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44So you submit a Hot line that makes fun of people who smoke,



drink, or have piercings and tattoos: and then

you end it by saying, 'Mean people shouldn't submit Hot lines.' Oh, kettle; thou art so black.'

## **HOT LINES**

441 like the diversity of the Hot lines and the opportunity to voice opinions and concerns. It's only



complaining if you view it that way. Maybe some people

iust can't handle seeing views opposing their own.

### **MOVIE REVIEWS 44** Rotten Tomatoes

is a great movie review site. I never rent a movie without checking the reviews first. It saves me from renting a lot of stink-

## **POLITICS**

**44**Clearly Governor Snyder isn't aware that most Michigan motorists would rather have food on their tables than fancy new roads. No new taxes.'

## HOT LINE

## of the week

## 66HOW DUMB

DO you have to be to counterfeit \$5 bills. They always get caught and the punishment is the same for a \$50 or \$100 bill. If you are going to commit a crime. do it intelligently. Sheesh. 99







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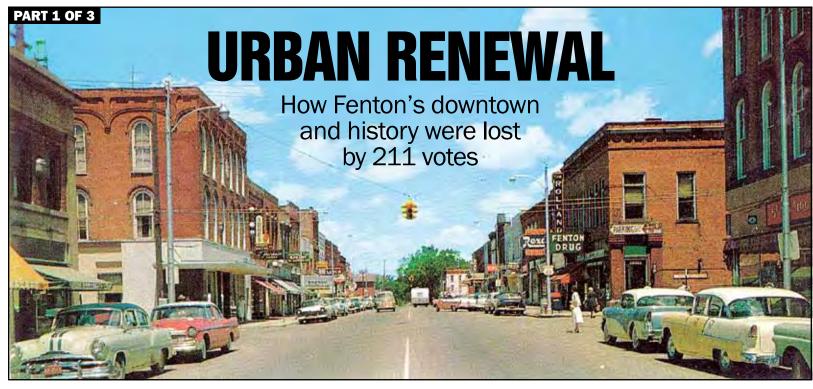


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## Still controversial nearly 50 years later

## By Ryan Tackabury

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This is part one of a three-part series on Fenton's urban renewal. **Part 1:** Still controversial nearly 50 years later. Part 2: The walls came tumbling down. Part 3: Never the same again.

Many area citizens have mourned the fact that the building that once housed the Fenton Cinema is now slated to be

torn down. Most are not aware that this is not the first time in Fenton's history that it has lost such a building.

A mere 40 years ago, Fenton's thriving downtown housed its own movie theatre, the Rowena, owned and operated by J.C. Peck. Like the majority of buildings that were downtown, the

theatre was lost in the mid 1970s to a controversial — many would say disastrous — urban renewal project.

"They tore the history of the town down," said Ken Seger, curator of the A.J. Phillips Fenton Museum, and a Fenton resident during the time of urban

See URBAN RENEWAL on 17A

## **44** It was a hell of a mess. Fenton lost their downtown.77

**Don Winglemire** Fenton furniture store owner in late 1960s

## **Business owners decry sign** ordinance at ZBA meeting



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | WILLIAM AXFORD Calabria Village owners Lisa and Mike Varacalli were approved for a new sign Tuesday, after appearing before the Linden Zoning Board of Appeals.

## >ZBA official: 'Too many signs are trashy'

## **By William Axford**

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**Linden** — Business owners clashed with the Linden Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) Tuesday, claiming the city's sign ordinance is too restrictive and damaging to businesses. Business owners Jack Furry, Lisa and Mike Varacalli filed for variances against the city's sign ordinance. The Varacallis and Furry had to pay \$300 each to the city to present their case.

See SIGN ORDINANCE on 8A

## **44** We have an ordinance written by people who don't know how to run a business. 77

Jim McIntyre Business owner in Linden

## Survey says:

## High taxes, wasteful spending, reasons bonds failed

▶ Fenton schools reveal responses to \$16,750 survey questionnaire

## By William Axford

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The Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS) system has posted the results of a recent survey where residents within the school district were questioned about two failed bonds within the last two years. FAPS paid \$16,750 to EPIC-MRA in January to

conduct the survey.

According to the results, 45 percent of voters cast their ballot in favor of the proposed bond in November while 47 percent of voters were against the bond. The remaining 3 percent could not remember how they voted. "Wasteful spending" and taxes too high were the most popular reasons why respondents said they didn't vote in favor of the bond.

See SURVEY on 10A

## Ringleader of country's largest mortgage fraud sentenced to 13 years in prison

## ▶ Fenton man must pay back \$95 million

Ronnie Duke, 45, of Fenton was sentenced Monday to 13 years in prison for his involvement in one of the country's most extensive mortgage fraud schemes.

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Ronnie Duke

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To refresh silk flowers, pour a cup of salt into a one-gallon plastic bag, then place three flowers inside at a time. Seal the bag and shake for 30 seconds. The salt grains act as an exfoliant, dislodging dirt from the smallest crevices and restoring the flowers beauty.

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## One school day in Fenton costs \$171,291

Cost of educating each student in tri-county area averages \$48.81 per day

## **By William Axford**

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It costs \$171,291 to keep the Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS) district in operation for one full school day. Educating a single student costs nearly \$50 a day.

Although it isn't exact, Director of Finance Personnel Doug Busch calculated the day-to-day costs of operating FAPS by dividing expenditures by 177 days, the average number of school days in an academic year. FAPS has \$30,318,675 budgeted for the full school year.

"That number includes absolutely every expense involved, from keeping the lights on to paying the staff," Busch said.

Multiple factors such as per pupil funding, mils, enrollment and employees can set the course for budgets and how many expenditures a school district can expect to pay each year.

The average cost of educating a student within any school district within the tricounty area is nearly \$50, according to Busch's formula. Holly Area Schools is the most expensive district, costing \$187,233 per day and Lake Fenton Community Schools is the least expensive at \$95,278 a day. However, the Holly school district

See STUDENTS on 16A



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO

Lake Fenton High School AP Language Arts teacher Kathy Kearns helps her students with rhetorical devices in October 2012. Personnel costs are the highest expense a school district has.

DISTRICT	COST PER DAY	COST PER STUDENT	TOTAL Enrollment	EXPENDITURES
Fenton	\$171,291	\$49.05	3,492	\$30,318,675
Holly	\$187,233	\$50.23	3,727	\$33,140,345
Lake Fenton	\$95,278	\$51.75	1,841	\$16,864,211
Linden	\$131,998	\$44.23	2,984	\$23,363,681

## New building will be 'cornerstone' of downtown



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED DRAWING

The \$4.7-million cornerstone building is expected to bring 80 to 100 permanent jobs after it's constructed.

## ►DDA hopes construction will start this summer

## By Ryan Tackabury

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The city of Fenton has many irons in the fire, all of which are slowly coming to fruition.

The largest of these projects is the aptly named Cornerstone building. With four stories, it will be the tallest structure in downtown Fenton. The first of three planned structures, the Cornerstone building is aimed to revi-

talize Fenton's downtown by bringing new businesses and living areas.

The \$4.7-million building will be planted on the southeast corner of Silver Lake Road and LeRoy Street.

The development agreement for the project has been signed with Corlin Builders. Architectural drawings are currently

See CORNERSTONE on 16A



## Texting makes u stoopid!

'Dewd BION I send TXT MSG in TFX TLITBC. TIGAS?'

For those of you who don't fritter away endless hours communicating in texting jargon, this translates to: 'Dude, believe it or not, I am sending a text message in traffic. That's life in the big city. Think I give a s#!+?'

Much of this crude communication — as found on netlingo.com — contains swear words, off-color sayings, and acronyms that would make Snoop Dog blush.

According to a recent Nielsen survey, American kids between the ages of 13 and 17 send and receive an average of 3,339

texts per month. Not surprisingly, teen girls in this study send and receive more than 4,100 texts per month.

Let's do the math on that.

In a typical month, that means that your teenager is sending and receiving 111.3 texts per day, or 8.62 texts per hour (assuming 16 waking hours per day), or one text every seven minutes of every waking hour, seven days a week. If your progeny happens to be female,

add about 20 percent to those numbers.

Wow! That's a whole lot of ...well, nothing.

And therein lies the problem. We are raising an entire generation of stupid kids.

They are stupid because they have been swept up in a society that, due to social media, spends the majority of their day communicating with each other about...well, nothing. This activity has replaced reading. Thus, our kids' reading skills are deteriorating at an alarming rate. And reading, as we all know (from actually reading ourselves), is the key to learning — all learning.

If you take a typical American teenager today and place them 3 feet in front of the Mona Lisa, in the Louvre, in Paris, you will find them not actually looking at the Mona Lisa, or the Louvre, or Paris, but slouched over a 2.5-inch screen, oblivious to their surroundings, tapping away on a tiny keyboard to their friends, not about the most famous painting, in the most famous museum, in the most famous city in the world, but more likely something along the lines of 'lol, frnch grls bion haf hry pits.'

After a couple years of these grunting,

troglodyte-like, mini-keyboard exchanges, the typical texter's communication skills bear a striking resemblance to a debate on cosmic galaxial cohesion between Snooki and Amy Winehouse (RIP).

We've all seen the clips of zombie-like texters — oblivious to their surroundings — walking into light poles, traffic, glass doors and, in one memorable clip that went viral, a young texting woman stumbles head-over-heels into a mall fountain. GHU (God help us), these are the leaders of tomorrow. Our 2032 election debates will be indistinguishable from the Q and A at a Miss America pageant.

And each year the average age of a cellphone user goes down. It won't be long before baby's highly anticipated first word will be....texted, not spoken.

Yikes, TOBAL (there oughta be a law).

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WHAT THE TEACHER meant to say was that they will now put in the extra effort because they will no longer have the union to protect them.

ROBERT COLE AREN'T you a piece of work. The people in Argentine had a hard enough time paying your taxes, so you go around seeing what more you can soak from us. You'll never be re-elected again!

TO THE PERSON that said grow up and take responsibility for your actions, the saying goes 'Judge not lest ye be judged.' Not everybody is out there trying to have an abortion just to dump a kid. They are very hard on a woman physically and mentally.

FINALLY U of M BASKETBALL is pulling itself out of a 20-year-long black hole created by Steve Fischer.

NEWSPAPER THIEF, Jennings Road area north of the high school. Sunday at 3:20 p.m., driving a mid-sized burgundy car. Next time I'll introduce you to my Smith and Wesson.

I HAVE A wonderful wife who is a schoolteacher that works with the young. The kids that she works with are kids with special needs. I went to work with her as a guest for a day and never realized what she has to deal with on a daily basis. I now have the utmost respect for schoolteachers.

PERHAPS FENTON TOWNSHIP should purchase the 'really big house on the lake with all the windows.' They can rent it as a bed & breakfast to all the people that are going to visit the new Township Park planned to go in off Thompson Road by Fenton Road.

FOR THE TWO couples that helped my wife in her Saturn on Saturday morning on Linden Road — thank you.

HERE LIES THE problem with the trash. When the trucks pick up the dumpsters and the wind is blowing, trash gets blown out of the gap between the truck and the dumpster. The driver doesn't care one iota if the trash is blown out.

SO THE PRICE of gas was \$1.82 when Obama took office, but before the election, in August 2008, it was \$4.17 — so remember that number, too. Maybe, just maybe, the President has nothing to do with it.

AS A CONSERVATIVE, I would never criticize someone for publishing Jesse

Jackson's article. I think they should have an area for right-winged articles. I believe when your opponent is stepping in it, step out of the way and let it go.

CAN WE DO an article about the mosquito problem? Not the insects, but the ones down at city hall. We work our butts off to make ends meet and they work theirs off trying to make sure we

IF YOU DON'T like the taxes, move. It takes money to make our city so nice.

FOR THE MAN who helped the two women who were hurt badly go to the hospital at 7 in the morning on Adelaide and Mill, you are an angel, sir. I wish there were more people like you in the world. Thank you from Lisa and Dianne.

THEY USED TO call our state the mitten. After Granholm it's the finger now!

FOR SALE, ONE slightly used redundant neon sign. Way to go city of Linden. Maybe by this summer all of your storefronts will be closed.

PART-TIME JOBS are not the fault of just Obama. Our government has given businesses the ability to go around buying certain insurances called loopholes. Any business that accepts tax incentives must and should provide full time and good paying jobs. We should demand it.

WHY DO PEOPLE let their dogs loose to bark at everyone and to poop on everyone's property? Be responsible for your animals.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



Compiled by Ryan Tackabury, staff reporter and Olivia Dimmer, intern

## How do you feel about Fenton's past Urban Renewal project?





"It was the worst thing to happen to Fenton and the downtown merchants. We lost so many businesses to the wrecking ball."

— Craig Schmidt DDA chairman



"We can't live in the past, we have to look at the future. I think we have a good thing going down there now in the downtown district."

> — Cheryl King Fenton City councilwoman



"I believe that the intent of urban renewal was to recreate a vibrant downtown. Unfortunately, it has taken 40 years for the process to begin."

— Pat Lockwood Fenton City councilwoman



"Ultimately, it turned out to be a bad thing for business. Somehow we survived because the people of this town stuck it out and made it work."

— Terry Green, DDA member, business owner



"I think it's unfortunate that we lost so many great Victorian buildings, we should now work hard to create a new exciting downtown."

— John Strayer, DDA member, business owner



"It was put to a vote of the people, and they did vote. We had to accept the decisions that were made."

— Carl Hammond former Fenton mayor

## **Initial balanced budget presented to Holly council**

**Summary** 

►The Holly Village

Council accepted

a balanced bud-

get on Tuesday,

which is open to

further revision and

discussion before it

is adopted in June.

center and police

will be discussed at the next budget

Cuts to the dispatch

session on Tuesday,

April 30, 6 p.m. in

council chambers.

## ► Police, dispatch center next up for discussion

### By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly** — Though the process is far from complete, the village council accepted a balanced budget at the regular meeting on Tuesday. The next budget workshop is Tuesday, April 30, at 6 p.m.

in the council chambers. The budget will be adopted in June.

There is still work ahead, but a balanced budget is coming to the Village of Holly a little easier this year.

One year ago, Holly was deciding how to wipe out a \$120,000 deficit without pulling from the fund balance. For the 2012-13 fiscal year (FY) budget, the village pulled \$14,000 from the fund balance, \$11,000 from capital improvement funds, and a full-time police officer was laid off — and this was just to balance the budget.

Holly is still facing a drop in property taxes, but not as much as expected. This year, they're also not planning on any layoffs, though President Jason Hughes anticipates another further drop, and then a bottoming out.

The challenge for FY 2013-14, is not balancing the budget—it is now deciding whether to hold to the council resolution to put \$50,000 away into the fund balance each year. "We haven't been putting money aside for projects," Hughes said. Road repairs, infrastructure and any emergencies need to be saved for, and the fund balance is like the savings account from which projects are funded.

In recent years, the fund balance has been used to balance the budget, leading to a fund balance of only around \$100,000.

Hughes said that cuts are needed to put away \$50,000 for these projects each year. At the first work session, council discussed cutting the police department's dispatch center to 12 hours each day, with late evening/morning hours being redirected to Oakland County dispatch.



Currently the dispatch center has four employees. One is up for retirement, and another can shift to working for the Oakland County dispatch center. He said this could potentially save the village \$70,000 each year.

This possibility is of deep concern to Council Member Jackie Campbell, who feels that the time from the 911 call to the "tone out," or when the call is dispatched to emergency responders could be longer.

She believes that the idea was brought to the council without proper research, and expressed it at the last budget work session.

As of now, the budget is balanced with no cuts, but also without the fund balance deposits the council is seeking.

Village Manager Jerry Walker said the dispatch center will come up at the next budget session, but the police department will be the major topic of discussion, as it has the biggest budget in the village.





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## milestones



**Bruce Clark**, currently serving in the **United States** Navy as a Hospital Corpsman, has returned to Fenton this

week to reunite with his family after being deployed to Afghanistan. Clark has been in the Navy for more than five years and will be honorably discharged this summer. He is a graduate of Fenton High School Class of 2007 and is the son of Kathy and Ray Clark of Fenton.

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## **Members appoint familiar face to council**

► Active resident Chris Rankin takes place of Tom Clark on Holly Village Council

By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly**—Resident Chris Rankin, 39, is a familiar face in Holly. He's about to get a lot more familiar as he was appointed to the Holly Village Council.

A seat was vacant following Tom Clark's abrupt resignation before the last meeting, due to family illness.

Rankin was appointed by the council after being recommended by President Jason Hughes. He had met with the other four candidates over the past week.

Rankin frequents meetings, and has been a part of the planning, and parks commissions. "I'd like to think that I'm a pretty fair-minded guy, and I'm all about interaction with the community," he said, addressing the council along with the other candidates. He then thanked the council for consider-

Hughes added that Rankin has chaired the ordinance and review committee. "He's done a fantastic job there as well," he said.

Rankin will serve until the end of Clark's term, when he would have to run in 2014.

Rankin is married with one stepchild, and works at a BMW dealership in Bloomfield Hills.

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**Chris Rankin** 

newly appointed Holly Village Council member



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I TIM JAGIELO Chris Rankin, was already active in the parks and planning commissions in

He is particularly interested in Water-

works Park, and he would like to see the wheel saved, and a deck erected in place

of the building.

On Tuesday, he hit the ground running, taking his spot beside Bob Allsop, voting on issues regarding the operating budget and speed limits.

