Groveland Township woman’s murder under investigation

▷ Live-in boyfriend charged with premeditated murder, denied bond

By Sharon Stone

Colin Eugene Thompson, 39, of Groveland Township has been charged with murder.

Paul Walton, chief assistant prosecutor for Oakland County said at the request of Michigan State Police detectives, the prosecutor’s office authorized arrest warrants against Thompson for first-degree premeditated murder of Michele (Missy) Coakley, 40, also of Groveland Township.

Walton said Coakley was killed on Friday, Sept. 21 in Groveland Township and that Thompson and Coakley lived together.

First Lt. Marvin Jenkins of the Michigan State Police said troopers responded to the 16000 block of Dixie Highway, near Wildwood Drive in See MURDER on 14A

Michigan Renaissance Festival

Wally Jarvis (left) and Ernesto Villareal perform near the entry of the Renaissance Festival last week. They also have regularly scheduled shows as a full band. This is the last weekend for the Ren-Fest this year. See story on Page 11A

Seasonal employment on the rise

▷ National chains expected to hire more workers this year

By William Axford

The holiday season is only weeks away and businesses are starting to hire seasonal workers. Experts expect about 700,000 seasonal workers to be employed this holiday season, up from last year’s 660,000 workers.

See HIRE on 14A

Summary

Seasonal employment this year is expected to rise as Americans find ways to spend more during the holidays.

The more people we get back to work, the better everyone will be.

— Jon Gerich

Owner of Gerych’s Distinctive Flowers & Gifts

Setting the record straight on Fenton’s IB program

▷ Majority of students are in IB classes

By William Axford

Fenton — There’s only a handful of kids in the program. It costs the Fenton schools hundreds of thousands of dollars. Teachers are taking luxurious, expensive trips for training on the taxpayer’s dollar. It’s brainwashing students.

These are some of the assertions made in the Hotlines. See story on page 11A

Summary

Fenton Area Public Schools Superintendent Timothy Jakuban said the IB Program costs the district about $300,000 annually, or about 1 percent of the district’s budget. Students and teachers praise the program, calling it challenging and exciting.

Times’ stories come alive with video

▷ Go online to see the videos that accompany stories

By Tim Jagielo

It’s one thing to read about a moving memorial at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. It’s another to watch as hundreds of police officers from all over the state show up to show respect for...See VIDEO on 23A

New Video

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Gym etiquette 101

Use common courtesy when using gym or fitness studio

By Sally Rummel
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Amanda (Allgood) Grace, 30, has lost 107 pounds in the past year. She knows a thing or two about gym etiquette, having spent one or two hours most days of the week at Planet Fitness near her Clarkston home.

“I find it annoying when someone isn’t wearing proper gym attire,” said Grace, formerly of Fenton. “People come in off the street wearing sweaters, jeans, etc. Even worse is when they aren’t wearing enough clothes. It’s completely inappropriate.”

Grace isn’t the only one who finds manners missing when some people hit the gym.

See ETIQUETTE on 20A

Unpopped kernels of popcorn

Tired of finding unpopped kernels at the bottom of the popcorn bag? Store your popcorn in a sealed container in the freezer. The cold helps kernels retain the moisture needed to pop light and fluffy.

SMART SOLUTIONS

1 Break out!

Next time a confidence-sapping zit pops up, try this: Apply an ice cube on the area for 30 seconds, then gently press a cotton pad soaked with eye drops on the spot for three minutes. The ice and drops cause blood vessels just beneath the skin’s surface to contract, minimizing redness and irritation.

2 Getting started at the GYM

►How to avoid common mistakes while getting in shape

By Ryan Tackabury
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Everyone wants to get in shape, though sometimes it is easier said than done. Today, the availability of gym equipment is not a major issue, with more gyms available than ever. Of course, two major obstacles remain for those who want to get fit — knowledge and motivation.

People can encounter a lot of problems when first starting an exercise regime at home or at a gym. Craig Fisher of Fenton Fitness and Athletic Center said that a lot of mistakes he sees people make relate to posture and proper form.

Fisher said that it is common for many gym first-timers to overdo their workout, and then be too sore to pick up where they left off the next day.

Other times, people may come in to the gym wanting to replicate a particular exercise they have seen in a magazine, without knowing how to properly do it, or how to do it safely.

See GYM on 8A

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Varicose veins

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Nick Ondovcsik lifts weights with the help of a spotter and Fenton Fitness employee Josh Kosier. Working out with others can help provide motivation to get in shape, and an extra set of eyes to help you maintain proper form.

Other common mistakes people may encounter are:

►Exercising without a warm-up.

►Ending an exercise session without a cool-down.

 ►Neglecting the need to personalize a workout program.

 ►Making the assumption that a “good” workout is one that makes you feel bad the next day.

 ►Thinking that a fast-food restaurant or snack bar is the only place to grab lunch during a gym session.

 ►Driving or walking to the gym without using the stairs or a different route to get a little exercise before your workout.

 ►Buying an annual membership, but not using the gym more than a few times per week.

 ►Neglecting to purchase proper gear, clothes, and supplements.

 ►Failing to set achievable goals.

 ►Using a gym as a social gathering instead of focusing on physical fitness.

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Let Me Get This Straight…

Let me get this straight — The rich people who pay 86 percent of ALL income taxes are accused of not paying their ‘fair share’ by the people who don’t pay any income taxes at all.

Stop throwing stuff away — If you think about it, there is no ‘away.’

Let me get this straight — We hired you as our CEO and after nearly four years on the job you have tripled our debt, millions of employ- ees have lost their jobs, you have doubled our healthcare costs, you have bypassed Congress on major decisions, you have given bil- lions of our dollars to unions and other special interest groups to buy votes, you blame everything on your predeces- sor and take none of the responsibility for your actions, you lie to us daily — and you want us to rehire you for four more years?

Top 10 reasons to procrastinate:

1. Let me get this straight — You can kill an unborn child, but it’s wrong to execute a murderer?

2. Let me get this straight — Our Libyan ambassador and three other Americans are dragged from the embas- sary and Murdered. Just under 30 million Americans are unemployed. Muslim terrorists are growing bolder by the hour. The country is in shambles by any measurement… and your response is to appear on twinkie television trash like The View and Jay Leno?

3. Let me get this straight — I’m to believe that some day these may be remembered as ‘the good ole days’?

4. Best Bumper Sticker: ‘Excuse me for driving so close to the front of your car?’

5. Let me get this straight — I am supposed to be angry with Mitt Rom- ney for paying ‘only’ 14 percent in taxes in 2011 because he reduced his federal tax bill by giving $4 million to charity?

6. Do you know who said the fol- lowing? ‘The future must not belong to those who slander the prophet of Islam.’ President Obama said it in a speech to the United Nations last Wednesday. You don’t know about it because the mainstream media chose to ignore it. Connect the dots people.

7. Let me get this straight — We can’t defend the American border with Mexico, but we are fighting multiple wars in the Mideast where everyone hates us?

8. I personally know half a dozen perfectly healthy people who are col- lecting Permanent Disability checks from the government while working for cash. How is that possible?

9. Let me get this straight — Muslims shouting Allahu Akbar kill soldiers on American soil and the media and government’s response is to worry that other Muslims might be passed off if we label the murderer a terrorist?

10. Let me get this straight — They’re called urinal ‘cakes’?

Life lessons from your dog: Bark less, wag more.

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Community center to begin expansion

A groundbreaking ceremony has been scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 17 for the first phase of the Fenton Community & Cultural Center expansion.

Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn, Community Center Board of Governors Chairman Doran Kasper and Downtown Development Authority Chairman Craig Schmidt jointly made the announcement on Thursday.

“This is a wonderful project,” said Osborn. “We look forward to a project that will provide handicapped accessibility and an addition that will enhance the arts and culture experience for the entire community.”

The groundbreaking ceremony is set for 5:30 p.m. at the south end of the center.

The initial phase of the combined renovation/addition will cost $2 million.

Summary

Fenton officials have announced a groundbreaking ceremony on Oct. 17 to begin the expansion and renovation of the Fenton Community & Cultural Center.

The addition will include two studios dedicated to arts and culture. Improved handicapped accessibility to the building and restroom facilities will also be included in the project.

With a major investment from the DDA, a federal block grant for the elevator and money secured from earlier fundraising efforts, a total of $1.4 million has been secured to date.

Community residents are invited to attend the ceremony. The city envisions that the additional facilities for the arts and culture will facilitate an expanded use of the center for arts events and programs.

City councilwoman and former mayor Patricia Lockwood and retired Fenton schools superintendent Bob Burek will chair the fundraising effort to secure the $600,000 necessary for completion of the first phase of the project and hopefully, additional money for enhancement of the proposed new facility.

VFW offering scholarships

Students may enter ‘Voice of Democracy’ and ‘Patriot’s Pen’ essay contests

By Sharon Stone

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) scholarship programs for Voice of Democracy audio essay contest and the Patriot’s Pen essay contest have begun at the local level in Fenton at VFW Post 3243 and its Ladies Auxiliary.

This year’s theme is “Is Our Constitution Still Relevant?” Rules and the application are available at vfw.org. Students from ninth through 12th grade are eligible to enter, which includes home schooled, private, or parochial high school. Deadline to turn essay in to the Fenton VFW is Nov. 1.

Patriot’s Pen is also conducted nationwide. This essay program is for students in sixth through eighth grade who attend public, private or parochial schools along with home-schooled students.

The theme for the Patriot’s Pen is “What I Would Tell America’s Founding Fathers.” Rules and the application are available at vfw.org. The deadline to submit essay to the Fenton VFW is Nov. 1.

For further information, Bonnie Pray, scholarship chairperson for the Fenton VFW Post 3243 may be contacted at the Post at (810) 629-3700. The scholarship programs begin at the local post and Ladies Auxiliary, followed by District 10, the state of Michigan and lastly to the national level to compete with students from across the country.

