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The others watching the parade.

On Saturday, Dec. 1 four-wheelers, classic and stock cars and mine workers in breathing apparatus moved up through downtown Haysi for the Christmas parade. Hymns played on guitar drifted from a church float, with the Appalachian Mountains as a backdrop.

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Pouring on the pounds

Holiday drinks add up to extra holiday calories

By Tim Jagielo
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Fenton — Joe Shafer shakes and pours another lemon drop martini Wednesday afternoon. As head bartender for the Fenton Hotel, he sees the seasonal changes, the increase in traffic and the change in drink preferences that accompany the holiday season.

He said the guests don’t drink much more than usual, but there are just more people out celebrating. He said that although there are more people drinking, few ask for “lighter” drinks during the holidays.

If you are holiday calorie-conscious there’s a few easy rules of thumb to follow. The easiest to remember is avoid drinks with added sugar. Shafer said that all alcoholic drinks have sugar, but the lemon drop martini has added flavors and added sugars.

The holidays also bring out guests who aren’t regular drinkers, so they tend to order drinks on the sweeter side. The most popular holiday drinks are cream-based, like chocolate martinis.

“We sell a lot of creamy, frothy drinks,” he said. “Any cream-based liquor has more calories.”

According to a Gallup poll, 22 percent of alcohol consumed is liquor. Beer is consumed the most, followed by wine.
In defense of Christmas

Every year, as predictable as a full moon or Lindsay Lohan being arrested for shoplifting, some killjoy mounts their soapbox to tell us that Christmas no longer has any meaning because Americans spend too much money on Christmas gifts and evil retailers have made a mockery of the true meaning of Christmas. I once believed that also, but no more.

To them I say quit being a miserly Scrooge — if you can’t say something nice about a period each year where the vast majority of Americans feel compelled to buy a gift for those that they love, well — just shut the fire-truck up.

For argument’s sake, let’s imagine that we didn’t celebrate Christmas. No festively decorated Christmas trees in every home. No twinkling lights in the downtown areas of each municipality. No sappy Christmas movies to be enjoyed by families gathered together in the evening. No children’s desperately scribbled letters to Santa. No jingling of the Salvation Army bell-ringers outside the stores. And, unbelievably, no universal feeling of hope and joy for the entire world.

How would the world be improved by ending each year in the same way we lived the previous 11 months? How would that make us better? How would society be absent the sentiment and love that inexplicably abounds each Christmas season.

Do some spend more than they should, or can afford? Absolutely. But it is done with the best of intentions — wanting to please the people they love. That is certainly a forgivable sin. The act of giving a gift to someone you love and respect is one of the greatest joys of humanity.

I once read the sage observation that people who choose to make a statement by not partaking in the ritual of Christmas gift-giving are not particularly noble — they are particularly cheap. They are the same people who ultimately die with a full bank account, but an empty heart and an empty life.

And what about children? The holiday season is always accompanied by some professional talking-head on TV admonishing us that today’s children don’t get the real meaning of Christmas — that they simply associate the season with the commercialized perspective of receiving gifts. Gosh, do ya think? Doesn’t every one relate in some way to Ralphie’s wondrous aw at receiving the coveted lever-action, spring piston, smooth-barreled, adjustable sight, gravity feed Red Ryder Winchester Model BB gun? Do we expect young children to focus on the theological aspect of Christmas? Isn’t it enough to know that most children’s happiest memories center around Christmas?

With the passing of the day gift-giving is giving the greatest gift of all — happiness. To both the buyer and the recipient. And at the same time celebrating the birthday of Jesus. That’s a good thing — right?

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**What have you regifted?**

“Nothing yet, but if I got something new and unopened I would regift.”

— Kathy Corbett

Lake Fenton

“I can’t remember what, but I know I have regifted goofy gifts as white elephants.”

— Erin Verez

Fenton

“If we get something we don’t like, we donate it. One time we got some clothes and donated it to the homeless shelter.”

— Tim Hughes, Holly

“We regifted a Desperate Housewives board game for a Grinch gift party. It ended up going to a stay-at-home dad.”

— Jay Taylor, Holly

“A long time ago, we regifted towels and things for a wedding.”

— Carol Welch

Fenton

“We just went to Fratz’ consignment and got some presents to give, so that’s like double-regifting.”

— Phil Meade, Fenton
Medical marijuana dispensaries still in limbo

Businesses bide their time while waiting for Supreme Court outcome

By Ryan Tackabury
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The 2012 election saw two states, Washington and Colorado vote to legalize the use of marijuana for recreational use. The outcome of that vote, however, is far from simple since numerous complications continue to crop up.

The issue is no less cloudy here on a local level. The city of Fenton has imposed a moratorium on the medical marijuana dispensary issue, which has been extended several times.

The last extension from Fenton came in June, the key reason due to the conflicting nature between Michigan’s Medical Marihuana Act passed in 2008 and federal law which prohibits marijuana use. Fenton officials continue to look at what option would best suit Fenton — or would even be legal.

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Red Wings game to benefit O’Rourke family

Alumni players skate to raise funds for the family of a fallen West Bloomfield police officer

By Olivia Dimmer

Despite the National Hockey League lockout, Detroit Red Wings alumni are hitting the ice next Friday, Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. at the Compuware Arena in Plymouth. They will be skating to raise funds for the family of the late Patrick O’Rourke, a West Bloomfield police officer who was fatally shot in the line of duty on Sunday, Sept. 9.

The proceeds from the game will be donated directly to the O’Rourke family, of Tyrene Township, to help cover the expenses of raising their four children, daughters Eileen, Mary, Andrea, and son, Stephen.

Michael Dore, representative from the Joe Kocur Foundation for Children, said that they expect the event to be sold out, which would equal 4,000 tickets sold, and $80,000 donated to the O’Rourke family.

“Nobody’s taking a cut out of this, even the rink time at the arena was donated,” Dore said. “The proceeds from the ticket sales, jersey auctions, and raffle all go to the O’Rourke family.”

The idea for a charity game came by a suggestion that Scott Paraswicz, who works with the Joe Kocur Foundation for Children, proposed at a meeting. From there, the group reached out to Amy O’Rourke, the widow of Patrick O’Rourke.

“The Red Wings alumni reached out to the West Bloomfield police department and then to me,” Amy O’Rourke said.

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Patrick O’Rourke, pictured here in uniform, left behind a wife, three daughters and a son. The proceeds from the Red Wings game will go to help cover the costs of supporting and raising them.

“I’m in awe, and so honored by all this. I’m filled with pride for my husband and so thankful to our community.”

Aside from Joe Kocur, other famous Red Wings players will play in the benefit game including Chris Osgood, Kris Draper, Kirk Malbhy, Igor Larionov, Mickey Redmond, Larry Murphy, Dino Ciccarelli and many more.

Tickets are available online for $20 at joekocurhockey.eventbrite.com, or at police departments in Plymouth, White Lake, Milford, West Bloomfield, Sterling Heights, Southfield and Grosse Poine City.

IOWA POLICE kill boy, 12

A 12 year old boy was killed in a hit and run accident in Plymouth, Iowa. The driver is a 14 year old boy.
Business license OK’d for marijuana dispensary

Village clarifies purpose of license, votes again

By Tim Jagielo

Holly’s only marijuana dispensary, Well Greens, has cleared another hurdle, albeit arbitrarily, to open their business. Last month the Holly Village council was split on granting them a business license. According to council member Ryan Blazdik, the license was supposed to be used as a business registry, not as a permission-to-operate. The village already has an ordinance allowing dispensaries with several conditions.

Last week, the council passed the business license with a 6-1 vote. “They’ll still have to make sure that they completely comply with that specific ordinance,” said President Jason Hughes. The company has the green light, after clarifying the purpose of the license.

Council member Bob Allsup held onto his dissenting vote and his reasoning from the previous meeting. “I don’t think that we need any more drugs in town,” said Allsup.

