

ONLINE COMMENTS

**CITY OF FENTON 11 just moved** to Fenton. There is a



infrequently visited by people. Then there is the library with duct tape on the floors and the dirty, ancient windows. The city building visited the most often is in the worst shape.'

#### **SNOW**

**44 We had a** hundredth of an inch of snow this morning so I told my kid to go back to sleep and, wonder of wonders, they actually had school.

#### **DENNIS RODMAN 44**That fool Dennis Rodman is a



permanently.

friend and houseguest of that juvenile North Korea

nuclear nutcake? Too bad he didn't stay over there

**111 got an** email from the FBI that said my ATM account was being investigated and they needed further information from me. Since I do not. nor ever have had an ATM account, this is a fraud. Be careful out there.

# HOT LINE

of the week

**66**SMOKING A **CIGARETTE** is not a crime. Doctors smoke, some priests smoke. People smoke. They choose to do it, it's their choice. A parent who smokes is still a parent and you are no better than they are, because you choose not to. Live your own life and stop judging.99



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# Tyrone may not renew contract with sheriff's department

Officials believe they're not receiving what they paid for

#### **By William Axford**

axford@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 The Tyrone Township Board of Trustees has not renewed the township's contract with the Livingston

It's been 22 years

since serial killer

murdered their

teen daughters

'We think of

By Ryan Tackabury

them every day'

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

More than 20 years has passed

In September of 1991, Leslie

since what remains today one of

the most tragic and heartbreaking

Allen Williams abducted sisters

Michelle Urbin, 16, and Melissa

Urbin, 14, of Tyrone Township. Af-

chapters of the area's history.

**Parents:** 

County Sheriff's Department but that doesn't mean residents in the township will go without protection.

Clerk Keith Kremer said the township is currently in negotiations with the sheriff's department and is disputing that residents are not receiving the services they should be.

"We're looking at other sources. This doesn't mean we won't have police protection," said Kremer.

Under the previous contract, Hartland and Tyrone townships paid the sheriff's department \$150,000 each (\$300,000 total) to have one, 24hour officer cover the municipalities. See CONTRACT on 8A

Summary

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► Tyrone Township Clerk Keith Kremer said residents in the township will still receive police protection, even if the contract with the Livingston County Sheriff's Department is not renewed.

# Local teen skater to compete in Spain



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Jacob Nussle, 17, of Linden, laces up his skates at the Hartland Sports Center on Wednesday. Nussle practices at the rink most nights of the week in preparation for international competition.

#### See story on Page 7A

### **Two candidates** advance to special election in May

State senate seat vacated by John Gleason up for grabs in May 7 election

#### **Bv Sharon Stone**

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 With a 9-percent voter turnout Tuesday in the Special Primary Elec-

tion in Genesee County, Republican Robert Daunt and Democrat Jim Ananich received the most votes for their respective political parties.

According to the Genesee County Clerk's Office, the unofficial results show that Ananich received 8,472 votes (51.3 percent). His closest See ELECTION on 11A

## **Delaying the 'American Dream'**

Fenton's rental rate of 40 percent surprises local real estate agent

#### By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 For decades, "The American

Dream" was owning your ownhome. "I think a lot of that's bullsh\*t," said University of Michigan-Flint economics professor Christopher Douglas.

To be clear, Douglas means that home ownership without proper financial lending responsibility should not be promoted over other more financially viable options — like renting.

He describes that push for home ownership as "propaganda" — and he's not alone in this sentiment. The height of



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO This home on South Adelaide Street in Fenton is a rental home that was improved by the new owner/investors.

the ownership push in the early 2000s has been widely accepted as contributing to the recession from which the country has just begun to recover.

See RENTAL on 6A



serial killer

Leslie Allen

Williams

ter suffocating the girls, Williams hid their bodies in Fenton's Oakwood Cemetery. Williams is

now serving multiple life sentences at AlgerCorrectional Facility

in Munising. To help them deal with the tragedy, the parents of the Urbin sisters, Patrick and Kathy, found roles becoming conservative political activists as helpful.

"I stay involved with a lot of conservative causes. That's one of the ways I cope with things," Patrick said. "I am not as much interested in crime as I am the state of the country."

Patrick belongs to the Eagle Forum and to the American Cause, which he said are both activist groups that keep track of what is going on in the government.

"I feel that if I help our country, I am doing a service to them, and to everyone," he said.

Kathy said that many people still ask them how they are doing. See TRAGEDY on 8A

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# FEATURESANDNEWS

### Police&Fire report

#### **MOM SHOPLIFTS CLOTHING FOR KIDS**

At 1:20 p.m. on March 6, a 28-year-old Livingston County woman was arrested and later issued a court appearance ticket for third-degree retail fraud. Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said police responded to a department store on Silver Parkway after a loss prevention employee detained a shopper for shoplifting and called police. The employee said the woman, who had her young son with her, had selected \$473 worth of children's clothing, concealed it in her purse and diaper bag and exited the store without paying. The woman's husband arrived and took their son home while she was transported to the police station for booking.

#### **DURAND MOM SHOPLIFTS**

On March 5, at 1 p.m. Fenton police responded to a department store on Owen Road due to a shoplifter being in store custody. An employee said a female shopper, he recognized as a former employee, was in the infant aisle, where she was seen selecting a diaper bag and merchandise that she concealed in the diaper bag. See POLICE on 11A

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# Tattoo advice from the artists

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good tattoos

**Kadee Spangler** 

Tattoo artist at Tattoo

Empire in Fenton

aren't cheap.77

### ►Originality, flexibility may ensure best work possible

#### By William Axford

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Spring and tax returns can make parents and employers cringe. The United Press

International expects the average federal tax return to be \$2,803, with 35 percent of U.S. adults planning to spend some, if not all, of their returns. And as any tattoo artist can attest, tax return season is the most popular time for people to get tattoos.

Millennials(people younger than 30) are more likely to have a tattoo, according to the Pew Research Center.

"Nearly four-in-10 have a tattoo (and for most who do, one is not enough: about half of those with tattoos have two to five and 18 percent have six or more)," the Center found in a 2010 report on young people.

Here's some advice from two local tattoo artists for those who are looking to spend their tax returns on new ink this spring.

More originality means better tattoos. "Give your artist freedom. You will get a better tattoo," said Alex Colombo, who has worked as a tattoo artist for about two

> years. Colombo said getting a significant other's name tattooed is viewed as bad luck and to avoid trend tattoos. "They get old and then you're stuck with something you hate."

Be picky when you get a tattoo. Research the artist and look at their past work. With different photo sharing sites like Facebook, Instagram and Twitter, it's easy to follow a specific artist and

know what you want to get and then proceed from there.

see their work. Compare artwork,

See TATTOO on 8A



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new tattoo for Louis Justin, 22, of Highland at Tattoo Empire in Fenton on Thursday.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO Riders with Pedal Across Lower Michigan (PALM) bike toward Holly on Grange Hall Road last June.

**'Rules** of the road'

What drivers and cyclists need to know to co-exist in busy spring bicycling season

#### **By Sally Rummel**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 The next time you are driving and a bicyclist is sharing the road with you,

remember that the bicyclist has all the rights and responsibilities that you do. "Sometimes drivers don't understand

that bicyclists have the right to operate on the roadway," said Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro. The city follows the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code, which governs the See BICYCLING on 12A



**44** Sometimes drivers don't understand that bicyclists have the right to operate on the roadway.77 **Rick Aro** Fenton police chief

Tattoo artist Kadee Spangler, 22, draws more ink up the needle while working on a



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# Let's keep the lights on

**By Foster Childs** 

If I Were

There are two entities that most define the character and health of any communi-

ty — their school system and their newspaper. All the studies in the world won't tell you as much about the character of the citizens and the financial health of the community than these two factors.

In this area, all four of our school systems speak for themselves. They are state-ofthe-art campuses with modern equipment, dedicated staffs, diligent students and caring administrators. They are not

perfect, but are continually striving for improvement and are highly rated both academically and socially. We are very fortunate.

We are also fortunate to have a newspaper like the Times. By any measure-



### and do not We rec

'I DIDN'T KILL my baby?' How about 'I got high and watched my drug supplier beat my 4-year-old to death for a couple of days.' I find it mind boggling that anyone would want to write about her, her boyfriend, or anyone in her family with the exception of Dominick.

IT'S BEEN TWICE now in the past two weekends that a very loud boom has awakened me around 1:30 in the morning. I live near Lake Fenton Middle School and would like to know what that noise was. Does anyone know?

DOES ANYONE KNOW how much it costs we, the taxpayers, to pay for Michelle Obama to hand out an Oscar?

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TO THE GUY who blares his Christian music, put some headphones on and don't torture your neighbors.

IF YOU QUIT trying so hard to control your children and start paying attention to them, I think you'll find a balance of peace and love in your family.

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THE CITY OF Fenton did not set up their precincts right on March 12. They should have had the person before the machine, not after. Plus the person at the end of one of the precincts was really crabby.

ment, it is the best weekly newspaper in the state and possibly the Midwest. It has

a national reputation for innovation and excellence — and the awards to prove it, including being named '2012 Michigan Newspaper of the Year' by the Michigan Press Association. The award-winning website — tctimes.com — logs well over a hundred thousand visits per month. Best of all, the Times is locally owned, and thus is operated in a manner that stresses family, community and integrity over popularity - a rare commodity these days.

But, I digress. My point is that community newspapers like the Times tend to be taken for granted. We often don't realize the value of them and the crucial role they play in our life and in our commu-

LINDEN HIGH SCHOOL bullying hotline is working? Superintendent's idea of working is a joke. Just because someone reads the messages that are sent through the hotline, does not mean it is working. Students actually need to be punished for it to work.

THE LARGEST CONTRIBUTOR to the U.S. debt has been President Obama, thanks to the economic stimulus package, the Obama tax cuts and the roughly \$800 billion a year military spending.

ANOTHER MISINFORMED/MISGUIDED Democrat didn't do his research so here are the facts. U.S. debt by each president, nity. The advertising promotes shopping local and thus keeps our local businesses and our tax base strong. The local news keeps us informed, provides municipal oversight, and promotes a sense of community. Mundane, but critical, news like

school issues, sewer rate increases, road construction, municipal budgets, water quality, garbage pickup, emergency services and police protection are dissected and explained in a manner we can understand. Engagements and weddings are announced. Who was born and who died. Each of these is a thread in the fabric of our community. The Times dispatches

reporters to attend dozens of meetings monthly --- meetings they attend so that you and I don't have to. These diligent reporters sift through

Ronald Reagan 13.2 percent, George HW Bush 11.5 percent, Bill Clinton 9.8 percent, George W. Bush in eight years 42.7 percent and Barack Hussein Obama in four years 16.8 percent, four more years and he'll surpass George W.

THE THIRD LARGEST contributor to the U.S. debt is President Reagan, who also cut taxes, increased defense spending and expanded Medicare.

SO THERE IS such a big push to ban guns, why is there not a big push to ban tobacco, cars and alcohol, they kill people every day?



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#### esty and accuracy. All this — delivered to our doorstep twice a week — for less than 33¢ an issue. It's the best buy in town and the best **the Times** dispatches reporters to

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future. In closing, pause to consider how much less we would know about everything around us without the Times. How much less rich our lives would be. How much less aware we'd be.

investment we can make

in our community and our

present the issues to us with clarity, hon-

It would be like someone slowly dimming the lights — until one day, they just go out.