State winners receive an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., to tour the city, meet our nation’s leaders and be honored by the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary. They will receive their portion of $152,000 in national awards with the top scholarship being $30,000.

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Long ago, Joshua, of wall-falling fame, must have felt as you do today. Born a slave, he had been appointed leader of his people, who had arrived at the border of Canaan, the land they had longed to enter for more than a generation.

Moses, their great leader and deliverer, had died. Now Joshua had been appointed to replace him.

Some order.

He was not like Moses.

No matter. God would use him in a different way. He would not be expected to do things just like Moses. Instead, he must expect God to use him in a unique way to accomplish the task at hand.

Inadequate as Joshua felt, he must move forward. If he sits and broods over the possibility of failure, he will never lead his people into the Promised Land.

Along with Joshua’s call, had come a wonderful promise: ‘Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, as I said to Moses (Joshua 1:3).’

A speaker at a church building dedication service challenged the congregation with Joshua’s promise. The title of his talk was, ‘How Big Are Your Feet?’

Most of us don’t accomplish all we can because we don’t expect to do so. A.B. Simpson, founder of the Christian and Missionary Alliance denomination, indicted most of us when he said, ‘Our God has boundless resources. The only limit is in us. Our asking, our thinking, our praying are too small. Our expectations are too limited.’

The world known missionary, Hudson Taylor, observed that most of us estimate difficult challenges in the light of our own resources, therefore attempt little, and often fail in the little we attempt. Had Joshua refused his commission out of fear or feelings of inadequacy, he would have made a terrible mistake. Turning down this opportunity would have robbed him of the greatest adventure of his life. He would have missed fulfilling the purpose for which he had been born.

Joshua accepted the challenge and is still remembered for his great success. Now, back to your opportunity.

Are you sure this call is from God? Are you ready to take new steps of faith? And one final question: ‘How big are your feet?’

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Fenton High School teacher Nick Gregory submitted a 28-picture photo to the ArtPrize in Grand Rapids. ArtPrize is the world’s largest art competition.

FHS teacher featured in ArtPrize competition

By Ryan Tackabury
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Fenton — ArtPrize is the world’s largest art competition, and this year features a piece by Fenton High School teacher Nick Gregory. The competition features a $200,000 top prize, with the winner being decided by a vote from the public.

Gregory’s submission, titled “Split,” is a 28-picture photo featuring what is sometimes referred to as the “wailing wall” in Detroit that was built in 1940 to segregate residents based on race.

“I have always been interested in photography, even since high school,” Gregory said. “It’s an example of segregation and racism supported by politics at the time.”

Most people know very little about the wall, Gregory said. For others, the wall is a constant part of their life. “There are people alive today who built their houses with the wall in their back yard and still live in their houses,” he said.

“It’s an example of segregation and racism supported by politics of the day,” Gregory said. “It’s pretty eye opening to see the wall, for sure.”

Gregory said his family was excited about his work being featured and thanked his wife for helping him. “Without the support and encouragement from my beautiful wife, Beata, I could not have completed Split,” he said.

For those who want to Gregory’s photos or to vote for his entry in the competition can do so by going to www.artprize.org and searching for “Split.”
Staying safe while getting healthy

Get a yearly check-up and discuss your exercise plan with your doctor. This is important if you have any active health problems or risks to make certain your fitness plan works for you. But also to stay ahead of any additional health risks that may sneak up on you.

Remember to warm up and cool down. When you start your exercise session, remember to do your stretches and to include a warm up period of light exertion. When finishing, don’t come to a dead stop, take some time to slowly lower your exertion level.

Remember good form. If you are doing a particular exercise wrong, not only are you not getting the most out of it, you may also hurt yourself.

Know the equipment. If you want to use a piece of gym equipment, read the instructions on the machinery carefully. If you have any questions, ask someone who is already using it. Improper form, improper use of gym machinery can more trouble than it is worth.

Work out with a partner. Not only will working out with a friend give you extra encouragement to go to the gym, but you will have someone who can provide you feedback on your form.

Source: About.com

travelled on the treadmill, or the amount of weights you are lifting. Keeping track of these goals will give you a challenge to keep returning to. If the challenge is not enough to bring you back, find other ways to reward yourself for keeping a regular gym schedule. Finding the motivation to keep going is the key to getting in shape.

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even what it is supposed to do for your body. He said for those who are just getting started and are serious, that they should look into working with a personal trainer.

“If you didn’t know anything about cars, you wouldn’t try to fix your own transmission. The same is true with your body,” Fisher said.

The cost of a personal trainer can vary from place to place, with discounts sometimes being offered as you pay for more sessions. Fisher said that he recommends spending four to six sessions with a gym trainer to learn what you need, and make certain that you are able to fully remember what you need to do.

If the idea of learning from a personal trainer sounds appealing, but you are worried about the price, there is an alternative in group coaching. While you will not have as much one-on-one time with a personal trainer in group coaching, it can be a more affordable way to gain the knowledge you need to get in shape.

Getting in shape requires a lot of commitment and can be difficult. Make a habit of going to the gym, and try not to break it. Once you have made it into a routine, keep it up. Start small with what you can do, and build up over time. Set goals for yourself, whether it be the distance you have walked, the number of calories burned, or the amount of weight you have lost.

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Behind the Medieval walls

Michigan Renaissance Festival a way of life for many, weekend job for others

By Tim Jagielo

Summary
The workforce that populates the Michigan Renaissance Festival is diverse and varied in their levels of commitment to the festival lifestyle. This is the last chance to catch the festival in its final weekend.

Performers Shane Fekete (right) and Mathew Myatt chat as they juggle last Saturday at the Michigan Renaissance Festival. Both live in the Metro Detroit area. They play paid shows and also juggle for “hat,” meaning tips.

Trumbauer works at a hardware store during the week and Driscoll is a custodian for the local school district. “Most of us are normal people,” said Driscoll.

Also in the food court was Melissa Brown, of Flint. She shouts to passer-bys with vigor, selling pasta like her life depended on it. Her life doesn’t depend on it, but her husband’s wrestling program at Kearsley High School does.

She volunteers every weekend for six weeks, 10 hours a day, selling food, so that the wrestling program can get 12 percent of the profits. “I’m in harassing people to buy food,” she said. “People really enjoy us.”

Brown and other volunteers will rake in up to $15,000 for the various athletic programs at the high schools when the festival is over. Until then, she is at it, 10-hours a day, every weekend. She has fun with the people. “You can’t help but be able to get into it,” she said.

When venders yell at festival attendees, they call it “Hawking,” and it is essential for sales, and is part of the Renaissance Festival experience.

Toni Kastanos of Waterford is known as “The Pickle Chick” at the festival and dresses kind of like a pirate elf. She sees everyone as a potential customer and engages everyone she can. She uses jokes and even innuendo to sell her $2 pickles. “My pickle is bigger than yours,” she’ll say to the males of a passing couple.

Kastanos only makes money from her sales, but says she makes more in one day selling pickles than two weeks at her day job at UPS.

During the week, musician Jeremy Lovell recovers from a long, grueling weekend performing. He’s trying to get his voice back to be ready to perform again. “It’s not glamorous,” he said.

During the week, many festival performers stay at local campgrounds and relax. “A lot of us get drunk,” he admitted. Lovell stays with family. On the weekend, the performers’ village is busy within the walls of the festival and strictly closed to the press.

“...is a mixed bag, you don’t make much money, many do it because they love it,” he said. “...you don’t work for Ren-Fest unless you love it. It’s a killer, it wears you out.”

This weekend is the last for the 2012 season.
Four rules to follow if you want to be a valuable employee and/or leader at work

• Tell the truth. Don’t fabricate your experience. In this world where Google is your first resume and your entire background can be dug up with the swipe of a mouse, making stuff up about where you went to school (or that you attended or graduated college when you didn’t), what you studied and where you worked is just plain stupid.

• Don’t be overly self-promotional to the point of being obnoxious.

• Roll up your sleeves. In this day and age, people are expected to wear multiple hats.

• Listen to feedback. No one’s perfect and, particularly in a new job, when you’re learning the ropes and getting acclimated to an unfamiliar environment, it’s vital to be able to take constructive criticism or guidance from colleagues and supervisors.

Source: Jessica Kleiman, contributor for forbes.com
Local newspapers connect us with our communities

We can get our national news on cable television, catch the weather on local broadcast stations, listen to talk radio on the AM or FM dial and follow our favorite blogs on the Internet, but where do we turn for local information that directly impacts our daily lives? More often than not, it is community newspapers.

Most traditional large newspapers are struggling to stay alive — they are more and more frequently printing only two to three times a week, personnel and content are shrinking like never before and more information is shifted to online editions.

Yet local community newspapers are thriving because they have persistently weathered the storm year in and year out to remain a fixture in our everyday lives.

We count on them to regularly check in with the courts and police stations. They print announcements on births, deaths, engagements, marriages, anniversaries, church news, job openings, school information and service club endeavors.

They publish notices of local municipal meetings. They print tax increases, millage initiatives, notices of changes in laws and property rezoning — all issues that most directly impact our pocketbooks by determining how our hard earned tax dollars are spent at the local level and how our local officials are representing us.

They help run the local economic engine and provide a marketplace for the community. They offer local small businesses with an effective and affordable means of connecting with local consumers. They print sales at the supermarket, coupons for discounts at local stores, real estate listings and classifieds for everything from a used car to a neighbor’s garage sale.

It’s also personal. Communities feel a sense of ownership in their local newspaper, and the people that report the news are often our friends and neighbors down the street.

News aggregating websites simply do not provide the information on issues that impact us at the local level. It is especially true for the elderly and those with low incomes who often have less access to computers and transportation.

Community newspapers remain the one constant source of local information. In good times and in bad, they stay focused on us as a community.

Now more than ever, community newspapers are an important binding thread of our cities and towns.

Congressman Mike Rogers represents Michigan’s Eighth Congressional District.

