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 Heads up this week:

 Tyre to hold fair

 The village of Tyrone will hold its annual fair May 15-16.

 The fair will feature pony rides, a petting zoo, a carnival, face painting, a car show, a horse show and much more.

 The proceeds from the fair will go toward the Tyrone Township Park.

 Smoking is not a crime.

 Parents: ‘We think of them every day’

 By Ryan Tackabury

 More than 20 years has passed since what remains today one of the most tragic and heartbreaking chapters of the area’s history.

 In September of 1991, Leslie Allen Williams abducted sisters Michelle Urbín, 16, and Melissa Urbín, 14, of Tyrone Township.

 After suffocating the girls, Williams hid their bodies in Fenton’s Oakwood Cemetery.

 Williams is now serving multiple life sentences at Alger Correctional Facility in Munising.

 To help them deal with the tragedy, the parents of the Urbín 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 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.

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 Winter weather warning

 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

 That fool Dennis Rodman is a friend and house-guest of that juvenile North Korea nuclear-nutcake? Too bad he didn’t stay over there permanently.

 I 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.

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Tattoo advice from the artists

> Originality, flexibility may ensure best work possible

By William Axford

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 see their work. Compare artwork, know what you want to get and then proceed from there.

‘Rules of the road’

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

By Sally Rummel

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

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Let’s keep the lights on

There are two entities that most define the character and health of any community — 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-of-the-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 measurement, 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 community. 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.

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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 $600 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,

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?

If I were King I’d still read Foster Childs’ 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,

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.

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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.”

—Inda Bidelman, Fenton

“I would get a butterfly on my shoulder or a sun on my back. It wouldn’t be too conspicuous.”

—Hildegard Baier, Fenton

“I wouldn’t get a tattoo. I just personally don’t like them.”

—Bob Shultz, Holly

“I wouldn’t get one. I think they look nice on young people but I wouldn’t get one now.”

—Cathy Kerr, Holly

“I don’t think I would get my arm, the one with the beard. I’m an MSU alumnus.”

—Dave Sullivan, 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

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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 woken 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 us, the taxpayers, to pay for Michelle Obama to hand out an Oscar?

TO THE GUY who blames 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.

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.

I wasn’t the only one to think they were not very bright at the Tri-County Times or its staff. E-mail the King at king@tctimes.com. Some information reported from the Internet.

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Occupied housing ............... 5,067
Owner occupied ................. 2,987
Population ...................... 7,435
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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 Patrick 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 homeowners — 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 owner-occupied neighbors.

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, owning a home one cannot afford leaves only negative exit options — short-sales or foreclosure.

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 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 to 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 the 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 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

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.

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Nussle ‘on ice’

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

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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 got 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 than women. “Men can last until they’re about 30,” said Hunt.

When Jacob turns 18, he’ll be moving up a notch in his level of competition. “He needs to spend this year doing everything he can to prepare for this new phase in skating competition,” said Hunt.

It’s hard to imagine that his schedule and training could be any more intense. Jacob goes to school at WSC Academy in Brighton from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and then is at the rink daily from 1 to 5 p.m. for skating and weight lifting. He has personal training three days a week for 1½ hours after school and after skating. Saturdays are also spent at the rink, usually practicing with the Theater on Ice group for four hours. When 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 costing for ice time. I do what I have to do.”

Jacob Nussle demonstrates “hydroblading” during his warm up at the Hartland Sports Center.
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“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 andadered, to not give up. To not give up on life and not to give up on anything.”

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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 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.

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.

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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. 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.’”

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Sisters Michelle and Melissa Urb of Tyrone Township are buried together in St. John’s cemetery.

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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, 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 coordinator 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.

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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.

**THEFTES 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 back end 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 south-bound 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.
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For more information about bicycling rules and regulation in Michigan, read:
• “What Every Driver Must Know,” published by the Secretary of State office.

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“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 in the lane is turning right, but the bicyclist is going straight; 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 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 together, 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 or cart are legally obligated to ride in single-file.
Area players help lead Powers to state semis

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

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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-to-back games.

The Powers varsity hockey team’s season, a squad which includes six tri-county 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 state tournament series relatively easily.

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

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Fenton — It’s true at the varsity level, and it’s even true at the middle school level.

If the Fenton Tigers and Holly 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 Gilgespie 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.

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Ava is a wonderful family companion and is all puppy. Ava is great with other dogs and curious of cats. She can’t wait to finally be with her family.

Meet Lyla

Lyla is an amazing girl, with Maine-Coon looks. She is also front-paw declawed.
Hauk on target with her archery career

Fenton student captures 12th place at recent national event

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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 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 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 (Junior 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 you’re shooting 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 works hard at her craft.

“My goal is to be in the 2020 Olympics. 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.”

Hunter Hauk
Fenton student

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

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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 starting 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 Dicon, 10. He earned a 21st-place finish in the 50 backstroke (26.85).

“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 seen TIGER SHARKS on 15A.
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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. Holly credit. They hit a lot of shots. That was the most points we accomplished for the whole year."
Holly never trailed but were tied 17-17 at halftime. Fenton remained as close as 22-21 after a putback hoop by Aaron Sar- kon with 1.15 left in the third quarter, but Holly capped the quarter with a 9-4 run, ending the period with a layup by Bryce Jacopce and two converted free throws by Efrem Partee. Holly led 31-25 entering the fourth quarter.
Fenton (8-3) cut the lead to two points with a 3-pointer by 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 Sorkon’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 job done, but it’s needed that. But from where they were at the start of the season until now is day 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,” Szczepanski said. “Basic dribbling, passing drills, defensive concepts and rebinding the basketball — all those things we worked on, we got better each and every day. And that’s what is impor tant to me as a coach at this level, that’s what’s 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 Hasenberger hit a three-pointer at the end of the game, earning the Tigers the win.
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Have you ever wondered why 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 capsaicin lands on 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 popularity 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 Orleans 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.

