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ONLINE
COMMENTS

HOT LINE: **TIMES**

"I read your older generation article to my blind, 90 year old grandfather. We laughed harder than we did last week when I read him the younger generation article. Thanks Times, as always, for the clever, creative writing. Keep it up."

HOT LINE: **TAXES**

"I just got my tax bill, have you gone completely insane Fenton? You actually believe that my home increased in value \$6,000 last year? Does the fool who does this even live in this city? You are as corrupt as the federal government."

HOT LINE: **FIREARM LAW**

"Are you aware that recently the Democrats in Seattle, Wash. attempted to put a law in place allowing the local sheriff to enter homes

to inspect for proper firearm storage? Yep — this is true. Check out the Seattle Times."

HOT LINE: **FENTON CINEMA**

"You had the same opportunity as everyone else to purchase the Fenton Cinema and turn it into whatever you wanted. Stop complaining."

**HOT LINE
of the week**

"You conservatives and tea-partiers need to quit whining, shut up and accept the fact that President Obama is, in fact, the president, elected by the majority of Americans. What part of that don't you get?"



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covering the events
and details of the 2013
Fenton Community Expo



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The role of a community newspaper

By William Axford
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Business owners in Linden are resting a little easier now that Linden City Council has chosen to not assess back sewer tap-in fees. Had the tap-in fees been implemented, the city would have raised at least \$240,000. Many business owners said city officials were trying to assess sewer fees that reached more than 20 years into the past.

Some would believe that stories such as this, brought to light by community newspapers, might have contributed to the city dropping the idea. While the Times is not as far reaching as the Detroit Free Press or News, smaller community newspapers (those with a circulation less than 30,000) serve a niche and readership that bigger newspapers often disregard. It may be easy to overlook

See **NEWSPAPER**
on 15A

"A community newspaper that holds the government accountable is a valuable asset."

John Hartman,
CMU Professor



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELLO

Pressman Mike Sweeney of Grand Blanc Printing checks pages of the Midweek Times while it rolls off the press Tuesday night.

Schools risk losing \$7,000 for each late kindergarten enrollment

►Parents must enroll kids in home district by June 1

By Sharon Stone
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With age requirement changes being gradually implemented in for kindergarten students, Linda

Mora, the director of Early Childhood Learning at the World of Wonder Ellen Street Campus for Fenton schools, has some concerns. Mora's biggest concern

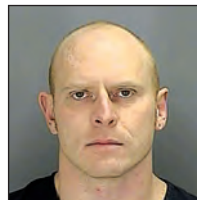
is the June 1 enrollment deadline, which if not met could decide if the school district receives state aid for that pupil, which is

See **SCHOOLS** on 8A

Summary

►Districts across the state are studying changes to the age requirement of kindergarteners. If parents don't meet deadlines, schools stand to lose out on state aid.

Medical marijuana dispensary manager faces 25 years, eight felonies



Peter Trzos

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Peter Trzos, the manager of Well Greens in Holly, has been arraigned by two separate courts and is facing up to eight felony charges. The Keego Harbor man faces

three counts at the 52-2 District Court in Independence Township and five counts at the 48th District Court in Bloomfield Township. He is out on bond. Felony firearms, three counts of intent to manufacture and deliver

marijuana, and possession of analogues (steroids) are some of the charges Trzos faces. He is also charged for having brass knuckles, which is considered possession of a dangerous weapon.

See **FELONIES** on 14A

Widow's home burglarized while attending husband's funeral

►Thieves may have targeted house while family at visitation

By Sharon Stone

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You wouldn't think it could happen right here in the Fenton area, but it did. One local family was already coping with a death in their family, and is now dealing with burglaries at homes of two family members.

Elaine Kinsman's 65-year-old husband Doug passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 12. They live in the Hills of Tyrone, just south of Fenton City limits in Livingston County.

Kinsman and the rest of her family went to the funeral home for visitation and were away from their homes from about 3:45 to just after 9 p.m. on Thursday, Feb 14.

When she arrived home, Kinsman noticed that the French doors from her deck to her dining room were open. Acknowledging that she might have been distracted, she couldn't remember

See **THIEVES** on 20A

"It's disheartening that those people are in the world."

Elaine Kinsman

Widow of Doug Kinsman



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Doug Kinsman died on Feb. 12 and during visitation on Feb. 14, his wife's and their daughter's homes were burglarized.



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Police & Fire report

BASKETBALL HOOP STOLEN

The Holly Police Department received a larceny of a basketball backboard and rim complaint on Feb. 20. According to police records, a property inspector working for HUD was inspecting a vacant home in the 3300 block of Grange Hall Road when he noticed that the item, valued at \$50 was missing from the driveway. Nothing else was missing or damaged. There are no suspects at this time.

RADIATORS STOLEN FROM HOLLY BUSINESS

On Wednesday, Feb. 13, a Holly police officer responded to an auto parts business in the 400 block of Cogshall to investigate a break-in. An employee reported that they noticed the door to a storage trailer was open. The employee said 100 radiators were stolen from the trailer. The officer followed a trail of footprints in the snow that ended near tire tracks on the side of the business. The business said each radiator was valued at \$50. Police have no suspects.

HHS STUDENT CAUGHT WITH POT

On Feb. 20, Holly police took custody of an 18-year-old Holly High School male student who was found to be in possession of marijuana. A staff member at the school initially reported to the principal that the student

See **POLICE** on 10A

Chief Aro: We're not out to raise money through traffic tickets

► Up to patrol officers whether or not to issue a traffic citation

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro has heard of the practice of ticket "fundraising" but says, "I don't believe in that. That's not what our job is, we just try to go out and do what's right."

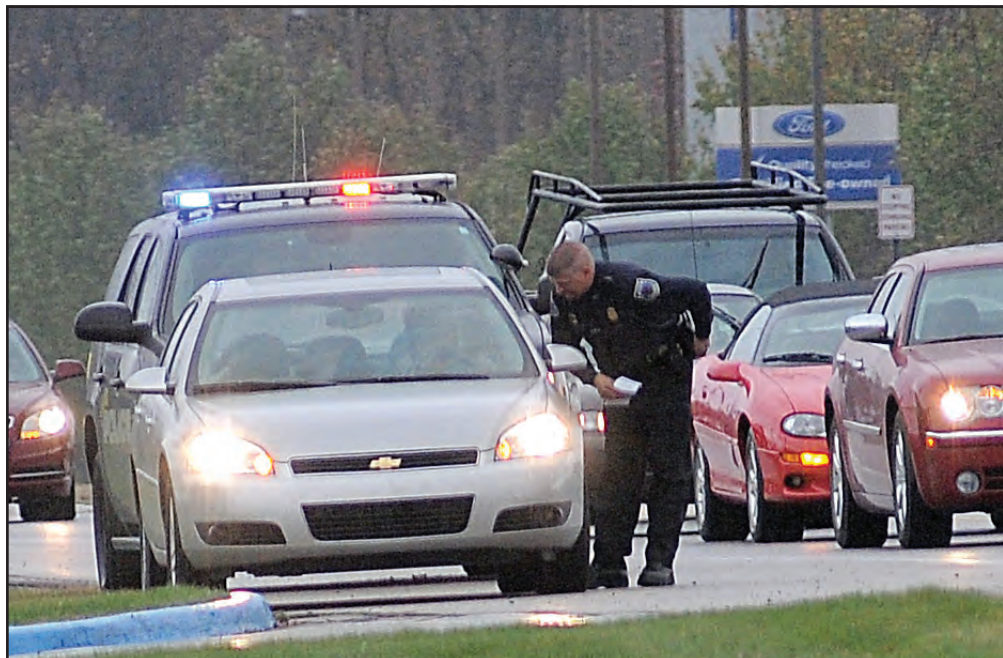
Local police departments also don't set the prices you pay for traffic infractions — the Director of Court Operations along with the Chief Judge does. Magistrate Rhonda Carey chooses fines that aren't defined in the schedule.

When a traffic ticket is paid, the income is divided a few ways, depending on whether it was a state law, or local ordinance for which the ticket was written, said Carey. In either case, a \$40 state assessment fee is taken from the ticket. In a local ordinance, two-thirds of the remaining fine goes to the county, and one third goes to the municipality.

See **TICKETS** on 20A

Summary

► If officers aren't on a call or doing paperwork, they're patrolling the streets. Assigning a ticket is up to the officer, and the fees are decided by the local courts and magistrate.



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In this 2011 file photo, a Fenton police officer issues a citation to a driver on Owen Road, one of the most crash-prone areas in Fenton.

Examples of traffic infraction fines/punishments

SPEEDING

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| 1-10 mph over speed limit: | \$130 |
| (\$150 in a school zone, 2 points) | |
| 16 – 25 mph over speed limit: | \$175 |
| (\$225 in a school zone, 4 points) | |
| 36 mph + over speed limit: | \$240 |
| (\$340 in a school zone, 4 points) | |

OTHER INFRACTIONS

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Fail to stop for a school bus: | \$195 |
| (\$295 in a school zone. 3 points) | |
| Fire lane parking: | \$75 |
| Handicap parking: | \$175 |
| Careless driving: | \$195 |
| Expired plate: | \$140 |

To see all fees, go to www.co.geneseee.mi.us/districtcourt/tickets/fine_schedule_new.htm.

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Beyond the Thin Mint

Girl Scout cookie sales now in full swing

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TIM JAGIELO

Selling cookies is designed to bolster business experience in Girl Scouts. Mother Shelly Megdanoff is a Girl Scout leader for three troops, with daughters Lauren, 10 (top), Alexis, 14 (right), and Samantha, 8. The girls have a combined 20 years of Girl Scout experience.

By Sally Rummel

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If your favorite Girl Scout cookie is a Thin Mint, then your tastes are about the same as most cookie lovers in southeast Michigan.

"Our top three sellers are Thin Mints, Tagalongs and Samoas," said Clare Coughlin, director of product sales for Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michi-

gan (GSSEM). "These account for about 60 percent of our sales. Our goal is to sell about three million boxes by the time our cookie sale ends in March."

This is the 95th anniversary of Girl Scout cookie sales

It's Girl Scout cookie time for local troops, so if you're out and about shopping or dining out, you'll likely run into some enthusiastic Girl Scouts selling their wares.

See **COOKIES** on 13A



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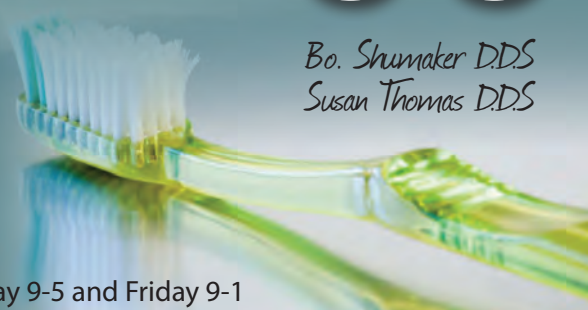
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Government in action!

The Law of Unintended Consequences states that the actions of people — almost always through the government — tend to have negative consequences that are never anticipated.

Hmmm — let's look at a few. **New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg hates smoking.**

So, a pack of cigs in NYC costs \$12.50, the highest in the nation, due to taxes. West Virginia has the lowest cigarette price in the nation at \$4.84 a pack. The result: more than 60 percent of all cigarette sales in New York are smuggled cigarettes from West Virginia, 'depriving' the government of tens of millions of tax dollars.

Three-strikes laws were stupidly enacted by the government under



the faulty logic that civic-minded criminals would stop committing crimes after being caught twice. The actual result? Criminals now simply murder all their victims to avoid getting caught, as the sentence for murder is no worse than the sentence for being caught for the third time. Murder rates have soared, the opposite of the intended effect.

The great golf cart boom of 2009. An American subsidy designed to promote the purchase of electric vehicles for the sake of energy conservation was exploited by clever golf cart manufacturers who recognized that their products fit under the government's definition of an electric car. Golf cart companies literally gave away tens

of thousands of 'free' golf carts to consumers, with the entire bill being passed along to the government. Nearly all buyers then quickly sold their free golf carts for cash, then 'bought' another one.

To stifle the growing rat population in some communities, the government decided to pay a bounty for every rat pelt brought in. The result? Many entrepreneurs created rat farms, raking in millions from the government.

Football helmet technology was implemented to protect players from head injuries. Instead, players armed with unbreakable helmets used them as weapons to launch themselves into opposing players. The net result? Injuries and deaths have skyrocketed.

Government mandated minimum wage laws invariably result in increased unemployment among the most vulnerable sectors of society, specifically poor, inner-city teenagers

of racial minorities.

The radical stiffening of penalties for drunk driving has led to a massive increase in hit and run accidents by inebriated drivers fearful of long jail sentences. Many victims who could have been saved died helplessly on the roadside as there were often no witnesses to call emergency services.

These are the same fools that can't balance a budget, and who are currently focusing all their efforts on 'gun control' of the honest citizens when they should be addressing 'criminal control' of the dishonest citizens.

Government in action: The Lord's Prayer: 70 words. The 10 Commandments: 331 words. The Declaration of Independence: 1,322 words. The U.S. Constitution: 7,794 words. Government regulations on the sale of cabbage: 26,911 words.

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LAST WEEK'S INITIAL jobless claims were 344,000 new unemployed people. That means that almost 1.4 million new claims were filed in one month. If you multiply that times one year that means 16.4 million new claims for 2013. How can we brag about creating 125,000 jobs per month?

TO THE HOT liner who wondered how poor people can be overweight. It is very common because of their carbohydrate-filled, cheap food selection. Fruits and fresh vegetables are often unaffordable to poor people. It's a reality that those who want to eat healthier may not have the means.

THE LOOSE CENTER needs to change the rules on snow days.

MY HOME AND auto insurance had an increase of \$15 per month. When I inquired about it, they said it was the state of Michigan, not the insurance company. And they say the Democratic party is the tax and spend party.

TODAY IN HOLLY, I saw a black SUV pass a red panel truck in the intersection using the left turn lane for the opposite direction's traffic. How uncivilized.

FOR THE PERSON looking to shred large amounts of personal documents, there is a company called

Shred Experts in Saginaw near the Zilwaukee Bridge.

THE PERSON WHO wants to get rid of Rachel from credit card services: I was getting calls also, so I went to the do not call list on the internet. File your complaint. I haven't gotten a call since.

DR. BENJAMIN CARSON, a glimmer of sanity and hope for America. Love that guy! The militant left will try to destroy him but I believe that he has God on his side or/and he's on the side of God. He's worthy of our prayers for protection.

THIS IS JUST crazy. I mean I was suspecting that the US's finance management is so poor, but this not only proves that I was right, this post makes me think that we have started our final countdown.

OBAMA, 'THESE CUTS are not smart, not fair and will hurt our economy.' Talking about the 'sequester.' What? Fact is, these were all his ideas back when he was playing fear tactics last year. Elections have consequences — you wanted him — enjoy freedom while you can.

THIS SEQUESTER HYSTERIA is a scam

perpetrated by the liberal media. Let it happen and you will see the true colors of the Democrats. Besides, it is much ado about nothing. Watch and learn.