Summary

Holly Village Council has approved the business license for Well Greens, a marijuana dispensary in the village. Technically, the license does not grant the business the ability to operate.

“I don’t have to agree with it, but I have to support it,” said Tom Clark, Holly Village council member.

Acting chief, clerk/treasurer to get pay bump

Extra salary to cost village around $10,000 annually

By Tim Jagielo

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Sgt. Michael Story, the acting Holly Village police chief will receive a pay bump, along with Cathrene Behrens, clerk/treasurer following a village finance committee meeting last week.

As acting police chief, Story will be compensated $58,800, which is the same wage paid to former chief Elena Danishevskaya. As sergeant, he was paid $53,069.

Behrens will receive an annual salary of $62,000, a $5,000 increase. Jerry Walker, village manager said Behrens’ wage started low and she is also under more pressure with less staff in the village offices. “It’s a huge job,” he said.

Another issue brought up at the meeting was promoting two officers to sergeant positions to help with police supervision. President Jason Hughes said the process has already started internally to select candidates for the job. Hughes was not sure of the timeline, though interviews and performance comparisons would soon be held.

Walker said promoting two patrol officers to sergeant would cost the village $3,485 per position annually, but would assist in filling the supervisor gap. Story is currently the only supervisor in the department. “We look at this as a win-win for everybody,” said Walker.

The village does want to hire a full-time police chief in the future. “It’s not the time for it for a lot of reasons,” he said, adding that after the resignation of Danishevskaya, the department is stabilizing and morale is improving.

The topic of replacing the chief is still in the works, said Hughes. “We’re trying to learn some lessons from the recent history,” he said. The investigative report recently released on the former police chief’s performance will be forwarded to the personnel committee to inform the hiring process.

In the meantime, “He’s (Sgt. Story) doing an admirable job in showing leadership in the department,” said Walker.
All five Linden school buildings exceed goal of food items collected

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Linden — Students in the Linden school district are getting into the Christmas spirit early by supporting their community’s Christmas Express food donation project.

All five school buildings from elementary through high school collected food for food baskets — each with their own goal to meet. “The high school had a competition between first-hour classes to see who collected the most canned food,” said Deb Brindle, food service/community education coordinator for Linden schools. She also serves as the liaison between the school and the Christmas Express/Angel Tree committee in Linden.

Student Council Advisor Becky Stockero oversaw the can collection at Linden High School, giving a final count of 3,555 cans, which far exceeded the 2,000 cans collected in past years. “The kids are pretty empathetic, which makes them want to give more,” said Stockero. “They see the need among their friends at school and they want to help. They’ve related more this year than ever before.”

Linden Middle School also contributed to Christmas Express in a big way, tripling their collection of peanut butter and jelly from past years. “This year, we collected 803 jars,” said Kendall Adams, who co-chaired the project with Michele Packard. Both are co-advisors of the National Junior Honor Society at the middle school.

“We offered the kids a media day in exchange for a jar,” said Adams. “We called it our ‘jam sessions.’ The staff was also involved with ‘jeans for a jar,’” giving them an opportunity to wear jeans to school with the donation of a jar of either peanut butter or jelly.

All three elementary schools in Linden — Hyatt, Linden and Central — collected boxed food items and cans and Argentine Early Childhood collected soap. Each school building provided their own incentives for the winners between the classrooms. Hyatt Elementary exceeded their goal of 2,500 by collecting 3,803. “The two winning classrooms will earn a pizza party and dodge ball game, but best of all, they’ll make our custodian, Ron Mills, and physical education teacher Haley McBride into a human sundae by spraying them with whipped cream and chocolate,” said Principal Vicki Makaravage.

The Christmas Express food baskets will be distributed Tuesday, Dec. 18, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Wednesday, Dec. 19 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church in Linden.

Some of the top can collectors from Linden High School are freshmen Jarrett Mitchell, top collector with 60 items, Justin Farrington, Jarrod Wallace and Logan Desmet.
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Another popular, but calorie-heavy drink is the St. Nick’s Martini, which includes Godiva and vanilla vodka, and cinnamon schnapps.

According to livestrong.com, a chocolate martini can have about 190 calories. This is because the cocktail will have around 2 ounces of vodka at 140 calories and one-half ounce of crème de cacao liqueur, which has 50 calories. Shafer said slowly drinking straight liquor, like vodka, will reduce the calories consumed, and maybe lead to drinking less.

Some guests ask for a “skinny” martini, which mixes the sugary sour mix, potentially removing 70 calories per ounce — but most people don’t equate cocktails with weight gain.

Wine is thought to be the lighter alcoholic beverage, and it is as long as the drinker keeps ounces down. A glass with three ounces at 15 percent alcohol by volume (ABV) contains 75 calories. A 12-ounce bottle of Budweiser will have 145 calories, at 5 percent ABV.

Aside from drinking liquor straight, another tip to actually count the drinks is to remove and keep the straw from each glass, said Shafer. Granted it’s the server or bartender’s job to also monitor what you’re throwing back, but those straws will help you keep track.

According to a recent Gallup poll, more men drink alcohol than women, compared at 67 and 64 percent. The men that drink put away an average of 6.2 drinks per week compared to women who drink 2.2. Beer is drank the most at 39 percent and wine is drank 35 percent of the time. Liquor is consumed 22 percent.

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**Summary**

- To avoid extra alcohol calories when celebrating this season, mix sugary mixes and keep count of your glasses.

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It’s Christmas time in Appalachia, in a town of 400 in Buchanan County, Va. It’s also an area served by the Angel Haven Foundation out of Holly, Mich. In front of the town hall, residents with children lined up to receive a free gift from Santa Claus—abandoned bags by andy, a toy truck, animal crackers and candy. Parent posse with Santa and took photos.

The Holly Kowalski Club bought 54 of these gift bags and one of their members volunteered to be Santa: “I think it’s very important,” said Ronnie Turner of the Kowalski Club, of putting on holiday events for the community, “We’re trying to develop our little town.” Overwhelmingly, people in the area said one thing the town and the area most need are jobs.

Despite the difficulties, families gathered for the holidays, exchanging presents while kids waited for Santa Claus. In some cases, Santa Claus has been Carl and Shirley Roos, of Holly and their Angel Haven Foundation.

Spangled throughout the dramatic mountain scenery is a lifestyle of poverty, different from urban areas. One difference between a poor area like Vanston, Va., where Angel Haven of Holly makes their deliveries and the city of Flint, is the lack of community organizations available to the rural poor.

Stephanie Armstrong, who worked for Feeding America in southwest Virginia, said there are fewer food pantries and other organizations in the area to help.

The counties of Buchanan where Vanston is located and Dickinson, where Holly is located, have fewer food pantries, which make the efforts of Angel Haven even more important. Armstrong said there are only four sites in Buchanan County, and one in Dickinson County. The city of Flint alone has 60 food pantries, according to foodpantries.org.

The closest food pantry from Vanston, according to the same site, is nearly 30 miles away in Saltville, Va.

The poorest region of Appalachia is concentrated in Kentucky and Mississippi, according to the Appalachian Regional Council (ARC). These areas are defined as “distressed,” or “at risk.” Dickinson and Buchanan Counties are declared “at risk” of being distressed. Shirley and Carl don’t need entire data to know there is a need for aid. They’ve been fighting poverty in the region for 15 years. With their most recent trip to Vanston in neighboring Buchanan County, they hope to make Christmas a little brighter for both children and adults.

This last shipment was a little different for the holidays. More than 600 shoe boxes packed by volunteers with mostly donated items were taken, along with comfort food best served warm, like pancakes and soup. “The kids and people really enjoy those,” said Shirley. “It just brings an extra smile to their faces.”

Shirley said the 600 boxes can’t make a big dent in their problems long-term, but it will stop them from getting nothing for Christmas. “It’s certainly worth it to us,” she said.