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

Melissa Fromm
Holly High School biology teacher

The hottest thing he’s eaten was an entire habanero pepper, which was in response to a challenge. “It was rough. It’s the seeds that get you more than anything,” he said. When the hottest flavors are consumed, it actually causes a vague pain response that affects the entire body, according to a Scientific American article, from Oct. 21, 1999.

This chemical stimulant of capsaicin can confuse the brain into an “ambiguous” pain response, and warmth which includes sweating, and feeling flushed everywhere.

The Scoville scale is a measure of the hotness or piquancy of a chilli pepper.

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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 burqini, 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 was created by a Captain Jim Parsons who won a company competition with the slogan “Speed on in your Speedos.”

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.
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.

This mysterious making of two people one calls for helping, holding, loving, cherishing, submitting, and encouraging. In other words, each one is to be living for the benefit of the other. That’s what love is all about. Selfishness has no place in a marriage. Self denial does.

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 or worse, for richer or 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 worshipping 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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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

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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 forbeginners 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 Homebrew 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 17bbl (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 stores, 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.

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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 setting,” 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 an authentic Mexican style, Pan-Seared Salmon with Wok Risotto, and Crispy Tofu.

“We are becoming well known for our week-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, metro-inspired 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., Thursday 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.

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"Start from the floor up‘
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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 a new accent color with accessories, many people don’t know where to begin with the process. “I tell clients to start 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 homeowners to use them to their best advantage — as a 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.”

How the experts select colors for painting and accessorizing

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 off-white.

• 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 eyes won’t blend them together.

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• When in doubt, call in an expert for an inexpensive hourly consulta- tion. 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

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

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.

**Summary**

- Taste buds work by interpreting chemicals that are distributed by saliva. The taste one experiences depends on genetics. Particularly spicy foods have grown in popularity in recent years.

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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 strips 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 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 Douglass.

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Meet Becca Temrowski

By William Axford
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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 been brought on many funerals of 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 to 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 axAE 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, peeling 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.

“I was always the weird kid who didn’t want to be an astronaut and a veterinarian.”

Becca Temrowski
Owner of Temrowski Funeral Home

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Area leaders in D.C. for national conference

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 Conference as part of the Michigan Municipal League (MML) contingent were Linden Mayor David Lossing, president of the MML Board; Fenton Mayor Sue Osborn; Fenton Councilwoman Patricia Lockwood and Fenton City 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 Relations 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.

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.

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Do you have a question that you would like to have answered? Email it to me at: katie.rozen@edwardjones.com

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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 1320 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. Geneesee, 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, incontinence, and pelvic prolapse. The free event runs from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Please RSVP to (810) 342-4473.

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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 Philip 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 Deer-skin 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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The power substation on Fenway Drive reduces the voltage before it is transmitted by power lines to homes, where it is again reduced 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 transport 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.

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Dan Bishop  
Consumer’s Energy

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

**By Ryan Tackabury**

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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 powers 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. Renewable 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 to 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.

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Pat Lockwood and David Lossing set to speak

By Sharon Stone

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-on-one interactions with family, friends and colleagues more positively.

Lindsay Hensler

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 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.

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.

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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 abscess. 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.

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To your good health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have had sciatica for two and a half months. Even though I am better than at 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 stomach ache. 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, or 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 intertering with your recovery from sciatica.

‘Flirtationship’ will soon become far flung

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 bad place with him after 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.

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When you 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 you 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

LIFE OF PI
Director Ang Lee creates a ground-breaking movie event about a young man who survives a disaster at sea and is hurled 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.
Investor Warren Buffett 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.


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• Must possess current, active license to practice as an RN in Michigan
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Sunday, March 17, 2013

Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memoriums

Donnie Lee Smith
1934-2013
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 hiking. 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 and his wife happily retired and enjoyed the community together. He died March 8, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Ruby Ray

Lucille Rodgers
Lucille Rodgers (Eugene); his daughter, Lucille Rodgers (Eugene); survived by his wife of 57 years. He died March 9, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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After experiencing chest pain, sleep apnea and severe ankle pain, 43-year-old Dalon Cregar decided he had to get serious about losing weight or his health would continue to slow him down. “I weighed 336 pounds and had no energy,” explains Cregar. “I was a diabetic, on medication, and my health was failing.”

“My ankles hurt so bad that I had to have ice packs on them after work,” adds Cregar. “It got to a point where I couldn’t even do activities with my two daughters. I knew I had to lose the weight, or something bad was going to happen.”

On January 31, 2012, Cregar underwent bariatric surgery at Hurley Medical Center. The sleeve gastrectomy procedure made it possible for him to eventually lose 155 pounds, putting him close to his goal weight. Today, he is off all medications, and he is forever grateful for Hurley Bariatric Center and the surgery that helped change his life for the better.

“I have before pictures on my wall, because I never want to go back to where I was before my surgery,” says Cregar. “I have a lot more energy. I even run now, which I haven’t been able to do in 10 years. I work out daily, I still watch what I eat, but I don’t take anything for granted.”

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