Residents, including Mayor David Lossing, participate in the ‘Pretty Pooch’ contest last Saturday during the Linden Autumn Festival. The event featured a fishing contest, a euchre tournament and bounce houses.
Lake Fenton’s ‘D’ makes statement vs. Goodrich, 34-7

By David Troppens
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Lake Fenton — From the opening play the Blue Devils dominated Goodrich in the two teams’ GAC Red battle Friday night.

And by the end of the second play of the game, the Blue Devils had a lead they never lost, eventually earning a dominating 34-7 victory against the Martians.

Lake Fenton’s defense forced five turnovers and held Goodrich to just 45 yards rushing, resulting in the win. On the opening kickoff, Lake Fenton’s Zac Zielinski recovered a fumble at Goodrich’s 30. A play later, Neil Allor ran around the left side for 30-yard TD. Lake Fenton (4-0, 5-1) led 6-0 just 15 seconds into the game. As far as Goodrich’s offense was concerned it could’ve been 60-0. The Martians’ offense got beyond midfield only three times and turned it over two of those times. The other possession ended on downs. The first turnover came on a fumble recovery by Tim Byrd in the first quarter. The second one came late in the third quarter, on Chase Hull’s pick. Lance Hasenfratz, Matt Hommer and Hull had interceptions for Lake Fenton, while Symons and Zielinski recovered fumbles.

“We definitely came out and played our best,” Lake Fenton coach Eric Dyck said. “I’m proud of our kids, but I expected this, I really did. I think we are a pretty well kept secret. I don’t think people know about us yet, and this was a major statement tonight.”

The Blue Devils took just one play to score on their third possession of the night as well. Nick VanDuser, who had 217 rushing yards, ran between the tackles and then worked his way to the outside en route to a 91-yard TD run. A Zielinski block near midfield allowed him to finish the run.

The Blue Devils made it 20-0 with 3:40 left in the first half on a Gage Smith five-yard TD pass to Allor. Allor completed the two-yard two-point conversion pass to Austin Frank.

However, Goodrich’s J.R. Dawley responded with a 92-yard kickoff return for a TD of his own on the next play. Lake Fenton led 20-7 at the half.

However, VanDuser scored on a 10-yard run on Lake Fenton’s first possession of the second half raising the lead to 28-7, effectively ending Goodrich’s hopes of a comeback.

Later, Zielinski had a nine-yard TD run with 6:06 left in the contest.

For more on this game go to www.ctimes.com.
**Linden, Holly boys finish 1-2 at second Metro jamboree event**

**Fenton’s Kryza takes top spot in race**

By David Troppens
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Lapeer — There were a lot of points proven at the second Metro League boys jamboree at Lapeer’s Torzewski County Park on Wednesday.

The Linden Eagles proved that they remain the elite team when it comes to Metro cross country, easily defeating the field.

Meanwhile, the Holly Bronchos proved they are not to be reckoned with in only their head coach Richie Brinker’s second year at the helm. The Bronchos shocked Clio, taking second place at the meet by six points.

And finally, Fenton’s Max Kryza proved he’s the man to beat for the Metro League’s individual title during the third meet on Oct. 17, defeating the field by about 14 seconds.

Linden, winner of each of the last five Metro League titles, had its seven runners finish in the top 19, resulting in the easy victory. After Kryza, Linden’s Roger Phillips, who won the first Metro jamboree, placed second (16:24.03), followed by Graham Elliott in third (16:28.22). Zach LeMieux finished in ninth (17:17.97), while Ryan Torok (17:20.08) and Dave Doyle (17:21.78) placed 11th and 12th, respectively, completing the Eagles’ scorers.

Adrian Taylor followed in 17th (17:43.88), while Kyle Susalla was 19th (17:57.35). Two other Eagles ran under 18 minutes as well.

“We definitely have a lot of depth,” Elliott said. “It has allowed us to perform well throughout the year.”

“It’s the first time since I’ve been the coach that we had nine kids run under 18 minutes on the same day,” Linden coach Clint Lawhorne said. “About half of our team set season or lifetime personal records. I thought they competed really well.”

While the Eagles are the team to beat for the season, Kryza is the individual ahead of all others. After taking second at the first jamboree while not completely healthy, he was strong on Wednesday. Phillips and Clio’s Chris Koon stuck with Kryza for just over half of the race, but then Kryza took over, winning by about 24 seconds.

“My goal is to go for the gold when I can,” Kryza said. “I’ve made some bad choices in some of the races I’ve raced lately and I wanted to make up for that today.”

The Bronchos were the surprising team. Holly placed third at the first meet, but had two strong packs at this meet, earning second place with 68 points, beating out Clio’s 74 points. The Bronchos enter the final meet tied for second with the Mustangs.

Dilon Lemond took sixth (16:51.35), Vincent Cantu took seventh (17:10.10) and Nate Fraser took eighth (17:14.29) to lead one Holly pack. The other was a group of four: Senior Domagalski, 23rd in 18:10.47; Keenan Steele, 24th in 18:12.81; Blake Staffine, 25th in 18:15.96; and Zac Feliz, 26th in 18:19.01.

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“The meet overall was a success,” Brinker said. “We had eight out of 14 run PRs and a couple of guys were within five seconds of their PRs.

“The guys have been working really hard all summer and are starting to see all the hard work pay off. We scored 80 points in the first jamboree and 67 yesterday. We are working on closing the gap with Linden and staying in front of Clio.”

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**Linden CC girls edge Holly, create two-way tie entering final meet**

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Lapeer — Apparently there’s going to be a good fashioned dual between the Linden Eagles and the Holly Bronchos at the final Metro League meet.

On Wednesday the Linden Eagles proved why they are always among the list of league contenders, winning the second jamboree of the season by a point, against the defending league champion Holly Bronchos.

That means if one of the two teams win the final Metro League Meet on Oct. 17 at Brandon Township Park, that squad leaves with the league title outright.

Fenton, who placed fourth at the first meet, also had some good news, earning third in this meet.

Linden, who had 39 points to Holly’s 40, captured three of the top seven places, including the top two spots. As expected, Sydney Elmer won the race with a time of 19:44.44. However, instead of flat-out dominating from the start, teammate Mckayla Guy stuck with Elmer half the race and improved from third to second in between the first two jamborees, recording a personal-best time of 20:02.57. Courtney Davis placed seventh (21:10.39).

The rest of Linden’s top seven were Aleighsha Engisch in 12th (22:06.86), Dominique Scripfer in 17th (22:21.68), Kailee Corcoran in 21st (22:43.78) and Taylor Ganger in 26th (22:54.74). Each position was important because all of Linden’s top seven beat Holly’s seventh-place runner.

“We were pleasantly surprised by the win,” Linden coach Teresa Wright said. “My No. 3/4 runner has been out for over 40 years!”

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(Front to back) Linden’s Aleighsha Engisch, Kailee Corcoran and Dominique Scripfer were scorers for the Eagles in their first-place jamboree performance on Wednesday.

(Gretchen Sack) tending to a strain, but we thought maybe there was a slim chance we could pull it off.

“Although today was a big win for our program, Holly is still the returning Metro champs. We were lucky to sneak by them and must continue to work hard so that we are prepared to run at the final jamboree.”

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Bruce helps lead Blue Devils to sweep of Montrose Rams

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Lake Fenton — Trudie Bruce loves watching her team progress.

On Tuesday, her progress was clearly evident.

On a night that some parts of Lake Fenton’s team struggled, Bruce wasn’t one of the issues, recording a team-high 13 kills in the Blue Devils’ 25-19, 26-24, 25-22 victory against Montrose at Lake Fenton High School.

When she got the chance to attack, Bruce was nearly perfect, recording not a single hitting error. And in the final two sets it seemed it was Bruce being in the front row that pretty much iced the tough set wins. But when given the opportunity, the senior spent more time talking about her teammates.

“My favorite part of (volleyball) is the team work and how our team is confident because no one person has to do everything. We have teamwork and we have to work together to win a game or be competitive,” Bruce said. “We’ve definitely progressed throughout the season. Our setters have been doing well. Our outsides are doing well. Us middles — we’ve gotten better — and I feel our defense is working out really well in the back row.

“(About my game) I feel this could’ve been one of my best games hitting-wise and serving-wise. It was one of my best games so far.”

Bruce pretty much iced the final two games for Lake Fenton. In the second game, the Blue Devils trailed 23-21 late, but Bruce took over. She had kills on three consecutive volleys, earning Lake Fenton a 24-23 lead. The Blue Devils were unable to get game point due to a service error, but then Bruce earned the team another game point when she earned a kill. Montrose had service reception problems on the next service and Lake Fenton earned the 26-24 second-game victory.

In the third game, Lake Fenton jumped to an early 12-7 lead, but an assortment of Blue Devils’ errors allowed Montrose to take a 21-19 lead late.

Lake Fenton cut the gap to 21-20 and

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Lake Fenton’s runners try to work themselves through the pack at the start of the race on Tuesday. Lake Fenton’s girls defeated New Lothrop at the meet.

LF runners enjoying their home course, earn wins at recent meet

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Lake Fenton — Caleb Fletcher didn’t care too much for building Lake Fenton’s first-ever on-campus cross country course in school history this summer.

“It was a pain because Michigan soil stinks,” Fletcher said. “We were drilling for four hours just to get four posts in, one an hour.

But now that the work is complete and the team has used its course twice this season, he’s glad to see it done.

He also was probably pretty glad to see how he and his teammates did in a meet with Bendle, Durand and New Lothrop on Tuesday on that course. Fletcher won the race with a time of 18:28 on the 5K course. Meanwhile, the Lake Fenton boys defeated New Lothrop 21-35 and Bendle 22-37 in GAC action.

The Lake Fenton girls also edged out New Lothrop 29-30.

“It’s pretty awesome,” Fletcher said about having a home course. “It’s nice to know the hills. It’s a really good advantage. We worked really hard on it, so it’s really awesome to have a home course. It’s worth it.

“Being at home, you have your friends there. They are there to support you and you are motivated to run even harder than you usually do because the people love you.”

