

# Sagebrush employees cited for selling to underage decoys

#### Sheriff's department conducts sting operation due to complaints

**By Sharon Stone** 

young ladies and girls with minimal clothing on?' The

1940s just called.

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They want their sexual

STORY: K2 SPICE

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HOT LINES:

PEEDERS **44I don't want** to

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Fenton. İt is ridiculous

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STORY: TOWN-SHIP IN A 'BIND'

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during rush hour, buy

business

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that is

still sell-

ing K2 Spice.

Anyone who

**66**Shame on any

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Undercover deputies with the Genesee County Sheriff's Department cited a bartender and a server at Sagebrush Cantina in Fenton Township for selling

alcohol to four underage decoys on Thursday, June 21 at 11 p.m. Sheriff Robert Pickell said the restaurant employees were cited for selling alcohol to minors, a 93-day misdemeanor.

They were also cited for selling

to a minor, which falls under the Fenton Township's local ordinance for disorderly conduct.

Charged were bartender Rori Hanson, 26 and server Jackie Compton, 28.

See DECOYS on 13

**"Serving four** without asking for any identification, that supports what the community has been telling us." **Robert Pickell** Genesee County sheriff



'We don't want a bunch of junk signs'

Fenton City keeps tight sign ordinance to prevent blight

#### **By William Axford**

axford@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 Building Administrator Brad Hissong spends an hour or two of his day hunting and removing signs in the city of Fenton. On Monday alone, Hissong had to take down six signs that popped up over the weekend. The signs weren't taken down because he is out to tarnish someone's garage sale or hurt traffic to a business. Hissong See SIGNS on 13



#### Summary

▶ The city of Fenton strives to maintain professionalism when it comes to allowing signs. The city tries to work with businesses and residents as much as possible but will remove signs if they are tacky or contribute to blight.

# Wings and Wheels



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Dennis Demeter of Durand prepares his ultralight aircraft to take off at the Wings and Wheels event at Price's Airport in Fenton Township on Saturday. The aircraft and classic car show was a joint effort to raise funds for Wings of Mercy that provides free medical flights for those in need, and the Knights of Columbus of Fenton.

#### Inaugural fundraiser brings classic cars, airplane rides together

#### **By Tim Jagielo**

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 Fenton Twp. — With the guidance of owner and pilot Don Brettrager, Jaden Jones, 10 of Byron carefully climbed

into the cockpit of Brettrager's WWII era, BT13 trainer plane at Price's Airport in Fenton Township on Saturday. "It was awesome," said Jaden, who sat See WINGS on 15

#### Summary

The fundraiser hosted by the Wings of Mercy and the Fenton Knights of Columbus on Saturday raised around \$7,000 total for both organizations to split. The combination air and car show drew more than 400 people.



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** TIM JAGIELO Letter carrier Jim Hajec sorts through his deliveries as he walks in the southern part of Fenton on Monday. Hajec has 41 years experience with the USPS.

The evolving world of the USPS

#### **By Tim Jagielo**

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 **Fenton** — On Monday, the sound of chicks chirping emanated from a shipping container. The chicks aren't pets; they are ready for a local pick up. Nearby, employees worked on deliveries under the yellow lights of the processing area of the Fenton post office.

Parcels, magazines, ads make up bulk of deliveries

Outside, a line almost reaches outside of the lobby as the noon rush comes to an end, and manager Michael Steiner II empties a street side mail drop box with a canvas cart.

Steiner said that the Fenton United States Postal Service (USPS) office will handle 15,000 deliveries in the Fenton See POSTAL on 12

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Eliminate shower curtain mold for good! Trim the bottom of your shower curtain with pinking shears. The zig zag hem it creates gives water more places to drip off, which speeds drying time and erases lingering moisture that promotes mildew formation

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# Watch television... without paying a cable bill

Several alternatives are available to watch vour favorite television shows without paying for cable service

#### **By Ryan Tackabury**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 Cable channels may be the place people go to find new episodes of their favorite show, though through the Internet, these shows are starting to appear in multiple places.

Whether you are a diehard fan of multiple television programs, or someone who catches an occasional rerun, you might find some of these alternatives a better fit for your television watching habits not to mention a better price. **Cable websites** 

The cable networks are aware that people are looking

for online alternatives, and many of them have looked to put their own television shows online. The four major stations (ABC, CBS, FOX, and NBC) all offer recent episodes of their shows for free online streaming.

The only downside is that the episodes available for watching are usually only the newest ones, making this option good for a show you are already caught up on.

Websites: www.fox.com, www. abc.com, www.nbc.com, www. cbs.com

#### Netflix

Perhaps the most popular alternative to watching live television in recent years has been Netflix. With an \$8 subscription, you can gain unlimited access to Netflix's streaming library, which will allow you to watch television shows and movies instantly. For those who want to pay a little more, you can also pay to request physical DVD's in the mail of what you want to watch, which offers a larger selection.

Not only does Netflix offer an array of both television shows and movies, it offers them on an equally large number of mediums. Aside from watching Netflix on your computer, you See TELEVISION on 14







Getting the most out of your

# conditioner

**By William Axford** axford@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792

Keeping your house comfortably cool with an air conditioner can be expensive. Keep cool with this guide and get the most out of your unit this summer.

#### **Change the furnace filter**

- The easiest and quickest way to

prove your air conditioner's efficiency is by changing the furnace filter.

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Manufacturers used to recom-

mend changing the filter once a month. But, today's filters are more energy efficient and manufacturers now recommend changing the filter every three months. To make sure you get the most from your air conditioner, check the filter once a month and plan to change it every three months.

See AIR on 5





#### All Hail Emperor Obama

'This notion I can somehow just change the laws unilaterally is just not true. We are doing everything we can administratively, but fact of the matter is there are laws on the books that I have to enforce. And I think there's been great disservice done to the cause of getting the DREAM Act passed and getting comprehensive immigration passed by perpetrating the notion that somehow, by myself, I can go and do these things. It's just not true.' Barack Obama, September 2011.

President Obama is no longer president in the constitutional sense. He appears to have elevated himself to the role of emperor, deciding unilaterally what should be the law and what should not, bypassing Congress and placing himself in the role of Julius Caesar.

First it was the revelation that he has a 'hit list' from which he alone decides who lives and who dies by drone strikes in Pakistan and Yemen.

With last Friday's announcement that he intends to effectively grant amnesty to a category of illegal aliens, according to criteria he has set, the president has violated his oath of office in which he swore to 'preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States' so help him God.

The president has announced his administration won't enforce a law passed by Congress and signed by President Clinton - the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA). But he will craft his own immigration policy by immediately giving work permits to illegal immigrants brought to the United States as children.

In an age of political pandering, this crass appeal for Hispanic votes has to rank near the top of anyone's list. Official unemployment for American citizens remains above 8 percent. Now, 800,000 non-citizens can work legally, thus robbing some citizens of what should be their job.

If a Republican president behaved in such a cavalier manner toward Congress and the Constitution, he would be impeached. Again, consider Nixon and Watergate.

The decree of a president who unilaterally and unconstitutionally decides which laws he will uphold, and which laws he will create is how dictators rule.

Compiled by Christopher Jones, intern

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TO THE WOMAN in the

vanity plates, Thursday

at the Linden Post Of-

fice. Why did you leave

hottest day of the year?

What will it take for you

to realize this is abuse?

your little dog in your

truck on the second

IWASN'T TOO con-

another about the new

fireworks law, but after

single night, I'm beginning to think that

perhaps it was a huge mistake. Is it re-

ally gratifying to hear a loud noise?

THE IDEA THAT men can't handle

Sunday best skirt at church is so

insulting that it's laughable. What

goes on in the mind of somebody

THE U.S. BECAME a republic in

paying for the free stuff. We have

2012. Failure to change that spells

the end of the U.S., as we know it.

1776. The number of people now get-

ting free stuff outnumbers the people

one chance to change that on Nov 6,

WHILE I APPRECIATE the Holly Fire

second shift and am constantly awak-

Dept, I wish they would realize that

not everyone is up at 5 a.m. I work

ened by loud talking and the loud

LOCAL RETAILERS, PRACTICE

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Fenton. I'm seeing 'local' retailers

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Get a clue.

silver Ram truck with

county. My prices and quality are the same. Help a brother out...or I'll start shopping in Flint.

