The role of a community newspaper

By William Axford

Business owners in Linden are resting a little easier now that Linden City Council has chosen not to 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.

“A newspaper that holds the government accountable is a valuable asset.”

John Hariman,
CMU Professor

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

By Sharon Stone

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

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Summary

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

Medical marijuana dispensary manager faces 25 years, eight felonies

By William Axford

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.

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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 employee 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 police that the student was in possession of marijuana. A staff member at the school initially reported to police that the student was in possession of marijuana. The police said the business. The business said the radiator was valued at $50. Police have no suspects.

**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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**Beyond the Thin Mint**

**Girl Scout cookie sales now in full swing**

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 Michigan (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.”

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.

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

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 do. 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 revenue is divided a few ways, depending on whether or not to issue a traffic citation.

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

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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. Hmm — 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: 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 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 helpless on the roadside as there were often no witnesses to the accident. 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.


Compiled by Olivia Dimmer, intern

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

“Dirty Dancing. It was just a clean, non-violent, really good movie.” — Evelyn Thompson

“‘I recently saw ‘Les Miserables,’ and liked it. My husband really liked ‘Skyfall,’ too.” — Sam Warkentine

“Identity Theft,” because it was so hilarious.” — Emma Underwood

“‘Gone with the Wind.’ Olivia de Havilland was so good, and I loved the book when I was a teenie bopper.” — Karen Culley

“‘Avatar.’ It’s a sci-fi movie and I’m into that.” — Violet Lanning

“‘Gone with the Wind.’ It’s such a good story about love and about the war.” — Brian Meffen

“Byron” — Argentine Township
Is refinancing your mortgage worth it?

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

By Tim Jagielo

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.

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Seven seek Gleason’s senate seat

Special primary election on Tuesday, March 12

By Ryan Tackabury

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 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 cities 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, Jim Daunt and Adam Ford.

The first thing you need to do is to try and communicate with the PCM using a scan tool check for troubles codes. Then watch for crankng 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 crankng RPM on the PCM or the PCM is not returning data from the injector sensor. There is a diagnostic test that you can do if you have the right tools. However, it is best to have it checked with you though this sounds like a job for a repair shop.

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Unpaid property taxes become delinquent first day of March

County treasurer urges residents to contact office if in need of assistance

By William Axford

Genesee County Treasurer Deb Cherry urged residents to work with township and county officials when tackling their delinquent taxes during Monday’s board of trustees meeting. Cherry told audience members that unpaid taxes become delinquent on March 1 and transfer from the township to the county.

Once they leave the township, Cherry said a $175 fee for the clearing process is added to the delinquent taxes.

“The fees that are established by law. It’s not something that we’ve made up in the county nor is it something we can change,” Cherry said. The treasurer also added that the interest rate increases to 18 percent.

Taxpayers have up to three years to pay delinquent taxes before property is collected and sold by mortgage lenders, banks or the county.

For those who cannot pay their delinquent taxes on time, Cherry said there are many programs available that can assist taxpayers. Veteran, federal and hardship exemptions exist for those who qualify.

“I certainly don’t want to take people’s homes,” Cherry said.

For those who have more questions and need help addressing delinquent taxes, Cherry said county officials will have a forum Feb. 26 at the Salvation Army in downtown Flint. The forum is scheduled to take place from 5:30 to 8 p.m. and will feature representatives from different agencies.

Cherry has also been invited to speak at the Linden City Council meeting on Monday, Feb. 26.

“Even if you’re having some trouble with your taxes, there should be someone there to help you,” Cherry said. Her office can be reached at (810) 257-3024.

Linden veteran to lead 13-mile march to national cemetery

By Sharon Stone

First Lt. Richard Dunkley, of Linden, is planning the second-annual Fallen Soldier March for April 20.

Dunkley and the other supporters will step off from the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 4642 in Linden and proceed 13 miles to the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly Township. Dunkley is a member of the 237th BSB in Bay City and wants to continue the great tradition, which began in Tennessee in 2004.

