathable, durable nylon, the belt has three pouches and comes equipped with a stainless-steel spatula and tongs. The insulated third pouch holsters a 12-ounce beverage can or bottle. The price includes the personalized touch of a capital letter monogrammed onto one of the pouches.

4. Deluxe Interchangeable Branding Set — $80
   This kit comes with two branding irons and an entire alphabet of capital letters, plus an ampersand symbol, so you can personalize grilled meats for your guests.

5. Grill Alert Talking Meat Thermometer — $75
   This high-tech temperature taker pages you with audible updates as meat cooks on the grill. Simply insert the stainless-steel probe into the meat, select the meat type (beef, lamb, veal, hamburger, pork, turkey, chicken or fish), then choose how you want it cooked (rare, medium rare, medium or well done). Clip the remote receiver onto your belt and walk away - the wireless transmitter can send temperature readings up to 300 ft. away. A voice prompt will alert you when the meat is “almost ready,” and then again when it’s “ready.”

   If you’re looking for something a little less expensive, check out the Chef’s Thermometer Fork ($30), which has an instant stab-it-and-read-it digital temperature display.
**Antique show coming to Holly**

**Circle June 9 on your calendar**

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On Saturday, June 9, the streets in downtown Holly will be overflowing with a wide variety of fine antiques for the Holly Spring Antiques Show. Visitors may find that special treasure for which they’ve been searching.

The show will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition to the antiques, dealers will be showing off some great collectibles and fun retro items.

Dealers are coming in from all over Southeast and mid-Michigan and some are even coming in from Ohio.

Once again, the band, “Tin Penny Band,” will be playing their unique style of Bluegrass and Jug band music in the early afternoon. Past attendees have said it’s a great way to spend a late spring afternoon, shopping the show and shopping the shops. Holly is well known for its “upnorth” feel and small town charm while being conveniently located between I-75 and U.S. 23.

The show will be held — rain or shine — and parking and admission are free. For more information, call Pat Kenay at (248) 634-8800 or Lynn Hay at (248) 634-1800. This show is a Holly Downtown Development Authority fundraiser and proceeds go toward the Dickens Festival.

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**Fenton Memorial Day event**

The Midweek Times reported that the Memorial Day parade will begin at the St. John’s Activity Center. It will instead begin at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center at 10 a.m. on Monday. It will conclude at Oakwood Cemetery.

**Holly Village budget work session**

It was reported that the next Holly Village budget work session is May 26. The budget session is instead scheduled for Tuesday, May 29 at 6 p.m.
Holly girls, LF boys cap track year with league titles

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Fenton — Jenny Beckner was in considerable pain.

And before she started the 3,200 run at the Flint Metro League meet on Wednesday night, she knew more pain was the inevitable conclusion if she decided to compete in the event. The Holly senior suffers from Compartment Syndrome, which is a condition that involves increased pressure in a muscle compartment. For Beckner that area is her lower legs.

And while competing put her in tremendous pain, and meant not being able to walk after the Metro meet, it was well worth it to her.

At the time, the Holly Bronchos needed every point they could get to win the meet and earn a co-Metro League title with the Brandon Blackhaws. She not only competed, but Beckner placed fifth in the event, earning the Bronchos four key points in the second-to-last track event of the year. And, once the meet was over, Beckner, and the Bronchos had achieved their goal.

Holly defeated Brandon 182.33 to 174.33 at the meet, earning the Bronchos a co-Metro League title with the Blackhawks.

“In my bones, pressure builds inside them when I run hard,” Beckner said. “Today was my last race, so I didn’t care if I hurt or not. I was going to go all out. … It hurts so bad. I don’t know if I can walk, but it was worth it.”

It was that type of guts that has represented the Holly Bronchos over the last couple of years, and it’s also the reason why the Flint Metro League championship seems to go through Holly these days.

This was the second time Beckner has experienced the Bronchos entering the meet in second place, only to win the league meet and earn a title.

“The same thing happened my freshman year with Oxford,” Beckner said. “We didn’t think we’d win, but then seeing the excitement on everyone’s face when we won was priceless. This was kind of a bitter-sweet memory. It’s my last memory in track being in so much pain, but at the same time I’m so excited about how my team did and being able to experience it.”

“The kids ran hard. Jenny can hardly run now,” Holly coach Rob Basyldo said. “The heart of that girl is phenomenal.”

The Bronchos experienced the elation of winning because they

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Blue Devils cap dominating year by winning GAC event

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The Lake Fenton varsity boys track team knew that a GAC Red league title was a possibility this season.

And on Tuesday, the Blue Devils made that possibility a reality, winning the GAC Red Tournament with a first-place score of 141.5 points, defeating defending champion Goodrich’s point total of 122 points. Lake Fenton also went undefeated in dual play, resulting in the outright championship.

“It was pretty sweet because we worked hard all year,” Lake Fenton runner Austin Frank said. “Goodrich always wins the GAC league meet. It’s definitely big for our team. We actually thought we were going to lose for awhile, but we pulled it out.”

“It felt like it was the perfect end to the senior season,” sprinter Robbie Kesler said. “It was my senior year and it was the best.”

The reason it was close for a bit had to do with two things. The first was Goodrich’s strong field events and strong distance runners. The second had to do with a scoring error that worked against the Blue Devils until it was corrected.

But the key reason for Lake Fenton’s victory was pretty obvious as well. The sprinters ended up being pretty spectacular, led by Kesler.

Kesler won the 200 (23.27) and took second in the 100 (11.11). Others helped the team dominate the sprints. Max Watters took second in the 200 (23.51), while Matt Hommer was...
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Linden boys average losses, win Metro meet

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By working hard all season, and finishing second to fives in Metro League, sophomore John Buerkel earned a Méta League title. Buerkel, a distance runner, said he’s going to stay on the track team.

“We’ve been working hard all season, and the meet was probably the best, and the victory was the highlight of the season for me. I feel like I’m running the normal meet with a 5,000-pound truck behind me. It’s very tiring. We’ve been doing good on the team meets and pushing really hard.”