## 'Holly Clothes Swap'

► Organizers of

"Holly Clothes

Swap" have

date of this

set Thursday,

May 16 as the

year's clothing

swap in Holly.

this free event.

Children's books

are included with

▶Bring outgrown, unused clothing items, take home 'new' pieces on May 16

**By Sharon Stone** 

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If you have any outgrown or unused clothing or children's books taking up space in your home, you might want

to consider the annual Holly Clothes Swap. The annual event runs from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 16 at the First Baptist Church of Holly, at 15030 North Holly Rd.

The event is free and there is no obligation to bring or take anything.

Men and women are encouraged to sort through their closets and dresser drawers and launder any clothing items

they'd like to take to the swap. Bring any unused children's, women's, men's and maternity clothing to the swap and select

some "new" clothes for your children and yourself.

Clothing must be in usable condition, clean and preferably separated by sizes. People attending the swap can bring whatever amount of clothes they want to get rid of and take whatever amount they need.

Past clothing swaps were featured in 2009 on NBC Nightly News - Making a Difference. Summary

In the past, some families have taken advantage of this swap and cleaned out all of their unused clothing and sometimes left with just one or two special things. Other families, who were in need of clothing, came with little and left with large bags of clothing.

This swap is for individuals

only — no charities, shelters or resale. To contact the organizers, go to http:// swap.nobucks.net/index.php

## **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

ATTENTION PARENTS OF the elementary school girl that walks home from school and has a brown coat. My son dropped his 3DS from his pocket in our yard. Your daughter picked it up, told me it was hers and ran. Please return.

TO THE PERSON who felt they'd wasted money renting a bad movie: The online

resource imdb.com has information about nearly every movie that has ever been made, including user ratings, reviews, plot summaries, etc. I highly recommend it.

WE WOULD LIKE to thank the two women that stopped on Whitaker Road to help our father who had fallen on the front porch. Thank you very much for your assistance.

## Portion of Saginaw Street in Holly to go from 25 to 30 mph

By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly** — Describing the speed limit on Saginaw Street as "artificially low," Holly Village Council has decided that the section of road between Oakland Drive and Airport Road will be raised from 25, to 30 miles per hour.

The last areas with speed increases were on East Maple and two sections of North Saginaw Street.

Speed limits in Michigan can only be changed following a traffic study from the Traffic Improvement Association (TIA). David Allyn, deputy executive director of engineering conducted a study on all these areas, including the new section.

Most drivers in this section travel at 32 mph. For this reason, Allyn recommended increasing the speed limit to 30 mph.

Because of the study, the TIA could not certify, or justify that stretch of road at 25 mph. Council President Jason Hughes has observed the 25 mph speed limit broken frequently. "It's entertainment to see how many cars pass, whatever lane I'm in," said Hughes.

Allyn said people tend to drive at a speed they feel is safe and reasonable, which is over the 25 mph on Saginaw between Airport and Oakland.

Walker said that citizens know when they're driving at an artificially low speed limit. People will either drive over the limit, or get a ticket and feel they were the victim of a speed trap. He said good practice is setting practical speed limits

Council Member Ryan Bladzic made the motion, and Council Member George Kullis supported the move to increase the speed to 30 mph.

## Fire hall hiring local businesses

**66** He is using a

local builder...he

is using a local

— Craig Schmidt Fenton DDA chairman

banker.

Summary

The DDA has

agreement with the

The State Bank of

Fenton regarding

Hall restaurant.

loan terms for the Fire

worked out an

▶Restaurant still expected to open sometime in June

By Ryan Tackabury

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**Fenton** — Looking to avoid problems that could arise from mistakes made in the past, the Fenton Downtown

Development Authority (DDA) is carefully examining all possibilities when it comes to the Fenton Fire Hall restaurant downtown. The DDA held a special meeting Thursday morning to discuss and vote on some issues.

The "Union Joints" - the collective name of owners

of Clarkston Union, is working with The State Bank in Fenton to obtain a commercial loan for the fire hall project. Part of this agreement will require the Union Joints to conditionally assign their lease to the bank as

collateral. With the past experiences with Michigan Brewing Co.'s failure to complete the project, the DDA erred on the side of caution and worked out a solution with The State Bank of Fenton.

If the owners could not continue with the project, The State Bank would assume the lease. The bank would then have 180 days to find a new operator for the site. The DDA would have final approval of any business selected to occupy the building. After a 180-day period, if The State Bank has still not found an operator, they would be required to pay \$25,000 per year until the five-year lease expires.

Additionally, the possible date by which the restaurant must open has been changed from June 30 to Oct. 31. Michael Burns, DDA director and assistant city manager said that while the restaurant is still expected to be open by June, the new opening date addresses the bank's concern regarding a loan default should delays be experienced.

The five-year lease purchase agreement for \$1 a year for five years, with an option to buy at the end of the five years for \$1 remains in place.

On a special meeting on Thursday morning, the DDA voted to accept this proposal. DDA Chairman Craig Schmidt

> said he was not surprised by the agreement that was reached. "You have to collateralize the loan," he said. "To me this is just procedural."

Burns said that the agreement is a precaution. "The bank has assured us that they don't think this is ever going to happen,"

he said.

DDA member Gary Henderson said that with all the work and money Curt Catallo has already put into the building, he had no doubts the project would

> be completed. Catallo had previously stated at a DDA meeting that he was already \$17,000 over budget due to unforeseen complications with the property's loose soil because of its proximity to the Shiawassee River.

Though Catallo is not from Fenton, the DDA praised his commitment to the area, and his desire to integrate within the community.

Schmidt agreed, saying that the project had two big positives. "One, he is using a local builder, two he is using a local banker," he said. "He wants to be in the community."

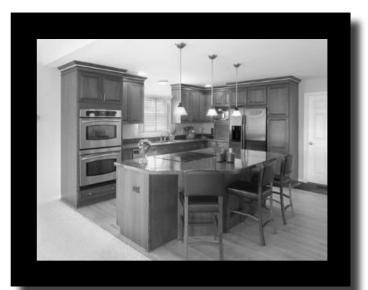
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## **SIGN ORDINANCE**Continued from Front Page

The Varacallis were granted permission to have an internally lit roof sign for their business Calabria Village; Furry was allowed to keep one of his two neon signs for the Crow's Nest.

Discussion between business owners and the ZBA went on for roughly an hour and a half, where both sides argued about the difficulty of the sign ordinance.

"We have an ordinance written by people who don't know how to run a

Summarv

Officials with the

Board of Appeals

heard two variance

cases on Tuesday.

sparred with officials,

Business owners

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a negative affect on

city of Linden Zonina

business," said Linden business owner Jim McIntyre, who pointed out that half the storefronts in the city are currently unoccupied. "It's directly affecting the health and welfare of the businesses."

Zoning Administrator Adam Young, who drafted the ordinance, said it is not the role of the ZBA to decide if the ordinance is good or bad for business, but to make sure the ordinance is enforced. Young

and the four of the six ZBA members who attended the meeting admitted that they have never owned a business and that most business owners were not involved in the drafting of the city's sign ordinance.

ZBA member Chris Kinyon responded to McIntyre by blaming business owners for not being involved with various committees within the city.

"If there's too many signs in town, it begins to look trashy," Kinyon added, acknowledging she and McIntyre have argued about the city's sign ordinance since the 1980s, when both of them served on the city council.

Furry told Young and other ZBA mem-

bers that many of the city's own signs, such as the municipal parking signs, library and council chamber signs, violate the city's own ordinance. Furry presented multiple photographs to the ZBA members of signs in the historic district that violate the ordinance.

"The city is consistent in enforcing the sign ordinance for a few select businesses but not for all them," Furry said. "If we had written the sign ordinance right the first time, we wouldn't be here."

According the city's sign ordinance, "A

maximum of two wall signs are allowed per building." The city's mill building has at least three wall signs, with two of them being larger than permitted.

ZBA member Betty Ciesielski admitted that city officials have been lax on enforcing the sign ordinance and said Furry should not be granted a variance.

"Rules are rules, you have to follow them," Ciesielski said.

"Why do we have ordinances if we're not going to enforce them?"

ZBA members were torn when it came to Calabria Village's proposed sign. The ZBA eventually granted the variance, after Gordon Wallace of Sign-A-Roma in Flint explained the energy efficient sign would have minimal impact on neighbors.

Throughout both decisions, Young had to clarify motions to ZBA members more than once and some members were confused on the details of their decisions.

"They should have some training and we should have the expertise of someone who knows signs," said Linden resident Terry Wright after the meeting.

# "TWO SNAPS UP!" John Simon, Bloomberg News Anne Craig, Fox 5 News Friday, April 26 & Saturday, April 27 (810) 237-7333 or The Whiting.com The Whiting 1241 E. Kearsley St., Flint, MI 48503 This personance This personance This personance This personance The Whiting 1241 E. Kearsley St., Flint, MI 48503 This personance The Whiting 1241 E. Kearsley St., Flint, MI 48503 This personance The Whiting 1241 E. Kearsley St., Flint, MI 48503 The Whiting 1241 E. Kearsley St., Flint, MI 48503 The Whiting 1241 E. Kearsley St., Flint, MI 48503 The WYNTHONNENTECOM WYNTHONNENTECOM WYNTHONNENTECOM TO THE WHITING THE WHI

## Holly officers earn their stripes



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Two Holly police officers have been promoted to sergeant. They were recognized at the regular Holly Village council meeting on Tuesday. Det. Julie Bemus and Officer Craig Simpson were promoted, and "pinned" by their spouses, while interim police chief Michael Story applauded. "I'm so proud of these guys for the effort they put in," said Story, who mentioned that everyone who tested achieved high scores. Bemus and Simpson were sworn in by Clerk/Treasurer Cathrene Behrens. These promotions were part of the budget plan from 2012-13, to lay off an officer, while not hiring a new full-time police chief.

**Summary** 

► Ronnie Duke of

Fenton will spend

the next 13 years in

prison for his part in a \$100 million mort-

gage fraud scheme

that lasted several

years.

## **FRAUD**

## **Continued from Front Page**

In addition to prison time, U.S. District Judge Julian Abele Cook also ordered Duke to pay nearly \$95 million in restitution and a \$1 million fine. Duke pleaded

guilty last July in connection with the extensive multimillion dollar mortgage fraud conspiracy, in United States District Court in Detroit.

Investigators reported that the numerous defendants, led by Duke, conspired to defraud mortgage lenders and obtain money and property by means of materially false and fraudu-

lent pretenses and representations. The scheme lasted for close to four years, ending in July 2007 when the FBI executed seven search warrants in metropolitan Detroit and Florida.

Over the four year period, the scheme involved more than 500 fraudulent mortgage loans, more than 100 straw buyers, and approximately 180 different residential properties in metropolitan Detroit that were used as — or falsely represented to mortgage lenders to be —the collateral for the loans. Most of these loans went into default and foreclosure. The loans ranged in size from roughly \$350,000 to

\$600,000. Losses to the lenders resulting from the scheme are expected to exceed \$100 million.

Some of Duke's co-defendants used proceeds to purchase luxury items, including a helicopter, cars, boats,

residential properties, and for extensive travel to the Caribbean and foreign vacation destinations.

This case was investigated by the FBI, with the assistance of the U.S. Secret Service, and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Erin Shaw and Stephen Hiyama.

According to the Detroit News, Duke was a long-time criminal first convicted of embezzlement in Allen Park in 1986. He was sent to prison in 1989 for receiving stolen property and briefly escaped from prison in the Upper Peninsula before he was released in 1993. He later moved into mortgages, even though Michigan regulators banned him from the mortgage business in 2006. By then, he had created a network of real estate agents, appraisers and others willing to forge signatures and submit phony documentation to secure millions in loans, according to federal prosecutors.

Duke is expected to report to prison by June 3.



## **Fenton Vision Center**

►Leads the way in local optometry, recent move to downtown Fenton excites staff and patients

## **By Sally Rummel**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

Keep your eyes on the Fenton Vision Center. They continue to be the leader in style, technology and medical advances in the practice of optometry in the tricounty area.

The Fenton Vision Center offices of Juan Alvarado, O.D. and Cynthia Cupal, O.D., F.A.A.O. have moved this year to 212 W. Silver Lake Rd., in the heart of downtown Fenton. "Our patients and staff love our new location," said Alvarado. "We're in the cultural area of the city with shopping and coffee shops. We also have lots of convenient parking."

Their new building includes a fashion optical boutique, spacious exam rooms, an on-site optical lab, a conference room for staff training and families of young patients – plus lots of large windows to enjoy the downtown area while waiting for appointments, etc.

Their new offices offer not only the latest in technology, but also one of the largest inventories of frames in the tri-county area. Patients will appreciate their high fashion optical area designed after upscale optical boutiques in metro areas. "Rather than having all

of our frame selections out on a counter, they are narrowed down by design and kept in easy access optical drawers," said Alvarado. "Patients coming in to select frames can easily narrow down their frame choice with our new system."

Some of the most in-demand frames include styles by Oakley, Coach, Dolce & Gabbana, Prada, Ed Hardy,



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SALLY RUMMEL

Fenton Vision Center's move to downtown Fenton this year has created a positive new energy within this local optometry practice.

Harley-Davidson, Juicy Couture and Aframes. There are frame styles to suit just about every taste and budget.

Fenton Vision Center is pleased to have on staff the services of licensed optician Cherie Campbell. "She has been with us for more than 12 years

> and brings her skill in dispensing glasses and contact lenses as a licensed optician to our patients," said Cupal. "It's rare for a practice to have a licensed professional in this area, and we are very happy that she's part of our team." The staff of Fenton Vision Center includes five employees, in addition to the husband and wife optometry team of Cupal

and Alvarado.

Together, they bring to their patients a high level of practice and specialization. "We're a full service optometry practice for all ages." said Alvarado. "We see patients under age 1 at no cost, so we can test their vision and eye development. Our patients then go through their senior years under our care, treating them for glaucoma, macular degeneration, diabetes-related vision issues and more."

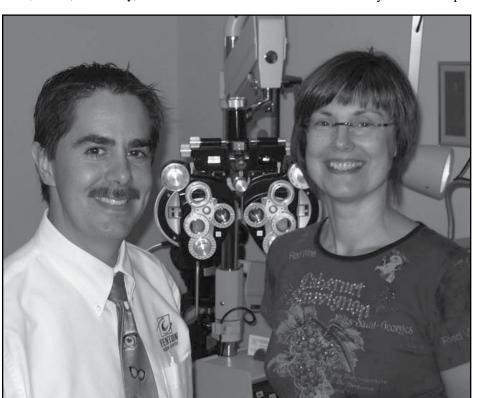
Cupal's specialization in the diagnosis and treatment of glaucoma brings many patients from the Kellogg Eye Institute at University of Michigan for close monitoring at Fenton Vision Center. "We get referrals from the Kellogg Eye Institute at U-M Hospital to monitor the surgical success of patients who live in our area. We take this work very seriously." Cupal had practiced for five years at Bascom-Palmer Eye Institute in Miami, Florida and five years at the Kellogg Eye Institute before coming home to the Fenton area to open the practice in 2001.

Fenton Vision Center is also proud to specialize in vision therapy and low vision, offering vision help to all ages. They're committed to providing the latest in technology so that vision impairment, eye injuries and diseases of the eye can be detected and treated early.

Their latest equipment is a new Visual Evoked Potential (VEP) machine, which helps the doctors see how well the eye is communicating with the brain—in patients as young as 6 months. "It's like an EKG or EEG for the eyes," said Alvarado.

Both Cupal and Alvarado are passionate about the importance of nutrition and eye health and are pleased to have been accepted as members of the Ocular Nutrition Society — a very strict group of doctors of optometry and ophthalmology that study nutrition as it relates to the eyes. "Your eyes tell a lot about your overall health," said Cupal.

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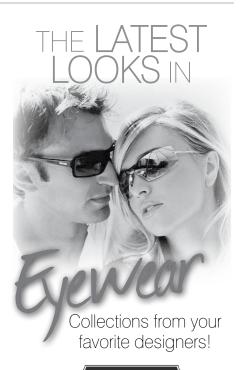
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## **SURVEY**

### **Continued from Front Page**

FAPS tried to pass a new bond with voters twice last year, first in May and then in November. Had either of the failed proposals passed, school officials would have used the funds to update technology, security, infrastructure and to purchase new buses. The May bond proposal asked

**Summary** 

Fenton Area Public

Schools have the

survey results from

EPIC-MRA, gaining

some insight as to

bond proposals failed

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support for

**Timothy Jalkanen** 

Fenton Area Schools

superintendent

why the district's

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for \$9.6 million and ended up costing FAPS \$13,466, since the proposal was held as a special election. The second bond was for \$8.4 million total and came at no cost to FAPS, since it was held during the general election.

"The survey shows strong support for our schools," said

FAPS Superintendent Timothy Jalkanen, who told the Times in January that the \$16,750 came from the district's line item budget for professional services. "Additionally, the survey helps us realize that the school district must do a better job communicating with the entire Fenton community."

Overall, the survey revealed that most people within the district's jurisdiction view the schools in a favorable light. When asked what they liked most about FAPS, 17 percent of respondents said good teachers and 12 percent cited the quality of education. Of the biggest

problems the district faces, 29 percent of respondents said "lack of funding" and 9 percent said "wasteful spending."

EPIC-MRA President Brian Porn said 300 people within the school district were surveyed. Jalkanen said parents and non-parents of various ages, income and education participated in the survey.