Carl, 60, who ended the 1,800-mile trip, is a veteran specialist for the VA. Shirley said the trip is a ton of hard work. She said each load takes about 100 hours of preparation, and “a lot of sleepless nights and hard work.” She’s not sure how long they can keep up the schedule. “As long as we can do it and still have our health,” she said “If we have to stop, I don’t think anyone else can take it over.”

Until then, people can rely on Angel Haven Foundation, their volunteers and many other organizations to make Christmas warmer for those in need.

What is Appalachia? Buchanan and Dickinson counties are a tiny part of the region known as Appalachia. It is pronounced “App- a-lach-ia” by the locals. Haplo is pronounced “hey-ah.” The Appalachian Mountains extend 2,000 miles from the Canadian Province of Newfoundland, to the middle of Alabama, and include 420 U.S. counties and 25 million people. The northernmost traces of the mountains extend to southern Ohio. People from the many areas of Appalachia have developed a culture all their own.
HOT LINE CONTINUED

THIS IS TO the person who thinks Obama won by a landslide. You call 5 percent a landslide?

IN REGARDS TO the Hot line about Holly Academy Bullying last Sunday. The last sentence should have read, perhaps the Head Director and admin- 

istrators could also take the class so they could learn to get their point across to parents without bullying and to stop playing their manipulative games.

THE WHITE HOUSE has no interest in balancing the budget. They are inter-
ested only in punishing success and maintaining the ability to redirect funds for their own political benefit.

REGIFTING

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However, there are certain guidelines to follow if you’re considering the possibility of regifting. A gift should only be recycled if you’re certain:

… that the gift is something the recipient would love to receive;

… that the gift is brand new (no cast-offs allowed) and comes with its original box and instructions;

… that the gift isn’t one that the original giver took great care to select or make.

Simply put, you have to make sure you don’t hurt anyone’s feelings in the process — either the original giver or the new recipient, according to the Emily Post Institute. Would the person who gave you the gift mind that you passed it along? Do you want the recipient of your gift to know each other? Would it be awkward if they realized that you’ve recycled a gift from one to the other? If the answer to any of the above questions is “yes,” you may want to pass it on along the gift.

To be a successful regifter, you must know your circle of friends well, according to CreditDonkey.com. You certainly don’t want your regift to be recognized by the person who gave it to you. Even though you didn’t pick out the gift yourself, careful thought and planning should go into every regifting decision.

In some situations, it might be best to recycle the gift to someone else — not as an official gift, but as a thoughtful gesture. For example, if you were given a duplicate book, you could surprise your best friend with it, knowing she’d love it. An unofficial gift like this is not awkward, because it’s not trying to pass as a gift. Another scenario which would work well for regifting would be if you received a duplicate coffeeemaker, which your sister had been admiring for years. According to the Emily Post Institute, giving this duplicate gift to your sister for her birthday would be acceptable because it’s a gift her sister wants, that you don’t need, so it’s a win-win.

Today, you can even regift unwanted gift cards. Websites like GiftCardGranny.com, PlasticJungle.com and CardPool.com offer a secondary market where consumers can sell unwanted gift cards for a percentage of the card’s face value. For those who want to regift in a positive way, GiftCardDriver will send gift cards to nonprofit organizations. Some or-

ganizations also accept direct donations of “regifted” gift cards, which may be tax deductible.

Whether it’s a gift card or a gift, one person must be another one’s treasure.

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Readman scores 27 in Tigers' 70-60 victory vs. Dragons

By David Troppens
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Swartz Creek — Fenton senior Eric Readman loves playing in Swartz Creek’s tiny and cramped gym.

He showed why on Friday night. Readman scored a game-high 27 points, and either scored or assisted 11 of the Tigers’ 13 second-half field goals, leading the Tigers to a 70-60 Metro victory against Swartz Creek.

The win keeps Fenton (4-0) undefeated overall and in league play, while Swartz Creek (3-1) fell a game behind the Tigers.

“It’s definitely fun for me to play here. They have a great environment,” Readman said. “We’ve been working hard all week, preparing for this game. We came out as hard as we can. We knew if we did the right things we were going to win the game.”

Fenton trailed at one time 21-12 in the first quarter. However, Fenton ended the period with a Cory Cox trey, opened the second quarter with another Cox trey and followed it with a Readman three, tying the game at 21-all. The Tigers’ run grew to 15 straight points, eventually capped by a Mitch Shegos layup at 27-21. The Tigers never trailed again.

“The Tigers’ lead grew to as many as 51-40 in the third quarter on a driving layup by Readman. Fenton led 55-44 entering the fourth. In the fourth, Fenton got consecutive hoops by Cox, McKay Hamilton and Readman, raising the gap to 59-44 with 6:18 left.

Creek cut the gap to single-digits a couple of times, but James Claborn took a charge on Creek’s J.D. Tisdale’s slam with 1:30 left, effectively icing the game for the Tigers.

Readman had eight assists and six rebounds to go with his 27 points. Cox had 21 points and eight rebounds, while Shegos had 11 points, five rebounds, four assists and two steals. With starter Dannon Thomas plagued with foul troubles, the bench was asked to produce. It did. Claborn had five rebounds, while Hamilton had five rebounds and six fourth-quarter points.

“That’s what makes us such a good team,” Readman said. “We have those role players we can put in there. When someone like Dannon fouls out, we can put (Hamilton) in, and he hit the free throws down the stretch. James took the charge. That charge was huge. Those guys, right there, make the team.”

Of course, Readman’s biggest shot at Creek came in last year’s district final when he hit the game-winning shot against Clarkston.

For more on this game, go to www.tctimes.com.

Lake Fenton 63, Lakeville 52

Darian Welch scored a game-high 36 points, and also had five rebounds and four assists, leading the Blue Devils (1-2) to the win.

Welch hit on 17-of-20 free throws, netted nine two-pointers and two three-pointers. Jeff Burke chipped in 12 points, while Chase Hanson had seven points and six boards. Sawyer Scott also had six rebounds.

Holly 60, Brandon 44

Holly led 13-4 after one quarter. Joshua Simms had 13 points, while Morgan Baylis had 10 points. Michael Alexander chipped in nine points, while Logan Spiker had eight.
Fenton’s Cory Cox (left) will continue his basketball career at the collegiate level at Cornerstone University in the fall.
Blue Devils post split weekday decisions

Scott records doubles-doubles in both games

By David Troppens
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Lake Fenton — There was some good and some bad for the Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team on back-to-back days last week.

The Blue Devils ended the 48-hour period on a positive, earning a road victory at LakeVille 47-36 on Wednesday. However, Lake Fenton opened the week on Tuesday with a tight 46-42 loss at home against non-league foe Brandon.

Against LakeVille, the Blue Devils jumped to an 18-11 lead after one quarter and never trailed beyond that point. The Falcons tried to remain in the contest, but the Blue Devils’ second-half defense was outstanding, holding LakeVille to just 13 points in the last 16 minutes of the contest.

“We started strong (in the first quarter). In the second quarter we gave up too many uncontested baskets, but were able to hold our lead at seven points at the half,” Lake Fenton coach Matt Gildner said. “In the second half our defense carried us the rest of the way. There were fewer easy opportunities for LakeVille, and we played a little better possession.”

Jordan Newman led the Blue Devils’ offense with 17 points, while Sidney Scott had a double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Makezne Gifton netted 13 points and seven boards.

“Jordan Newman did a nice job driving to the basket and being aggressive,” Gildner said. “Makenzie was a force defensively, holding LakeVille’s leading... See BLUE DEVILS on 19A

Lake Fenton’s Sidney Scott scored a team-high 17 points in the Blue Devils’ 46-42 loss to Brandon on Tuesday night.

