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#### TERRORISTS

**“The terrorist brothers** detonated their bombs with government provided cell phones. How’s that for irony? The lamestream media won’t tell you this, but it’s true.”

#### LUMBER STORE

**“It’s so frustrating** that you can’t buy a decent piece of lumber in Fenton anymore. Wish someone local would open a lumber store.”

#### DOWNTOWN

**“Cannot tell you** how much we appreciate your series on Fenton’s urban renewal. Many residents had no idea about the controversial history of our downtown. Thank you to the Times news staff.”

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**“Don’t use those** mole traps with the sharp prongs, they are barbaric. Use the steel ones that you press into the ground with your foot. Very effective and very humane. Taylor’s sells them in Fenton.”

#### HOT LINE of the week

**“THE PRESIDENT IS** a hypocrite. He allegedly stands on high moral ground to enact gun control to “protect our kids” while at the same time he approves the killing of over 3 million defenseless babies a year. I seriously question his sanity.”



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## Not enough to go ‘a round’

► National ammo shortage prompting gun enthusiasts to stock up

By Tim Jagielo

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**Fenton** — It’s 7 a.m. and there’s a small crowd at the Walmart sports counter already. Five men are waiting for their chance to buy ammunition, as it is usually delivered Wednesday night, and goes on sale Thursday morning.

“It’s hit and miss,” said one man identified as Harold, who arrived around 6:30 a.m.. The clerk said that last week, there were around 30 who showed up for ammunition. This morning, like most gun enthusiasts are experiencing, there was not enough for everyone.

This situation is repeating across the country and in the news, with Associated Press (AP) reports of the Department of Homeland Security

See **AMMO** on 22A

**“Don’t play into the frenzy. Kick back for a little bit, let it subside, it’s just a funk we’re in right now.”**

**Brett Selby**  
Personal Defense  
Service instructor



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Walmart customers lined up to buy ammunition Thursday morning are greeted with a meager few boxes. Two of the five leave empty-handed.

#### Two years after the year-long fowl ordinance debate...

### Just three chickens reside in city limits

By Ryan Tackabury

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Everyone remembers the ongoing saga of the chickens that occurred last year — it never seemed to end. The city was split into two camps, those in favor of allowing the feathered friends into the city as backyard pets, and those staunchly against it.

See **CHICKENS** on 10A



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO

The Bossardet family brought the issue of allowing chickens inside the city to Fenton City Council last year.

### Pedaling for St. Jude’s



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Sophia Williams, 3, of Tyrone Township pedals around the Fenton Early Childhood Development Center on Thursday for the annual Trike-a-thon. The event raises money for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, and it expected to raise at least \$6,000 with 200 children participating.

## Sign ordinance enforcement tightening

► Regulations seek uniformity — with touch of uniqueness

By William Axford

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It finally feels like spring here in the tri-county area. Chirping birds, buzzing insects and flowers blooming all reaffirm that warmer days are ahead. There are signs everywhere — literally.

“You’ll see people put signs out in their

yards on Friday and pick them up Monday morning, knowing sign enforcers won’t be around,” said Gordon Wallace, who creates signs at Sign-O-Rama in Flint. “Businesses have been taking advantage of the situation.”

When it comes to sign ordinances, Wallace, of Linden, has worked with multiple businesses within numerous municipalities. According to Wallace, sign ordinances have existed for years but haven’t been heavily enforced until

See **SIGNS** on 20A



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Like other municipalities, the sign ordinance in Fenton includes numerous restrictions and freedoms.



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## Police&Fire report

### WINDOW SHOOTER GETS JAIL TIME

Philip Aitken, 23, of Fenton was sentenced Wednesday in Oakland County Circuit Court for the December 2012 incident in which he shot out the windows of Blackthorn Pub in Holly



Philip Aitken

with a .22 rifle. He was sentenced to 187 days in Oakland County Jail and ordered to pay more than \$3,000 in restitution to the owners of Blackthorn Pub. Aitken is facing similar charges in Genesee County Circuit Court after he was arrested for shooting out the windows at the Laundry restaurant in downtown Fenton in December 2012. On April 29, he pleaded no contest to the Fenton charges and he will be sentenced on May 20. Police said that Aitken was a former employee of both businesses.

### ATTEMPTED B & E

On Monday, April 29, Fenton police responded to a fast-food restaurant in the 1300 block of North LeRoy Street to investigate an attempted breaking and entering complaint. An employee reported that they arrived for work around 11:30 a.m. and

See **POLICE** on 22A

## Pot, drug use could halt your welfare payments

► Program would force testing for one year in three counties

Welfare recipients suspected of drug use could be drug tested under legislation approved this week by the Michigan House, according to state Rep. Joseph Graves (R-Argentine Township).

House Bill 4118 sets up a one-year pilot program for welfare drug testing in three counties across the state, to be determined by Department of Human Services. After the first year, DHS would report its findings about the program to the Legislature.



### Summary

► The Michigan House of Representatives approved legislation that would require drug testing of welfare recipients suspected of drug use. The bill has been sent to the senate for consideration.

“Welfare dollars should not support anyone’s drug habit and this common-sense legislation makes sure that is no longer possible,” said Graves. “If an individual chooses to use their welfare dollars irresponsibly and illegally, they should be

removed from the program and this legislation allows DHS to do so.”

Under the legislation, first time offenders would be referred to a regional substance abuse coordinating agency for treatment. Recipients who follow the treatment program would continue to receive benefits, while those refusing treatment would lose their welfare benefits.

The bill, which was introduced by Jeff Farrington (R-Utica) also specifies that individuals who test positive must pay for the cost of the drug test. HB 4118 now goes to the Senate for consideration.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Martie Lind (left) and Cheryl Marshall discuss pre-planning funeral options with a client in the Selection Room at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton chapel.

## Save stress and money by pre-planning your funeral

► Putting your final wishes down in writing can help your family avoid disagreements

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Some lifetime events bring out the best in people, but it’s not usually at a family member’s funeral.

Family squabbles over burial or cremation, how much to spend on a casket, what the deceased should wear at viewing, the visitation schedule — all of these emotional decisions made at a very vulnerable time can cause unnecessary strife that may last far longer than the funeral service itself.

Such situations can lead to arguments, fights, estrangements, etc., when they could have been avoided with one simple piece of paper. That sheet of paper is called a Final Wishes Organizer, and includes all the in-

formation a person needs to plan a funeral without the emotional trauma of last-minute decisions — and it won’t cost you a cent.

“There are so many choices to be made in an emotionally charged moment if you haven’t planned ahead,” said Martie Lind, of Sharp Funeral Homes. She and Cheryl Marshall both work as Advanced Planning Counselors, and want the world to know there is a much less stressful way to plan a funeral, and it’s free.

“It costs you nothing to keep this Final Wishes Organizer on file at Sharp Funeral Homes,” said Lind. “With just one phone call to the funeral home on one of the worst days of your life, you can see what your loved one wanted for their funeral and eliminate all the questions you likely would have had about ‘what Mom would have wanted,’ etc. This document

can even be transferred to other funeral homes in other cities or states, at no cost to you.”

See **PRE-PLANNING** on 8A

“Death isn’t a matter of IF. It’s a matter of WHEN. You can simplify the whole process for the people you care about the most.”

**Cheryl Marshall**  
Advanced Planning  
Counselor at Sharp  
Funeral Homes

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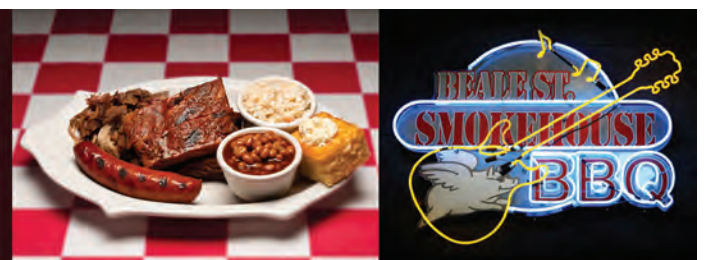


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# Time to change the rules

The terrorists have a new business model, one that I predicted in a column a couple of years ago.

In a nutshell, I wrote that future terrorist acts would be perpetrated by assimilated American Muslims who lived here all or most of their life. Muslim individuals who either have immigrated here legally, or have become citizens, will be quietly recruited by radical Muslims and coerced and trained to carry out more terrorist attacks on innocent Americans. Sound familiar?

Of course, we are all safe here in small towns like Fenton, Holly and Linden, right?

Actually no. I believe that the next

attack will occur precisely in some-where like Fenton, Holly or Linden.

Why? Well for the simple and strategic tactic of instilling fear in all Americans, not just those in large, high-profile target cities. Factor in that small towns have less sophisticated law enforcement, no municipal security cameras and a complacent and trusting populace, and you have the perfect environment for a terrorist attack.

But, that works both ways. If the new prototype of terrorists will be coming from within our own assimilated ranks, they will have friends, relatives and associates who are aware of their radical leanings.



These friends and family need to report their suspicions to the proper authorities. Even though the younger brother in Boston had bragged throughout his high school that he knew how to make a bomb, not one student found that suspicious enough to report it to anyone.

But, I digress. Consider the fact that multiple schoolmates failed to reach out to authorities even when they recognized the two suspects in surveillance photos on TV. Even more shocking, several students are accused of lying to officials and obstructing justice when questioned by authorities. These students chose to protect the terrorists over their country. You can attribute most of these traitorous actions to the politically correct culture of 'don't judge' perpetrated by the left.

One of the terrorist's strongest recruiting tactics is painting a picture

that extols the worldwide fame that awaits these 'martyrs.' We can easily nullify that by passing special terrorism laws that, under the weight of overwhelming evidence, keeps apprehended terrorists anonymous forever. No name, no fame.

It's way past time to take the politically correct gloves off — to fight fire with fire. Going forward, acts of terrorism will have their own special rules and they won't be pretty.

If that offends you, I urge you to google a photo of 8-year-old Martin Richard who was killed in the explosion at the Boston Marathon as he waited to give his father a hug at the finish line. Or his mother who has permanent brain damage. Or his sister, who lost her leg.

Their crime? They were Americans. It's time to change the rules.

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**THANKS FOR THE** TCTimes Facebook invite. I don't like the Times — I love it. Can't wait for my Sunday and Wednesday delivery. Thanks again.

**OBAMA AND HILLARY** Clinton policies failed to provide requested extra protection for our Ambassador in Benghazi causing American citizens' deaths. The cover-up began and continues today. Obama lied. Clinton lied. CIA and FBI agent witnesses have been warned against talking. Why? For politics! This isn't the American Way.

**HOW SAFE DO** you feel with a president who embraces the Muslim religion to the point that he refuses to call the random murder of Americans with IEDs by Muslim terrorists terrorism?

**I READ THAT** DDA Director Schmidt said he only wants businesses that will not fail to be in the new developments downtown. Guess that means there will be government offices in there, because even when they do fail they never go away.