IF YOU CHOOSE not to take care of those who take care of our community, what do you think the end result will be? Simply a question for the powers to be (or lack there of) to think about.

OBAMA CLAIMED HE cut federal deficit by \$2.5 trillion but the national debt increased \$5.9 trillion during his presidency, which is more than it increased under all presidents from George Washington through Bill Clinton combined. America cannot afford his budget keeping or lack there of.

NO CRUISE, I guess you won't be aboard during ours next month. Our fifth one, not counting the three-year cruise I had with Uncle Sam's best.

TO THE SENIOR citizen driving the speed limit and driving carefully, you just keep on with that. All these careless people always in a hurry should maybe get the concept of being respectful to the others on the road and just slow down and put the phones away.

YOU ARE CORRECT, high school sports is about learning teamwork, hard work, sportsmanship and lessons carried out through life. In life, not everyone makes the team, not everyone gets to play and not everyone gets a blue ribbon for just being there. That's the true lessons to be learned.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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What's the best movie you've ever seen?

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"Dirty Dancing. It was just a clean, non-violent, really good movie."

— Evelyn Thompson
Byron



"I recently saw 'Les Miserables,' and liked it. My husband really liked Skyfall, too."

— Sam Warkentie
Linden



"Identity Theft," because it was so hilarious."

— Emma Underwood
Linden



"Gone with the Wind." Olivia de Havilland was so good, and I loved the book when I was a teenie bopper."

— Karen Culley, Fenton



"Gone with the Wind." It's such a good story about love and about the war."

— Violet Lanning
Fenton



"Avatar." It's a sci-fi movie and I'm into that."

— Brian Mellen
Argentine Township

Is refinancing your mortgage worth it?

►Closing costs, loan term, length of ownership all factor into decision

By Tim Jagielo

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A mortgage sounds simple — it's a long-term loan one takes out to pay for a home.

Like any reasonable loan, credit checks are required as are fees assessed by the loan officer. It also has to be worth it financially for the applicant to take out the loan.

It's no different for refinancing a mortgage. Generally, applicants follow a similar process which should include loan counseling by a professional, who can help them decide which loan product works for them — or whether refinancing is a good idea.

The outcome of refinancing today is generally a lower monthly payment, or a shorter loan term, through a better interest rate. Ann Rockman, assistant vice president of The State Bank, said half her clients go for shorter terms, while the other half lowers their payment. A good going rate today is 3.5 percent.

John Ottney is a loan officer with Star Mortgage of America in Fenton. He said that in the past, refinancing could also be done to move equity out of the house, and convert it to cash. Today, few have equity in their homes to use.

Ottney cautions against the "frenzy" to refinance a mortgage, because there isn't always an economic benefit.

Part of Ottney's job is guiding a client through the process of refinancing. Sometimes he thinks it's not worth it. For example, if a resident plans to leave soon, refinancing won't be wise financially, because the homeowners would see little financial benefit.

Rockman said an average closing cost for refinancing could be around \$1,800. If the homeowners would not save at least this much, she wouldn't suggest that loan product.

"Once you start to reestablish escrow accounts, your costs start to add up," said Ottney. Closing costs are coupled with title charges and insurance recording.

Rockman said that if you owe only less than 20 percent what the home is worth, you'll have to take out private mortgage insurance to cover your lender.

All these fees could mean it's not worth refinancing.

Conditions may be right to consider refinancing if you'll be in your home for around 10 years longer, and if your interest rate is at least 5.5 percent.

To get started, Ottney urges prospective clients to make sure their documents and finances are in order, and readily found. Your credit will be checked just like with a regular loan.

Finding a loan officer should be like finding a lawyer or a mechanic — use references, and work with someone you trust. Rockman said agents all have to follow the same rules.

It comes down to the personal interaction.

Rockman and Ottney agree that today, loans are given out more carefully than in the early 2000s. "Let's make sure you're going to get the product that's sustainable for you, and you're going to be a successful homeowner," said Ottney. "It's our responsibility to make sure these people can afford their homes."

If your mortgage is underwater, meaning you owe more than the home is worth, the Home Affordable Refinance Program (HARP) may be an option. Ottney said this is a common refinancing product his clients use.

A HARP refinance is designed to make payments more manageable, and fair. Ottney said the costs are minimal. "It's not a bailout, it's a program designed for people who cared for their homes despite being underwater," said Ottney. Refinancing with HARP could reduce your mortgage interest rate to 3.75 percent — but you have to have gotten your mortgage through Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, and must have been taken out prior to May 2009 to qualify, said Rockman.

Summary

►Refinancing your mortgage may be worth it if you plan to live in the home for 10 more years, and are paying more than 5.5-percent interest. A HARP loan can assist some homeowners whose home is underwater.

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ASK THE MECHANIC

Chris Wilkinson,
Certified Mechanic

Q: I have a 1999 Lincoln Continental that will not start. I purchased it from a friend of mine and he said it just wouldn't start one day. I've talked with a mechanic on this and have tried several things, but I quit getting replies so I am asking here. Here is what I know: it will run with ether/gas in the intake, but will NOT run on its own fuel. It gets fuel to the fuel rail, but will not run. I've checked the following: PCM relay has power at 85 and 30, 86 and 87 are grounded. Pin 55 at the PCM plug is getting power. Injectors are getting power, but won't ground. No blown fuses in the under dash fuse box or the engine compartment fuse box. There is power to the diode for the PCM. The Security light flashes when key is off, but when it is cranking it goes away. The Check engine light does not come on at all, but was told by several people it may be a blown bulb in the dash. I've checked for good grounds near the fusebox and the battery. Also, the dash lights do not come on other than the battery/oil pressure light when the key is on. It will not light up the dash lights even if you adjust the dimmer switch. I'm not sure if this is related, if not I can tackle that problem at a later time. Any information that you can give me would be appreciated. - Andy

A: Andy, it sounds like you either have a bad PCM or a faulty signal going to the PCM. The first thing you need to do is to try and communicate with the PCM using a scan tool check for trouble codes. Then watch for cranking RPM on your scan tool. If you have the proper scan tool you can watch for injector pulse width as well. If you do not see any cranking RPM, then I suspect a bad crank sensor. There is a diagnostic test that you can do if you have the right tools. However, to be honest with you though this sounds like a job for a repair shop.



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Seven seek Gleason's senate seat

►Special primary election on Tuesday, March 12

By Ryan Tackabury

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Five Democrats and two Republicans are seeking election to serve the remainder of John Gleason's term as state senator for the 27th District.

Gleason was elected to Genesee County Clerk in the November 2012 election, which left his former seat vacant.

A Special Primary Election is set for Tuesday, March 12 where one candidate from each party, with the most votes, will advance to another special election on Tuesday, May 7.

This partial term ends Jan. 1, 2015.

The 27th District represents the citizens of Gaines, Swartz Creek, cities of Fenton and Linden and Argentine and Fenton townships.

Republican candidates are Robert J. Daunt and Adam Ford.

Democrat candidates are Jim Ananich, Chris Del Morone, Ted Henry, Woodrow Stanley and Lawrence Woods.

Thomas Broecker, deputy clerk and operations manager for Fenton Township, said the township will be conducting the March 12 primary election, and the special election on May 7, along with the rest of the communities.

Residents of Fenton Township will vote at the Band Room at Lake Fenton High School. Voters should use the south wing entrance (same as other smaller elections

not held in the gym). Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Absentee ballots are available at the Township office.

Broecker said the deadline to receive an absentee ballot is Saturday, March 9 at 2 p.m. Voters can still be issued an absentee ballot on Monday, March 11, however they cannot take it home and must mark the ballot at the office and return it right then.

City of Linden's election is at Faith Baptist Church, 4518 Silver Lake Rd., Linden. The City Office will be open the Saturday before, on March 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to do any last minute Absentee Voter Ballots.

Argentine Township residents will vote at the township fire hall, 9048 Silver Lake Rd.

REPUBLICANS

ROBERT J. DAUNT

Age: 77

Employment: Retired.

Hometown: Flint

Education: Joined the army after high school, and then attended Flint Junior college — now Mott Community College.

What qualifies you for this office? "I spent most of my life in Flint and Genesee County. I have been around, I have experience in business and experience working on other campaigns for people. I just have a desire to perform."

ADAM FORD

Age: 32

Employment: Works customer service at HP.

Hometown: Flint

Education: Received a business degree from University of Michigan-Flint.

What qualifies you for this office? "I think I am the best candidate, I would be the best one in the district to face the issues of unemployment, lack of jobs, crime, and also to lead our state in the right direction."

DEMOCRATS

JIM ANANICH

Age: 37

Employment: Taught at Carman-Ainsworth schools from 2005 to 2009, worked for Priority Children as an education and employment coordinator from 2010 to 2011 and served as a state representative since 2010.

Hometown: Flint

Education: Received B.A. from Michigan State University in political economics, and a teacher's certificate in secondary education and a master's degree from University of Michigan-Flint in public administration.

What qualifies you for this office? "I think I have an ability to work across the aisle to get things done for our community. We need strong advocates protecting taxpayers and citizens in our city. I want to get things done when it comes to crime and economic

development and we need someone that will work for the entire district."

TED HENRY

Age: 64

Employment: County commissioner and building official for Clayton and Flint townships.

Hometown: Flushing

Education: Swartz Creek High School graduate, and went on to graduate from Mott Community College.

What qualifies you for this office? "I think I am very in touch with the district and being county commissioner, I know the needs of the districts and municipalities."

CHRIS DEL MORONE

Age: 57

Employment: Hourly worker with General Motors.

Education: Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from University of Michigan-Flint.

What qualifies you for this office? "My strength would be to reach across the aisle and work with the other party. I think I bring more of a citizen's eye to the position than my opponents."

WOODROW STANLEY

Employment: Served 11 years as mayor of Flint, and is currently serving his third time in the Michigan House of Representatives.

Education: Graduated from Mott Community College and University of Michigan-Flint, receiving degrees in Political Science. He has also received an honorary doctorate from the Detroit College of Business.

LAWRENCE WOODS

No information provided.

IMPORTANT FENTON CITY VOTING INFORMATION

Fenton City Clerk Jennifer Naismith said that for this particular election, the City of Fenton will conduct voting at the Knights of Columbus Hall underneath St. John's School. Public can access the polling place by utilizing parking off Lincoln Street near Bush Park (behind the school).

This polling location is a temporary change for this election only. After this election, the polling location will revert to the Activity Center at St. John's.

All five precincts will be open for this election. There is no consolidation of precincts. If anyone has a question concerning their registration they can contact the Clerk's Office at City Hall by calling (810) 629-2261 or they can access their profile online at www.michigan.gov/vote, the Voter Information Center. On this site, voters will be able to verify their registration, review candidates, and even preview their ballot.

The City of Fenton has absentee ballots available and will be open on Saturday, March 9 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for the purpose of administering absentee ballots only.

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A decade of camel races

►Fenton Optimist Club hosts 10th annual fundraising event

By Sally Rummel

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The camels have been racing in Fenton for 10 years now, and if you've never attended this Fenton Optimist Club fundraiser, this will be the year not too miss.

Set for Saturday, March 9 at St. John's Activity Center, the doors open at 6:30 for socializing, dinner at 7 p.m. catered by Doug Bosley. The Camel Races will follow at 8 p.m. This year's theme will be "Race to the Movies," providing an exciting opportunity for businesses to "act their part" in dressing their camels and their tables.

"We've got 20 camels racing this year," said Cherie Smith, event chair-

man for the Fenton Optimist Club. "For your \$20 ticket, you'll have an exciting evening of racing, raffles, dinner and fun with other members of the community." She encourages attendees to dress in theme as movie characters.

Trophies will be awarded for the Best Dressed Camel, as well as a prize to the Best Dressed Table. During the event, races are held with attendees "betting" camel cash on each race. First-, second- and third-place race winners will also take home a trophy.

The monies raised at the event will go toward youth projects sponsored by the Fenton Optimist Club, including their annual "Turn Around" program for local middle school students.

To purchase tickets, contact Smith at (810) 964-7519. Tickets will be sold in advance only. There will not be tickets available at the door.

News briefs

Lake Fenton Athletic Boosters Silent Auction/Dinner Dance

The annual Lake Fenton Athletic Boosters Silent Auction and Dinner Dance is set for Saturday, March 2. It will be held at St. John's Church Activity Center in Fenton. The price per

ticket is \$25 in advance or \$35 at the door. Tickets are available at all four school offices, at any home sporting event, or from any booster member. Ticket price includes dinner and a chance for one of three cash prizes — first-place: \$500, second-place: \$250, third-place: \$100. Need not be present to win. Doors open at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. The live auction will take place until 9 p.m. Semi-formal attire is encouraged.

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SCHOOLS

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roughly \$7,000 per pupil.

A recently enacted Michigan law changed the minimum age requirement for a child enrolling in kindergarten. Currently, a student must be 5 years old by Dec. 1 to be eligible for enrollment to kindergarten. New legislation will change the "cut-off" date and will be gradually phased in over three years — changing the requirement by one month each year.

The changes will be implemented in the following manner:

- For the 2013-14 school year children must be 5 by Nov. 1.
- For the 2014-15 school year children must be 5 by Oct. 1.
- For the 2015-16 school year children must be 5 by Sept. 1.

Parents do have an option, however, if their child is not eligible for enrollment per the above guidelines. If their child will be 5 by Dec. 1, the parent or legal guardian may notify the district in writing of their intent to enroll their child in school.

Mora wants to make sure parents are aware of the deadlines, since state aid is dependent on them meeting the deadlines. If the child resides in the school district, the application to enroll must be submitted to the school district no later than June 1, before the beginning of the school year.

If the child becomes a resident of the school district after June 1, the application must be submitted to the school district no later than Aug. 1, before the beginning of the school year.

When in receipt of a signed waiver, school districts can make recommendations to the child's parent or legal guardian, as to the child's readiness for school, and whether or not the child should be enrolled early. Regardless of a district's recommendation, however, the parent or legal guardian retains the sole discretion to enroll their child.

Frequently asked questions

Q: What if the child moves after June 1?

A: Parent must submit application to the new resident district by Aug. 1.

Q: What if the child moves after Aug. 1 but before school starts?

A: Parent may request early enrollment but if the district enrolls the student, the student is not eligible for state aid.

Q: What if the parent notifies the district after the cut-off date?

A: Parent may request early enrollment but if the district enrolls the student, the student is not eligible for state aid.

Q: What if the parent wants to enroll the child in another district through Schools of Choice (SOC)?

A: The child must participate in the SOC application and selection process. In addition, the parent would need to apply for the early enrollment to the SOC district by June 1. The district must allow a child eligible for early enrollment to participate in the process if the parent indicates to the district by the early enrollment notification date that s/he intends to have the child participate in the SOC selection process. If the student moved into their current district after June 1, the parent would have until Aug. 1 to notify the SOC district of the early enrollment. Enrollment in the SOC district would then depend on if the application / enrollment window for the district were still open.

Q: Do the same rules apply to public school academies (PSA)?

A: Yes. In order for the student to be eligible for state aid, the parent must notify the PSA of the early enrollment by June 1. If the student moved into their current district after June 1, the parent would then have until Aug. 1 to notify the PSA of the early enrollment.