To some, newspapers cost  $35\phi$ ,  $50\phi$  or a dollar.

To me, they're priceless.

Opinions offered in If I Were King are the author's alone and do not neces-sarily reflect the opinion of the Tri-County Times or its staft. E-mail the King at king@tctimes.com. Some information reprinted from the Internet.

WAY TO GO Holly police, you solved the flattened quarter crimes. Don't you have something better to do? 

I WAS JUST wondering with the big mess that Enbridge and Precision Pipeline are making in Rose Township with this new pipeline, are they also going to replace Milford and Davisburg roads after they are done driving their heavy equipment back and forth daily. Who's paying this bill?

'THERE IS NO reason why a citizen should be carrying a loaded weapon on the street. Guns are a ridiculous way to solve problems that have to be solved among people of good will.' Ronald Reagan

'IF I WERE King,' I'd still read Foster Child's piece, because you can be either a good role model or a horrible warning. His opinions display the latter.

I CANNOT IMAGINE being an ethnic, political or religious minority in Fenton. It's narrow-mindedness like this that makes me want to move immediately following high school. Thanks for solidifying my decision, Impeach Obama advocates by the post office. Sincerely, the secretly liberal senior.

#### TO THOSE OUTRAGED over the

book written about Corrine Baker. They have all conveniently forgotten that she was also a victim of domestic violence. The book is about forgiveness. Unforgiveness is poison you voluntarily swallow. It is also about breaking free of bondage and the lies of Satan.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

streettalk

#### Compiled by Olivia Dimmer, intern

# If you got a tattoo, what would it be and where?



"I would get a butterfly on my shoulder. I just like butterflies and I think it would be the easiest to get."

– Linda Bidelman, Fenton



"I'm a brain cancer survivor and I have a tattoo of that on my arm. I have eight, but if I got another one. I would add to my sleeve."

— Dylan Nagy, Holly



"I would get a butterfly on my shoulder or a sun on my back. It wouldn't be too conspicuous." – Hildegard Bieler



"I wouldn't get a tattoo. I just personally don't like them."

— Bob Shultz Holly



get one. I think they look

nice on young people but

— Cathy Kerr

Holly

I wouldn't get one now."

"A Spartan head on my arm, the one with the beard. I'm an MSU alumnus."



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Ken Kirkey, 62, said he has enjoyed 99 percent of the customers he has met over the 42 years he has been working in the store. He hopes to be closed by August of this year.

# **Kirkey Shoes and Repairs closing shop**

# Owner expects to keep selling until late July

#### **By William Axford**

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**Fenton** — Kirkey Shoes and Repairs is closing its doors by the end of this summer. A staple of downtown Fenton, Kirkey's has brought quality shoes to the tri-county area for more than four decades.

"I'm shootin' for the end of July but that's not carved in stone," said owner Ken Kirkey. "I'm 62, been here 42 years. I've never retired before so I'm new at this." Kirkey is currently liquidating the shoes

### Summary

► Ken Kirkey, of Kirkey Shoes and Repair, is closing his store by mid-summer. Kirkey is currently selling footwear at a discount and will take orders for shoes until the beginning of July. in his store at discount prices and said he will take orders up until the beginning of July. When it comes to selecting shoes, Kirkey looks for quality materials and styles that will fit customers' feet snuggly.

Throughout his career, Kirkey said most shoe manufacturers

have outsourced their work to countries outside of America. Cheaper materials and inferior construction have forced Kirkey out of the shoe repair end of the business.

"If you buy an inexpensive shoe, you're not going to pay a lot of money to get them fixed," Kirkey said. "Shoes are not cost effective to rebuild."

While Kirkey himself is closing down the store, he said he would not be opposed to being bought out by an ambitious person looking to run the store. Kirkey owns the building, located at 104 South LeRoy, and isn't sure what he's going to do with it.

According to the store's website, Kirkey Shoes was established in 1938 by Claude and Beatrice Kirkey. Ken, the Kirkeys' youngest son, and his wife Julie took over the store in 1984 and have been running it ever since.

If you're looking to get great shoes at a great price, now is the time to stop by Kirkey's and make your inquiries.

"Most people aren't happy (about the store closing)," Kirkey said. "We're quite a bit busier than usual."



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I TIM JAGIELO Dennis Kirkey arranges shelves at Kirkey Shoes and Repair. Dennis has been working at the shop with his brother Ken for many years.







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Fenton total housing	
Owner occupied	2,987
Population	7,435
Renter occupied	2,080
Population	4,061
Vacant housing	505
For rent	193
For sale	124

#### **HOME OWNERSHIP BY DECADE**

	Michigan	National
2000	73.8 percent	66.2 percent
1990	71.0 percent	64.2 percent
1980	72.7 percent	64.4 percent
1970	74.4 percent	62.9 percent
1960	74.4 percent	61.9 percent
1950	67.5 percent	55.0 percent
1940	55.4 percent	43.6 percent
1930	59.0 percent	47.8 percent
1920	58.9 percent	45.6 percent
1910	61.7 percent	45.9 percent
1900	62.3 percent	46.5 percent

#### RENTAL **Continued from Front Page**

According to the 2010 U.S. Census, 40 percent of occupied dwellings in the city of Fenton are rented, not owned by the occupants. Real estate broker Patrik Welty with Legacy Realty Professionals was surprised by this number. Twenty percent would have seemed high, he said.

At the same time, he has seen a paradigm shift in who is renting their homes in Fenton. "We're dealing with a totally different population of renters today,' he said. "What we're seeing is a huge demand for single family homes for rent. "The rental market isn't what it was 10

or 15 years ago," said Welty. Recently, a couple looked for a rental property with a limit up to \$2,000 a month, on a lake. "They just don't want to be tied to one particular property. We're seeing a different breed of tenant, if you will.'

Today, many don't fit the stereotype of low income or young adults who rent. Many are renting for financial reasons, such as walking away from a home that is under water, or after going through bankruptcy.

Welty also said that a city is not necessarily better under primary homeown-

ers — if that homeowner lets the home go back to the bank in foreclosure. He has seen rental properties remodeled by investors to look better than the owneroccupied neighbors.

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**Patrik Welty** 

you're invested, you

Even as mortgages now lean toward a traditional mortgage, Welty said many buyers are coming in to purchase a home putting no money down, which means that buyer doesn't have any equity in that home to start.

"Home ownership under the confines of a decent down payment and stable prices is good for the economy," said Douglas. Inversely,

Douglas said that more owners don't necessarily affect the local businesses, unless it's a home improvement store. A renter still has to buy food, cars and

Real estate broker, owning a home one can-Legacy Realty Professionals not afford leaves only negative exit options short-sales or foreclosure. entertainment.



"I think the real impact is a lot of these intangibles," he said. Intangibles are benefits to home ownership that aren't so easy to see. An owner being involved in

the community because it's where they decided to commit through owning a home, leads to "civic virtues" like voting, volunteering and being generally more involved.

"Home ownership is always going to be superior because you have skin in the game, that's logical," said Welty. "It means you're invested, you care more about your schools, your roads. You care far more about that municipality than someone

that is transient.'

Emphatically, Welty thinks that home ownership is the best option, under the right conditions. Today, interest rates are low, and values in homes are going up.

Douglas said that higher home ownership rates mean higher levels of savings and wealth in an area. While paying a mortgage atop a down payment, that owner is building equity. "I think that's the big impact," he said. "You're building equity into something that gives you that store of value." That value is the equity in your home, which can provide a windfall for future expenses.

"I do think home ownership matters," said Welty. He thinks that owning in Fenton can't go wrong, but he also doesn't think the shift to rentals is the end of the world.



### **Deputies might** work from room at middle school

Lake Fenton school board authorizes use of space

#### **By William Axford**

axford@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 The Genesee County Sheriff's Department may have an increased presence at Lake Fenton Community Schools. The Lake Fenton Board of Education recently authorized a room at the middle school to be used for the sheriff's department.

Superintendent Wayne Wright said personnel has yet to be authorized however and that the proposal is still in the planning stages. "There's been some conversation with individuals, the township and officers about security for the schools," Wright said. "We're looking out for the safety of our children. We're looking at different options."

Wright said the sheriff's department could occupy the room by the end of this school year. Currently, the sheriff's department has a substation room at the Fenton Township offices located at 12060 Mantawauka Drive.



# Nussle 'on ice'

#### Linden teen takes skating to new heights in national, international competition

#### **By Sally Rummel**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 Jacob Nussle, 17, is a dedicated athlete, training six days a week with six coaches and a personal trainer. He can lift more than 100 pounds of human weight, yet is light enough on his feet to perform the intricate moves that his sport demands of him.

As a performance and pair ice skater, Jacob has dreams of a professional career on ice — maybe even as an Olympic hopeful. Most recently, he placed seventh in a field of 614 skaters in the U.S. Figure Skating National Showcase Event in Omaha, Neb.

'He's been skating since he was 9 years old," said his mother, Tracy Nussle. "He comes from a skating family. The first time he was ever on skates he was just 3 years old."

Jacob started out by playing hockey and progressed so quickly through the learning curve of the sport that one of his coaches suggested he look at figure skating. "He loved all the jumps and spins," said Tracy. "He just took it from there."

When life in the Nussle household

took a tragic turn at the passing of Jacob's father four years ago, Jacob's mom encouraged him to skate even more. "It was a positive way for him to grieve," said Tracy.

His perseverance has definitely paid off.

Jacob will be among a group of 80 skaters representing Team USA from

the Ice House Skating Academy in Hartland, traveling to Spain April 23-30 for international competition. He's captain of the junior team, "Harmony," and will also compete as a pair skater.

"Men are in such demand in this sport," said Michelle Hunt, Jacob's main coach. "Jacob's an amazing performer. It's not a gift that everyone has. He likes to do things that no one else can do."

His skating has taken him all over the U.S. - 16 competitions this year alone - and now he will be competing at the international level. "I get to travel and meet a lot of people," said Jacob. "I want to take it as far as I can."

Right now, he's looking at performance skating at the professional level, like Disney on Ice. But he hasn't discounted the Olympics either, knowing that as a young man, he has more longevity in the sport

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he has a spare moment, he enjoys hunting, fishing and metal-casting. "He likes to figure out how things

work," said Hunt. "That's what makes him such a good skater."

All of this skating comes at a high price, literally. Every year he replaces his \$1,200 skates, having them professionally sharpened every two months. Then there's the cost of six coaches, personal training and ice time. "I just make it happen," said Tracy. "I bargain shop, I trade out costuming for ice time. I do what I have to do."

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Jacob Nussle demonstrates "hydroblading" during his warm up at the Hartland

DO LAKE PROPERTY owners really have the right to destroy what little natural beauty is left around all our area lakes? Completely stripping down the entire wetland peninsula on the small island out in front of the Lake Fenton Public Access is seriously criminal. Where is the township and DNR?

**HOT LINE** CONTINUED

with deep pockets will rule us all.

TRICKY DICKEY IS going ahead with the emergency managers even after we voted

it down. They do not care what we want, the Supreme Court told us that people

YOU SAW A woman smoking in her car waiting for her child and you think it's a crime? Some people are beating kids and killing them. Why are you so worried about a woman smoking? Get a life of your own before you try to ruin another's with your stupidity.

BY HAVING TWO political parties vying with one another, no one notices the real problem in our country — hint: 40 years wandering the desert.







**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I FINDAGRAVE.COM Sisters Michelle and Melissa Urbin of Tyrone Township are buried together in St. John's cemetery.