**SOMEDAY PEOPLE WILL** say there used to be a big grain mill by the tracks that had shops and at one time a bar and restaurant. It was left to deteriorate and had to be torn down. The Dibbleville downtown is in bad shape — save what we have left, please.

**FACTS — 2009, 32.3** million on food stamps — now 47.7 million, a 15.4 million increase or 48 percent increase — largest ever growth and number of people on food stamps. Food stamp growth is 10 times that of job creation.

**I HOPE THE** DDA ignores the negative people in Fenton and continues the great work they are doing. There will always be residents who do nothing, yet criticize those who do. Keep up the good work Mr. Schmidt and all the members of the DDA who so generously donate their time.

**YOUR URBAN RENEWAL** stories were

kind of tough on the council members in office back then. As a relative of one of them, I ask you to remember that they were doing what they thought was best for the community at the time. Thank you.

**ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF** liberal logic — President Obama said at a recent Planned Parenthood conference, 'Thank You Planned Parenthood. God Bless You.' He actually asked God to bless an organization that makes a living aborting God's children. Obama's hubris shows no bounds.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

## Readers write

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### Cornerstone project is impressive

To those who are so negative about the Cornerstone project — not only does it look impressive, it is impressive. I grew up in downtown Fenton and spent many days and nights in the dwelling over the business where my mom worked. The hum of the city can be and was music to ones ears. My dream would be that they build a replica of downtown Fenton with lofts over the businesses where families of merchants could reside as they used to. I have a son-in-law who along with his father are commercial developers in Pontiac. In 2012, they renovated a bank building with businesses on the ground level with 14 lofts on the second floor and all lofts are rented. My son-in-law has had no complaints from renters about noise. I support the Cornerstone project. Projects such as this are being done or in the making all over our country.

— Donna Wood  
Linden, formerly of Fenton



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## streettalk



"My grandparents. They both have gray hair and they go to bed really early."

— Karli Fuesse  
Mr. Taylor



"My grandpa. He has a mustache and wakes up early to take me to school."

— Nathan Damico  
Mrs. Doyle



"My papa. He has gray hair and waves at me with his foot."

— Estella Hufton  
Mrs. Ureche



"Pauline, she's my grandma's friend. She doesn't do a whole lot, she has glasses and watches TV."

— Zander Shanafelt  
Mrs. Hayes



"My papa. I can tell he's old because he forgets stuff and his head is bald on top."

— Sophia Townsend  
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"My grandma. She's 68 and she likes to sew blankets."

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**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | WILLIAM AXFORD

Veterinarian Stephen Molle sits with his 1-year-old Oorang Airedale Lexxi. Molle developed joint medicine for cats and dogs with arthritis and other ailments.

## Shark cartilage could fix your dog or cat's aching joints

### ► Local vet develops promising medicine

**By William Axford**  
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One of the ocean's most powerful predators is helping cats and dogs with joint pain.

Dr. Stephen Molle, a traveling veterinarian in Holly, has developed medication for pets that helps rebuild tissue. Molle said he was inspired to create his own medication when his dog Kea was diagnosed with bi-lateral hip dysplasia and had to have her hip replaced. When Molle tried to find medication to improve Kea's other hip, he was frustrated by the lack of comprehensive medication on the market.

"I couldn't find the product I was

looking for, so I contacted a compound pharmacist in Colorado and came up with what I believe is the world's most complete arthritis medicine," Molle said.

Molle's medicine — Dr. Molle's Joint Rebound — includes MSM, tart cherry juice, hyaluronic acid, Vitamin C and other joint health ingredients. But the main component to Molle's medicine is shark cartilage, which the veterinarian said is vital to his concoction.

"Shark cartilage stimulates flexibility and a quickening of fluids inside the joints," Molle said. "It makes new cartilage in the joints."

While it may sound like voodoo, Molle said he's had great success with his product.

The veterinarian said his medicine has been therapeutic for both cats and dogs that may experience joint pain due to diseases, genetics, infections and a host of other reasons.

The medicine itself normally takes four to six weeks to become effective and comes in powder form. The afflicted cat or dog is given the medicine twice a day for the first six weeks and then once a day, depending on the need.

Molle's experience was a major factor in creating comprehensive medication. A graduate of Michigan State University, Molle has been working as a veterinarian since 1974. In the span of his career, Molle has worked in numerous clinics and has performed relief work, in addition to publishing his research.

One jar of Dr. Molle's Joint Medicine costs \$39.99 and can be ordered online at [jointrebound.com](http://jointrebound.com). Molle can also be reached at (248) 634-8828.

"I've had absolutely fantastic results with it. I had no idea that it would go over so well," Molle said.

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## Make money from a YouTube video?

►One million views will net you over \$3,000

By William Axford

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If you're like most Americans who are addicted to the Internet, you've probably already seen videos of The Harlem Shake, Gangnam Style and Grumpy Cat (and every other cat online, for that matter). What you might not know is that YouTube — the world's most popular video sharing website — will payout to people who create videos that drive traffic to their website.

For one view, YouTube pays \$0.0033. For 1,000 views, the pay goes up to \$3; 100,000 views will earn you \$330 and 1 million views will generate \$3,300. The only catch, however, is that YouTube only starts paying after the first million views and if the uploader is a partner with the website.

With one billion unique users visiting YouTube every month, getting a few million hits isn't impossible, if you have the right video. Kevin Nalty, a marketing professional who has created videos for major companies, told Bottom Line/Personal magazine that the secret to a good YouTube video is keeping it short and having surprising moments.

"Don't imitate videos that already are popular — copycat content tends to be ignored," Nalty said in the article. "Include a clever or exciting moment at the very end of the video, too, when possible. Viewers decide whether to share YouTube videos with friends immediately after watching them, so that



A surprise ending and clever content will get viewers to share videos, which increases "clicks" for the video, and therefore marketing dollars for the creator.

final impression is crucial."

In addition to getting people to watch your video, YouTube also features advertisers who will pay to be on certain videos. For each 1,000 views on a video, an advertiser will pay \$6.33 to have its ad played before the video, according to Businessweek.

So what videos will grab the most eyes? Music artist Psy had the most views last year for his Gangnam Style video. Felix Baumgartner's 128,000-foot jump, Carly Rae Jepsen's 'Call Me Maybe' and a TNT commercial featuring a dramatic shootout in a quiet town square were also some of the most popular videos last year. So dancing, music, practical jokes and death-defying stunts are videos that viewers crave.

"Videos featuring babies or animals doing cute or funny things can attract lots of views," Nalty said.

## Village to net \$14,000 a year with new upstairs tenant

By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly** — Village office neighbors Real Barre and CSM will be leasing the space above the village offices after a unanimous vote at the last village council meeting.

The space is currently used for storage, and for Downtown Development Authority Director (DDA) Hope Ponsart. President Jason Hughes said Ponsart will be moving downstairs and the storage will remain.

The village will lease the space for administrative offices housing up to 15 employees, for \$1,200 per month, or around \$14,000 per year. "I view it as a

pretty good move for the council," said Hughes. This is good news, considering the budget woes that each municipality is facing, especially cities and villages. Hughes said it costs about \$3,000 in utilities each month to run the village offices.

Aside from money savings, Village Manager Jerry Walker also mentioned the added benefits of the employees shopping and eating downtown after work.

"I'm glad we're putting some use to that," said Council Member Ryan Bladzick. "I was really excited to hear that it was looking at four to 15 jobs."

Walker said it would take seven to 10 business days to complete the language of the lease, and start the move-in process.

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## News briefs

### Apply for elk and bear licenses now through June 1

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### Arbor Day Essay Contest has winners

Jetstream Landscape & Irrigation announced this year's Arbor Day Essay Contest Winners — Hannah Erpelding of Holy Family Elementary School, Martaya Mitchell of McGrath Elementary in Grand Blanc, Cali Rohr of State Road Elementary in Fenton, Justin Miller of St. John School in Fenton and Emma Lurvey of Central Elementary School in Linden. At each Arbor Day assembly, the winner was presented with an award certificate and a 6-7-foot tree.

See photos of Essay contest winners online at [tctimes.com](http://tctimes.com)

## PRE-PLANNING

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While it's not a legally binding document, it is morally and ethically binding for families who respect the wishes of their loved ones. "Most people want to do the right thing," said Lind. "Unfortunately, they don't always know what those wishes are. That's when having them written down eliminates 100 percent of the problem."

Both Marshall and Lind have their own personal stories about the pain of not having a family member's funeral pre-planned. "This is the very last job I would have ever expected to have in my lifetime," said Marshall, whose son, Ricky, died very unexpectedly in 1996 on the soccer field at age 15. "We never could have predicted this, but it certainly changed my way at looking at pre-planning for the rest of our family."

She's passionate now about pre-planning. "Every facet of funeral pre-planning is designed to protect the individuals themselves and those they care about the most," said Marshall. "It is the greatest gift you can ever give someone, and it doesn't have to cost you anything."

Pre-planning a funeral can have two parts to it: all the details of the service (travel, burial, the service itself), and the financial end of the funeral. "Everyone thinks that pre-planning is all about the money," said Lind. "I'm here to tell you that the importance of a Final Wishes Organizer has nothing to do with money. When we're talking about pre-planning, we do tell people that it makes sense to pre-pay your funeral, but that is secondary to having your wishes known and written down."

They both agree, however, that pre-paying for a funeral is also financially smart, because the funeral price is guaranteed for the future in today's dollars. "It's an irrevocable asset, meaning that it doesn't count as an asset in Medicaid or Social Security Disability cases," said Marshall. "It's also transferable to any other funeral home."

But the financial part of the funeral is secondary to these women, who want the world to know that funeral planning doesn't have to be something you dread.

"In fact, we put the 'fun' in funeral planning when it's done in advance, not when it is done 'at need,'" said Lind. "It gives us a chance to get to know each other as people, from the music you like to the shared experiences we all have. We even laugh a lot, because as people, we all have so much in common."

"Death isn't a matter of IF," said Marshall. "It's a matter of WHEN. You can simplify the whole process for the people you care about the most."

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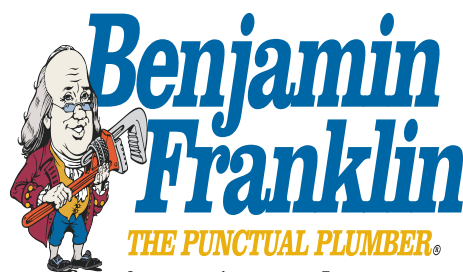
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# Extra police security at Holly schools?

► School district installs \$16,000 worth of new security cameras

By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly** — The Holly Board of Education and Superintendent Kent Barnes agree — it's a dangerous world when school districts discuss contracting extra police to offer security for out-lying school buildings.

Ultimately the board decided to table the idea, but not before discussing contracting the Holly Police Department to cover out-of-village schools for \$20 an hour.