IT SADDENS ME to see our beautiful historic row of Fenton's grandest homes look like a flea market. I feel bad for the neighbors who have worked hard to maintain their classic homes. Isn't this in a historic district? Guidelines?

#### SNOPES.COM IS GENERALLY ac-

knowledged to be apolitical and unbi-ased. It has dealt truthfully with rumors regarding both liberals and conservatives, and backed up its findings with references. Someone claimed liberal billionaire George Soros owns Snopes: Okay, prove it. For more information search online for 'wiki snopes.

#### THIS NOVEMBER'S ELECTION is a choice between freedom and government control. If you want to be free to live your own life and make your own choices, vote for Republicans. If you want the government to make choices for you and dictate your life, vote Democrat.

THIS IS MEANT for all you people who think it is cool to sound your horn when you lock your car using the remote keyless entry. It is not cool! It is noise pollution, so knock it off. Simply, reprogram your remote to end this nuisance.

 $\mathbf{T}$ TAKE OVER THE press, take over the country? Large corporations own the majority of media outlets. We're a 'corporatocracy.' After the worst financial crises in decades Wall Street 'reform' doesn't even attempt to reduce the size of the 'too big to fail' financial institutions



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#### that caused it. What a joke.

WHEN PRESIDENT OBAMA is reelected and unveils his full societytransforming agenda, all of you conservatives are headed straight for the re-education camps.

FOR THE RECORD, a healthcare bill that mandates everybody buy health insurance from a private company isn't socialism. It's the furthest thing from left wing something can be. If Republicans are going to use big words like 'socialism' and 'communism' they should probably have a ba-sic understanding of what they mean.

TO THE LADY and two girls crossing LeRoy Street on Sunday. I apologize for the way I treated you. I will do my best to be better. I am sorry for not setting a better example. I will also be more cautious around the crosswalks. Thank you for speaking up.

WITH ALL OF the killing in Flint, the city is sending representatives out to collect dog licenses.

DOES ANYONE ELSE think it is weird that the State of Michigan will fine a business for serving alcohol to a minor, but the server/ waitress can be as young as 18? They need to make the regulations consistent. Raise the age for serving alcohol to 21.

TO THE PERSON on Cogshall Street in Holly, your light bulb must have burned out. Come pick your garbage up you threw all over Hickory Ridge Road. If you don't, I'll take the pictures of the mail, with your names on, to the police, you idiots forgot to remove!

WHITE T-SHIRT, black shorts and a ponytail. I'm usually there in the mornings between 10 a.m. and noon. Hope to see you.

START WRITING DOWN everything you are thankful for, starting with God first. You'll be surprised how many blessings we have.

WE ALL MAKE mistakes from young ages on up. Try not to be too hard on young people, they learn just like we did and how to act, dress, and so forth.

ANY SOCIAL SECURITY check that goes back to the government, like if the person dies, goes into the general fund and not the Social Security department. That's why Social Security is broke.

#### I AM NOT an Obama basher, how-

ever, I'm a little concerned about this 'fast and furious' situation that is taking place. 

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

streettalk





"A birthday card from my grandma. She would always put money and balloons in it."

– Nina Mansour Argentine Township



"The first letter I got from my husband when he was in boot camp in 1982."

Michelle Wilson Flint



"My stereo system, back in 1973, a Pioneer receiver and a pair of speakers. I waited two months for it."





"Notice that my son was going to have twins. That was 12 years ago."

— June Athoff Fenton



"When my grandfather made a tape and sent it to me in Germany. I was a soldier over there and it made my day.'

– David Hocking, Holly



"Birthday cards from my daughters. They're always full of love."

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#### Unfinished neighborhoods — 'nightmares' for everyone

 Bonds could ensure building projects are completed

**By William Axford** axford@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792

**Fenton Twp.** — The residents of Hidden Ridge in Fenton Township want to prevent future developers from leaving neighborhoods unfinished. Paul Wiese approached the board of trustees at Monday's meeting,

pleading the board to require future developers to have a completion bond. The bond would require a bonding company to finish the undeveloped project if the developer left.

The township currently requires performance

bonds, which does not require a bonding company or the developer to finish projects.

Hidden Ridge itself is an undeveloped neighborhood as the developer has left 34 undeveloped lots in the neighborhood. Residents were concerned about future projects that could hurt the integrity of their homes, such as different architecture for new projects.

"Most of the people living in Hidden Ridge are retired and have their lifesavings tied up in their homes," said Wiese, who lives in the unfinished neighborhood. "All we're asking for is some help and guidance with our investments."

The Fenton Township board agreed to help the residents and it will take the issue to the planning commission. Undeveloped projects are common in the tri-county area, leaving municipalities and residents in a bind.

"The underdeveloped properties are

#### AIR

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**Keep the condensing unit clean**—Between mowing the grass and wind blowing dust and cottonwood, your condensing unit can become plugged. Make sure the unit is clean by spraying it down with your garden hose.

**Maintain a temperature** — The higher the temperature is inside your house, the harder your air conditioner has to work. Try to keep your overall inside temperature at what you're used to. If you're leaving your house for vacation this summer, Dave Lamb of Lamb Heating and Cooling recommends keeping the house temperature no more than 6 degrees higher than what you're used to. Lamb said air conditioning doesn't recover as fast as heat does and the bigger the temperature difference, the longer it takes for the unit

nightmares for everyone," said Treasurer

John Tucker. "What solves this is getting them up and getting them built." Other local municipalities have been

**TIMES MIDWEEK** 

dealing with undeveloped neighborhoods as well. Holly Village has been battling with Silverman-Pulte subdivision over sewer connections. The pullout has lead to higher sewer rates for village residents.

> Saddlebrook Farms had to appear before the Linden City Council to repair the streetlights in their neighborhoods. Hidden Ridge residents find themselves in a similar situation, relying on their local government for ser-

vices rather than developers.

**"The underdeveloped** 

properties are

nightmares for

everyone."

John Tucker

Fenton Township treasurer

"Up until 10 years ago, no one worried about things being undeveloped," said Kay Bushey of Cummings Property Management, manager of Hidden Ridge. "The problem is massive."

Tucker recommended Hidden Ridge residents start an architecture committee to make sure future development matches existing homes.

Supervisor Bonnie Mathis recognized the situation was not limited to Hidden Ridge and that the board has to address all future development within the township. Requiring different bonds could ensure more finished projects.

"You are not the only ones worried about this," Mathis said to a crowd of about 20 Hidden Ridge residents. "People will approach us in the future with the same problem."

#### to cool the air.

**Be aware of light and openings**—Windows become magnifying glasses when the sun beams through. Cut down on this excess heat by pulling the shades or tinting the windows. Having a well-insulated house will retain the cold air inside and cut down on your electric bill. Keeping a room more dimly lit helps to trap cold air too. **Rising heat** — Cooling two floors is difficult because hot air rises. If you're trying to cool two floors, run the blower continuously.

**Dehumidifying your house** – Air conditioners work by dehumidifying your house. If you're working to get the temperature lower faster, you can turn your dehumidifier on at the same time as your air conditioner. Be warned, however, that having both devices on will eat a lot of energy.









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# Driver arrested on fifth OW

#### ► Faces felony OWI, child endangerment and license violations

#### **By Sharon Stone**

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Fenton police arrested a 45-year-old Davison man on his fifth operating a vehicle while intoxicated (OWI) offense Friday night in Fenton. The man also had a 12-year-old boy as a passenger.

Sgt. Greg Feamster said around 8:40 p.m. on June 22, a police officer observed a driver not wearing his seatbelt and initiated a traffic stop in a parking lot at the corner of North Road and North LeRoy Street.

While talking with the driver, the officer detected the odor of intoxicants, which led to field sobriety evaluations and a preliminary breath test (PBT). The PBT registered at .18 percent, more than twice the legal limit. The



#### The right to waive a jury trial

There are many ways to settle disputes, some of which are legal and some not. Since one of the main purposes of this column is to discuss various aspects of our legal system, I will not give details on these illegal dispute settling methods except to say that for those who are caught using such methods, they usually end up in court and have to face the prospect of resolving their case in another forum with vastly different rules and rights.