#### TRAGEDY Continued from Front Page

"I've found that it helps when something has happened to you to help somebody else," she said. "I always remember them by talking to other people, and it helps to know that other people remember them."

"We think of them every day," Patrick said.

After the loss of their daughters, Patrick and Kathy had each other to comfort them. "Me and my wife have become closer since then. We appreciate each other more," Patrick said. According to the FBI crime clock based on statistics from 2010, a violent crime occurs every 25.3 seconds in the United States. Every 35.6 minutes a murder occurs, a forcible rape every 6.2 minutes, a robber every 1.4 minutes, and one aggravated assault every 40.5 seconds. If nothing else, it is clear that the Urbins are not alone in the tragedy that they have had to face.

"The best thing I can say is just to not give up," Patrick said. "Even if they find that their loved one has been taken and murdered, to not give up. To not give up on life and to not give up on anything."

#### **TATTOO** Continued from Page 3A

It's going to hurt. While everyone processes pain differently, it's not an exaggeration to say that tattoos cause "at least a little physical discomfort," according to Kadee Spangler, who tattoos at Tattoo Empire in Fenton. "You are being penetrated by needles, after all. You are just as accountable in making the process go smoothly as the person tattooing you. Come prepared and eat beforehand."

In Colombo's experience, the worst pain is the initial touch of the needle. After a few minutes, endorphins usually kick in, making the process a little easier on your nerves.

#### Summary

Tax return season is the busiest time of the year for tattoo artists. Before spending all of your hard-earned cash on a new piece of work, consider the advice in this article from two local tattoo artists. Avoid painkillers while getting a tattoo, as they thin your blood and makes it harder for the ink to stick to your skin.

What do artists look for when they get tattoos? Solid lines, details, bold colors,

clean and consistent work are some features Spangler and Colombo look for before they get tattoos. In the end, it comes down to personal choice and whether you can see yourself liking the artwork — for the rest of your life.

"Tattooing is an art like any other. You just have to find what is right for you," Spangler said. While money is usually a factor in all aspects of life, it shouldn't be the dominate force when getting a tattoo. "Cheap tattoos aren't good and good tattoos aren't cheap," Spangler added.

"For most of my tattoos, I chose an artist I really love and just said, 'Do whatever you want," Colombo said. "It's okay to get something on you for no other reason than thinking, 'Wow, that's some really cool art."



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES I** TRUTV.COM Patrick and Kathy Urbin hold photos of their daughters Michelle and Melissa.



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I TIM JAGIELO Kadee Spangler works on Louis Justin Thursday. One key to making smooth lines is to go slow, and stretch the skin.



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I TIM JAGIELO It takes around 20 minutes of prep time for Kadee Spangler to apply a tattoo. Prep time includes setting up her equipment and laying out the correct colors.



However, Kremer said Livingston sheriffs will still provide road patrol to the township, regardless if the township pays \$150,000.

"The only thing we were getting was special services," Kremer said of the benefits from the contract. "In our township, if there was time permitting, the sheriff would stop and talk to you."

Kremer said the sheriff's department pledged to give residents an improved response time and that the county was **G** What we're paying for services, we're supposed to be getting them anyways." — Keith Kremer Tyrone Township clerk

going to raise the rates for police services by 40 percent in the next three years. With the increasing costs for the contract and the presence of responsive state police in Brighton, Kremer questions why the township

should renew its contract with the county sheriff.

"What we're paying for our services, we're supposed to be getting them anyway," Kremer said.

Kremer also said there's a misconception about the seasonal \$150 tax levied on citizens. "Most of it — 80 percent of it — goes to fire protection," Kremer said.

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#### ELECTION

**Continued from Front Page** Democratic opponent was Woodrow Stanley, who received 6,237 votes (37.8 percent).

On the Republican side, Daunt received 1,025 votes (54.2 percent). His Republican opponent, Adam Ford received 851 votes (45 percent).

Daunt and Ananich, both of Flint, will advance to the special election to be held on Tuesday, May 7.

The special election is necessary to fill a vacancy for the state senate seat in Michigan's 27th district, which John Gleason used to hold. Gleason was elected as Genesee County clerk last November and the remaining time of his state senate seat expires Jan. 1, 2015.

Five Democrats and three Republicans sought the state senator position. Democrats were Ananich,

### POLICE

**Continued from Page 3A** The woman, a 42-year-old Durand resident, had her 2-year-old daughter with her. The woman attempted to conceal the diaper bag with a comforter that she paid for and was confronted by the loss prevention employee when she exited the store. Police issued the woman a court appearance ticket for retail fraud.

THIEVES ALMOST STEAL FOUR-WHEELER

On March 6, Fenton police responded to the 1200 block of Vista Drive at 3:50 a.m. for an attempted larceny of a four-wheeler. Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said a resident was awakened by loud noise outside and when they checked, they observed four white males attempting to load a neighbor's Polaris four-wheeler into the backend of a full-size white pickup truck. Unable to load the machine, the four individuals fled in the truck and left the four-wheeler in the middle of the road. Police took the four-wheeler to the police station and later returned it to the rightful owner. There are no suspects.

#### **COMBATIVE DRIVER ARRESTED**

On March 8, a Linden police officer running radar at South Bridge Street at Stan Eaton around midnight spotted a 2003 Ford Focus passing a slower southbound car. The officer attempted to stop the Ford, which eventually pulled into the parking lot at Clover Beach. When he was asked to exit his car, the 36-year-old Holly man who admitted to driving on a suspended license, pushed the officer and fled on foot. The officer chased and apprehended the driver, who was then arrested for resisting a police officer, driving with a suspended license, having open intoxicants in his car and in possession of marijuana. He was booked and lodged at the county jail.

#### **DEBIT CARD HACKED**

On March 13, a 29-year-old Fenton woman reported to Fenton police that her bank had sent her a text message stating that her debit card account was overdrawn. The woman learned that someone had used her debit account to buy a Ninja food processor and a store e-card, but she was still in possession of her card. The bank blocked the transaction for the woman's safety.

Chris Del Morone, Ted Henry, Woodrow Stanley and Lawrence Woods. Republicans were Daunt, Adam Ford and write-in candidate Patrick Naughton.

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

> Daunt, 77, is a retiree and veteran has spent most of his life in Flint and Genesee County.

Ananich, 37, taught at Carman-Ainsworth from 2005 to 2009, worked for Priority Children as an education and employment coor-

dinator and served as a state representative since 2010. He earned his bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and his master's degree from the University of Michigan-Flint.

Daunt and Ananich will face off in the special election, set for Tuesday, May 7.







Jim Ananich



#### For more information about bicycling rules and regulation in Michigan, read:

• "What Every Michigan Bicyclist Must Know," published by the League of Michigan Bicyclists.

• "What Every Driver Must Know," published by the Secretary of State office.

• "What Every Young Michigan Bicyclist Must Know," published by the League of Michigan Bicyclists, available at CycleFit Multisport in Fenton.

#### BICYCLING

**Continued from Page 3A** "rules of the road" for bicyclists in sections 257.660-662.

For the most part, bicyclists can ride on any roadway except for limited-access highways, where signs prohibit bicycles. Bicyclists are also allowed to ride on sidewalks, and are encouraged to do so for their own safety up until age 10, according to the League of Michigan Bicyclists.

By law, bicyclists must travel with the flow of traffic — in the same direction as vehicles. Even though some bicyclists express fear of being hit from behind, the law is clear that if you're on wheels, you should go with the flow of traffic.

Cyclists are required to ride "as far

to the right as practicable with certain exceptions," which include: if they are passing another bike or other vehicle going the same direction; if they are going to make a left-hand turn; if traffic

if they are on a one-way road

with more than one marked

lane, they can stay on the far

left edge of the road, too. A

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#### in the lane is turning right, but the bicyclist is going straight; Spring mean

Spring means it's bike riding season and time to learn about "road rules" for bicyclists and drivers.

final exception would be if the right-hand edge of the road is unsafe or reasonably unusable by bicycles because of surface hazards, debris, parked cars or pedestrians.

So, on skinny roads with skinny lanes where a car and bike can't fit safely totctimes.com

gether, bicyclists are not required to hug the right-hand side.

Many drivers have questions about bicyclists traveling in large, organized groups — often causing

blocked traffic or major slow downs by taking up an entire lane.

MC257.660b limits bicyclists to no more than "two abreast," except on portions of the highway set aside for

bikes. However, they may not "impede" traffic, so if bicycles are causing a traffic backup, they are actually violating the law.

State law does not require bicyclists to wear a helmet, though most experts recommend that they do. Milford Township, home of popular cycling destination Kensington Metro Park, does require a helmet for recreational cycling within its park on paved paths.

Other specific rules for bicyclists include using a series of hand signals to alert others on the road of their movements. If a bicyclist intends to make a left turn, he or she must extend their left arm horizontally. For right hand turns, bicyclists must extend their left arm at the elbow upward. If they are stopping or slowing down, they should extend their left arm downward at the elbow.

Bicyclists must have their bikes equipped with a lamp on the front that emits a white light and is visible from a distance of 500 feet, if riding between one-half hour of sunset and a half-hour before sunrise. Bikes must also have a red reflector on the back of the bike.

Chief Aro says that cycling mishaps in the city are relatively rare, but do happen occasionally. Collisions that cause serious injuries are on the rise, however, according to a report from the Governor's Traffic Safety Advisory Commission.

### **Bicycling safety FAQs:**

### **Q.** May I ride my bike on the sidewalk?

**A.** Cyclists who ride on sidewalks have the same rights as pedestrians. However, you must yield to pedestrians.

# **Q.** What are the rules about carrying a passenger or some kind of baggage while riding my bike?

**A.** You may not carry more persons than the number for which your bike is designed or equipped. However, an adult cyclist may carry a child in a child-approved seat or securely attached to his/her person in a backpack or sling. You may not carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the use of both hands in the control or operation of the bike.

## **Q.** Do I have to stop my bike at a school bus crossing?

**A.** Yes, you are required to follow all the rules of other vehicles on the road.

## **Q.** Can I ride my bike side-by-side with someone else?

**A.** Yes you may, with some limitations. First, you can't ride more than two abreast. Second, you can't impede the flow of traffic. If you are riding on a multi-laned roadway, you may only occupy a single lane. Cyclists riding a three-wheel bicycle or a bicycle with a trailer attached are legally obligated to ride in single-file.



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### David's DABBLINGS

With spring, all seems to get brighter in life. That includes our viewpoints of our sport teams.

And for Detroit Lions' fans, spring is pretty much their Super Bowl. We can look at the moves made, assume they will work to perfection and talk about how the Lions are going to win 12 games in four months.

The signing of Reggie Bush has created a lot of this type of talk. I think signing Bush will help the offense. It will create facets to it, that didn't exist a year ago. How can that be a bad thing? It isn't. And the Lions, along with Ndamukong Suh's willingness to restructure his contract, deserve some credit to have made all the moves they did last week with what little salary cap room they appeared to have.

However, the move doesn't deal with the Lions' most pressing need — the defensive side of the ball. This team needs more than stop-gaps at pretty much every position on the defensive side of the ball. It needs linebackers, safeties, corners and even defensive line help.

The defense still remains among the worst in the National Football League. Until that changes, it's hard for me to get too excited.



# Area players help lead Powers to state semis

### Chargers play in back-to-back double-overtime games to cap season

#### By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Jake Stone has played hockey for a good portion of his life, but the senior Powers wing couldn't ever remember playing in a double-overtime contest before.