Eagles remain perfect, defeat Swartz Creek

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Slowly, Linden girls basketball coach Ben Varner is learning about his team.

Three games into the season, he must like what he sees.

The Eagles improved to 3-0 in the Metro and overall by defeating Swartz Creek 44-29 Tuesday night.

“The kids are playing pretty good,” Varner said.

“We’ve played three games and we’re playing pretty decent defense, that’s gotten better for us. That’s the main thing for us, we’ve been able to hold teams to not a lot of points.”

Linden opened each half with strong defensive efforts. The Eagles went on a 14-3 run in the first, and took a 27-13 lead into the second half. If the Dragons harbored any thoughts of getting back into the contest, the Eagles’ 13-4 third-quarter edge ended those ideas.

“We allowed three points in the first quarter and four in the third. We had two really good defensive quarters,” Varner said. “We got a little sloppy in the fourth. That’s something to work on. We have to make sure we play the fourth like we do the first three quarters.”

Kelsey Brecht continued to play well, earning her third straight double-digit offensive performance. She scored 10 points and also had four steals and four... See EAGLES on 19A

Linden’s Kelsey Brecht drives with the ball in a recent game. She scored 10 points in Linden’s 44-29 victory against Swartz Creek on Tuesday night.

[Tri-County Sports Article Image]

Lady Tigers’ balance leads squad to win vs. Kearsley

By David Troppens
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Fenton — Becki Moore likes the mindset of her Fenton varsity girls basketball team.

“Our kids, they really don’t get caught up in all that (the stats),” Moore said. “They understand they are all important and contribute in one way or the other.”

Moore can use Tuesday night’s game with Flint Kearsley as backing evidence.

The Tigers had three girls score 11 points and another three score at least six, leading the squad to a 62-22 home victory against the Hornets.

The Tigers held Kearsley to just 10 first-half points, while taking a 25-10 lead at the break.

“We came out pressing,” Moore said. “We had some miscommunications early on, but then picked it up halfway in the first quarter and the beginning of the second quarter.”

Any chance of a Kearsley come... See BALANCE on 19A

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Cox started playing at Fenton High School a year ago and helped lead the Tigers to their fourth straight Metro League championship and to the team’s first district title since 1990, and first Class A district championship ever. On that team, the Tigers will eventually have at least four players playing collegiate basketball.

Ryan Hickoff and Dylan Hickoff are currently playing at Division 2 Notre Dame College in Ohio. Cox’s teammate and fellow senior Eric Readman, who hit the game-winning shot in the district championship victory against Clarkston, is headed to Indiana Wesleyan. “Ryan and Dylan are signed. Eric has signed and Mitch (Shegos) and Damon (Thomas) will probably go sign to play football somewhere,” Cox said. “It’s cool to be part of something, a team that has college athletes on it. It feels pretty good.”

“It’s pretty exciting,” Olszewski said. “You know what goals I wanted to accomplish in the Flint Metro League, and we are accomplishing a lot of those goals. Not only us, but the other teams are finding success.”

The Tigers are off to a strong start this year, holding a 3-0 mark entering Friday’s contest with Swartz Creek. Cox has played a big role in that success, scoring 59 points in the three contests. Cox plays more of a swing position with the Tigers. He thinks he’ll probably play a similar role at Cornerstone. He realizes he needs to work on his game to be ready for next year.

“I see myself coming in and playing a wing position, something similar to what I play here,” Cox said.

“I’ll have to be physically stronger, because the speed of the game increases from high school to the college level no matter what college level it is. During the offseason I need to get in the weight room a lot, work on my speed and agility a lot.”

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assists. Maija Satkowiak led the Eagles’ offense by scoring a game-high 14 points. She also grabbed seven rebounds. Nikki Sargent chipped in eight points, while Rachel Starrs had six points.

Varner credited Rachel Maxheimer with a strong game at the point guard position as well.

“Rachel is running our offense and doing a very good job,” Varner said. “She’s got a lot of assists. She’s getting the ball to the right person. Sometimes when a person doesn’t score, she doesn’t get the credit she deserves, but Rachel is doing a great job. Maija had one of her best games in a long time and Kelsey is playing well and really consistent.”

Linden hosts Kearsley for a Flint Metro League contest on Tuesday at 7 p.m.
By William Axford

Michigan joined the ranks of 23 other states when Gov. Rick Snyder signed right-to-work (RTW) legislation into law Tuesday. Under RTW, employees do not have to join a union or pay dues if a union is associated with a business or service. The historic legislation attracted thousands to Lansing, where protestors and supporters stormed the Capitol. Those for the legislation claim businesses are attracted to right-to-work states; opponents state such laws diminish wages and workers’ rights.

Snyder’s legislation—called “Freedom to Work”—excludes police and fire unions. Unions and collective bargaining rights are still legal in Michigan.

As early as spring of this year, Snyder had stated he would not address RTW, calling it “divisive.” However, Snyder acted on RTW as retaliation against Proposition 2, which would have amended the state constitution to guarantee private and public-sector employees the right to collective bargaining and organizing. Proposition 2 failed in the November ballot.

According to a press release from Snyder’s office, “Gov. Snyder is pro-union and pro-worker...he believes Freedom to Work is one more way that we can help Michigan’s economy be more competitive, grow stronger, and produce more and better jobs for the people of our state.”

State Rep. Joseph Graves (R-Argentine Township), for the 51st District agrees with Gov. Snyder and sees the new law as a right step for Michigan’s future.

The historic legislation at Snyder’s legislation—called “Freedom to Work,” said State Sen. John Gleason (D-Flushing) of the 27th District. “You’ve always had the decision to work at a place with a union or no union. There’s a reason why one of the first groups of people Hitler got rid of was the trade unions.”

Even more disturbing to Gleason is the quick passage of the legislation. Gov. Snyder and Republicans presented RTW bills into the Capitol last week, without Democratic support. Republicans passed the law as an appropriation bill, which does not need veto power from the Governor would change his stance,” said Fenton teacher and FEA chief negotiator Vincent Moore Insurance Agency

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RTW cannot be properly gauged on their own. The economics of a state or a country has multiple contributing factors — history, access to natural resources, natural disasters, social events, etc.—that make it difficult to judge if RTW abates or expands economies and workers’ rights.

“We’re probably not going to see a sudden economic impact, good or bad,” Douglas said. “We might see Michigan’s name pop up on a list for certain corporations. (RTW) is going to put some strain on unions, but it’s not going to change the employment.”

According to a U.S. Department of Labor Statistics report on unions in 2011, 14.8 million workers — 11.8 percent of the workforce — are union members. The average union worker earned $938 weekly, compared to non-union workers who earned $729 weekly.

Michigan is home to 700,000 union workers. Only four other states have more union workers than Michigan.

Here’s what other organizations and people are saying about RTW:

Conservative research organization Mackinac Center for Public Policy believes RTW will boost jobs. Vincent Vernuccio of the center wrote, “Early in 2012, our neighbor Indiana became the 23rd state to enact a right-to-work law. Since January, Indiana has added 43,300 jobs, while Michigan lost 7,300. Indiana’s manufacturing sector is far outpacing ours by adding 13,900 jobs since January — Michigan lost 4,200... nine out of the top 10 of CNBC’s Top States for Business 2012 were right-to-work states. Indiana has moved up to 14th, while Michigan remains 35th.”

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Liberal think-tank ThinkProgress refers to the new legislation as “Right to Work for Less,” stating that workers in RTW states earn approximately $1,500 less per year in states that do not have RTW laws. “Moreover, right-to-work does not reduce unemployment. Indeed, right-to-work states such as Nevada, which has the nation’s highest unemployment rate, and North Carolina both have higher unemployment rates than Michigan. Not surprisingly, researchers found that right-to-work has “no significant positive impact whatsoever on employment.”