One of the most important rights that a defendant has in a criminal case is the right to a trial by jury.

As opposed to a civil case where the right must be requested, in a Michigan criminal case, it is automatic and unless the defendant waives the right, a jury trial must be held as opposed to a trial

#### officer placed the man under arrest.

A computer check of the driver revealed that he had four prior convictions for driving while intoxicated.

The boy was released to a sober adult who arrived at the scene. He was unharmed.

The driver was taken to the police station where a chemical test revealed a blood alcohol content of .14. He was lodged at the police station overnight and was released in the morning, pending authorization of arrest warrants.

Feamster said police would be seeking a felony warrant for the OWI, which is punishable by up to five years in prison. This is a felony due to him having two or more prior convictions in his lifetime. Police are also seeking an enhancement of child endangerment for having a passenger under the age of 16 with him when he was arrested. The driver also violated the provisions on his restricted driver's license.

#### by the judge.

The overwhelming majority of defendants in criminal cases who have trials have a jury decide their fate.

However, there are occasions when a criminal case defendant does not wish to have a jury trial but instead wants to have their case heard and decided by the court.

Since the right to a jury trial is so important, the law and Court Rules require that a defendant must affirmatively waive the right. Before allowing a waiver, the court must inform the defendant of their constitutional right to a jury trial and the opportunity to discuss the waiver with an attorney. The court must be satisfied that a defendant understands the right and is voluntarily giving it up and instead choosing to be tried by a judge. A record must be made of the waiver. If all the conditions are met, a waiver will be allowed.

The right to a jury trial is a tradition that traces its roots back to ancient Greece. The law recognizes this and has implemented, tried and true safeguards, to preserve it.





#### TWO WOMEN INJURED IN ROLLOVER

Fenton police and fire departments responded to an early morning crash on Monday, June 25 after the driver of a 1997 Plymouth failed to negotiate the curve on the exit ramp from U.S. 23 at North Road. Sgt. Greg Feamster said a 20-year-old woman from Burt and her 20-yearold female passenger from Birch Run sustained minor injuries. The driver lost control causing the car to run off the roadway and roll over just before 2 a.m. Responding police officers detected the odor of intoxicants and a preliminary breath test on the driver revealed a blood alcohol content of .10. The car was totaled and the women were transported to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township by STAT EMS ambulance. A blood draw done at the hospital was sent to the Michigan State Police crime lab and Fenton police are awaiting results before seeking charges.

#### FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS REMINDER

Fenton police are reminding anyone who might want to light fireworks in the city of Fenton that the city has recently passed an ordinance regarding the discharge of fireworks. Sgt. Greg Feamster said even though it is legal to purchase and possess fireworks in Michigan, if you are in Fenton, these fireworks cannot be discharged beyond the day before, day of or day after a legal holiday. The Fenton Freedom Festival is holding a fireworks display on July 4 at Silver Lake Beach and police are reminding residents and their guests watching the fireworks that no one is allowed to discharge their fireworks in the area of Silver Parkway that night. This area is private property and no one has been given permission to discharge their personal fireworks. If police are alerted to the illegal discharge of fireworks or if they observe it, offenders will be warned or ticketed, depending on the circumstances. Because this is a new law, "We ask that they use caution and beware of restrictions," said Feamster. "Our main goal is that nobody gets hurt."

#### HOT LINE CONTINUED

**SOCIAL SECURITY IS** what you call a 'pay as you go program' and they've been putting SS taxes into the general fund and paying the SS payments out of the general fund. They've done that to help balance the budget in the general fund.

**ON THE ISSUE** of Social Security, tens of millions of us have overpaid our FICA taxes. That money goes into the general fund. Congress spends that money, and replaces it with T-notes, and they're leaving it up to future congresses to figure out a way to pay back those T-notes.

**ON YOUR CEREAL** and Ziploc bags, there's a box top for education. I challenge you to cut them all out, put them in a baggy, and see what school gets the most at the end when the kids go back to school. We throw away so much money that the schools can use.

**MR. OBAMA INCREASED** spending at a lower rate? You're using typical liberal fuzzy math, you need to look at the bottom line. Truth is that he has, in just three years, increased the deficit by more than double that of President Bush's eight years and that includes war spending.

#### Handler recovering after shooting K-9 partner that bit him

►Oakland County Sheriff said incident is both sad and uncommon By Ryan Tackabury

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The Oakland County Sheriff's Department lost a four-legged member of the department earlier this month in an unfortunate set of circumstances that required the dog to be put down by his handler.

The K-9 dog, named Gunner, was a 5-year-old purebred German Shepherd. After showing signs of serious aggression, Gunner was taken to the veterinarian to determine the source of the aggression and a way to treat it.

It was at the veterinarian's office when Gunner lunged at his handler's face. The handler was able to block the attack with his forearm, but was forced to use his firearm to protect himself after the dog refused any commands to stop attacking. The dog was hospitalized, but later died.

K-9 dogs are able to assist the sheriff's department in many ways. "We use them for a number of things. We have dif-

ferent K-9s with different specialties," said Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard said. The dogs can be trained to smell explosives, narcotics, and to pick up the smells of people, even in incredibly difficult circumstances.

"They have capabilities far beyond what we could do without them," Bouchard said.

The handler is doing well now, though

"It is very, very unusual. In all of my police work I have never heard of such a thing."

Michael Bouchard Oakland County sheriff he was hospitalized for two days, having suffered puncture wounds and had received several stitches.

This type of incident is not common. "It is very, very unusual. In all of my police work I have never heard of such a thing,"

Bouchard said.

The department typically purchases the dogs when they are 2 years old, and they undergo training with their handler. The handlers and their dogs are not only partners in work, but they go home to live together as part of a family. Bouchard said that a handler and their dog become very close. "It was very upsetting to lose his part-

ner," said Bouchard of the handler.





If we all make little changes in our daily living we collectively can make big changes in our environment.

**TIMES MIDWEEK** 

**Turn off the water** while brushing your teeth. The average American wastes 8 gallons of water while brushing their teeth with the water running.

**Unplug the charger.** Appliances use electricity even if they're still plugged in — up to 40 percent of their full running power, in a year that can add up to 190 pounds in greenhouse gases and about \$70 extra on your electricity bill. You can use one power strip to plug in things that can be turned off, like phone chargers, that way, you can turn them all off at once.

Cut down on plastic bags. Instead of taking new plastic bags every time you leave a store, put your purchases in a reusable bag or reuse the ones you already have.

**Drive smarter.** Don't add extra weight, don't speed, don't drive aggressively and don't overuse your air conditioner, all of which decrease fuel economy. Also, check the air pressure in your tires regularly. Poor air pressure can reduce your gas mileage.

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### Sparklers aren't as safe as they seem

Parents go above and beyond to keep their children safe, especially from burns or fire hazards. They'll put locks and guards on ovens, check the temperature of bath water, push hot drinks to the center of the table so they cannot be tipped over and blow on hot food to cool it down. However, even the most protecting of parents might be unwittingly putting kids at risk during the summer holidays, when children often play with sparklers.

Most people think that sparklers are the safest fireworks around. After all, they aren't propelled into the sky at high speeds. Sparklers do, however,

burn at temperatures between 1,100 F and 1,500 F. That's three to five times hotter than the oven temperature required to cook many meals.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security states that sparklers are third only to bottle rockets and firecrackers as

the firework most likely to cause injury to children ages 5 to 14. The American Academy of Pediatrics states that 45 percent of all firework-related injuries occurs to children under age 15, while estimates suggest that 57 percent of the firework-related injuries suffered by children under the age of 5 are caused by sparklers.

Due to safety concerns, Arizona, Delaware, Georgia, New Jersey, New York, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island banned all fireworks as of 2005. That ban includes sparklers.

#### Here are precautions to take:

Always supervise children with sparklers.
Don't give sparklers to very young children. Substitute much safer glow sticks instead.

• Have a water bucket handy or a pail of sand where extinguished sparkler sticks can be placed.