"The survey shows a bond proposal in the future could succeed but (FAPS) has to work on some issues," Porn said. "We heard arguments for and against the bonds. There's some clear indication what residents might support and vote on."

When it came to managing finances, 48 percent of respondents said FAPS

does pretty well while 44 percent said they did not. The remaining 8 percent were undecided.

Currently, the district has two existing bonds, a 1998 bond for \$41.5 million and a 2006 bond for \$24.5 million. The 1998 bond funded the construction of the A.G.S.

Middle School and the 2006 bond was used to build a new stadium, auxiliary gym, the fine arts wing at Fenton High School and new technology.

When asked how they would respond if the bond proposal was up to vote at the time of the survey, 47 percent of

respondents said they would support it while 44 percent said they would be against it. The remaining 9 percent didn't have an opinion either way.

"The school board has been reviewing the survey results to help make decisions moving forward with regard to improving school

safety, technology and transportation needs," Jalkanen.

To view the full results, visit fenton. k12.mi.us and click on the publications tab under community. The results are displayed in 'District Community Survey' and 'Community Survey Results Feb. 2013' links.

## **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

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## DONKEY BASKETBALL FEATURES HOLLY STUDENTS

The community is invited to attend a "Donkey Basketball" game between Brandon High School students and Holly High School students at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 27 at Brandon Middle School's gym. The game is being presented by the Ortonville Lions Club. Basketball players will be riding real donkeys, specially selected for this game. Like a rodeo or circus, anything can happen. Profits from this event will go toward Ortonville Lions Brandon Scholarship fund and other local charities. Tickets in advance are \$6 and available at The Citizen office or at the door for \$8. For additional information, call (248) 240-8064.











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Lilly Hejhal, 8, helped to raise funds at the U of M-Ann Arbor Dance Marathon, which took place last Saturday. She is pictured with her "pod," that she danced with.

## **Dancing for charity**

**Summary** 

►Lilly Hejhal, an

Holly, participated in the U of M Ann Arbor's 16th annual

Dance Marathon to

raise money toward

therapy for special

Bifida and danced

using crutches and a wheelchair.

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Dance Marathon at University

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**Lilly Hejhal** 

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► Holly third-grader helps raise \$516,707 for other special needs children

**By Olivia Dimmer** 

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 Along with giraffes, gerbils and the color pink, 8-year-old Lilly Hejhal loves to dance. In fact, she loves it so much that even being confined to a wheelchair won't stop her. Hejhal lives with Spina Bifida, a physical malformation in her spinal cord that impairs her mobility — but not her ability to give back to her community and others like her.

Hejhal participated in the Dance Marathon, which was held at the University of Michigan Ann Arbor

track and field building this past Saturday and Sunday. She helped to raise \$516,707 for the C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and William Beaumont Hospital.

The money raised goes toward funding therapy for mentally and physically disabled children whose families could not normally afford it. Lilly and her grandmother, Margaret Hejhal, attended the event to support their 'pod' (a group of UM

students assigned to Lilly) in their fundraising efforts. The group, along with many other pods, gathered pledges from family, friends and at football games.

UM held multiple events to raise funds,

including a pajama party, pumpkin carving and a formal charity ball. Since its creation in 1998, the Dance Marathon has raised more than \$4.5 million for special needs children.

> The UM students, or 'dancers,' are grouped with a special needs child and their family. Hejhal's group had T-shirts made that displayed her name and stuck with her throughout the numerous fundraising events.

> "My pod made me a poster," Lilly said. "They drew me pictures of animals I like and took pictures with me. It made me feel special. I hung it up in my room."

Usually, Margaret and Lilly have to travel long distances to find activities and events in which Lilly can

participate. These student-sponsored events and UM help to engage Lilly and provide her with positive role models according to Margaret.

"This event gave Lilly a way to give back and have fun," Margaret said. "I only wish that local schools

like these help to raise funds and gives them something constructive to do."

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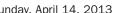
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## CORNERSTONE

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in the process of being worked on, and the project could be brought before the planning commission within the next few weeks.

"Things are moving along," said Burns. "If everything goes right, I hope construction will start this summer."

Last January saw a step forward for

the project as funding was worked out and a developer agreement was approved by the Downtown Development Authority (DDA).

The building with four stories, makes up approximately 47,000 square feet. The first

floor of the building will be comprised of restaurants and retail stores, while the three floors above it will contain between 21 and 30 loft-style apartments.

According to the DDA, the project has been met with excitement from potential merchants. "I do know from talking to people in the community, two people that are going to lease that space are already telling everyone they are going in there," said DDA Chairman Craig Schmidt.

The exterior will be mainly made of brick, limestone/architectural cast stone, and glass.

Restaurants will be encouraged to utilize outdoor seating. Additional features for the building being considered include non-protruding decks for each

> loft, courtyards and a parking deck.

> The building is expected to create approximately 100 jobs during the construction and another 80 to 100 full-time jobs with the businesses found on the building's first

If all goes according to plan, the building could also be a financial boost for the area, as the project is expected an annual return on investment of \$127,851 from property taxes. This money would go to the Fenton school district, Genesee Intermediate School District, and of course, the DDA for future projects.



**44** If everything

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**Michael Burns** 

Fenton DDA director

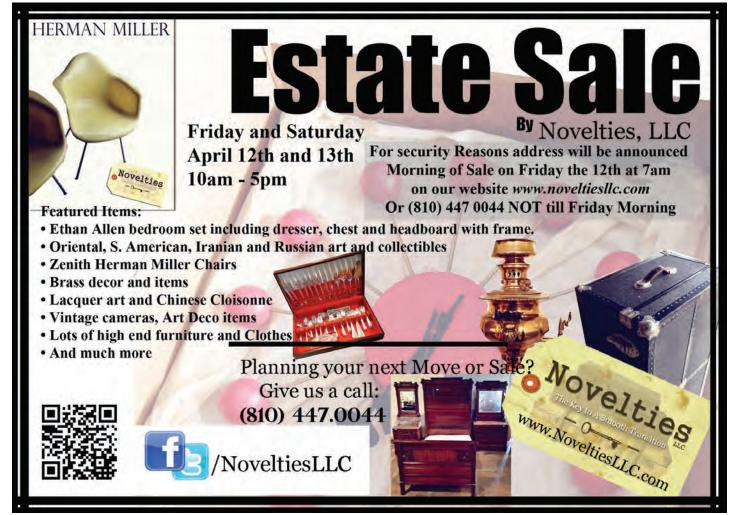
start this summer.

## Holly heroes recognized



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Holly Fire Department Chief Steve McGee (left) describes the efforts Sgt./EMT Charles Preston (right), and Capt./EMT Dan Myers took to save the life of a patient who nearly drowned on March 28 on Bevins Lake while ice fishing. "These guys don't think that they're anything special," said McGee. "They think this is no big deal, but this is a big deal." The operation required equipment, time, and a lot of physical work. President Jason Hughes presented them with plaques to recognize their efforts.



## STUDENTS

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has 1,651 more students than Lake Fenton schools.

Pam Dickie, director of business services for Linden Community Schools, said full budget reports are filed at the end of the year after all budgets are finalized. According to Linden schools' 2011-2012 budget transparency report, instructional expenditures cost \$15,049,080 or 62 percent of the district's operating expenditures. The next biggest expenditure was pupil support services at 6.36 percent of the budget or \$1,528,624.

At Lake Fenton schools, basic programs account for half of this year's projected \$16,864,211 expenditures. Added needs and support services are the second most expensive expenditure for Lake Fenton, costing a little more than \$2.2 million. Operations, maintenance and transportation account for \$2.3 million.

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## **URBAN RENEWAL**

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renewal. "How many towns have a little home theater?"

The urban renewal process began in the mid 1960s, with the admirable goal of revitalizing urban areas whose downtowns were old and crumbling. The long and complex process involved relocation of existing businesses, demolition of many of the original buildings, and the rebuilding of the downtown infrastructures.

Then, as now, urban renewal projects across the country had experienced rousing successes — and dismal failures. At the time, the issue fiercely divided the residents of Fenton, with almost exactly half of the residents supporting the project and the other half opposing it. As the old saying goes, hindsight is 20/20, and unfortunately, for Fenton, most would agree that it is difficult today to view Fenton's urban renewal project as anything but a complete and total failure.

The process began in 1964, with the Fenton Planning Commission's desire to modernize the city's downtown district.

In May of 1964, the Fenton City Council approved a study to be conducted to assess the cost of an urban renewal project to rejuvenate the downtown. The city council at that time consisted of Mayor Harry Lemen, and councilmen Paul Bottecelli, Ray Hunt, Harold Skinner, Tom Sullivan, Dan Cotcher, and Dr. R. Noble Peckham.

At the time, investigating the plan and drawing up maps for the renewal project would cost a mere \$500, plus an additional \$250 for preparation of the federal application process. For various reasons the project stalled and would not be picked up again for another year — possibly foreshadowing the many issues, problems and delays the project would face over the next 10 years.

The project stopped and started multiple times as studies and surveys were conducted. Finally, in the late 60s, Fenton was finally granted an advance of \$103,148 by the federal government through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the surveying and planning of the long awaited urban renewal project.

Land utilization studies, market usability studies, title inspections, structural inspections, building appraisal studies—these were just a few of the many steps undertaken in the process. The city continued to receive more money from HUD to help defray these costs, which began to pile up at an alarming rate.

The Urban Renewal Study Committee was formed and retired assistant post-master George Pain was appointed as the



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I FILE PHOTO

The Rowena Theater in downtown Fenton in spring 1942 was showing "A Yank on the Burma Road," starring Laraine Day, Barry Nelson and Stuart Crawford.



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One of the most memorable businesses in Fenton was the D&C, commonly called the "Dime Store," located at the southeast corner of Leroy and Caroline streets.



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The streets of downtown Fenton were packed as area residents and visitors from miles around attended the annual Fenton Fourth of July Parade in 1934.

full-time urban renewal director. A plan finally began to take form.

The boundaries of Fenton's ambitious urban renewal project contained 69 structures. Of those structures, 61 of them were deemed "deficient" and were slated to be torn down.

In 1971, after more than six years of planning and a plethora of road bumps, the urban renewal project was finally ready to move forward. The plan was in order, studies and surveys had been conducted, and all of the preliminary work was completed — the only remaining hurdle to implementation was a public vote.

However, before the vote could be conducted, Pain unexpectedly passed away, causing yet another delay. The city council had a decision to make — should

the city continue with the project or shelf it again? The Fenton Chamber of Commerce was tasked with measuring the level of interest held by downtown merchants to help decide how the city should proceed.

Because the downtown was still intact, the concept of urban renewal once again polarized the residents, resulting in many heated public debates. A group of downtown merchants began voicing their opposition in 1970, arguing that there were less extreme measures that could be taken to improve the quality of the downtown buildings, and that tearing them down was too extreme of a measure.

A formal group opposing the urban renewal project, The Citizens for Community Improvement and Preservation, was formed.

"It's amazing that you would destroy

that much stuff. But they did," Seger said. "Some of the buildings the landlords had really let it decay right down to nothing. A lot of them though, like the hardware and the theater and the drug store, before they tore them down, those buildings were in good shape."

Again, the city of Fenton found itself a house divided. "It was said the end of the arguments about the rebuilding of downtown Fenton would be when the last person dies who remembers it," said Don Wingelmire of Wingelmire Furniture in Holly. Though he relocated his business just prior to the beginning of urban renewal, Winglemire had owned and operated a furniture store in downtown Fenton for years. The building that housed his business, like all the others in the area, fell to the wrecking ball and is no longer standing today.

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"It was a hell of a mess," he said. "Fenton lost their downtown."

With battle lines drawn, the fate of urban renewal in Fenton was ultimately decided by a back-and-forth political battle, with the arena being the voting booths. Fenton residents voted in no less than three separate urban renewal elections over the next two years.

The first election took place on Dec. 12, 1972, when opponents of urban renewal attempted to recall the entire city council. Despite various council members coming and going since the beginning of the project, the council still stood in favor of urban renewal. The controversial recall attempt was overwhelmingly defeated.

Less than one year later, a scheduled general election took place. This time, those opposing urban renewal were successful and many anti urban-renewal candidates were elected to the city council. Dr. Arthur Brandt was elected as Fenton's mayor, with Louis Moultane, Robert Weishaupt, Dr. C. H. White, and Nelson Curtis also winning council seats.

"The first thing the new city council did was eliminate all of the things the old city council had done," Seger said.

This victory was short-lived however. The newly elected representatives scheduled an election to let the people's voice once again decide the future of urban renewal.

Those in support of urban renewal launched their own political campaign. One key issue that many believe helped persuade voters included the strong possibility that the City of Fenton would be required to repay almost \$1 million to HUD for money already spent on the program, if the city did not go through with urban renewal.

In February 1972, people flocked to the

ballot boxes in droves to cast their votes for or against urban renewal. By a margin of a mere 211 votes, the urban renewal project was again endorsed by the citizenry.

Following the successful vote, the process of urban renewal was set in motion almost immediately.

Downtown Fenton was destined to lose the majority of its downtown buildings. It would never look the same again.

Next Sunday, Urban Renewal part 2 – The walls came tumbling down.



**44** They tore

the history

of the town

down. **77** 

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**Ken Seger** 

## **SPORTS BASKETBALL**

What season did the Michigan Wolverines make the NCAA men's basketball tournament's Final Four for the

first time?

The Wolverines did it during the 1963-64 season, losing to Duke in the semifinals. They were led by Cassie Russell and Bill Buntin, ending the season with a 23-5 overall record.

## David's **Dabblings**

The Michigan Wolverines gave it a pretty good shot on Monday, losing in the national championship game to Louisville 82-76.

Some blamed the rebounding. Some blamed a few critical possessions down the stretch. I keep looking back to the first half, when the Wolverines saw a double-digit lead evaporate in what felt like about 20 seconds.

The loss doesn't take away what the Wolverines accomplished this season. It ended the era of embarrassment many Michigan fans felt about the basketball program due to the Ed Martin/ Chris Webber scandal during the Fab Five era. Basically, for about 20 years it seemed no one wanted to admit that the men's basketball program even existed. Over night, that has seemingly changed.

And now we have a new chapter starting. When I was a kid, college basketball was on the radar in the Detroit suburbia area. But over the last 20 years that interest (minus tourney time) has died. When I was younger it was always easy to talk college hoops with someone. So maybe having hoops discussions will become easier once again.



**Boys prep** track season is previewed

## **FIVE JOINING HOF CLASS**

Merrill, Pushman among the five entering Fenton's HOF.

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**FENTON HOF** INDUCTEE **MARV PUSHMAN** 

## Area track teams aiming for strong seasons

Lake Fenton boys, Holly girls hoping to defend league titles

### **By David Troppens**

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Just as has been the case for most spring sports this season, area prep track teams have had issues getting outside and competing.

However, once they do, area fans should realize one thing — there are some pretty talented squads around here.

Last season, the Lake Fenton boys track team captured a Genesee Area Conference Red Division title, and it looks like that they could be in the mix to do it again this year.

"We have 57 kids. The numbers are growing every year, which is a great problem to have," Lake Fenton coach Eric Doyle said. "We would love to win our league again

this year. ... We are moving up to Division 2 this year, so it will be a tougher road to travel (in the state series), but we are still expecting a good showing.'

Holly's girls also captured a co-Metro title a season ago and should remain a pretty solid group. However, another area track team could compete with them for a Metro crown — the Linden Eagles. It seems everyone is improving. And Holly coach Rob Basydlo seems to understand that.

"I think we are right in the hunt," Basydlo said. "Obviously that's our goal. But we know we have our hands full with Linden. They have some new people and have some really good people back. We don't know much about (codefending Metro champions) Brandon, but they seem to reload every year. And Fenton is getting better too."

On the boys' side of the Metro, the Linden boys captured the Metro meet title, but are looking to do a little bit more than that this season. Loaded with quality sprinters and distance runners, among other things, the Eagles look poised to challenge for the entire league crown this year.

"There are about 23 or 24 seniors on the team. That's about 13 or 14 more than we typically see at Linden," Linden track coach Nick Douglass said. "I think



quality track competitors looking to defend the Blue Devils' Genesee Area Conference Red Division title they earned a season ago.

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SCOTT SCHUPBACH Fenton's Megan Cockin is headed to Mott Community College in the fall to continue her volleyball career.

## Fenton's Cockin headed to collegiate level to continue volleyball career

**By Torrey Christopher** 

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Megan Cockin started playing volleyball in the seventh grade as a way to hang out with her friends.

It's now become a way to help Cockin get an education. The Fenton defensive specialist will continue her volleyball career at Mott Community College next

"I started volleyball in seventh grade when all my friends tried out for the team," Cockin said. "I kept playing in high

school because I ended up being good at it."

She had other offers but Cockin decided to go to Mott.

"I thought Mott would be a good fit for me," Cockin said. "It is close to home and I got a full athletic scholarship so my education will be free. Also I don't know what I want to get a degree in so this will allow me to get my general classes out of the way. I got other offers, but none of those were full scholarships."

Fenton varsity volleyball

coach, Linda Rusaw agrees with Cockin's decision.