And then it happened in back-toback games.

The Powers varsity hockey team's season, a squad which includes six tricounty residents, recently concluded with a tough 4-3 double overtime loss to Sault Ste. Marie in the Division 3 state semifinals. Just to play in the semifinal contest, the Chargers had to beat East Grand Rapids less than 48 hours earlier in another double-extra session game, 2-1.

"I don't think I have ever been in a double-overtime game before, and then it happened two games in a



"It was tiring, but the atmosphere and all of the students kept you going. You couldn't tell you were tired."

The Chargers included Fenton Township's Garrett Gormley, Cooper Skarzynski and Stone; Fenton's Spencer Owen, Conner Owen and Stephan Cramer; and Holly's Jeff Polakowski. Coming so close to a chance at a state championship was exciting, but also heartbreaking for the area players.

"That was unbelievable to be in a game and a situation like that," Gormley said. "First of all, it was something I have always dreamed about, but to lose a game that important and that deep in the playoffs was crazy and unreal. I didn't realize the season was over. It didn't come to me or I didn't comprehend the situa-



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(From left) Powers' Jake Stone, Connor Jaggi, Garrett Gormley and Spencer Stark celebrate Stone's goal during the quarter-final game against East Grand Rapids.

tion until we got back into the locker room."

The Chargers (22-6-1) started the state tournament series relatively eas-

ily. They defeated Okemos 5-0 in their first contest, and then won a regional title with a 9-3 victory against See **POWERS** on 15A



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I DAVID TROPPENS Holly eighth-grader Trevor Bland (left) dribbles with the ball as Fenton's Greg Lukas defends. The Bronchos won the game 44-35.

# Holly eighth-graders play best game of season, win entertaining verdict vs. Fenton

By David Troppens

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**Fenton** — It's true at the varsity level. And it's even true at the mid-

dle school level. If the Fenton Tigers and Hol-

ly Bronchos match up, you can pretty much assure crowds are going to be bigger, fans are going to be more intense and the basketball is going to be pretty interesting as well.

That's what happened in Fenton's AGS Middle School's gymnasium on Thursday night.

The Tigers and Bronchos split a pair of boys basketball contests, resulting in an entertaining doubleheader of basketball.

The Holly Middle School Bronchos' eighth-grade team posted an upset as well. The Bronchos (2-9) captured just their second win of the season by playing their best game of the season against their AGS rivals, defeating the Tigers 44-35.

"I was just talking to the official and told him that was our second win of the year, and he couldn't believe it," Holly's eighth-grade coach Ryan Gillespie said. "That's what we've done all year. We've been on the verge (of getting wins) but couldn't get over the hump. It was playing together as a team. That's where we put it together. From start to finish, that's what they are capable of. They've been close all year, so it was nice to see them put it together in the last game of the year."

"It was a typical Holly-Fenton game," Fenton eighth-grade coach Tyler Szczepanski said. See **VERDICT** on 15A





**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I SUBMITTED PHOTO Fenton resident and national archery competitor Hunter Hauk competes at a recent meet.

# Hauk on target with her archery career

 Fenton student captures 12th place at recent national event

#### **By Torrey Christopher**

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Four years ago Hunter Hauk gave archery a try.

She was a natural. Picking up a bow and arrow for the first time, she hit four bullseyes with six shots.

It became obvious that she may have some talent within the sport.

The Fenton High School junior is starting to show some of that potential by placing 12th out of 30 competitors for the 14-17 year old age division at the 2013 Las Vegas Shoot, competition, held in Las Vegas from Feb. 8 to Feb. 10.

It's one of many strong showings Hauk has had over the years. In 2012 she placed sixth in her division of the 2012 National Field Archery Association (NFAA) Nationals.

"The scores jumped around a lot," said Hauk about the Vegas Shoot. "Everyone's scores were really close within one or two points of each other. I was really surprised how well I did."

Hauk competes in the Federation of International Target Archery (FITA), an organization which is the governing body for archery. No release aids are allowed as the competitors try to hit targets placed about 100 yards away. This is the same type of archery in which Olympic athletes compete.

Hauk's performance at Vegas paid off. She was selected by Sure-loc Sight Company as her official sponsor. The Sure-loc Sight Company sells archery necessities such as bows, targets, and scopes. Archery can

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be expensive, with bows costing around \$1,000 and arrows costing \$50 apiece. The sponsorship will help Hauk's archery ventures. "I put in an appli-

a put in an application and they are still finalizing everything," Hauk said. "But it entitles me to one sight a year and 25 percent off my targets." Hauk works hard at

her craft. "I go to JOAD (Ju-

nior Olympic Archery Development) once a week for two-and-a-

half hours," Hauk said. "I also have a range at my house, and every other Wednesday I have a private coach." Working hard is no issue for Hauk,

because she loves the sport.

"I like archery because when you are up on the line shooting you're in complete control," Hauk said. "You feel like you have power and when you shoot a perfect bullseye you get this feeling you've just accomplished something great." Hauk's interests outside of archery also focus on many of the same strengths she has created through archery. Hauk is on the Fenton girls varsity bowling team, and also is a photographer for the school newspaper and yearbook. She says bowling and archery have similarities. All three are

similar in at least one respect.

"Bowling and archery are both mental and physical sports," Hauk said "Not only do they require physical strength but you have to have mental strength and control as well.

"You also have to have a good eye to do well at all three."

Hauk is looking at options for her future. She would like to attend Michigan State University and compete on the school's archery

team. At Michigan State, archery is a club sport, but the team has had a tradition of success with its members. The team has been watching her progress since her freshman year. Ultimately, she would like to compete in the Summer Olympics.

"My goal is to be in the 2020 Olympics," Hauk said. "It's always been a dream of mine. And ever since I started, my coaches told my parents I could have a future in archery."

## FAST Tiger Sharks steadily improving, two compete at recent state meet

#### By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789

One day Dave Segraves wants the Fenton Area Swim Team Tiger Sharks program (FAST) to be considered the best in the state. The program is in the beginning stages of making that happen.

In recent weeks the Tiger Sharks have started to show some bite toward possibly making a step in that direction.

The Tiger Sharks recently competed at the 2013 Michigan Age Group Junior Olympics, earning strong showings in several events. Meanwhile, two teammates took it a step further competing at the 12 and Under State Short Course Championships on March 8 through March 10. Grace Olsen, 8, placed 25th in the 200 freestyle (2:31.12) at the state championships, while also earning a 30th-place finish in the 500 freestyle (6:46.10). Also competing was Joel Diccon, 10. He earned a 21st-place finish in the 50 backstroke (26.85). "They did wall" couch Sagrayas said

"They did well," coach Segraves said.

The pair are just two of many swimmers who compete in the Fenton Tiger Sharks program. Segraves, who is aided by assistant coach Stephanie Olsen, said the program included 40 to 60 kids during the summer from eight different cities, including Fenton, Holly, Brandon, Grand Blanc and Swartz Creek. The team numbers are See **TIGER SHARKS** on 15A





#### POWERS

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Mt. Pleasant. Against Mt. Pleasant, Gormley, Stone and Connor Owen each scored two goals.

But that was the end of the easier competition. In the state quarterfinal, it took a goal by Derek Simon with 1:51 left in the second overtime for the Chargers to earn their 2-1 victory, and a spot in the state semifinals.

Powers scored first in the semifinal contest when Stone scored on assists from Connor Jaggi and Gormley with 10:02 left in the second period. However, East Grand Rapids finally scored with 57 seconds left in the game, forcing the overtime sessions.

Powers was called for a penalty with 1:53 left in the first overtime, but killed it. Simon's game-winning shot came from just inside the blue line.

"Both teams were extremely equal in the quarterfinal game. Basically every aspect of the game equalled out," Gormley said. "The one thing that got us to where we were was everyone on the team just realized the situation and wasn't ready to go home that night. We were ready to practice the next day.'

In the semifinal game, no one ever had more than a one-goal lead, as each team scored a goal in each period.

In the first period, Sault Ste. Marie scored first, but Owen scored on assists by Spencer Owen and Matt Lundeen 11:45 into the period. The Blue Devils took a 2-0 lead with a power-play goal 4:41 into the second period, but Mike Forman scored on an assist by Jared Coulter 12:23 into the period, tying the game. Coulter gave the Chargers a 3-2 lead just 39 seconds into the third period, but Sault Ste. Marie tied it up again on a Blake Mastaw goal 7:40 into the third period.

Powers' goalie, Casey Korhonen, who was outstanding throughout the playoffs, made 12 saves during the overtime sessions. However, Eric Hillcock scored his second goal of the game 2:45 into the second overtime period, ending Powers' season.

"I have never experienced anything like that," Spencer Owen said. "It was a great experience. It was hard to lose, but a great experience. It was really nerve wracking. I thought we'd pull it out, but we didn't. The atmosphere was crazy.'

Gormley and Stone played on the same forward line for most of the season, earning them some strong credentials. Gormley, a junior, was a first-team all-state selection, scoring 21 goals this season. Stone earned honorable mention all-state honors, scoring eight goals and dishing 27 assists.

The players weren't shocked by their success. They knew they had a strong team from the start of the season and expected to make a state tourney push. They all had varying ideas of why the team was strong, however.

"We had consistent defensemen and the absolute biggest reason we were so successful was our goalie Casey," Gormley said. "Without him it's not like we would've been a terrible team, but we wouldn't have won any of the big games we did without him.

"I think it was the chemistry," Stone said. "We had three pretty solid lines and on every line the kids liked each other. When you have chemistry, you play better."

Of the group of tri-county players on the team, only Stone graduates. Other tricounty athletes are expected to join the team next season.

"We are really excited about next year," Spencer Owen said. "We are going to have a really nice team next year too."

#### TIGER SHARKS **Continued from Page 14A**

as high as 90 at certain times of the year.

"Our goal is to build the best and strongest age group program and senior program in the area," Segraves said. "And part of that is starting to come to fruitition."

"We are trying to nurture the whole child and give them something to be proud of," Olsen said.

The Tiger Sharks had several competitors qualify for the 2013 Michigan Age Group Junior Olympic meet, with three competitors earning top-25 performances.

Diccon earned four of them. His top placing was in the 50-butterfly, placing 13th (37.34 seconds). He also earned 20th in the 500 freestyle (7:26.76), 23rd in the 100 individual medley (1:26.78) and 24th in the 100 backstroke (1:25.79). Grace Olsen placed 15th in the 100 freestyle (1:10.29), while Zach Lee placed 25th in the 100 breaststroke (46.30). Others who qualified for the meet included Logan Harrison, Kayley Gallagher, Marcella Petiprin and Nicholas Demaray.

The team began recent age group competition with the age group district meet held in Oxford in late February. Most of the Tiger Sharks competed in this meet with eight earning top-10 performances. The list of top 10 competitors included Lee, Kayley Gallagher,

### VERDICT

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"It was high intensity. We had a big crowd. The students came out and a lot of parents were enthusiastic with a lot of high energy. Give Holly credit. They hit a lot of shots. That was the most points we've given up all year."

Holly never trailed but were tied 17-all at halftime. Fenton remained as close as 22-21 after a putback hoop by Aaron Sarkon with 1:55 left in the third quarter, but Holly capped the quarter with a 9-4 run, ending the period with a layup by Bryce Jacopec and two converted free throws by Griffin Backs. Holly led 31-25 entering the fourth quarter.