Lake Fenton cross country coach Chris Sobczyk enjoys having the course as well.

“There are some great hills. People really get going here,” Sobczyk said. “It’s really a great place to run.”

Lake Fenton’s girls were led by Becky Fennerius, who placed third in 19:51, about 12 seconds behind Durand’s first-place runner Jamie Madrigal. The rest of Lake Fenton’s female team scorers were Laura Carlson in fourth (22:21), Mackenzie Kato in sixth (22:42), C.J. Simon in 10th (25:47) and Logan Dailey in 24th (28:30).

“With their strong group, they are coming on strong,” Fennerius said. “There are kids that ran the mile in track and they are really fast. They are starting to bring some speed.”

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“A team as it has been a tough year in the GAC for the girls so it was nice for them to get the win,” Sobczyk said. “I challenged them to defend their home course and they did.

“Becky Fennerius ran really well, earning a PR over her performance at the state meet last year. I have been working on pacing with her and she was able to run even seven-minute splits. I definitely think she benefitted from running on her home court.”
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The team is extremely thrilled they managed the win.”

Meanwhile, Holly’s performance was strong not as strong as the first jamboree. Charlotte Ruffini placed fourth (20:49.43), while Maggie Schneider (20:55.31) and Shannon Westfall (21:04.44) placed fifth and sixth, respectively. Alex Matvichuk placed ninth (21:40.41), but the next Holly runner didn’t come in until 16th place. That was Abby Brown in 22:15. In the first jamboree Holly had six runners in the top 10. This year the Tigers put themselves in the battle for fifth. Emily Brenn improved from 21st to 11th (21:53.69), helping the team earn third. She was followed by Ellie Cowger, 23rd in 22:45.21; Emily Kinser, 24th in 22:45, Jillian Truso, 25th in 22:54.02; and Emily Battaglia, 29th in 23:17.85.

SPORTS BRIEFS

SWIMMING

Howell 122, Fenton 63: Gabrielle Haaraoja and Haley Shaw were part of three relays for the part team with Megan Cassner and Lauren Davis to win the 200 medley relay (2:03.00). Individually, Haaraajoa won the 200 individual medley (2:24.74) and the 100 freestyle (55.27). Shaw won the 100 butterfly (1:01.58) and the 100 backstroke (1:01.45).

GOLF

Fenton 167, Lakeview 194: At Tyrole Hills, Tiller Przybylowicz carded a 40 to earn medalist honors for the Tigers, who remain undefeated in Metro play. Samantha Moss and Olivia Fabatz carded 41s while Meghan Berry posted a 45.

Fenton travels to Spring Meadows Country Club to compete against another undefeated squad, the Linden Eagles on Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Linden 179, Swartz Creek 182: At Holiday Meadows, McKayla Mitchell and Julie Guckian carded 41s, leading the Eagles (7-0) to the victory. Maia Sajkowski had a 50 while Sierra Juhl carded a 54. The Eagles face another undefeated squad, the Fenton Tigers, at Spring Meadows Country Club on Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Linden 187, Lakeview 210: Julie Guckian earned medalist honors with a 36 at Metamora Golf Course. Sierra Juhl had a 48, while McKayla Mitchell carded a 50, and Hannah Zojin had a 53.

Holly 200, Brandon 204: Alex Johnson carded a 45 to earn medalist honors. Taylor Turner had a 51, while Paige Johnson and Landy Hill each had 52s.

SOCCER

Fenton 4, Lapeer East 1: Aron Ferguson scored two goals and Logan Palmer and Jake Davis had one assist each.

Linden 2, Lapeer West 0: Linden recorded its eighth straight shutout. Zach Bialkowski scored his 10th goal while Collin Hoeberling posted the shutout in net.

Lake Fenton 0, Laingsburg 0: Jake Morrison made five saves in the scoreless draw.

Lapeer West 3, Holly 0: West scored two second-half goals to ice the Metro League victory.

VOLLEYBALL

Linden d. Kearsley, 3-0: Linden won 25-14, 26-25, 25-14. Kelsey Brecht led the Eagles with 10 kills, nine digs and two blocks. Megan Klawitter had six assists and 10 digs, while Ashley Klawitter had 15 assists and six digs. Callie Murphy had 10 assists.

Fenton d. Brandon, 3-0: Fenton won 25-18, 25-8, 25-11. Bobbie Eastman led the Eagles with 12 kills and only one hitting error in 20 hitting attempts. She also had three aces. Ashley Bearden had 19 assists, six kills and three aces while Payton Maxheimer had six kills. Maeve Martin had five kills and five blocks, while Ellen Eager had two aces.

Clio d. Holly, 3-1: The Bronchos lost 25-14, 19-25, 25-19. Abby Leewan- dowski had six kills while Adrienne Chell had 17 assists. Shayla Lipischak had 15 digs and five aces while Megan Piwowar- ski had eight blocks.

Lake Fenton’s Ryan Gorelick (front middle) runs down the ball during the Blue Devils’ 8-0 Genesee Area Conference victory over LakeVille on Wednesday.

Lake Fenton — Sawyer Scott will be the first to tell you it took some time adjusting to the new coaching staff for Lake Fenton’s varsity boys soccer team. After all, departing coach Lenny Glassetter was at Lake Fenton for a long time and had his share of success while there.

But now that the transition to new coach Mike Korhonen is over, it appears the Blue Devils are doing just fine.

The Blue Devils made easy work of their GAC opener on Tuesday, defeating LakeVille 8-0.

“Lakemichigan,” Scott said about the adjustment. “He’s more serious and we had to realize (he was different).”

“It helps more, I think. We are working a lot more together. We are passing and our intensity is higher.”

Korhonen has been pleased.

“They really bought into my expectations. They knew what I was teaching, but and how they need to work and how they have to approach coming to soccer practice every day,” Korhonen said. “They are starting to take care of their bodies. They are starting to look up and find the ball, and find the easy play. They are not just running up and down the field.”

On Tuesday, the Blue Devils (4-6-1) were the heavy favorites and made sure the game was their way. The Blue Devils took a 3-0 lead in the first half, meaning they needed just one more goal to end the game due to the eight-goal mercy rule.

That goal was provided by Alex Romans with 24:25 left in the contest on a shot that Romans took to the far side post, netting it.

Romans was one of three Lake Fenton players to finish the game with two goals. The others were Scott and Chad Groen.

Also scoring were Jack Wolgast and Tristan Hagensten.

Hagensten and Romans each had two assists, while Mitchel Dershem, Raed Jawhari and Josh Slough had one assist each.

We knew some of the scores they had and we knew we should get through with a victory,” Korhonen said. “But we wanted to make sure we worked on things that are going to help us going forward against other teams and going forward to districts. That’s our main goal, getting out of districts.

“Today was a good day to work on possession, move the ball around and also have that killer instinct to finish the ball,” Scott said.

“Scott sees that progress.

“We are more intense, way more intense,” Scott said.

“We hustle harder, run faster, are way more conditioned. We take it more seriously now, take a lot of things more seriously.”

Now the Blue Devils are preparing for the end of the season, which begins in mid-October.

“We are preparing for districts,” Scott said. “We want that title. We just need everyone to step up every day. We need to get better every day.”

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ENGAGEMENTS

Tennis-Thompson

Ms. Jeanne Tennis of Fenton announced the engagement of her daughter, Jacqueline Tennis, to Jake Thompson, son of Darrel and Theresa Thompson of Lake City. The couple met at Linden High School. Actually, they met in the cry room of St. John’s Church in Fenton and it took them 18 years to discover that they were meant to be! The bride-to-be recently received her bachelor of science in chemical engineering at the University of Michigan and is currently employed at an engineering consulting firm outside of Chicago, Ill. The future groom is enrolled in the MD/PhD program at the University of Illinois, and he is pursuing a dual degree in medicine and neuroscience. A winter wedding is planned.

Palmgren-Pierce

Mr. and Mrs. Richard and Judy Palmgren of Ortonville, along with Mr. and Mrs. Terrell and Daelyn Pierce of Fenton, would like to announce the engagement of their children, Kristin M. Palmgren of Ortonville, along with Mr. and Mrs. Richard and Judy Palmgren-Pierce of Fenton. Kristin is a graduate of Oakland University. Mitch is a graduate of Michigan State University and is a graduate of Oakland University. The engagement of their children, Kristin M. Palmgren of Ortonville, along with Mr. and Mrs. Richard and Judy Palmgren-Pierce of Fenton.

WEDDING

DeHondt-Prout

Tiffany Dawn Prout of Linden became the bride of Jonathan Andrew DeHondt of Royal Oak on June 30, 2012. Tiffany is the daughter of David and Dawn Prout of Linden and her husband is the son of Tom and Denise DeHondt of Sterling Heights. Tiffany graduated in 2010 from Michigan State University with a BS in human biology and is now attending Wayne State Medical School. Jonathan graduated in 2010 from Michigan State University with a BS in construction management and is now employed as a project manager in Detroit. The couple was married by Father Ron DeHondt at the Michigan State Alumni Chapel in East Lansing. Attending the couple were Sara Prout and Carrie Cassetto as maids of honor, and Joseph DeHondt as best man. Bridesmaids were Haley Prout, Lisa DeHondt, Mallory Magalski, Jamie Wolverton, Maggie Prior, and Christa Schueller. Groomsmen were Thomas DeHondt, David Prout, Anthony Bormarito, Cecil St. Pierre, Salvatore Grillo, Christopher Fertito, and Kyle Meisner. A reception followed at the Eagle Eye Golf Course in Bath. The couple now resides in Royal Oak.

HOT LINE

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LET’S ASSUME OBAMA is correct. Evil rich people like Romney can and should pay more taxes. Once the government discovers that they were meant to be! The bride-to-be recently received her bachelor of science in chemical engineering at the University of Michigan and is currently employed at an engineering consulting firm outside of Chicago, Ill. The future groom is enrolled in the MD/PhD program at the University of Illinois, and he is pursuing a dual degree in medicine and neuroscience. A winter wedding is planned.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED
I WOULD LIKE to nominate the ‘Let the People Decide’ ad campaign for the most deceptive BS award. One man and his money should not be allowed to have so much influence.