Source: Michigan Department of Education

HOT LINE CONTINUED

MICHELLE 'LET THEM eat cake' Obama is on vacation, again, on our tax money. I heard a newperson call her that. It would be funny if it were not so sad and true.

OBAMA JUST PLAYED his 116th round of golf. Must be nice, while all of use have less in our paychecks and higher gas prices.

I JUST HEARD a voter in Ohio voted six times. Makes you wonder if Obama would have made it on his own, without all the extra help.

HAS FENTON GONE crazy? Gas rising, food costs are skyrocketing, my paycheck is smaller and you have the gall to raise my taxes on a home that I couldn't sell for 75 percent of the price you say it's worth? You are part of the problem, when you should be the voice of reason. Arrogant fools all of you.

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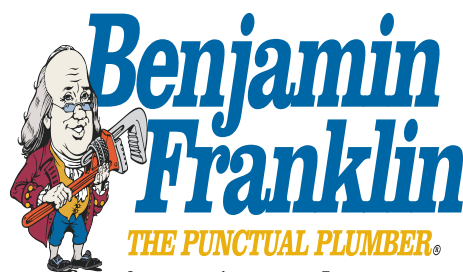
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News briefs

Fenton ArtWalk seeks talent

The Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) has announced the third-annual Fenton ArtWalk, held in conjunction with The Laundry's 2013 Bastille Day, on Saturday, July 13. The ArtWalk will run from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and will be located in downtown Fenton. Submission deadline is Friday, April 5. Participation is free for artists. Sign-up forms are available for download at www.FentonBeCloser.com.

Genesee County treasurer to speak at Linden City Council meeting

Genesee County Treasurer Deb Cherry will be at the Linden City Council meeting on Monday, Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. to discuss

programs that are available thru the county, specifically, "A Step Forward" that will give assistance to those in need of help paying their taxes in an effort to keep more homes from going into tax foreclosure.

Lack of business cancels Fenton DDA meeting

The Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) meeting scheduled to take place earlier this week on Thursday was cancelled due to a lack of business to discuss. DDA meetings are scheduled to take place the third Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is set to take place next month on March 19. More information about the meetings, including agenda items can be found online at www.cityof-fenton.org.

'Pucks for Paws' benefits Adopt-A-Pet

The Michigan Warriors hockey team is hosting a "Pucks for Paws" event on Satur-

day, March 2 during their game against the Jamestown Ironmen, at 7 p.m. at Perani Arena and Event Center in Flint. The arena is opening its doors to our furry friends in support of Fenton Adopt-A-Pet. Pet admission is free with donation of money, pet food or supplies, which will benefit Adopt-A-Pet. All pet owners must provide pet license and sign a waiver for each dog prior to receiving their tickets. Pets must be on leash and/or in a pet enclosure. No aggressive pets are allowed. One pet per adult is allowed. There will be a special pet section for dogs and cats. For tickets call (810) 744-0580 or go to mywarriors.com.

WHCA to hold open house

West Highland Christian Academy (WHCA) is holding a community open house on Thursday, March 21 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at 1116 South Hickory Ridge Rd., in Milford. Visitors may tour the K-12 college preparatory school, meet the faculty, students and families and learn about the curriculum. The school welcomes all Christian families and is a member of the Association of Christian Schools International. To learn more, go to www.whca-k12.org. Personal tours can be arranged by calling the school at (248) 887-6698 or emailing whca.k12@gmail.com.

POLICE

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smelled of marijuana. After the principal smelled the marijuana on the student, he called police. The student admitted to bringing marijuana and a pipe to school in his backpack with the intent of smoking after school. The student's father was contacted and the student was transported to the police station for processing.

HOLLY POLICE MAKE OWI ARREST

A 23-year-old White Lake man was arrested for operating a vehicle while impaired after being pulled over in Holly at 1:02 a.m. on Feb. 16. After failing field sobriety tests, the man registered a .12 on a preliminary breath test. The other four occupants, who had also been drinking, was held until a sober person came to pick them up. The driver was taken to the police station for processing and was lodged until sober.

More whiteouts, more crashes



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELLO

Fenton police and fire departments wrap up a single-vehicle crash Friday morning south of Owen Road on northbound U.S. 23. The driver sustained minor injuries. Local emergency responders were busy in a flurry of crashes amidst more whiteout conditions.

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Superintendent applicants narrowed to three in Holly

►Tuesday's final interviews open to public

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly — The first round of interviews for Superintendent of Holly Area Schools (HAS) are over. Superintendent hopefuls will be interviewed again next week, after two were cut from the running Wednesday night.

The next leader of the second-largest busing district in Oakland County will either be Anthony Habra, the superintendent of Rudyard Public Schools, David Nuss, the current assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction of Holly schools, or Cindy Weber, superintendent of Durand Area Schools.

The Holly Board of Education reduced the field after the end of the first round of interviews on Wednesday, where the board asked a standard set of questions. The applicants will face new questions at the next round, which is set for Tuesday, Feb. 26, starting at 6 p.m. at the board chambers of the Karl Richter Campus. The interviews are open to the public, and the meeting will start at 5:45 p.m.

Once the job is offered, contract negotiations, including salary and benefits, will begin. Rich Ramsey, Adjunct Consultant for the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB), is facilitating the search and said he couldn't offer details on compensation until the contract is decided. Current Superintendent Kent Barnes makes around \$130,000.

The interviews Wednesday night began with Cindy Weber, who will move onto the final round next Tuesday. She entered the boardroom filled with HAS staff audience members, and shook the hands of the board. The questions bounced from member to member. She first answered question concerning why she is running for the position in Holly, and how has she been involved with her community.

She also fielded questions about fund balance, delegating work and the relationship between the superintendent and the board of education. Weber said she sees the board as equal partners in the process, and keeps communication open.

Attending the interviews was Christine King, second-grade teacher at Patterson Elementary, who believed that the inter-

"It will be tough to replace a superintendent that's been here for 13 years, but everyone has the right to retire."

Tony Mayhew
HAS Board of Education president



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

HAS superintendent candidate Cindy Weber shakes hands with school board members Wednesday evening prior to her first interview. Weber is one of three applicants who was asked back for a second interview.

views have been informative. "I liked what they had to say, and their views on the district," she said. Specifically she liked the question related to early childhood development, and their management style.

King is excited to have someone new, but doesn't like seeing Barnes leave.

"It will be tough to replace a superintendent that's been here for 13 years, but everyone has the right to retire," said Board of Education President Tony Mayhew. This is his first superintendent search, and so far he is happy with the results.

The original field of applicants was 27, to replace Superintendent Kent Barnes, who decided not to seek another contract after his ends on June 30, 2013.

Summary

►The superintendent search for HAS is on schedule, with the final interviews running at 6, 7, and 8 p.m. on Tuesday Feb. 26 at the KRC. Anthony Habra, Cindy Weber, and David Nuss are the final candidates. One is expected to begin as superintendent on June 30.

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| 2:30 - 3:30 | Linden Academy of Dance & Music |
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SUNDAY

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| 11:00 - 12:00 | A Joyful Noise Music Studio |
| 12:00 - 12:30 | Chasse Ballroom & Latin Dance Studio |
| 12:30 - 1:30 | Ms. Bridget's School of Dance |
| 1:30 - 2:00 | From the Blind Pro Staff Wildlife Whisperers |
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COOKIES

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"I dedicate the end of February and the first couple of weeks to cookie sales," said Shelly Megdanoff, of Tyrone Township, leader of her three daughters' local troops and district leader support coordinator for GSSEM. Alexis, 14, is a senior scout, Lauren, 10, is a junior scout and Samantha, 8, is a brownie. Son Nicholas, 12, is a Boy Scout.

Megdanoff and her troops will be selling cookies this weekend in front of Walmart and the first two weekends of March at other locations like The State Bank main branch, VG's Grocery and the parking lot of O'Reilly's Auto Parts, Michael's, etc. She estimates that half of her troops' orders are pre-sold and the other half are sold at cookie booths.

Gone are the days when the majority of Girl Scout cookies were sold door-to-door. "We've gone away from door-to-door sales in some areas," said Coughlin.

Today, Girl Scouts are more likely to take advanced orders from family and friends or at their parents' workplace, and then sell the majority of boxes at a cookie booth in front of a local store.

Grace Woodruff, 8, daughter of Larry and Colleen Woodruff of Fenton, has sold 213 boxes of cookies — to aunts, uncles, grandparents, a few neighbors, church friends and at Larry's workplace. "I also posted on Facebook to see if anyone was interested in buying cookies," said Colleen.

In fact, technology has brought about big changes in Girl Scout cookie sales. "You can buy directly from our website at www.gssem.org," said Coughlin. "You can either use our Cookie Craver program, which connects people to troops who are selling cookies in their area or you can use our Booth Locator by plugging in your zip code. Some troops also offer credit card payments, since many people don't carry much cash anymore."

Girl Scout cookie prices for troops in southeast Michigan increased to \$4 per box this year. Individual troops earn at least 70 cents per box sold for their own troop projects. Each troop is responsible for their own sales, getting the cookies from the Cookie Cupboard and distributing the cookies, according to Megdanoff.

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT GIRL SCOUT COOKIES:

- First year of cookie sales was 1917
- Record of most boxes sold by a single girl – 17,328
- There are 28 different varieties sold, depending upon the region
- In downriver area of metro Detroit, Tagalongs are biggest seller
- In Detroit, Lemon cookies and Trefoils are most popular

The Cookie Cupboard is the regional warehousing location where troop leaders pick up their cookies for pre-ordered boxes and for upcoming booth sales. Most local troops use the Cookie Cupboard at Courtland Mall in Burton, which

is managed by Nanda Brown, product sales support specialist for GSSEM. "She makes sure we get our cookies," said Megdanoff. More than 200 million boxes of Girl Scout cookies are sold each year, bringing in about \$790 million of revenue.

Licensed U.S. bakers are ABC Bakers, a subsidiary of Interbake Foods, which has been licensed to produce Girl Scout cookies since 1936. The other company is Little Brownie Bakers, a subsidiary of Keebler, which is owned by Kellogg's. Both bakers have their own websites, linked to cookie locators. Mobile phone users can also key GSCOOKIES into their phone to find cookies.

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Board accepts resignation, appoints new trustee



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Former Township Trustee Janet Leslie addresses the audience and the board soon before they accept her resignation and appoint a new trustee in her place.

►Steve Ruth to complete term to 2016

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly Twp. — As the board formally accepted her resignation, former trustee Janet Leslie addressed the board during public comment, using her new address in Okemos to thank the Holly Township residents for electing her twice.

"I think I'm a better person for living eight years in Holly Township," she said, adding that she wouldn't have run for the position again, if she had known she would have to move for financial reasons.

She said she appreciated that at the local level, anyone is capable of running and serving on the board. "All you really have to do is care," she said. The audience clapped as she concluded.

"Thank you for your service," said Supervisor Dale Smith.

The Board of Trustees formally accepted her resignation, and after a brief discussion, appointed Steve Ruth to her vacant seat. Ruth only recently left the board, deciding not to run in November 2012. He will fill the remainder of Leslie's term to 2016.

The board also appointed Ruth and Clerk Karin Winchester to the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOC-FA) Board, and Smith to the Downtown Development Authority board, which had vacancies after Leslie's resignation.

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Trzos has a \$5,000 personal bond with the 52-2nd District Court and a \$250,000 bond with the 48th District Court. If convicted of each crime, Trzos could pay \$84,500 in fees and face 25 years in prison.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Enforcement Team, who filed the charges against Trzos, raided Well Greens on Jan. 25 and arrested him on site. Prior to the raid, Well Greens was the last medical marijuana dispensary in operation in Oakland County.

Dispensaries have ultimately been ruled illegal by the Michigan Supreme Court. However, licensed medical marijuana patients are still allowed to have up to 2.5 grams of contained marijuana under the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act.

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smaller, scrappier community newspapers, however, many of these newspapers have a history of uncovering significant stories.

Consider The Virgin Island Daily News, a 17,000-circulation newspaper, which won the Pulitzer Prize for Public Service in 1995 for investigating high crime rates that were tied to corruption in the local judicial system. Or the Willamette Week from Portland, Ore., an alternative weekly newspaper that exposed a scandal involving former Oregon Gov. Neil Goldschmidt and a 14-year-old girl.

Summary

Community newspapers may be smaller in size, but that doesn't mean they're smaller in news. Locally focused newspapers have a history of uncovering big stories in small towns, stories often overlooked by bigger metro newspapers.

Smaller newspapers are hyper-local and, as a consequence, often cover beats that other large media outlets ignore, such as youth sports and school events.

"The press' job is much like a watchdog at home. If there's anything out of the norm, it's their job to jump and bark," said Michael Lewis, program director of journalism at the University of Michigan-Flint. "It's a check and balance on local government, police and courts, and schools for that matter."

And while all newspapers are struggling to adapt to the digital age, the National Newspaper Association (NNA) reports that more than 75 percent of people read most or all of their local newspaper each week. The NNA also reports



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Pressmen John Davenport and Mike Sweeney (right), assess folded copies of the Midweek Times as they leave the 12-machine press at Grand Blanc Printing. Defective copies early in the run are tossed into a bin on the right.

that 40 percent of weekly newspapers are privately owned, as opposed to 20 percent of daily newspapers. Private ownership of newspapers generally gives reporters a wider range of coverage, as the staff has more freedom to meet the concerns of readers and advertisers, as opposed to meeting the demands of corporations.

"A community newspaper that is holding the government accountable is a valuable asset to the community," said John Hartman, who has been teaching journalism at Central Michigan University for

nearly 30 years. "It's one of the reasons why it's important for citizens to support their community newspaper. Businesses should be willing to pay for advertising and citizens should be willing to pay a modest amount to subscribe to it."

Of course, if you're a reader of the Times, chances are you already know the importance of a community newspaper. The staff and publishers would like to thank readers and business owners for their continued support and promise to continue serving the tri-county area.

Calendar of events

Dance & Karaoke

The Flint Parents Without Partners organization is sponsoring an evening of dance and karaoke at the Flint Eagles Lodge #629, 2149 North Dort Hwy. The event begins at **8 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28**, with an orientation from 7 to 8 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call Ann at (810) 422-5283 or Lois at (989) 843-0640.

Book sale

There will be a book sale at the Fenton Library on **Saturday, March 2 from 12 to 3 p.m.** The library is located at 310 South LeRoy St., in Fenton. For more details, call (810) 629-7612.

Bluebird Festival

The Michigan Bluebird Society is holding its Spring Bluebird Festival from **10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 23** at the Woldumar Nature Center (www.woldumar.org) in Lansing. The Michigan Bluebird Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to increasing eastern bluebird populations in the state. The event is open to the public and is free to attend. For non-Society members there is a \$5 charge if attending the lunch. To register for this event go to www.michiganbluebirds.org or contact Phil Peterson at (517) 651-6717 or Mary Mason, the Genesee County coordinator at maryleemason@gmail.com.