Rose Pioneer is in Rose Township, and Davisburg Elementary School is in Davisburg. Rose Pioneer is covered by the Michigan State Police who are now stationed in Flint, and Davisburg

**“It's a terrible world when we have to consider doing things like this.”**

Tony Mayhew

President, Holly Board of Education



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This new security camera at the entrance to the Karl Richter Campus is part of a “buzzer” system to gain entry to school buildings. Another camera was installed at the entrance of Holly Middle School, which is in the same building.

Elementary is covered by the Oakland County Sheriff's Office.

The response time for either is more than seven minutes.

Superintendent Kent Barnes mentioned that the cost of \$3,200 per month for a security guard was not budgeted for, though recent tragedies “give credence” to the idea of sharing a village police officer between the two buildings.

The board ultimately agreed to revisit the idea in July.

HAS did recently install a new camera system for about \$16,000. At the entrance to each school building is a high resolution security camera with keypad. Once the system is operating, visitors will have to be “buzzed” in, via a staff member through their computer.

Technology Officer Matt Mello said that Holly police will have an Internet feed of the cameras.

## CHICKENS

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After more than six months of debate back and forth and input from the city's planning commission, an ordinance was eventually drafted that allowed would-be chicken owners to find a hen to call their own — up to three hens, in fact.

The ordinance was approved by the city council with a divided vote. While those who stood pro-chicken were successful in getting the animals into the city, they were less successful in getting the number of chickens per household that they requested, which was six.

The ordinance amendment that was passed allows for a household to have up to three chickens, and requires them to be kept in an enclosed chicken coop kept in the backyard. The coop must be at least 4-square-feet per chicken, and must be kept clean, dry, and odor-free. Applying for a permit costs \$25.

So far, two people have applied for chickens in Fenton, and one person has been approved. Of the two, one has yet to request inspection of the chicken coop, one of the steps in approving the application.

The other permit belongs to Malissa Bossardet, the woman who first brought the chicken issue to the city council.

“It was a long process,” Bossardet said. “There was a lot of give or take on both sides. In the end I didn't get everything I wanted, I wanted to get a few more chickens. Three is not quite enough for the size of my family.”

Bossardet uses the eggs laid from the chickens to feed her family in the morning, which she said was the main reason she wanted chickens.

“There is a huge trend toward growing your own food,” she said. “I think people really want to have more control over their food, knowing where it's coming from, and if it's safe.”

Overall, Bossardet said that she believes the amended chicken ordinance has been a positive move for the city, bringing a whole new element to Fenton.

### Summary

► Since the inception of the ordinance amendment allowing chickens in the city, only two people have applied for a chicken permit.

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## Dispatch debate packs work session

► Arguments, facts and figures at budget meeting

By Tim Jagielo

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**Holly** — The Village Council is currently considering using the Oakland County Communications Bureau, the emergency responder dispatch center which is run by the Oakland County Sheriff's Office cutting the village depatch to 12 hours.

According to Village Manager Jerry Walker, the two employees they are considering cutting cost around \$70,000 each with salary and benefits, not including overtime.

Oakland County dispatch services would cost \$43,000. Walker said the village would save around \$100,000 using the dispatch center from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. It would cost \$113,000 for 24-hour service.

There is one opening at the county's dispatch center, for which one village employee could apply.

The idea to cut costs came from the goal of saving \$50,000 every year for the village's fund balance, which is not possible this coming fiscal year with the current budget.

This topic has been discussed at previous budget sessions, but it dominated the Tuesday night work session.

The bulk of the meeting brought a presentation from the sheriff's office, a packed crowd and a lot of questions answered by Chief of Communications Mel Maier of the sheriff's office. For the most part, Maier did his job of selling the virtues of the county dispatch services with a powerpoint presentation, and cracking jokes. He highlighted comparable response time and ongoing training the dispatchers received, along with the technology infrastructure they use.

Maier discussed how the dozens of other municipalities have benefited from county dispatch, in many cases hiring on dispatchers from those municipalities.

The communications bureau handles emergency 911 calls, 10-digit emergency calls, and also non-emergency calls with around 15 people on staff during the day.

The Village of Holly does have a shared services agreement with Groveland Township. Both municipalities share the dispatch center along with the fire department, EMS and Fire Chief Steve McGee.

McGee said the village going with this option wouldn't make a financial difference for Groveland Township. He has been a part of the Oakland County Communication Bureau, and said "both centers do a wonderful job."

Another angle was brought up by Interim Police Chief Sgt. Michael Story. He men-



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Oakland County Sheriff's Office Chief of Communications Mel Maier answers questions about the dispatch center facilities at the budget work session Tuesday.

tioned that his dispatchers handle a certain amount of administrative work, which should the council lay them off, would have to be compensated for. "You have to be ready to adjust to that," he said, adding that his department will follow the will of the council and do their best with it.

Council Member George Kullis said the presentation gave them a lot to think about, and hopefully dispelled rumors — like a police car driving from Pontiac to answer a call.

Aside from regular questions and discussion about the county dispatch, a pointed argument occurred between Council Member Jackie Campbell and Walker. She asked Walker how he could justify a planned 2-percent wage increase for department employees, while employees could be laid off. "I wish I could give all of you a raise," said Campbell, but added that's not possible today.

Walker deflected, and denied he had made statements about the raise at an earlier meeting. He told Campbell it was improper to discuss the topic, as it was part of ongoing union negotiations. "You are out of line," said Walker, who said a 2-percent raise was not being discussed.

Arguments aside, Campbell said the presentation did not put her in favor of the Oakland County option. She still has too many unanswered questions about its affect on the Holly community.

## News briefs

### Fenton Road reconstruction in Fenton and Fenton Township begins Wednesday

The Genesee County Road Commission, Michigan Department of Transportation, Fenton Township and City of Fenton have announced the reconstruction of Fenton Road in the City of Fenton and Fenton Township. Starting Wednesday, May 8 at 7 a.m., Le-Roy Street/Fenton Road between Bly Street and Butcher Road will be under construction. The entire project will be constructed in phases in order to minimize disruption to the local community. The first stage will start at Bly Street and end just north of Garnet Drive. This phase of construction will be built while maintaining one lane of traffic in each direction of travel. The anticipated completion date for this phase of construction is July 3. The remaining phases will be constructed after the July 4 holiday and will require a detour of Fenton Road. Genesee County Road Commission will keep the public updated as new phases begin. The detour route, once posted, will be Thompson Road, Torrey Road and South Long Lake Road. Detouring will not be posted until after July 4. The anticipated open to traffic date of the entire project is Friday, Oct. 25. Motorists are advised to allow themselves additional time to reach their destinations.

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By Sally Rummel

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The year was 1962 and the Beatles had just released their first record, "Love Me Do." Americans laughed their troubles away watching "The Beverly Hillbillies" and "The Dick Van Dyke Show," while hairstyles mimicked the sleek pillbox bob styles of First Lady Jackie Kennedy and the "beehives" of singers Dusty Springfield and Aretha Franklin.

That year also marked the beginning of a 51-year relationship between Lake Shannon businesswoman Sylvia Cole and her hairdresser, George Carlson — back in the day when beehive hairdos and cat's eye glasses were all the rage. Only Cole and one other client, Mimi Beckwith, share a unique history with Carlson as clients he has styled since the beginning of his career in 1962.

"We were trendsetters back then," said Cole, with a smile, whose own personal style has gone from beehives to bobs and now a short 'do to fit her lifestyle.

"I was fresh out of (Joan Clare) beauty school back then," said Carlson, 71, a hairdresser at A Time for You in Fenton for the past eight years. "I was the only guy that graduated back then, out of a class of 30 girls," recalled Carlson. "Both Sylvia and Mimi started with me at Fenton Beauty Shop, and then followed me along my career at different places, including my own, most recently George's Hair Fashions, which closed in 2005."

Like any long-standing relationship, the one between Cole and Carlson has persevered amidst deaths in both families, illnesses, accidents, surgeries and other life calamities. It has also shared many happy moments of laughter and memories.

"I've gone to him every week of my life

**“It's in my will that George will do my final hair style.”**

Sylvia Cole  
Lake Shannon  
businesswoman



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"Happy" George Carlson of Flint washes the hair of Sylvia Cole, 78, accompanied by son Harold at A Time For You salon in Fenton. Cole has been coming to Carlson for 50 years.

since 1962, except when I was in Florida, until my car accident in 2006," said Cole. "I don't remember a thing about hitting a tree, breaking 19 bones and being hospitalized for two years and four months. I do remember when convalescing at home that George came to the house to style my hair, bringing a professional dryer with him."

Wheelchair-bound since the accident, Cole now gets lifted into a van by her son, Harold, her full-time caregiver, for the trip into town for her twice-monthly hair appointment. It's a bit more of an ordeal than it used to be, but it's still social and a bystander can see the special bond between the two. "She's been a wonderful customer," said Carlson, who says he has kept his clientele over the years by being nice to his customers

and always putting their needs first.

"I've aged along with my clients," he admits. Both agree that they've slowed down a bit: Cole since her glory days as Lake Shannon co-developer with her husband, her own career as a crime reporter, then a real estate broker. "Now I'm just known as the 'Great Grandma' of Lake Shannon," she quips. Carlson has also slowed down since his days owning his own shops, first La Villager then George's Hair Fashions. "Now I'm keeping my clientele to about 40 or 50," he said.

But thanks to Carlson, she always knows that her hair looks good, and will even look good upon her passing. "It's in my will that George will do my final hair style," she said.



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Sylvia Cole's hair is put in curlers by hair dresser George Carlson on Monday.

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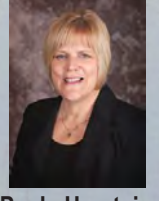
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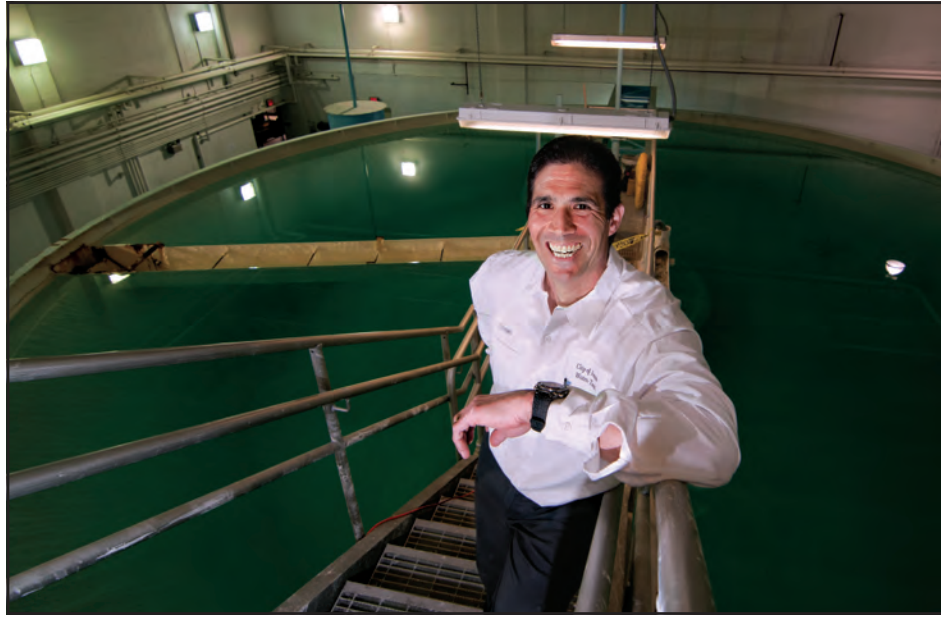
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If you have a well in your yard, you already know where your drinking water comes from. But, if you don't draw your water from a private or community well — where does it come from?