Fenton (8-3) cut the lead to two points at two different times in the fourth quarter. The final instance came with 2:09 left in the fourth quarter on a baseline drive hoop by Sarkon. He also was fouled and converted the free throw, cutting the Holly lead to 37-35.

down from there while its offense did more than enough to capture the victory. Trevor Bland dished a pass to Ryan Beltz for a three-pointer about 20 seconds later,

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The Fenton Area Swim Team Tiger Sharks (FAST) pose for a photo recently. The program continues to get stronger under the guidance of coach Dave Segraves.

Eric Wagner, Allie Dasky, Caitlyn Dailey, Avery Haynes, Anna Lee and Evan Bartow.

Segraves has a history of building youth swim programs into powerhouses. From 1967 to 2002 he was the head coach at Meadowbrook Country Club, building a team from 27 kids to as many as 180. He led the program to 13 straight undefeated championships. From 1969 to 1980 he was the head coach of the Royal Oak Penguins. He started with seven swimmers and went to about 160 age-group competitors and

putting the Bronchos up 40-35. That hoop was followed up by a post layin by Paris Partee about 40 seconds later. Holly led 42-35 with 1:00 remaining.

The game saw 21 different players score. Holly had 10 players score, led by Partee's nine points. Luke Copley followed with eight points, while Jon Schrader had six points. Bland had five.

Fenton had 11 players score, led by Sarkon's seven points. Ryan Cummings had six points, while Chase Coselman netted five points.

More than wins, both coaches wanted to see their teams improve during the season. Both thought their squads accomplished the task.

"This team has improved as much as any team I've had," Gillespie said. "It's nice to see us get the win because they needed that. But from where they were at the start of the season until now is day

60 high school swimmers. From 1980 to 2002, he coached the Livonia Spartans, building it to a program of 150 swimmers. He had four Olympic Trial swimmers within the program.

"I've been lucky. I've been in the right place at the right time with the right athletes and right parents," Segraves said.

The FAST Tiger Sharks are sponsored through Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation, consisting of some activity practically throughout the entire year.

and night, how much they got better. And that's the fun part of coaching this level, seeing them get better every day."

"I think the key as the season went on was each and every week we improved," Szczespanski said. "Basic dribbling, passing drills, defensive concepts and rebounding the basketball — all those things we worked on, we got better each and every day. And that's what is important to me, because at this level, that's what it's all about. We are getting them prepared for the next level whether it is for basketball or for other sports. We want to see them get better every day. We had that this year and I'm really happy about that."

In the seventh-grade game, Fenton won a thriller, 25-23. Fenton's Brandon Bossenberger hit a three-pointer at the end of the game, earning the Tigers the win.



However, Holly's defense clamped

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Attraction or aversion for spicy, bitter, sweet - a matter of genetics

#### By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 Have you ever wondered why that jalapeno pepper tastes so hot to you while your friend barely winces as you both bite into a hot spicy entrée?

Taste buds are small pockets of chemical receptors on your tongue, which react to chemical stimuli, said Fenton High School anatomy teacher Lisa Stewart. When the pepper hits your tongue, the chemical capcaicin lands o n your taste buds, distributed by saliva.

These chemoceptors receive the chemical,

interpret the stimulus and send a signal to your cranial nerve. Depending on your tolerance, this could be a spicy

kick — or actual pain. Spicy foods have grown in popular-

ity over the last year, said Fenton Hotel line cook Dave Ripley, particularly in people in their 20s and 30s. "It seems more trendy now -a little bit of heat," he said. This "heat" has shown up in a lot of different dishes, like their Texas Steak, which is Cajun seasoned, and New Or-

> leans platter, which contains chipotle.

Whenever Ripley cooks a spicy plate, it's usually crushed red pepper, Cayenne pepper, Sriracha Sauce or Cajun seasoning. To make

sure it's a "palatable"

heat, the spice is balanced with a mild flavor like blue cheese.

The hottest thing he's eaten was an entire habanero

pepper, which was

in response to a chal-

lenge. "It was rough.

It's the seeds that

get you more than

anything," he said.

When the hottest fla-

vors are consumed,

it actually causes a

vague pain response

that affects the entire

body, according to a

Scientific American

#### As our ancestors were hunters and gatherers, they would find plants that taste good and ones that don't.77

Holly High School biology teacher

article, from Oct. 21, 1999.

This chemical stimuli of capcaicin can confuse the brain into an "ambiguous" pain response, and warmth which includes sweating, and feeling flushed everywhere.

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# **Culture Up**

#### ▶What to see, do and watch in the local area

#### **By Olivia Dimmer**

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The tri-county area may seem like the typical small town, but upon closer inspection, many cultural events can be found for both adults and children. From dance to theatre to stand-up comedy, entertainment is everywhere.

The Fenton Village Players are performing "The Wedding Singer," a musical that pays homage to 1980s pop. The show runs March 7-10; 14-17; 23-24 at 7 p.m. and are held at the Fenton Village Playhouse on Torrey Road. Tickets are available online from \$8 to \$16.

For more singing, hit up Raymo's restaurant at 4015 Owen Road, next to Mancino's. On Friday and Saturday at 8:30 p.m., they will host Airsick Pilot and the Mike Epsy Blues band for a weekend of blues entertainment.

▶ Peruse this

list of upcoming

cultural events

tri-county area

in order to take

in some fun

At the Longway Plan-

etarium, 1310 East Kearsley Summary St. in Flint, "Poetry Under the Stars" is being held at 6:30 p.m. On April 9th. This event both locally and outside the is free compliments of Dr. Jamile T. Lawand, on behalf of the Middle Eastern Studies Program at UM-Flint. Poets entertainment. will read the pieces in French and English.

Mike Tyson's solo show "Undisputed Truth" is to make a stop at the Fox Theatre in Detroit on April 6. Tickets are available online at ticketmaster.com.

If you're looking for a more active role in the performance, try Chasse Ballroom and Latin Dance studio, located at 3180 West Silver Lake Road in Fenton. They hold dance practice parties every Friday and Saturday from 7:30 to 10 p.m. for \$10. They also offer dance and fitness classes.

To watch a live performance of alternative dance, attend the Midwest Regional Alternative Dance Festival at The Epic Center in downtown Kalamazoo. The festival is March 15-17. More information can be found at midwestradfest.com.

For less than \$30, you can sit in on a live podcast recording with Chris Hardwick, Jonah Ray and Matt Mira at LaughFest 2013. During this "Nerdist



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | MICHIGAN.ORG Inside The Flint Cultural Center are opportunities for entertainment in both the Longway Planetarium and the Flint Institute of Arts.

Podcast," Hardwick will discuss comics, gaming and a variety of other topics. It starts at 8 p.m. on March 15 at the Fountain Street Church, 24 Fountain St. NE in Grand Rapids. Reserve your tickets on Ticketmaster.com. Along with Hardwick will be famous comedian Lewis Black at LaughFest 2013, at 8 p.m. on March 14 at The DeVos Performance Hall, 303 Monroe Ave. in Grand Rapids.

The Jack R. Winegarden Library

in Fenton offers interactive lessons suitable for the whole family. The next one coming up is entitled "Made in the Mitten," an informative lecture on Kellogg's, Better Made, Jiffy, and Kowalski. The event even features samples of the Michigan-made food. This event starts at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19.

Also for the kids, Sloan Museum, at 1221 E Kearsley St. in Flint is collaborating with Sesame Street to give an informative and interactive lesson on the body for children. The show is called "Siesta Fiesta" and will be on Thursday, March 21 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at a cost of \$9 per participant. Children should come in their pajamas and they will make a healthy bedtime snack, see how taking a bath and brushing teeth help keep the body healthy, and make a bedtime storybook to take home. Registration is required with the Sloan Museum, call (810) 237-3450 for details.

The local band, Autumn Coma will perform a concert at the **Machine Shop** in Flint on Friday, April 5. The band was involved with several contests hosted by radio station Banana 101.5 and ultimately won a package of radio play, studio time and promotion.



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# It's SV/IV/SU **CONTROVERSY & HISTORY OF SWIMSUITS**



The original bikini was created by automobile engineer Louis Reard (1897-1984) and consisted of only 30 square inches. Reard declared it wasn't a real bikini unless it could be "pulled through a wedding ring."

Because the expansion of the railroad in the 1800s allowed more people to visit the sea side, the railroad was a major factor in creating a need for swimwear.



Muslim women can now choose to wear a burgini, which was introduced in 2007 by a Lebanese-Australian designer.

Speedo is currently the world's largest-selling swimwear brand. The company was founded in 1914 by hosiery manufacturer Alexander McRae. The name



Topless men were banned from the beaches of Atlantic City in New Jersey because the city didn't want "gorillas on our beaches." It wasn't until 1937 when men finally won the right to wear just swimming shorts without a shirt.





Tan-through swimsuits are constructed of thousands of tiny pores that let enough sunlight in to create a tan-free line without appearing naked.

The bikini is named after the islands in the Bikini Atoll in the North Pacific's Marshall Islands where the U.S. tested the atomic bomb in 1946. Both the tiny swimsuit and the bomb had an explosive influence on American culture.

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# **SWIMSUIT FOR** YOUR BODY T

#### IF YOU'RE SMALL-BUSTED...

Jolie Walsh, 33, is forever on the hunt for suits that will build her bust and elongate her petite frame. This bright polka-dot bikini plays up the bustline and makes her legs seem like they start at the-very high-waist. "It's so retro and feminine," says Walsh. "I never would have expected it to look this good on me."

#### **IF YOU'RE BIG-CHESTED...**

"Finding bathing suits is hard because my top half is much bigger than my bottom," says Dawn Zimniak, 29. Zimniak relies on mix-andmatch separates, strategically placed embellishments, and occasionally even

a tailor. "I shop for suits with structure so I can run around and not worry about a wardrobe malfunction," she says. This patterned minimizer is supportive and slimming; gathered fabric at the waist creates a flattering division between chest and hips.

#### **IF YOU'RE PLUS-SIZED...**

"Basically, I want it all," says Maggie Brown, 28. "A suit needs to be sexy but practical: sturdy straps, a good bra, and coverage for my backside." She loves this swimdress because it emphasizes her cleavage while concealing her thighs (typically, she buys a separate sarong to match).

#### **IF YOU'RE ATHLETIC...**

Sue Molnar, 46, works out six days a week to maintain her lean, toned figure. "It took until my 40s to love my teenage physique," she says. "But with a small bust and hips, I'm always looking for styles that add femininity." The vertical axis of this color-blocked tankini balances Molnar's shoulders; the solid bottom breaks up her long torso.





#### **IF YOU'RE PEAR-SHAPED...**

"I used to compromise on an unflattering top or bottom, but now I see that I don't have to," says Jacinda Carlisle, 36. Thanks to its unique cutaway style, this suit accentuates what Carlisle likes most (her small waist) and hides what she's self-conscious about (her hips).

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### Shocking news for unhappy marrieds

A friend of mine had filed for a divorce, intending to end more than 20 years of marriage. His two teenage children were devastated, but their emotional distress wasn't enough to cause him to change course. He said he wanted a divorce because he wasn't happy.

Then I shocked him.

"What does your happiness have to do with this?" I asked.

Not that husbands and wives shouldn't be happy. On the contrary, marriage holds immense potential for happiness. But I've been unable to find anything in traditional wedding vows or the Bible that allows for the breakup of a marriage because either party is unhappy.



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The question for each husband and wife should not be: 'Am I happy?' but 'Is my wife or husband happy?"