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Tomek-Eastern fifth-grade teacher Jennifer Snyder goes over a language arts assignment with her class on Wednesday. The IB program permeates many aspects of her syllabus, centering on leadership.

IB PROGRAM
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and in the community about the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program at Fenton Area Public Schools. Since its inception in 2009, the IB Program has been shrouded in myth by those outside of the classroom.

Ask students or teachers in classroom however, and you’ll only hear praise. The IB program focuses on international education, where students learn about various cultures around the world. The program also emphasizes hands-on research and learning secondary languages.

“You learn as much about yourself as you do about the material,” said Jacob Keesee, a senior at Fenton High School. “(The classes) teach how important it is to learn and grow as a person.”

Fenton High School IB Director Sara Armstrong likened the IB Program to the Socratic Method, where students learn through a series of questioning and answering. Classes are structured on discussion between students with teachers acting as guides for each discussion.

English teacher George Kralosky said the classes focus more on individual growth rather than teaching to a test.

“It really is student driven. It’s all oral or written exams,” Kralosky said. “None of it has objective test.” Kralosky, who has been teaching for 42 years, believes IB courses gauge a student’s knowledge more accurately than other methods of teaching.

One criticism amongst parents and students is that the classes at Fenton High School are too crowded. Kralosky admits 25 students to a classroom is ideal, but said scheduling conflicts exist within the high school and not just with the IB program.

“You adapt, that’s life,” Kralosky said. “It’s always a work in progress.”

Armstrong views the classes as rigorous and will prepare students to compete on a global level. And while the program has garnered much public comment, Armstrong said, “any change will garner a lot of comments — good or bad.”

“Many students will take on jobs that are not even invented yet,” Armstrong said. “They will have to know other cultures.”

Superintendent Timothy Jalkanen said the IB Program costs the school district $300,000 a year or about 1 percent of the district’s budget. Every student from kindergarten to 10th grade manditorily take IB courses, which Jalkanen said accounts for more than 2,850 students. IB courses for high school juniors and seniors are voluntary. Students can choose to take as many IB courses as they want and those who take all six and complete other requirements are awarded an IB diploma upon graduation.

Of the junior and senior class, there are 16 students pursuing the full IB diploma program. However, 179 juniors and seniors are taking at least one IB course this year, which accounts for 31 percent of juniors and seniors.

Credit for IB classes vary amongst universities. Armstrong said it is the student’s responsibility to research how much credit they can receive.

“Even if we don’t get college credit, we’re still gaining skills,” said senior Rose Joyn. “It’s giving us a broader perspective. It’s stuff that makes us think.”

Teacher training for the IB Program is included with the $300,000 budget. While teachers did have to leave the state for training during the first few years, Jalkanen said more teachers are being trained in state areas like Detroit and Midland. While the training may seem excessive to some, Jalkanen said Fenton Area Schools needs the IB Program.

“Critical thinking skills, reasoning and problem solving abilities are becoming more and more important for the success of students after graduating from high school,” Jalkanen said. “At Fenton we are working to raise the educational bar for each and every student.”

Juniors and seniors in IB pay a one-time fee of $141 and $96 for the course-ending test, which is mandatory, Armstrong said. Students in IB classes are given weighted grades, having the opportunity to earn above a 4.0 grade point average. Federal and state government funding is available to students who do not have the finances available to take IB courses.

“It’s a preparation for my own perspective. It makes the school environment much more enjoyable,” said senior Josh Muhleck.

NEWS BRIEFS

By Kent Barnes
Holly Area Schools Superintendent

NON-HOMESTEAD MILLAGE FOR HOLLY SCHOOLS
At the General Election on Tuesday, Nov. 6, the Holly Area Schools will be asking our voters to renew our 18 mills Non-Homestead millage. These 18 mills on non-homestead properties allow the district to receive the full State funding under the 1993-94 Proposal A constitutional change.

The millage request has been approved twice since Proposal A started. This is not a new tax, and it is not a tax on primary residence properties. Approval of this millage will not result in an increase to the homeowner. The current millage expires with the 2013 tax levy. We are asking for its renewal at this time to avoid the cost of a special election during the 2013 calendar year. The funds generated from this millage are used by the district for general operating purposes and not earmarked for any specific program.

The failure of this proposal would result in a loss of $3.3 million dollars to the district, and the State does not replace this funding. Failure to approve this proposal will not result in a decrease to the homeowners’ taxes paid on the primary residence.

I encourage all citizens to take time to vote on Nov. 6.

GUEST VIEWPOINT

By Kent Barnes
Holly Area Schools Superintendent

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a fallen hero. You can see the people, listen to the music and commentary, and truly grasp the scope of what the event means for family and the community.
Or you can hear the quivering voice of a man who just lost his brother in a trailer fire, or inversely, see the fun and games of St. Johns Applefest if you missed it this year.
You can even visit Benghazi, Libya, and see the inhabitants working to restore their country, and hear their voices in English and Arabic.
At tctimes.com, there is a growing collection of videos produced by the Times that accompany many of the written stories and photos.
Here’s some recent videos that are posted and available on tctimes.com.
• St. John Applefest 2012
Take a ride on the Ferris wheel for the biggest summer event in the tri-county area.
• Memorial Service for Patrick O’Rourke
The event was attended by more than a thousand people, including hundreds of police officers.
• Family of trailer fire victim deals with tragedy
The Johnson family of Rose Township meets before the funeral at the site of where Richard Johnson died in a trailer fire. They sell the trailer scrap for cash to help pay for the memorial services.
• Tune Up Car Cruise
Back to the Bricks is one of the biggest summer events in Genesee County. Fenton and Linden have their own event, with dozens of classic cars, which you can check out by watching this video.
• Community gardens
Local residents grow their own produce to support themselves, grow their sense of community and donate fresh vegetables to charity.
• For Love of Libya
In a four part series you can see what everyday Libyans went through to secure their country and their country’s future. Local couple Lois Van Lente and Mustafa Gheriani share their stories about the revolution.
These videos are free to watch online, and are about your local community. They allow you to get even closer than photos and text and they add another dimension to the story.
We’ll be producing many more local and national videos as time allows — including a visit to poverty-stricken Appalachia in November. We’ll be trying to make it a regular part of your Tri-County Times news and features experience. Watch for the “See video online icon,” next to stories, and head to the multimedia section of the website to get caught up.
What would you like to watch? And let us know what you think.

Summary
The Tri-County Times also produces short videos that complement, and even complete the full story on our local events. See them online at tctimes.com.

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Michigan Wine Country

Pair wine with autumn for a perfect seasonal getaway

By Sally Rummel
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Fall is a perfect time to “let your palate be your guide” through Michigan wine trails and tastings, many of which are situated among vineyards in our state’s most scenic and colorful regions this time of year.

Who wouldn’t enjoy a relaxing afternoon or weekend sampling many award-winning Michigan wines in an autumn setting next to a cozy fireplace?

Michigan truly is “wine country,” with more than 80 commercial wineries and 14,600 acres of vineyards — about 2,000 of which are devoted to wine production. The other acreage produces grapes for Concord and Niagara grape juices, according to Michiganwines.com.

Most of Michigan’s quality wine grapes grow within 25 miles of Lake Michigan, where “lake effect” weather creates close to ideal growing conditions and protection for these tender vines.

This state has four federally approved grape-producing areas, known as AVAs (American Viticultural Area). Near Traverse City, the Leelanau Peninsula and the Old Mission Peninsula produce 51 percent of Michigan’s wine grapes. Another 45 percent of Michigan’s wine grapes are grown by Lake Michigan Shore and Fennville AVAs, in the southwest part of the state.

Many longtime family operations, like St. Julian’s Winery in Paw Paw, Michigan’s oldest, are now joined by newcomers to the state’s bustling wine industry, which has grown 60 percent in the last 10 years. These wineries make many styles of wine.

See WINE on 4B

Fun & facts

• Wineries are popular tourist destinations, attracting more than one million visitors annually.
• The wine industry contributes $300 million annually to Michigan’s economy.
• Michigan’s wine, grapes and grape juice products produce nearly $790 million of total economic value to the state of Michigan.
• These products also account for more than 5,000 jobs across the state, for a payroll of more than $190 million.

For more information about all the wine trails in Michigan, visit Michiganwines.com
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**Help Call**
Everyone knows to call 911 in an emergency—but what’s the right number when you’re abroad? Download the Help Call app and it will automatically detect your location. Then you can simply press one button to be connected to the local police, fire, or ambulance. You can also set it to call for help just by shaking the iPhone—or to call a designated emergency contact.

**Smart Traveler**
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**Life saving apps that truly saved a life**

**Kayakers found thanks to GPS app**
Two couples on a kayaking trip ended up meeting some severe weather. After hours of fighting currents, getting separated and becoming totally lost, one of the kayakers decided to use his phone and call the Coast Guard.

The Coast Guard had trouble finding the vacationers at first, but being that he was the traveling type, he happened to have an App called Basic GPS and was able to give his exact coordinates. That was enough to help the Coast Guard find both parties within minutes. Otherwise, they could have been out there for days. At worst, they never would have made it home.

**Coach saves student’s life with iPhone app**
During basketball practice on the day before Thanksgiving, a teen stumbled and fell down. The high school senior’s heart had stopped and he wasn’t breathing. Luckily, his coaches were able to get him breathing again by administering CPR. Just by chance, the coach had been reading up and refreshing himself on CPR with an iPhone App called iPhone Aid.

**Red Cross**
Smartphone users everywhere are now able to access potential life-saving information through the use of a newly-released app from the American Red Cross.

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- Fully integrated with 911 so you can call EMS from the app at any time.
- Videos and animations make learning first aid fun and easy.
- Safety tips for everything, from severe winter weather to hurricanes, earthquakes and tornadoes help you prepare for emergencies.
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- Interactive quizzes allow you to earn badges.