What local politicians have to say about RTW:

State Rep. Joseph Graves (R-Argentine Township): “The bottom line is that it’s freedom to choose for employees. It’s about workers’ rights. Once the dust settles, everyone will realize this is a good thing.”

State Sen. John Gleason (D-Flushing): “You’ve always had a decision to work in a place with a union or no union. There’s a reason why one of the first groups of people Hitler got rid of was the trade unions.”

What our readers said via Facebook:

Michael: “It’s a slap in the face to our ancestors and the Sit Downers who struck and fought for our worker’s rights. It’s about workers’ rights. Once the dust settles, everyone will realize this is a good thing.”

Brian: “It’s about time! I remember the union thugs coming around trying to unionize a small grocery store in Holly and forcing us to pay their dues. No way!”

Chad: “…it is already against federal law to force any American worker to join a union. Feel free to quit that position that comes with all the benefits that were fought for over the decades...”

Union members from across the state descended upon the Capitol this week, urging Gov. Snyder to veto the legislation claims opponents say the protests. Locally, no schools were closed but educators developed a plan to show their support for the protests.

“The Fenelon Education Association is disappointment -ed by the RTW legislation and really question why the Governor would change his stance,” said Fenton teacher and FEA chief negotiator Vincent Moore Insurance Agency

"This was in-your-face politics,” Gleason said. “It’s going to be very difficult for workers. There’s going to be a tremendous amount of acrimony.”

Anger on both sides as Michigan becomes right-to-work state

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Manager Jerry Walker in early September, citing unbearable working conditions. She reported sexual harassment by Walker and council member Tom Clark, which was also investigated.

Overall, the performance investigation found that only four of the 19 complaints against the former chief indicated breaks in departmental policies. The report also indicated that many of these complaints could have been handled in a grievance process and some even fell under the “purview of the discretion of the Chief of Police.”

Officer Craig Simpson also offered six additional complaints and all but one was reported to break policy.

One of the more than a dozen current former department employees felt the Danishevskaya was doing an additional reason would be for Mr. Walker to attempt to build a case against me in anticipation of litigation.”

As of press time, Danishevskaya has not filed a lawsuit, but did submit a complaint to the Equal Opportunity Employment Commission (E.E.O.C.) early this fall, which Hughes said has not turned up any findings.

There is no possible way anyone could fairly assess my performance without taking into account the fact that I had been forced to file a discrimination/harassment complaint against Mr. Walker and Councilman Clark and was dealing with the consequences,” she concluded.

HOT LINE CONTINUED
IN THE PAST, corporations were intransigent, unaccountable, and hungry for power, so unions were organized. Fast forward to the present, unions have not only become intransigent, unaccountable and hungry for power, they added bullying, intimidation, and destruction to their repertoire so right-to-work was established. Unions have become what they despise.

SO THE DDA makes this big splash about a $500 gift card giveaway on Jinglefest. Bring them your receipts and get an entry in the pot. Who won?

THE DEMONSTRATORS ARE upset that Snyder signed the RTW legislation after hours, and in private. I didn’t hear them complaining when Obamacare was done the same way. And that affects every citizen in the country, not just one small segment.

UNION MEMBERS HAVE the right to protest, the same as any organization, as long as they don’t break the law. That is a fundamental right in America. Whether or not I agree with them, or any other peaceful protestors, makes no difference.

WHY WOULD ANYONE care that anybody protests against their government? I would be happy to join a protest against the government’s criminally high taxes that we are forced to pay to supportbums who won’t work. Tell me when and where and I’ll be there, and I won’t be as civil and well-mannered as the union demonstrators were.
Lightningboltz members aim to be state champs, advance to worldwide competition

By Olivia Dimmer
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Tinkering with wrenches, power tools and wiring, a group of middle school kids (with the help of Kettering University students and volunteer GM engineers) designed, constructed, and programmed a robot. This robot was designed to be able to hang 5-inch circular tubes on racks or, as adviser Kim Weber said, to play a big game of tic-tac-toe.

“The kids performed flawlessly, they never lost a round,” Weber said. “Scores were like 151-5, we dominated. And as a rookie team, we were in awe.”

During the eight matches that the Lightningboltz competed in, not one was lost. The Lightningboltz team was established in September, after participants from the recently disbanded Lego team pushed for their own robotics team. The team is comprised of kids from surrounding middle schools, but is based in Fenton.

“The kids wanted to move on to robotics,” Weber said. “Some high school kids got their little brothers or sisters. Most of the kids were strangers when they first met.”

The Lightningboltz also won the Inspire Award at the Hartland competition, the highest honor that a robotics team can earn. This means they were a contender for every other award that was given.

Team captain Andrew Killian, 13, has three years experience in robotics from being in Lego league, an engineering team for younger children. His interest in engineering began in the sixth grade.

“I learned from my neighbor, who I went with to one of the meetings,” Andrew said. “I want to be an aerospace engineer when I grow up.”

Andrew’s younger brother, Jack, is also a member of the Lightningboltz and hopes to go into mechanical or aerospace engineering as well.

The state finals for the robotics team was scheduled for Friday, Dec. 14 and Saturday, Dec. 15, when the Lightningboltz will learn if they are eligible to participate in the world competition being held in St. Louis, Mo., in April.
Meet Hannah Twining

By Sally Rummel

Hannah Twining, 28, has been bartending and serving dining patrons at the Fenton Hotel for five years. She graduated from Lake Fenton High School in 2002. She takes great pride in customer service, and loves building relationships with the “regulars” she serves.

How did you happen to get into bartending? I started at the Fenton Hotel as a server, working my way through school when I attended Michigan State University. I just fell into it. The years go by fast and I’m still here.

What do you like the most, and least, about your job? I like the atmosphere, because it’s never the same from day to day. I don’t like it when I go to work not feeling very social, because I have to be “on” at all times. But I’ve noticed that my mood changes once I get here and start talking to people. It lifts my spirits.

What’s the best advice you’ve ever gotten from a customer? They give me all sorts of advice, mostly to go back to school! But I don’t really know what I want to do in the future, so that’s why I haven’t gone back. I’m pretty satisfied doing what I do here at the Fenton Hotel.

What’s the funniest thing that has ever happened to you while bartending? I watched a big University of Michigan fan get so mad when Michigan State beat Wisconsin during a sports event on TV that he had a temper tantrum and stormed out. People-watching in general is pretty interesting.

What’s the most important part of your job as a bartender? Building relationships. I try to remember peoples’ names and their drinks when they come in. I also have to be accurate and efficient. Time management is key. You’ve got to be good at multi-tasking with multiple drink orders at the same time.

Is the description “a mean drunk” accurate? People change as they drink. Their mood is exaggerated, so if they’re happy when they start drinking, they get happier. If they’re sad or moody, they get moodier.

Have you ever called a person a cab after they’ve been drinking? We’ve had to do this a couple of times, and have even driven someone home, but it’s not the norm. Part of my job is to watch people preventatively and get them to slow down a bit if they’re drinking way too much. We’re here to watch out for our customers’ best interests.

What’s the biggest tip you ever received? I got $100 from one customer a couple of years ago. I sure didn’t see that coming, I think it was a “pay it forward” kind of thing. Most of our pay is based on tips, but it’s not about what I want to get — it’s what they want to give. I’ve seen tips go down a little in the last couple of years, but most people still tip about 20 percent. It’s all good. During our busy holiday season, a good bartender can make $300 or $400 a weekend night in tips, but that doesn’t happen all the time. I live modestly today because you never know how much you’ll make tomorrow.

Are you a morning person or a night owl? Definitely a night owl. I have to go home and unwind for a few hours before I go to bed.

Have you ever been scared while you’ve been bartending? There have been a few times when a customer gets to the point that you’re not sure what he’ll do next, maybe a fight or something like that. But there’s never been anything directed at me. For the most part, it’s a fun group to be around. They know how to behave. I can have a good time with our customers rather than having to watch over them.