O’Connell had the Eagles’ other individual first. It came in the pole vault (13-6). Baker finished second in three individual events. He took second in the 100 (11.51), the 200 (23.12) and the long jump (19-7 1/2). All three sports standout has left in his career is the Metro track meet.

“It’s been awesome,” Baker said. “All three sports (football and basketball are the other two) have been a blast. I love all the coaches I’ve had.”

Buerkel also earned a second in the 400 (51.90), while Graham Elliott took third in the 1,600 (4:38.05).

The Eagles opened with losses against Swartz Creek and Kearsley.

“But instead of focusing on the negative, apparently the Eagles focused on what they knew was a positive future. And they showed what they were made of, by capturing the Metro League meet championship on Wednesday at Fenton High School.

Linden scored 132 points, 17 points ahead of eventual Metro League champions Swartz Creek, who had 115 points. Kearsley took third (111.5), while Holly was fourth (96.5) and Fenton was fifth (72). If Kearsley could’ve beaten Creek at the meet, the Eagles would’ve been enjoying a co-Metro title. As it was, we were just two points behind, and we got out and did it.”

“If feels very good. We came close,” Linden coach Nick Doughless said.

“In losing to a dual to Kearsley by five and Creek by seven stung at the time, but this helps. Essentially, we lost the league title by 15.5 points when you consider Kearsley lost to Creek by 3.5 points last night. But I told the kids going in, we can only control what we can control. We put ourselves in this position and we can just go out there, do our best, let the chips fall where they may, and they did that. I was proud of them.”

“We’ve been working hard all season, and the meet was second to me, I we had to do and we did it,” senior Kirk Bennett said. “We just kept our eyes on the prize and kept going.”

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Several Fenton, Holly performers do well at Metro event

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Fenton — Lake Schwerin and Matt Gilbert are seniors that still have some serious work to do as their careers near their end.

Each hopes to end the season with high placings, and possibly state championships, once the boys track season ends.

And both believe why they are strong candidates to place high at the event while competing at the Flint Metro League track meet at Fenton High School on Wednesday. Both capped their high school careers with a pair of Metro League event titles.

Lake Schwerin won the 800 by himself with a time of 2:00.83 and was also a member of the 800 relay team. He led the Bronchos to a fourth-place team finish at the league meet and in the overall standings.

Meanwhile, Fenton’s Gilbert won the 1,600 (4:29.54) and helped lead the Tigers’ 3,200 relay team to a title as well. Fenton finished fifth at the meet and fifth in the overall standings.

Gilbert didn’t stop there. He also finished second in the 3,200 (10:03.14), finishing just one place behind teammate and another two-time champion for Fenton, Max Kryza. Kryza won the 3,200 (10:00.65) and teamed with Gilbert, Nick Jones and Ross Brooks to post a time of 8:18.10 in the 3,200 relay.

Gilbert said he wasn’t 100 percent healthy on Wednesday.

“Before yesterday, I was looking to break 4:20 (in the 1,600), but I’m battling an injury right now,” Gilbert said. “It’s something with my hammy (hamstring). I don’t know if I pulled it or strained it. But I should be over this in a few days.”

Fenton’s only other performer to finish with a top-three individual placement was Brooks in the 800. He placed second in that event (2:06.31).

Schwerin teamed with John Williams, Sean Barr and Hunter Hooper to win the 1,600 (3:32.09). Meanwhile, Colin Banes earned the team’s only other championship in the discus (148-2). Schwerin was pleased with his effort.

“I just wanted to get as many medal places with my team as I could,” Schwerin said.

Three other Bronchos left the meet with third-place performances. They were Williams in the 100 (11.57), Barr in the 300 hurdles (41.70) and Banes in the shot put (45-9 1/2).

Holly entered the season as the defending champions, but had to settle for a rebuilding season this year.

“We knew coming in we were going to get fourth, and we weren’t going to run Lake to death because we are getting him ready for (the Oakland County Meet) and (the state meet),” Holly coach Rob Basyndol said. “We were just hoping to get our young kids to step up, and we saw that. We saw some really good things for next year. This meet was all about next year for us, to be honest. We have some good kids coming back next year.

It was a transition year. I don’t like it, but it is what it is. They are getting better, and I like what I saw today.”

Martin paces Lake Fenton girls at GAC Red track meet

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The Lake Fenton varsity girls track team usually doesn’t have the numbers it needs to place high in the event results at the GAC Red meet. That is a given entering the meet.

However, that doesn’t mean the Blue Devils didn’t make some noise at Tuesday’s event.

The Blue Devils had a league championship and three other events earning top-three performances en route to a fifth-place team finish at Webberville High School.

The top star was Alyssa Martin. Martin won the pole vault with a leap of eight feet. Meanwhile, she also placed second in the 100 hurdles with a time of 16.90 seconds.

Laura Carlson also earned a second-

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were able to earn four firsts in events and another nine individual top-three performances.

The team got three of them in field events, helping spark the team to victory. Rachel Domagalski won the pole vault (10-4), while Elizabeth Hawley took the top spot in the shot put (32-3 1/2). Holly’s throwers took three of the top five spots in the discus and five of the eight scoring spots in the shot put. The Bronchos also scored first in both the 1,600 and 3,200 relays.

Those three events we really counter-punched their sprinters — the shot put, the discus and the 800.” Basyndol said, “In a regional format, we couldn’t touch them. Their studs are too good. But we had the depth and we knew coming in there was a great chance we were going to pull it off."

Other top-three placers for Holly were Mariah Ridal, second in the 400 (1:01.66); Melissa Bost, second in the 800 (2:28.48); Abby Lewandowski, third in the 400 (2:33.41); Charlotte Ruffini, third in the 1,600 (5:35.85) and in the 3,200 (12:19.70); Shannon Westfall, second in the 3,200 (12:19.31); Jessika Beiler, second in the 300 hurdles (48.6); and Tabitha Wyant, third in the 100 hurdles (17.58).