In 2004, First Sgt. Jim Williams organized Tennessee’s first Fallen Soldier March in Lebanon. Williams had recently returned from a yearlong deployment to Iraq with the 168th Military Police Battalion, and wanted to honor not only the Tennessee National Guard Soldiers who died in the War on Terror, but all Tennesseans who made the ultimate sacrifice for their state and nation.

Dunkley began the local march last April and soon after, he was deployed to Afghanistan with many of the soldiers who walked in the first march. Now back from overseas, he is planning the second march. Step off will be at 9 a.m. sharp and participants are asked to arrive early to attend a safety briefing that will take place at 8:30 a.m.

All active, reserve, retired service members and civilian supporters are invited to participate in this event. Uniform for active and reserve service members is ACU’s with patrol cap for Army or the appropriate field uniform for other services. Civilians should wear appropriate casual attire.

It is recommended that everyone bring some source of water with them for the march. For the soldiers, a 30-pound rucksack is optional. Arrive motivated to march the entire 13-mile route, or participate in any portion of the march.

Donations will be accepted, but not required to participate in the march. All monies raised will be equally divided amongst two charities that directly support fallen soldiers and their family, the 1-25BN BN memorial for fallen soldiers and the Helping Heroes of America - Joe Johnson Scholarship.

To show your support for the men and women defending this country’s freedom, Dunkley asks that you support the Fallen Soldier March in April.
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 fund-raiser, 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 chairperson 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.

Fenton Optimist Club will hold the 10th annual 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 sporting event, or from any booster leader. 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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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

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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 Legacy’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 Cheny 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.cityoffenton.org.

**‘Pucks for Paws’ benefits Adopt-A-Pet**

The Michigan Warriors hockey team is hosting a “Pucks for Paws” event on Saturday, 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) 744-6688 or go to mywarriors.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.

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Superintendent applicants narrowed to three in Holly

By Tim Jagielo

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, and shook the hands of the board.

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 interviews 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.
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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.

There 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 cookies and 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.

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.

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT GIRL SCOUT COOKIES:
- First year of cookie sales was 1917
- Record of most boxes sold by a single girl was 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

Thin Mints: Thin, mint-flavored chocolate wafers dipped in a chocolate coating.

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Caramel deLites/Samoas: Vanilla cookies coated in caramel, sprinkled with toasted coconut and laced with chocolate stripes.

Happy cookie selling!”
Board accepts resignation, appoints new trustee

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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 Marihuana 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.

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 school events.”

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 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.

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.

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.

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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 Simms had 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 Jolee 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 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 tery 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 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 Jusiti Kerner layin with 16 seconds left, but Cox followed with two more converted free throws. Holly had a three-point shot by Kernor 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 Rowe had eight points.

For more on this game go to www.tctimes.com.
Lake Fenton — When it came to the Genesee Area Conference Red Division 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 team 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 Travon 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 his mind,” Lake Fenton coach Matt Gildner said. “I think from what I’ve seen, she’s Ms. Baseline ball. 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 capture 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 Sahrouri had the Goodrich lead cut to 8-6 with two minutes remaining in the first quarter.

A minute later, an Aston 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 said, 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 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 possessions.

A conventional three-point play by Makenzie Gotten 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 these losses to the second-ranked Martians.

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

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 in the girls division, with the Holly/Oxford squad placed sixth.

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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 Schulz in 13th (43.24) and Dillon Sink tied for 19th (44.07).

In the slalom Schulz 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.
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 40: Logan Stewart 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 was paced by Makenzie Gottron’s 14 points and seven rebounds, while Maija Satkowiak chipped in five points.

Scott netted eight points. Tyler Begley (5-13) with 13 points, while Sawyer Scott had nine points, nine rebounds, while Hannah Parkinson had six points each.

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“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 the end of the third, but Lake Fenton got its only lead of the game on a conventional three-point play earlier in the game.

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Area girls hoops teams preparing for competitive, entertaining district games

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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.”

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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**

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Once exciting, Twice is a pattern. 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 I 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,” Val- ley 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 south flatlanders. — Boyne Mountain for D1 this season — are much steeper and demanding hills. They aren’t the types 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.