The Flint area has been buying its water from Detroit for many years, but Flint officials recently voted to try another source projected to cost less money — Port Huron.

The Times editorial staff checked with local municipalities to see if Flint's decision will have any impact on their areas and to explain how drinking water makes it from a water source to your family's home.



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Fenton Water Plant Manager Steve Guy stands above the 175,000 gallon clarifier, which handles all of Fenton's water.

## Fenton City

Steven Guy, the director of Fenton's water plant said Fenton City draws water from four groundwater wells that are piped to the treatment plant. This water is drawn from a local aquifer. Once at the treatment plant, the water is processed the same as a conventional treatment plant that also performs softening.

"What happens is the ground water is pumped to the treatment plant by pumps in each of the wells to the top of the plant head tank where it flows through trays of plastic balls spreading the water out so air can contact it," said Guy.

Guy added that when air contacts the water the iron that is dissolved becomes insoluble and falls out of solution. The water flows from the head tank into the bottom of the clarifier where the two main treatment additives, lime and caustic soda, are added. The additives cause the

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A hand holding a smartphone displaying a list of businesses in Fenton, MI, including Mega Coney Island, Applebee's, and Little Caesars.



## TAP WATER

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pH of the water to rise.

The water then flows up from the bottom of the clarifier to the top where the water flows into a trough. As the water exits the trough, the pH is still very high so carbon dioxide is bubbled into the stream of water which lowers the pH. The water then flows to the filters and just prior to the filters, phosphate is added to keep the filter media from hardening. Disinfectant is added to deactivate any bacteria.

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"When you turn on your tap you get water from the distribution system," said Guy. The water goes through the water meter where the amount is recorded on the meter for billing purposes. After the meter, plumbing carries the water to each

room in the home.

When asked if Flint's decision to go with Port Huron over Detroit would have any impact on water in Fenton City, Guy said, "There are a lot of ifs still with the project referenced here but the short answer to this question is no."

### Fenton Township

There has been much talk in the past of Fenton Township hooking into Flint's municipal water system to help expand the Thompson Road Corridor, however, that has not occurred. Homes in the township rely on private wells and community wells, such as in condominium developments.

### Linden

Water in Linden is supplied by four wells. The city also has a fifth well, which serves as a backup supply to the others. City officials are currently working to fix the fifth well, which is not in operation.

According to a 2010 water quality report for city of Linden, each well is more than

180 feet deep. Wells 1 and 4 are located at 217 North Bridge Street and wells 3 and 5 are located at 400 Blythe Street. All of the wells are located within city limits and processed at the city's water plant before distributed to homes and businesses in within city limits.

Possible contaminations that could be in the water include microbial contaminants, pesticides and herbicides, and other bacteria. Residents in Linden should have little fear of contaminated water however; the 2010 quality report states, "There are no significant sources of contamination in our water supply."

Linden's water supply has low levels of arsenic, barium and fluoride, which falls in line with the Environmental Protection Agency's standards.

### Holly area

Most homes in the Holly and Rose Townships use individual wells for their water source. Holly Village has its

own municipal water plant. Some Holly township subdivisions, like the Pulte subdivision run on municipal water, as does Holly High School, which is in Groveland Township.

Department of Public Works (DPW) Director Brian Klaasen said the village has four community wells located on the grounds of the plant — the village's root water source. He said they run around 275, to 300 feet down. Three of the wells are used regularly, and one is a back-up.

The plant processes about 750,000 to 1 million gallons of water each day during the summer, and up to 500,000 in the winter.

The village system removes the arsenic from the water, but not the calcium that can make the water moderately hard. Klassen said the residents are advised to use their own water softener.

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**A** Funny Cide was had 12-to-1 odds, but still won the 2003 Kentucky Derby. He was the first New York-based horse to ever win the Kentucky Derby as well.

## David's DABBLINGS

### Ex-NBA Champion

Chicago Bulls and Los Angeles Lakers head coach has joined the Pistons team to find a new head coach.

If there ever was a sign that Joe Dumars should be fired, this has to be it. When the owner can't trust his team president to be the primary person to select the new coach, then why is he here?

**The Red Wings** had a thriller on Thursday. Leading 4-1, it looked like they were poised to even their series with the Ducks at a game each, but then they blew that lead, forcing OT. Just 72 seconds into the OT though, Gustav Nyquist gave the Wings the thrilling win. It doesn't matter how you win, but that you do win. The Wings are tied 1-all coming back to Detroit. I guess their stay in Anaheim was relatively successful.

## Area ACES

### Dieter Horstkotte

Horstkotte, 68, became the tri-county area's first golfer to record an ace at Fenton Farms, carding it at the par-3 138-yard 12th hole. He used a three-wood to record his ace on April 29, and it was the 68-year old's first hole-in-one of his 44-year golf career.

## Home squad splits games with Ramblers

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## SPLIT RESULTS FOR DEVILS

Boys track wins, girls track loses in recent meet.

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Lake Fenton's Melissa Eggleston (standing) tries to get to a ball before Perry's keeper did.

## LF soccer remains perfect, beats Dryden

By Jordan Climie

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**Lake Fenton** — It didn't take the full 80 minutes for Lake Fenton girls soccer to secure the Genesee Area Conference victory against Dryden on Thursday.

With just over 35 minutes left in the second half, the Blue Devils scored their eighth goal, giving them the 8-0 mercy-rule win.

But even with the easy win, the game was valuable.

"We were able to get some other players on the field," Blue Devils coach Lenny Glasstetter said. "We got to work on our passing game."

He added that no matter the level of difficulty in the opponent,

"you have to play as a team."

One player who echoed Glasstetter's statements was junior forward Jordan Newman, who scored three goals in the victory.

"It feels good," she said. "We played good as a team. It helps us possess more, get our touches down."

(The competition) will pick up more when we get to GAC finals."

Newman also said the 8-0 victory could be beneficial or work against them.

"We could get used to that style of play and then suddenly face something different, or we could get overconfident. I'm pretty sure everyone has level heads."

For Glasstetter, he said the team

needs to find their focus on their own for the next game after such a big win.

"They've got to prepare themselves mentally."

It was actually Dryden, however, with the first opportunity of the game. Five minutes in, Lake Fenton's goalkeeper, sophomore Melissa Eggleston, had to lay out for a save off her hands from a shot by Dryden. After that though, it was all Blue Devils.

Ten minutes in, Newman scored her first goal as she broke away from the defense with incredible acceleration, outdueling the Dryden goalkeeper to find the back of the net.

See **BRONCHO** on 18A

## Area foes complete twinbill 21 days later, finish with split results

By David Troppens

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**Lake Fenton** — Two area rivals finally finished what they started three weeks ago on Wednesday.

The Fenton and Lake Fenton varsity softball teams began a double-header on April 10, but poor weather caused its suspension with Fenton leading 8-1 with two out in the bottom of the fourth inning.

The Tigers finished up that contest, defeating the Blue Devils 9-1, but the Blue Devils bounced back beating the Tigers 6-5 in the second game.

"The first time we played them it was our first time on dirt too," Lake Fenton's Kim Roe said. "We had pretty much been in the gym and they had played a couple of games already, so we are just starting to get into it. We've played more games now and are starting

to get synched up."

In the first game, the Tigers did most of their damage 21 days ago, scoring three runs in the first inning and two runs in each of the next two innings. Marina Cleis provided the most impressive blow with a solo home run in the fourth. And all of the damage was done with Roe on the mound.

However, 245 redeemed herself in the second game. Fenton already scored two runs in the bottom of the fifth inning off a walk to Katie Cairnduff and singles by Regina Siekierski, Paige Dean and Macie Keller. That cut the Lake Fenton lead to just 6-5. Ellie Cowger also walked, re-loading the bases. However, Roe relieved Lake Fenton's starting pitcher Patricia Whitaker and got a strike out to end the inning. Roe then continued to do an impressive job on the mound during the final two innings,



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Lake Fenton's Kim Roe (left) tries to slide into second base before Fenton's Marina Cleis can tag her out at second base.

retiring each of the seven batters she faced, including five by strike outs. She earned the save, while Whitaker got the win.

"I've been working on my riseball and my riseball was working pretty

good today," Roe said. "It looks deceiving, so when they swing it rises just above their bat."

In reality both teams had great chances to win the second game.

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## SPORTS BRIEFS

## BOYS TRACK

► **Linden, Fenton at Lapeer West:**

Linden won 14 of the 17 events out right, resulting in easy wins against Fenton and Lapeer West. Fenton won the other three events and defeated West.

Connor O'Connell, Cody Grandy, Taylor Anderson and Austin Buerkel combined to win the 800 relay (1:34.37) and the 400 relay (44.93). O'Connell also won two individual events. He took the top spot in the pole vault (12-6) and the 200 (23.97). Aaron Kersten also won two individual events, taking the top spot in the long jump (18-4 1/4) and the 300 hurdles (43.87). Other individual winners for Linden were: Andy Roberts in the shot put (40-2), Graham Elliott in the 1,600 (4:41.28), Grandy in the 110 hurdles (16.40), Buerkel in the 100 (11.50), Kyle Susalla in the 400 (55.43) and Andrew Kost in the discus (110-1). The 3,200 relay team of Zack Lemieux, Blake Bloomfield, Roger Phillips and Dave Doyle (8:54) also won, as did the 1,600 relay team of Bloomfield, Susalla, John Gossett and Garrett Beaudry (3:42.14).

Fenton's Max Kryza won two events, winning the 800 (2:04.75) and the 3,200 (10:23.12). Matt Cubr won the high jump (5-8).

► **Holly, Swartz Creek at Clio:** The Bronchos beat Swartz Creek 88-49, and also beat Clio 104-33. Sean Barr won the 110 hurdles (16.54) and the 300 hurdles (41.29), while Nate Frasier took the top spot in the 3,200 (10:02.31). Other individual winners were Jake Fife in the 400 (52.62), Javon Barr in the 100 (11.94) and John Williams in the 200 (23.35). The Bronchos also won the 1,600 relay, the 800 relay, the 3,200 relay and the 400 relay.