• Make sure any sparkler users are aware that wood and metal sparkler sticks can remain hot for some time, even after the burning

#### HOT LINE CONTINUED

**SO HAPPY CLARKSTON** Union is coming to Fenton. Good job, city of Fenton.

A SMOKE SHOP was broken into by local teens. They were after synthetic pot. What kind of people would sell this poison in our community? Money is obviously more important to them than your kids are. Don't do business with any place that sells this crap.

**THE NEW DESIGN** studio downtown is really looking good — a perfect blend between old and new. It's exciting to see

has ceased. A New Threat

As if the dangers of individual sparklers were not enough, some people are taking even bigger risks. Spurred on by online videos and step-by-step building instructions, individuals are turning ordinary sparklers into sparkler bombs. These homemade explosives are created by binding 300 sparklers together with electrical tape and using one sparkler as a fuse. Sparkler bombs are being used to blow up

everything from garbage cans to mailboxes. Sparklers are made from a pyrotechnic material and iron fillings pasted on a stick.

> When lit individually, the sparkler simply burns for a few seconds and fizzles out. However, when bound together, multiple sparklers produce a lot of heat and energy that has no free place to go. As a result the energy produces an explosion.

Fireworks are relatively inexpensive and, as a result, they're easily accessible to teenagers. Sparkler bombs

can use more than 50 milligrams of flash powder, which is illegal under regulations established by the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. The ATF also warns that sparkler bombs can ignite simply through friction or excessive heat.

As of May 2012, there were about 2,630 video search results on YouTube.com for "sparkler bombs." Some towns across the country have found the problem to be an epidemic. In July 2009, a 15-year-old South Carolina boy lost his right hand and experienced extensive injuries to both his legs when trying to extinguish a sparkler bomb a friend had made. Police on the scene said the sparkler bomb also created a 3-foot by 3-foot by 1-foot crater in the ground.

Manipulating fireworks of any kind is a felony in most areas. Not only does a person risk serious injury, he or she also risks a fine or jail time.

Sparklers may seem to be relatively safe, but as with any incendiary device, they can cause serious injuries.

someone take such care to bring its best to Fenton. Looking forward to its future completion.

**I RECEIVED A** 'billing report' stating, my insurance was charged \$900 for one Prolia shot that took 10 seconds to administer. I did not know about the cost. Women can't get free mammograms, which is really important. Something just isn't right here.

**SO THE OWNERS** had trouble paying people for their sold items but they have the money to vacation in California last week? That doesn't sound right.





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## Schools still bustle in summer

#### Administrators set budget, prepare for next year during summer vacation

#### **By William Axford**

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The term "school's out for summer" is somewhat misleading, depending on with whom you talk. While most students are enjoying their time free from homework and class assignments, administrators and some teachers continue to work through the summer.

While the next school year doesn't start for another two months, school officials are busy preparing for orientation and laying out class schedules.

"There's a lot that goes on in the summer," said Russ Ciesielski, principal of Linden High School. "We're working

on the master schedule and getting staffing in order. The academic side is out but there's driver's training taking place and some professional development for the staff.'

For most school districts, the first half of the summer is spent working on next school year's budget. The fiscal year for school districts start in the summer and end shortly after summer vacations begins. After get-

#### Summary

While students enjoy the warm weather and time off from school, administrators and teachers continue to work through the summer. The summer months are more relaxed but that doesn't mean the workload is any lighter.

"We strip and wax the floors. They're things you can't necessarily do while the schools are full of staff and

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needs are met.

students," said Doug Busch, director of personnel and finance for Fenton Area Public Schools. "We work through the staffing process as well. We'll do any necessary hiring during the summer."

Both Busch and Ciesielski said the atmosphere inside the schools changes in the summer with the absence of students and bells no longer ringing every hour. And, while things are a little more relaxed than usual, Ciesielski said the work is still hectic and doesn't slow down.

Outside of driver's education, athletes are the primary students at schools during vacation. Athletic camps for sports are held on school grounds dur-



There are nine paint stores in Fenton, Linden and Holly.

SHOP LOCAL INVEST IN YOUR COMMUNITY. ing the summer months, utilizing gyms and work equipment.

Missing from the buildings however are summer school students who need to make up for failing classes.

Laura Lemke, Fenton High School assistant principal and virtual summer school supervisor for Genesee County, said most students now take online courses in the summer instead of coming into the school. Lemke said online classes accommodate students' and teachers' schedules, allowing classroom participation as long as the student or teacher has Internet access.

"The beauty of it is when students

"There's a lot that goes on in the summer." **Russ Ciesielski** Linden High School principal

have an issue, they can post a question to the teacher online," Lemke said. "Most teachers have a smartphone where they can respond, even if the teacher is on vacation or in a different time zone."

Students do have the option of using school computers during the summer as well.

While administrators, teachers and coaches continue to work during the summer, Ciesielski wants students to make the most of their summer.

"I hope everybody enjoys their summer. Have a safe one, get rejuvenated and be prepared to rock and roll once school starts," Ciesielski said.



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# News briefs

#### Six-year-old holds dance-a-thon

Jake Gillespie, 6, held a dancea-thon fundraiser on June 9 at Walmart on Owen Road to raise awareness and funds for the Alzheimer's Association. His 62-year-old grandmother suffers from this debilitating disease and he asked his parents if he could dance to raise money for the Alzheimer's Association. Jake, along with family and friends' support, raised \$750 on June 9. Jake also has a team page on the Alzheimer's webpage for the 'End to Walk Alzheimer's' coming up this September. According to his mother Erin Gillespie, Jake has raised \$1,150 to date on his team page, which does not include donations that have been received from family and friends. Jake's goal was to raise more than \$2,000 He has exceeded his goal.

#### **Linden High School Class of** 2002 reunion

Attention Linden High School Class of 2002 — it is time for the 10-year reunion. Organizers are seeking addresses for several classmates. If you graduated in 2002 and have not provided your address, please send it to lindenhsclassof02@gmail.com.



The Tri-County Times wants to give our readers the chance to show off the trophies they catch this season. If you have a fish worth showing off, snap a photo and bring it in or mail it to the Times office.



Noah Luck, 9, of Linden caught this large mouth bass on Saturday, May 26 while fishing at Byram Lake.



Joey Patterson, 15, of Fort Collins, Colo., and formerly of Fenton, caught this 8-pound, 23.5-inch large mouth bass while fishing with friends at a small lake in Fenton on June 17.

#### tctimes.com ONLINE COMMENTS

#### HOT LINES: **44**Actually, colleges

recalculate GPA and put things on an even playing field, so weighted grades or non-weighted grades aren't an advantage or



disadvantage except for within a particular school to determine Top 10 (which Fenton plans on getting rid of). Students shouldn't be paying for IB classes in a public school period. This isn't about competing with surrounding schools. It's about trying to get more students to take IB classes.

#### FACEBOOK: **EMPLOYEES CITED** FOR SELLING TO **UNDERAGE DECOYS 44 Sad news.** I like Sagebrush and the employee's



should be held accountable. They knew they were in the wrong.' – Diana

**66 Ohhh Man ... Big** Business ... Big Trouble

### Linden Elite Cheerleaders take first place

 Teams advance to national competition

#### **By Sharon Stone**

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Two teams of the Linden Elite Cheerleaders took first place at the Young Champions State Cheerleading Competition at the Breslin Center on Michigan State University's campus in East Lansing on Sunday, June 10.

The Linden Elite Cheerleaders took first place of 27 teams in Division 5. Their routine to music was just over three minutes and included dance, tumbling and cheer.

The Linden Elite Cheerleaders in Division 6 also took first place of 14 teams in their competition. Their routine was nearly three-and-a-half minutes and included dance, tumbling and cheer.

Both teams will be competing in Indianapolis, Ind., in July for Young Champions National Cheer Competition. Many of these girls have been together on the team for six years and this will be the fifth year that they are competing at the state level.



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Linden Elite Cheerleaders in **Division 5** include (back row, from left) coach Paige Williams, Zoe Ellias, Alexandra Premo, Chelsea Featherstone, Megan Armbruster and coach Christine Selix; (middle row, from left) coach Michelle Rosen, Kelsey Twomley, Amanda Rich and Madison Fendert; (front row, from left) Chloe Adams, Leah Brackenridge, Lillian O'Brien and Jordan Moros.