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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 pre- pared, 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 individu- als. Julian Weinberg is making his second trip to the state meet, and Seth Thompson is making his third trip to the state meet in at least one event. This year he’s compet- ing in giant slalom. Weinberg placed 17th in the slalom (1:07.81) and McKay placed 17th in the giant slalom (1:02.62). Flannery Wise placed 14th (1:07.81) and McKay placed 17th (1:10.02).

“Everyone stepped up and skied their hard- est against tough competition and in chal- lenging 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 competition at the meet besides Thompson was Julian Wein- berg. 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 ri- valry with Marlan, finishing second to the
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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.
When 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 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 them 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 arranging to notify 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.

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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 part-time 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. A car was stopped 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 a.m. to 3 a.m. shift to cover bars 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 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. “Sometimes 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 officer if fixed, and provide an incentive to get the vehicle repaired. “If they don’t get it repaired then they will face finnes,” 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.
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 Tipsoco Lake. Adam attends State Road Elementary School in Fenton.

**Catch of the Week**

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

**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 promted 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?

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• 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.
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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

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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 has passed away, to mention a few. You can’t plan 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 power of attorney and a health care power 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)**
  - 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 physically 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.

- **Probate**
  - The court process by which wills are validated and assets are distributed to beneficiaries.
  - It is in your probate estate.

- **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.
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- **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.
Meet Brad Wright

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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 is the Ambassadors? I have four choirs here at the high school. Chorus, Bella Voce, Varsity Vocals and Ambassadors. I also teach one of the sections of basic 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 do 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 Broad, 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 least and most advanced music rooms in southeast Michigan. I am really fortunate to do what I do.

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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

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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.

“Yes, hold that pose for three more breaths,” Nicolai instructs. 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.

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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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.

George Washington, the emancipator of slaves, was born (1858) was closer to that of Abraham Lincoln, the emancipator of political freedom, but the year of his birth (Feb. 22) with George Washington, the emancipator of political freedom.

Today, a century and a half after the horrid 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.

High school students could win scholarship and more

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HOW TO ENTER:
• Go to www.tctimes.com and click on the “Predict the Winners” Oscar Contest button on the right.
• To vote, choose your selection from the drop down menu next to each category.
• Provide your contact information in the form (so we can let you know if you win!), then hit SUBMIT.
• You MUST cast a vote in each category. (There’s nothing wrong with guessing.)
• After hitting submit, you will be emailed a receipt for your records of how you voted.

CONTEST RULES:
• The 85th annual Academy Awards will be presented Sunday, Feb. 24. Whoever predicts the most winners WINS the Times’ 2013 Oscar Contest.
• Entries can be submitted any time prior to Sunday, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m. Any entries submitted after that time will not be considered.
• Only one entry per person. In the event you submit more than one entry, only the first one we receive will be counted.
• In the event of a tie, the winner will be selected by a drawing.

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?

First-place artwork will be featured on the front page of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW Magazine and the Website. Second- and third-place art will be featured in the Ladies VFW Magazine and the Website.

The deadline to enter is March 31. Entrants may contact the local VFW Post 3243 at (810) 629-3700 or contact Bonnie Pray, the youth activities chairperson at (810) 750-1387.

For more information and complete contest rules, go to www.ladiesauxvfw.org and click on programs, then Young American Patriotic Art Brochure, followed by Helpful Hints. Artwork must be on paper or canvas, watercolor, pencil, pastel, charcoal, tempera, crayon, acrylic, and pen-and-ink, or oil may be used. Digital art is not accepted.

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**Oscar winners by the numbers**

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Sources: biography.com, oscars.org, nytimes, imdb.com, filmsite.org

**Facts:***
- Walt Disney’s record for most Oscars received by an individual.
- The record for most snubs for a movie. “The Turning Point,” and “The Color Purple” both had 11 nominations and zero wins.
- The record for most wins for a movie. “Titanic,” “Ben-Hur,” and “Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King” are tied.
- 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).
- The number of actors to be nominated for Best Actor and Best Supporting Actor for the same role (Barry Fitzgerald as Father Fitzgibbon in “Going My Way”).
- The number of actors who have won an Oscar for playing Don Corleone (Marlon Brando for “Godfather” and Robert DeNiro for “Godfather II”).