"I think that Mott is a great choice for Megan," Rusaw said. "Going to school there and playing volleyball will allow her to get game experience right away at a high level and also get her education paid for. Both Bob Halbedel and Jeff Hamblin are great coaches with a lot of coaching and playing experience. Megan has been playing Arsenal Club volleyball and getting a lot of experience at a high level

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## Fenton softball splits twinbill vs. Ladywood

### **By David Troppens**

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While most canceled their events on Tuesday due to bad weather, the Fenton varsity softball team was a bit more fortunate.

They traveled to Livonia Ladywood, where the weather was a bit kinder and competed against the defending Division 2 state champions in a twinbill.

The Tigers had a pretty successful go against the Blazers as well, splitting two games. Fenton won the opening game 13-4 but lost the nightcap 4-1.

'We played in Livonia and the storm didn't stretch that far south, lucky for us," first-year coach Stefanie Roberts said. "It felt great to finally get a couple of games under our belts. I know the kids have been anxious to get outside and start playing,"

In the opener, the Tiger bats scored 12 runs in the final three innings, breaking open what was a close game until that point. The Tigers had 14 hits and walked nine times. Marina Cleis went 3-for-3 with two walks, while Macie Keller had a team-best four hits in the contest. Rachel Siekierski had a triple and a double.

On the mound, Ellie Cowger tossed the complete-game victory, yielding seven hits while striking out four batters.

In the second game, Fenton had just four hits. The Tigers scored their only run in the fourth inning when Katey Cairnduff singled in Cowger, who opened the inning by singling and stealing second.

Paige Dean was strong in defeat, allowing seven hits, while striking out seven.

"We played very well defensively in both games," Roberts said. "Unfortunately, our bats went cold during the second game. But Paige Dean did an outstanding job on the mound. I never felt like we were 'out' of the game at all."

Weather resulted in the cancellation of Fenton's twinbill scheduled at Lake Fenton for the second time this season, on Wednesday. A pair of games against Lapeer East were cancelled on Thursday as well.

Fenton is expected to return to action Monday in the Tigers' opening Metro League doubleheader at Swartz Creek.

## Merrill, Pushman added to Fenton's HOF

▶Three others being inducted during June ceremony

### By David Troppens

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When Jeff Merrill was a Fenton High School student, he was an outstanding football player.

He was good enough to be not only an All-State fullback during his senior year in 1977, but also an All-American. He scored a 27 points in a single game against Durand that season.

However, it can be argued he was just as good a wrestler as well. After all, he won a state championship at 178 pounds at the Class B state meet in 1978.

So it shouldn't come as any shock that Merrill joins Amy Morrison, Don Madden, Mary Pushman and Natalie (Koan) Cook as the inductees of the 2013 Fenton Area Public Schools Education Foundation Athletic Hall of Fame.

Also being inducted is the 1966 football team, which finished with a perfect 9-0 mark.

"Being an athlete was just the best; you were on top of the world," Merrill said. "We had great coaches and great people. It was just a pleasure being here.'

Merrill earned two letters in football, collecting All-Metro honors as a fullback his junior and senior years. The Tigers finished 8-1 during his senior season.

In wrestling, Merrill showed his potential by becoming a U.S. Kids State Champion as an eighth-grader. He was a varsity letterwinner four times, a threetime Metro League champion and a state champion his senior season. He defeated Lapeer East's Greg VerPlank by a 5-1 decision in the championship match. He also competed in track for a season, in sprint events.

Merrill played one year of football at Grand Rapids Junior College and then tried out for the Detroit Lions in 1980. He made it to the final cut before being let go. Merrill said football was his favorite sport.

"It is a team sport," Merrill said. "I loved wrestling, too, but it's individual compared to team. I liked the team. The team was just fantastic and the best. It was good times."

Merrill still lives in the tri-county area. Also earning induction is Pushman, who will be represented by his widow Collette (Clark) Bauman. Pushman played football, wrestling and track. He was the Marc Peck Winner in 1969. The award is given to the outstanding male

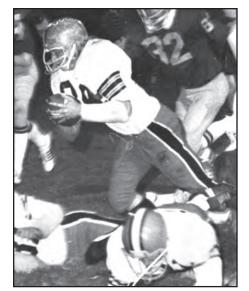
athlete of the graduation class.

He was a two-year varsity running back, earning all-league honors both seasons. However, it was as a wrestler he made his real mark. He was a three-year letterwinner, All-State two years and a state champion. He finished his senior season with a perfect 36-0 record, earning his state championship in the 165-pound weight class. The season earned him All-American honors as well. He went to Michigan on a scholarship, wrestling for three seasons.

Pushman passed away in 1985.

"I think he would be excited," Bauman said. "He'd be excited to have a place in his home school that he loved so much. He spent so much time here above and beyond the school day. It was his second home."

Bauman and Pushman were high school sweethearts, and she attended



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO Ex-Fenton High running back Jeff Merrill runs with the ball during a contest against Hartland. Merrill is one of five athletes earning induction into the Fenton Athletic Hall of Fame in June.

many of his athletic events.

"He gave 110 percent all the time. He was extremely serious about his athletics," Bauman said. "He got up in the morning and he would run three miles every morning. He was in great shape and had great stamina.

"I remember when he got his arm raised (after winning the state championship match) and he had this big grin and smile."

The 2013 Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Dinner is at Fenton's AGS Middle School on June 13. Doors open at 6 p.m. followed by dinner and the ceremony at 7 p.m.

## COCKIN

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every tournament. This intensity and level is a natural stepping stone to Mott."

Cockin performed well during her final season as libero for Fenton with 29 service aces and 342 digs. She was a first-team selection on the All-Metro's first team and also a member of the Tri-County Volleyball Team. Fenton made it to state quarterfinals this season and won their first Class A Regional title in school history.

"We made it to quarterfinals and won a Class A Regional title," Cockin said "It was the craziest most amazing feeling ever. I was so proud of our team for coming so far."

Cockin's plans involve a lot of volleyball before she gets to Mott.

"I play for Arsenal and on a national U18 travel team during the offseason," Cockin said. "We play from January to June in tournaments on the weekends. Volleyball takes my mind off of everything else going on in my life and I'm happy when I'm playing it."



## **SPORTS BRIEFS**

## **GIRLS SOCCER**

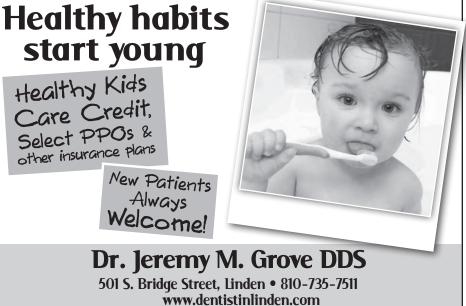
East Lansing 2, Holly 1: The Holly Bronchos were beat by East Lansing and Mother Nature in their Tuesday contest. Holly had cut the East Lansing to 2-1 with a goal by Maddie Huber with 38:05 left in the second half. However, strong rains came and postponed the rest of the game with about 37 minutes left. Due to MHSAA regulations, any game that begins the second half and is called due to rain is an official contest. Weather pending, the Bronchos played in the Flint Metro League tournament on Saturday.



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## **2013 TRI-COUNTY BOYS TRACK PREVIEWS**

## **LINDEN EAGLES**

Coach: Nick Douglass Graduated All T-C players: Kevin Baker (sprints, jumps)

**Returning All T-C players:** Ted Parcher (sprints), Connor O'Connell (sprints, vault), Austin Buerkel (sprints), Tyler Spano (high jump), Taylor Anderson (sprints).

**Summary:** The Eagles began practice with 78 participants, and the numbers only grew as the practices continued. Parcher is a threat to win a state title in any sprint event he's in. Linden also has quality runners like Austin Buerkel, O'Connell and Anderson. The distance group helped lead the cross country team to finishing second in the state. That group includes Roger Phillips, Graham Elliott, Jeremiah Gossett, Ryan Torok and Zach LeMieux. In field events, O'Connell and Spano are the key returners. Aaron Kersten is a solid thrower. In the hurdles, Cody Grandy returns.

Coach Douglass says: "We have a strong senior class in terms of numbers and performers; they are not just bodies. They are returning lettermen and that helps. There are about 23 or 24 seniors on the team. That's about 13 or 14 more than we typically see at Linden."

**Projection:** The Eagles look to have a squad that can compete for a league title. They are very strong in a couple of areas. Expect a big year.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I FILE PHOTO Linden's Ted Parcher was our Tri-County Male Track Athlete of the Year a season ago, and returns for his junior year. If healthy, the sprinter is a threat to capture a state championship in either the 100 or the 200 dashes.

## **FENTON TIGERS**

Coach: Anthony McMillan Graduated All T-C players: Matt Gilbert (distance), Nick Jones (distance), Ross Brooks (distance).

**Returning All T-C players:** Max Kryza (distance).

Summary: McMillan takes over a program that needed some direction, and it looks like he's getting that accomplished quickly. The Tigers have 70 on their roster, and most of those people will be back for a long time, since only five are seniors. Kryza is a returning all-state cross country runner, so he'll lead the distance crew. Jacob Keesee can compete in many track events and also do the discus and the shot. Brennen Clarke and Mitch Shegos are senior sprinters who should have solid seasons, while Cameron Toonder is a quality distance runner. Freshmen to watch out for include distance runners Jacob Lee and James Kryza, and sophomore sprinter Matt Shampine.

Coach McMillan says: "The biggest goal for us is to get the track numbers back up and create enthusiasm for the track team again. Everyone wants to go and compete. We are young, but once they gain experience we should be able to make some noise in the league.'

Projection: The Tigers are building a good foundation for the near future. That's the primary goal for this season. So far it looks like they're accomplishing that task.

## **HOLLY BRONCHOS**

Coach: Rob Basydlo

Graduated All T-C players: Luke Schwerin (middle distance), Hunter Hooper (middle distance), Collin Baines (throws),

**Returning All T-C players:** John Williams (sprints), Sean Barr (hurdles), Zach Diehl (sprints).

**Summary:** The Bronchos return some solid pieces to their squad. Included on the list of quality returners are Williams, Evin Papuga and Dieh; all should contribute to sprint events. Jared Schuermann is a strong long jumper, while Tre Flores and Cooper Shelley give the Bronchos two quality pole vaulters. The throwers include Dakota Thorington, Ben Konopitski, Wyatt Lupro and Austin Clear. Sean Barr and Matt Porter should be two quality hurdlers.

Coach Basydlo says: "I have about 25 names I'm excited about. ... We are a little weak in the field events but they are all working hard. The distance runners busted their tail all winter and they are just getting faster. ... We are going to be strong from the 100 to the mile, and a couple in the two mile will surprise some people. If we keep working and keep people's minds in the right direction, we'll be all right. They want it.'

**Projection:** The Bronchos fell to fourth in the Metro last year, but are always one of the contenders to win a league title. They will contend again this year.

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## LAKE FENTON BLUE DEVILS

Coach: Eric Doyle **Graduated All T-C players:** 

**Returning All T-C players:** None.

Summary: The Blue Devils won a GAC Red crown a year ago and seemingly have a team that can compete to defend that title this year. Flfty-seven kids make up the roster. And some of those coming back are state performers. Included on that list are sprinters Matt Hommer, Austin Frank and Zac Zielinski. Zielinski is a good hurdler and long jumper as well. Chase Hanson is a strong sprinter, while Sawyer Scott and Neil Allor are solid mid-distance runners, and

were members of the winning GAC Red 1,600 relay last year. Mitchell Bollinger will help in the 400, while Caleb Fletcher is a strong distance

Coach Doyle says: "We have numbers, they are great kids and they work hard. This has probably been the easiest team I've had to coach. The older kids have been around and they are helping mentor the younger kids."

Projection: The Blue Devils expect to compete for the GAC Red title. However, they are moving up to Division 2 so that could make it a tough battle during regionals. Lake Fenton should do reasonably well there anyway.

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## **2013 TRI-COUNTY GIRLS TRACK PREVIEWS**

### **LINDEN EAGLES**

Coach: Dave Elmer **Graduated All T-C players:** Brooke Enciso (sprints), Angelina Garcia (sprints)

**Returning All T-C players:** Sydney Elmer (distance), Samantha Greene (sprints), Miranda Greene (sprints), Kristyn Resseguie (sprints).

Summary: The Eagles have been progressing the last few years and now look to have a team that can compete for a league title. Sydney Elmer returns to compete in the distance events while Samantha Greene and Miranda Green are strong in sprints. Resseguie will make an impact in the hurdles and relays, while Kayla Briscoe looks to be strong in the shot and discus. Brook Ovington and Taylor Ovington are both high jumpers. Brook also competes in the long jump. The Eagles have 40 athletes, the most of any team since Dave Elmer took over as head coach.

Coach Elmer says: "Holly and Brandon are the two favorites, but I think this is the most talented team I've ever had. If we continue to work hard, hopefully we'll be in the mix at the end of the year. We have a lot of places where we are going to score, but we are lacking depth in a few events.

Projection: The Eagles are contenders for the Metro title this season. However, they probably aren't the favorites just yet. Holly and Brandon deserve that honor until proven otherwise.



## **LAKE FENTON BLUE DEVILS**

Coach: Eric Meyers Graduated All T-C players: Alyssa Martin (sprints)

Returning All T-C players: None.

Summary: Eric Meyers returns to the helm after coaching the team awhile back. The team has 29 participants, so the numbers continue to climb. Watch out for Maggie Barringter in the short to middle distance races, while Becky Fernelius is strong in the distant events. Cho Swangwon is another strong middle distance runner, while Megan Sommers will compete in hurdles, relays, the shot and the discus. Sydney Scott competes in the hurdles, high jump and the 400, while Jenn Steyer is strong in the springs, the hurdles and the pole vault.

Coach Meyers says: "I am beyond excited to be back coaching. These girls are a big reason why. I have had the opportunity to teach many of them, so I knew what I was getting. I couldn't have asked for a better group of young ladies to coach. I am looking forward to the season with great anticipation and hope this team can do something our school and community can be proud of."

**Projection:** The Blue Devils get a bit stronger every year, and should be a solid team in the GAC Red. However, contending for a league crown is probably a bit too much to expect. They should have a solid year.

## **FENTON TIGERS**

Coach: Todd Mills

Graduated All T-C players: Julie Gilbert (high jump), Kira Rentschler (discus).

Returning All T-C players: Meredith Brown (sprint, long jump,

Summary: The Tigers have 58 members, the most since 2003. And there are some solid performers returning. Emily Bemis is versatile and can run anything from the 200 to the 3,200. Tori Chapin is a sprinter, long jumper and pole vaulter who looks to have gotten stronger since last year. Jessica Taylor is a senior middle distance performer. Brown returns as the area's best long jumper. Other athletes are showing promise. That list includes Mackenzie Figueroa, Kayla Knitter, Nina Lombardi, Tatyana Mitchell, Ellen Sage, Hannah Sage and Florida Styles. The Tigers seem to be headed upward.

Coach Mills says: "I am really excited about this team this year. While we had a cold and wet start this year, the girls have been really positive. It's great to see them practicing hard even when it is wet and cold, and not complaining about it, well, at least not to me.

Projection: The Tigers should be one of the stronger teams in the league. Can they win the league? Probably not. But finishing top three is certainly a solid goal.

## **HOLLY BRONCHOS**

Coach: Rob Basydlo **Graduated All T-C players:** Mariah Ridal (mid distance), Melissa Bott, (mid distance) Jessica Beeler (high jump/sprints), Sarah Dewaelsche (shot), Rachel Domagalski (pole vault).

Returning All T-C players: Tatum Harmon (mid distance), Megan Piwowarski (high jump).

Summary: The Bronchos graduated a lot of outstanding athletes last year, but they have a group of just over 60 girls who should keep the squad in the Metro League race again this year. Charlotte Ruffini and Shannon Westfall lead the distance runners, while Harmon is a strong middle distance performer. Paige McElroy, Madeline Gross and Kelly Ray are capable sprinters. Kate Dotson and Amy DeRousha lead

the hurdle competitors, while Emily Alvarado and sisters Kayla Hegedus and Chanel Hegedus should help the throwers. Adrienne Cheff is a quality thrower as well. Avery Johnston should lead the pole vault

Coach Basydlo says: "I love their attitude. They seem to all like each other and seem to get along. So far there's no ego issues like you can get sometimes. That doesn't mean they won't develop, but they aren't here right now. They all really seem to want to be good. They know we have a challenge ahead of us and they are hungry for it. I'm happy about that."

Projection: The Bronchos earned a co-Metro League championship a vear ago, and expect to be right in the thick of the race again this year. However, it won't be easy.

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## **TRACK**

## **Continued from Page 18A**

that plays into more younger kids wanting to be part of the program and wanting to to be around those kids. People want to be around people who are successful."

And, while Holly fell to fourth last year, one would be foolish to not put them among the list of contenders.

"About 15 points kept us from being undefeated last year and we talk about that all the time," Basydlo said.

"We don't want that to happen again. The boys are hungry and you can't coach hungry. The kids have to have that from within, and they have it. They are really focused."

So it seems track should be a pretty strong sport during this spring sports season. And

if Mother Nature ever allows the athletes to get the season going, it should be an exciting one. The Lake Fenton Relays were scheduled for Saturday, weather pending. Other track meets were also scheduled. On Tuesday, Lake Fenton hosts Goodrich and Beecher, while Fenton, Linden and Holly all start the Metro track season on Wednesday at different locations. Linden travels to Kearsley to face the hosts and Swartz Creek, while Fenton travels to Clio to compete against the hosts and Brandon. Holly travels to Lapeer West to face the hosts and Lapeer East.