Both the Bible and most marriage vows make breaking up hard to do, even foreseeing tough times that may be ahead: 'for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health'; not 'until I'm not happy anymore.'

The divorce explosion has caused such severe social problems that a number of states are taking a second look at their relaxed, no-fault divorce laws. Absentee fathers chasing their own happiness have driven thousands of women and children into poverty and robbed the most innocent victims (the children) of the stability that both parents bring to growing up years. Sometimes wives are on the chase and in either case the futures and feelings of the remaining spouse and the children are sacrificed on the happiness altar of the self-centered one.

The Bible takes a high view of marriage, comparing it to the mystical union between Christ and all believers. Husbands and wives are intended to experience the love bond that our Lord has with every person of faith, a love that is enduring, forgiving, sacrificial, giving and expressed often. This kind of love is ever seeking the happiness of others in the family, not its own.

When this is true, the law of sowing and reaping becomes operative in our homes. In giving, we receive. In making the will of God and the happiness of loved ones our priorities, we gain. Insisting on looking out for number one, we lose.

In worshiping God with our families and laboring to provide for them we reach the end of our search. What we've been looking for isn't to be found by breaking free from family responsibilities to pursue some romantic dream with another person, but in selflessly carrying out our obligations to those we've pledged to love.

In the path of duty, we stumble onto happiness.

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## Business profiles



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SALLY RUMMEL

Matt and Ginny Sherrow, owners of Fenton Winery & Brewery, show the "workhorses" of their new production facility on North Long Lake Road in Fenton Township. These are the fermentation tanks, brite tank and keg cooler that make up the new brewery system.

### Fenton Winery & Brewery

Public gets first glimpse at new FWB production facility on North Long Lake Road

#### **By Sally Rummel**

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Fenton Winery & Brewery is tapping into new markets and more growth potential with the addition of a secondary production facility for its brewery and winery operations.

Owners Matt and Ginny Sherrow hosted more than 200 visitors to their new FWB "campus" on North Long Lake Road in Fenton Township on Wednesday during a Networking @ Noon event through the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce. In addition to showing their new equipment, which will vastly increase their production capabilities, they also walked visitors around their new Homebrewing & Winemaking Supply Store, open since last November.

"We carry a large selection of ingredients, equipment for beginners to intermediate and technical support for home brewers," said Matt. "There's also a monthly all-grain brewing demonstration. This is the hub for the new Genesee Home Brewer's Club."

The Homebrewing & Winemaking Supply Store is open Friday and Saturday from 12 to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 12 to 4 p.m. "We'll be expanding those hours in the future as needed," said Matt.

This retail store is part of Phase I of a

huge future plan for FWB, in addition to their main bar, lounge and banquet facility located at 1545 North LeRoy St. and the Holly Tasting Room at 105 Battle Alley in downtown Holly.

Phase II is the increased production capacity, with the installation of a new 7bbl (beer barrel) brewery system, along with a keg cooler that will include a growler and keg filling station for retail customers. "Yes, pints of beer will also be made available for purchase by supply store shoppers, club goers and FWB Mug Club and Stem Club members and their guests," said Ginny. "We are thrilled to have our new tanks onsite and ready to brew."

With 14 times their current capacity, this new equipment will allow FWB to position themselves for distribution opportunities, including local restaurants that have requested Fenton beer on tap.

Phase III will be the renovation of the main building (former location of the Creative Wood showroom) into a full-service lounge and entertainment venue open to the public, slated to take place in 2014. Also on tap will be a Beer Garden winding around the property, growing hops and grapes for beer and wine production. Visitors will be able to sit on benches and enjoy a glass of wine or beer along with the beauty of the garden.

# Raymo's Dining & Entertainment

# Fenton restaurant offers new interactive concept to food and music

Summary

Raymo's Dining & Entertainment

has brought a new

the Fenton area.

concept of dining to

#### **By Sally Rummel**

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Calling all "foodies" — if you have heard about Raymo's Dining & Entertainment in Fenton but haven't visited yet, now's the time to stop in

and enjoy a unique, interactive food and entertainment experience.

"Weekdays are the perfect time to get acquainted with our new concept in dining while enjoying a relaxed set-

ting," said owner/chef Marc Raymond, who opened the restaurant in July 2012. "Don't be surprised if one of our chefs comes out of the kitchen to greet you and talk with you about the food he has prepared for you.

"We are very proud to offer you a dining experience you are more likely to find in a larger metropolitan city, like San Francisco. Yet we keep our prices between \$5 and \$20."

Raymo's takes a fresh approach to food preparation, using seasonal ingredients and fusing ethnic flavors like Asian, Mexican and Italian. Some of the most popular dishes are Avocado Bruschetta, Fusion Burger, Oven-Roasted Pork served in authentic Mexican style, Pan-Seared Salmon with Wok Risotto, and Crispy Tofu.

"We're becoming well known for our wok-fried vegetables," said Raymond. "There are also gluten-free and vegan options on our menu." Raymo's is available for off-premise catering, personal chef services and carry-out.

The dinner menu fits neatly into categories like appetizers, salads, entrees and sandwiches, but that's where its similarity to other restaurants ends.

"We're one of the only chef-owned and operated restaurants in the area, if not the only one," said Raymond, former owner of a specialty catering business for private air travel. "We're proud to have a team of other chefs on staff, as well as the talents of Food Network champion Doug St. Souver as our general manager and sous chef Adam Jarvis." Every detail of Raymo's fresh, metroinspired interior design was meticulously attended to by Raymond himself, who has an art degree in design. Laminated

glass with lighting that changes color sets the mood between the kitchen and the bar, and Raymond's own artistic hand painted the unique floor design.

"Music is part of the integration of the dining and entertainment concept," said Raymond,

who offers live music on Fridays and Saturdays and state-of-the-art sound system to provide customers with their own favorite genre of music during the week. Raymo's is open Tuesday and Wednesday from 4 to 10 p.m., Thurs-

day from 4 to 11 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 4 to 12 p.m. It is closed Sunday and Monday. Raymo's is located at 4015 Owen Rd., in Fenton Twp. Call (810) 208-7518.



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I SALLY RUMMEL Marc Raymond, owner/chef of Raymo's Dining & Entertainment, shows his popular Avocado Bruschetta appetizer with a backdrop of his unique bar and dining area.

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## How the experts select colors for painting and accessorizing

#### Start from the floor up' **By Sally Rummel** news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

What's the most exciting, yet intimidating aspect of freshening up a room for spring? For most people, it's selecting a

color. Whether you're looking to repaint walls in your kitchen or other living areas or add Summary

a new accent color with ▶ Spring is the accessories, many people don't know where to begin with the process. "I tell clients to start

perfect time to add color to your home with new paint and accent colors.

with the floor and work up," said Glenda Cornfoot, design consultant

with Sherwin-Williams Paint in Fenton. "Look around the room at your furniture, your countertops, your cabinetry. If your flooring is neutral, see what colors will blend. You want things like cabinets and countertops to be focal points in the room."

You'll also want the colors in your home to flow and transition well into each room. "You don't have to use the same color, but use colors in the same 'color family,'" advised Cornfoot. "You want your eyes

to make a nice transition from one room to the next." Accent walls are still popular, and Cornfoot advises homeown-

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work up. 🤳 — Glenda Cornfoot Design consultant with Sherwin-Williams Paint

**1** tell clients

to start with

the floor and

focal point with a fireplace wall or window wall.

To check out this year's most popular new paint colors, check out Sherwin-Williams HGTV Home colors, which can bring what you see on TV into your own home.

Cornfoot's best paint advice — "Use samples, samples, samples," said Cornfoot. "Use our 'Colors to Go' quart samples on your wall, and look at it morning, noon and night, because the light at these different times will change the color. This way you can see if you really like it."

#### Here are suggestions from **Better Homes & Gardens:**

• Look to the largest pattern in a room for inspiration. A multi-hue rug or piece of art can hand you an entire palette.

 Use this palette proportion as a guide: 60 percent primary color, 30 percent secondary color, 10 percent accent color.

• Use soft blues, grays and taupes as neutrals, instead of plain offwhite.

· Use interesting color combinations, such as watermelon and navy, to add personality to a room and repeat the combination with accessories

• Use colorful pillows to bring "a little life to the party," rather than the boring pillows that come with your couch.

· Add pattern and texture in addition to your room's solid colors to pull your room together beautifully. Sprinkle accent colors with pillows, trims and throws.

• Think of paint as a complementary background and use fabrics and furniture as the "pop." Save bold colors for a small accent piece. Rule of thumb: Neutral walls make

room for rich furniture and vibrant art, while colorful walls rest well behind neutral furnishings and accents of similar or complementary colors.

· Look through magazines and design blogs for colors in rooms that inspire you.

 Painting a vertical or horizontal stripe — or several of them — adds a dash of interest to walls and pulls your eye around the whole room. • Put paint samples at least three

feet away from each other when testing them on a wall, so the eye won't blend them together.

• If you want one color to take center stage, surround it with other colors, i.e., gray walls and cream furniture will show off a yellow chair more than a room full of yellow things.

• The color you see on a paint chip will seem more intense on the wall, so go a step or two lighter.

 When in doubt, call in an expert for an inexpensive hourly consultation. It's much cheaper than a costly mistake.

# 'March is Reading Month'

► Area elementary schools spark children's interest in reading through competition and prizes

#### **By Olivia Dimmer**

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Whether it's dressing up like a superhero, raffling off prizes, or inviting famous authors, elementary schools in the tri-county area are going out of their way to encourage their students to pick up a book and improve their literacy skills.

"We love 'March is Reading Month," said Linda Blakey, Linden Elementary School principal. "We as teachers love reading and want to give that same excitement to our kids."

Linden Elementary School hosted children's author Lisa Wheeler to come and talk to the children about what it's like to be an author and answer any questions they might have. This year, Linden's theme for March is superheroes. Teachers dress up on Fridays, superhero-themed prizes are given to children who complete their reading minutes each week and local law enforcement, firefighters and other 'hometown heroes' are invited in to read to the students.

Later on in the month, the school will host the Linden Masons who will give away two bikes and scooters in a raffle. The students must complete their reading minutes for each week to be eligible.

"We will have an author coming in on March 28 to speak to the kids about writing and becoming an author," West Shore Elementary Office Clerk Dana Rickert said. "We also had crazy sock and slipper day on March 15."

West Shore participated in both "Books are fun" and a read-a-thon program that encourages students to read and get pledges from family or friends that teachers can use to purchase more books for their classrooms.

We have a whole calendar filled with events and things for the kids to do for 'March is Reading Month," said Tomek Eastern Elementary clerk Dawn Stratton. "We top it all off by having a book fair at the end of the month."

Tomek Eastern has a wide variety of events, from D.E.A.R days (Drop Everything And Read) to pajama days to making a drawing of the setting of their books.

"We do everything we can to make 'March is Reading Month' a big deal," Blakey said. "We encourage parents to read with their kids 15 to 20 minutes a day. Even that small amount can make a huge difference in their child's reading skills.'



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The reaction affects nerves in the skin which usually detect the feeling of pinching or cutting, but also chemical stimuli, the stimuli from the spicy food.

Stewart guesses that some people enjoy this pain reaction because of the relief that follows. "It's not a taste you're craving, it's the endorphins being released to relieve the pain that you're feeling in hot food," she said.

Public schools still teach the tongue map that segregates different flavors to different areas of the tongue. Stewart said different regions of the tongue are more activated by sweet, salty, sour or bitter flavors. There's also a fifth flavor commonly associated with MSG in Asian foods. It's also important to note that most taste sensation actually comes from smell.