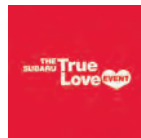
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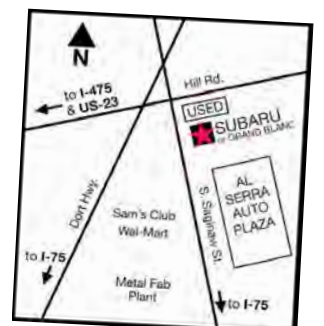


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Q Wilt Chamberlain holds the NBA record for most consecutive field goals made. How many did he make?

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Chamberlain made 35 consecutive field goals without a miss over a four-game period from Feb. 17 to Feb. 28 in 1967. He was 18-for-18 in one game on Feb. 24 against the Baltimore Bullets.

Girls Hoops DISTRICTS

CLASS A AT GRAND BLANC Monday's game

Holly vs. Brandon
Wednesday's games
 Holly/Brandon vs. Fenton
 Linden at Grand Blanc
Friday's game
 Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.

CLASS B AT LAKE FENTON Monday's game

Goodrich vs. Flint Southwestern
 Durand vs. Flint Northern
Wednesday's games
 Goodrich/Flint Southwestern vs. Corunna
 Durand/Flint Northern at Lake Fenton
Friday's game
 Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.

Friday night HOOPS

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Lapeer West 44, Linden 29
 Holly 43, Fenton 28

BOYS BASKETBALL

Lapeer West at Linden
 Fenton 70, Holly 64
 Goodrich 61, Lake Fenton 37

Devils finish second in GAC Red despite loss to Goodrich

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STILL PERFECT

Tigers improve to 18-0 with victory against Lahser.

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Fenton caps perfect Metro season

►Tigers lead early, hold on for 70-64 win vs. Holly

By David Troppens

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Holly — The Fenton varsity boys basketball team has made history.

The Tigers (14-0, 19-0) took an early lead and never lost it, despite a furious comeback attempt by the Holly, resulting in a 70-64 victory at Holly High School Friday night.

"It's a big accomplishment to go in the history books," Fenton senior Cory Cox said. "I think we are the third team to go undefeated in the league. It's cool for this group of guys. We will remember that journey as we go through life."

The Bronchos tried to push the tempo and wear the Tigers out by playing 14 players. Early on it didn't look like it was going to work.

The Tigers jumped out to a 12-2 lead after a fastbreak hoop by Mitch Shegos with 2:40 left in the first quarter. The Tigers led 16-9 after one period.

In the second quarter, the Tigers threatened to blow the game wide open. Back-to-back hoops by Fenton's Eric Readman raised the Tigers' lead to 20-9 just 45 seconds into the second quarter. Eventually the lead grew to as many as 30-12 after a three-pointer by Cox with 3:30 left in the half. However, Holly managed a 10-4 run to end the half, cutting the Bronchos' deficit to a manageable 34-22 at the break.

Holly spent most of the second half lurking about 10 to 14 points behind. The deficit was still 50-36 until Holly's Josh Simms netted a three-pointer late in the third quarter, cutting the gap to 50-39.

The Bronchos got the deficit under double-digits for good after an



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Fenton's Cory Cox (left) tries to get by a Holly defender in the Tigers' 70-64 victory against the Bronchos Friday night. The win capped a perfect 14-0 Metro League season for Fenton.

Isaac Casillas trey with 1:36 left, cutting Fenton's lead to 60-53. During the final 96 seconds, Holly hit four treys, and cut the gap to 65-62 after a Kyle Woodruff three with 25 seconds remaining. However, while the Bronchos were able to get the lead to just one possession, the Tigers made just enough free throws down the stretch to keep Holly from having the ball with a chance to tie or take the lead. Readman hit two free throws, raising the gap back to 67-62. Holly answered back with a Justis Kerner layin with 16 seconds left, but Cox followed with two more converted

free throws. Holly had a three-point shot by Kerner with about five seconds left, but it didn't go, meaning Readman's converted free throw following the missed shot pretty much iced the victory.

Cox led all scorers with 27 points. He also had nine rebounds. Readman netted 19 points and six boards, while Shegos had nine points 12 rebounds and three steals. Holly was paced by Casillas and Woodruff who netted 12 points each. Simms had 11 points while Parker Rowse had eight points.

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

Lady Bronchos' defense sparks 43-27 win vs. Tigers

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Holly — The Holly varsity girls basketball team had a chance to accomplish two tasks with a win against Fenton Friday night.

The first was to win all of their home games this season. The second was to earn at least a victory against every Metro League team.

Consider the tasks completed.

Holly (14-2, 17-3) held Fenton to five first-half points, including none in the second quarter, resulting in a 43-27 victory at Holly High School.

The Bronchos held Fenton to just two field goals in the first half. Really it was one because the teams agreed to exchange opening hoops so that Holly senior Ali Baker could score. Baker has been hurt most of this season.

Meanwhile, Holly netted 10 field goals, with Allyssa Copley (seven points), Abby Lewandowski (six points) and Kaitlyn Smith (six points) leading a balanced first-half offensive attack. Fenton missed all 10 field goal attempts they had in the second quarter, and turned the ball over five other times. Holly led 15-6 after one quarter and upped that gap to 22-5 after two quarters.

The Tigers (12-4, 13-7) played better offense in the second half, but the hole was too great, and actually increased to 20 points at one time before Fenton made a run. It was a Delaney Serra assist on a Copley layup with 3:45 left in the third quarter that put Holly up 30-10.

Copley finished with 15 points, while Lewandowski had 14. Carly Granger led Fenton with seven points. For more on this game go to www.tctimes.com.

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LF girls fall to No. 5 Goodrich, still finish in second place in GAC Red

By David Troppens

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Lake Fenton — When it came to the Genesee Area Conference Red Division this girls basketball season, the Lake Fenton Blue Devils clearly established themselves as the second-best team this winter.

They did so by locking up second place in the league race with two games remaining in conference action entering last week.

But on Thursday, the Blue Devils found out why the Goodrich Martians are clearly the top squad in the conference. The Martians capped a perfect GAC Red season, and their 15 straight conference championship season, by defeating the Blue Devils 72-30 Thursday night at Lake Fenton High School.

The Blue Devils (11-3, 14-6) worked hard to stay close to the fifth-ranked team in Class B in the state for the first quarter of the game, but Goodrich turned on their defensive pressure to the start of the second quarter and scored the period's first 11 points, making what was a competitive 15-9 lead into a 26-9 Goodrich edge. And while the Blue Devils had other periods of success during the game, they couldn't make up for Goodrich's Taylor Gleason and Tania Davis. Gleason scored a game-high 30 points, scoring 18 of those points during the second quarter. Meanwhile, Davis netted 26 points while earning assists on many of Gleason's buckets.

"This year Gleason is playing out of her mind," Lake Fenton coach Matt Gildner said. "I think from what I've seen, she's Ms. Basketball. She's not making a lot of mistakes. She has a nice shot, is able to create her own and she has an awesome guard for her. (Davis) feeds her."

But play the Martians the Blue Devils must. And if Lake Fenton wants to cap-

ture the Class B district title they host this week, chances are they'll have to beat Goodrich in the final on Friday. Lake Fenton begins district action with a Wednesday contest against Durand. But as tough as a mission that may sound, the Blue Devils would love to have the opportunity.

"Yeah for sure," said Lake Fenton senior Sidney Scott. "It's always a good challenge to face them. I hope we fix our mistakes, and maybe keep them down to a lower score, so maybe we have a chance to win."

The Blue Devils started out fine against Goodrich. They scored the game's first two points just 14 seconds after tip-off on a nice post jumper by Scott. Goodrich went on a small run after that, but a 19-foot jumper by Lake Fenton's Sophia Sakhouri had the Goodrich lead cut to 8-6 with two minutes remaining in the first quarter. A minute later, an Ashton Fuller assist to Scott in the post resulted in a short converted jumper by Scott, who was fouled on the play. She made the free throw, keeping the Blue Devils within 12-9 with 1:00 left in the period. The Martians scored the last three points of the quarter, but the Blue Devils trailed just 15-9 after one quarter. But then came the Martian's 11-0 run to start the second period, effectively taking the Blue Devils out of the contest.

"In that first quarter we held them to 15-9, and I thought that was great," Scott said. "I think we started panicking when they started double-teaming us right away in the second quarter, and lost it."

"Like I told the girls, if we can get back and force them into a halfcourt offense, we can be competitive with them," Gildner said. "We did that in the first quarter. ... But it's when they start making those turnovers and we get caught looking at the ball



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Lake Fenton's Sidney Scott (left) competes for the ball against a Goodrich opponent in the Blue Devils' 72-30 loss to the second-ranked Martians.

instead of getting back, that's what kills us against Goodrich. They are so good in transition. ... We did a much better job with that at the start of the game, but we weren't there the entire game."

Lake Fenton trailed 41-17 at the half, but showed its competitive spirit to start the second half as well. The Blue Devils opened the quarter with a modest 9-7 run, which included four minutes of no turnovers and at least two points on four of their first seven third-quarter posses-

sions. A conventional three-point play by Makenzie Gottron was the highlight during the run, and the play cut the Goodrich lead to 45-24. Lake Fenton got the deficit as close as 21 one more time after two converted Scott free throws with 4:34 left in the third quarter, but Goodrich went on another 11-point run, raising their lead to 58-26.

The Blue Devils ended the season with a 14-6 overall record, with two of those losses

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Holly/Oxford boys ski capture SEMSL title; Fenton girls finish second

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For the second straight year, the Holly/Oxford boys ski team has finished the season as Southeastern Michigan Ski League (SEMSL) champions.

The squad dominated the giant slalom portion of the event, sparking the victory.

Meanwhile, Fenton/Linden finished second to Marian in the girls division, while the Holly/Oxford squad placed sixth.

In the boys competition, Fenton's Seth Thompson was the area's top performer. He placed second in the slalom (56.46) and the giant slalom (41.62).

Lars Joergens-Kokate led the Holly/Oxford team to its championship. He placed third in the giant slalom (41.73) and fifth in the slalom (57.61). Holly/Oxford had four finishers in the giant slalom finish in the top 20 overall. The others were Zac Felix in 12th (43.11) Greg Schultz in 13th (43.24) and Dillon Sink tied for 19th (44.07).

In the slalom Schultz finished 14th (1:00.29) and Spencer Christen place 16th (1:00.59).

"The boys skied really well to cap off their season as SEMSL champs," Holly/Oxford coach Philip Nimmo said.

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PREP REPORT

BOYS BASKETBALL

► **Perry 45, Lake Fenton 39:** Lake Fenton was outscored 15-4 in the third quarter, resulting in a 36-22 deficit entering the fourth period.

Darian Welch led the Blue Devils (5-13) with 13 points, while Sawyer Scott netted eight points. Tyler Begley chipped in five points.

► **Corunna 48, Linden 48:** The Eagles fell to 1-17 with the loss.

► **Lapeer West freshmen 43, Linden freshmen 32:** Logan Steiert led the Eagles with 10 points, while Jay Howard provided eight points.

► **Linden JV 49, Corunna JV 47:** The Eagles trailed by 21 points early in the third quarter, but came back to earn the win. Corey Green led Linden with 14 points, while Mike Gold netted 11 points. Travis Petts had 10 points.

► **Corunna freshmen 42, Linden freshmen 32:** The Eagles were led by Nolan McDonald's 13 points, while Austin Maxheimer netted five points.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

► **Perry 40, Lake Fenton 36:** Lake Fenton (11-2, 14-5) lost its chance to contend for a GAC Red Division title by losing the contest to Perry. However, the Blue Devils finished the season in second place outright.

Lake Fenton was paced by McKenzie Gottron's 14 points and seven rebounds, while Sidney Scott netted 10 points and grabbed 11 rebounds. Kelsey Finch led Perry with 16 points.

► **Corunna 51, Linden 45:** Bri Holscher led the Eagles with 12 points and five rebounds, but the Eagles (10-9) were unable to earn the non-league win. Kelsey Brecht had eight points and six rebounds, while Maija Satkowiak had seven points and four steals.

Readman's free throws leads Tigers to 18th straight win

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When Fenton boys basketball coach Tim Olszewski scheduled Bloomfield Hills Lahser at the end of this season, he was hoping the Tigers got a competitive game displaying some aspects of basketball that the Tigers don't necessarily see in the Flint Metro League on a consistent basis.

He got his wish. And on top of that got a thrilling 65-64 victory.

Eric Readman converted two free throws with two seconds left in regulation, earning the Fenton Tigers their 18th victory in as many tries during the 2012-13 regular season.

"We strategically put a game like this at the end of the schedule because they were a very strong team last year. We talked to their coach and they said they'd be strong again this year," Olszewski said. "Their losses have been against Clarkston, Rochester and Farmington Hills Harrison — all quality teams. They were a quality team. They had quick guards and a 6-foot-9 kid (Yante Maten) who was an exceptionally talented basketball player. We don't see teams with that size, that athletic ability and that speed very often. It was important to schedule a team like that come tournament time."

Lahser's team speed may have been an issue early on. The Tigers allowed a season-high 22 points in the first quarter, and trailed 22-15 after one quarter. But as the game went on, the Tigers got back into the contest. The lead was just 36-31 at the half, and a 17-10 Fenton lead in the third quarter gave the Tigers a 48-46 lead entering the fourth quarter.

The fourth period remained close throughout with the contest experiencing six ties and eight lead changes. Readman led the Tigers' charge, scoring 10 of Fenton's 17 points in the fourth quarter. The Tigers led by two until



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Fenton's Eric Readman (left) hit the game-winning free throw in the Tigers' 18th straight victory of the season, a 65-64 victory against Bloomfield Hills Lahser.

a conventional three-point play gave Lahser a 64-63 lead. On the Tigers' last possession, Readman was fouled and had to make the first free throw to earn a second. He did, tying the game. He then made the second, giving the Tigers the lead. Lahser's desperation last shot was well short, earning Fenton the victory.

"It took us a quarter to catch up to the game speed," Olszewski said. "We were a little slow with our rotations and a not as physical as we

needed to be. After the first quarter we settled down, and at halftime we made some adjustments."

Fenton won the turnover battle 19-7. Cory Cox led the Tigers with 23 points, six assists and four rebounds, while Readman had 20 points, five assists and four boards. Mitch Shegos chipped in 10 points, while Damon Thomas had eight points. James Claborn had eight rebounds.

Area girls hoops teams preparing for competitive, entertaining district games

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With the end of February upon us, basketball districts are here, starting with the girls next week.

Three of the tri-county teams will be at Grand Blanc, and one will host a tourney themselves.

Lake Fenton will be the tournament hosts in a Class B event that includes Goodrich, Flint Southwestern, Corunna, Durand and Flint Northern.

On Monday, Goodrich and Flint Southwestern face off, while Durand and Flint Northern do battle. The winners of those two games will face teams with byes to the semifinals. The Goodrich-Flint Southwestern victor plays Corunna at 5 p.m., while Lake Fenton faces the Durand-Flint Northern winner at about 7 p.m. The finals are slated for Friday at 7 p.m. between the two semifinal winners.