Linden Elite Cheerleaders in **Division 6** include (back row, from left) coach Paige Williams, Alexus Harden, Sydnie Graham, Marissa Quiroz, Maddie Liss and coach Michelle Rosen; (middle row, from left) Victori LaFata, Junette Rich, Savanah Matras, Alex Premo, Jordan Moros and coach Christine Selix; (front row, from left) Taylor Hagel, Ciara Horner and Emily Pearce.



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#### POSTAL

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area, which includes Fenton and Tyrone townships. They will also handle 1,200 small to large parcels.

Total delivery volumes for the USPS have declined over the past years, down to 168 billion in 2011, from 203 billion in 2002, yet the postal service works to adapt with online services, commemorative merchandise, and competitive parcel services.

Letter carrier Jim Hajec delivers a lot of ads on Monday. "People throw them

Summary Though the **USPS** delivers less mail than it did 10 years ago, the Fenton

post office

carriers and

workers who

serve Fenton,

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away," he said. Hajec would prefer to deliver more first-class letters, but that area has slowed significantly in recent years. First class mail volume has decreased by half since 2002, at 25 billion letters delivered in 2011. He said there are some people that look forward to ads

He walks 10 miles each day, maybe more if it is required. "No

one believes I'm going to be 59," said Hajec, who looks closer to 40, apparently kept healthy with his active job. Hajec has been working for the USPS for 41 years — he has the most seniority at the Fenton post office, and said he'd retire when he finally looks 55.

He appreciates the shade of a street, especially on a hot day like Monday. "When it's hot you just sweat," he said. He likes the winter; it's easier to regulate body temperature. He took a chug from a

Jason Murphy

Hearing Aid Specialist

**Fenton** 



Letter carrier Jim Hajec walks about 10 miles each day and also uses his delivery truck for certain streets.

large jug of water from his "jeep" before he headed back out.

A carrier like him will make between 400 and 1,100 deliveries in a day. On Monday, he did a combina-

tion of driving and walking around the neighborhoods on South East Street in the south of Fenton. All the carriers get in to

the processing area at 8 a.m., and spend two hours sorting their parcels, which are not presorted, and then sorting "flats" which are packages like magazines, and

any first-class mail that is not presorted. A

bulk truck drops everything off at 4 a.m. The Fenton post office has 49 em-

ployees, including 39 letter carriers, eight clerical workers and one custodian. "We're just happy to be

"We're constantly delivering what we can daily," said Steiner. Neither evolving." him, nor Hajec mind the Michael Steiner II Fenton Post Office manager

ads they deliver. "We're constantly evolving," said Steiner. The USPS acts as a business, doing the services that bring in revenue.

He said parcel deliveries have picked up 50 percent in the last few years, as the USPS changed its rates to be more competitive. He has an optimistic view for the USPS in the future.

Steiner is proud of the customer service his group provides - he acknowledges that they have competition in other delivery services, and customer service is important. "If they didn't like us they could go elsewhere," he said. The daily deliveries keep them all busy, as a steady stream of customers assailed the front counter, dropping off packages to mail, buying stamps, or buying a money order.

The lunch hour is the busiest time for the front desk, and the morning is the busiest time for the back room.

On the road, or on foot, the carriers can't help but to form relationships with the people — and the dogs that they meet. Hajec tossed a treat at a black dog barking from a deck. "That dogs sits there for me all day," he said, adding that he had only been bitten twice in his career.

#### Postal Facts from 2011

• \$66 billion — revenue in 2011 • 167.9 billion — number of mail pieces processed in 2011 • 554 million — average number of mail pieces processed each day • 23 million — average number of mail pieces processed each hour • 384,000 — average number of mail pieces processed each minute • 6,400 — average number of mail pieces processed each second • 40 — percent of the world's mail volume is handled by the Postal Service

The Postal Service is the only organization in the country that has the manpower, network infrastructure and logistical capability to deliver to every residence and business in the U.S. and its territories. Source: about.usps.com

His favorite part of the job is the people he meets. It's not unusual to stop and chat with a resident for 15 minutes during his route.

Steiner sees the USPS having a good future, as parcels and even pre-sorted mail needs to be delivered by someone. He said the workers at the Fenton post office are dedicated to what they do. "Workers in Fenton are very dedicated and like being a part of the community," he said. "This post office is very community oriented."

Hajec said the same of the community he serves — "I have all great customers," he said.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO Letter carrier Jim Hajec's favorite part of his job is meeting with the community. Here, he chats with a man off of South East Street.





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said Fenton has a very strict sign ordinance that he's obliged to enforce.

"It's not that we don't want them done, it's that we want them done safely and removed after they're done," Hissong said about signs around the city. "We have nothing against signs, as long as they're done tastefully."

Garage sales, community events and

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**Brad Hissong** 

City of Fenton building

administrator

weekend attractions pop up around Fenton during the summer months, increasing the amount of signage within city limits. Hissong said the city encourages people to place signs to promote their event. For \$25, anyone can obtain a permit from the city to place a 12-square foot sign on residential prop-

erty, so long as the sign is a city related function. Businesses are allowed two 24-square foot signs to promote their business.

Hissong said the permits and city's ordinance exist to keep the community clean of "tacky" signs.

"We don't want a bunch of junk signs, the ordinance helps keep Fenton from becoming a blighted area," Hissong said. "We always like to help businesses. We hate to go out and take down signs."

Matt Stevens, general sales manager at Vic Canever, agrees with Hissong that signs in Fenton need to remain tasteful to help upkeep the city's asthetics.

"We're a car dealership, we could have a promotion every day," Stevens said. "We can't have flags on all the cars and streaming banners that you see in other cities. We don't want to look like a dealership from the '70s. It's good to have professionalism."

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Stevens said having signage is extremely important to a business, especially with the amount of heavy traffic on Owen Road. Vic Canever occasionally has weekend promotions where a radio station may come out and play music, which requires a \$25 permit. Canever said city officials are easy to work with and that **"We have noth-**

obtaining a permit is easy. Hissong said signs continue to evolve by changing images and text. The city ordinance can change with the times too through drafting and voting from the Fenton City Council. Currently, signs that change image cannot be a distrac-

tion, blink, scroll and can only change its images once an hour.

Placement of signs is also enforced by the city's ordinance. Any sign that blocks an entrance to a building is forbidden. Any lights that could be confused with emergency vehicles are also prohibited. Overall, any sign that obstructs a driver's view or endangers pedestrians is not allowed within the city.

Still, Hissong said the city is always willing to work with people or any business. The worst thing people can do is ignore the city and go forward with placing their signs.

"Come ask us, just don't go out there and do it," Hissong said. "Each permit lasts for seven days and everyone is allowed two permits a year. Because of the different events with temporary signs, we try to accommodate them all."

#### **DECOYS** Continued from Front Page

The sheriff said his department had received a significant number of complaints about underage people being served alcohol

at the restaurant on North Fenton Road. "There were flagrant violations," he said. "Serving four without asking for any identification, that supports what the community has been telling us."

The sting operation included young-appearing decoys between the ages of 17 and 20 going into the restaurant in pairs, said Pickell. Had they been asked, decoys would have provided their real licenses. Undercover deputies watched as the decoys ordered drinks. When they were served, deputies cited the employees.

"They didn't ask for their ID," said Pickell. "They just served them whatever they requested."

The sheriff's department has notified the Michigan LiquorControlCommission (LCC) about the incident and the state will do its own investigation. Pickell said once the state's investigation is complete, the restaurant could have its liquor license suspended, revoked or the restaurant could face fines.

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Summary

Two employees were

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Sagebrush Cantina in

operation involving the

Genesee County Sheriff's

Department and decoys

under the age of 21. The

night during a sting

Fenton Township Thursday

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can watch it on your television through a video game console, an iPad, a Kindle, or a cell phone. Many newer televisions and dvd/blu-ray players are also being made to directly interact with Netflix's streaming library as well. **Website:** www.netflix.com

Hulu

In a way Hulu is very similar to Netflix, although it has a smaller catalogue of things to watch, but is also free.

Typically, Hulu will not have as many back-episodes from past seasons available.