## GIRLS TRACK

► **Linden, Fenton at Lapeer West:**

Fenton swept the meet, remaining undefeated in Metro play. Fenton defeated Linden 79-58, while the Tigers also beat Lapeer West 126-10. Linden beat West 116-10.

Among the Tigers' victories were three relays — the 3,200 relay, the 800 relay and the 1,600 relay. Hannah Sage won the 200 for Fenton. Not all results were reported at press time.

Winners for Linden included Sydney Elmer in the 800 and 1,600; Rebecca McDonald in the 100 hurdles and the 300 hurdles; Tiffani Cameron in the discs, Niki Sargent in the shot put and Courtney Davis in the 3,200.

► **Holly, Swartz Creek at Clio:** The Bronchos beat Swartz Creek 105-32 and beat Clio 106-31. Kelly Ray won two individual events, taking the top spot in the 200 (28.33) and in the 400 (1:03.95). Other individual winners were Kaitlyn Smith in the 800 (2:31.0), Amy DeRousha in the high jump (4-8) and Shannon Westfall in the 1,600 (5:47.0).

## SOCCER

► **Lake Fenton 8, Lakeville 0:** Jordan Newman scored three goals and had two assists, while Sidney Scott had two goals and two assists, leading the Blue Devils to the easy win. Kaitlyn Begley, Denise Carlson and Miranda Quick had goals, while Alyssa Krueger had an assist. Missy Eggleston and Brenna Meicher combined in net for the shutout. Defensively, Sydney Bruder, Alex Isaac, Krueger, Miecher and Melssia Williams played strong.

► **Fenton 3, Brandon 0:** Mackenzie Murphy, Bri Cosigan and Carly Granger each scored a goal, leading the Tigers to the Metro victory. Natalee Marshall, Katie Delavergne and Mary Geib each had assists.

In net, Tiffany Cairns made two saves. Fenton outshot Brandon 18-2.

► **Linden 8, Kearsley 0:** Samantha Thornton scored three goals and Katie Wilkowski scored two, leading the Eagles to the victory. Sarah Ford, Kennedy Kunkle and Ashley Proter had a goal each. each had a goal. Bridgett Adams made three saves in net, earning the shutout.

## Blue Devil boys continue GAC Red domination

By David Troppens

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**Lake Fenton** — It wasn't too long ago Goodrich was one of the great powers in the Genesee Area Conference Red Division in boys track and field.

The Blue Devils proved to the Martians on Tuesday that those days of dominance are in the past, however.

The Blue Devils beat Goodrich 100-35 and Lakeville 109-28 in a double-dual meet held at Lake Fenton High School on Tuesday.

"I'm pleased," Lake Fenton coach Eric Doyle said. "We ran better than last week and it's still early for us being this was only our second meet. Our schedule really picks up the next couple of weeks, so we'll have to lean on our depth. I like our depth in dual meet situations, but we really need a few kids to step up in order to compete in an invitational type of meet like we (had) on Friday at the Cavalier Classic. I'm excited to find out."

Zac Zielinski had an outstanding day, winning all four event he was in, including three of them being individual events. Zielinski captured the top spot in the high jump (5-10), the 300 hurdles (42.7)

and the 200 (23.9). He also teamed with Mitchell Bollinger, Austin Frank and Brad Wilson to win the 800 relay (1:39.3).

The depth that Doyle wants to see on display at invitationals performed well in relays. The squad won all four relay events. The 3,200 relay started the sweep. The team of Sawyer Scott, Chase Hanson, Neil Allor and Caleb Fletcher won (9:00.6). Also winning were the 400 relay team of Matt Hommer, Frank, Wilson and Bollinger (46.3); and the 1,600 relay team of Hommer, Hanson, Allor and Bollinger (3:44.6).

Three others won individual events. They were Nick VanDuser in the shot put (39-4 1/2), Tim Symons in the 110 hurdles (16.7) and Hommer in the 100 (11.4).

**Lake Fenton girls vs. Goodrich & Lakeville**

The Lake Fenton girls faced two of the stronger teams in the GAC Red, losing to Lakeville 93-40 and to Goodrich 98-33.

Megan Sommers was the only Blue Devil to win an event overall among the three teams. She won the shot put with a throw of 27-feet-11.

Against Lakeville, the Blue Devils had three other first-place performers. Som-



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Lake Fenton's Zac Zielinski won every event he was in on Tuesday, including the 300 hurdles.

mers beat Lakeville in the 100 hurdles (19.3) and the 300 hurdles (57.3). Sammie Hertler won the pole vault ( 6-0). Sophia Sahouri also won the 400 against Goodrich (1:08).

## TWINBILL

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Both took advantage of the other team's miscues at times, while there were other times both teams were their worst enemy as well. Lake Fenton stranded 11 runners, while Fenton stranded nine. Both left the bases loaded at least once, and the Tigers did it twice. However, there were times when both teams capitalized as well.

Fenton took a 1-0 lead in the second when Dori Carpenter singled and eventually scored on a bases loaded walk to Keller. There was only one out, but the Tigers failed to score again. Meanwhile, the Blue Devils answered with three runs in the bottom of the second. With one out, Taylor Sheyachich singled and Sidney Sheyachich reached on an error. With two on, Roe and Shelby Beckman followed with back-to-back doubles, plating three runs. Lake Fenton led 3-1.

Fenton put two runners on in the third inning, but were unable to score against Whitaker. The Blue Devils then scored two more runs in the bottom of the third, making it a 5-1 lead. Alexis Melton reached on an error, and later on Melody Draeger reached on a walk. Taylor Sheyachich singled in Melton and Draeger scored on a Fenton error.

Lake Fenton cut the gap to 5-3 with two runs on one hit and a walk in the top of the fourth. Some nifty base running resulted in three stolen bases and a run. Dean walked, went to second on a wild pitch and moved to third on Ellie Cowger's single. Cowger stole second as Dean ran home. Both were safe and Cowger went to third on the play at the plate. Cowger also scored on a wild pitch.

Lake Fenton added a run in the bottom of the fourth on consecutive singles by Beckman, Kayla Ward and Melton, making it a 6-4 lead. However, Fenton scored the single run in the fifth, and had the bases loaded when Roe went to the mound. However, each of her first eight pitches were strikes, helping set the tone for her relief outing.

The Blue Devils (6-3) were pleased to get the win.

"It means a lot," Lake Fenton coach Amos Rinks said. "We have a few games under our belts now, and we are still making a few baserunning mistakes, but I don't think we've had enough practice time outside to get those things down. We are going to get better and better. We are not going to make those mistakes."

## SPORTS BRIEFS

## GIRLS TENNIS

► **Holly 8, Kearsley 0:** The Bronchos remained undefeated in Metro play with the easy win, capturing every flight in straight sets. The singles winners were Natalie Clink (No. 1), Victoria Skubik (No. 2), Alex Knight (No. 3) and Jenna Pepper (No. 4). In doubles action the winners were Carly Postma and Sydney Renehan (No. 1), Haley Crimmins and Daryl Spurgeon (No. 2), Leah Moller

and Alanah Rau (No. 3) and Katherine Skubik and Claire Young (No. 4).

► **Fenton 6, Lapeer East 2:** The Tigers singles winners were Madison Ballard (No. 1) and Josie Foguth (No. 4). The doubles winners were Lilly DuBois and Emily McIntosh (No. 1), Ashley Bearden and Hanna Horton (No. 2), Kendra Praedel and Abby Rachor (No. 3) and Sylee Kiran and Katie Kurycz (No. 4).

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# Blue Devils' baseball split DH with Perry Ramblers

By David Troppens

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**Lake Fenton** — Lake Fenton's bats arrived early in their baseball doubleheader against Perry Thursday.

Unfortunately, their defense struggled all day long.

The Blue Devils' offense scored at least a run in each of the first five innings of the first game of the twinbill against Perry, resulting in a 10-8 victory. However, in the nightcap, the offense wasn't as powerful and the defense committed five errors helping the Ramblers earn a 9-6 victory in the nightcap.

"We came out and hit the ball well," Lake Fenton coach Brad LaRowe said. "We still didn't field it as well as we should, but we are starting to make the routine plays."

In the opener, first-inning singles by Neil Allor, Cody Alexander and Jeff Heller resulted in two Blue Devil runs. The scoring output was doubled in the second. Lake Fenton got walks to Tyler Begley and Allor, with singles by Stryker DeGayner and Heller mixed in, helping score four runs.

The offense never stopped. Singles by Begley, Allor and Robbie Alexander plated  
**See DEVILS' on 19A**



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Lake Fenton's Tyler Smith slides safely into home plate during the Blue Devils' doubleheader split with Perry on Thursday.

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**MAIL REGISTRATION:** Send entry to: Fenton High School Athletic Office, Attn: 5K Run/Walk, 3200 West Shiawassee Avenue, Fenton, MI 48430. Entries must be received by **Friday, May 10, 2013.**

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**PACKET PICKUP/ REGISTRATION** will be held on Friday, May 17th from 6:00-7:30 pm at the Fenton High School Track. In the event of inclement weather, registration/packet pick up will take place in the FHS Cafeteria. Packet pick up/registration on race day will be from 7:00-8:00 am.

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Holly's Natalie Clink (left) returns a ball against Fenton's Madison Ballard in their No. 1 singles match on Tuesday. Holly beat Fenton in the dual 5-3.

## Holly tennis edges Fenton in key dual meet Metro League battle

By Jordan Climie

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**Holly** — All other matches had been finished for quite a while, but there was still one court actively trying to decide whether Holly would get the win or Fenton would escape with a tie in the Flint Metro League girls tennis contest.

For Holly, it was Daryl Spurgeon and Haley Crimmins, two rookies for head coach Will Sophiea, that brought home the victory.

"It's not an easy spot for two girls who are rookies to the lineup," Sophiea said. "It's a big spot for two girls in a big match."

After dropping the first set in the number two doubles matchup 5-7, Spurgeon-Crimmins were able to take the hard-fought second set 7-6 (8-6) and the tiebreaker set 6-2 over Ashley Bearden and Hannah Horton from Fenton.

Until that point, the Bronchos were leading 4-3 and needed the victory from Spurgeon-Crimmins to secure the win.

"It's huge to get the win," Sophiea said. "For these two to come through for us, it was a big match."

"It was another step in the right direction."

Sophiea commented that his team was a step slow in starting the day, starting with the play of number one singles player Madison Ballard of Fenton. She defeated Holly's Natalie Clink 6-1, 6-2.

"I felt pretty good," Ballard said. "I had

some problems. I settled down though.

"I got frustrated. I'm kind of a perfectionist."

At the beginning of her match, Ballard's volleys were sometimes just a bit off the mark with seemingly too much power behind them to go too long. Once she found her rhythm, she kept a steady pace to seal the match.