It won't be an easy district. Goodrich is ranked fifth in the state in Class B, while Corunna (13-6) is a squad that can't be taken lightly. Lake Fenton has an easier half of the draw, as both of their potential semifinal opponents have losing records. However, Goodrich is the likely competitor they'd face in Friday's final if the Blue Devils do advance.

The other three tri-county area teams will be at Grand Blanc High School.

Holly (16-3) begins action against Brandon (7-11) on Monday at 6 p.m. The winner of that game faces Fenton in the semifinals on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. The other semifinal has Grand Blanc (12-7) hosting Linden (10-9) at about 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday. The two semifinal winners play in the title game on Friday at 7 p.m.

One can make a strong case for Holly, Fenton and Grand Blanc all could finish with the district title.

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Fenton's Kelley McKay and the rest of her Fenton/Linden girls ski teammates will be competing in the D1 state ski meet Monday at Boyne Mountain.

Fenton/Linden girls ski excited about third straight state trip

By David Troppens

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Once is exciting. Twice is a pattern.

A third time, and you have tradition.

The Fenton/Linden girls ski team will be heading to Boyne Mountain on Monday to compete in their third straight Division 1 state ski meet.

"This is our third time going to state as a team and it's an awesome feeling," Fenton skier Kelley McKay said. "You have everyone you've been working with, going. And for me, since I was a freshman with McKenna (Valley), Lauren (Rhoads) and Flannery (Wise), all those people that have skied with me."

"It means the world to me. All the hard work our team has put into this is paying off," Rhoads said. "The long practices and the hours you put in are really worth it. ... And it can develop the team beyond what you thought it could be."

Last year the girls qualified by dominating regionals and earning a regional championship. This year, the team placed a convincing second at regionals to qualify.

"I think it means last year wasn't a fluke, by winning (regionals) by so much," Valley said. "Even though we didn't win regionals this year, it is important for us to go to state because it proves to ourselves that we deserve to be there. It's way more fun for us to be moving on as a team."

Making it to state and having team success isn't always easy for teams in the southern part of the state, however. The mountains where the state meets are held — Boyne Mountain for D1 this season — are much steeper and demanding hills. They aren't the type of hills you want to visit for the first time for a competition. Also, frequently the weather plays a role in giving northern teams a longer season to train. Southern teams have earned a nickname from teams up north. They call the teams from the south flatlanders.

"We kind of embrace (the nickname)," Valley said. "They'll say 'Oh, you are from downstate,' and I'm like, 'Yeah, I am from downstate.' When we beat them it makes it all the more sweeter."

The advantages are tough to make up though. Last year the Tigers placed eighth out of nine teams. Two seasons ago the Tigers placed seventh out of nine teams. But Fenton/Linden feels past experiences will help this year.

"It helps. It gives us a lot more experi-



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Fenton's Lauren Rhoads is making her third trip to the state meet.

ence and gives us a better idea of what we are going to see when we are up there, and how difficult it is going to be. (Our past experiences) gives us something to look up to, how we finished last year compared to how we want to finish this year."

The team has high goals.

"Last year I (predicted we'd be) in the top five. We had a shot, but it didn't turn out that way. We had a rough go," Rhoads said. "This year we are much better prepared, especially the other seniors and myself. ... I think we have a good shot of doing well. We have a strong team."

"Our goal is to have our girls team up on the podium," Fenton first-year coach Tim Hiscock said. "The Fenton/Linden girls team is among the fastest teams in the state this year and we have a great chance."

The Fenton/Linden squad also has a pair of boys entering competition as individuals. Julian Weinberg is making his second trip in both events, while Seth Thompson is making his third trip to the state meet in at least one event. This year he's competing in giant slalom. Weinberg placed 17th in the slalom and 22nd in the giant slalom a year ago. Thompson placed 31st in the giant slalom.

"Last year was my first year at states and it was a lot of fun," Weinberg said. "I got a lot out of it. And I met my goals of getting all-state. Now my goal is to improve on that since I know what it is like to ski at the state finals. I'm shooting at a top 10 finish this year."

Holly/Oxford has Lars Joergens-Kokate qualified for both events as an individual as well. He was the giant slalom champion in regionals.

SEMSL

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"Everyone stepped up and skied their hardest against tough competition and in challenging conditions. We've been a stronger GS team all season long and proved it again today, winning the GS by 9.5 points over second-place Grand Blanc. The top four boys finished in the top 15 by skiing cleanly."

"It felt good to end their season as SEMSL champs two years in a row."

Fenton's only other competitor at the meet besides Thompson was Julian Weinberg. He placed sixth in the slalom (58.17) and 15th in the giant slalom (43.33).

In recent weeks the Fenton/Linden girls team seems to be developing a small rivalry with Marian, finishing second to the

squad at regionals and now at SEMSL. Fenton/Linden won the giant slalom portion of the meet, but Marian scored just 21 points in the slalom portion to earn the title easily. Fenton/Linden edged Walled Lake Central by four points for second.

Fenton/Linden's top performance was produced by Kelley McKay. McKay won the league championship in the giant slalom (43.48), posting the best time on both runs down Mt. Holly. Teammates Lauren Rhoads and McKenna Valley weren't too far behind. Rhoads placed fourth (44.09), while Valley took fifth (44.39).

In the slalom Valley earned Fenton/Linden's top performance, taking third with a time of 1:02.62. Flannery Wise placed 14th (1:07.81) and McKay placed 17th (1:10.02).



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Fenton's Seth Thompson finished second in the slalom and giant slalom in the Southeastern Michigan Ski League meet held at Mt. Holly.



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for sure if she had locked the door. She and one of her daughters decided to relax for a bit and eat some of the items people had dropped off at the house.

Kinsman walked upstairs to her bedroom to change her clothes and noticed that every top drawer of the dressers in her bedroom were open. "I knew I didn't do that," she said. She walked back down to the kitchen to tell her daughter that she believed someone had been in her house while they were at the funeral home.

While in the kitchen, Kinsman noticed that two boxes containing silver flatware were missing. One box contained her 12-piece wedding set and the other box contained an antique set of silver. This is when she called 911.

When Kinsman and the responding deputies assessed the house, she realized that her large, glass front jewelry box that stands on the floor in her bedroom had been cleaned out. One of her pillowcases was likely used to carry the jewelry, including her husband's wedding band. A small safe was also stolen. She noticed the next day that her everyday purse was missing as she took a much smaller one to the funeral home.

A laptop computer and a new iPhone were left behind. Kinsman said the sheriff's department told her the thieves probably left those alone because they were easier for detectives to trace.

Kinsman's daughter who lives in Hartland had a similar experience when she

arrived at her home. The thieves made entry into her home despite the locked deadbolts. The thieves made off with all of her daughter's jewelry. She said her daughter was confident that she had locked the deadbolts. A locksmith told the women that deadbolts only slow people down.

As with any death, families immediately start planning funeral services and writing and circulating obituaries to let all of their friends and family know of their loved one's death. Kinsman believes the suspects may have used arrangement information to know when the family would be away from their homes.

Neither Kinsman nor her children can think of anyone that would have done something like this. After doing some research online, however, Kinsman is convinced that this type of burglary happens much more often than people hear about.

"It might be worthwhile to have someone stay behind and watch the house," she said. She hopes that by sharing her story, others making funeral arrangements will take necessary precautions to have someone at the homes of family members or to make the homes look occupied. She also cautions about how much personal information is included with death notices.

"It's disheartening that those people are in the world," said Kinsman.

Doug Kinsman had battled leukemia. Seven years ago, he received a bone marrow transplant and went into remission. He relapsed, and during his second bone marrow transplant last week he passed away, said Kinsman.

TICKETS

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Carey said most of the time, local police will write tickets based on local ordinances. State police write tickets based on state laws. In a state infraction, \$40 goes to the state, and the rest goes to the state library fund, and court costs go to the county.

To police, tickets are an enforcement tool to bolster local laws, and to encourage good driving habits, said Aro. Issuing tickets is usually a default activity for local police — if they aren't filing paperwork, or tending to a call, they are on patrol.

Sometimes, crash statistics dictate a "directed patrol," meaning extra attention is given to a crash-prone area. An example would be the intersection of Owen Road and Silver Parkway in Fenton. Aro assigned a car to stay less than three quarters of a mile away from that intersection in 2007, and focus on traffic. "I just want them stopping and talking to people when they see problems," said Aro. Whether a ticket is assessed is up to that officer.

The directed patrols reduced collisions at that intersection by 71 percent, from 24

crashes in 2006, to seven in 2007.

Aro will also be adding a 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. shift to cover bar hours starting soon. "I expect the officer that works that to be active in traffic enforcement," he said. In this case a ticket and arrest is

not up to the officer. "We expect them to arrest them and write a citation," if someone is driving drunk.

Some intersections draw more tickets, while some times of the day. Lt. Jason Slater has seen motorists speed on warmer days. "Some days it just seems like, overall people are moving faster," he said.

Drivers are generally slower on holiday mornings, while more fix-it tickets are given at night, because broken headlights are easier to spot. These tickets are waived by the court if fixed, and provide an incentive to get the vehicle repaired. "If they don't get it repaired then they will face fines," said Slater.

A usual citation Slater sees is someone speeding to get to the restroom, or the hospital. He said he can tell when someone is genuinely having a medical emergency, or if they are lying.

"I just want them stopping and talking to people when they see problems."

— Rick Aro,
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Adam Barcome, 7, of Fenton shows off the northern pike he caught on Saturday, Feb. 16 while ice fishing with his father, Jeff Barcome at Tipsico Lake. Adam attends State Road Elementary School in Fenton.

'Gabe' to be featured in Woman's World magazine

► Issue hits stands on March 4

By Sharon Stone

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Gabrielle Ford, the well-known anti-bullying advocate from Fenton, will be featured in an upcoming issue of Woman's World magazine, which will be available beginning March 4.

As a young girl, Ford was diagnosed with a rare genetic neuromuscular disease Friedrich's Ataxia, and is wheelchair bound. She endured bullying because of her condition and was compelled to do something about it — mostly by traveling and becoming a sought-after motivational speaker at schools with her loyal four-legged companion Izzy, which has since died.

Ford created Friends of Gabe & Izzy — her website is www.gabeandizzy.com. She has received thousands of comments in her online guest book from people, many of whom are teens, who have found strength through Ford.

On Valentine's Day, Ford was surprised with her new puppy, ILO when



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO Gabrielle (Gabe) Ford poses with her new dog and traveling companion, ILO, which stands for "Izzy Lives On," in memory of her first dog Izzy.

the two met for the first time at Orlando airport. ILO stands for Izzy Lives On and ILO will now start traveling with Ford as she visits schools across America.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

DON'T BUY INTO THE MEDIA'S claim that the world will end if the worthless politicians don't strike a deal by Feb. 28. Aren't these the same morons that promoted the Mayan calendar end of the world silliness. Let it happen.

WHY IS THE Fenton wrestling program doing so bad compared to the other sports programs? In the past Fenton wrestling had the coach with the most wins in the State. I wonder what has happened?

OF ALL THE places I have lived, the village of Holly is the only place where I see my tax dollars at work. I see the DPW guys working around town quite a bit and want to send a thank you for keeping the roads clean and safe this winter.


WHY WAS IT when President Bush was in office and I claimed Married 1, I got income tax refunds but when I filed since Obama took office I keep paying \$4,000-5,000 income tax every year? Why is that? If I file Single 0, I'll have to live on welfare.

I AM ALL for getting rid of the sports programs at all high schools, which would eliminate millions of dollars wasted used to maintain all sports fields. The extra monies can be used for education, new computers and the tools for the students to make it thru college.

MY HATS OFF to Kyle Mikat in the Street Talk last week concerning what bothered him about old people. He said, "Nothing really bothers me, they're just people, that's how they were raised. There's nothing wrong with that." That is uncanny common sense, good going Kyle!

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What you need to know about estate planning

► Attorney Sharon Miner explains the basics of estate planning

By Sally Rummel

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People think that estate planning is for older people. Nothing could be further from the truth.

"Every person over 18 needs at least a simple estate plan, especially a health care power of attorney," said Sharon Miner, of Miner Law Office, P.C. in Fenton. "Once you are 18, your parents no longer have the right to make medical decisions for you. If you become incapacitated due to illness or injury, your fate will be in the hands of a probate court judge or doctor, not your family."

An estate plan is a package of documents that should include a health care power of attorney, a financial power of attorney, a will, beneficiary designations and perhaps a trust. "These are all part of the package," said Miner. "They are different tools that can be used in a variety of circumstances."

One of the misconceptions people have about estate planning is that once an estate plan is in place, you don't have to think about it again.

"There's always a 'give and take' when it comes to your estate plan, because things change in your life," said Miner. "It needs to be reviewed every time there's a new circumstance — whether a new grandchild has arrived in your family, you've retired or your spouse had passed away, to mention a few. You can't plan



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Sharon Miner of Miner Law Office, P.C., stands in her office located at 107 South Walnut St. in Fenton.



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Attorney Sharon Miner has one corner of her Fenton office decorated with family memorabilia, of her father and grandfather who were attorneys before her. "People expect more, they know you and they know the family," she said.

ahead for more than about 10 years because your life situations will definitely change during that time."

Here are different stages of life that require a change in estate plan priorities:

Young adulthood
Young adults 18 and up need a financial and health care powers of attorney.

Young married couple with children
They need health care power of attorney and financial power of attorney, as well as a guardian appointed who could raise their children in the event of their death. A simple will would also be recommended for this age group.

Middle-age (40s and 50s)
As people age and acquire more assets, the financial side of their estate plan becomes more important. If you've built up IRAs and one of the couple becomes incapacitated, it's important that the spouse have access to those funds through a power of attorney document.

Senior status (60 and up)

Now the health care part of a person's estate plan becomes especially important, so that medical decisions can be made in response to the person's wishes. A health care power of attorney has the authority to make life support decisions in Michigan, where a Living Will isn't recognized.

It's important to sit down with an estate planning attorney during all these stages of life to get the proper documents in order. With 30 years of experience as an attorney specializing in estate planning and a third generation attorney in Fenton, Sharon Miner invites people to stop by the office and pick up a free handout describing estate planning options. Her office is at 107 South Walnut St., telephone (810) 629-2222.

Estate planning terms you should know:

• **Financial Power of Attorney** — a document that allows someone else to take care of your financial and business affairs if you're not able to take care of them yourself. If the power of attorney is "durable," it is effective even if you become mentally or physical disabled.

• **Health Care Power of Attorney** — this document appoints someone (your patient advocate) to make health care decisions for you in the event you can't make them for yourself. It can be a family member or friend. Everyone over age 18 should have a Health Care Power of Attorney.

• **Will** — a document that tells the Probate Court how to distribute your property/assets after your death. It only controls property which is in your probate estate.

• **Living Trust** — a document that allows you to keep control of your assets during your lifetime and pass

them to your beneficiaries after your death, without going through probate and giving up control of the assets during your lifetime.

“There’s always a ‘give and take’ when it comes to your estate plan, because things change in your life.”