“They have been fantastic to be around,” Basyndol said. “I’ve never had any issue with them. They take their beatings we give them, but at the same time this is a family. They love each other. It’s as simple as that.”

One more relay earned the top spot. The 3,200 team of Sawyer Scott, Chase Hanson, Alex Holtslander and Neil Allor won with a time of 8:33.03.

The Blue Devils also dominated the hurdle events. Tim Symons won the 110 hurdles (16.12), while Zielinski won the 300 hurdles (42.67).

“We have a bunch of guys that wanted to win, showed up every day and did what we did,” Kesler said.

Other individuals that earned a top-three finish were Zielinski, third in the long jump (19-4); Austin DMoss, second in the 3,200 (10:46); and Symons, third in the 300 hurdles (43.36).

Martin leads the pack during the 3,200 run at the Flint Metro League meet. He won the event. To the left of Kryza is Linden’s Roger Phillips, who placed fifth in the event.
Elmer leads Linden girls to third-place finish; Fenton takes fourth at meet

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Fenton — Sydney Elmer had one goal when it came to the Flint Metro League meet’s girls track and field meet in her two individual events on Wednesday at Fenton High School. That was to win.

And that’s what the Linden sophomore did. She won the 1,600 (5:31.16) and the 3,200 (11:58.8), helping lead the Linden girls to a third-place finish at the meet. Holly won it with 182.33 points, while Linden had 100 point. Fenton took fourth with 75 points. The Eagles and Tigers finished the season in third and fourth overall as well, respectively.

“Well my main goal was to win,” Elmer said. “In the one mile, I did run my personal record. They said I ran a 5:31 and my record was 5:32, so it’s a little better. It’s still a record.”

“In the two mile, my main objective was to win the race. I started out kind of fast because I wanted to get far enough from the competition so I could run the rest of the race on my own.”

And that’s exactly what Elmer did. She led by at least 50 meters early in the race and won the event by over 20 seconds.

The Eagles had one other performer that earned two top-three performances at the meet. Alexis Downes took second in the discus (100-4) and third in the shot put (21-11 1/4).

The Fenton Tigers had two individuals earn third-place finishes in their individual events. Julie Gilbert took third in the high jump (5-0), while Northern Michigan University-bound Kira Rent-schler placed third in the discus (97-6).

Fenton softball takes second in Metro, sweeps Brandon

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It was nearly a perfect ending to the Metro League season for the Fenton varsity softball team.

Especially for Sammi Cowger and Sarah Halstead.

In the first game, Cowger allowed a leadoff walk in the opening game, but then got the final 14 batters out in order, including 10 by strike out, leading the Tigers to a 10-0 opening game victory against the Brandon Blackhawks on Wednesday.

In the second game, Sarah Halstead was pretty much perfect, going 3-for-3 at the plate with a triple, three runs scored, three stolen bases and three RBI, leading the Tigers (12-4, 24-11) to a 13-0 victory.

Actually, Halstead was pretty good at the plate in both games, going 3-for-4 with three RBI, two runs scored and two stolen bases in that game as well.

In the opening game, Brandon’s Genna Oertel walked to start the game, but Fenton catcher Regina Siekierski gunned her down trying to steal second base. That meant Cowger’s no-hitter was completed in the minimum number of batters allowed in a five-inning game, 15 batters.

Offensively, the Tigers didn’t get it going until a three-run third. Sarah Collier and Ellie Cowger singled with a Sierra Hollis sacrifice sandwiched in between. Halstead followed with an RBI-single, which also scored Cowger. Sammi Cowger then followed with an RBI-double. Fenton led 3-0.

A five-run fourth pretty much iced the victory. A two-run fifth secured the mercy-rule victory, with Halstead ending the game with an RBI-single.

After Halstead’s three-hit performance, Marina Cleis, Siekierski, Collier and Hollis each had two hits.

In the nightcap, Fenton wasted no time scoring runs, getting three runs in each of the first three innings.

In the first inning, Brooklyn Sondgroth provided a key two-run single. In the third inning, Jessica Keller hit a three-run triple, making it 9-0 at the time and pretty much icing the victory.

Offensively, Ellie Cowger and Sammi Cowger matched Halstead’s three hits, while Keller, Katie Caimduff and Sierra Hollis had two hits each.

Cowger pitched a three-hitter, striking out eight to get the win.

The Tigers collected 31 hits in just 10 innings of play in the twinbill. They also stole 15 bases, including 12 in the second game.

Ellie Cowger had six stolen bases, while Halstead had five.

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place performance in the 3,200 run, posting a time of 13:40.04. The time was about 14 seconds better than the third-place competitor.

Lake Fenton’s final top-three performer was Ellesa Smith. She took third in the long jump with a leap of 14-9.

“We had a lot of great finishes,” Lake Fenton coach Melissa Thompson said. “The league meet is always tough for us, but we’re pretty happy with how the season went all together this year. We were competitive with all of the teams in our division.”
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to have any of the four proposals. “All are very well qualified, though two stood out above,” he said.

James also said all four proposals were excellent, though the committee had to decide which the best fit will be for Fenton.

Bertschy said he agreed with who the other committee members selected. “Look forward to a very prosperous partnership with the one of the two we select,” he said.

Though he did not have a vote, DDA Director Michael Burns gave his approval of both businesses. “From the beginning of this process I always thought it would be down to these two,” Burns said. “Either one is going to be an excellent choice.”

Both prospective owners have experience transforming old buildings into restaurants.

The proposal from Arbor Brewing was presented by owners Rene and Matt Greff, with an emphasis on strong community involvement.

The Arbor Brewing plan would turn the old fire hall into a restaurant and brewery, with an estimated cost of $1 million, with roughly six months of construction.

“We're going to be a part of the downtown,” Rene said. “Once we get going, we tend to crank it out.”

The menu is expected to be similar to those found at other Arbor Brewing restaurants – they said they said the menu would focus on local foods made from scratch. Rene also said that she wanted to hear what types of food the community would want.

Rene said they would also house a small brewing system to make special batches of beer.