She has high hopes on this season just as she had last year.

"I want to go to states and win states," she said. "Or at least come close to it."

As for her team, she said they need to "not make silly mistakes" to compete for the rest of this season.

"I think we can (win the league). We need to make the volleys."

Fenton also managed to win number four singles and number one doubles. Josie Foguth defeated Holly's Jenna Pepper 6-4, 6-1, and in doubles Lilly Dubois and Emily McIntosh defeated Carley Postma and Sydney Renehan 6-3, 7-5.

The Bronchos' Victoria Skubik defeated Allison Peters 6-0, 6-1 in number two singles and Alex Knight defeated Fenton's Allison Sturges 6-4, 6-0 in number three singles.

In number three doubles, Alanah Rau and Leah Moller defeated Fenton's Syle Kiran and Katie Kurcz 6-1, 6-2 and Holly's Katherine Skubik and Claire Young defeated Abby Rachon and Kendra Praedel 6-3, 6-1 in number four doubles.

## BRONCHO

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Newman was in the fray only a minute later as she kicked the ball away from Dryden's keeper before she could get a full handle on it, easily walking it in for the second goal.

Junior midfielder Alyssa Kruger decided to get in on the action too, as she was present when Newman was bottled up by the Dryden defense as they swarmed around her. She gave a hard kick that the keeper wasn't able to grab, merely slow down, and it rolled in behind her for Kruger's goal to make it 3-0 only 23 minutes into the game.

Sophomore forward Melissa Williams kicked a perfectly placed ball from near the corner to set up senior forward Laila Abdallah in front of the net several minutes later with an easy kick past the Dryden keeper.

Just as the half had begun, Newman was the last to tally a goal before half-time.

One of the more beautiful headers on the soccer field this season belonged

to the captain to give her a three-goal game and the Blue Devils a 5-0 lead heading into the break.

"I love it," Newman said of her ability to score goals. "I've always had a nose for the net."

She was quiet in the second half, leaving senior midfielder Sidney Scott to find her offense. Long strides of the tall captain made it easy to get around defenders, finding the net only one minute into the second half.

Scott was able to score a second goal to give the Blue Devils the 8-0 margin they needed for the win, but not before sophomore midfielder Kaitlyn Begley hit a shot that sailed into the net.

Even with Newman being the focus of the offense for the most part, there were others to step up and become available when she was being double-teamed, or not even on the field. Coach Glasstetter said that was one of the strengths of this young team that features only two seniors.

"They're tight," he said.

"They're great friends, get along. We have fun."



## SPORTS BRIEFS

## BOYS GOLF

► **Lake Fenton at Byron Invitational:** The Blue Devils captured the top spot at the Byron Invitational, winning with a team score of 288. Wes Potts carded a one-under-par 71, while Merrick George carded a 72. John Growney had a 75 and Justin McPhail scored an 80.

► **Lake Fenton 155, Perry 170:** The Blue Devils were paced by John Growney's 36, while Merrick George carded a 37. Black Bonicki netted a 39 while Alex Lindbloom had a 43. Wes Potts carded a 44.

► **Fenton def. Lapeer West:** The Tigers were led by John Lloyd's 38 in the Metro League victory.

## BASEBALL

► **Brandon 4-5, Fenton 2-4:** The Tigers struggled offensively, resulting in two close losses. In the opener, Mike Ryan pitched five strong innings, but took the loss. Connor Davidson led the offense with two hits, while Zack Kostka provided the power with a solo home run. In the second game, Jamie Castiglione pitched well, but took the loss. The game was decided by a walk-off double by Jack Hranec in the bottom of the seventh. Alex Chase hit a home run to pace the offense.

► **Linden 13-17, Corunna 3-6:** The Eagles improved to 11-2 overall with the twinbill sweep. In the opening game, Austin Buerkel got the win on the mound, allowing four hits and striking out four. The Eagles had 19 hits, led by Brady Sarkon's four safties and Trent Marks' three hits. Marsheal Ryan, Mitchell Ryan, Jacob Dunleavy, Jacob Kloczek and Travis Rinks had two hits each.

In the second game, Jacob Dunleavy went the distance, earning the win. He struck out seven. Offensively, Hunter Luchenbill led the Eagles with four hits. Buerkel and Mitchell Ryan had two hits each.

► **Fenton 6, Detroit Country Day 4:** Mitch Lockwood tossed 5 1/3 innings and collected his first career varsity victory in the win. He allowed six hits and struck out six. Connor Davidson led the offense with two hits. Parker Cislo had an RBI-triple during the Tigers' four-run third inning, while Mac Hamilton provided an RBI-double.

► **Linden JV 8-6, Brandon 0-0:** The Eagles' Kevin Bates tossed a no-hitter, striking out seven Brandon batters, in Linden's second-game win. Trevor Banasiak led the offense with two hits and two RBI. In the opener, Tim Sines and Bailey Davis combined on the mound for the shut-out, striking out 10. Bates had three hits and two RBI at the plate.

## SOFTBALL

► **Fenton 14-15, Brandon 6-2:** The Tigers' bats were potent throughout the day, earning an easy DH sweep against Brandon. In the opening game Rachel Siekierski (triple), Sarah Halstead, Marina Cleis, Katey Cairnduff and Dori Carpenter had two hits each. Cleis also had four RBI. In the second game, Ellie Cowger had three hits, drove in four runs and scored three runs. Sarah Halstead and Emma Brant had three RBI, while Carpenter had two RBI.

► **Linden 4-4, Corunna 2-1:** The Eagles Savannah Weaver had two hits and scored a run in the first game. Katie Conaway had two hits as well. Makayla Cavanaugh had three stolen bases and scored two runs. Morgan Gratner was the winning pitcher, striking out five. In the second game, Molly Sherman struck out 10 and only allowed two hits, earning the win on the mound. Bri Senter and Tori Davis had two hits each.

## Tiger alumni enjoy a hockey tourney together

Once a Fenton Tiger, always a Fenton Tiger.

That seems to be the theme when it comes to Fenton hockey.

For the third straight year a group of Fenton alumni hockey players competed in an alumni tourney. Teams from eight other Genesee County schools competed, with the Fenton team eventually losing in the semi-finals to Powers 6-1. During pool play they defeated Davison, Swartz Creek and Carman-Ainsworth, and lost to Grand Blanc. This year marked the first year the Fenton alumni group advanced to the semifinals.

According to Gordon Barnes, the average age of the Fenton team is about 40.

"We're not a bunch of spring chickens," Barnes said.

Others on the team included John Barnes, Matt Brauze, Kyle Chapple, Paul Houston, Matt Krusniak, Rob Lee, Mike Mermuys, Todd Petty, Randy Rockman, Nick Ross, Tim Ross, Jack Thornton, Brian Walker and Jeff Wood.



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Four of the Fenton graduates and hockey team alumni who played on the Fenton hockey squad in a recent tourney were (from left) Mike Mermuys, John Barnes, Gordie Barnes and Jack Thronton.



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Lake Fenton's Tyler Begley swings at a pitch during the Blue Devils' doubleheader split with the Perry Ramblers on Thursday.

## DEVILS

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another run in the third inning, and another two were scored in the fourth. The runs were plated with singles by Tyler Donnelly and Begley. The Blue Devils led 9-4. However, that's when Perry started making a run. The Ramblers scored three runs in the fifth, all scoring with two out, cutting the margin to 9-7. The Devils collected an insurance run in the bottom of the fifth with an RBI-double by Donnelly, and it was almost needed. Perry cut the lead to 10-8 with a single run in the sixth, but would come no closer. Starting pitcher Cody Alexander shut down Perry in order in the top of the seventh, earning the win.

The Blue Devils' offense continued to produce early in the second game. An RBI-single by Begley in the second inning and a sacrifice fly by Robbie Alexander was followed by an RBI-single by Cody Alexander in the third inning. The Blue Devils led 3-0. However, that's when the Blue Devils' offense stalled a bit and also when Perry started taking advantage of Lake Fenton miscues. Perry scored two runs in the third and then two more in the fourth inning without the aid of a hit. In the third inning, the Blue Devils committed three errors and walked a

batter resulting in two runs scored. In the fourth, two hit batters, two walks and a wild pitch aided Perry's two-run stanza. Perry led 4-3 and never trailed again.

The Ramblers added three runs in the sixth on two hits, a walk and an error and two more in the seventh on two hits, a walk, a wild pitch and a passed ball. Lake Fenton trailed 9-3.

The Blue Devils did put together a threat in the bottom of the seventh. Joe Boughner singled and Jarod Smith walked. Allor loaded the bases with a single and none out. Robbie Alexander hit a single, driving in one run and getting another in on an error, cutting the gap to 9-5 with still no out. However, three straight outs, allowed another run to score but ended the game.

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## SIGNS

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recent years. The sign maker attributes the increased parameters for signs to businesses and people who consistently create and place their own signs, without consulting zoning officials.

But while Wallace sees sign enforcement as positive, dealing with different, unique ordinances for each municipality can be a bit of a struggle. Historical or commercial districts, lighting, size and placement are all factors addressed in most ordinances, dictating what features businesses can include in their signs.

In the Village of Holly for example, neon signs are allowed however, they cannot be blinking, flashing, moving, revolving or changing in intensity. For a business to have a neon sign in the City of Fenton, it cannot have flashing lights or red, yellow and green illumination. Such details could be a major factor as to where an entrepreneur wants to open up a business.

"We have a pretty comprehensive signing ordinance. Over the years, the village has worked with consultants as far as planning," said Holly Village Manager Jerry Walker. "Our historic district has also worked with the State of Michigan Preservation Office and the Oakland County Main Street Program for best signage practices."

For Walker, sign ordinances should keep the appearance of a municipality uniformed but still have enough flexibility to be unique for each business.

"No question, proper signage for a

business is crucial in order to attract customers," Walker said.

Exceptions, known as 'variances,' can be made for businesses and entities that wish to erect signs that are outside of what sign ordinances allow. Having a variance approved includes appearing before various boards, including the historical committee and the zoning board of appeals. Businesses like The Calvary United Methodist Church in Holly Township and Calabria Village in Linden have been successful in obtaining variances from zoning board officials.

"It would be nice if sign ordinances were a little more uniformed. Townships do get hurt a little bit by sign ordinances," Wallace said.

If it were up to Wallace, sign ordinances would consider the square footage of the building. Bigger buildings could have bigger signage. Other factors Wallace would address would be visibility, especially from a road. If a business can be seen from the west and the east for example, Wallace doesn't see a reason why the business should only be restricted to one sign.

"Every business is not cookie-cutter. However, I do feel for those trying to write up a sign ordinance because it's not always so black and white," Wallace said.

For Walker, variances are generally approved to those seeking signs that don't exactly fit the ordinance.

"As long as a business person has a reasonable explanation for why they need the sign, the board considers it," Walker said.