If you subscribe to Hulu Plus, which will cost you \$8 a month, you can gain access to a wider selection of television shows, and access to programs to display them on your television. With the free version, you are mostly stuck to watching them on your computer monitor. **Website:** www.hulu.com

#### HOT LINE CONTINUED

**SO, IN OBAMALAND,** trillion dollar-plus deficits are better than quarter-trillion dollar deficits. If you look at the Bush years, you see at the very end, when Democrats had taken over Congress that the deficit had increased with the stimulus.

YOU BET I checked Snopes. What was I supposed to look up, HonestRepublican. com? What a laugh. Anyways, if Obama's agenda is so secret, then how do you know about it?

I ALWAYS THOUGHT the Creative Wood property would make a good library site. Lots of parking, food nearby, easy to get to.

**TO THE PERSON** who doesn't understand how bullying is so big now must be living on an isolated island somewhere. It's not just they are bullied at school all day long. They are bullied at home, on their computer, on their cell phone and any other device they might have. It's constant bullying. You have to take care of the person who's doing the bullying.

I'M SO GLAD God loves me, and that is why I will show respect and love to Him as I dressed respectably as I go to His house to worship Him.

**MOST PEOPLE ENJOY** fireworks, when they are done at the proper time and place. It's true you can't be arrested for having them anymore. Just remember you can be ticketed for disturbing the peace if

having them anymore. Just remember you can be ticketed for disturbing the peace if you are unreasonable about when you are playing with your fireworks.

**ITHINK ONE** of the biggest problems we

#### iTunes

Sometimes, network websites do not put their most recent episodes available online, or you might be unable to find an older episode available on Netflix or Hulu. In those cases, Apple's iTunes store might be the place to look — despite the name it sells more than just music.

Buying a single episode will run about \$3, but discounts are available to

purchase a digital copy of an entire season. iTunes is definitely the most expensive alternative option available, and is better used as a last resort to find a specific television show or episode that you cannot find in other places.

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have is that we just told the inner city youths to disappear. We don't want to hear from you, we don't want to see, we don't want to help you, and we don't want to do anything for you but put you in jail.

**IT'S IMPORTANT TO** live right. Our life isn't just one big slob from birth and all the years making mistakes and dying. Even in communist countries thousands gathered to hear Billy Graham.

TWENTY-THREE MILLION Americans are struggling for work. Millions have lost their homes and their businesses. Our national debt now exceeds \$15.7 trillion. America cannot afford four more years of Obama and the tax, spend, and borrow Democrats.

WHILE ROMNEY IS talking about jobs, the economy, spending and debt, Obama is too busy talking about gay rights, illegal alien rights, and saying anything he can say to cover his backside amidst two major scandals. This president has nothing but failed policies that have done nothing but failed policies that have depressed our growth and crushed our American spirit.

THE RESULTS ARE in and it's a tie, with Jimmy Carter and Barack Obama being ranked the worst president in American history. The only exception is that Jimmy Carter did not have mass corruption and major scandals in his administration.

JIM CARREY AND Jeff Daniels will not be in a sequel to Dumb and Dumber because Eric Holder and Barack Obama are already in production of Fast and Furious: The Coverup.



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If each resident in the Fenton, Linden and Holly area spent just \$50 more per month locally, it would pump \$18 million into our local economy.

## Spend it here. Keep it here.







Pilots Jack Sawyer (right) of Byron and Dennis Demeter of Durand talk shop, and weather conditions for flying at the inaugural Wings and Wheels event on Saturday at Price's Airport.



Jaden Jones, 10, of Byron climbs into Don Brettrager's BT13 WWII-era trainer plane on

Saturday. Brettrager's plane was used during the war to train pilots for fighter planes.

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#### WINGS

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in an airplane for the first time. Brettrager likes to show kids his beast of a plane — he would just prefer they not smudge

up its pristine cockpit. "So I say, 'don't touch, just look," he said. The elderly pilot from Chesaning sported a Korean War Veteran cap, and flew the yellow and blue plane later on, buzzing the runway twice and sending a stream of white smoke behind him.

It's these moments that set the Wings and Wheels event apart from a regular summer car show. Wings of Mercy of Fenton Township and Fenton Knights of Columbus

joined to put on the fundraiser event that accepted donations and charged \$5 for parking. For \$40, attendees could take a quick ride up in a Wings of Mercy airplane.

The K of C ran a pancake breakfast, which sold around 800 pancakes and 60 pounds of sausage. The price was \$6 for adults, and kids up to 13 ate for free.

By 11 a.m., around \$800 had been raised in parking alone by the 160 cars and motorcycles, not including the \$10 registration fee car owners paid to enter the show.

Wings of Mercy offers free flights to people in need of transport from difficult to reach areas, for medical care. Many flights are to the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota.

Cody Welch, president and founder of Wings of Mercy of Eastern Michigan said around 450 cars came through the event and between \$6,000 and \$7,000 was raised

"It will fund about five patient missions and make a major difference in someone's life."

**Cody Welch** Wings of Mercy of Eastern Michigan president and founder



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The Wings and Wheels car and air show provided a rare community event that combined a classic car show, with classic airplanes from the WWII era.

in total. "It will fund about five patient missions and make a major difference in someone's life," he said. Wings of Mercy will keep about half of that total.

Elaine Kramer of West Bloomfield is the Wings of Mercy flight coordinator of Eastern Michigan. "Part of the goal is just to have fun in the community," she said. "We're also trying to raise money for two organizations." Wings of Mercy will use the money to buy gas, which she said costs more than \$800 for an average round-trip flight. Pilots involved in the program will volunteer their time for flights. "We've been flying since 1996," she said. She said this region flies more than 100 people each year, and takes people to clinics that would be too far to drive, like the Mayo Clinic.

Welch has personally flown on 35 missions. He said between him and volunteer pilot Tim Draeger, 12 mission flights leave from Price's Airport each year, which services all of lower eastern Michigan. He credits Draeger in running the event. "We are very, very grateful for the community showing up," said Welch. "The public acceptance of the event was wonderful treat."

Kramer said individuals, various fundraisers and foundations help make up the organization's operating budget. Kramer expects the event to be held again next year.

The Knights of Columbus haven't determined the specific use of the funds, yet. "It will definitely be local charities," said Mike Verhelle, Faithful Navigator of the Fenton Knights of Columbus. He said Fenton, Linden and Holly area charities will receive the funds and include aid for paying rent, and fuel for necessary transportation.

The event featured free face painting, a Homeland Security tactical vehicle, and a DJ playing classic rock.



#### SPORTS TRIVIA BASEBALL

He's a Kalamazoo native and has spent 18 years with the Yankees. Name him.

Derek Jeter turned 38 on Tuesday. He has 3,181 career hits and 247 career home runs through Monday's contests.

#### SPRING TOP 5

This was a tough top five to make. No. 1 was obvious, but No. 4 or No. 5 could've been a lot of teams.

No. 5: Linden boys track: The Eagles started the season with two Metro losses, but then won the rest of their duals and won the Metro League meet. They placed third at regionals, and, on the strength of Ted Parcher, earned eighth at the state meet. It's hard to know where to place a team that placed that high at state, but with most of it (minus a relay which also involved Parcher) due to one runner. A ton of other teams could've earned this spot, including Lake Fenton and Fenton boys golf, Fenton girls soccer and Fenton girls tennis. No.4: Holly girls track - The

Bronchos earned a co-Metro League title, and placed a respectable sixth in regionals. They get the boost over Linden boys track for the No.4 spot because of their regularseason title.

No. 3: Lake Fenton girls soccer - It's too bad the defending D3 state champs were in their district. The Blue Devils were the area's most dominant team in conference play of any tri-county team during the 2011-12 school year.

No. 2: Lake Fenton boys track - The Blue Devils won the GAC Red Division pretty convincingly and then earned some postseason placings at the state meet.

No. 1: Lake Fenton softball - The Blue Devils put together a strong second half of the season, leading them to a GAC Red Division title, a district crown and a regional championship. The scary part is they are very young.