For more information on each area team, please check our track preview boxes located on the inside pages of the sports section.





joints - especially in the hips and upper back – that are used in your golf swing. 77 Josh Gibson.

Manager at Fenton Fitness & Athletic Center

## **By Sally Rummel**

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Just like any other sport, golf requires the discipline of practice and preparation.

## Summary

► Golf requires advanced physical preparation before the busy season begins.

Golfers are now finding that physical fitness plays an important role in their success and enjoyment of the sport.

Especially after a long winter of inactivity, getting ready for

motion with joints, especially in the hips and upper back that are used in your golf swing.'

Weakness or lack of flexibility in one part of the body affects the golf swing, as strong muscles try to compensate. This is an opportunity to really invest in your body's core strength and flexibility as opposed to cardio, said Gibson.

Here are a few exercises you can do at home and how they will affect your golf game.

## Upper body

The big muscles of the upper body are more critical to generating club head speed than the arm muscles below the elbows. Simple upper body exercises you can do include pushups, bicep curls and triceps extensions.

Exercise to try: Start with light weights, maybe 2-pound dumbbells that you don't have to strain to lift. Lie flat on the floor on your back, extending your arms away from your body, holding a weight in each hand. Lift your arms off the ground without bending your elbows and point them toward the ceiling until they are perpendicular to your body.

## Core strength

"Core strength is most important in your golf swing because your swing is over in just a couple of seconds," said Gibson. "It's vitally important in everything we do that's movement-based."

To build core strength, you need to increase muscle tone in the abdomen and back. Core strength generates more power from the coiling action in your backswing. Stomach crunches and leg lifts are classic abdomen strengtheners, but isometric exercises can be done anytime. Simply tighten your stomach muscles for seconds.

Exercise to try: Lie flat on your back, arms out to the side. Bring your knees to your chest, and then gently roll your knees to one side and the other without lifting your shoulders off the floor.

## Lower body

Some golfers think that because they swing the golf club with their arms, that lowerbody strengthisn't important. But the legs and hips play a major role in controlling the direction of the ball. Leg strength

to try: Stand with your back and shoulders flat against the wall, keeping your heels about 12 inches away from the wall. Bend your knees and slide down the wall as if you were sitting in a chair. Hold for 60 seconds.

## **Flexibility**

Tightness in your shoulders, back, hips and legs will restrict the extension of the club as you swing. Stretch your arm muscles by holding one arm straight out in front of you, palm up. Take your other hand and put it on the palm of the outstretched hand. Gently push the bottom palm down so your fingers are pointing toward the ground.

Exercise to try: Grasp a golf club with your hands about 24 inches apart. Hold the club straight out in front of you at chest level. Stand with your knees slightly bent. Swing your arms and club to the right and then to the left, keeping your arms parallel to the floor at chest level, without turning your chest and head.



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# Work and play

Golf leagues provide social interaction, relaxation and competition every week on the links

### **By Sally Rummel**

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Whether you're a beginning golfer, a social butterfly or a company executive, there's a golf league for you to enjoy this season.

"Being on a league forces you to

play the game," said Nick Kouba, golf professional at Hartland Glen Golf Course. "If you don't have a weekly scheduled time to play, sometimes life gets in the way and you don't get out there as often as you'd like to. "

Some people play for competition, while others enjoy the social aspect of playing golf with friends, enjoying an active sport. Others make deals out on the golf course, putting a re-

laxing spin on business while still getting work accomplished. "It's a lot of fun for golfers," said Kouba. "There are special events, prizes, trophies, end-of-season banquets, etc."

Senior leagues are popular, to, with 50 players coming out on

Thursday mornings at Hartland Glen. "Our seniors are for 55 and up," said Kouba.

League play also involves different formats, from playing your own ball to scrambles, shotguns, mixed couples and more. "Hundreds of golfers are involved in our 11 leagues," said Don Braden, golf professional at Faulkwood Shores Golf Club in Howell. "The advantage for our league golfers is that they get a preferred tee-time that is guaranteed in its time slot every week."

League play is just beginning to start at area courses, continuing play between 16 and 22 weeks.

At Hartland Glen Golf Course, 18 leagues rotate nine-hole play among the course's 36 holes each month, providing variety and a challenge for each weekly game. "Having 36 holes gives us a big competitive advantage over other courses," said Kouba. "League players aren't always playing the same two nine-holes every month."

Bramblewood Golf Course in Holly



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League play is a way to weave the sport of golf into an already busy life. It also provides opportunities for camaraderie.

also offers a variety of leagues, from its tongue-in-cheek S.O.B. League (Sons of Bramblewood) to its largest league, Thursday Night Men's League, which plays for 22 weeks. There are non-competitive social leagues, like the Wednesday Morning Wild Women,

as well as a semi-competitive league on the Wednesday Night Men's League, which will draw more than 40 serious golfers.

Whether you're a serious golfer or a social golfer, league play gets you out on the course, away from every day life and stress, at least once a

week. "For a lot of guys who play on leagues, it's a few hours a week away from it all," said Braden, of Faulkwood Shores

Fenton Farms Golf Club in Fenton Township also has leagues forming. To help facilitate both the individual who would like to join a league and the league coordinators dealing with attrition in their league, Fenton Farms Golf Club has an "on deck" program.

This program is a database of individuals or teams of golfers who want to play on a league. By clicking on the link on the club's website,

## Lague forces you to play the game.

**Summary** 

► Golf leagues are

a great way to get

out on the course

regularly to hone

having fun.

your golf skills while

Golf professional at Hartland Glen Golf Course

## How to start a league:

Contact the golf course and discuss tee-times and dates with the golf professional or general manager.

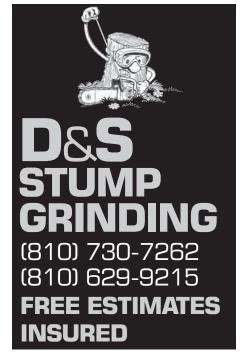
## **How to join a golf league:**

Call the golf course and provide your contact information. If a league is missing players, you might have an opportunity to fill a spot.

Source: Nick Kouba, Hartland Glen Golf Course fentonfarms.com, golfers will be asked to fill out a simple form with their name, what time and date they would like to play and some other information so the club can try to find a good match. This is a great program for people who want to sub occasionally.









## 10 reasons to play golf

extension of the office for many golfers, who can discuss deals in a relaxing setting.

Between the course and clubhouse, you can also network and meet other business people.

Talking business, exercising, sunshine, relaxation all part of the game

### **By Sally Rummel**

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Golf is one of the most versatile sports in the world, because it can be played for so many different reasons — social, business, relaxation, etc. Just in case you experience a frustrating day on the course, here's a quick list to remind you of reasons why you enjoy the sport:

**Exercise** — golf requires a variety of movement, from swinging the golf club to walking the course.

**Fresh air**—being outdoors is invigorating, health and relaxing. You're surrounded by plants that take in carbon monoxide and emit oxygen, which benefits your body.

**Sunshine** — being out in the sun helps your body make vitamin D, which will boost your mood and help your bones absorb calcium. Remember to apply sunscreen!

Business — the golf course is an

people.

All skill levels can play —
regardless of your skill level, you
can play golf with anyone at any
skill level.

**Challenge for everyone** — beginners can work on the basic game, while an experienced player can fine-tune a swing and putting skills. According to Ben Hogan on golflifelessons.com, golf is a game of misses.

**Social benefits** — golf provides opportunities for friends to get together in a healthy setting. You can join a league or play for fun with friends.

**Competition** — golf is a competitive sport on all levels, from beginner to advanced. Almost every golfer has a good day, a good hole or at least a good putt.

**Relaxation** — outdoors, exercise and socializing provides a way to relax after work at the office or at home. The scenery is maintained by professional groundskeepers, so it's generally beautiful and relaxing.

**Prizes** — you may not make millions from tournaments or endorsements, but you can still win prizes as an amateur from league play, small tournaments, etc.

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## Golf etiquette

► Learn by observation, with a sharp eye and considerate heart, advises Golf Pro Arnold Palmer

### **By Sally Rummel**

**Summary** 

Golf can be an

intimidating sport

for the novice, but

you can learn the

rules by observing

others, being con-

than five minutes.

a golf pro.

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With more than 1,000 golf courses — private and public — in Michigan, golf is obviously a booming business and an important hobby to thousands of residents.

However, the game can be intimidating to an inexperienced player. What to

wear (or not), when to hit (or not), what club to use — these are all etiquette concerns that can be overcome with time, practice and some professional ad-

vice.

Golf Digest offers these Ten Rules for Good Golf Etiquette, from Golf Pro Arnold Palmer: **Don't be the slowest player**— evaluate your pace of play and if you're consistently the slowest one in your group, acknowledge that you're a slow player. Encourage everyone to move quickly enough so you find yourself right behind the group in front several times, both early and late in the round. Play "ready golf" and be prepared to play when it's your turn on the tee and green

## **Keep your temper under control**

and never search for a lost ball for more

— Throwing clubs, sulking and profanity make everyone uneasy. Vent your frustration in an inoffensive way.

Respect other people's time — Always make your tee times and show

Always make your tee times and show up a little early for your lesson with the pro. Ditto for social functions.

## Repair the ground you play on —

Use a tee or a two-pronged device to replace divots. Rake bunkers like you mean it. Make the area nice and smooth. Ask yourself, "Would I be upset if I had to play from that spot?"

**Be a silent partner** — Stand still from the time a player sets himself until the ball has left the club. Never walk in someone's line of play on the green is an absolute. Know where to stand and when to keep quiet.

**Make your golf cart invisible** — Leave no trace you were there. Everyone take a different route so cart traffic is

spread out. **Always look your best** — Be meticu-

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When golfing, turn off your cell phone.
Make necessary calls brief.

lous about your appearance, which gives the impression that you think the golf course and the people there are special. **Turn off the cell phone** — Make sure your phone is silenced during play and

your phone is silenced during play and only make a brief call if you absolutely have to, away from other players.

**Lend a hand when you can** — Help look for lost balls, watch for errant shots, pick up that extra club left on the fringe or headcover dropped next to the tee, i.e., pay attention to what's going on around you.

**Learn the little things** — there are hundreds of etiquette tips that haven't been mentioned yet, like laying the flagstick down carefully, tamping down spike marks when you're walking off a green, letting faster groups play through, etc. Learn by observing, with a sharp eye and a considerate heart.



Michigan is ranked #4 out of Top 10 Best Golf States by Golf Digest, based on its number of top public golf courses per capita.

Our state is sometimes overlooked because of its lack of PGA Tour presence and a shortened golf season. In reality, Michigan actually has more 5-star courses than any other state:

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### **MEGAN AND DUSTIN ARE GETTING MARRIED!**

Megan Rosa of Fenton and Dustin Rayner of Holly have announced their intent to be married. Their wedding will take place June 22, 2013 at St. Jude's Episcopal Church in Fenton, the couple's long time church home. Megan and Dustin currently reside in Fenton. Megan is a special education teacher at the Elmer Knopf Learning Center with the GISD, and Dustin works with the Huron Valley School District. Megan is the daughter of Amy Freeman-Rosa of Fenton, and Brian Rosa of North Carolina. Dustin is the son of Dave and Denise Rayner of Holly. Together with their families and friends, rejoicing in love and all its possibilities, we celebrate the engagement and upcoming marriage of Megan and Dustin.

## **ENGAGEMENT**



### **REED-JONLAND**

Donald and Janice Reed of Fenton Township, and Brian Jonland and Denise Mack of Destin, Fla., proudly announce the engagement of their children, Melissa Erin Reed and Brendan Michael Jonland. Melissa is a graduate of Lake Fenton High School and Western Michigan University, and is an Event Planner. Brendan graduated from Palatine High School and the University of Illinois, and is a Regional Vice President for American Funds in New Jersey. A September wedding is planned to take place in Chicago.

## Theatre group performs 'Noises Off'

▶Comedy written by English Playwright in 1982

Lake Fenton Theatre presents the comedy "Noises Off," this coming Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Noises Off has been described as the funniest comedy every written. It is a play within a play, about an ambitious director and his troupe of mediocre

With breakneck pace and a rich gallery of characters, English Playwright Michael Frayn's brilliantly witty 1982 farce follows the on- and off-stage antics of an English touring company as they stumble from dress rehearsal to disastrous closing night of their comedic play, Nothing On.

The play is directed by Brenda La-Bonte. Bruce Whittaker is handling the set construction and Sonya Brown is the director's assistant.

Curtain time is 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 18, Friday, April 19 and Saturday, April 20 and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 21. Performances will be held in the auditorium at Lake Fenton High School, 4070 Lahring Road. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. For more information, contact the theatre department at lftheatre@ yahoo.com.

## The cast of 'Noises Off'

Casey DeMoss as Dotty Otley, Stephan Wilson as Lloyd Dallas, Ethan Fagen as Garry Lejeune, Bailey Phegley as Brooke Ashton, Lucy Reigle as Poppy Norton Taylor, Matt Frasik as Frederick Fellowes, Kristen Cody as Belinda Blair, Tristan Hagenstein as Tim Allgood and Raied Jawhari as Selsdon Mowbray.

## Eagle Scout

Gerald Alexander Senton, 16, earned the rank of Eagle Scout on Dec. 10, 2012. He will be presented with his award on April 20 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fenton, Gerald's Eagle Project involved rebuilding Rose Pioneer Elementary School's nature trail, including the repairs of broken footbridges that the school's PTA put in place several years ago. He earned 26 merit badges and completed countless number of hours volunteering for Boy Scout Troop 43, his church, school, and serving food and helping in the kitchen at the Holland City Mission. Gerald is the son of Michelle and Bill Senton of Davisburg.



## Meet June Davies

## Dog groomer and animal lover

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

Groomer and farm owner June Davies cannot get enough of animals. From dogs to cats to even geese, Davies owns many pets and does wonders for other people's pets.

How did you get into the dog grooming business? I have been working with this company Barbichon Grooming for 25 years. They had a school down in Redford Township and they had an ad in the paper: 'Do you like dogs? Would you like to start to learn how to cut dogs?' I went there and went to school. It proceeded to be a good thing ever since. I always wanted a farm because I'm such an animal person. I moved to Argentine Township and I have my 10-acre farm. I have horses, ducks, geese, cats and dogs and parrots. I have free geese if anyone wants any. I moved up on the Shiawassee River so we can just fish. It's just one beautiful, beautiful experience. It was the best move of my life.

Why get your pet groomed? It all depends on their breed and style, the pets' needs have changed and that's why they're bringing them in now. With all other interbreeding and the style of hair they're creating, the groomer is a needed commodity.

What was it like being trained to groom pets? It was very different from what I thought. It's very physical and mentally straining, believe it or not. People think it's very easy to do and they don't realize you pick up each dog like nine times, so it ends up killing your back. Especially with the big ones. The mental is because you get some really sad cases where people don't take care of their dogs, you end up crying while you're shaving them down. You're saying 'this poor dog. How can it let them do this to it?'

Have you ever called animal control? You can't because they are making the attempt and they brought the animal in for help. And we're their first steps in trying to get help, so unfortunately...

What are the different styles?

Our most popular cut is the puppy cut. The second most popular is the field cut. A puppy cut is a little, medium, fluffy haircut. It's where they look like a little puppy. A field cut is



**June Davies** 

groomer

where they're almost naked so they can go into the field and not pick up all the burs and everything. And then you get your big cuts where they want them long and beautiful. We call them the 'fufu' outs

Do you come across dogs that are super nervous? I

specialize in those types of dogs. You have to have a certain sense and touch in the animals to almost where you're part animal because they can sense it. You either have the owner hand you the dog or, if it's really out of control, you have the owner muzzle it and still hand it to you. I spend a good 20 minutes with the animal just rocking, talking and singing to it. The animal will sometimes sedate and relax to that, sometimes they won't. But guaranteed by the third trip in here, I will have that animal calm, cool and collected to where I won't need a muzzle. It's all in what you give out, you get back.

How do you approach your work? A lot of groomers are in it for the money — they're just rush, rush, rush, grab a dog, do it, rush and they don't give out the time. That's where I pride myself — I don't book a lot of dogs and I take out the time to give lots of hugs and lots of kisses so they know that I'm here for them. I also spend lots of time with the customers telling them 'this is what's going on with your dog. This is bothering your dog because of this haircut or because what you're not doing.' Then I'll tell them the procedure too because they don't know. And how else can they know unless there is someone here to speak for the animals? I try to get out as much as I can for them. I take a lot of time working with the animals.

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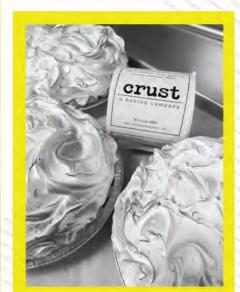
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With the onset of warmer weather, local garage sales are begging to take place. Having items well sorted and priced realistically, with easy-to-read signs, and advertising your sale with the Tri-County Times will all lead to a successful event.

REGID Garage LINDEN HUGE 3 family moving sale. Thursday, April 11th and Friday, April 12th, 9-4p.m., 289-297 Rustic Trail. Household items, Stampin' Up, Precious Moments, teapots, candy molds. Wilton cake pans, Pfaltzgraf, fire plt, furniture and much more! NG SALEIT Sunday

## **By Olivia Dimmer**

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As the saying goes, 'One man's trash is another man's treasure.' This could not be truer when applied to garage sales, which weekly bring in about \$4.2 million in revenue in the U.S.