Melissa Fromm teaches biology, AP biology and anatomy at Holly High School. She said both genetics, and evolution play a part in how taste works.

"As our ancestors were hunters and gatherers, they would find plants that taste good and ones that don't," she said. The back of the tongue detects bitterness, the taste most commonly associated with toxic chemicals. The person, or the body, would automatically reject the poisonous plant, in theory, as humans learned what was safe to eat.

Genetics play a big part

in what an individual can taste. She conducts an exercise with her students, where they would taste slips of paper that contain a chemical that can illicit a taste response. The students describe the flavor they are getting to the class.

To some, the same piece of paper tastes either pleasant, or nothing at



The tongue map model is still taught in many schools, but is disputed amongst some scientific circles.

all, and others taste something bitter

or sour, depending on their genes. "It's really interesting because some kids make hilarious faces," she said.

"It's all based on genetics, whatever you inherit," and what taste sensations you perceive, she said. If the genetics you inherit cause a certain food to taste bitter, you'll avoid it.

Another component is culture, said University of Michigan-Flint psychology professor Darryl Douglas.

Depending on the culture in which someone grew up, or whatever culture they are surrounded with, can also influence their taste preferences.

For the record, Fromm does not enjoy spicy foods. "We use salt and pepper,' she said. Her mother never cooked hot foods because she didn't like them.



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# Meet Becca Temrowski

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

As a kid, Becca Temrowski visited many funerals of her great relatives. After seeing so many funerals first hand at a young age, she knew she wanted to be a funeral director. Operating her own funeral home with her husband Ken, where the two raise their five kids, Temrowski can seamlessly shift roles from mother to funeral director under the same roof.

#### When did you realize you

wanted to be a funeral director? Between the ages of 4 and 6, I had eight deaths in my family. It was all great aunts, great uncles, no one significant, but my family still packed us up and we went to the funerals. We were able to go to the visitations and laugh and feel and cry. It was never a taboo thing for my family. At that young age, my grandmother remembers taking me by the hand out of the funeral home and I said, "This is what I'm going to do." She said, "Do you know what this means?" I said, "Yeah, it means to help people." I was always the weird kid who didn't want to be an astronaut and a veterinarian.

How did you start your career in the funeral business? When I was 16, I went to my local funeral home where I lived in the Highland area and asked for a job. They said absolutely. I started from the bottom, sitting visitations, cleaning bathrooms and then worked on up to making removals and eventually the main cosmetologist there.

What kind of education does a funeral director have to undergo? I went to Wayne State for mortuary school. That's where I met my husband. It was very small, we had 32 kids in our class, a very intimate setting. It was a tight-knit group, as the funeral industry is anyways. I learned a lot of religion and psychology. It's not just human anatomy. We learned the history of funerals and went on a lot of actual field trips to learn how to perform funerals in churches. We learned how to take your family to a cemetery.

How important is it go to a funeral? It's absolutely essential. It is part of human nature to say goodbye, to talk about that person and remember that person. To laugh and cry at the same time, that's just a natural human thing we all need to do. When we can't do that, there are issues in the future.



How do you work with families who view death as taboo or are not familiar with family members dying? I try making it extremely personal

and about the person who died. It really is about the life and bringing their habits, their interests, their passion into the whole experience is something families can tap into. We do a tapestry blanket for every family from a photo they bring in. We ask families to bring in personal objects, trinkets and anything that represents who that person was. When families who haven't dealt with a death before start to do those things, there's a lot of healing in that. It's almost like a therapy.

Are there any major changes you've seen during your career? The biggest part is families trying to do something on their own or nothing at all. That's a really bad idea. It's not about the dollars. It's about having a gathering and remembering and talking and seeing people you haven't seen in years. It's about the person and saying goodbye. When that's accomplished, healing is accomplished.

#### What's it like raising your kids where your business is? I love that they get to see what we get to do. They get to hear us talk on the phone to people and learn how to be respectful. They get to learn how to have sympathy. They get to watch us with families. I think that alone teaches them to have empathy and compassion for people. People will drive by and we'll be outside playing with our kids, or our kids will be in the window, peeking out the curtains. That is really cool because it brings life here too. It brings us to the point of being approachable for people.

Is it ever overwhelming to have your business and family here? There are some people who believe your work should be separate from family life. I definitely want to be here.

the weird kid who didn't want to be an astronaut and a veterinarian." Becca Temrowski Owner of Temrowski

Funeral home

Becca Temrowski stands next to her family tapestry blanket, which is made for those who are bereaving. Temrowski knew she wanted to be a funeral director since she was in elementary school.

I was a mom 10 minutes ago before we sat down here. I have two upstairs and three at school. I can be a mom as soon as you walk out the door again. And if a family walks through the door and needs my help, I can walk back down and be a funeral director.

#### Any thoughts about what you want for your own funeral? I don't

think about it. That's probably what most funeral directors will tell you. They're the worst ones to plan for their funeral.



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Several MML members honor U.S. Sen. Carl Levin in Washington D.C. this week including Fenton City Councilwoman Patricia Lockwood, Linden Mayor and MML League President David Lossing, Fenton City Manager Lynn Markland and Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn.

### Area leaders in D.C. for national conference

Summary

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League of Cities

Conference this

week in Washing-ton, D.C.

►Local officials also thank Sen. Levin for three decades of service

Several Fenton area municipal leaders were in Washington, D.C. this week for the National League of Cities Congressional

City Conference. During the Conference, the Michigan contingent met with U.S. Sen. Carl Levin and had the opportunity to thank him for his years of service in the Senate. Levin announced just last week that he will not seek a

seventh term in Congress in 2014 after 34 years in office. The Fenton area officials attending the NLC Confer-

ence as part of the Michigan Municipal League (MML) contingent were Linden Mayor David Lossing, president of the MML Board; Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn; Fenton CouncilCity Manager Lynn Markland.

In addition to meeting with Sen. Levin, the group also met with U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow and attended education and training sessions on an array of topics. Matt Bach, director of Media Rela-

tions for the MML said that as board president of the MML, Lossing's expenses to attend the conference were covered by the MML.

> Markland said travel expenses of approximately \$3,700 for the Fenton officials were covered by the training and conference dues budget. He said Lockwood serves on the National League of Cities and he and Osborn are delegates. As the city is a member

of this organization, Markland said they believed it was important to attend this conference to learn about the federal issues that will ultimately affect issues at the local level.



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# News briefs

**Genealogical Society meets April 4** The Livingston County Genealogical Society is holding a meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 4 at the First United Methodist Church, located at 1230 Bower Street in Howell. The topic for the evening is "The Voyageurs of New France" with guest speaker, Dakota Star. The meeting is free and open to the public. For more details, call (810) 227-7745.

#### Police to increase presence this spring

The Michigan State Police reports that law enforcement agencies in 26 counties will be adding more than 13,200 hours of extra patrols now through April 8. State police said March Madness, St. Patrick's Day and spring break for college and high school students increases incidents of drunk driving. Genesee, Oakland and Livingston counties are listed to have increased police presence during the next three weeks. This time last year, 2,488 people were arrested for drunk driving. Of those arrested, the state police reports 789 drunk drivers met the state's 'super drunk law,' where their blood alcohol content (BAC) was .17 or higher. It is illegal in Michigan to drive with a BAC of .08 or higher. Penalties increase if a motorist's first drunk driving offense includes a .17 BAC or higher.

#### Free Women's Health Talk and Tea

Area women are invited to join McLaren Flint physicians for afternoon tea and conversation on Friday, March 22 at Warwick Hills Golf and Country Club, G-9057 South Saginaw Rd. in Grand Blanc. Guests will have the rare opportunity to test drive the da Vinci Surgical Robotic System and slide into the surgeon's seat to perform surgical simulations using high definition visualization and precision controls. The free event includes a presentation by OB/GYN physicians Armen Kirakosyan, MD, and LaVanya Cherukuri, MD. Guests can learn more about common conditions such as fibroid tumors, endometriosis, and pelvic prolapse. The free event runs from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Please RSVP to (810) 342-4473.

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# Social News

**Elda Fern (Shaffer) Pillen** (first marriage) Bretzke (second marriage), of Fenton will be celebrating her 100th



birthday on Saturday, March 30. Elda was born on this day in 1913 in Kent County. She married Gordon Pillen in 1935 and later married Paul Bretzke, both of whom

are deceased. To celebrate her 100th birthday, her family has planned an open house celebration for Sunday, March 24, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the Fenton United Methodist Church, 119 South LeRoy St. in Fenton. Elda's children are Jackie Becker of Fenton, Noreen and Denny Wood of Linden and Phillip Pillen who is deceased. Her stepchildren are Bruce and Pam Bretzke of Stanwood and Brian and Polly Bretzke of Flushing. Elda has 13 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren. Elda attended Logan Country School and a nurse's aid school in Indiana. She was employed as a seamstress at Gallagher's Deerskin Center and for about 15 years, she was self-employed in the well-drilling business. She was also a cook in Fenton schools. Throughout her life, Elda has enjoyed knitting, crocheting, sewing and she bowled up through her 95th birthday. While living in Texas for 18 years, she enjoyed hunting and fishing and her claim to fame was when she killed two turkeys with one shot.

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### Top Chiropractor TRI-COUNTY TIMES SUBMITTED PHOTO Dr. James Callard

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The power substation on Fenway Drive reduces the voltage before it is transimitted by power lines to homes, where it is again reduced.

# Getting power to the people

**The electric** 

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**Dan Bishop** 

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► Where does electricity come from, how does it get to your home or business?

#### **By Ryan Tackabury**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 When you walk through your door every day, you expect your lights to turn on, your DVR to have recorded your favorite television shows, and your refrigerator to be keeping your food cold.

Accomplishing all these things, however, is impossible without electricity. Although we tend to take it for granted, consider how complex the process of electricity is that it is generated and transmitted all across our country, to our home or business where it pow-

ers all of our plugged in electronics.

The origin of our power comes of course, from a power plant. According to the website HowStuffWorks.com, in most cases, power can be generated with a water wheel that is spun by a hydroelectric dam or a large diesel engine, or through a steam turbine that uses burning coal, oil, or natural gas. Re-

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newable sources of energy are used less often, but Dan Bishop, a media contact for Consumer's Energy, said that the use of renewable resources is on the rise.

Michigan does not produce many of its own energy resources. Statistics from the Michigan Public Service Commission indicate that the Great Lakes State imports 96 percent of its petroleum, 82 percent of its natural gas and 10 percent of coal and nuclear fuel from other states and nations.

As these different resources fuel the turbine in the power plant, electricity is produced. This electricity then travels



from the plant to your house through the power distribution grid, which allows power to be sent across the country, from state to state - though it makes a few stops along the way.

Once the power is generated, it is then transported through high voltage transmission lines. Control centers monitor and direct the flow of power, making certain the rising and falling demands of different regions are met. When something happens to disrupt the connection of these transmission lines, blackouts can occur.

"The lines transmit electricity at very high voltage," Bishop said. As electricity is transported across the metal wires that carry them to their destination,

> some of the energy is wasted. The higher the voltage of electricity, the less that is lost due to the resistance of the wires, making the process more efficient.

If one power plant is disconnected from the grid, other plants will produce more energy to meet the demands. However, if the rise in demand is too intense, this can cause these other power plants to

overload - causing even more blackouts. High voltage transmission lines connect regional and neighborhood substations. "The electric substations receive the electricity at higher voltage, and transformers convert them to a lower voltage to be used in homes," Bishop said.