## Summary

►Sign ordinances are becoming more enforced due to lax oversight in previous years. Each municipality has its own sign ordinances, which are used to keep a downtown district uniform while still attracting customers.

**“No question, proper signage for a business is crucial in order to attract customers.”**

**Jerry Walker**  
Village of Holly manager

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# Meet Bob Harris

Retired marine, author, grand marshal for the Fourth of July Parade

By Olivia Dimmer

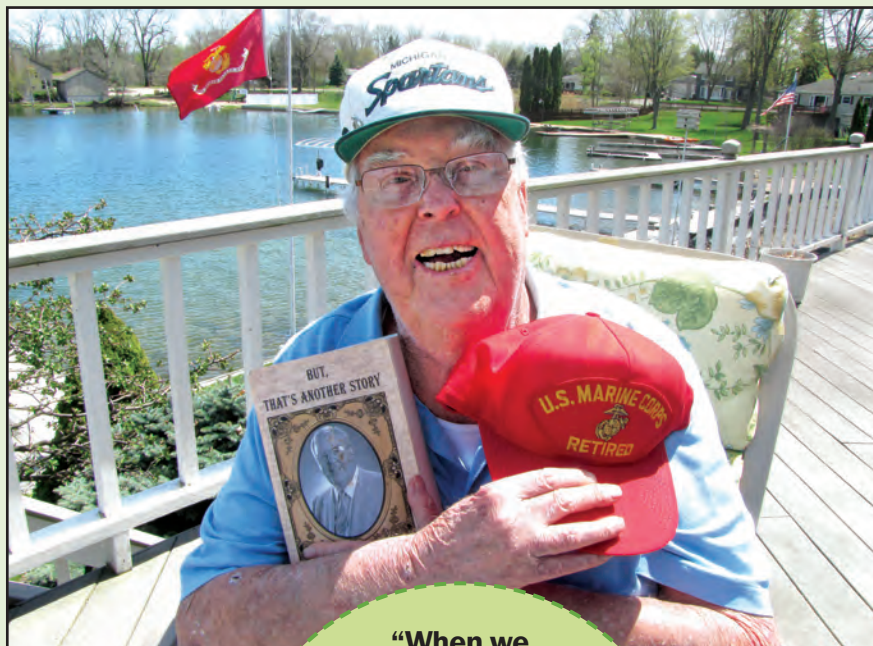
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*Bob Harris has many sayings. Whenever he mentions a name, he immediately follows the name with "They're such nice people." Whenever somebody leaves, he says, "Come back and visit." The phrase Harris is most famous for speaks to his talent as a conversationalist: "But, that's another story." Coincidentally, that phrase is the title of his autobiography.*

**How did you come to Fenton?** I was born in Indiana and came here in 1930. I went to middle school in Flint and came to Fenton High School after. My dad bought this house, the one I live in, in 1936. When we bought it, it was the only one on Swanee Beach. It was back in the Depression, so a lot of families would build the basements of their homes and live in that until they had enough money to build the rest of the house.

**What was Fenton High School like in the '30s?** Great. I played baseball and football. I was all-county for football my junior and senior year. We had our school paper, the Tiger Tails. We would publish gossip articles and school news in it. I wrote a column for it one time about the big band music — Benny Goodman and all that. It got so popular that a couple other high schools printed it in their newspapers as well. I'm proud of that. We had weekly dances at the school and everyone had a band. Not with guitars, but with saxophones and trumpets, like the Big Band music. One time I borrowed a saxophone from a friend and played that. I never learned to swing dance because I was always playing. I was the Class of '41. I met my wife when she was a freshman and I was a sophomore. But I didn't pay any attention at first. I remember at Mickey's Dairy, she was working for 10 cents an hour carhopping. I remember telling my guys, 'I'm going to go after her, she's the one for me.' We've been married for 64 years.

Downtown we had Kelly's ice cream with 5-cent cokes and a juke-box. We had pinball, too — there were some wonderful people. High school football was the game in town. The girls were all pretty. I went to MSU after high school.



**How did you become Grand Marshal for the Fourth of July Parade?**

I'm quite pleased about that. I was nominated by friends and family that wrote in a letter for me. I had the VFW's support.

**What was your involvement with the military?** I was a Marine. I love those guys, they're such nice people. I was in the Korean War and I helped to work on naval missiles at the California test center. Our work there led to modern missile guidance systems, we laid the groundwork for the missiles they use over in Afghanistan. I'm proud of that. It really amounted to something.

**When did you get into writing and becoming an author?** At age 80, I became an author. I wrote 'But That's Another Story,' because I wanted my great-grandchildren to know what life was like for myself and Marie. We have a son out in South Carolina and a daughter in California and I wanted to share those memories with all of my family. When I started writing, all the books in the library were about the 1800s and Dibbleville. Myself and Bob Dery, my friend, reminisced about all the stories we had and said we ought to write them down. After Bob died, I figured I needed to go ahead and write it. So, my autobiography and the other books were born. I sell my books for \$15 and give \$5 to the museum. The books cost \$10.80 to make. Every time I sell a book, I lose 80 cents — I'm not in it for the money. I like writing about the Fenton locals I used to know.

**If you could do anything over in your 89 years of life, would you?** I suppose. But not really. Life is like an array of doors and you have to pick one. Once you go through it, it closes and you can't go back. But then you're in another room full of doors and you have to keep moving. You very rarely get a chance to go through the same door again. Sometimes I would ask Marie, 'How many people in Fenton

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**Bob Harris**  
Grand Marshal for the Fourth of July Parade,  
author, retired Marine

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Bob Harris, 89, poses with his Marine Corps hat, MSU hat and his autobiography "But, that's another story."

have gone to the Eiffel Tower? St. Petersburg? Taken a bus from West to East Berlin? Eaten fondue on the streets of Switzerland? My favorite song goes like this: 'Life is what you make it, if you can take it, it's worth a try.'



## ASK THE MECHANIC

Chris Wilkinson,  
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-Christine

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## AMMO

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planning to buy 1.6 billion rounds for training purposes, and fears of impinged second amendment rights prompting buyers to stock up.

This increased demand translates to 50 percent more revenue for businesses like Williams Gun Sight Co. in Davison Township.

Chief Operating Officer Dan Compeau said ammo production is up, but the demand is simply too high. A shipment that used to sell in a month, now sells out in a day. Even a larger shipment of 36,000 rounds on a pallet sells quickly. More staff has been hired to handle the

### Summary

►Fears of expanded gun control, high profile shootings and new interest in the sport has created a shortage of available rounds for gun owners, where new shipments are quickly bought up, and sometimes hoarded.

ing as an inexpensive activity. This booming interest means more guns being purchased and therefore, more ammo.

"From the consumer standpoint it (ammunition) is hard to get," said Compeau. "The ammo is coming through, there's

extra demand and interest in guns, which he said began the first of the year, with the Newtown, Conn. tragedy renewing the gun control debate.

He said adults in their 20s and 30s are also seeing target shoot-

just been so many new shooters, the demand is way up there and the manufacturer is not prepared for it."

Because .22 long-rifle bullets are less expensive, they're a huge seller at \$4.95 for a box of 50. It's between \$15 and \$17 for a box of 9 mm rounds. Prices tend to go up 2 to 5 percent a few times per year, and some sellers are gouging their customers with higher prices. Anything bigger than a .38 caliber is very hard to find.

Compeau said that the prices are slightly higher from the manufacturer because buying incentives are gone, which makes sense in a market with so much demand. He said they try to spread the ammo around by placing limits on how many boxes one person can buy.

Sometimes getting ammo at the counter is luck, and sometimes it just takes cooperation. At Walmart, the group split up three boxes of 9 mm rounds instead of one person buying all of them. Thursday's haul was only four boxes of 9 mm, some .22 rounds and .44 magnum rounds.

A Fenton man named John took home a box of .30-06 for deer hunting. Compeau suggests hunters start buying their ammo now.

Law enforcement agencies have to buy



its ammo on the market like every-one else. The Argentine Township Police Department looked to a dealer in Owosso for its training rounds. Two years ago they stocked up with a thousand rounds of "duty" ammo, .40 caliber bullets they carry on the job, but not to the range.

Range instruction officer Ryan Wilburn said his police department has enough — but only because of a little foresight, and some restraint at the range. "We used to do a little extra shooting, now we use only the ammo we need to get the job done," he said.

CPL (Conceal Pistol License) instructor Brett Selby reloads his spent casings for classes, and recommends students shoot with whatever caliber they can in the mean time — even if it means practicing their trigger pull with an air-soft gun.

The general view is that the shortage of ammo is a self-inflicted wound. "I don't buy the government conspiracy thing, I think we did it to ourselves," said Selby. "Don't play into the frenzy. Kick back for a little bit, let it subside, it's just a funk we're in right now."

## POLICE

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discovered that someone had attempted to break into the business through the door on the south side of the building. The door was damaged and off the hinges. Police believe the attempt occurred between 12:15 and 4 a.m. that morning. It appeared the door had been struck with a pry instrument several times.

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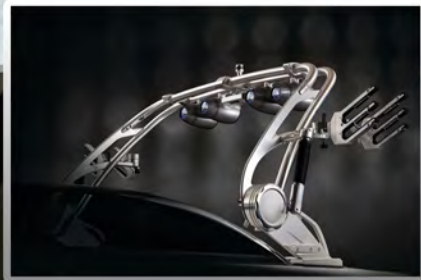
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**By Tim Jagielo**

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**Holly** — Families haul in coolers, kids and equipment as pint-sized aluminum bats clang, and kids in baseball gear scramble to catch grounders in the dust and grass.

It's an ideal day for baseball — breezy, warm and sunny. Through June, most nights at baseball fields across the tri-county area will come alive with the activities of Little League.

The Karl Richter Campus (KRC) has several practices going simultaneously,

from the majors division down to tee-ball. Little League teams are divided up by age, in two-year increments that start with tee-ball at age 4, advancing to coach pitch, and then through minors, majors, juniors and seniors. Each group is more skilled than the previous.

Teams within a division compete against each other, and against neighboring school districts. Linden, Lake Fenton, Fenton, Holly and Hartland schools have leagues that compete internally and against one another.

Fenton Little League President Kevin

Johnson said it costs \$85 per year to compete and the jerseys are usually sponsored by a local business. In Fenton Little League, there are about 575 players, and it takes many volunteers to run the organizations.

At the tee-ball level, kids are just learning the basics of the game. On Tuesday, Holly Little League Coach Jason VanSickle teaches squirming 6-year-olds how to run the baseline, which is smaller than the different divisions, and certainly the professional leagues.

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**“Hopefully they figure  
out it takes a team to  
win, not one individual.”**

**Kevin Johnson**

*Fenton Little League president*



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Coach Jason VanSickle lines his tee-ball players up to learn about running the bases at KRC on Tuesday.



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Coach Rob Podlesak finishes a team cheer with co-coach Jen Book after the teams scrimmage on Tuesday.