“It is important to have broad appeal. Because we are a bar-restaurant, a lot of people that do not cater to college students,” Rene said. “While we certainly do have college students come to eat, that is not our main focus, and we are really more of a family oriented operation.”

Rene ended her presentation to the committee with a picture of the 1967 antique fire truck that the Greffs own and plan to turn into a mobile draft system.

“We have the truck, we just need the fire hall,” Rene said.

The presentation by Curt Catallo, the owner of Clarkston Union, was expected to cost from $1.3-1.6 million with a six to seven month construction time, and would bring open pit grilling and “legendary mac and cheese” to Fenton.

While the plan did not intend on turning the fire hall into a brewery, Catallo plans to have 60 beers available on tap, a beer garden, and a rooftop patio.

“We think we can bring everything we have learned the last 17 years in Clarkston to Fenton, and to benefit the entire community and make the most of a very special structure,” he said.

Catallo also mentioned plans to work with a third party to manufacture a Fenton fire hall ale, as well as the idea to produce a Fenton fire hall hot sauce.

Catallo took the initiative to register the wire address www.fentonfirehouse.com, which includes their proposal in full for the fire hall, as well as a virtual tour of their preliminary designs.

The next step in the process will be to conduct a full financial due diligence report to determine if both businesses will be financially capable of handling the project. Afterwards, a final recommendation from the committee will be made to the DDA.

Rene hopes to reach a decision before their next meeting on June 19. The selected restaurant will be able to lease the old fire hall building for a $1 a year for seven years, with the option to buy the building for an additional $1.

This arrangement is the same as which Michigan Brewing Co. had agreed to.
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miles. Of the 1,600 miles of road, 1,200 are paved and 400 are gravel or dirt roads. The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is responsible for state highways and cities are responsible for all road projects inside their borders.

Because they are funded through the gas tax, their budget has remained steady at around $12 million for the last 15 years, though costs continue to rise. They will handle projects from $70,000 to $2 million, each year. For 2012, there are 15 projects, which include two small culverts, bridges and local road projects.

Roads in the county are either “primary” or “local” roads. The GCRC is responsible for all primary and local roads, but priority and funding are given to primary roads. The townships must financially support its “local” road projects. “We’re responsible for 100 percent of improvements of primary roads,” Peivandi said.

In Flint Township, Miller Road is a primary road, as it is heavily traveled, and gives access to the business district. Thompson Road between U.S. 23 and Linden Road is considered a primary road, while Jennings and Ripley roads are local. Unless you’re in a city, Peivandi has his hands on that road, and the repair and reconstruction projects.

It’s his job to manage and prioritize projects and then to make sure it gets finished. He doesn’t directly supervise. “That’s why we have an assigned project engineer that is assigned to any project that is on-going,” he said.

An inspector will be dedicated to the project for its duration, while an engineer may be supervising several projects at once. The project engineer OKs extra time and money to be spent on projects, while the inspector ensures the project is being done correctly. “My job is making sure I create this work for them,” said Peivandi. He fills out applications for funds and grants for projects.

To prioritize all of the primary and local roads, he bases his decisions on factors like its general condition, its last improvement, amount of traffic, and how safe the road is to add up to a total score, up to 100. The higher the number, the higher the priority. Many roads in Fenton Township are still in good shape, with Torrey Road only getting 40 out of 100, and Jennings getting a 35.

After receiving funding, the project is put in the budget, to become a project for the following year.

Peivandi then develops engineering plans and specifications. When that’s done, he will begin bidding or “letting” the project. Once the low bidder is awarded the project, construction can begin.

The Angelo Iafrate Construction Company is working on the LeRoy Street project. Currently, they are removing curbs and will be doing the primary infrastructure work for the road improvement project. A different subcontractor, Ace Asphalt from Flint, will do the road resurfacing.

On a project like LeRoy Street, a different contractor drops off the orange barrels and retrieves them after the project is complete. Another subcontractor removes and repaints traffic lines as required by the project.

Though this is a city project and not handled by the GCRC, the process for completing the work is similar to any county project, and this contractor frequently works with county road commissions.

Ron Roby is the project manager for the Fenton project, with Angelo Iafrate. He said workers on this project are scheduled from about 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Some projects might require work around the clock, if the residents’ water needs to be shut off, or if the project has an accelerated time line.

In the very hot summer weeks, asphalt and pavement behave differently, and work might begin at 5 a.m. to pour concrete in cooler conditions. He said pavement can’t be poured above 90 degrees Fahrenheit, because of the water.

Roby said road workers always work in tough conditions, and commuters generally drive too fast around construction workers. “All you have between you and 4,000 pounds of vehicle is an orange barrel,” he said.

Other local road commissions
- The Road Commission of Oakland County maintains more than 2,700 miles of county roads, over 230 miles of state highways and approximately 1,500 county, city and state traffic signals in Oakland County. Source: www.rocom.org
- The Livingston County Road Commission maintains almost 1,350 miles of county roads total, and about half are gravel, according to technical services supervisor Rick Little.

As the Genesee County Road Commission County Highway Engineer, Fred Peivandi is responsible for all county and township roads, totaling 1,600 miles.

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SUNSCREEN

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cancer cells, which is the case with malignant melanoma, the most lethal form of skin cancer.

And the worst part is that this can happen even to those who use sunscreen.

There are a number of misconceptions people have about sunscreen. One of the most common is the duration of the SPF (sun protection factor) over a period of time. Sunscreen has to be applied throughout the day, not just once. Just because it’s cloudy out doesn’t mean you don’t need it. Choose physical blocks over chemical blocks.

Summary

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“Sunscreen is something that you should wear year-round,” said Courtney Gwaltney, aesthetician and laser tech at the Skin and Vein Center.

That’s assuming the person wearing it will not be swimming or sweating. Either form of moisture will cause the sunscreen to significantly weaken or wash away entirely. In which case more sunscreen must be applied. Many people fail to do this.

“See people with deep tans that say they’ve used SPF 100 or another high number,” said Avery. “They think their skin is immune to sunscreen.”