Do you notice a difference in behavior when there’s a full moon? We rare think that is does — sometimes it doesn’t even have to be a full moon!

Anything special that you’ve learned from being a bartender? Patience for dealing with people and customer service. I’ve had to learn to have tolerance for people with different personalities from my own.

Do you have a favorite drink of your own? I love all the new craft beers. My favorite is the Dark Horse Raspberry. It’s made in Marshall at the Dark Horse Brewery.

What would you like to say to your customers, if you ever have the chance? Just how much we appreciate you coming in and bringing your friends.
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What to expect when adopting a pet, including fees, process and time span

Adopt-A-Pet gives a step-by-step breakdown of how the adoption process works

By Olivia Dimmer • news@tctimes.com

You’ve decided that you want to adopt a pet. Now what?

Taking the first step of adopting an animal from Adopt-A-Pet would be to schedule a visit if there is an animal there you are interested in. A potential parent can also look on Adopt-A-Pet’s website, Adoptapet-fenton.com.

If a person is looking for a specific animal, Diane Gale, the office manager for Adopt-A-Pet recommends calling the office ahead of time to make sure the animal hasn’t already been adopted, or isn’t in foster care. A foster care animal stays off-site with another volunteer family that helps get the animal (mostly dogs) acclimated to living in a home.

“We do this so the animals that came from a puppy mill or from hoarders will learn what it’s supposed to be like to be a dog,” Gale said. “Some of them have never had a family or a warm bed to sleep in.”

Setting up a first date to meet an animal is typically the next step in this process. Adopt-A-Pet also allows potential pet parents to bring in any animals they have at home to meet the new animal to make sure they will get along. If a person is planning to have their adopted animal be the only animal, this person can come see their would-be pet and get a feel for the animal’s personality.

Adoption services will also ask questions about the parent, such as where the animal will be living, how many people are in that home, how the animal will fit into the family and if there are small children to take into consideration. The staff also takes the time to educate potential adopters about the animal, such as where they came from and what their needs are.

See PERFECT PET on 5B
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Fenton VFW raises $3,000 for families of veterans

By William Axford
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Thanks to businesses and members of the community, the Curtis-Wolverton Veterans of Foreign War (VFW) Post in Fenton has raised nearly $3,000 for families and veterans in need. The annual “Lest We Forget” has been in operation for 30 years, according to Hazel O’Neill, chairperson of the program.

“This year we’ve had a really outstanding response from the community,” said O’Neill. Masonic Lodge 109 of Fenton, Uncle Ray’s, Sharp Funeral Homes, The State Bank and VO’s Grocery are some of the businesses that have contributed to Lest We Forget program this year.

The program donates clothing, food and presents to children in the local area whose father or mother has died in combat, is currently deployed or has just returned from deployment. Donations are also used for veterans in need. This year, 11 families will receive goods from the Fenton VFW, with 26 children in total getting a boost this Christmas.

“It’s an exciting program,” O’Neill said. “Patriotism is high in our country right now. All of these families have a story.”

Families who receive donations remain anonymous. Though donations for this Holiday Season are already collected, the Fenton VFW collects donations and goods year-round. To donate, contact the VFW at (810) 629-3700.

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EMILY ELIZABETH BURGESS
Lauren Marie Burgess announces the birth of her sister, Emily Elizabeth Burgess, born Oct. 30, 2012 at 3:22 p.m. She weighed 8 lbs., 15 ozs., and was 21 inches long. Jeffrey and Jennifer Burgess are the proud parents. Maternal grandparents are Chuck and Mary Schulz, and the groom’s parents, Thomas and Terri Fox. A reception was held at the Junior Fair Building at the Marshfield Fairgounds Park. After the reception, the newlyweds took a trip to Milwaukee, Wis., after which they returned to their residence in Marshfield, Wis.

Fox

Tracey Anne Schulz of Marshfield, Wis. became the bride of Gregory Robert Fox, formerly of Fenton, now a resident of Marshfield, Wis., on Sept. 15, 2012. The ceremony, held at Our Lady of Peace in Marshfield, Wis., was performed by Father Eric Berns. Attending the couple were April Schulz of Madison, Wis. as matron of honor, Amanda Gorke of Racine, Wis. as maid of honor, and Dominic Stone of Commerce Township as best man. The honorary bride was the bride’s sister, Bethany Schulz of Marshfield, Wis. Bridesmaids were Candace Stone of Commerce Township, Amanda Dvoran of Marshfield, Wis., and Tiffany Kloss of Tomahawk, Wis. Groomsmen were Steven Fox of Grand Blanc, Ryan Langford of Buffalo Grove, Ill., Randy Langford of Fenton, Jason Robbins of Madison, Wis., and Josh Dvoran of Marshfield, Wis. Personal attendants were Ashley Frederick of Marshfield, Wis., and Sharon Dvoran of Vesper, Wis. Ushers were Patrick Wingert of Marshfield, Wis., and Craig Suder of Marshfield, Wis. Also in attendance were the bride’s parents, Wayne and Mary Schulz, and the groom’s parents, Thomas and Terri Fox. A reception was held at the Junior Fair Building at the Marshfield Fairgrounds Park. After the reception, the newlyweds took a trip to Milwaukee, Wis., after which they returned to their residence in Marshfield, Wis.

Burgess

The former Jaclyn Victoria Klann of Fraser became the bride of Steven James Burgess of Fenton Friday, Aug. 24, 2012. The wedding took place at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Richmond, after which a reception was held at The Inn at St. John’s in Plymouth. Attending the couple were Amanda Shaner and Jamie Scott as maids of honor, and Jeffrey Burgess and Brett McAndrew as best men. Bridesmaids were Jennifer Slater, Jenna VanCouwenberge, and Lindsay Anstess. Groomsmen were Robert Burgess Jr., David Klann, and James Adams. Flower girls were Lauren Burgess and Lucy Hopkins. Jaclyn is the daughter of Laurence and Linda Klann of Fraser, and is employed by Clarkson Schools as a teacher. Her husband is the son of Robert and Kathy Burgess of Fenton, and is a glazier at Calvin & Co. in Flint. The newlyweds plan to honeymoon on a Caribbean cruise in February 2013, after which they will return to their residence in Grand Blanc.

Social News
Doomsday is predicted to occur on December 21, when a cycle of the ancient Mayan calendar ends with the winter solstice in 2012.

Are you prepared?

Braxton Southwick, featured on National Geographic Channel’s Doomsday Preppers, is convinced a weaponized smallpox terrorist attack, or something similarly horrible, is inevitable. He is 40, and his research has led him to believe a biological attack “will happen in my lifetime.” Southwick and his wife, Kara, also 40, and their six children, ages 13-21, have been stockpiling supplies for their Doomsday.

Their family reflects a new preparedness instinct that has been growing since the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

Shelter builders saw a flurry of business right after 9/11, again after the financial meltdown in 2008, and in 2010, when predictions of a Dec. 21 end of the world — derived from interpretations of a Mayan calendar — hit popular culture.

Some preppers have considered ramping up efforts since President Obama’s re-election, convinced it means the economy will soon collapse in a cascade of debt. Some are using Superstorm Sandy’s devastating impact on the populous Northeast as a sign that the need for prepping is obvious.

According to NASA Space Scientist David Morrison, “There is no threat to earth in 2012.” The official response from NASA comes because Morrison says he gets messages every week from people as young as 11 who say they are ill or contemplating suicide over the pending doomsday. “There is no true issue here,” said Morrison. “This is just a manufactured fantasy.”

Source: USA Today

Finding a ‘friend’ for the apocalypse?

National Geographic Channel conducted an online survey with 1,040 people to find out how they would spend their final days. Here are some of the results.

17% of men would most like to spend their last days with Jennifer Aniston

23% of women wanted to spend their final days with actor George Clooney

Others include Megan Fox (12%), Scarlett Johansson (11%) and Angelina Jolie (10%).