But along with the potential profits of hosting a garage sale, comes a sizeable amount of work. To get customers you need to advertise — but where? How? Some people are so overwhelmed with organizing their items they forego this step altogether, which reflects in their

garage sale's performance. Fortunately, the Times offers an easy one-step solution: Placing a classified advertisement.

"Advertising a garage sale through the Times is really popular," Classified Advertisement Manager Mary York said. "People are finding out that putting up a sign and depending on drive-by customers are not enough."

The advertisement package includes a 15-word classified ad run in the paper and a starter kit for your garage

sale. This includes 250 pricing stickers, five garage sale signs, a \$5 off coupon for your next advertisement with the Times and helpful hints to running a successful garage sale. A single-issue advertisement costs \$26.94 and a two-issue costs \$38.08.

"We started doing this around 10 years

ago," Advertising Director Gail Grove said. "I had a garage sale myself and realized how expensive pricing stickers, signs and everything were. There's a lot of effort that goes into a garage sale and we thought we could alleviate some work by offering this

> package to our customers."

> The garage sale advertisement is automatically placed online at tctimes.com along with a link that maps out directions to the garage sale. Each advertisement is classified by area, so potential customers know where the sale is

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## SURPRISING THINGS YOU HAVE TO PAY TAXES ON

Here are some surprising items that are taxable, according to financial experts and the IRS.



**Social Security.** This is often the most surprising tax to his clients, says Howard Hammer, CPA, of Fiske & Co., an accounting firm with offices in south Florida. You need to pay federal taxes on your Social Security benefits if you file as an individual and your

total income is more than \$25,000. If you file a joint return, you will have to pay taxes if you and your spouse have a total income of more than \$32,000.

**Gift Tax.** In addition to paying tax on any large prizes you receive, you must pay taxes on monetary gifts you receive over \$14,000 in 2013 (or over \$28,000 if the gift is from a married couple). The gift tax has long been in place, though the taxable amounts have gone up over time.



**Scholarships.** Scholarship money is tax-free if it's going to a student at an accredited school and covers tuition, books, fees, or school supplies. However, if the money is being used to cover travel, housing, or other miscellaneous expenses, then it's taxable.

**Unemployment.** Unemployment income is 100 percent taxable, no matter what state you live in, Hammer says. He recommends electing to have taxes deducted as you receive it, rather than paying a lump sum during tax season. First-time unemployment filers often get a rude surprise when they receive a tax statement from their state — a copy of which is also sent to the IRS.



**Alimony.** If you're receiving alimony checks from a former spouse, be prepared to pay up to the IRS at tax time. However, not all checks from an ex-spouse are taxable. The divorce decree must specially categorize the payments as alimony, and any child support payments and

property payments are not included and are tax-free.

**Gambling.** Whether you hit it big in Vegas or at the Kentucky Derby, any gambling winnings are taxable. You can, however, offset this down to zero if you have gambling loss-



es. You must have full proof of those losses through tickets and receipts. Gambling establishments send tax information to the government if winnings top \$600, Hammer says, and winnings (even less than \$600) should be reported as miscellaneous income on your 1040 form.

**Medical Marijuana.** Businesses that sell medical marijuana are taxed on their profits, but since marijuana is still illegal at the federal level, those businesses are treated like hard drug dealers at the IRS, and can't deduct things like rent, payroll or utilities as a business expense. Many business owners report paying effective tax bills of 65 to 75 percent — compared to the 15 to 30 percent average for most other small businesses.



**Ebay.** Yes, that money you made from selling old action figures on eBay is taxable. Different rules apply, however, depending on if your eBay dealings are considered a business or a hobby. To determine which one it is, the IRS uses factors like, (1) Do you engage in the

hobby in a businesslike manner? (2) Do you spend considerable time working on the hobby? (3) Do you depend on income from your hobby for your livelihood? Ebay sellers also have to consider how much profit they actually made. If you paid \$5 for a book at a yard sale, and sold it on eBay for \$20, you technically made \$15. But you can also deduct any expenses you incurred in the transaction, things like driving to the yard sale or the postage you paid. You also don't need to report anything you sold at a loss — like that \$20 sweater you bought five years ago and sold for \$10.



**Crowdfunding.** Online funding platforms such as Kickstarter.com allow starving artists, entrepreneurs and others to solicit financial contributions for their projects, start-ups or causes. While some people get small donations from virtual donors, others bring in big bucks, such

as the "Veronica Mars" movie project that has currently raised over \$4 million. Since this is a relatively new form of raising money, many details are still being worked out with the IRS — but the general rule is that if you raise more than \$20,000 from more than 200 people, you'll need to pay taxes using the new form 1099-K. If the money is less than \$20,000, but you gave away a product to donors, like a t-shirt or CD, you could also owe taxes if your expenses are lower than what you took in.

By Anne Brennan, The Fiscal Times

n 2004, a young 12-year-old daughter of a farm family in Sonoma County, Calif. wrote to the producers of "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition." Shelby Pope asked them to renovate her family's home because she has a rare condition called "polymorphous light eruption" (sun poisoning), and can't be exposed to sunlight. If they could keep the UV rays from coming through the windows, she could leave the confines of her bedroom. So the show went to work and took a \$285,000 farmhouse and turned it into a \$1.5 million dream home. The problem was the tax bill. Aside from doubling the annual property tax to \$6,500, Pope's family owed federal and state income tax on the "gift of the renovation"—a cool \$664,500.

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Extreme Makeover winners weren't the only ones to have their elation bubble burst. Past recipients of HGTV's Dream Home Giveaway, for example, also got a crash course in the realities of the gift tax: If the gift is more than \$14,000, the IRS considers it income. In fact, because of tax implications and other issues, most winners of the HGTV contest have ended up selling the million-dollar properties.



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## LaVida Massage

## Business *profiles*

## Celebrates newest location with grand opening

LaVida Massage, a massage and wellness center based in Commerce, hosted a grand opening celebration for its newest location in Grand Blanc on Friday, April 12.

LaVida Massage of Grand Blanc features nine massage rooms and provides a variety of massage therapy options, such as Swedish, couples, deep tissue, hot stone, prenatal, chair and corporate massages.

Founded in 2007, LaVida Massage is a health and wellness massage center, providing massage, facial and skin care services that revitalize and reinvigorate clients' emotional and physical health.

For more information, visit www. lavidamassage.com or call Randall or Lisa Mohler at (810) 694-6877.

## Business briefs

### **Hartland Insurance Agency** named one of Top 10 growth agencies

Auto-Owners Insurance is pleased to announce the Hartland Insurance Agency, of Hartland, has been named one of the Top 10 growth agencies for the company in the Western Michigan Region for 2012. The agency was recognized at a luncheon in Lansing and at a reception where they and other recipients were presented with a plaque commemorating their accomplishment. Hartland Insurance Agency has represented Auto-Owners since 1978. Jeff Harrold, Chairman and CEO of Auto-Owners, thanked the agency for its support and its business, stating, "Their growth and support only

help to make the entire community stronger and more secure. We are grateful they choose to do business with us." Auto-Owners Insurance is a Michigan based company founded in 1916 in Mt. Pleasant. It is a Fortune 500 company and is the 18th largest property/casualty insurance company in the nation, based on written premium. Auto-Owners Insurance Group is one of only nine groups of insurance companies in the United States to receive the highest rating possible, A++ Superior, by A.M. Best, which is a nationally recognized rating agency for insurance companies. Auto-Owners has received the J.D. Power and Associates award for the "Highest in Customer Satisfaction with the Auto Insurance Claims Experience," five years in a row, for 2008 - 2012. Auto-Owners is headquartered in Lansing and serves policyholders in 26 states.





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Local Little Caesars franchise owner Bill Talbot (left) and employee Austin Sarkozi show the new Deep!Deep!Dish pizza now available at both Fenton and Linden locations.

## Little Caesars

## Fenton and Linden restaurants roll out new deep dish pizza

## **By Sally Rummel**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

Little Caesars pizza restaurants in Fenton and Linden have rolled out their new Deep!Deep!Dish pizza — along with the rest of the national chain. This is Little Caesars' largest product introduction in 54 years.

"Ihave been testing the new Deep! Deep! Dish pizza in my stores and all signs indicate that this pizza will be another customer favorite," said Bill Talbot, who owns the two local Little Caesars franchises in Fenton and Linden. "I'm excited that customers nationwide will now get to experience this great quality product."

The new Deep!Deep!Dish pizza is a Detroit-style large rectangular pizza with eight-corners, featuring a crunchy crust, caramelized cheese edges and is topped with pepperoni and cheese. Little Caesars

is the first national chain to introduce Detroit-style deep dish pizza to its core menu in all 50 states.

It's being built on the success of the \$5 HOT-N-READY pizza with the same focus on value, quality and convenience, according to Little Caesars. This new Deep!Deep!Dishpizzalaunchis expected to be the biggest new product launch in Little Caesars' history. It will also be available HOT-N-READY from 4 to 8 p.m.

Little Caesars is located in Fenton at 1437 North LeRoy St., across from VG's Grocery, phone (810) 750-0551. The Linden restaurant is located at 612 West Broad St. in the Alpine Plaza, phone (810) 735-9481.

Hours at both locations are Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 12 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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## **Featured** columnist

By Roger Campbell



## Let's stop staring at garbage cans and flies

Something has happened to the thinking of Americans. A debilitating negativism is monopolizing our minds, making us angry, moody and depressed. We've never had it so good, but too many ignore these blessings and focus only on the faults of others and the nation.

Upon returning from a trip to Africa, former missionary, Tim Stafford, said he had to question why hope seemed so absent from American life. In his article, 'Finding Home in America,' he observed: 'It was disorienting to leave Africa and return to America where people seem relentlessly bitter and complaining about a government that would be the dream of any African, about an economy that would be the dream of any African, about a justice system that would be the dream of any African, about a medical system that would be the dream of any African.'

Solomon warned that we are what we think (Proverbs 23:7), so our constant complaining places us on a collision course with the future. If we choose to focus continually on everything that's wrong with our country, we can be sure it will get worse.

Doesn't anybody have a good word for America?

People who have hope make the future hopeful.

And we have plenty to be hopeful about!

A friend of mine had long been a marathon runner, finding satisfaction in finishing even when he didn't win, but a few years ago, he started a race he couldn't finish. During a marathon, a car went around a barrier, striking him and causing an injury requiring the amputation of one of his legs. But this dedicated runner and believer kept up his courage by memorizing poetry and Bible verses.

Philippians 4:8 became one of his favorite faith builders: 'If there be any

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virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.'

Imagine what would happen to our homes, our churches and our nation if we all followed this good advice. Gloom and anger would be replaced with faith, hope and love.

Browsing through a file I keep of letters to family members, I ran across the one below:

My Dear Grandchildren:

Not long ago, your grandma and I had lunch at a cozy little restaurant near Lake Michigan. We were seated where we could see boats going back and forth to and from the big lake. What a wonderful view!

I could see the beautiful lake and your beautiful grandma, whom I love.

Then I turned my eyes away from the lake and saw some garbage cans. The cover was off one can and flies were buzzing around; it was not a pretty sight.

Life is full of pretty views and garbage cans. I hope you will always choose to look at beautiful things and people you love instead of garbage cans and flies. This will make many of your problems fly away.

Love,

Grandpa

Roger Campbell is an author, a broadcaster and columnist who was a pastor for 22 years. He can be reached at rcministry@ameritech.net.



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## GARAGE SALE Continued from Page 1B

and so the sellers get local customers that they know. This year new tips and helpful ideas have been added to the garage sale packet to aid first timers and give

repeat garage sale hosts an upper hand. "Some people have come in to see if they can get the classifieds a few days before we run them," Grove said. "They want to know where the garage sales are so they can get there first and find their very own treasure."

Diana Clark Davis, a fan of the Times Facebook page, had some suggestions for those holding a garage sale, including, "Don't price your stuff like it's brand new. It's a garage or yard sale, mostly used and if people wanted to pay new price they could get it at the store with a guarantee."

Based on personal experience, reader Megan Campbell advised garage sale shoppers

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to be careful as to what they buy. She said her young daughter likes things that shake and make noise and last summer they spotted and bought some maracas at a garage sale. One recently broke and seeds started coming out. They looked like something she had read about and sure enough, the seeds turned out to be poisonous.

Reader Breanne Clark suggested that garage sale hosts be organized. She said there's nothing worse than sifting through baby to teen size clothing that's just grouped together. She also suggested that hosts clearly have prices on the item or a big sign. "People want to know without asking for every item," she said.

Another garage sale enthusiast, Jill Seadorf Young, advises those wishing to hold a garage sale to have their sale ready for the time it is posted to begin. "If you're really smart you'll be ready a minimum of an hour early."

## Play ball!

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As kids, many had the same dream of hitting a walk-off home run to win the World Series. Now baseball season is finally underway, and there is no shortage of opportunities to share your passion of the game with your children.

Getting children involved in baseball at a young age is a great way to commit them to an active lifestyle and form lifelong memories. Many kids fall in love with the game from the moment they first step on the field.

As the familiar sounds of the crack of

the bat and the roar of the crowd once again fill the air, here are a few ways to introduce your children to America's favorite pastime.

### **Playing catch**

Playing catch with your child is the quintessential bonding experience. It's also a great way to ease younger kids into the game. All you need is a glove and a ball to get started. After your son or daughter has the basics down, take the next step by going to the batting cages.

### Read a book

Sometimes it's best to familiarize children with the game before getting on the field. "Who's on First?," the famous 1930s Abbot and Costello comedy routine, is inspiring a love of the

## Summary

► Continuing our love affair with baseball can start as easily as playing catch in the backyard.

sport for a new generation of kids — this time in the form of a picture book that carries the same name.

The humorous book, adapted and edited by David Borgenicht, president and publisher of Quirk Books, and illustrated by John Martz, features the same witty banter of the original skit.

"This picture book edition of the classic comedy routine is a great introduction to comedy, Abbott and Costello, and the game of baseball," says Borgenicht.

## Play in an organized league

For many kids, the best part about playing baseball is the rush they get from playing in a competitive game. Aside from the health benefits of being active, organized sports are fun, and a great way to learn teamwork and discipline.

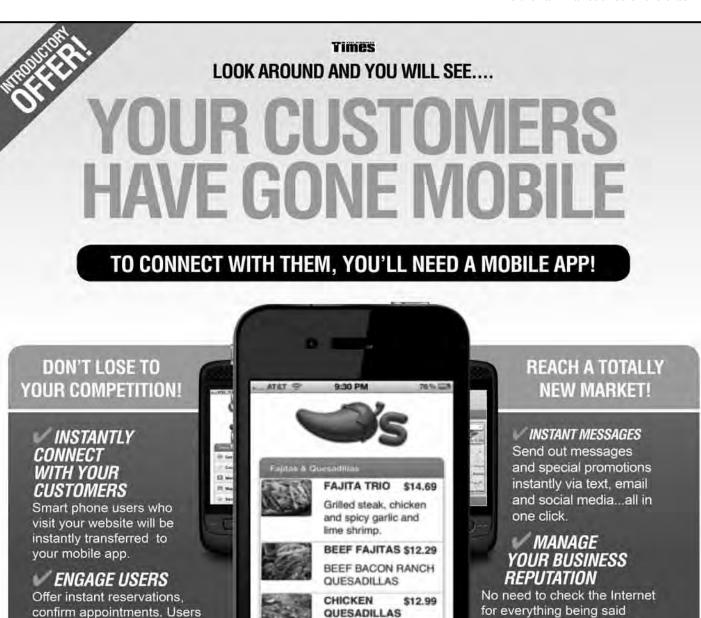
## Go to a game

As a child, the magic of attending a ball game is unmatched. Whether it is a major league, minor league, or even a college game, the sights and sounds of the ballpark will capture a child's imagination. Grab some peanuts and Cracker Jacks for the real authentic experience. A day at the ballpark will be a memory that you both have forever.

With baseball season here, it is time to play ball.



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Eat like a caveman and you'll lose weight and feel better. That's the premise of the Paleo diet, an eating plan that is based on foods that could be hunted, fished or gathered by mankind's early ancestors.

## How do you eat Paleo?

Meats, fish, shellfish, poultry, eggs, fruits, berries, vegetables, nuts and seeds are the mainstay of the diet, while whole grains, dairy, beans, peas, potatoes, processed oils, sugar and salt are eliminated from the diet, according to Lauren Lombardo, RD, clinical dietician at McLaren-Flint. The Paleo diet recommends eating wild meat or meat from grass-fed animals to avoid ingesting antibiotics and hormones.

Michelle English and Lynn North, both of Fenton, have been following the Paleo diet since last fall, getting their families on board and becoming strong proponents of this eating plan.

"None of us have ever felt as good as we have since eating Paleo," said English, whose husband and three children have embraced it as well. "Even my father-in-law is off all of his type 2 diabetes and high blood pressure medication."

### New local website provides support

English and North have set up a new website, www.paleoandmore.com, to provide information and support for this eating lifestyle. "The 'and more' reflects the fact that they follow the diet for the majority of food choices, but do allow some flexibility for some dairy like milk, yogurt and butter, as well as sweet potatoes and white rice occasionally. "We're not strict Paleo," said North. "As a CrossFit exerciser, I felt the need to add a few more healthy carbohydrates into my diet for energy."