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our town

Meet Brad Wright

By Ryan Tackabury

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Brad Wright has been a vocals teacher in Fenton schools for 13 years. In that time, he has directed the Ambassadors, a performing choir that was won many awards in its history. When outside of work, Wright enjoys spending time with his wife and four children.

What do you teach? I have four choirs here at the high school. Chorus, Bella Voce, Varsity Vocals and Ambassadors. I also teach one of the sections of music technology. This year I am also teaching at the middle school. I teach one choir class there.

What first made you interested in music? I went to a school here at Fenton High School and I was in jazz band and chorus and Ambassadors. I decided that I really loved fine arts and I wanted to go into it. I spent five years at Western Michigan University. The last thing I wanted to be was a teacher. I originally thought I wanted to be a composer. The more I talked to people in that major I thought that it wasn't for me, and I thought I might try education. The more I tried it, the more I liked it.

How did you come to teach at Fenton? I started teaching at a small school called Vicksburg on the other side of the state, and after three years working there I applied here and got this job, and have been here since 2000. My family is here, and I am very big on family. My sister lives in Byron with her family and my mom and dad still live in town. I love this community and I love this town. It was something always in the back of my head in college that if I ever became a teacher I thought it would be cool to come back and teach at my alma mater.

Why did you not want to be a teacher? The reason I didn't want to go into teaching is one I didn't feel like teachers were respected that much, the salaries weren't that great, and there were a bunch of things about it that made me think that wasn't what I wanted to do. The more I did fine arts though, I realized more that teaching was a really good fit for me. I have enjoyed every day I have come to work. You have good and bad days, but there has never been a day when I thought 'I can't do this anymore.'

What do you like best about working where you do? I like my students, we have an awesome staff here and I like the administration. I have probably one of the coolest and nicest and most advanced music rooms in southeast Michigan. I am really fortunate to do what I do.

Everyone knows about the



"But that's the goal, to try and motivate your students and try to give them the ultimate experience that you possibly can."

Brad Wright
Vocals Teacher at
Fenton High School

Ambassadors. What is teaching that class like?

Ambassadors is very trying and very hard, and I don't mince my words when I tell my students that. It's like playing a varsity sport. I say I can lower my level of expectations if you want, or you can work harder than you ever have and maybe achieve something you have never been able to achieve before. It's a balancing act, you have to know when to push and when to use kinder words. Even after teaching for 16 years I still struggle with that, sometimes I don't always say the right thing. But that's the goal, to try to motivate your students and try to give them the ultimate experience that you possibly can. Next year will be the Ambassadors 35th anniversary, so I have already started thinking what we are going to do next year to make it special. It's been a lot of fun. I have had a lot of help.

How have parents helped with the Ambassadors? The Ambassadors' parents have been so helpful with fundraisers or selling tickets, promotions, or whatever. I have really been free to work with the students in just making music, and a lot of the other stuff the parents have done for me. That's been really nice. I know a lot of groups that don't have that kind of parental support, and I am really grateful to have it.

What are you proud of in your teaching career so far? The fact that a student remembers and says they have learned something and became better musicians. For anyone that teaches, I think the big thing you strive for is that you maybe affect students or say something that they take with them, and hopefully it's a positive thing that they remember with fondness.

Do you have a particular favorite song? When I was at Western, I heard a song called the Waters of March. It was written by a Brazilian composer named Antonio Carlos Jobim, and every year I play it for my students on the first day of March.

What are some of your hobbies outside the classroom?

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RYAN TACKABURY

Despite the stress and challenge of getting the most out of students, Fenton schools vocals teacher Brad Wright knows he has made an impact on his students when they recognize his teaching has improved their musical abilities.

I like spending time with my kids, I have four kids. I like to shoot my bow just for practice. I like to fish a lot, fry fish and pan fish and bass fish. I like to do outdoor things a lot.

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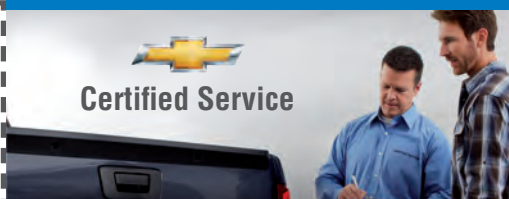
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A first-person account of trying yoga for the first time



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Times reporter
Will Axford
stretches
imagination
(and body) on
assignment

By William Axford

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Holly — Kathryn Nicolai is telling me to relax, which isn't easy to do, considering nearly every muscle in my body is aching. I'm supporting my weight on my hands and toes, as if I'm about to do a push up. My sweat-covered hands are slipping and I'm worried about landing flat on my face.

"Hold that pose for three more breaths," Nicolai in-



Will Axford

structs. There's a dozen or so of us in room lit by candles. The hardwood floor groans as Nicolai moves around the room, helping every student with their poses. Ambient music plays softly and heat seeps from the vents. No one else speaks and cell phones are prohibited.

**See STRETCH
on 4B**

Yoga and meditation

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By Sally Rummel

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You probably wouldn't recognize Kathryn Nicolai today if you knew her 15 years ago. By her own admission, she was overweight, unhappy and unhealthy. She then traded her sedentary life with an extreme exercise life, injuring herself in the process and adding even more stress.

That is, until she wandered one day into a yoga class and discovered a new addiction.

**See YOGA
on 5B**

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What exactly is yoga?

Yoga consists of various poses and movements, which focus on stretching muscles, ligaments, tendons and improving breathing. Yoga comes from India and has ties with various religions such as Hinduism and Buddhism. Researchers and medical professionals believe yoga can improve fitness, reduce stress and ease mental health issues such as anxiety or insomnia.

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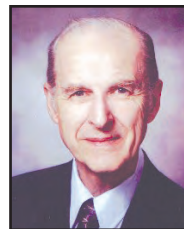
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Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



Lincoln and the Great Emancipator

The birth dates of our famous February presidents (the 12th and 22nd) have been easy for me to remember since I was a child. My grandfather shared the calendar date of his birth (Feb. 22) with George Washington, the emancipator of political freedom, but the year of his birth (1858) was closer to that of Abraham Lincoln, the emancipator of slaves. Adding to my intrigue with that era, were my grandfather's related childhood memories of marching around the house beating on a dishpan, pretending he was a soldier in the Civil War.

William Wilberforce was another February born emancipator. Born with poor health, on Feb. 23, 1759 in England, Wilberforce finally became a member of Parliament and gave himself to ending the slave trade in Great Britain. His passion for emancipation grew out of his faith in Christ, whom he saw as the ultimate emancipator, and though his struggle to free slaves, ending this terrible trade was long, Parliament officially ended slavery on the day of his funeral.

While public recognition of Lincoln's passion for freeing slaves is rightly connected with his signing of the Emancipation Proclamation, there is another little known dimension to his passion relating to slavery of all kinds, especially to those in bondage to alcohol. In one of his speeches, he said alcohol had come across the land 'like the Egyptian angel of death, commissioned to slay if not the first, the fairest born of every family.' And on the day of his death, Lincoln pledged to give of his heart, hand and purse to helping people break free from alcohol's enslaving power.

What was Lincoln's strategy for lifting people from the power of addiction?

We're not sure of the details of his plan but there is no question about his concern and commitment to freeing slaves, whatever the product or profit motive that had brought them into bondage. This passionate president had come into a personal relationship with the Great Emancipator and believed there was no limit to His power to set people free.

What does this have to do with you and me?

Today, a century and a half after the horrendous practice of human slavery ended in America, there are an estimated 27 million slaves in the world. This unspeakable practice is terrorizing millions of men, women and children who have become property or pawns for pleasure or profit.

Add to this appalling picture the millions who have become voluntary slaves to alcohol and other drugs and the tragedy is mindboggling.

Patriotic Art Contest

►High school students could win scholarship and more

By Sharon Stone

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Students in grades nine through 12 are eligible to enter the Patriotic Art Contest sponsored by the V.F.W. 3243 Ladies Auxiliary. After the judging at this level, the winning art will be entered at the state level.

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1998

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2002

Longest televised Academy Awards ceremony ever, at **4.5 hours**

2010

Kathryn Bigelow is **first female** to win an Oscar for directing



Oscar winners

by the numbers

28

Walt Disney's record for **most Oscars** received by an individual.



11



The record for **most snubs** for a movie. "The Turning Point" and "The Color Purple" both had 11 nominations and zero wins.



11

The record for **most wins** for a movie. "Titanic," "Ben-Hur" and "Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" are tied.

14

Meryl Streep's record for **most acting nominations**.



8

Peter O'Toole's record for **most snubs for an actor**. He has eight nominations and no wins.



6

The number of actors who have won both **best actor and best supporting actor**. (Jack Lemmon, Robert DeNiro, Jack Nicholson, Gene Hackman, Kevin Spacey, Denzel Washington).

2



The number of actors who have won an Oscar for **playing Don Corleone** (Marlon Brando for "Godfather" and Robert DeNiro for "Godfather II").

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St. John's teams win debate

By Sharon Stone

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The Tri-County Area League of Debate Clubs and the Rotary Club of Fenton hosted their 2013 Team War of Words (TWOW) on Saturday, Feb. 16 at the Lake Fenton High School auditorium.

The debate teams from Lake Fenton Middle School and St. John School in Fenton debated the topics, "It is OK to thank people by email" and "Social media is making us less social."

St. John's Gold Team comprised of Fiona Caughey and Payton Kozak took first place while St. John's Green Team comprised of Katherine Draeger, Rachel Learman and Chelsea Bujak placed second.

Tony Brown, a Genesee County commissioner and founder of the debate league, said, "All the kids were amazing and congrats to St. John's (team) for dominating the tournament."

Although these were the only two



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Members of the St. John Debate Team (from left) are Fiona Caughey, Payton Kozak, Shari Baran (coach), Mitchell Scheer, Chelsea Bujak, Sean Dillingham, Katherine Draeger, Luke Dillingham, K.C. Baran (coach) and Jacob Keeley.

schools prepared to take part in the TWOW, Brown expects several individuals to participate at the next debate. Individual team members are now preparing for the Individual War of Words (IWOW)

set for 9 a.m. on March 23 at Lake Fenton High School. College scholarships of \$1,000 for first-place, \$500 for second-place and \$250 for third- and fourth-place will be awarded at the IWOW event.

Business briefs

Glik's promotes Heather Martin

Glik's, a 116-year-old clothing store chain, with 59 stores in nine states, announced the promotion of Heather Martin to area manager for the Fenton and Rockford Glik's stores. Martin previously had been manager of Visual Merchandising at Macy's, as well as manager of the Glik's store in Fenton for the past two years. She is a graduate of Oakland Community College.

STRETCH

Continued from Page 1B

"Now lie on the floor and breathe," Nicolai tells us and I'm happy to be lazy for a moment. It's 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday at Ethos Yoga. My publisher wanted someone from the Times to write about yoga and I, in my infinite wisdom, suggested that one of the reporters take a class.

One yoga mat and friendly inquiry later, I have found myself in my first yoga class, wondering what torturous pose Nicolai will make us try next.

She does not disappoint. One minute, I'm sticking my right leg straight out into the air, trying to keep my balance with my hands and right knee. Then my legs are tied together, one arm behind my back and the other arm reaching across my chest while I focus on my breathing. Just when I think I couldn't contort my body into a more ridiculous position, Nicolai shows us all another pose that my meandering imagination would not have concocted on its own.

Despite the pain and my diminishing faith in my balance (there was more than a few times that I almost fell), I began to relax and feel improvements in my breathing. After a single class, I'm beginning to believe claims that yoga is good for your mind and body.

According to a study from researchers at Duke University, yoga can alleviate some mental health issues like depression, insomnia and improve overall wellbeing. "There is emerging evidence from randomized trials to support popular beliefs about yoga for depression, sleep disorders, and as an augmentation therapy," researches concluded in the study 'Yoga on our minds.' The Mayo Clinic reports yoga can improve balance, flexibility, motion and strength.

While the different positions are strenuous, the class was low pressure. Nicolai repeatedly told us that it was fine if we couldn't completely do a pose and to not attempt anything that hurts. "It's not a competition. This is a margin to allow your mind to explore," the yoga instructor said throughout her class.

In a world where people are in constant contact and working in careers that pay too little but demand too much, it's rare that we get to escape and remove ourselves from our lives. But for one hour, I did just that. The rest of my day was enjoyable, although, there are some sore spots throughout my limbs, muscles I forgot I had but am now painfully reminded of.

Interested in trying at least one yoga class? Contact the local instructors listed on Page 1B. Chances are, some of them will offer the first few classes for free, like Ethos.



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Dental assistant Laura Mulanix applies fluoride on the teeth of 7-year-old Connor Lee at Sonoma Dental Group in Fenton.

Happy dental visits reduce stress for kids

By Sally Rummel

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The number one chronic health problem in America is tooth decay, affecting 16 million children, according to the American Dental Association. That's why the observance in February as National Children's Dental Health Month is such an important calendar event.

A child's experience in the dentist chair may have a far-reaching effect on his or her future oral health care and overall general health. From regular dental visits to at-home hygiene like brushing, flossing, rinsing, etc., a child's oral health and his or her comfort at the dentist are important milestones to be reached early.

"A child's teeth are susceptible to decay as soon as they begin to erupt," said Dr. Nikki Mazhari, of Sonoma Dental Group in Fenton. "A first visit to the dentist should take place within six months of the eruption of the first tooth, and no later than

12 months of age. After that, regular dental visits every six months are crucial to good oral health as a child ages through elementary, middle and high school."

Summary

► Your child should see the dentist as soon as the first tooth erupts or not later than 12 months of age.

The good news is that a dental visit can be a relaxing, comfortable experience for the whole family, and the staff at Sonoma Dental Group strives to make it that way. "We offer a free Happy Visit to get your child familiar and comfortable with the dentist," said Mazhari.

"Our mission is to put a smile on every face," said Mazhari. She likes to work together with each child and their parents in working toward good oral hygiene.

"Initially, it's the responsibility of the parents," said Mazhari. "As the child develops, home care is performed jointly by both parent and child."

"In our office, we educate and guide the parents and child step-by-step to create a healthy mouth and good oral hygiene."

“A child's teeth are susceptible to decay as soon as they begin to erupt.”

Dr. Nikki Mazhari
Sonoma Dental Group

YOGA

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While at first she attacked yoga as if it were an extreme competition, slowly the words of her teachers sank in and she began to stop battling with herself and began to nurture herself through yoga. She started to teach and train in yoga, and seven years ago, opened ethos yoga and therapeutic arts in Holly.

She even sat for 10 days of complete silence in the practice of Vipassana Meditation in 2005. "It takes 10 days to unwrite all your habits," said Nicolai. "We live in a constant state of reacting, rather than living in the present moment."

This reactive state is the cause of much of our stress, according to Nicolai. "We live in a climate of constant low-level stress," said Nicolai. "If your 'fight or flight' psychological response happens over and over, it wears down your immune system and you actually make yourself sick."

She sees the practice of both yoga and meditation as the opposite response of "fight or flight." "If you take the time to shift into a relaxation response, you send a message to your brain that you're now in a healing mode." She sees these two disciplines as the "perfect package" for mindful living with a physical component.