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**Meet MYSTERY**
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from a dry sweet including Ice Wine, sparkling, fortified, fruit wines and fruit brandy.

One of the newest ones is located right here in the tri-county area, Fenton Winery & Brewery, which opened in 2009. Owners Matt and Ginny Sherrrow offer Wine Tours of their own every Monday from 3 to 6 p.m., showing visitors every step of their wine production.

Michigan wineries have become popular tourist destinations, attracting more than one million visitors each year.

Here are Michigan’s five awarded Winery Trails, each with its own character and distinctive wines.

Wineries of Michigan’s Old Mission Peninsula

Jutting north between the crystal blue peninsulas of Lake Michigan’s Grand Traverse Bay lies Old Mission Peninsula. Situated at the globe’s 45th parallel, this area is unique in being almost exclusively planted in the traditional European grape varieties. Award-winning wines that come out of this region include Chardonnay, Riesling, Pinot Grigio, Pinot Noir, Merlot, Gewurtztraminer, sparkling varieties and prestigious ice wines.

This wine trail also includes the stark contrast between Old World and contemporary, with Chateau Grand Traverse being the oldest and largest winery on the Old Mission Peninsula and 2 Lads Winery, open since 2008, offering a contemporary tasting room design of glass, steel, stone and concrete.

Leelanau Peninsula Wine Trail

Due to its cool climate and diversity, the 20 vineyards on the Leelanau Peninsula Wine Trail produce a wide variety of quality, full-bodied and sparkling wines, as well as fruit wines and brandies. Starting at Brengman Brothers Cran Hill Vineyards, bordering on the Traverse City limits, this wine Trail goes north to the popular Cherry Republic Winery in Glen Arbor.

Lake Michigan Shore Wine Trail

From the state line north to Saugatuck and from the lakeshore east to vineyards beyond Paw Paw, this countryside contains over 10,000 acres of grapes. Just a short ride from harbor towns of New Buffalo, Kewaunee, South Haven and Saugatuck, winery tasting rooms offer a sample of award-winning Michigan wines, including Tabor Hill, and Michi-gan’s second oldest winery, Warner Vineyards, considered by many to be the Midwest’s most picturesque winery.

Southeast Michigan Pioneering Wine Trail

Southeastern Michigan’s Pioneer wine-making region is nestled in the rolling Irish Hills, amidst many lakes and Hidden Lake Gardens. This region extends as far north as Burgdorf’s in Haslett and as far south as J. Trees Cel-lars in Blissfield.

Sunrise Side Wine & Hops Trail

Michigan’s Sunrise Side showcases its eight wineries and four breweries in a unique region that extends north to Alpena and south to AuGres and Standish. The Trail consists of not only wineries and breweries, but also some very special attractions.

The Upper Peninsula is not included as a formal Wine Trail, but also boasts four of its own wineries, including Mackinac Trail Winery in Manistique, Northern Sun Winery in Bark River, S U & D Winery in Marquette and Threefold Vine Winery in Garden.

GOVELAND TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE 2013 CDBG FUNDS

Notice is hereby given that the Groveland Township Board will hold a public hearing on the use of Community Development Block Grant Funds. The Hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at the Groveland Township Hall, located at 4695 Grange Hall Rd, Holly, MI 48442 at 7:00pm for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year 2013 application in the approximate amount of $14,336 to fund eligible projects.

All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearing. Comments will also be received in writing or in person at the Groveland Township office located at the above address until 4:00 pm. Tuesday, October 09, 2012.

The Township Board meeting room is handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs, including handicap accessibility or interpret-er, will be made upon receiving 72-hour advance notice.

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Linden High School Class of 1972
A reunion is planned for after the Homecoming Parade on Friday, Oct. 5, to celebrate their 40th reunion, along with the classes of 1970 and 1971 at the Linden Hotel Crow’s Nest. For more information, contact Toni Jacques or Bluum on Facebook or Lynn Morey Smith at Motorboat227@hotmail.com.

Holly Art & Craft Show
The 35th annual Holly Art & Craft Show is set for Saturday, Nov 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Holly High School at 1611 East Holly Rd. Admission is $2, 12 and under are free. Food is available and parking is free. Proceeds from the show benefit the museum and Project Graduation.

Free Methodist Church Concert
Ken Osborne Music Ministries will perform a concert at Free Methodist Church at 11 a.m. on Oct. 7. Osborne is a southern gospel music artist who travels with his wife, Ann, singing in concert. He served as music director at the College Terrace Wesleyan Church in Traverse City for 21 years and has sung with several quartets, traveling in the Midwest. For more information, go to www.KenOsborne-MusicMinistries.com.

Community Fun Night in Holly
Community Fun Night, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31 is a fun, safe alternative to door-to-door trick or treating. This marks the 22nd year that First Baptist Church of Holly has hosted this event, designed for children of all ages. Activities include a dunk tank, hayride, puppet show, bound house, face painting and carnival-type rides. A food booth will be available. Admission is free. Donations of candy, prizes and cash are being accepted. For more information, contact the church at (248) 634-8772.

Benefit Spaghetti Dinner
A benefit spaghetti dinner is planned for George La Marche, an active parishioner and dedicated Knights of Columbus member. The dinner will be held at St. John’s Activity Center from 4:30 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 6. Donations are greatly appreciated. Different raffles will be offered.

Aglow International – Holly
The Holly Aglow International will hold fellowship and a continental breakfast at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 10. Immediately following is a meeting with Dr. Bernadine D’Anjou, founder of Soterios Ministries, Inc. She will teach attendees about the power that resides within each one of us and how to release it.

Christmas Crafts and Cookies Show
The Hope Lutheran Church Women’s Guild is planning to host their annual Christmas Crafts and Cookies Show on Saturday, Nov 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. They are seeking vendors to par-ticipate in this year’s event. If you have any questions, or would like to register, contact Amy Watts at awatts0630@gmail.com or (810) 730-8370. Registration deadline is Oct. 12. Hope Lutheran Church is located at 7355 West Silver Lake Rd. in Linden, just west of Linden High School.
Mackenzie Donnelly

17-year-old senior

Fenton High School

My family: My mom is Vicki and my dad is John Mincey. My dog’s name is Kitty.

“This too shall pass.”

Mackenzie Donnelly, 17, is unique to say the least. Bright colored bows, skinny jeans and knee-high Converse give a glimpse into the world of a teenager who is more concerned with making it big in the world of tattooing than fitting in with her high-school peers. By the ways in which Donnelly chooses to speak her mind, dress, and express herself, one might never know how young this aspiring artist really is.

How was the idea of having an art show at Gatsby Grind brought about? My friends and I went in there to get our fortunes told because the guy there reads tea leaves out of your cup. We saw the art on the walls, and we got our drawing pads out because sometimes we’ll go out and draw things. Fady Elias, the owner, was like wow, I really want you guys to come in and do exactly what’s on the walls now, but for October. So for the entire month of October we will have a collection of our art displayed.

When is the launch of your art show? It’s 7 p.m on Oct. 20, that’s a Saturday. It’s at Gatsby Grind and there will be music and coffee.

When did you first realize you had a talent for art? In seventh grade, I got into pen and ink a lot. It just developed from there.

Do you have any advice for underclassmen who aspire to be an artist of any kind? Something I didn’t do was the computer aided drafting and design classes. Take those! Utilize the IB and AP art classes. If you don’t get in this year, try again next year.

How would you describe yourself? Down to earth, someone with a sense of humor, pragmatic and rather imaginative.

From what artist do you draw inspiration? Terry McPherson, Salvador Dalí, Hayao Miyazaki and Jamie Hewlett. They all tend to have a dark side. They all have a particular twist that keeps their style unique, which is something I’m always trying to develop for myself.

What are your plans for after high school? Undecided as of now, but the College for Creative Studies of Detroit looks amazing. Fantastic statistics, great campus, invaluable resources.

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Fenton High School student body

What do you like/dislike about today’s TV shows?

“I like that there’s a TV show for everyone, like ‘How I Met Your Mother.’”

MARISSA NEWBLATT

SENIOR

“I don’t like that TV nowadays gives children a picture of what they should be instead of just being themselves.”

GABBI HAARAOJA

JUNIOR

“I dislike that they can make a TV show out of anything these days.”

KENNEDY PIWOWARCZYK

SENIOR

“Oh, the life of a swimmer. I don’t watch a lot of TV because I don’t have a lot of time.”

ANNA WUJCIAK

SENIOR

“I think TV has gone downhill. There used to be good family TV but now it’s mediocre.”

BUBBA WING

JUNIOR
FAMILY FUN AT

Area Orchards
Delicious Party Treats
Scary Party Fun

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Visit a haunted house for scary Halloween fun

By Sally Rummel
news@tctimes.com, 810-629-4282

If you want a heart-pounding, terrifyingly scary Halloween experience, you don’t have to go very far away to find a number of haunted attractions. Just be sure to call or check websites before going to make sure that everyone in your group is either old enough or brave enough to withstand the spooks, screams and scary experiences that might await them. To check out all of Michigan’s haunted house attractions, visit hauntedmichigan.com.

Scary but family-friendly

Spooky Trails Farm and Daytime Activities provides Halloween fun for all ages, with haunted nighttime events as well as fall daytime activities for families. Located at 8266 Baldwin Rd. in Swartz Creek, Spooky Trails has earned a reputation for quality Halloween events. They’ve been named number 1 longest hayride in the U.S., number 1 haunted attraction in the county and number 4 in Michigan, according to its website.

New this year is Woodhaven Boarding House — a new haunted house attraction and a new haunted corn maze called “Race in the Maze.” Zombie Hunter Hayride is another activity designed to be scary.

For the more fearful among us, Spooky Trails offers many tame daytime activities, from hayrides and corn mazes to pumpkin picking, cider and doughnuts.

For more information, visit spooky-trails.com or call (810) 407-3035.