**Additional Records:**
- Meryl Streep’s record for most acting nominations.
- Peter O’Toole’s record for most snubs for an actor. He has eight nominations and no wins.
- 28 - Walt Disney’s record for most Oscars received by an individual.
- 11 - Shirley Temple is youngest person to receive an Oscar at age 6.
- 11 - Greer Garson gives longest speech ever at five minutes, 30 seconds.
- 14 - First televised Academy Awards ceremony.
- 6 - Charlie Chaplin receives longest standing ovation in Academy Awards history, at five minutes.
- 8 - At age 87, Gloria Stuart is oldest person to be nominated for an Oscar, for Titanic.
- 2 - Longest televised Academy Awards ceremony ever, at 4.5 hours.
- 1 - Kathryn Bigelow is first female to win an Oscar for directing.
- 1934 - Hattie McDaniel is first black actor to win an Oscar for “Gone with the Wind.”
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 (TOW) 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 Learnman 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 schools prepared to take part in the TOW, 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.

STRETCH

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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 imagina-

tion 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 begin-

ning 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 random-

ized 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 alleviate 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 about being perfect, it’s about being present,” Nicolai told us.

I’m struggling to keep balance while the rest of the reporters take a class.

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Happy dental visits reduce stress for kids

By Sally Rummel

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 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.”

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 a healing mode.” She sees these duo disciplines as the “perfect package” for mindful living with a physical component.

Summary

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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 begins to nurture herself through yoga.

She even sat for 10 days of complete silence in the practice of Vipassana Meditation in 2005. “It takes 10 days to underline all your habits,” said Nicolai. “We live in a constant state of reacting, rather than living in a healing mode.” She sees these duo 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.”

Dental assistant Laura Mulanix applies fluoride on the teeth of 7-year-old Connor Lee at Sonoma Dental Group in Fenton.
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Marion Erskine Kryza
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Marion Erskine Kryza - age 98, 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, from 7 to 9 PM Monday, and from 11 AM to 4-9 PM Tuesday. Those desiring may make contributions to Hospice of Livingston County, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, or to the Fenton United Methodist Church. Share memories at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


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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.

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.

**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 Halloweent night, so Joy can go to a nager with her much younger boyfriend. When Wren gets distracted by an invitation to the party of the year, Albert disappears.

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**Oven-Fried Chicken**

**INGREDIENTS**

- 5 lbs. chicken breasts (about 6 oz. each)
- 2 1/4 cups bagel chips or Melba toasts
- 1 1/2 cups plain Greek yogurt (2%)
- 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, chilli 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.

**Sunday Jumble**

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

**Answer key located in this edition**
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2. Lost In Your Eyes - Debbie Gibson
3. Wild Thing - Toto Loc
4. The Lover In Me - Sheena Easton
5. Born To Be My Baby - Bon Jovi
6. She Wants To Dance With Me - Rick Astley
7. You Got It - Eddie Bruckel & the New Bohemians
8. The Living Years - Mike & the Mechanics
9. Walking Away - Information Society
10. Standing On The Roadside - Robert Cray

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OPEN HOUSE TOWNHOUS...
The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday February 18, 2013 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mawanda 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 apportionment of TG 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 Mawanda 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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**TYPRE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SYNOPSIS** 2013 BOARD MEETING

- **Meeting Date:** March 11, 2013
- **Meeting Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- **Location:** Charter Township of Tyrone, 10408 Center Street, Tyrone, Michigan
- **Agenda:**
  1. **Opening:**
  2. **Introduction:**
  3. **Roll Call:**
  4. **Approval of Minutes:**
  5. **Public Hearing:**
  6. **Public Comments:**
  7. **New Business:**
  8. **Adjournment:**

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

- **Meeting Date:** March 12, 2013
- **Meeting Time:** 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
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For the purpose of informing the recorders of any amendments 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, during the dates and times indicated above. APPOINTMENTS WILL NOT BE SCHEDULED.
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.

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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.

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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
- **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.**

Appearance 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
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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. Kremmer
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** 10:00 am Organizational Meeting
- **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 - 9:00 pm

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.

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;

- **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**

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