Tiger records at June 30 The Detroit Tigers remain bouncing around .500 as July approaches. Here is a list of Tiger records at June 30 in the last six seasons in which the Detroit Tigers made it to the postseason playoffs. (\* denotes World Champion) Final

June 30 record 44-38; 1/2 GA 55-25; 2 1/2 GA 41-32; 5 GB 55-21; 10 GA 36-28; 1GA 48-27; 7 1/2 GA

Team

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2006

1987

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1968\*

Comment Went 38-16 during the months of August and September. 95-67 Just completed seven-game win streak on June 30. 98-64 Won the final three games of season against Toronto to win AL East. 104-58 The squad lost first four games of July, but it really didn't matter. 86-70 Tigers won pennant by winning five of last six games of the season. 103-59 Won seven of first eight games in July to pretty much ice pennant.



95-67

#### Veneziano proves her dominance at triathlon ▶ Tri-county resident shows she's much more than a runner at annual event

#### **By David Troppens**

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Linden — Her peers have recognized Lisa Veneziano as one of the best runners of any sex or age whenever she appears at a road race. But at 48, it seems her athletic exploits are only getting better with

age. Fenton's Veneziano not only competed in the second annual First-Try and FastTry Triathlon, she was the first-place overall winner in the FastTry race.

Veneziano raced past Midland's James Payne with about a half-mile left in the two-mile run portion of the race, earning an overall first-place time of 46:19 at the three-event race held at Linden County Park Saturday morning.

And if competing in an event that includes a 300-yard swim, a nine-mile bike ride and a two-mile run wasn't enough, Veneziano also competed in the Linden Summer Happenings one-mile and 5K road races on Sunday morning, as did her husband, Jay Owens.

Veneziano didn't enter in last year's event, but has had some triathlon experiences, so she competed in this year's inaugural Fast-Try Race, an event set up for those who have done triathlons before, but still wanted to compete at Linden's event.

"I have done tris," Veneziano said. "I am a terrible swimmer. I think I might have been the last one out of the lake. I was pretty close to the last. But after getting out of the swim, I get out of the water and look to kick butt."

Veneziano did just that. She posted a time of 6:47 in the swim portion, over two minutes slower than some of the fastest swimmers. However, she got through the transition stage in less than a minute and then finished the bike portion of the race in just 25:38. And after what was the fastest time posted in the second transition stage of the race (28 seconds), she was on her way doing what she is known best for, running. Trailing Payne, who was the first to complete the cycling stage, by about 80 seconds, she quickly whittled away on his lead.

"I (didn't know what place I was in) because there were so many people head of me in the swim, so I Lisa Veneziano (right) and Dave Fejedelem prepare to finish the bike portion of the second annual FirstTry Triathlon event held at Linden County Park on Saturday. Veneziano ended up winning the first ever

weekend.

event.

#### See VENEZIANO on 18 veteran version of the race, the FastTry Triathlon. Fenton hoping to stay on top, finish in final four of Izzo Shootout

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The Fenton varsity boys basketball team has made a name for itself over the last four years.

And last year, that era hit its peak when the Tigers won their first Class A district title in school

history, defeating state-ranked Clarkston in the district title game. It could be argued that the Tigers gave Saginaw its toughest tourney contest in the regional semifinals during the Trojans' eventual state championship season.

But while some might think the

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## FirstTry Triathlon remains a hit during its second year

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**Linden** — When it comes to summertime in the tri-county area, there's no shortage of sporting activities for the weekend warriors.

Depending on your interest, there are enough running, cycling and skiing events that are held in the tri-county area to satisfy the craves of most athletes.

But it looks like another niche is now being satisfied — that is one involving triathlons.

The FirstTry Triathlon held its second annual abbreviated triathlon event at Linden County Park, and if comments by the competitors are any indication, it looks like it may be around for awhile.

"It's really cool," well-known Fenton runner Lisa Veneziano said, just minutes after finishing her first event at Linden. "I tried to get into it last year because I have done one before. ... I think it's very cool we can have one of these in our backyard."

"I'm doing a half-ironman in two weeks, and I wanted to compete in something just prior to that," Midland resident James Payne said. "I saw this one. It fit the bill so here I am. And for its second year, it was pretty good."

The FirstTry Triathlon was designed initially to give people a chance to attempt such an event — it includes swimming, cycling and running — without the rigors of the usual distances involved. The Linden event consists of a 300-yard swim in Byram Lake, a nine-mile bike ride through the Linden area and then finishing with a two-mile run through Linden County Park and Deer Run Soccer Complex. The finish was at Linden County Park. During its second year, however, a FastTry event was incorporated so those who have tried the shorter distances and like the distances can continue to compete in a veteran division. It was the same course, but the event started about five minutes before many of the other divisions.

Race coordinator Paul Zieske was pleased with the new event.

"Basically, our market is for the folks that are new," Zieske said. "But as people want to come back and race with us, we need to give them a place to come back if they want to do this type of distance in a race. We would expect the shift, locally, to go to that race. And as we expand our geography, we want to keep a good balance of new athletes."

There were 60 people involved in the FastTry race, including Linden's Gary Duke, and his daughter Kayla Duke. Both were among the top finishers in the veteran race. Now the event is just one of many competitions that the father-daughter pair can be seen competing in during the running season.

"I did the FirstTry last year and so I figured I'd do the FastTry," Gary Duke said. "When (Kayla's) college career was over, we figured let's try something a little different.

"She can kick my butt in the run, but I can get her on the bike. We are pretty equal in the swim. ... Right now, that's what keeps me going, doing stuff like this with her."

Duke likes the local presence in the race. Many of the competitors are from the tri-county area.

"It's good to see a lot of Linden people here," Duke said. "I saw a lot of people I graduated with in Linden."

#### The triathlon lure

It seems triathlons hit the nerve of the cross-training generation of competitors.

"I got injured, which is the typical story," Payne said. "I did some cross train-

#### FirstTry Triathlon Facts

Here is a list of some of the results from the second-annual FirstTry Triathlon held at Linden County Park on Saturday.

**Course description:** Competitors started with a 300-yard swim in Byram Lake, followed by a nine-mile bike ride beginning and ending at Linden County Park. The event ended with a two-mile run toward Deer Run Soccer Complex and back to Linden County Park

#### FAST TRY EVENT

Female overall winner						
Lisa Veneziano	46:19					
Male overall winner James Payne	46:32					
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ing with swimming and biking and then I thought why don't I just do a tri, and the rest is history."

"I like the variety," Veneziano said. "It's neat trying to master each of the pieces. It's nice to not just run. I am a pretty good biker too, so I get to see how I do on the bike too."

The variety theme seems to resonate with many competitors.

"You have to be the medium of all three events," Duke said. "Unless you are me, and are not good at anything."

Duke is being modest. He finished fourth overall in the FastTry event. In fact, what is often considered the masters division (40 or older) are the competitors that seem to have a lot of success at the triathlon.

Veneziano, 48, won the FastTry race overall with a time of 46:19. Of the eight that broke 50 minutes in the veteran race, three were men in the 50 to 59 age range (Duke, Jay Owens and Dave Fejedelem).

"There were a couple of people here that kicked my butt here in every sport in school and now they're two miles behind me," Duke joked. "They are going, 'Dang, how did you do that.""

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FirstTry triathlon competitors swim back to Byram Lake beach during the swim portion of the Saturday event.



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looked ahead for bikes to see if I can catch them. And I thought the same thing on the run. I wasn't sure if there were others in front of me or not until a couple of people told me about halfway in the turnaround that I was in third place."

She eventually clipped Flavien Maillot and then Payne to earn the overall first-place finish.

"I did one in July 2010 and I thought I'd try this one," Veneziano said. "This one intrigued me because it was a shorter swim. For a sprint, they are usually more like 500 meters."

Payne, who spent a good chunk of the race outside the lake in first place, is preparing for a half-ironman in a few weeks. He heard about the Linden event about three weeks ago and figured he'd attend it. He's finished as high as fourth overall a couple of times but never has been the overall male winner of an event before.

"Usually the run is my best event, but that didn't happen today," Payne said. "I led there with about a half-mile to go and I could hear her breathing down my neck. And I knew just how fast her cadence was, that she was going to catch me. So there's nothing I could do. I gave it everything I had.

"After getting off the bike, I was leading and I thought for sure I had it. But I could barely keep it under seven-minute miles, and I was hoping for six-minute miles. It didn't happen. That's life. You have good days and you have bad days."