"For me, peace of mind and equanimity are not products of squeezing yourself into crazy postures, but of the knowledge that comes from understanding just how your mind and body work," said Nicolai. "We know we need to move our bodies for physical health, and yoga is a way to move for cardio health, without the element of high impact," she said.

"You can use a meditation technique even for 30 seconds at a stoplight," said Nicolai. "In those 30 seconds, sitting in your car, feel yourself breathe through the nostrils and relax. It can make a big difference in how you feel at the end of the day."

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Robert Alexander,
Robert Alexander - age 74,
died February 18, 2013.
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William Goss,
William Goss - age 78, died
February 16, 2013. Services
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Greg C. Boyd,

Greg C. Boyd - age 54,
died February 5, 2013.
He is survived by his wife,
Susan;
father,
Bill Boyd;
loving
daughter,
Heather
(Justin)
Dills;
siblings,



Denise Sharp, Brian (Cindy)
Boyd, Rhonda (Al) Nie-
huis, and Eric (Tammie)
Boyd; and several nieces,
nephews, and friends. He
was preceded in death by
his mother, Barbara Boyd.
A memorial service will be
held March 2, 2013 at 11
AM at the Fenton United
Methodist Church. Share
memories at www.tem-
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Marion Erskine Kryza

1924-2013
Marion Erskine Kryza - age
88, of Linden formerly of
Fenton, died Thursday,



February
21, 2013.
Funeral
services
will be
held
11 AM
Tuesday,
February
26, 2013

at First Presbyterian Church
of Fenton, with Pastor Dale
Swihart officiating. Visitation
will be held at Sharp Funeral
Homes, Fenton Chapel,
1000 Silver Lake Road,
Fenton Monday from 1-4
and 6-9 PM. Those desiring
may make contributions to
Hospice Advantage or the
Leukemia and Lymphoma
Society. Marion was born
March 25, 1924 in Aber-
deen, Scotland, the daugh-
ter of Thomas Dickson and
Marion B. (Erskine) Byres.
She served in the Royal
Naval Service in Scotland
and England for 3 years.
She married Joseph Witold
Kryza March 25, 1945 in
Scotland and he preceded
her in death July 25, 2002.
She and her husband
owned and operated Kryza
A.M.C. Jeep in Fenton for
20 years. Marion resided in
the Fenton area for over 45
years. She was a member
of First Presbyterian Church
of Fenton, Fenton V.F.W.
Auxiliary Post #3243, and
the Professional Business
Women's Club. Surviving
are: 3 children, Michael J.
and wife Phyllis Kryza of
Flushing, Kathleen M. Kryza
of Ann Arbor, and Joseph W.
and wife Nora Kryza of Fen-
ton; daughter-in-law, Yvonne
Kryza of Grand Blanc; 9
grandchildren, John, Jen-
nifer, Kristopher, Andrew,
Trevor, Joey, Nina, Max, and
James; 4 great-grandchil-
dren, Kenneth, Annie, Ellie,
and Elan; brother, Norman
Byres of Scotland; several
beloved nieces, nephews,
and many, many friends.
She was also preceded in
death by her parents; sons,
Peter and Richard Kryza;
and 3 brothers, Tommy,
Neal, and Jerry. The family
wishes to extend special
thanks to her neighbors of
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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My husband and I are in our 50s. Both of us had an exam this year from different doctors. Blood tests showed that we both have hepatitis C. Neither of us feels sick, and neither of us ever remembers acquiring this infection. Our doctors say we don't need any treatment. What is the treatment if we ever do? Are we infectious to others? — K.K.

ANSWER: In North America, hepatitis B and C are the two most common kinds of viral hepatitis. In the United States, about 1.25 million are infected with hepatitis B virus. Five percent of infected people go on to develop a chronic infection, one in which the virus remains in the liver, and these people face the possibility of coming down with liver cirrhosis or liver cancer. A vaccine for the prevention of hepatitis B is available.

Hepatitis C infects around 3 million Americans. In contrast with hepatitis B, around 70 percent to 80 percent will have a chronic infection. A sizable number will come down with liver cirrhosis or cancer, but that doesn't happen right away. It takes 20 or more years before those complications arise.

When treatment of hepatitis C is advised, two medicines have been given simultaneously for many years. Those drugs are peginterferon and ribavirin. About 50 percent of chronic hepatitis C patients respond well to this regimen. However, blacks have a poorer response, with only 25 percent achieving viral suppression.

A true breakthrough has arrived in the treatment of hepatitis C. Two new drugs, telaprevir (Incivek) and boceprevir (Victrelis) have had a huge impact in improving treatment success. Either of these drugs, given in conjunction with the standard treatment of ribavirin and peginterferon, greatly increases the cure rates for blacks and whites.

An initial sickness after acquiring hepatitis C virus is rare, and, that's why you and your husband didn't realize you were infected. The virus can be transmitted through blood transfusions (no longer a threat), sharing needles for drug injections, rarely through sexual relations and household contact, but more possibly through promiscuous sex and in ways yet to be determined. You're not a threat to others.

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FUN SIZE
Fun Size is a teen comedy centered on a sarcastic high school senior, Wren (Victoria Justice), who is eager to distance herself from her dysfunctional family by going off to college. Before that can happen, Wren's mother, Joy, insists that she watch her little brother Albert on Halloween night, so Joy can go to a rager with her much younger boyfriend. When Wren gets distracted by an invitation to the party of the year, Albert disappears into a sea of trick-or-treaters. Frantic to locate him before their mother discovers he's missing, Wren enlists the help of her sassy best friend April, as well as Peng, an aspiring ladies man and co-captain of the debate team, and Peng's best friend, Roosevelt, a sweet nerd whose crush on Wren clouds his better judgment. This unlikely foursome embarks on a high-stakes, all-night adventure to find Albert, crossing paths with outrageous characters every step of the way. PG-13, 1 hr. 26 min.



ANNA KARENINA
The third collaboration of Academy Award nominee Keira Knightley with acclaimed director Joe Wright, following the award-winning box office successes Pride & Prejudice and Atonement, is a bold, theatrical new vision of the epic story of love, adapted from Leo Tolstoy's timeless novel by Academy Award winner Tom Stoppard. The story powerfully explores the capacity for love that surges through the human heart. As Anna (Ms. Knightley) questions her happiness and marriage, change comes to all around her. R, 2 hr. 10 min.

Dad wants to date, but first he needs a clue

DEAR AMY: How does an older (40s) single dad re-enter the modern dating scene? After 13 years of married life, I was divorced over 18 months ago (I didn't approve of the wife's boyfriend) and am the primary caregiver for my 9-year-old son. Between his commitments and mine, there is very little time to play the social singles scene. Where does a guy look for an honest, intelligent and stable woman? No drama, because I'm dating for two now! — Fresh Start

Amy Dickinson



Ask Amy

DEAR FRESH START: I love your description that you are "dating for two," because when you are a single parent, your child's interests are interwoven with your own. One way to meet other parents is to get involved in your son's activities at (or after) school. Parents who know you and your son — moms, especially — will introduce you to single people. Parents Without Partners brings single parents (and their children) together for activities and support. Check parentswithoutpartners.org.

DEAR AMY: My husband of 28 years and I disagree about privacy issues. I think that as his wife I should know his email account passwords, his voice-mail number to get messages, if he is on Facebook, etc. I feel he should be an open book. Some trust issues have surfaced recently, but he said it is all in my head. — Suspicious

DEAR SUSPICIOUS: I agree that spouses should be "open books" to one another, but I also believe that individuals have a right to privacy. Trust in a relationship creates a space of sorts where individuals can operate freely and privately. Ironically, you can have all the privacy in the world if you have nothing to hide. You two should talk this through with a marriage counselor. And you should realize that you could be given total access to every device in your husband's life, and he could still (and quite easily) do, say or write things you will never find out about. At the end of the day, trust (and transparency) is a choice.

SundayJumble

Unscramble these six Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

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| TELUT | |
| NOCHOP | |
| RENUNG | |
| TEASET | |
| WINDAR | |
| DIASUN | |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

ANSWER HERE: THEY

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Oven-Fried Chicken

- INGREDIENTS**
- Cooking spray
 - 1 1/3 cups crispy rice cereal
 - 2 1/4 cups bagel chips or Melba toasts
 - 5 t. extra-virgin olive oil
 - 3/4 t. hot paprika
 - Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
 - 1 1/2 cups plain Greek yogurt (2%)
 - 1 t. dijon mustard
 - 4 skinless, bone-in chicken thighs or halved bone-in breasts (about 6 oz. each)
 - 2 bunches scallions
 - Harissa, chili sauce or ketchup, for the sauce

- DIRECTIONS**
1. Preheat the oven to 475 degrees F. Set a rack on a foil-lined baking sheet and generously coat the rack with cooking spray.
 2. Finely grind the cereal and bagel chips in a food processor and transfer to a large resealable plastic bag. Add 3 teaspoons olive oil, the paprika, 2 teaspoons salt, and pepper to taste and toss.
 3. Whisk 1/2 cup yogurt and the mustard in a shallow bowl. Add the chicken and turn to coat, then transfer to the bag; seal and shake to coat. Place the chicken on the rack and mist with cooking spray.
 4. Toss the scallions with the remaining 2 teaspoons olive oil and place alongside the chicken. Bake until the chicken is crisp and a thermometer inserted into the thickest part registers 160 degrees F, about 30 minutes.
 5. Make the dipping sauce: Mix the remaining 1 cup yogurt and harissa to taste in a bowl. Serve the chicken and scallions with the sauce.

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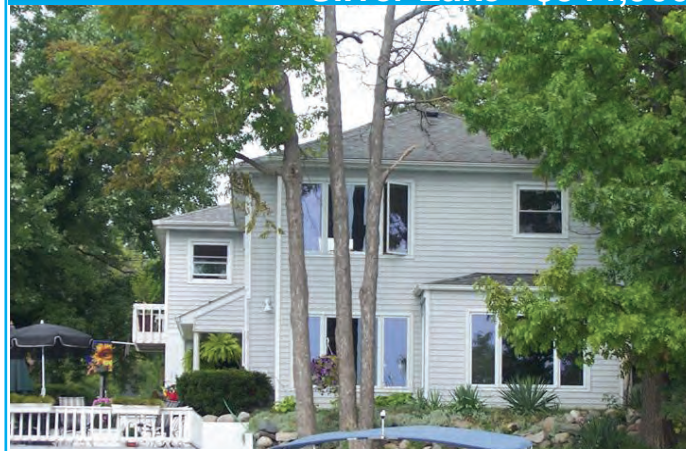
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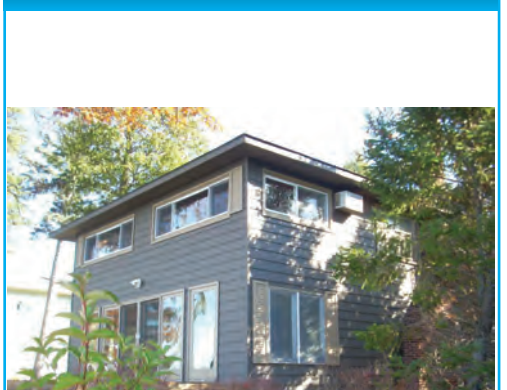
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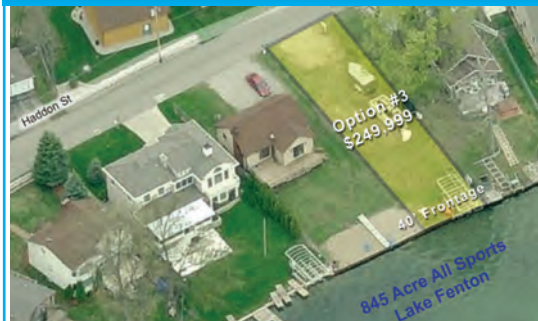
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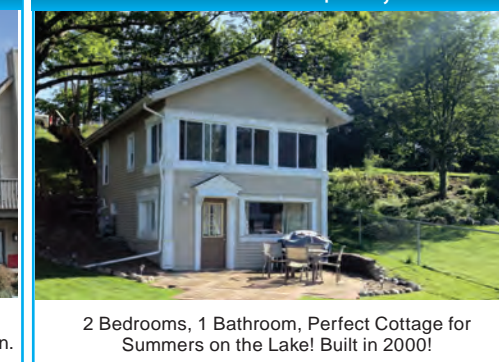
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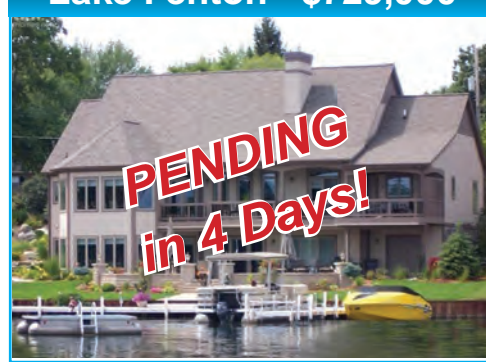
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6. **She Wants To Dance With Me** - Rick Astley
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BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING**

The Board of Review of the Township of Groveland will meet at the GROVELAND TOWNSHIP HALL, 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly, Michigan, Upper Level, for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll and hearing any objections thereof, at the following dates and time:

Tuesday, March 5, 2013 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Monday, March 11, 2013 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Wednesday, March 13, 2013 1:00 PM to 4:30PM
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Additional days will be scheduled, if necessary, to give everyone an opportunity to appeal their assessment.

Property owners may file their protests by letter provided they are received at the Township Hall by Monday March 4, 2013.

For those wishing to protest in person, please schedule an appointment by calling:
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PUBLIC NOTICE
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BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
FEBRUARY 18, 2013

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday February 18, 2013 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as amended.
3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$597,128.80.
4. Scheduled a public hearing for Monday March 4, 2013 to consider the application of TIG Entity, LLC to transfer existing Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificates (tax abatements) from Thompson IG, LLC.
5. Adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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

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1 "My dear," in Milan

8 Early calculators

13 Miser visited by ghosts

20 Protective plastic film

21 — rex (cat breed)

22 Chewed the fat

23 Start of a riddle

25 Thaws again

26 Procedure: Abbr.

27 Muscle fitness

28 Sport — (4WD vehicle)

29 Galley tool

30 A number of

31 Riddle, part 2

36 Painter Rousseau

38 In another country

39 Vision problem

40 Klensch of fashion

41 Terse denial

44 — Aviv

46 "Ad — per aspera" (motto of Kansas)

48 Riddle, part 3

53 Fifth of XV

54 Novelist Santha Rama —

55 In — (before birth)

56 Table crumb

57 "Viva — Vegas"

58 On top of, to bards

59 — Martin (British auto)

61 Cast — for

63 Pops

64 Cuts short

65 Riddle, part 4

70 LeBlanc of "Friends"

73 Reminiscent of

74 First Hebrew month

75 Bovine milk pitcher

79 French buddy

80 Blowup, in photog.

81 — Lingus

82 Elk's call

85 Rebs' gp.

86 Paw bottom

87 Riddle, part 5

91 Sharp insults

93 Municipal reg.

94 Verdugo or Kagan

95 Repetitious learning

96 Moroseness

98 Hopes that one will

101 Lube again

102 End of the riddle

107 Apple line

108 "A," in Arles

109 — offensive (1968 attack)

110 Gehrig and Gossett

111 Very little

114 Bacon slices

116 Riddle's answer

119 Saint- — (Loire's capital)

120 Six Flags attractions

121 Unable to tear oneself away from

122 Most tightly packed

123 At — of (priced at)

124 Energy-draining things

3 Thinks through logically

4 "Boston Legal" fig.