## Is it healthy?

Lombardo concurs with the idea of adding more essential nutrients to the Paleo diet. "It's the consensus of many medical and nutritional professionals that the Paleo diet contains important benefits, but the elimination of whole food groups should not be encouraged," she said. "A diet including lean protein, fruits, vegetables, whole grains, low fat dairy products and legumes while reducing processed foods can meet all of one's nutritional requirements while providing a good variety of food with considerable health benefits at a reasonable cost."

She adds that people interested in following the basic tenets of the Paleo diet can ensure adequate amounts of calcium and Vitamin D by including foods such as spinach, kale, salmon, tuna and perch. "It will also be helpful to get plenty of sunshine, she said. "Additional supplementation may also be necessary."

## Fitting it into your lifestyle

Both English and North feel that "Paleo and more" provides this balance and allows their families to enjoy modest treats away from home and the ability to dine out without many dietary challenges. "Guys love this diet," said English. "They lose weight on it and they like all the foods. We're both back to weighing what we did in college."

See PALEO on 6B

## the strict Paleo diet

- The elimination of unhealthy foods like processed foods,
- Increases the consumption of healthy fruits and vegetables
- Promotes quick weight loss because it is low carb
- Enhances athletic performance
- Limits healthy fats like olive oil
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onger days and warmer temperatures make it much more tempting to take your daily walk outdoors. If you've been a "couch potato" all winter, you might want to start out slowly, using guidelines from tried-and-true walking programs like Couch to 5K Walking Training or Mayo Clinic's 12-Week Program, to get yourself up to speed safely.

For a serious local training program, you may want to consider joining the Crim Adult Local Training, which begins Tuesday, May 14. This is a 15-week outdoor training schedule

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that works up participants to the Crim Festival of Races event on Saturday, Aug. 24. For more information, visit www.crim. org/adults/.

For a less formal training program, you can lace up your own sneakers and just head

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outside. The most important purchase will be a comfortable pair of sneakers from a reputable shoe store — hopefully one like Bauman's Running & Walking Shop in Flint Township that specializes in shoes specifically designed for these sports. Depending on Michigan's fickle weather, you may be wearing long knit pants and a hoodie, or shorts and a T-shirt. For women, a comfortable sports bra is a must.

While it may be tempting to enthusiastically set a large goal

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## **PALEO**

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North finds that eating Paleo fits her lifestyle and health needs better than any other eating plan she has tried. "I've always been into eating healthy," she said.

When we cut grains out of our diet, my health issues were gone in three days"

—Michelle English

"I've tried eating vegetarian, raw foods, but I'd always find so mething lacking. A lot of people in the CrossFit community talked about eating Paleo, and the more I got into it, the more I found it was a positive."

good fit for me and our family."

How to get started

English admits that getting started is the hardest part, because you have to rid your pantry and refrigerators of foods you've become so accustomed to eating, like cereal, crackers, breads, etc. But she feels the gains are positively worth it. "When we cut grains out of our diet, my health issues were gone in three days," she said.

She and North are conducting their first public "Paleo and More" workshop this Sunday, April 14 from 3 to 4 p.m. at Shard Financial Services in Fenton. It will be an introductory class to teach interested people about the Paleo diet, followed by several classes about getting started, then conducting a 30-day challenge.

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## Three popular fad diets this year

- 1. The Dukan Diet made famous by the Duchess of Cambridge Kate Middleton, this diet is a low-carb diet that originated in France, very similar to the Atkins Diet, with four stages of carb elimination and re-introduction.
- 2. The17-Day Diet this diet boasts about never leaving dieters bored or in a diet rut, because it only lasts for 17 days, then gets repeated in cycles.
- **3. The HCG Diet** this is the most controversial diet, an extremely low-calorie diet paired with injections of HCG. It's recommended only under the care of a physician.

Source: Shape magazine

## What about the Chia Seed Diet?

Chia seeds are not only the funny hair-growing pets you see on TV — they're also a healthful, unprocessed whole grain food that has recently been touted as a weight loss aid. One ounce (about two tablespoons) contains 139 calories, 4 grams protein, 9 grams fat, 12 grams carbohydrate, 11 grams fiber, plus vitamins and minerals.

In theory, according to WebMD, chia seeds are supposed to expand in your belly, helping you to feel full, eat less and ultimately shed pounds. However, one recent 12-week study showed no change in appetite or weight loss by participants who consumed 50 grams of chia seeds a day.

But there is no doubt that chia seeds are healthy to eat, with lots of fiber, antioxidants and omega-3 fatty acids. Sprinkle on cereal, sauces, vegetables, rice dishes or yogurt, or mix into drinks and baked goods. Don't over-consume them as they also may have a dehydrating effect because of their ability to hold up to eight times their weight in water.



## Check labels for retinoids and other anti-aging ingredients

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Whether your "fountain of youth" can be found in a jar bought at a drug or department store will depend on what's inside the jar.

The key word in antiaging innovation today is retinoids, which minimize the appearance of wrinkles, bolster skin's thickness and elasticity, show the breakdown of collagen and lighten brown spots caused by sun exposure, according to Prevention magazine.

Retinoids work by prompting surface skin cells to turn over and die rapidly, making way for new cell growth underneath. They hamper the breakdown of collagen and thicken the deeper layer of skin where wrinkles get their start.

Many dermatologists recommend retinoids to everyone, and they can be purchased in both prescription and nonprescriptions forms.

The prescription retinol-containing products go under the name Retin-A, Renova or Refissa and are about 100 times as potent as retinol-containing products sold without prescription. The over-the-counter brands may not be as effective as the more potent prescription products, but they do smooth out the skin and minimize the effects of sun damage, according to Prevention. With over-the-counter retinol products, it might take three to six months of daily use to notice a difference. With prescription retinoids, a person might notice smoother, more even-toned skin in six to eight weeks.

Over-the-counter anti-aging creams and gels don't have to divulge how much retinol their products contain, which may make it difficult to know which is likely the most effective product. You only need a pea-sized amount each day of prescription retinoids or non-prescription retinol-based products. Any more than that can be irritating to the skin.

According to beauty.about.com, these over-the-counter products contain retinol and are effective at minimizing wrinkles and fine lines.

• Ponds Dramatic Results Anti-Wrinkle Cream, 1.25 oz. This basic OTC cream has alpha hydroxyl, retinol and vitamin C to counteract the dryness that can occur with age. • DDF Retinol Energizing Moisturizer. Packed with vitamin A, antioxidants and omega 3 fatty acids to increase cell turnover and plump up skin, this is the Cadillac of OTC retinol products.

• On the Glow Face Daily Moisturizer with Retinol. This product has retinol for the wrinkle benefits, but it's made by Tan Towel, which means it slowly makes your skin a bit darker so you look tan.

• Liposome Active Gel with Retinol. This gel contains vitamin E to protect the skin while combating free radicals, and hyaluronic-acid.

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**SILVER:** Avon Anew Age-Transforming Foundation SPF 15, \$16.

## Foundation:

Medium to Full Coverage

GOLD: La Prairie Anti-Aging
Foundation SPF 15, \$105.

**SILVER:** Revlon Age Defying with DNA Advantage Cream Makeup SPF 20, \$15.

## Lipstick

**GOLD:** Dior Rouge Serum

SPF 20, \$34.

**SILVER:** By Terry Rouge Terrybly Age Defense Lipstick, \$49.

## Lipliner

**GOLD:** Urban Decay 24/7 Glide-on Lip Pencil, \$19. **SILVER:** Guerlain The Lip Liner,

\$30.

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of walking 90 minutes a day, for example, you're actually better off to start small with an attainable goal. According to most medical experts, a half hour of brisk walking five days a week will provide the cardiovascular benefits your body needs. However, if you want to lose weight, you'll have to kick it up a notch.

According to Fitness magazine, a very brisk 4.5 miles-per-hour walk can burn 403 calories an hour for a woman weighing 140 pounds. For the best workout, try not to let the pace dip below 3 miles per hour (burning 211 calories an hour). This is the point at which women drop below the moderate-intensity zone, the minimum they need to do to get cardio benefits from the workout.

What's the latest news on walking for weight loss? Women between the ages of 18 and 30 who walked at least four hours a week were 44 percent more likely to lose weight during the 15 years they were tracked than those who didn't walk at all — regardless of what other exercise they did, according to a study in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition.

Combined with healthy eating, physical activity such as walking is essential for long-lasting weight control. In fact, it's a common denominator for about 90 percent of successful dieters on the National Weight Control Registry who lost 30 pounds or more and kept them off for more than a year.

But the benefits of walking outdoors go beyond the physical. Walking

outside — especially after a long, cold winter of being cooped up inside — can be a beautiful nature walk. Getting out there every day will help you notice the subtle, natural changes of more sunlight, budding trees and flowers, etc. Walking outdoors can be an anecdote to depression and anxiety. It can also provide a reflective time, if you like to walk along, or a social time, if you choose to "buddy up."

For more information about the different walking programs mentioned in this story, see tctimes.com

## How to pick a pedometer

A pedometer senses your body motion and counts your footsteps. This count is converted into distance by knowing the length of your usual stride.

All pedometers count steps, but some use different methods to do so. In general order of accuracy, there are three different mechanisms: accelerometer, coiled spring mechanism and hairspring mechanism. For best results, use a good pedometer with features you like.

The best pedometers can calculate and display status such as distance, calories burned, speed, elapsed time, steps per minute or may also function as a stopwatch and alarm. Other pedometers have fancy features like talking, playing music or reading your heart rate.

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Now is the time of year you begin seriously thinking about sunglasses, even though they are important to wear year 'round. The sun can do serious damage to your eyes, raising your risk of serious vision conditions like cataracts and macular degeneration.

## Here's how to pick sunglasses to truly protect your vision, according to womansday.com

- Scrutinize labels the safest are sunglasses that say "99 percent or 100 percent ultraviolet blocking," instead of just the broad term of "UV protection."
- Go dark if you look in a mirror and can easily see your eyes through the lenses, the glasses probably won't block enough light.
- Fit matters make sure the frames aren't too loose. If they slide down your nose, damage from sunlight can stream in from the top and the sides.
- Visit a pro buying glasses from a vision professional means that you'll get a lens that protects and a frame that fits properly while flattering your face shape (see related story).

If you're looking for true protection from the sun, get polarized lenses. They can be put into almost any frame. An optician

Diamond Optical in Fenton



## How much will they cost?

You can expect to pay about \$150 for a polarized pair of prescription sunglasses and about \$75 for polarized non-prescription sunglasses.

> Source: Michigan Eye Institute

## How to pick sunglasses for your facial shape



• Heart-shaped face (wide forehead, narrower jaw line, high cheekbones, narrow chin). **PERFECT PAIR:** Cat-eyed shape



• Oval-shaped face (balanced proportions, a narrow forehead and jaw line, chin that is slightly narrower than the forehead, typically high cheekbones).

**PERFECT PAIR:** Any style will work for you. Look at aviators

or Jackie-O styles, whatever you like.



• Round-shaped face (equal width and length, soft curves with few angles).

PERFECT PAIR: Angular frames to help add definition.



• Square-shaped face (defined jaw, square chin and broad forehead). PERFECT PAIR: Round shapes to highlight your best features.

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## Here's how to burn

## 150 calories or more

► Everyday, fun activities can all add up to weight loss

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Everything you do from the time you get up until the time you go to bed expends energy – even sleeping. Take a look at these activities below to see how long it will take you to burn 150 calories, if you weight about 150 pounds.

## **Biking**

Different levels of intensity will burn 150 calories:

- Ride at a vigorous pace of 14 to 16 miles per hour for 14 minutes
- **Ride at a** moderate pace of 12 to 14 miles per hour for 17 minutes
- Ride at an easy pace of 10 to 12 miles per hour for 22 minutes

## **Jogging or running**

The faster you move, the faster you'll burn calories. Burn 150 calories by:

- Running at a pace of 8 miles an hour for 10 minutes
- Running at a pace of 6 miles an hour for 13 minutes
- Jogging for 19 minutes

## **Gym workouts**

Take your pick of exercise classes and equipment at your favorite health club. Some options include:

• Circuit training on weight machines or doing push-ups and other strenuous

exercises for 17 minutes

- Taking an aerobics class or using a stair machine for 22 minutes
- Using an elliptical machine for 24 minutes

## **Team sports**

To burn calories while having fun with friends:

- Play rugby for 13 minutes
- Play football, lacrosse, beach volley-ball, or basketball for 17 minutes
- Play soccer for 19 minutes

## **Outdoor activities**

Enjoying nature can be healthy in more ways than one. You'll burn 150 calories if you:

- Hike for 22 minutes
- **Go whitewater rafting** or kayaking for 26 minutes
- Ride a horse for 52 minutes

## Walking

Getting from here to there and back again by foot can help you stay fit. Burn calories by walking:

- At a brisk pace for 35 minutes
- At a medium pace for 38 minutes
- At a slow pace for 53 minutes

## Leisure activities

You don't have to play a hard-charging sport to burn calories. You can:

- Golf and carry your own clubs for 24 minutes
- **Play ping pong** or chase your kids around the playground for 33 minutes
- Toss a Frisbee for 44 minutes

## **Water sports**

Time spent in the swimming pool burns calories efficiently:

- Swim at a vigorous pace for 13 minutes
- Swim at a moderate pace for 19 minutes
- **Do water aerobics** for 33 minutes

## Fitness classes

Don't limit yourself to aerobics — these fun fitness choices can burn 150 calories:

- **Practice karate, kickboxing,** or tae kwon do for 14 minutes
- **Strengthen your core** with Pilates for 22 minutes
- **Relax with a** mind-body practice such as tai chi or yoga for 33 minutes

## **Dance**

Showing off your moves can help you stay in shape. Each dance offers its own rate of calorie burn; to use 150 calories you'll need to do:

- Ballet for 22 minutes
- Disco dancing for 24 minutes
- Line dancing for 30 minutes
- **Slow-paced ballroom** dancing for 44 minutes

## Yard work

Outdoor chores will provide a 150-calorie burn when you:

- Shovel snow by hand for 22 minutes
- **Spade your garden** for 26 minutes
- **Push a power** lawn mower for 30 minutes
- Rake leaves for 33 minutes

## Home improvement

Beautify your home as you burn calories by:

- Painting the house for 27 minutes
- **Doing home repairs** for 29 minutes
- Washing windows for 30 minutes

## **Doing nothing**

(or next to nothing)

You do burn calories by simply existing, but at a very slow rate. To burn 150 calories you'll need to:

- **Read for 1** hour and 43 minutes
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FENTON RUMMAGE SALE. Transfiguration Lutheran Church, 14176 Fenton Rd., April 19th, 9-5p.m., April 20th, 9-12p.m.

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## **Invitation to Bid** The Lake Fenton Community Schools are taking bids for Network Switches

For bid specifications and bid sheet contact Brad Reichert at 810-591-2570 Monday-Friday. Sealed bids will be accepted until Monday 4/22/2013 at 9:00am. Bids labeled "2013 Network Switch Bid" may be sent to Lake Fenton Community Schools, 11145 Torrey Rd, Fenton, MI 48430, Attn: Brad Reichert.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE** CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY MAY 1, 2013 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FEN-TON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AT 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

ZBA13-009 Matt McCormick 2495 Malibu Ct. requesting sight line, side setback and total two sides variances and variance to architectural feature requirement to construct new residence at 16175 Meredith Ct. Parcel 06-32-627-012

COPIES OF THE ABOVE LISTED APPLICATIONS AND THE TOWNSHIP ORDI-NANCES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE FOR YOUR REVIEW. YOUR OPINIONS MAY BE EXPRESSED VERBALLY AT THIS HEARING OR IN WRITING TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS PRIOR TO THIS HEARING. THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ENCOURAGES YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THESE APPEALS.

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ROBERT KRUG, FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

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## **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON** PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

At their meeting of April 8, 2013 the Fenton Township Board conducted the first reading of the following ordinances:

- 1. An amendment to the Business Licensing Ordinance to clarify language regarding permit applications and fees.
- An amendment to the Sewer System Ordinance to add provisions for the granting of waivers from the requirements of the ordinance and procedures for appealing decisions made in the implementation of the ordinance.

The second reading for both ordinances will be conducted at the April 22, 2013 Fenton Township Board meeting.

Complete copies of the proposed ordinances may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The proposed ordinances are also available on Fenton Township's website at www.fentontownship.org.

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## Misc. **Wanted**

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Read then Recycle

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SINGLE BED bedroom outfit, couch with end tables, tools, drill press, etc. Call 810-569-5392, 586-665-9123.

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## Do your part Read then Recycle

## **PUZZLE ANSWER KEYS**

King Crossword, Wednesday Jumble, Wednesday Sudoku puzzles are located in last Wednesday's issue. All other puzzles are throughout this edition.

## **SUPER CROSSWORD KING CROSSWORD** Solution time: 25 mins.

## **WEDNESDAY SUDOKU**

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## **WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS**

Jumbles: QUASH LURID BRANCH AROUND The manicurist said nails are this -Answer:

## "HARD" ON THE HANDS **SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS**

RURAL WOMEN ESTATE TERROR Jumbles: What the groomer lost on his wedding day

TWO LETTERS

## **LEGAL NOTICE GROVELAND TOWNSHIP**

At the regular meeting of the Groveland Township Board, held on Monday, April 8, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., the following codified Ordinance was amended and approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

## **ORDINANCE #193**

FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESCUE SERVICE COST RECOVERY ORDINANCE (Amending Ordinance #129) Section II: FEES AND COL-LECTION: A. 3. \$25.00 per hour (minimum) / per person responding to the situation; and

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its adoption and publication as required by law. Copies of the complete ordinance are available for your inspection at the Groveland Township Office, 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly, MI during regular business hours.