Another common misconception is that sunscreens are not needed on cloudy days. “Sunscreen is something that you should wear year-round,” said Courtney Gwaltney, aesthetician at The Retreat Salon and Skin Spa on Fenton Road. “The UV rays are still damaging to the skin, whether it’s cloudy or not.”

Gwaltney also said that most skin damage occurs before a person is an adult, up to 80 to 90 percent.

“Most people don’t worry about the damage done to them when they are young because they can’t see the effects yet,” she said.

Avery and Gwaltney both recommend the use of physical block sunscreens with titanium dioxide and zinc oxide over chemical blocks. “When the chemical block heats up the chemicals break down and the sunscreen doesn’t work,” Avery said.
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School’s out and summer’s just about here. While traveling is no doubt on everyone’s mind, don’t overlook the tri-county area for local fun. Here’s the Times’ ‘must-do-and-see’ bucket list for this summer.

Canoe/kayak the Shiawassee River
The Shiawassee River is a gem in the tri-county area, with launching points in Holly, Fenton and Linden. The Keepers of the Shiawassee work hard every spring, removing debris and making the river navigable for the summer and fall. One trip down the Shiawassee and residents will see there’s more wildlife and nature in their backyard than they realized.

Car shows in Holly
Every Wednesday during the summer, downtown Holly is blocked off in the evening and classic cars fill every parking spot. With oldies playing in the background and owners proudly showing off their muscle cars, Holly is the place to be on Wednesday nights.

Grab a bite at the Taste in Fenton
The French Laundry, Red Devil and Linden Hotel are just a handful of great restaurants in the tri-county area. For a one-stop experience of the area’s best restaurants, the Taste in Fenton is a must this summer.

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Richard Kowalski

17-year-old junior
Holly High School
My family: Parents, Tracey and John, and two little sisters, Camryn and Devin.

I want to be like Austin Jackson on the baseball field.

What sports and leisure activities do you enjoy? I’m on the baseball team, and I’m an announcer for the football and basketball games.

My dream car is: An old Corvette from the mid-’60s. My grandpa has one and it’s awesome.

My all-time favorite movie is: ‘Anchorman,’ starring Will Ferrel. It’s funny and I want to be a broadcaster when I get older.

My earliest memory is: When I was all my 4-year-old birthday party and there were a lot of people. All my grandparents came.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be? Either super strength or super intelligence so I could get 100 percent on everything in school.

I always: Try to do my best on everything in school.

I never: Try to not have fun.

If you could make one rule everyone has to follow, what would it be? I want school days to be shorter.

Is there an event in your life you would like a ‘do-over’ for? At my old school, I wish I could’ve been more open and had tried to make friends.

If you could travel back in time to witness one event, what would it be? Back in time to when baseball was invented. I could give them a huge ‘high five’ and say ‘good job!’

If you had to walk through downtown all day wearing a sign, what would it say? Hug life. My friend Ryan VanSlyke and I thought it up. Who doesn’t like a big hug?

What is an upcoming event you are looking forward to? Baseball districts, which start the state tournament. We start June 2.

What has been the best day in your life so far? A tie between making the baseball team this year and getting an ‘A’ on one of Mr. Pearson’s tests.

What are your plans after graduation? Going to college and studying up on journalism so I can be a broadcast journalist.

How are you preparing for college? Just trying to get the best grades I can in school.

My parting advice for a better world is: Have a sense of humor. Be able to take a good joke.

Hi I’m Little Miss
I’m a beautiful girl, who is very shy. I would do well in a home with other cats or even by myself. All I ask is that you love me for who I am.

Hi I’m Asha
Asha is a sweet girl who is a puppy mill survivor.
Grilling fun facts

- The 4th of July is the largest backyard holiday, followed by Memorial Day and Labor Day.
- American presidents have openly expressed their love for grilling by hosting barbecues dating all the way back to Thomas Jefferson.
- The most commonly grilled side dish is corn, followed by other vegetables, and potatoes.
- Hickory barbeque sauce is favored, then mesquite, honey, and tomato based.
- In homemade barbeque sauces, garlic is almost always found in the recipe, as is brown sugar.
- To check the propane level of your barbeque’s gas tank, weigh on your normal bathroom scale. An empty tank weighs between 17 and 19 pounds. The difference between that and what your tank weighs is how much gas you have left.
- After aluminum foil, the preferred barbeque tools are long handed tongs, clean brushes, and spatulas.
- The origin of the word barbeque is debatable. Some believe it’s from the Spanish word barbacoa, which was a framework of green wood that held cooking food over hot coals. Others think the word is French because of the term they gave to the cooking technique of pirates who cooked meats from whiskeys to tail or de barbe a queue.
- Both Memphis and Kansas City claim that they are the barbeque capital of the United States.

History of Arlington National Cemetery

George Washington Parke Custis, grandson of Martha Washington, acquired the land that now is Arlington National Cemetery in 1802, and began construction of Arlington House. The estate passed to Custis’ and his wife’s only surviving adult child Mary Anna Custis Lee, who was married to Robert E. Lee, a West Point graduate and United States Army officer from Virginia. When Virginia announced its decision to secede at the beginning of the Civil War, Lee resigned his commission and took command of the armed forces of the Commonwealth of Virginia, later becoming commander of the Army of Northern Virginia. He quickly established himself as an able commander, defeating a series of Union generals, until his final defeat and surrender at the McLean House. Because of this decision and subsequent performance, Lee was regarded as disloyal by most Union officials. The decision was made to appropriate a portion of Arlington as a graveyard primarily for Union dead.

The government acquired Arlington at tax sale in 1864 for $26,800, equal to $398,237 today. Military burials were previously held at the United States Soldiers’ National Cemetery in Washington, D.C., but it was quickly filling. Quartermaster General Montgomery C. Meigs proposed in 1864 that 200 acres that now is Arlington National Cemetery be confiscated for a cemetery. Burials had, in fact, begun at Arlington before the ink was even blotted on Meigs’ proposal. The southern portion of the land now occupied by the cemetery was used during and after the Civil War as a settlement for freed slaves. More than 1,100 freed slaves were given land at Freedman’s Village by the government, where they farmed and lived during and after the Civil War. They were evicted in 1888 when the estate was repurchased by the government and dedicated as a military installation. President Herbert Hoover conducted the first national Memorial Day ceremony in Arlington National Cemetery, on May 30, 1929.