After the voltage of the power is stepped down, it leaves the substations in the power lines that you see overhead when you drive down the street, supplying energy to homes and businesses.

When the electricity gets to your house, it is still too high of a voltage — typically 7,200 volts. At every house, you can see another transformer from the electric pole, which is responsible for converting

the 7,200 volts down to 240 — the voltage at which your appliances are expecting to use to operate.

### TRI-COUNTY TIMES | GENI.ORG The power grid is managed

by control stations, where power is directed across transmission lines to areas of the country as needed.

## Toastmasters holds open house

#### ▶Pat Lockwood and David Lossing set to speak

#### **By Sharon Stone**

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The Fenton Area Toastmasters are hosting an open house on Friday, March 23. Their open house will be held at VG's Support Center, 209 South Alloy Dr. in Fenton (across from Goodwill). Doors open at 7:30 a.m. and the meeting runs from 7:45 to 8:45 a.m.

Fenton City Councilwoman Patricia Lockwood and Linden Mayor David Lossing are guest speakers for the event.

Fenton Area Toastmasters will also be on hand to educate those present on Toastmasters meetings and the benefits of Toastmasters International, as well as the local club.

#### What is Toastmasters?

Toastmasters is a place where you develop and grow — both personally and professionally. You join a community of learners, and in Toastmasters meetings, they learn by doing. Whether you're an executive or a stay-at-home parent, a college student or a retiree, you will improve yourself; building skills to express yourself in a variety of situations. You'll open up a world of new possibilities — giving better work presentations, leading meetings and participating in them — more confidently; speaking more smoothly off the cuff; even handling one-onone interactions with family, friends and colleagues more positively.



#### Historical society presents 'Henry and Tom'

The Genesee County Historical Society will be hosting the lecture, "Henry and Tom," at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19. It will be held at McFarlan Library on Perry Road in Grand Blanc. This lecture examines the relationship between America's greatest inventor, Thomas Edison and America's greatest innovator, Henry Ford. This talk covers how the two men met, how their relationship developed and how Ford came to honor Edison with the Edison Institute. This program is part of the celebration of the 150th anniversary of Henry Ford's birth. This event is free and open to the public.



### Tri-county fundraiser

## Fenton woman walks in breast cancer fundraiser

Lindsay Hensler, 22, of Fenton, will walk/run 39 miles the weekend of June 1-2 at the



Hensler

Avon Walk for Breast Cancer in Chicago. Her goal is to raise more than \$2,000. "My grandmother passed away from breast cancer," said Hensler, daughter of Fred and Tracy Hensler. "It runs in our

family." She will be taking donations on www.avonwalk. com. Go to the See Your Impact tab, then type in Hensler's name under Donate Now. In addition to monetary donations, Hensler will be carrying the names of survivors with her during the walk. Hensler can be reached at khensler@live.com.



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**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** What are the risks if I don't brush my dog's teeth? He doesn't have really bad breath, so I don't see the point. - Frank

DEAR FRANK: Good question! Brushing your dog's teeth regularly helps prevent periodontal disease. A dental checkup and cleaning at the veterinarian's office every six or 12 months is important too, because the vet will remove built-up plaque and also diagnose problems or point out potential issues that you can head off early.

According to vets at VCA West Los Angeles, there are more reasons to brush your dog's teeth.

- Pets often hide dental pain, like a toothache or abcess. Frequent brushing means you're more likely to realize there is a problem and take your dog to the vet to get it checked out.
- Severe periodontal disease can weaken a dog's jawbone to the point where it breaks.
- · Periodontal disease can lead to infections in a dog's blood or heart.
- Oral cancer can be caught and treated earlier with regular veterinary dental cleanings.



DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have had sciatica for two and a half months. Even though I am better than at I was first, I am taking forever to fully recover. I have had chiropractic treatments and physiotherapy.

My doctor tells me it will go away on its own. Books that I have read say that most recover in six weeks. It's going on three months for me.

I also had vasculitis (Henoch-Schonlein purpura). I haven't experienced any symptoms for a couple of years. I have been feeling nauseated and have had loose BMs and the odd stomachache. A red spot appeared on my leg a few days ago. Do you think the vasculitis is playing a role in my delay in recovery? — J.B.

ANSWER: I'll describe the typical pain of sciatica, and you see if the description fits your pain. The sciatic nerve is the body's largest and longest nerve. It travels from the lower back, down the leg to the ankle or foot. Pressure on the nerve from a protruding back disk, a bone spur or anything that compresses the nerve brings on sharp or burning pain running down the side and back of the leg to the foot.

Pulling the knees to the chest and holding that position for 20 seconds produces sciatica pain.

The pain of sciatica often lessens and disappears in one or two months.

The X-ray report you included doesn't rule in or rule out sciatica. If the pain persists, an MRI or CT scan provides additional information. You are improving, so I think eventually you should be pain-free.

Vasculitis is an inflammation of blood vessels, and Henoch-Schonlein (HE-knock SURN-line) purpura is one kind of vasculitis. Children get this illness more than adults do. Red blotches that turn into bruises (purpura) pop up on the buttocks and legs. Joint pain, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea (or constipation) also arise. In the first year after recovery, relapses are common.

If your current stomach troubles worsen or you see more red blotches, get back to the doctor who took care of you before. I don't believe that HS, if it is returning, is interfering with your recovery from sciatica.

# 'Flirtationship' will soon become far flung

Life Style

DEAR AMY: For the past year, I have been in a "flirtationship" (so to speak) with a guy. We talk almost every day. I really like him, and I'm pretty sure he likes me too. We're practically dating, but we've never made it official. In two weeks he leaves for his trip

to Europe, but he's staying with a girl! He assures me that they are not romantically involved, but I'm afraid that in a beautiful foreign country, he might lose sight of what we have here. Should I talk to him about this, or will he just think I'm being uncool? Please help! — Sleepless

#### **DEAR SLEEPLESS:** You

could talk to him about this, but it would be "uncool" to do so. You have a nice flirtationship going. It might lead somewhere in the future. But the cool thing would be to sit back a little and let him be the one to worry about what might happen in his absence. If you two talk each day, he will miss you. Let him.

**DEAR AMY:** A year ago, my boyfriend broke up with me, mostly because my mom comes to visit my sister and me several times a year and stays for long periods of time for each visit. During her visits, I put doing things with them over going out and doing things with my boyfriend, and he got fed up. So he left. At the beginning of the breakup, my mom was goading me by telling me that she always hated him, so I told her she was a big reason for the breakup! My boyfriend and I worked out our issues and are back together. However, my mom and my sister still hate him. How can I get everyone to get along again? - Lost

DEAR LOST: You need to be more in charge of your life. If your mother has valid concerns about him, you should pay attention. But if your mother and sister are simply in a tug of war with him over you, then they're going to have to find a way to tolerate his presence in your life. And if they aren't able to do that, then you should let them know that they can stay home.

# **SundayJumble**

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## Delete old games you no longer play

When we buy something, we have a built-in urge not to get rid of it. But the coolest thing about the iPad is that you only need to buy an app once and you can download it however many times vou want. You can even download an app on your iPad that you bought on your iPhone so long as both are connected to the same iTunes account.

So if you have a game (or any other app) that you never use anymore, you can feel safe in deleting it to free up some more room. And, if you ever have an urge to play it again, there is a whole section in the app store dedicated to previously purchased apps. That makes it easy to find again. When you combine this with the ability to stream your movies and music through home sharing, you may not need that 32 GB or 64 GB iPad after all.

Remember: if you delete an app from your iPad, any data associated with that app will be lost. So think twice before you delete that word processor, but unless you want to keep your save game, deleting most games should be fine.

### Released this week DVDs & Movies

#### LIFE OF PI



Director Ang Lee creates a groundbreaking movie event about a young man who survives a disaster at sea and is hurtled into an epic journey of adventure and discovery. While cast away, he forms an amazing and unexpected connection with another survivor...a fearsome Bengal tiger. PG, 2 hr. 7 min.

#### **RISE OF THE GUARDIANS**

Rise of the Guardians is an epic adventure that tells the story of a group of heroes - each with extraordinary abilities. When an evil spirit known as Pitch lays down the gauntlet to take over the world, the immortal Guardians must join forces for the first time to protect the hopes, beliefs and imagination of children all over the world. PG, 1 hr. 37 min.

#### **PLAYING FOR KEEPS**

Gerard Butler, Jessica Biel, Uma Thurman, Catherine Zeta-Jones and Dennis Quaid star in Playing for Keeps, a romantic comedy about a charming, down-on-his luck former soccer star (Butler) who returns home to put his life back together. Looking for a way to rebuild his relationship with his son, he gets roped into coaching the boy's

soccer team. But his attempts to finally become an "adult" are met with hilarious challenges from the attractive "soccer moms" who pursue him at every turn. PG-13, 1 hr. 46 min.



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Investor Warren Buffet is adding the second largest newspaper in Oklahoma, The Tulsa Oklahoma World daily newspaper, to his print media portfolio.

### Buffett expands his newspaper ownership

► Legendary investor's surprise acquisition shows optimism about future of print media

Warren Buffett's newspaper group said last Monday it would buy the Tulsa (Okla.) World daily newspaper.

BH Media Group, a division of Berkshire Hathaway Inc., is to purchase the newspaper for an undisclosed amount from the Lorton family of Tulsa, which has owned the World for four generations. The sale is to close in March.

The World circulates 95,000 copies on weekdays and 133,000 on Sundays. It is the second-largest newspaper in Oklahoma, after the Daily Oklahoman of Oklahoma City. The World's website, Tulsaworld.com, is the best-read website in the Tulsa area.

The World would be the 28th daily newspaper owned by BH Media, which also owns 40 newspapers published once, twice or three times a week, plus shoppers, monthly publications and regional magazines and related online publications. Tulsa has 400,000 people, out of a metropolitan population of nearly one million. It is nicknamed "Oil Capital of the World" after its heritage with the petroleum industry, although its current motto is "A New Kind of Energy."

The city is home to Oral Roberts University and the University of Tulsa. BusinessWeek magazine last year ranked Tulsa as one of the 50 best cities in America.

The World has been Tulsa's only daily newspaper since the Tulsa Tribune closed in 1992. The Daily World was first published in 1905. Eugene Lorton joined the paper soon after and became its sole owner in 1917. He was active in Republican Party politics and ran unsuccessfully for the U.S. Senate in 1924. He died in 1949.

Robert E. Lorton Jr., his grandson, passed the title of publisher to his son, Robert E. Lorton III, in 2005.

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Donnie Lee Smith - Donnie, son of Ford and Maude Smith, was born in Fenton and raised in Holly. He graduated from Holly High School. He married Agatha "Aggie" Poye in Holly in 1955. Drafted into the US Navy in 1956, he served aboard the USS Boston, the world's first guided missile ship. After his service he settled in southern CA. He was a business owner in the San Fernando Valley for many years. He and his wife had two children, David and Kathleen. He enjoyed camping, fishing, and hik-ing. In 1977 he moved his family to Lake County. He opened Don Smith North Shore Auto Repair in Nice, where he served the community for 30 years. He happily retired and enjoyed time with his family. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Aggie; his sister, Lucille Rodgers (Eugene) his son, David Ford Smith (Joyce); his daugher, Kathleen Engelman (David); and the loves of his life, three grandchildren, Jacob, Alyssa and Andrea Engelman.



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