Non-scary Halloween fun

A Fall Fun Festival for families is set for two weekends before Halloween in October. Trinity Lutheran Church in Fenton is hosting this event on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 19-20 and Oct. 26-27 from 2 to 9 p.m. for families with children ages 3 to teens. The festival will be held on the grounds 1.200 feet east of the church at 1025 Main St. Accompanying adults and children under age 3 are free, with a $10 admission for other children. “Costumes are encouraged for all,” said Carol Swenson, one of the organizers of the event.

Non-scary, family-friendly activities are included in the weekend fun — from games to arts and crafts, plus trick-or-treat stations. Homemade soups, hot dogs and popcorn will be available, as will other concession items. Funds raised will benefit the new church building, with groundbreaking planned for Spring 2014.

For more information, call Swenson at (810) 714-0405.

Scary, but not too scary

Dreadland Haunted Trail, located at Beech Tree Manor off Stanley Road, the Dreadland Haunted Trail of Davison has more than one mile of heart-stopping fun. Zombies and ghoulish creeps hide in the shadows as visitors wander through a dark, thick woods with nothing more than a small flashlight. The trail is open weekends in October.

For more information, visit dreadlands.net.

See FEAR on 7B
Halloween costumes are often reflective of the news events and pop culture that have dominated the headlines throughout the year. That’s why you’ll likely find a lot of movie characters, popular cartoons, new Batman and several Renaissance styles. At K-Mart in Fenton, princess costumes, Minnie Mouse, zombies and superheroes are big sellers, according to employee Maryanne Potter. “I’ve had people pulling these costumes off the shelf as fast as I’ve put them on,” she said. For adult women, sexy ladies, witches and kitties are always popular. An interesting note, presidential candidates President Barack Obama and Mitt Romney have not been shown on any popular costume list, even though it’s a presidential year. Perhaps politics has worn itself out as a popular party theme. While no one knows for sure what will be sold for Halloween, people are guessing that these will likely be popular costumes.

**10 MOST POPULAR HALLOWEEN COSTUMES**

1. Kaniss Everdeen - The Hunger Games
2. The Dark Knight (Batman, Cat Woman, Bane)
3. The Avengers Superheroes
4. Olympians
5. Dark Shadows, Twilight, True Blood (i.e., vampires)
6. Zombies
7. Brave - Princess Merida
8. 50 Shades of Grey characters Christian Grey and Anastasia Steele
9. Tanoexia (N.J. tanning mom)
10. Angry Birds

Source: National Retail Federation

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**Make your Halloween party frightfully delicious**

It’s easy to scare up some fun this Halloween. Whether you’re entertaining the neighborhood or just a few family friends, try a few of these spooky and spirited Halloween treats from Better Homes & Gardens (bhg.com).

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### RECIPE: TOMBSTONE TACO DIP

**Ingredients:**
- 15-ounce can refried beans with green chiles
- 1/4 c. bottled salsa
- 2/3 c. bottled ranch salad dressing

**Directions:**
In a small bowl, combine refried beans and salsa. Spread mixture in a 2-quart rectangular dish. In a small bowl, combine ranch salad dressing and taco seasoning; stir in chicken. Spoon mixture on top of the beans in an even layer. Spoon guacamole in small mounds on top of the chicken mixture. Carefully spread to an even layer.

Cover and chill at least 30 minutes or up to 6 hours before serving. Just before serving, place Graveyard Characters into dip. Sprinkle the graves with chopped olives and shredded lettuce. Serve with tortilla chips.

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### RECIPE: Super-Easy S’mores

**Ingredients:**
- 8 chocolate or regular graham cracker squares
- 3 T. chocolate-hazelnut spread
- 3 T. marshmallow cream

**Directions:**
Spread four graham cracker squares with chocolate-hazelnut spread. Place on a microwave-safe plate. Microwave, uncovered, on high for 30 seconds. Serve at once. Makes four s’mores.

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### RECIPE: Halloween Nachos

Grinning jack-o’-lanterns made from taco ingredients keep the buffet line moving. Start with large round crackers, spread with sour cream and/or salsa, and top with cooked taco meat and shredded cheese. Use tomatoes, peppers, and olives to make the jack-o’-lantern faces.

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**FEAR**

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Family fun at area orchards

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Fall just might be the best time of year for family fun, with area orchards putting on their best seasonal show along with Mother Nature. Bright, sunny autumn days and cooler temperatures are a perfect backdrop to all of the fun of hayrides, corn mazes, apple cider and doughnuts.

Parshallville Cider Mill

There’s no better scenery to enjoy a warm cup of cider and a fresh, hot doughnut than the banks of North Ore Creek at Parshallville Cider Mill, located west off Clyde Road south of Fenton.

“People love sitting near the water while enjoying their cider and doughnuts,” said Sandy Detleff, owner of the cider mill with her husband, Jack. “We make our doughnuts fresh here at the mill every day.”

The laid-back fall atmosphere at this historic cider mill recalls a gentler time, when kids played outdoors and experienced the simple joys of fall — like playing on the mill’s three-acre peninsula that provides lots of space to run around.

Yet there are still many special events happening at the mill to draw a huge crowd. Crowds love the music presented by “The Sundowners” every Sunday between 1 and 4 p.m. now until early November.

Apple pies continue to be a huge seller, despite the Michigan apple shortage. “We sell about 400 pies a week out of our Bake Shoppe,” said Detleff. “We drive three hours each way every week to get Michigan apples for our pies.”

PARSHALLVILLE CIDER MILL

8507 Parshallville Rd., Fenton
(810) 629-9079
parshallvillecedargristmill.com
Open Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Spicer Orchards

Spicer Orchards, located east of U.S. 23 on Clyde Road, south of Fenton, is a popular destination for fall family fun. With hay rides, pony rides, train rides, a large farm play area, large inflatables, a corn maze and more, there’s lots of activities for families, school groups and couples who want to enjoy a fun taste of fall.

Inside the large farm market, you’ll find dozens of apple varieties and other farm-fresh fruits, plus a variety of baked goods, cider and doughnuts, old-fashioned candies and more. Of course, there are pumpkins, squash and gourds in all shapes and sizes. The wine-tasting room offers visitors a chance to taste a wine before they make a purchase.

Warm doughnuts, cider slush, caramel apples and kettle corn are just a few of the favorite treats enjoyed by all.

SPICER ORCHARDS

10411 Clyde Rd., Fenton
(810) 632-7692
spicerorchards.com
Open 7 days a week 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Diehl’s Orchard

Located at 1479 Ranch Rd. in Holly, Diehl’s offers a true rural fall experience with acres of family fun.

This weekend, Sept. 29-30, you can catch fall at its finest during Ciderfest with hayrides, corn mazes, hay piles, a kiddey maze, craft demos, face painting and a birdhouse with peasants. A craft show provides lots of fun for picking up unique items that you won’t find anywhere else. Of course, cider is the star of the weekend, with tours at the cider pressing room available every Saturday at 11:30 a.m. (small fee charged for tours, hayrides and corn mazes).

Diehl’s Orchard is open for the season through Oct. 31.

Oakhaven Farm

Harvest Days take place every weekend in October from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Located just minutes from I-75 in Holly, Oakhaven Farm is an affordable, fun way for a family to spend a weekend afternoon, with a free kids’ maze, hay tent and outside petting farm.

On weekends only, go for a horse-drawn hayride, ride a pony, play in the hay or get lost in the children’s maze. Visitors can watch doughnuts being made, take a walk through the pumpkin patch and see the animals. Top off your fall culinary experience with Cook’s homemade, hand-dipped ice cream (depending on the weather).

The Pumpkin Patch is open Monday through Friday from 1 to 6:30 p.m. through Oct. 31.

LINDEN LIBRARY

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810-735-7700

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Mister Rogers’ Sweater Drive

Monday, October 15th – Friday, November 30th
The GDL and WCMU Public Television invite you to donate a new or gently-worn sweater for a child or adult. Donations will be accepted at all locations from October 15th until November 30th.

For more information visit thegdl.org


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Available Residential Listings

**Lake Fenton $1,590,000**
11481 Bay Shore Dr. • Fenton
7 bed, 7½ baths, 4 car garage, 12,178 sq. ft.

**Silver Lake $719,000**
15490 Bealfred • Fenton
Fenton schools, 6 bed, 4½ baths, 5,325 sq. ft.

**Woodcroft Estates $395,000**
2630 Parkside Dr. • Flint
6 bed, 5 full baths, 3 half baths, 6,100 sq. ft.

**Mundy Twp $120,000**
6165 Anavista Dr. • Flint • Mundy Twp.
4 bed, 1½ bath, 1884 sq. ft.

**Byron $209,000**
14080 Bird Rd. • Byron
10.38 acres, 4 bed, 2½ baths, 2652 sq. ft.

**Swartz Creek $172,000**
3066 Misty Creek • Swartz Creek
4 bed, 2½ baths, 2760 sq. ft. Club house & Pool.

**Clayton Twp $179,000**
1266 Elms Rd • Flint
3 bed, 3 baths, 1,400 sq. ft.

**Current Pending & Recently Sold Homes in 90 Days or Less**

**Crooked Lake $350,000**
1204 Lake Valley Ct • Fenton
Alpine Shores. 4 bed, 2½ baths, 1942 sq. ft.

**Grand Blanc $124,000**
9169 Graytrax Rd. • Grand Blanc
3 bed, 2 bath, 1534 sq. ft.

**Fenton $125,000**
2421 Crane Rd • Fenton
Golden Shores. 3 bed, 1½ baths, 1400 sq. ft.

**Linden $119,000**
6030 Lakeview Park Dr • Linden
3 bed, 1½ baths, 1896 sq. ft.

**Tyrone Twp $375,000**
11460 Tyrone Trail • Fenton
Hills of Tyrone. 4 bed, 5½ baths, 2692 sq. ft.

**Downtown Flint $189,000**
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**Holly $225,000**
105 Civic Dr. • Holly
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ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP

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DEREK GRAVES, Clerk

HOLLY TOWNSHIP

ANNUAL FALL CLEAN-UP AND RECYCLING DAYS

LOCATION: North Oakland County Fire Authority Headquarters
5051 Grange Hall Rd.