**Why is the flag such a big deal?**

Some people wonder why our U.S. flag is so special, and why people make such a big deal about the care and use of it. Although there are many reasons that our flag is special, perhaps the most important reason is that it is ours. That may sound silly, but before 1777 (when the first official U.S. flag was created through a resolution of the Continental Congress) common people could not own (much less fly) a flag. Flags were owned by dictators and monarchs that used them to show property ownership.

**Do you know that the U.S. flag is alive?**

Yes, it’s true! The U.S. Code, Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 8(j) says “The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing.”

**The colors of the flag are special, too!**

You may think that just any old red, white, and blue will do for Old Glory, but you would be wrong! It is true that the white and blue are common colors, but did you know that the red is a very specific shade of red? The red, white, and blue stripes are strictly defined as Dark Red (Pantone 193 C), White (Pantone safe), and Navy Blue (281 C). As a matter of fact, the red in our flag is only produced for our flag—not for anything else!

**So who did design the American flag?**

Most historians believe that it was Francis Hopkinson, who was also a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

**Interesting facts about the U.S. flag**

The current version of the U.S. flag was designed by an 18-year-old high school student, who only received a “B-” for his efforts. Robert H. Heft took exception to this grade, and issued his teacher a challenge: if Heft’s design proposal was accepted by Congress, he would deserve and receive an “A.” Heft earned his “A,” and by presidential proclamation in 1958, his design was officially adopted as the nation’s flag.

**The U.S. flag never be dipped!**

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**6 U.S. flags are currently stationed on the moon.**

**The flag must not be allowed to touch the ground, but need not be disposed of if dropped by accident.**

If harm should come to the flag, it must be disposed of in a dignified manner, namely by burning, which is the proper way of destroying a flag that is long in the tooth.

The flag must not be allowed to touch the ground, but need not be disposed of if dropped by accident. If the flag is displayed at night, it must be illuminated.

**Memorial Day**

Sunday, May 27, 2012
Gear Headz ‘one-stop’ auto repair and custom shop

By Sally Rummel
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Whether your car needs repair or maintenance, or you want to totally customize your ride, Gear Headz Automotive Repair in Fenton is your one-stop destination.

Gear Headz Automotive opened April 2 at 1530 North LeRoy St. in Fenton, next to Oil Experts. Even with the road construction project, it’s still “easy in and easy out” at this auto plaza.

“Watch for special pricing and discounts during the North LeRoy construction,” said Gear Headz owner Matthew Combs. “We take appointments and walk-ins, and we’ll also provide shuttle service to your home or workplace.”

The shop is fully geared to handle both repairs and customization work with five service bays and two hoists. From tune-ups to brakes, engine swaps, transmission work and more, each job comes with a 12-month, 12,000-mile guarantee on parts and labor. “I stand behind my work,” said Combs, who is in the final stage of completing his master certification.

Combs can also fully customize your vehicle, from lifts and air ride systems to lowering kits and Lamborghini doors. He can also provide custom vehicle fabrication and performance features. “I like the challenge of work that other repair shops aren’t always equipped to handle,” said Combs, who grew up fixing cars with the help of his father, Ken Combs, who has joined his son in the daily operation of the business.

Gear Headz Automotive Repair is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by appointment. For more information, call (810) 629-2700.

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The Taste in Fenton is scheduled for Aug. 11 and it will feature more than 30 local restaurants. Holly is also planning a food festival, The Sights, Sounds and Tastes of Holly, for August 4 in downtown Holly.

See the attractions at both Linden festivals this year
With Mills Days scheduled for June 21 to 24 in downtown Linden and the Summer Happening to take place on the Linden school grounds July 19 to 22, the Linden area will see a lot of festival activity this summer. The festivals are separate events and they will each feature big fun including carnivals, music, fireworks and parades.

Take a hot air balloon ride
One would have to get a bird’s eye view to truly see the all the splendor of the tri-county area. Balloon Quest, located on Great Hall Road between Holly and Fenton, offers just that with hot air balloon rides. A ride amongst the clouds could be the perfect summer escape and a must-do for local residents.

Be patriotic at the Fenton Freedom Festival
Fenton’s annual Freedom Festival is one of the biggest events within the city and is scheduled for July 2, 3 and 4 this year. A parade, entertainment, children’s games and fireworks are just some of the events planned for the Independence Day celebration.

CHECK OUT THE LAKE FESTIVALS
Venetian Festival
The Lake Fenton homeowners association is asking all lake residents to join together and support a “Star Spangled Summer Festival,” July 1-15. Dig out of the attic or garage, all the red, white, and blue lights you have to celebrate “Pride in America and Summer fun on the lake.” They hope to see at least one string of light from every house glowing bright during the festival.

Pontoon Boat Parade
This event takes place on Lake Ponemah on Saturday, Aug. 18. The Parade starts at 7p.m. in front of Lake Ponemah Marina. Pontoon and boat owners are encouraged to start thinking about decorating now. Prizes will be awarded to the best boat and best costumes this year.

Festival of Lights
The Lobdell and Bennett Lake homeowners association is hosting the 16th annual Festival of Lights on Labor Day weekend, Sept. 1-3. They encourage all homeowners to decorate their homes with lights. The festival includes the judging of festival house lighting and fireworks on Saturday, Sept. 1. A boat parade will begin at 8:45 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 2.

Back to the Bricks Tune Up in Fenton
A “Back to the Bricks Tune Up” event is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 9 from 3:30 to 9 p.m. This event in downtown Fenton was successful last year and aligns itself with the larger “Back to the Bricks” annual event held Aug. 14-18. Anywhere from 500-500 car enthusiasts are expected to participate in this event along with more than 1,000 spectators. If you are drawn to classics, you won’t want to miss this.