## A Look back at the TOP 10 SONGS

Week of April 17, 1982 As determined by Billboard magazine

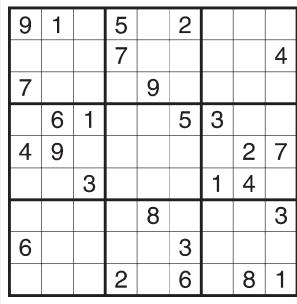
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- Joan Jett
- 2. We Got the Beat
- Go Gos 3. Chariots of Fire
- Vangelis
- 4. Freeze Frame
- J. Geils Band 5. Make a Move on Me
- Olivia Newton-John
- 6. Don't Talk to Strangers
- Rick Springfield
- 7. Do You Believe in Love
  - Huey Lewis and
- the News 8. Key Largo
- Bertie Higgins
- 9. Open Arms
- Journey
- 10. That Girl

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## PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS APRIL 8, 2013

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday April 8, 2013 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

- 1. Clerk Krug led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- 2. Appointed Clerk Krug as temporary chairperson.
- 3. Approved the agenda as amended.
- Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$175.952.24.
- 5. Received the first quarter Fire Department Report from Chief Ryan Volz.
- Conducted the first reading of a proposed amendment to the Business Licensing Ordinance to clarify language regarding permit applications and fees.
- 7. Conducted the first reading of a proposed amendment to the Sewer System Ordinance to add provisions for the granting of waivers from the requirements of the ordinance and procedures for appealing decisions made in the implementation of the ordinance.
- Granted a two-year extension to the tentative approval of the Preliminary Plat of Pinnacle Shores, subject to the granting of a sewer easement by the developer to the Township, as determined by the Township.
- 9. Approve the training and equipment expense to form the Fenton Township Fire Department Dive Rescue Team.
- 10. Approved the sale of nine parcels of tax-reverted properties.
- 11. Approved local road improvement projects for 2013.
- Approved a Cooperative Mutual Aid Agreement with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.
- 13. Adopted Resolution No. 2013-05, honoring Eagle Scout Zachary Fulcher.
- 14. Adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

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

ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

## NOTICE ROSE TOWNSHIP 2013 ANNUAL SPRING ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP DAYS

Rose Township will hold its annual Roadside Clean-Up for residents and property owners on the following date:

Saturday May 18, 2012 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Residents and township organizations are encouraged to participate in the cleanup of the roadsides.

Dumpsters will be located in the Rose Township Park located on the northwest corner of Milford Road and West Rose Center Road. Refuse to be disposed of must be transported to the dumpsters. THERE IS NO ROADSIDE PICK UP. No commercial dumping will be allowed.

Constable Emile Bair will be on duty to verify residence and/or property owner-ship. Fire department personnel will be there to assist with loading materials into the dumpsters. Propane tanks will be accepted. No barrels, gas or fuel oil tanks, stumps, brush or concrete will be accepted. Paint cans must be empty or filled with sand or cat litter. Each household will be permitted four (4) car tires; additional tires will be accepted at a price of \$4.00 per tire and \$25.00 per tire for tractor or large truck tires.

Burning permits to allow the burning of leaves and brush are available by telephone at (248) 634-2620.

Bags for cleaning roadsides will be available at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan beginning April 22, 2013 until May 16, 2013 and also at the clean-up day location on clean-up day.

Rose Township's regular daily recycling is located in the rear of the Township Office's parking lot at 9080 Mason Street, Holly, MI. Residents may call 248-634-7551 with any questions.

Debbie Miller, CMC Emile Bair

Rose Township Clerk Rose Township Constable

## Legal 82

FORECLOSURE NOTICE In the event residence exempt from tax under section 7cc of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL.7cc please contact our office at (248) 844-5123 This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. THE FORECLOSING PARTY ANTICIPATES BIDDING LESS THAN THE FORECLOSING PARTY' S OPINION OF THE MARKET VALUE AT A BID OF \$41,000.00 MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Allison M. Smith, a married woman and William D. Smith, her husband to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Republic Bank DBA Home Banc Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 30, 2005 and recorded January 9, 2006 in Instrument # 200601090002324 Gene-see County Records, Michigan Said mortgage was assigned to: Spartan Equities High Yield Fund I LLC, by assignment dated June 28 2012 and recorded February 22, 2013 in Instrument # 201302220011846 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and NinetyNine Cents (\$126,951.99) including interest 6.5% per annum Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mort-gage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on April 24, 2013. Said premises are situated in Township of Vienna, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: A parcel of land in the Northeast quarter of Section 16, Township 9 North, Range 6 East, described as follows Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Section 16, thence South 00 degrees 50 minutes 20 seconds West along the East line of Section 16, a distance of 200 feet; thence West 172 feet; thence North 00 degrees 5 0 minutes 20 seconds East, 200 feet to the North line of Section 16; thence East 172 feet to the place of beginning. Commonly known as 4015 W Farrand Rd. Clio MI 48420 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless deter-mined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.324 1a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961 under MCL 600.3278, the borrowe will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated 3/24/2013 Spartan Equities High Yield Fund I, LLC, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.

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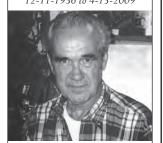
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## Ruby M. Hess,

Ruby M. Hess - age 93, died April 7, 2013. Share memories at www.temrowskifamily-funeralhome.com.



## John C. Botner

Jr., John C. Botner Jr. age 86, died April 10, 2013. Share memories at www. temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



## Charlotte Jean McPherson,

Charlotte Jean McPherson - age 71, of Linden, died Thursday, April 11, 2013 at Genesys Health Park. Private services have taken place at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 East Broad St., Linden. Online tributes may be shared at the obituary page of www.sharpfuneral-homes.com.



## **Ebonie Baldwin,**

Ebonie Baldwin - age 36, died April 6, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneral-homes.com.



## Jacob Knapp,

Jacob Knapp - age 19, died April 5, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## Paul Waldrop Sr.,

Paul Waldrop Sr. - age 79, died April 9, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneral-homes.com.



## **Edna Rose Rugg** 1949-2013

Edna Rose Rugg - age 63, of Fenton, passed away April 9, 2013. Services will be held 3 PM Saturday, April 13, 2013 at Sharp Funeral Homes. Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Visitation will be from 1:30 PM until the time of service Saturday. Mrs. Rugg was the daughter of Dewey Rose and Doris Clement, also stepmom, Joyce Rose. She is survived by her husband, Art Rugg; children, Roger Klamert, Randy Klamert. Rodney Wright, Tammy Beagle and April Thomas; stepsons, Brad and Brian Rugg; 9 grandchildren; sisters, Joy Applebaum and Sharon Wilson; brothers, Danny Ray Rose, Dewey Jay Rose and Michael Rose; sister-in-law, Sally Brown; brothers-in-law, Don Rugg and Mack Brown; several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her sister, Diane Johnson. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Angelita Ancira - age 91, died April, 11, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Dolores Christopher - age 75, died April 7, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## Roy Vanover Sr.,

Roy Vanover Sr. - age 86, died April 9, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## **Betty Skinner,**

Betty Škinner - age 89, died April 9, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## **Daniel Reppuhn,**

Daniel Reppuhn - age 72, died April 7, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## **Delmar Dunn,**

Delmar Dunn - age 83, died April 5, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## Jackson Barry Gangwer

2000-2013

Jackson Barry Gangwer
- age 12, of Fenton, died
April 10, 2013. Services will



be held 3 PM Sunday, April 14, 2013 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church,

600 N. Adelaide St. Fenton. Rev. Josh Hoover will officiate. Visitation will be held 2-8 PM Saturday at Sharp Funeral Homes. Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Those desiring may make contributions to the Wounded Warrior Project. Jackson was born June 20, 2000 in Clinton Twp., the son of Douglas and Michelle (Ensign) Gangwer. Jackson loved sports. He played basketball, football and baseball. He enjoyed being outdoors and hunting Jackson was a very kind boy with a beautiful spirit. He was a good friend and wise beyond his years. He is survived by his parents, Doug and Michelle; sister, Lauren; grandmothers, Marilou Ensign and Tracy Hensley; aunts and uncles, Jay and Theresa Hensley, Sandra and Scott Smith, Bonnie Ensign, Rebecca Ensign and Brad Hiller; cousins, Erin, Mandy and Malia, Brad and Teri, Ashlyn and Rachel, Mike and Andrea. Ben and Patrick. Brian and Lena, Kaelyn, Jake, Kelsea and Kennedi, Matthew and Cherish, Marissa and Aubrie, Jason and Maureen, Ryan and Reagan. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.





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## Albert Koan Jr.,

Albert Koan Jr. - age 89, died April 12, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## **Donelson Ainsworth,**

Donelson Ainsworth - age 57, died April 8, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## **Gail Franklin,**

Gail Franklin - age 69, died April 8, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## William James Pearch

1947-2013

William James Pearch – age 66, passed away Sunday, April 7, 2013 in Benton



Harbor while on a fishing excursion. He passed away in his sleep. His family and

friends are at peace knowing he died doing what he loved doing - fishing! William was cremated and a private family memorial service will be held at a later date. Online condolences accepted at www.PikeFH. com. William was born February 12, 1947, the son of the late James and Mary (McMillan) Pearch. William married Theresa Szylak on February 13, 1967. Together they owned and operated an automotive parts store in Fenton for many years. They retired at an early age and spent many vears traveling the country. William loved to volunteer and served many years as a volunteer firefighter while his family resided in Fenton. William also loved being on the water and fishing. He was an avid member of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary and served on the board of the Saint Clair Shores Walleye Association. Survivors include his wife, Theresa; son, James (Patty) Pearch, daughter, Linda (Kevin) Stackpoole and six loving grandchildren, Kristy, Kyle, Nick, Abby, Carly and Jamison. William was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Andrew. Arrangements by Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel-Bridgman, 269-465-3239.

## Paul Pruiett,

Paul Pruiett - age 92, died April 12, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## Kay Wiggins,

Kay Wiggins - age 74, died April 7, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## Raymond A. Zink,

Raymond A. Zink - age 99, died April 10, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



## **Thomas Callahan,**

Thomas Callahan - age 58, died April 9, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneral-homes.com.



## Released this week DVDs & Movies

### THE KITCHEN



Jennifer (Laura Prepon) is turning 30 and her best friend, Stan (Matt Bush), is throwing her a party. But she is in no mood to celebrate. She just left her job, as well as her cheating boyfriend, Paul (Bryan Greenberg) Her cynical little sister Penny (Dreama Walker) is threatening to overshadow the whole affair with the most inappropriate party announcement. And she is pretty sure she's too old to still be living with her creepy roommate. What starts out as

a well-intentioned day of celebration quickly spirals into a most ill-fated disaster, from an ex-boyfriend who can't "get enough" to the bands dueling in the backyard and from disloyal friends showing their true colors to a manicdepressive party photographer who may have forgotten to take his meds. In this hilarious ensemble comedy set entirely inside a kitchen, turning 30 has never looked this chaotic! R, 1 hr. 20 min.

### **BAD KIDS GO TO HELL**

Six private school high school kids find themselves



stuck in detention on a frightfully dark and stormy Saturday afternoon. During their 8 hour incarceration, each of the six kids falls victim to a horrible "accident" until only one of them remains. And as each of these spoiled rich kids bites the dust, the story takes on a series of humorous and frantic twists and turns. Is one of the kids secretly evening the school's

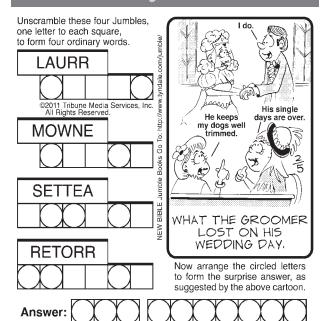
social playing field? Or have the ghosts of prestigious Crestview Academy finally come to punish the school's worst (and seemingly untouchable) brats? One thing is for sure...Daddy's money can't save them now. R, 1 hr. 31 min.



DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 79 and have congestive heart failure with some high blood pressure. Please give the information you have on my illness. — F.W.

**ANSWER:** Congestive heart failure is a common illness in older people. Up to 10 percent of those older than 65 have it or have had it. The meaning is that the heart has become so weak that it can't pump enough blood to support all body organs and tissues. You can call it just heart failure. The 'congestive' word confuses people. The signs of a weakened heart are breathlessness when trying to do even relatively easy physical tasks, along with a feeling that all energy has left the body. A third sign is swelling, most often of the feet and ankles. The lungs also fill with fluid from backed-up blood, and that adds to the breathing difficulty. The lungs are congested with fluid. Clogged heart arteries, heartvalve problems, a previous heart attack, a former viral heart infection and uncontrolled high blood pressure are some of the causes of heart failure. Aging is a major cause. The heart is beginning to wear out. This sounds hopeless; it isn't. Plenty can be done. For one, reduce the amount of salt and salty foods that you eat. Salt causes fluid retention in the body. Water pills (diuretics) remove excess body fluid, and they're a constant part of treatment. Drugs called ACE inhibitors not only regulate blood pressure, but they also ease heart failure. This is only a sample of the drugs that are useful for the treatment of this condition. Once under treatment, you ought to be breathing with ease and feel a return of pep. An exercise program is then possible and an essential for treatment. The program is one that should be devised by your doctor. Walking is an excellent way to strengthen both body and heart muscles.

## SundayJumble



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## Marriage on the rocks faces major surprise

**DEAR AMY:** My husband and I have been married for almost five years. The last few months have been hard. It has become

pretty clear that both of us are unhappy. We've agreed to work on these problems and make a go of making the marriage successful. Now comes a new problem. I just found out that, despite taking my pill regularly as prescribed, I am pregnant. I haven't told him yet. Although the pregnancy is unplanned, I'm actually really happy. However, as long as we



have been together, he has said he doesn't want kids. Well, a baby is coming, and I'm not sure how to break the news — on top of all our other concerns. — Nervous

**DEAR NERVOUS:** The way to have a difficult talk is to prepare yourself as well as you can and then plunge in. You can assume that this will shock him. Give him time, and don't pressure him to express any particular point of view right away. This may be a deal-breaker for your husband, but you won't know until he has time to think and make a considered response.

**DEAR AMY:** On April Fools' Day, with my knowledge and consent, my boyfriend of five years posted on Facebook a picture of a beautiful engagement ring with the caption 'What happens after a lovely Easter dinner...' Many took the bait — followed half a day later by the news that it was an April Fools' prank. Now I'm not enjoying the joke very much. I didn't really like the idea of joking about something as big as that, but he seemed really jazzed about it, and I thought I would be overly sensitive if I objected. I'm upset at myself for not voicing my feelings but also upset that he'd think this kind of thing would be a real hoot. Am I being a big baby? — Facebooked

**DEAR FACEBOOKED:** You both suffered from a humor deficit and lack of judgment. When you discuss it with your guy, you should start the conversation by saying, 'I want you to know that I take equal responsibility for this prank, but now I really regret it.' It is entirely possible that he, too, is having second thoughts.





From Business Insider

## "Can I view more emails on screen at once?"

The iPhone's default "email preview" makes it so you can't view that many emails on screen at one time.

If you want to be more economical about scrolling through emails, check out this option.

Go to your Settings app, then tap Mail, Contacts, And Calendars, then tap "Preview" and pick how many lines you want each email to take up in your inbox. The more lines, the more words of "preview text" you get below each email header.



## Lime and Chili Rubbed **Chicken Breasts**



## **INGREDIENTS**

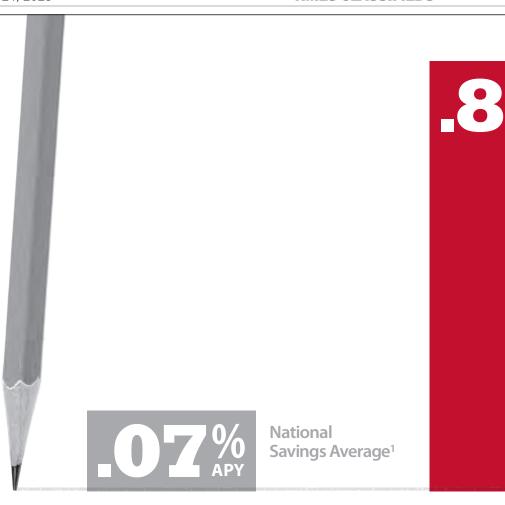
- 2 t. chili powder
- 2 t. packed brown sugar
- 2 t. grated lime peel
- 1/2 t. salt
- 1/4 t. garlic powder
- 1/8 t. ground red pepper (cayenne)
- 4 boneless skinless chicken breasts
- 2 t. olive or canola oil

## **DIRECTIONS**

- 1. Heat gas or charcoal grill. In small bowl, mix chili powder, brown sugar, lime peel, salt, garlic powder and ground red pepper. Rub both sides of chicken with oil, then with spice mixture.
- 2. Place chicken on grill over medium heat. Cover grill; cook 10 to 15 minutes, turning once or twice, until juice of chicken is clear when center of thickest part is cut (170°F).
- 3. Makes 4 servings.

**Tip:** Refrigerating the "rubbed" chicken 20 to 30 minutes before grilling really enhances the flavor.

Recipe from www.bettycrocker.com



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