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The UPS Store in Fenton
Remolds to continue its lead in technology, printing

By Sally Rummel
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The UPS Store in Fenton is top in printing, and local franchise owner Les Beare plans to keep it that way.

Thanks to a recent store remodel, The UPS Store has relocated its printing and finishing equipment “front and center” on the store’s main floor — providing a better work flow for the printing process and more visibility for the customer. “I lead the 53 Michigan UPS Store franchises in print volume and I’m committed to taking it to the next level,” said Beare, now in his 25th year of store ownership.

His state-of-the-art equipment provides banners, blueprints, business cards, posters, flyers, brochures, laminates, invitations and more for businesses, municipalities, organizations and individuals. “Now we can run it, print it, laminate it and finish it, all in one area,” said Beare. “Thanks to today’s technology, you can email us your print job and we can have it ready for you in a day. We’re very proud of our quick turn-around time.”

In addition to the new work area, customers will notice a brand new décor, completely updated and upgraded to the standards of the newest UPS Stores. A new color scheme, furnishings, carpet and cabinetry offer a whole new look and an additional work station for shipping and updated décor, showcasing its printing capabilities and updated decor.

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Finding peace at Christmas

The Middle East, where Christ was born, has been a troubled region for thousands of years. Jerusalem means ‘city of peace’ or ‘foundation of peace,’ but the history of that historic city has been a continuing story of war and destruction.

Biblical prophecies said peace would finally come and be brought by a child who would be born of a virgin: ‘Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign: Behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel’ (Isaiah 7:14), adding: ‘For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, the everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace’ (Isaiah 9:6).

This child who would bring peace must be born in Bethlehem, not far from Jerusalem (Micah 5:2), so the Roman Empire would be brought into the miracle by enacting a tax and census that required people to return to their hometowns to pay their taxes. This brought Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem and made possible the fulfillment of Micah’s prophecy.

There in Bethlehem’s stable, Mary gave birth to her promised son. Angels then gave his first birth announcement to shepherds who were on night watch to protect their sheep and a chorus of angels lifted their voices in praise to God with these now familiar words: “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men” (Luke 2:14).

On that holy night, the promise of the coming Prince of Peace was fulfilled. Why then do war, crime and violence continue? Good question. One that I once pondered while writing a poem:

‘The angels came announcing peace The night of Jesus’ lovely birth; Yet trouble here still does not cease, And wars and wrongs remain on earth.

What’s the answer to this poetic predicament? The Bible speaks of peace in three dimensions: peace with God, the peace of God and world peace. But how do these three partitions of peace affect you and me?

World peace is yet to come, finally ending wars and international tensions. At that time, the prophecies about the coming Prince of Peace will be completely fulfilled.

Peace with God is personal, having to do with forgiveness of sins; being right with God through faith in the stable born Savior, who is the reason for this season. Personal peace arrives when we stop trembling and start trusting God completely. In his timeless carol, ‘I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day,’ Henry W. Longfellow expresses this comforting truth: ‘Then pealed the bells both loud and deep: God is not dead: nor doth He sleep; His state-of-the-art equipment provides banners, blueprints, business cards, posters, flyers, brochures, laminates, invitations and more for businesses, municipalities, organizations and individuals. “Now we can run it, print it, laminate it and finish it, all in one area,” said Beare. “Thanks to today’s technology, you can email us your print job and we can have it ready for you in a day. We’re very proud of our quick turn-around time.”

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If there is something about the home or the animal that is not a match, Adopt-A-Pet will refer those still looking for a companion to another animal that may best suit their situation.

**The cost of the animal** is also a factor that needs to be considered. Although the pets are being adopted, there are still fees associated with taking the animal home. Kittens up to 6 months of age cost around $120, while older cats can be anywhere from $80-100, depending on the age of the cat and how long the animal has been at the shelter.

Dogs over 6 months cost about $150, and dogs under 6 months can go for $250. Small breed dogs range in price from $250-300. There is also a senior-to-senior program that matches older dogs to senior citizens and is run on a donation basis.

**Before animals are given up for adoption,** they are spayed/neutered, microchipped, inspected for heartworm and other parasites, vaccinated, and otherwise given a clean bill of health by a veterinarian.

“**The animals have to be healthy before we give them to our families,**” Gale said. “The animals are a package deal and ready to go when people get them.”

Animals that are not healthy enough for families are set aside in separate rooms, away from other animals. Families can still view and even pre-adopt an animal before it is healed, as long as the illness is not anything serious.

“A family can take a sick animal home and treat it as their own pet, as long as they come back to give the animal the medicine or procedures it needs.”

— Diane Gale, office manager for Adopt-A-Pet

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | OLIVIA DIMMER

Alice Shirley finishes the final paperwork and signs her name, agreeing to take care of her new cat to the best of her ability.

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The Shirley’s cat (left) says goodbye to one of his fellow felines up for adoption.

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The Shirley family carries their new family member home in a white cardboard carrier filled with blankets.

**Acupuncture & Herbal Clinic**

Integrates eastern and western philosophies, practices for natural balance, healing

By Sally Rummel

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Here’s where the East meets West. At Acupuncture & Herbal Clinic in Fenton, both eastern medical philosophies and western medical practices are integrated to restore the body’s own healing and natural balance.

Owner Michal Kelly, L.Ac., Dipl.O.M., is a licensed and board certified acupuncturist and Chinese herbalist. She specializes in women’s health, including infertility and digestive disorders.

Kelly purchased the clinic in November 2011 and has expanded her practice to include two additional practitioners. “My vision has been for our clinic to be a center for healing,” said Kelly. “Where one practitioner leaves off, another picks up, creating a center that can meet the needs of a variety of patients.”

Greeting patients at the reception desk and handling office administration is Ellen Lawler.

Located at 2272 Fenton Rd. next to The Retreat Salon & Skin Spa, Acupuncture & Herbal Clinic offers traditional Chinese medicine, including acupuncture, herbs, Tui Na, Qi Gong, cupping, Gua Sha, electrical stimulation and holistic nutritional counseling.

**Newly added to the staff include:**

- Suzy Sikora, MH, NHP, CCH a certified natural health practitioner, who practices Western herbalism, hypnosis and trancellw, craniosacral therapy, reflexology, iridology/sclerology, homeopathy, energy balancing, raindrop therapy and compess biofeedback scan.
- Lee Indianer, CMT, a massage and body work practitioner, who offers deep tissue massage, sports massage, connective tissue release, psychosomatic yoga, I Ching and palliative massage.

Acupuncture & Herbal Clinic and The Retreat Salon & Skin Spa joined forces and recently celebrated their dual expansions at a Holiday Open House on Saturday, Dec. 8.

Gift certificates for Christmas giving are also available at Acupuncture & Herbal Clinic. Hours vary by practitioner. For more information, call (810) 714-5556 or visit fentonacupuncture.com.

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | OLIVIA DIMMER

Alice and Ron Shirley, of Davison, hold their new family member in hopes of taking him home. This cat will be their ‘baby’ as Alice called him, and they will let their granddaughter rename him.

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Holiday Gifts for our furry friends

Paw’s Corner suggests: Anything that looks cozy, fun and safe for pets is a good bet. I’ve always appreciated even small gifts like a cute bandana for my dog or small catnip toys for my cat. If you’re looking for gifts beyond stocking stuffers, here are some that are fun and safe for pets.

Travel safety: A number of products have come on the market to keep dogs and cats safe in the car, from traditional travel crates to seatbelts that keep Fido securely in his seat.

Dog and cat beds: From a simple padded windowsill seat to “kitty condo” play complexes that cats can wander through, cat owners appreciate these combination scratching posts and rest areas.

Cat furniture: From a simple padded windowsill seat to “kitty condo” play complexes that cats can wander through, cat owners appreciate these combination scratching posts and rest areas.