How to be enriched by remembering
Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, was first celebrated on May 30, 1866 on an order from General John Logan. In 1882, the name was changed to Memorial Day. Surprisingly, this day to honor loved ones who have died and share in patriotic services didn’t become a national holiday until 1971.

Originally a day set aside to honor those who gave their lives fighting for freedom, Memorial Day has now become a special time for remembering all who have died and for decorating their graves.

Memorial Day has its roots in the fierce and costly battle at Gettysburg, where thousands from both the Union and Confederate armies perished during the Civil War. Most associate President Abraham Lincoln with this historic battle because of his brief but enduring “Gettysburg Address,” which is repeated in memorials across the nation on this day we stop to remember.

But is all this remembering good for us? Does it enrich us or push us into pits of remorse? Is there a Biblical call for such national looking back?

The answer lies in a command given by Joseph, one the Patriarchs of Israel, who in his youth was sold into slavery by his envious brothers. Then things got worse. Joseph’s master’s wife tried to seduce him while his prosperous husband was away on a business trip. Talk about sexual harassment on the job! When Joseph refused the immoral advances of this temptress and ran from her, she caught a piece of his clothing and used it as evidence for a trumped up rape charge, causing him to be thrown into prison. Still, in that dark place, Joseph remained faithful, believing God would ultimately bring good out of his dismal circumstances.

While in prison, Joseph interpreted a dream for Pharaoh’s former butcher. When the butcher was released and regained his job, he recommended Joseph as one who could tell the king the meaning of a troubling dream; one that predicted seven good years ahead for Egypt followed by seven years of famine. Pharaoh was so impressed by Joseph’s wisdom, insights and his walk with God that he made him his top man. Joseph’s prayers were answered beyond his wildest dreams… but in God’s time.

Joseph died at the ripe old age of 110 years and was buried in Egypt, but his final request was to be finally transported home (Genesis 50:25). He foresaw the coming miracle of Israel’s escape from slavery and asked that they carry him with them as a reminder of God’s faithfulness to him during dark days and in securing their freedom. He believed remembering would enrich their lives and build their faith so left a lasting legacy about focusing on the work of God in his life.

Like the rest of us, Joseph wasn’t perfect, but it’s unlikely that those who carried him on their shoulders as they hauled him home gave any thought to whatever faults they may have known about him. Instead, it’s likely they focused on his faith.

And as we pause to remember those who’ve traveled home ahead of us, we’ll be enriched by following their example.

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 9 years old. I read what you said about dust mites. I am wondering if they can hurt me. Will they affect me in any way? Am I safe around them? One night I was snuggling my pillow pet, and my mom said, “Remember, it has dust mites.” She gave me your article. I couldn’t sleep that night, knowing that loads of dust mites were crawling around me.

So tell me. Should I be afraid? What makes them go away? What will happen? — T.M.C.

ANSWER: Have no fear, T.M.C. Dust mites have not come to get you. They will not hurt you. They have no interest in the presence of a human.

Dust mites are microscopic in size, barely visible. They don’t bite you. They feed on dead skin that has fallen off the body. They are all over the world. They are less than one-hundredth of an inch, barely visible. They don’t bite you. They feed on dead skin that has fallen off the body. They don’t draw in and out of your mouth, as the letter writer suggested.

Dust mites don’t give you any illness, although some people are allergic to them and itch when exposed to them. In a very few people, they might trigger an asthma attack. None of this has happened to you or me. I don’t think it ever will.

Dust mites need high humidity to survive, around 70%. Few can go away. They're part of the bio-diversity that exists in our world. I don’t know if they do us any good, but they don’t do us any harm, aside from the allergy thing. Sleep in peace. I apologize for ruining a night’s sleep for you.

Please don’t ask me about bedbugs. They don’t do us any good, but they don’t do us any harm, either. They give a great many people problems and fear. Don’t try to get rid of them. They’re part of the bio-diversity that exists in our world. I don’t know if they do us any good, but they don’t do us any harm, aside from the allergy thing. Sleep in peace.

If the elephant is in the room, take it for a walk

DEAR AMY: What is the proper way to acknowledge a special-occasion day — Memorial Day, to be exact — to a mother whose only son passed away? This is my daughter-in-law and we will be together on that day. This is sort of like the elephant in the room. Can you help, please? — Concerned Mother-in-Law

DEAR CONCERNED: Take the elephant for a walk. Say directly to your daughter-in-law, “I have been thinking so much about you. I imagine this is a tough day for you, and I just want you to know you are so much in our thoughts.” She can say, “Oh, it’s been rough, but I’m coping.” She can say, “I don’t really want to talk about it.” Or she can get a little teary and not say anything. But you must acknowledge it to her — as hard or as awkward as you feel it is. And then you follow her lead and either discuss this or leave it alone. But she will be grateful for your thoughts.

DEAR AMY: My mother-in-law is one of those people who constantly forwards “junk” e-mails to my husband. She recently forwarded an e-mail containing motorcycle pictures. Each of the motorcycles had a naked woman next to it. When we told my mother-in-law that this was a completely inappropriate e-mail to send to my husband, she claimed that she hadn’t even thought about the fact that it contained naked women, she just thought that my husband would like to see the motorcycles. I find her behavior and the fact that she is claiming it was an innocent e-mail despicable and disrespectful of me and my marriage. What are your thoughts on this? Furious Wife

DEAR WIFE: My reaction is that your mother-in-law has really figured out how to get your goat. This e-mail was sent to your husband (not to you). You have most likely correctly identified what she is doing and why. Your husband has to bow to your sensitivities by successfully drawing a boundary. The less involvement and personal reaction you have, the better.
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FENTON HUGE MULTI-FAMILY Sale. 16507 and 16515 Hinkle Dr. May 31st through June 2nd, 9-4pm.

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FENTON - LOON lake 2 waterfront and 2 wooded lots. $12,000 and up. Quick sale, terms. 810-218-6394, 810-963-3472, 810-735-6887.