SATURDAY, October 6, 2012
8 A.M. – 3 P.M.

Clean-up days are provided for Holly Township residents to remove refuse from their properties and recycle household materials. Residents are also encouraged to participate in the clean-up of Township roadways.

Dumpsters and/or Garbage Trucks will be located in the parking lot. You must bring refuse to the dumpster and/or truck. *THERE WILL BE NO ROADSIDE PICKUP, NO COMMERCIAL DUMPING AND NO ON SITE SHREDDING ALLOWED.* You must be in line by 3 p.m.

Someone will be present to verify residency and/or property owners.

All barrels and fuel oil tanks must be open-ended. No stumps, brush, leaves or concrete will be accepted. Paint cans must be empty or filled with sand or kitty litter. There is a $2.00 per item charge for regular tires and a $5.00 per item charge for tractor tires. All appliances will be accepted.

Please check here for acceptable recycling material guidelines.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the Jesse Lambert, Holly Township Supervisor from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at (248) 634-9331 Ext. 304.

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NOTICE OF HYDRANT FLUSHING
CITY OF FENTON
THE CITY OF FENTON WILL BEGIN ITS HYDRANT FLUSHING PROGRAM ON OCTOBER 1, 2012, AND WILL CONTINUE THROUGH THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS. DURING THIS PROCEDURE YOU MAY ENCOUNTER SOME DISCOLORED WATER. IF YOU DO, LET YOUR WATER RUN FOR A SHORT TIME AND IT SHOULD CLEAR UP. IF IT DOES NOT CLEAR PLEASE CONTACT THE FENTON WATER DEPARTMENT AT 629-2281.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE #36

Notice is hereby given that the Tyrone Township Board, at a regular meeting held on September 18, 2012, adopted amendments to Zoning Ordinance #36 to comply with recent amendments to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, PA 110 of 2006. The entire ordinance is available for review at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430, at www.tyronetownship.org. Amendments were made to the Ordinance as follows:

Section 21.32 – Wireless Communications Facilities: Review standards, application timelines, and fees for colocations and modifications to existing wireless communications facilities were modified to comply with the amended Public Act.

ALL ELECTORS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A General Election will be held on November 6, 2012. The General Election will be held in all voting precincts of Tyrone Township on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., at which time candidates of the Republican, Democratic, Libertarian, U.S. Taxpayers, Green, and Natural Law parties, and candidates with political party affiliation who seek election to the following partisan offices are to be voted for: elected Township President/Secretary, U.S. Representative in Congress (8th District), State Representative (47th District), State Board of Education, University of Michigan Board of Regents, Michigan State University Board of Trustees, Wayne State University Board of Governors, County and Township Officers, and such other public offices that may by law be required to be elected at this General Election.

Candidates seeking election to the nonpartisan offices are also to be voted at the General Election: Justice of the Supreme Court, 4th District Appeals Court Judge, 44th Circuit Court Judge, Probate Court Judge, 53rd District Court Judge, School, Community College, and Library Board Members, and such other nonpartisan offices that may by law be required to be elected at this General Election.

Electors who wish to vote in the General Election must be registered to vote no later than Tuesday, October 9, 2012, to register, visit any Secretary of State Branch Office, the County Clerk’s Office, or the Tyrone Township Clerk’s Office. The Tyrone Township Clerk will be available for the purpose of receiving registrations at the following times and locations:

Tyrone Township Hall
10408 Center Road
Fenton, Michigan
Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The following ballot proposal will be presented at the General Election:

FENTON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS GENERAL OBLIGATION UNLIMITED TAX BOND PROPOSAL FOR BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PURPOSES IN THE AMOUNT OF
NOT TO EXCEED $8,400,000

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT THE BONDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IF APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ELECTORS AT THIS ELECTION, WILL BE GENERAL OBLIGATION UNLIMITED TAX BONDS PAYABLE FROM GENERAL AD VALOREM TAXES.

Full text of the ballot proposal may be obtained at the administrative offices of Fenton Area Public Schools, 3100 Owen Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430, telephone: (810) 591-4701.

The following (6) statewide ballot proposals will also be presented at the November 6, 2012 General Election:

• A referendum on public act 4 of 2011 – The emergency manager law.
• A proposal to amend the state constitution regarding collective bargaining.
• A proposal to amend the state constitution to establish a standard for renewable energy.
• A proposal to amend the state constitution to establish the Michigan Quality Home Care Council and provide collective bargaining for in-home care workers.
• A proposal to amend the state constitution to limit the enactment of new taxes by state government.
• A proposal to amend the state constitution regarding construction of international bridges and tunnels.

Full text of the ballot proposals may be obtained by contacting the Tyrone Township Clerk’s office Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2012 FOR HOLLY TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE, GROVELAND and ROSE TOWNSHIP

To the qualified electors of Holly Township/Village, Groveland Township and Rose Township, State of Michigan:

The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012.

Electors who wish to vote in the election must be registered no later than Tuesday, October 9, 2012.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT HOLLY, GROVELAND and ROSE TOWNSHIPS WILL BE OPEN:

TUESDAY, October 9, 2012
FROM 8:00 AM TO 8:00 PM

LAST DAY TO REGISTER

FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS IN HOLLY TOWNSHIP ROSE TOWNSHIP and the VILLAGES OF HOLLY NOT ALREADY REGISTERED.

THE NOVEMBER 6, 2012 GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ALL VOTING PRECINCTS OF HOLLY TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE, GROVELAND TOWNSHIP and ROSE TOWNSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOMINATING CANDIDATES OF ALL PARTICIPATING PARTIES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:

PRESIDENTIAL
President and Vice President of the United States

CONGRESSIONAL
United States Senator and Representative in Congress

LEGISLATIVE
Representative in State Legislature

STATE BOARDS
Chairman of the State Board of Education, University of Michigan Regents

MUNICIPAL
Michigan State University Trustees, Wayne State University Governors

COUNTY
County Executive, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk/Register of Deeds, Treasurer, Water Resource Commissioner and County Commissioner

JUDICIAL
Judge of the Superior Court, Judge of the Court of Appeals – 2nd Judicial Circuit – Incumbent Position

COURT
Judge of Circuit Court – 6th Judicial Circuit – Incumbent Position

REPRESENTATIVE
State Representative, State Senator

GOVERNMENT
Governor of the State, Lieutenant Governor of the State

EDUCATION
Commissioner of Education, Commissioner for Community Colleges, Commissioner for the Michigan Board of Education

LEGAL
Judge of Circuit Court – 6th Judicial Circuit – Incumbent Position

SECRETARY OF STATE
Secretary of State, State Treasurer, State Auditor of Accounts

COMMISSIONER
Commissioner, Commissioner of Natural Resources

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Attorney General, Recorder of Deeds

URBAN
Commissioner, Commissioner of Housing Development, Commissioner of Sanitation

REAL
Commissioner of Real Estate Services, Commissioner of Housing Development

COUNTRY
County Commissioner, County Clerk, County Treasurer

LIBERAL
Judge of the Courts of Probate, Judge of Probate Court

COMMUNITY
Judge of Probate Court – Non-Incumbent Position

LOCAL SCHOOL
Superintendent, Clerk, Treasurer and 2 Trustees

HOLLY TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE
Village President and Village Council Members

HOLLY TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE
Library Board and Park Commissioners

ROSE TOWNSHIP PRECINCT 3

ROSE TOWNSHIP PRECINCT 1 FENTON AREA SCHOOLS BONDING PROPOSAL

ROSE TOWNSHIP PRECINCTS 2 & 3 HOLLAND AREA SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSITION(S):

HOLLY TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE PROPOSAL: Proposal 2012-01: Two Additional Trustees

VILLAGE OF HOLLY PROPOSAL: Police and Fire Protection Services Special Assessment

LOCAL SCHOOL PROPOSAL: Operating Millage Renewal Proposal

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ROSE TOWNSHIP ONLY: Bonding Proposal

STATEWIDE PROP(S):

Proposal 12-1: A referendum on Public Act 4 of 2011 – The Emergency Manager Law

Proposal 12-2: A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution Regulating Collective Bargaining

Proposal 12-3: A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution to Establish a Standard for Renewable Energy

Proposal 12-4: A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution to Establish the Michigan Quality Home Care Council and Provide Collective Bargaining for In-Home Care Workers

Proposal 12-5: A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution to Limit the Enactment of New Taxes by the State Government

Proposal 12-6: A Proposal to Amend the State Constitution Regulating Construction of Public Housing

Full text and sample ballots may be obtained from:
Your Township Clerk’s Office or can be reviewed online www.holtmi.gov or www.rosetownship.com

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CitiMortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 30, 2008 for CitiMortgage, Inc. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 25, 2008, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, unless the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3241(7) applies, the power of sale in said mortgage is declared to be null and void.

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NOTICE OF HYDRANT FLUSHING CITY OF LINDEN

City of Linden residents are advised to check their water before using for laundry, etc. on Monday, October 8, 2012 through Saturday, October 13, 2012.

THE LINDEN DPW WILL BE FLUSHING HYDRANTS ON THESE DAYS.

Scott Fairbanks,
Public Works Department

Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting September 24, 2012

Call to Order @ 7:00 p.m.
Roll Call: Graves, present, Cole, present, Hallman, present, Schmidt, present, Absent: Ciesielski.

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The Planning Commission – No report

Emergency Specials: Motion passed to approve Emergency Specials for 2012.

New Business: PA 116 for Carter Lahring Amendment: Motion passed to approve the amendment to Ordinance 52-A.

Motion passed to purchase a laptop and batteries from the State of Michigan to be used as a back up for E-Poll books.

Adjournment at 7:55 p.m.
Denise Graves, Clerk