5 Tiki bar drink

6 "The show's starting"

7 Cigna rival

8 Suffix with lime

9 Desensitized

10 2009 film set on Pandora

11 Show up at

12 Ending for Benedict

13 "Scat!"

14 Second-order angel

15 Cup top

16 Baby bodysuits

17 Like films not shot in a studio

18 Tie the knot

19 Ford dud

24 Clutch sitter

29 More strange

32 Berlin Mrs.

33 Hit for the Jackson 5

34 Really irk

35 Smelting residues

36 — pin drop

37 Places of exile

41 "King" Cole

42 Show a deficit

43 Albania's capital

45 Purple bloom

47 Melodies

49 Melody

50 Alternative to a 401(k)

51 Twistable little treats

52 "Nothin'"

60 Frequently, to a poet

62 Held the deed to

63 Strip bare

64 Slithering swimmer

66 Narrow road

67 "Feel free to send me"

68 Hanging Gardens city

69 Comply with

70 Atlas filler

71 Merge into a single body

72 Artificial inlet subject to ebbs and flows

76 Affecting the entire college, say

77 Question from Judas

78 Stand for a canvas

80 The sun, in Spain

81 "— shall come to pass ..."

83 Pistol or rifle

84 Meadowland

88 Clear, as a chalkboard

89 Dubs anew

90 Russian city or region

92 Sacs

97 Shows grief

99 Like fictitious tales

100 Big name in stretchy swimwear

101 Rebel as a group

102 Sacked

103 Not solidified

104 Mop & — (cleaning brand)

105 Karaoke selections

106 Fran and Ollie's friend

112 —"acte (play break)

113 Parts of psyches

115 Pittsburgh-Boston dir.

116 Chorus syllable

117 Suffix with lobby or hobby

118 Counterpart of "nope"

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STAN EATON WATER TOWER ENGINEERING

The City of Linden will receive sealed bids at the City Clerk's Office, 132 E. Broad St., P.O. Box 507, Linden, MI 48451, for water tower engineering at the Linden City Hall on Monday, March 4, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at that time in the main office of the Linden City Hall, 132 E. Broad St., Linden, Michigan. Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and plainly marked "SEALED BID STAN EATON WATER TOWER ENGINEERING – CITY OF LINDEN."

Proposal forms and specifications are on file for the inspection of bidders at the Linden City Offices, 132 E. Broad St., Linden, Michigan and copies may be obtained by qualified bidders. Sealed proposals must be submitted on the bid forms furnished by the City.

The City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to accept any bid which, in their opinion, is most advantageous to the City.

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Ann M. Van Natter a/k/a Ann Marie Van Natter, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Berkley Capital Corp, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 2, 2010 and recorded October 14, 2010 in Instrument # 201010140071758 Genesee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Flagstar Bank, FSB, by assignment dated January 18, 2013 and recorded January 28, 2013 in Instrument # 201301280005830 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Fifteen Cents (\$93,432.15) including interest 4.25% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on March 27, 2013. Said premises are situated in Township of Gaines, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 24 of Gould Manor, according to the recorded plat thereof. Subject to easements and restriction of record. Commonly known as 7344 Reid Rd., Swartz Creek MI 48473 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 2/24/2013 Flagstar Bank, FSB, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 13-75447 Ad #45982 02/24, 03/03, 03/10, 03/17/2013

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Charles E. Anderson aka Charles Leroy Anderson aka Charles Anderson and Cheryl A. Anderson, His Wife, as Joint Tenants to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgage, dated March 3, 2005 and recorded March 14, 2005 in Instrument # 200503140029989 Genesee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, in Trust for the Registered Holders of Ameriquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R4, by assignment dated August 7, 2008 and recorded August 19, 2008 in Instrument # 20080819006160 and by assignment dated January 15, 2009 and recorded February 18, 2009 in Instrument # 200902180008993 and subsequently re-recorded in which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars and Eighty-Two Cents (\$65,768.82) including interest 2% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on March 13, 2013. Said premises are situated in City of Burton, Genesee County Michigan, and are described as: Lot 15 of Crago Gardens, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 10, Page 14, Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 2078 Morrish St, Burton MI 48319 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 2/10/2013 Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R4, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 13-75419 AD 454286 02/10, 02/17, 02/24, 03/03/2013

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Norma J. Goscinak, a Single Person to Guardian Mortgage Company, Inc. Mortgagee, dated September 3, 2003 and recorded September 3 0, 2003 in Instrument # 20030930 0131874 Genesee County Records, Michigan on which mortgage t here is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars and Twenty-One Cents (\$50,858.21) including interest 5% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case mad e and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on March 6, 2013 Said premises are situated in City of Flint, Genesee County , Michigan, and are described as: Lot 289, Cathy Plat No. 2, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 32 of Plats, Page 24. Commonly known as 3719 Maryland Avenue, Flint MI 48506 The redemption period shall be 6 mo nths from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 2/03/2013 Guardian Mortgage Company, Inc. Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 12-73657 AD #45110 02/03, 02/10, 02/17, 02/24/2013

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**TYRONE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
HELD FEBRUARY 19, 2013**

1. Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Clerk Keith Kremer, Treasurer Marna Bunting-Smith, Trustees Cam Gonzalez, Soren Pedersen, Chuck Schultz, and David Walker; Planning Commissioners Mark Meisel, Deb Lee, Dave Wardin, and Brenda Wehrli; Zoning Board of Appeals members Greg Carnes, Jeff Young, and Anne Linder. Absent: Planning Commissioners Ron Puckett and Mike Wood; ZBA member Dave Cypher.
2. Approved the agenda as amended; approved the consent agenda as presented.
3. Received and placed on file Communications #1-5 as presented.
4. Luke Bonner, VP of Business Development from Ann Arbor Spark, gave a presentation to the board explaining how the company helps advance the region's economy.
5. Mark Meisel, Chairman of the Planning Commission, gave a presentation explaining the township's draft Master Plan.
6. Adopted the Master Plan as presented.
7. Approved Resolution #130202 adopting the amendment to the Act 185 Contract and approving the refunding bond issue.
8. Authorized the distribution of allocated funds to the Hartland Senior Center.
9. Approved the current contract price for extending the Livingston County Sheriff service contract for two years.
10. Adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

The minutes of all regular and special Tyrone Township Board Meetings are on file and may be reviewed at the Tyrone Township Clerk's Office, 10408 Center Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at www.tyronetownship.us. The next regular meeting of the Tyrone Township Board will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.

**PUBLIC NOTICE
TO THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON**

2013 BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review of the Charter Township of Fenton will meet at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan

Monday March 11, 2013
Tuesday March 12, 2013
Wednesday March 13, 2013
Thursday March 14, 2013

9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

For the purpose of reviewing and hearing any objections or corrections needed to the assessment roll.

Property owners may file their appeals in writing, provided they are received by the Board of Review no later than March 14, 2013.

Property owners wishing to appeal in person may do so on a first-come-first-served basis on the dates and times indicated above. **APPOINTMENTS WILL NOT BE SCHEDULED.**

TENTATIVE EQUALIZATION MULTIPLIERS

| Property Class | Ratio | Factor |
|----------------|-------|--------|
| Commercial | 51.25 | 0.9756 |
| Industrial | 54.27 | 0.9213 |
| Residential | 49.35 | 1.0132 |

**ROBERT E. KRUG, CLERK
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON**

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
FOR
TOWNSHIP OF ROSE

Site Grass Mowing

Sealed proposals will be received by the Township of Rose, 9080 Mason St. Holly, Michigan 48442, until **3 PM on Monday, March 18, 2013** at which time, the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the Rose Township Clerk, for the site grass mowing for Rose Township properties.

The project/work includes Rose Township properties as listed and miscellaneous properties if requested.

Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street
Rose Township Hall, 204 Franklin Street
Beebe Cemetery, Corner Fish Lake and Rose Center Road
Rose Center Cemetery, Milford Road
Brookins Cemetery, Fenton Road
Civic Park, Corner Milford and Rose Center Road
Dearborn Park, Corner Milford and Davisburg Road

The removal of fallen leaves in fall of 2013: The leaves shall be removed from Brookins, Beebe and Rose Center Cemetery the week prior to Veterans Day, November 11, 2013.

The plans and specifications are on file and may be examined and picked-up on or after **8:30 AM** on **Monday, February 25, 2013** at the Rose Township Office, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, MI 48442.

Bidders must supply the telephone and fax number, street address, and the name of the individual or firm whom Addenda, if any, can be directed.

Oral statements may not be relied upon and will not be binding or legally effective

The right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals, and to waive defects in the proposals is reserved by the Owner.

Debbie Miller, CMC
Rose Township Clerk
9080 Mason Street
Holly, Michigan 48442

2013
BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE
ROSE TOWNSHIP
9080 Mason St
Holly, Michigan 48442

MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE
The 2013 Rose Township Board of Review will be held at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan on the following dates and times:

March 5, 2013 - 2:00 pm Organizational Meeting

Appointments will begin on:
March 7, 2013 9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
March 11, 2013 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
March 13, 2013 9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

**FOR AN APPOINTMENT, PLEASE CALL OAKLAND COUNTY
EQUALIZATION DIVISION,
TOLL FREE, 1-888-350-0900, EXTENSION 81864
OR (248) 858-1864.**

APPEARANCES BEFORE THE BOARD OF REVIEW
ARE LIMITED TO 15 MINUTES.
PROPERTY OWNERS MAY APPEAL BY MAIL
IF RECEIVED BY 4:00PM MARCH 13, 2013

All agents protesting values on property other than their own **MUST** have written authorization from each property owner they are representing.

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

Debbie Miller, CMC
Rose Township Clerk

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TYRONE TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

A public hearing will be held before the Tyrone Township Board on Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. regarding the proposed 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Township Budget, all funds. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

A copy of the budget and supporting documents will be available for public inspection at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan, during regular business hours of Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. All oral and written comments are welcome.

Keith L. Kremer
Tyrone Township Clerk

TYRONE TOWNSHIP
2013 BOARD OF REVIEW
PUBLIC NOTICE

The 2013 Board of Review will be held at the Tyrone Township Hall, located at 10408 Center Road, Fenton, MI 48430 on the following dates and times:

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013 Organizational Meeting 10:00 am

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2013 9:00 am -12:00 pm., 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2013 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm., 6:00 pm - 9:00pm

Please call (810) 629-8631 (ext. 216) for a recommended appointment. Letters of appeal will be accepted and must be received by 9:00 pm. on March 12, 2013. No faxes or emails will be accepted.

| | AGRICULTURAL | COMMERCIAL | INDUSTRIAL | RESIDENTIAL | DEVELOPMENTAL | PERSONAL |
|------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-------------|---------------|----------|
| Tentative Ratio | 51.61 | 48.88 | 56.59 | 47.97 | 49.63 | 50.00 |
| Tentative Factor | .9688 | 1.0229 | 0.8835 | 1.0423 | 1.0075 | 1.00000 |

Final expected ratios are: Tentative Ratio 50%, Tentative Factor 1.00

Bruce Little, Tyrone Township Assessor

NOTICE
CITY OF FENTON
BOARD OF REVIEW 2013

The City of Fenton Board of Review will meet at Fenton City Hall, 301 S. Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan 48430, at the following times for the purpose of hearing protests to assessed values and the review of poverty exemption applications;

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Monday, March 4, 2013 | 1:00pm-4:00pm |
| Tuesday, March 5, 2013 | 9:00am-12:00pm |
| Wednesday, March 6, 2013 | 1:00pm-4:00pm and 6:00pm-9:00pm |
| Monday, March 18, 2013 | 2:00pm-6:00pm |
| Tuesday, March 19, 2013 | 9:00am-12:00pm |
| Wednesday, March 20, 2013 | 1:00pm-5:00pm |
| Thursday, March 21, 2013 | 9:00am-1:00pm (For decisions only) |

Meetings with the Board of Review are held by appointment only. Appointments can be made by contacting the Assessors Office at (810)629-2261, or visiting Fenton City Hall at 301 S. Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan 48430.

Property Owners who reside out of the area may appeal in writing to the Board of Review. Written appeals must be received no later than 5:00pm on Tuesday, March 19, 2013.

| TENTATIVE EQUALIZATION RATIO'S | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|------------|
| CLASSIFICATION | RATIO | MULTIPLIER |
| Commercial | 55.13% | 0.9070 |
| Industrial | 55.51% | 0.9007 |
| Residential | 48.01% | 1.0414 |

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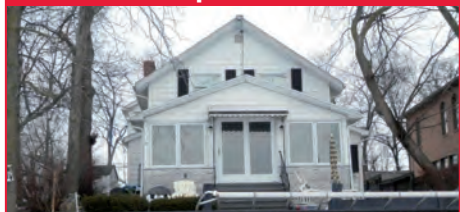


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New granite kitchen with stainless steel appliances included. Rich new flooring throughout and 2 ceramic baths right out of a magazine.

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FOR SALE



2497 Academy, Holly

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For Sale



4300 Pondview Dr., Swartz Creek

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\$135,000

For Sale



8399 W Rolston Rd., Linden

Good Return On Your Investment. Duplex On 1.5 Acres! Two - Two Bedroom Units. Both Have A 2 Car Garage.

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For Lease



1350 Fieldcrest, Flint

Built in 2000 with quality hardwood floors, cathedral ceilings, oak kitchen, 1st floor laundry and master suite.

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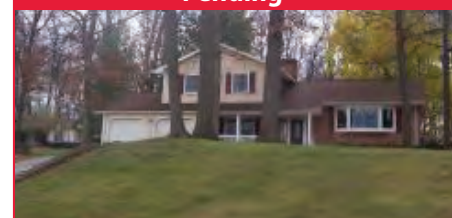
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10520 Rustic Ridge, Fenton

Over 10 acres with pond and barn in Fenton Schools. 1,700 square feet, 4 Bedroom, 2 full baths, full basement.

Pending



14021 Iroquois Woods Dr., Fenton

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Pending



1222 Vista Dr., Fenton

Close to shopping, schools, x-ways yet a quiet setting. Large home with lots of updates

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Pending



8064 Pepperwood Dr., Grand Blanc

Terrific 2000 sq/ft condo in Pepperwood. Deck overlooks nature preserve. Master suite with fireplace cathedral ceilings.

\$123,000

Pending



13326 Wenwood, Fenton

Marketing Remark Lake Fenton Waterfront home offering sunset views of the lake.

\$225,000

Pending



12252 Dollar Lake Dr., Fenton

Brick colonial on Little Long Lake with trees and nature abound. New kitchen with granite, plus updated flooring and paint.

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