Toys: I really like Kong chew toys, which are nearly impossible to damage and can be filled with peanut butter or another treat.

Helicopter parents hover over daughter’s trip

DEAR AMY: My daughter is 20. She met a young man a few summers ago. Things have become “serious” (her words), and they are celebrating their one-year anniversary. He lives in Tennessee (11 hours away by car), and she attends college near our home. He visited her during spring break last year, and we met him briefly during that time. He now expects her to visit him for a few days after Christmas. I’m told she will stay in his sister’s room at his parent’s house (He has an apartment near campus). I’m told she may visit him for a few days after Christmas.

I keep thinking about all the things that can go wrong such as her being ill or hurt, them breaking up, potential abuse, problems with transit predators, etc. I trust her, but not him. What do you recommend? — Concerned Parents

DEAR CONCERNED: She should provide her boyfriend’s and his folks’ phone numbers so you can call to thank them for their hospitality, but this will be an opportunity for you to get to know one another. Give her all of your parental warnings about bus station transit predators and unprotected boyfriend sex, and ask her to take your calls and to check in with you each day.

DEAR AMY: My sister-in-law bought 11 or 12 pieces per guest. But if you’re only serving hors d’oeuvres and cocktails, you should count on at least 12 pieces per guest.

Plan on each guest consuming three alcoholic drinks, and make sure to provide non-alcoholic drinks as well.

If you’re serving a meal, allow four to six hours d’oeuvres per guest. But if you’re only serving hors d’oeuvres and cocktails, you should count on at least 12 pieces per guest.

Prepare some dishes that can be served at room temperature, so you don’t have to worry about your hot entree getting cold or your ice-cream dessert melting.

Source: foodnetwork.com

Unless you know otherwise, assume you’ll have at least one vegetarian guest. Make sure to have some hearty meatless options available.

As a general rule, a portion of meat is 1/4 to 1/3 pound per person.

Cover the light sensor to dim the screen

You may not have realized it, but there’s an ambient light sensor somewhere in the area above the LCD screen. This sensor adjusts the brightness of your screen when you unlock your iPhone depending on the brightness around you.

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Source: foodnetwork.com

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I keep thinking about all the things that can go wrong such as her being ill or hurt, them breaking up, potential abuse, problems with transit predators, etc. I trust her, but not him. What do you recommend? — Concerned Parents

DEAR CONCERNED: She should provide her boyfriend’s and his folks’ phone numbers so you can call to thank them for their hospitality, but this will be an opportunity for you to get to know one another. Give her all of your parental warnings about bus station transit predators and unprotected boyfriend sex, and ask her to take your calls and to check in with you each day.

DEAR AMY: My sister-in-law bought 11 or 12 pieces per guest. But if you’re only serving hors d’oeuvres and cocktails, you should count on at least 12 pieces per guest.

Plan on each guest consuming three alcoholic drinks, and make sure to provide non-alcoholic drinks as well.

If you’re serving a meal, allow four to six hours d’oeuvres per guest. But if you’re only serving hors d’oeuvres and cocktails, you should count on at least 12 pieces per guest.

Prepare some dishes that can be served at room temperature, so you don’t have to worry about your hot entree getting cold or your ice-cream dessert melting.

As a general rule, a portion of meat is 1/4 to 1/3 pound per person.

Cover the light sensor to dim the screen

You may not have realized it, but there’s an ambient light sensor somewhere in the area above the LCD screen. This sensor adjusts the brightness of your screen when you unlock your iPhone depending on the brightness around you.

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NOTICE TO RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS IN ROSE TOWNSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ROSE TOWNSHIP DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW will be held on Tuesday, December 11, 2012 in the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, in Rose Township at 9:00 AM until all business is completed. This meeting is held for the purpose of correcting clerical errors, mutual mistakes, mathematical calculations, reviewing homestead qualifications and hardship/poverty claims and any other appeals allowed by the law(s) governing the Board of Review.

Persons interested in submitting information to the Board of Review are asked to contact the Township Assessor prior to December 11, 2012 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at (248) 634-7551.

Persons needing assistance to attend the Board of Review due to physical handicap should contact the Rose Township Clerk, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan (248) 634-8701 at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Debbie Miller, CMC
Rose Township Clerk
PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF LINDEN GENESSEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any person or persons removing personal property from a residential or commercial premises and placing said personal property in the front lawn or street right-of-way in violation of Chapter 8.04 of the City of Linden Municipal Code as a result of a foreclosure or eviction proceeding is guilty of a misdemeanor.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any personal property so deposited in the front lawn as a result of a foreclosure or eviction proceeding is guilty of a misdemeanor.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 2.030.010, ESTABLISHED: COMPOSITION; TERMS OF MEMBERS GENERALLY; SECTION 2.030.020, ORGANIZATION; SECTION 2.030.030, CONTROL OF PARKS AND PUBLIC GROUNDS; AND SECTION 2.030.050, APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS

THE CITY OF LINDEN ORDINS:

2.030.010 Established; composition; terms of members generally. There is hereby established a Parks and Recreation Commission for the City which shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the City Council for terms set forth in Section 2.030.050. Five (5) of the members shall be registered electors of the City and serve three (3) terms. Two (2) advisory members may be residents of the City and at least 16 years of age and will serve one year terms. Three (3) members present shall be a quorum. All vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any vacancies at the time of expiration of the term of reappointments shall be filled for a term of three (3) years.

2.030.020 Organization. The Parks and Recreation Commission shall, at the first meeting of each year, elect a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, and a secretary. The Commission shall keep a correct record of the proceedings and shall meet at such times as it may determine but not less than once each quarter. The meetings of the Parks and Recreation Commission shall be subject to the Open Meetings Act at such times as it may determine but not less than once each quarter. The meetings of the Parks and Recreation Commission shall be subject to the Open Meetings Act at such times as it may determine but not less than once each quarter. The meetings of the Parks and Recreation Commission shall be subject to the Open Meetings Act.

2.030.030 Control of parks and public grounds. The Parks and Recreation Commission shall have the power and the duty to make recommendations regarding all public parks, waterfronts or lakes as allowed by Michigan Law, and any lands or lots heretofore devised and bequeathed to or purchased by the City for park purposes.

2.030.040 Receipts; donations disposition of funds. All receipts on account of the city parks, whether arising from rental fees, donations, sale of any part thereof, or of any lands so willed and devised by any persons to the City, shall be exclusively expended and applied under the direction and control of the City Council. All payments of rents, fees, donations or other monies shall be paid at City Hall. In the event that any money is paid to acqiiy employee not at City Hall or to a member of the Parks and Recreation Committee, that payment shall be paid to the appropriate official at City Hall as soon as practicable. All such money shall be placed in the general fund of the City. Any recommendations of the Parks and Recreation Commission will be considered prior to such expenditures.

2.030.050 Initial appointments of members. This section is amended to conform with Section 2.030.010 above.

2.030.060 Publication and effective date. This ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Linden and become effective ten (10) days after its publication.

ENACTED at a regular meeting of the Linden City Council held on the 10th day of December, 2012.

THE CITY OF LINDEN

By: ___________________________
   Lynn M. Henry, City Clerk

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At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Groveland Township Board, held on Monday, December 10, 2012 the following changes were approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

2012-003, UJF ORTIVILLE, LLC CAMP Tamarack, SEC. 22, 2-200-100-00, SOUTH OF M-66, NORTH OF M-24, SOUTH OF MI-33, EAST OF M-66, 500acres REZONE RF (Rural Estate Farm) TO RC (Residential)

This amendment will become effective thirty (30) days after publication in the Citizen and Tri-County Times newspapers as required by law. A copy of the complete rezoning is available for your inspection at the Groveland Township Office, 4655 Grange Hall Road, Holly, MI 48442, during regular business hours.
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