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HOLLY 1116 S. Saginaw, May 25-27th, 9-5 p.m. Furniture, electronics, kids clothes, household.

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ROSE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
MAY 9, 2012

Supervisor Noble called the Regular Meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Rose Township Offices, 9090 Minos Street, Holly, Michigan and led in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Noble, Miller, Slaughter, Gordon, Schub-Snider
Board Members Absent: None
Approved: Agenda as amended.
Approved: Consent Agenda.
Presentations:
Oakland County Clerk/Register of Deeds Bill Ballard Presents CMC Designation/Plaque to Clerk Debbie Miller.
Rose Township Board & NOCFRA Present 50 Years of Business Award to Phil’s Store and the Comfort Family.
Public Hearing: None.
Tabled: Current Master Plan Extension.
Approved: Award filed outlining Contract to TPC Lawn Care and Landscaping.
Appointed: Dave Gordon to the NOCFRA Board until November 2012.
Approved: Extended Carlisle Worlman’s Services for one (1) year.
Approved: Park Property Usage – Indemnification/Required Insurance in all Township properties as noted in Township Procedures Manual.
Adopted: Resolution for Annual Meeting – June 13, 2012, 7:00 p.m.
Appointed: Schub-Snider to the HAYA Board.
Adjournment: By motion at 8:40 p.m.

Debby Miller, Clerk
Rose Township Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
MAY 21, 2012

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday May 21, 2012 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions:

1. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as presented.
3. Approved invoices & expenditures for payment in the total amount of $349,075.70.
4. Approved a service agreement with Payments Corporation to provide payment processing services for online utility bill and property tax payments by credit card.
5. Approved a 2-year employment agreement for Assessor Beth Redmond.
6. Adopted Resolution No. 2012-04, accepting petitions and setting the date for a public hearing on the creation of a special assessment district to provide weed eradication and control improvements for a channel on Silver Lake.
8. Accepted, with regret, the resignation of H. James “Jim” Hall from the Fenton Township Board of Review and from the position of Fenton Township Danger Eradication and control improvements for a channel on Silver Lake.
9. Reappointed Scott Hemeyer, Thomas Richard and Donna Warren to the Fenton Township Board of Review and from the position of Fenton Township Danger Eradication and control improvements for a channel on Silver Lake.
10. Accepted, with regret, the resignation of H. James “Jim” Hall from the Fenton Township Board of Review and from the position of Fenton Township Danger Eradication and control improvements for a channel on Silver Lake.

Adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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

ROBERT E. KUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on Monday, June 4, 2012, at 7:00 o’clock p.m., at the Administration Building, 3100 Owen Road, Fenton, Michigan, the Board of Education of Fenton Area Public Schools, Genesee, Livingston, and Oakland Counties, Michigan will hold a public hearing to consider the District’s proposed 2012-2013 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2012-2013 budget until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2012-2013 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Administration Building, 3100 Owen Road, Fenton, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

Sandra Matthews-Barnes
Board Secretary
Fenton Area Public Schools
NOTICE
ROSE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS
ANNUAL MEETING AND BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Annual Meeting of the Electors of the Town-
ship of Rose, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, will be held on Wednesday,
June 13, 2012, beginning at 7:00 P.M. at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason
Street in Rose Township.

Immediately following the Annual Meeting, a Regular Meeting of the Rose Township
Board of Trustees will be held to conduct township business and, in accordance
with state law, a Public Hearing on the following:

Proposed Rose Township Budget for Fiscal Year 2013 covering estimated
revenues and proposed expenditures

AND

Proposed 2012 Tax Rate for Rose Township

“The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the Proposed
Budget will be a subject of this hearing.”

Ten (10) days prior to the hearing, copies of the proposed budget will be available
for review during regular office hours at the Clerk’s Office or the Treasurer’s Office,
9080 Mason Street in Rose Township. Office hours are 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM Monday
through Thursday, except for holidays.

Comments and/or suggestions, written or oral, are encouraged and will be accept-
ed at the Rose Township Clerk’s Office at the above address, until the date and time
of the hearing.

Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend the hearing are asked to con-
tact the Rose Township Clerk (248) 634-8701 at least 72 hours prior to the hearing.

Debbie Miller, CMC
Rose Township Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD
THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2012 AT 7:00 PM BY THE FENTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING
COMMISSION AT THE FENTON TOWNSHIP CIVIC-COMMUNITY CENTER, 12060
MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

PUBLIC HEARINGS:
Amendments to Zoning Ordinance No. 594:
Definitions:
Article 2 - Modify the definition of light fabrication

Define fabrication

District Regulations:
Article 3.18 A - modify the M-1 Zoning District to allow redefined “Light fabrication”
as a use by right

Exceptions: Section 4.12 - modify by adding provision to except public events ap-
proved by the Township Board on Township property from zoning ordinance provi-
sions

SP-12-001 Jennings Assisted Holdings, LLC, Steve Steffey 11200 Vantage Point Dr.
requesting preliminary site plan review of a proposed Assisted Living and Memory
Care facility on property located at the SW corner of Jennings & Owen Rd. Parcel
06-33-400-026

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

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ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

Notice is hereby given that the Tyrone Township Board, at a Regular meeting held on May 15, 2012, approved revisions to Zoning Ordinance #36. The entire ordinance is available for review at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10406 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430, and on our website, www.tyonetownship.us, at primary roads—add definition for primary road—section 2.01 definitions—street.

Clean-up days are open for Tyrone Township residents to remove their property from the public property. Residents are also encouraged to participate in the Clean-up days of the town. The event will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please bring all recyclables to the site.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the Jesse Lambert, Holly Town-ship Supervisor from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (248) 634-9311 Ext. 304.

Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Meeting May 21, 2012 Board Meeting

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

**SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS**

Jumbles: QUASH ABOAR GENTRY CLOTH
Answer: What a boly laugh--a "MYTHIC QUAKE"

**WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS**

Jumbles: KAKI HAPPY GEASEY TUMUL
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