Following the top two was Maillot, who finished third with a time of 48:40, over two minutes behind Payne's second-place time of 46:32. Gary Duke was fourth (48:49), while Adrian Forbes was fifth (49:09). Duke was the highest returning male placer



The men's overall winner in the FastTry event of the FirstTry Triathlon was Midland's James Payne.

from last year's race. He took third overall last year.

Veneziano's husband, Owens, placed sixth (49:24). Last year's highest returning female racer was Kayla Duke, who finished with a time of 54:42. She was the first woman to cross the finish line a year ago, but took second due to the staggered start among competitors.

In the FirstTry event, a race for rookie triathlon competitors, Aaron Rogers actually posted the best overall time for either event, winning with a time of 46:18. Brett Keskes placed second with a time of 46:52.

The top time for the female rookies was posted by Jennifer Gottlieb, who posted a time of 57:34. Jessica Glass was the second female to finish the First Try event with time of 58:30.

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In pool play, the Tigers defeated Petoskey, Dowagiac, Westfield (In.) and Lansing Everett. After finishing undefeated in the pool, the Tigers played and beat Milan, Williamston, Attica (In.), and Jackson. That earned them a spot in the semifinals against Lansing Eastern. The Tigers ended up losing that game to Lansing Eastern by just four points.

"I thought we did really well," Fenton player Eric Readman said. "It's fun to prove stuff to teams that are supposed to be big powerhouses around the state. It's fun we can prove we can play right with them and play at that level."

"We want to prove our name," Fenton's Cory Cox said. "We want to get our name out there and show people we are actually legit. We want to keep winning, get to the final four and get our name out there. People have more respect for your team. It feels good."

The Tigers have had success at the tourney before. Last season, Fenton competed and advanced to the quarterfinals. Of course, the Tigers' talent surfaced during the actual season as well, earning the school's first district title since 1990. And it can be argued the 68-66 district title win against Clarkston has put Flint Metro League basketball back on the map, considering the last Metro district title any team had won was Linden's regional trophy season in 1998. But with the Hickoffs headed to the collegiate level, it was fair to question the status of Fenton hoops entering the 2012-13 season. But, it seems, at least very early on, the program is in solid hands.

"It's going to be different coming together as a team," Cox said. "Without (the Hickoffs) we lose two 1,000-point scorers. It's going to be harder offensively. We'll have to move the ball a little bit better, and get good looks. We have to work hard on defense and de-

#### **TRIATHLON** Continued from Page 17 The transition stations

One interesting aspect of a triathlon that's pretty unique to the sport is the transition stations. Because the race involves three disciplines, there needs to be an area where competitors can change clothes and keep their equipment.

Frequently, it's the size of the transition stations that will dictate the field's size. The more space there is for a transition area, the more competitors there can be. The transition station was the front paved parking lot in front of Linden County



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I FILE PHOTO Fenton's Eric Readman was one of the key players helping the Tigers earn a final four spot at the Izzo Shootout recently.

velop together. We'll get there."

Beyond the results, the Tigers say the biggest key is getting the team chemistry together for next year.

"I think the top thing we want to get out of it is a bond and to come together as a new team," Readman said. "We lost, obviously, two key (players). We are going to try to come together more, get people to fill those roles, develop into a different team and find a different way we are going to play. I feel like we are doing that."

The Tigers' summer has been a busy one already. They've competed in several other camps/tourneys and have one at Oakland University, starting on Friday.

#### Park, on the Byram Lake side of the park.

"People don't put enough emphasis in the transition," Duke said. "You can waste time in the transition, not having stuff laid out properly. Then you get in there and have to go fish for it. Before you know it, you've wasted three to four minutes just changing clothes."

Just as with most events she competes in, it seems Veneziano has the transition stages mastered. She spent 1:26 of her overall time of 46:19 in transition stages. She spent just 28 seconds preparing for the run portion after getting off her bike, the fastest time of any one in the FastTry event.



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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, atpublic vendue, Circuit Court of Livingston County at 10:00AM on July 25, 2012 Said premises are situated in City of Fowlerville, Livingston County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: Part of the South one-half of Section 1, Town 4 North, Range 3 East, Conway Township, Livingston County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at the East one-quarter corner of said Section 1; thence along the East-West one-quarter line of said Section 1 and the centerline of Sober Road, North 87 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds West, 87 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds West, a distance of 2324.50 feet; thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 53 seconds West, a distance of 991.85 feet; thence South a distance of 991.85 feet; thence South 04 degrees 17 minutes 04 seconds East, a distance of 425.86 feet; thence South 87 degrees 51 minutes 31 seconds East, a distance of 959.31 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 47 seconds West, a distance of 307.10 feet (recorde as South 00 degrees 10 minutes 40 seconds West, a distance of 306.86 feet); thence North 87 degrees 50 minutes 49 seconds West (recorded as North 87 degrees 51 minutes 33 seconds West), a distance of 1159.10 feet to the Point of Beginning of the parcel to be described; thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 43 seconds West a distance of 306.76 feet; thence North 87 degrees 50 306.76 feet: thence North 87 degrees 50 minutes 49 seconds West (recorded as North 87 degrees 51 minutes 35 seconds West), a distance of 361.20 feet; thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 43 seconds East a distance of 306.76 feet (recorded as East a distance of 306.76 feet (recorded as North 00 degrees 14 minutes 53 seconds East, a distance of 306.86 feet); thence South 87 degrees 50 minutes 49 seconds East (recorded as South 87 degrees 51 minutes 33 seconds East), a distance of 361.20 feet to the Point of Beginning. Including the use of Spencer Drive, a 66 foot wide private road easement being described as follows: Commencing at the East one-quarter comer of said Section 1; thence along the East-West one-quarter line of said Section 1 and the centerline of Sober Road, North 87 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds West, a distance of 2711.50 30 seconds West, a distance of 2711.50 feet to the center of said Section 1; thence continuing along East-West one-quarter line of said Section 1 and the centerline of Sober Road, North 87 degrees 48 minutes 27 seconds West, a distance of 17353 feet (recorded as 173.00 feet) to 173.53 feet (recorded as 173.00 feet) to the Point of Beginning of the centerline to be described; thence along the centerline of the existing Spencer Drive, South 00 degrees 14 minutes 43 seconds West, a distance of 2842.17 feet to the Point of Terminus of said 66 foot wide private road easement. Subject to and including the use of a 66 foot wide private easement for ingress, egress and public utilities, described as follows: Commencing at the East one-quarter comer of said Section 1; thence along the East-West one-quarter line of said Section 1 and centerline of Sober Road, North 87 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds West, a distance of 2324.50 30 seconds West, a distance of 2324.50 the stone was a distance of 991.85 feet; thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 53 seconds West, a distance of 991.85 feet; thence South 04 degrees 17 minutes 4 seconds East, a distance of 959.31 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 31 seconds East, a distance of 959.31 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 47 seconds West, a distance of 306.86 feet); thence continuing South 00 degrees 10 minutes 47 seconds West, a distance of 306.77 feet (recorded as South 00 degrees 10 minutes 49 seconds West, a distance of 306.86 feet); thence North 87 degrees 50 minutes 49 seconds West, a distance of south 00 degrees 10 minutes 49 seconds feet; thence South 00 degrees 14 minute North 87 degrees 50 minutes 49 seconds West (recorded as North 87 degrees 51 minutes 35 seconds West), a distance of 798.16 feet to the point of beginning of the easement to be described; thence North 87 degrees 50 minutes 49 seconds West (recorded as North 87 degrees 51 minutes 33 seconds West) a distance of 722.40 feet thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 43 seconds East, a distance of 66.04 feet; thence South 87 degrees 50 minutes 49 seconds East, a distance of 722.40 feet; thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 48 second West, a distance of 66.04 feet to the Point of Beginning. Commonly known as 11100 Spencer Road, Fowlerville MI 48836 The redemption period shall be 6 minutes 35 seconds West), a distance o 48836 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241 a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 ofthe Revised Judicature Actof 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 6/27/2012 CitilMortgage, Inc. successor by merger to CitiFinancial Mortgage Company, Inc. Assignee of Mortgage Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Bvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 12-60973 Ad #31342 06/27, 07/04, 07/11, 07/18/2012

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