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Josie Bellman, 6, of Rose Township runs to second base on Tuesday.



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## It has been 35 years since the last Triple Crown winner

No horse has won the Triple Crown since Affirmed nosed out Alydar at the finish line of the 1978 Belmont. It marks the longest drought since Sir Barton won the first Triple Crown. There have been plenty of near misses over the last 35 years, however. Since 1978, 12 horses, including I'll Have Another, have won the Kentucky Derby and the Preakness but not the Belmont.

### There were seven years in which it was impossible to have a Triple Crown winner.

Winning a Triple Crown is a tough enough task, but there were years when it was simply impossible. In 1890, the Belmont and the Preakness were held on the same day, while in 1917 and 1922 the Kentucky Derby and the Preakness coincided on

the calendar.

The Preakness was not run between 1891 and 1893, while the Belmont was cancelled in 1911 and 1912 after New York State passed anti-gambling laws that failed to exempt horse racing. (While horse racing was suspended at Belmont Park, the Wright Brothers brought airplane races to the track for a 10-day event in October 1910. The highlight was a race to the Statue of Liberty, which drew a crowd of 150,000 to watch the start and finish.)

### TRIPLE CROWN WINNERS

| Year | Winning Horse |
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| 1919 | Sir Barton    |
| 1930 | Gallant Fox   |
| 1935 | Omaha         |
| 1937 | War Admiral   |
| 1941 | Whirlaway     |
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| 1946 | Assault       |
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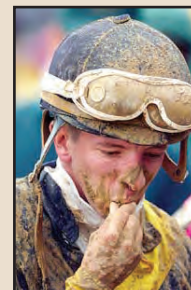
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Jockey Dean Butler wipes dirt from his mouth following a race at Keeneland Race Course in Lexington.

### STRANGE BUT TRUE

## Deceased jockey wins race

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## Business briefs

### Food Bank gives Community Leadership Award to Margie Shard

Margie Shard, president and wealth advisor at Shard Financial Services, Inc. in Fenton was given the Community Leadership Award by the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan at its Annual Meeting on April 24. This award is given to an individual who has progressed in their service to the Food Bank and the community over several years. Shard started with simply donating and quickly moved to sponsoring the Food Bank's charity golf outing. The last two years she has put on the Women, Wine, Fashion and Finance fundraiser and it has expanded as well. Shard's fundraiser benefits the Backpack program, which gives at-risk children food to eat after they get home from school. This year's fundraiser raised more than \$32,000, which feeds all the children in Genesee County.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SALLY RUMMEL

Branching Out Nursery & Landscape owner David Petts shows a flowering cherry tree among hundreds of varieties of trees, shrubs and perennials.

## Branching Out Nursery & Landscaping

Petts family purchases long-time area nursery from the Haddon family

By Sally Rummel

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David Petts grew up just down the road from Haddon Nursery in Fenton Township, and began working for its owner, Russ Haddon, when he was just 12 years old. With a landscape architecture degree from Michigan State University, Petts worked with Haddon in a partnership that lasted many years.

Now at age 47, Petts and his wife, Cindy, have purchased the nursery and re-named it Branching Out Nursery & Landscaping.

"With a new name, we wanted to make it our own, while keeping its important local history," said Petts. "'Branching out' symbolizes what we're doing with a new start by our family. It seems like a fitting name."

Branching Out Nursery & Landscaping continues to farm 20 acres of land among its total acreage of 80 acres. Gently rolling rows of shade trees, evergreens, flowering trees and shrubs and perennials of all kinds dot the landscape, with paths encouraging people to make their own selections.

"We are truly a 'made in Michigan' nursery," said Petts. "We field grow our own stock in local soil that's hardy to the climate here. We trial every variety first so we know its hardy and will perform the way it's supposed to in your own landscape."

Branching Out Nursery & Landscaping operates with two divisions: the nursery is managed by Art Vance, while the landscape division is handled by Petts, who designs and installs landscape plans. "We also do hardscapes, like pavers, boulder walls and retaining walls," said Petts.

The nursery is perhaps most well-known for its Christmas tree sales and holiday family traditions of traipsing through the nursery to find "the perfect tree." The Petts family is excited to add pumpkin sales this fall to build another new tradition for area families.

Branching Out Nursery & Landscaping is located at 14445 Eddy Lake Rd., just north of Dauner Road in Fenton Township. For more information, call (810) 629-2806 or visit [www.haddonnursery.com](http://www.haddonnursery.com). Hours are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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# Surf web, read email, get directions with Google Glass(es)

► Tiny screen projected in front of your face

By Ryan Tackabury

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Taking and sending photos and video, surfing the web, checking your email, getting directions to wherever you want to go — if someone told you 20 years ago that your phone would be doing all of these things, you would have said they were crazy.

Google played a part in revolutionizing the phone and turning it into something for more than just speaking with another person. Now the tech company wants to pull another common object into the future — glasses, by making them capable of performing all of the above, and more.

While they may look like something straight from a piece of science fiction, that may not be far from the truth. An innovative new device, Google Glass is more like fiction than reality.

Worn on your face like a normal pair of glasses, Google Glass utilizes a small head mounted display that can show you important information, such as incoming text messages, results of a hands free Google search, directions to your favorite restaurant, and much more.

"From what I've seen so far I think it's fantastic. I think one of the problems they are going to run into is it's very different from what people are used to," said Mike Oliver, owner of Hometown Computers.



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Google Glass is worn like a normal pair of glasses — though it has all of the features you would expect of a smartphone.

Different is right — as there is not anything that can prepare the user for the unique way of interfacing with technology that is provided by Google Glass. There is no keyboard, mouse, or even a touch screen — the device responds to your voice. It's like iPhone's Siri feature, except you wear it on your face.

Saying the phrase "OK, glass, record a video" will prompt the device to start recording everything you see from a first person perspective. Saying "OK, glass, say hello in Spanish" will prompt the device to display the translation on your glasses, while also helpfully chirping "Hola" aloud should you not know how to pronounce it.

"We're getting into that Star Trek era where we are talking to the computer," Oliver said. "In the sense that you can capture something while you are doing it is phenomenal. If you're on a motorcycle you can literally record video while on the bike and stream to other people over the Internet while you're doing it."

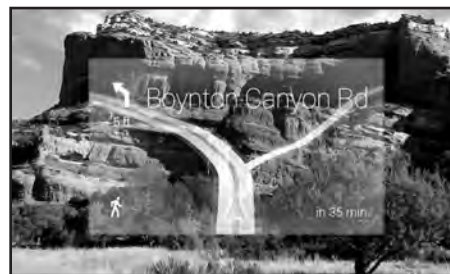
Some people have raised concerns about how Google Glass might affect privacy — if it becomes popular, there is the potential for many people to be walking around with a camera at the ready that

other people may or may not be aware of.

"I think privacy is an issue, but I don't think it will be different than people recording with cell phones. Everyone already has a camera with them at all times," Oliver said.

Google Glass is not readily available yet, though several copies were sold in a lottery to people who wanted to test the device for \$1,500. A commercial release for the product is expected in late 2013, and while the price is expected to be cheaper, a price has yet to be set.

"It's brand new tech. I don't think it's going to be picked up by anyone but early adopters right away," Oliver said. "But regardless of that it's awesome to have, and I think we are seeing the future of computers."



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A picture taken of Google Glasses in use. The device displays GPS navigation directions in front of the user's normal field of vision.

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**Michael Oliver**  
Hometown Computers

## Group honors Holly woman for political involvement

► Esther Littmann held many titles, worked on George W. Bush and Mitt Romney campaigns

The Republican Women's Federation of Michigan will be honoring a Holly woman for her political involvement in the community. Esther Littmann will receive the "Tribute to Women Award" during the group's annual dinner in Midland on May 4.

Esther Littmann is receiving the award for her political involvement in the community.

Each year the Republican Women's Federation of Michigan honors women across the state for their political involvement and contribution to their local Republican Women's Club. The Bloomfield Republican Women's Club selected Littmann.

Littmann has served on the Bloomfield Republican Women's Club Board as recording secretary, newsletter editor, treasurer, president, and currently, past-president. She worked on the campaigns of George W. Bush and Mitt Romney and is now serving her second term as precinct delegate for Rose Township.

As a member of the Michigan Security Council, she supported the passage of "American Law for American Courts" and helped expose the illegal sale of Eagle Elementary School in Farmington Hills.

Judy Graves, of the Bloomfield Republican Women's Club said, "We are pleased to honor Esther Littmann for her political involvement in our community."



Esther Littmann

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## Tri-county School news

### Empty Bowl Ice Cream Social and art show

Fenton Area Public Schools will be holding its district-wide Art Show and Empty Bowl Ice Cream Social from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on **Thursday, May 9**. It will be held at Andrew G. Schmidt Middle School on Donaldson Drive in Fenton. The school district will be showcasing students' artwork and the community will have an opportunity to make donations for an empty bowl and ice cream. Proceeds will go to local charity.

### HOT LINE CONTINUED

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## Eagle Scout project

### LIFE SCOUT DEVIN DAVIS SEEKS DONATIONS

Life Scout Devin Davis of Troop 212 is working on his Eagle Scout project by collecting donated items to help Fenton's Adopt-a-Pet. He organized a group of people to hang bags on doorknobs of houses in Fenton on Saturday, April 27. Devin's group of helpers will be picking up the bags Saturday morning, May 4. There is an informative paper attached to the bags that tells a little about Devin and his project and the items Adopt-A-Pet wishes to get. Adopt-A-Pet needs pet items such as unopened food, leashes, collars, animal cages, pet toys, cat litter but also non-pet supplies such as paper towels, detergent, office supplies, bleach, medical supplies, hand sanitizer, toilet paper, and VG's receipts. Devin, a junior at Fenton High School has lived in Fenton all his life.

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## LEAGUES

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Randy Bellman of Rose Township watched proudly as his girls Emma, 5, and Josie, 6 took instructions. Josie and Emma each ran to second base enthusiastically. "She loves to play," he said watching his girls participate from the bleachers. This is their first sport, and Emma joined because Josie liked it so much last year.

As the day wanes, the fields are busy at Andrew G. Schmidt (AGS) Middle School in Fenton with mostly league practice. Some games were coach pitch, others were girls majors fast pitch.

One scrimmage pitted the "Mighty Molars" against the "Nimrods," for girl's majors division play. At the bench of the Mighty Molars, girls 9 to 11 cheer their teammates on, enjoying a confident swagger not usually found at that age.

"It's a good team builder," said team manager Brianne Speice of Fenton. "I played when I was a kid and I loved it. Some of my best memories were at softball."

The Mighty Molars ended up winning the scrimmage 4-3.

After the game, Nimrods coach Rob Podlesak gave his group some feedback as he knelt down on one knee in a team huddle. Through the kind criticism, the girls smiled and seemed to have enjoyed the scrimmage. After the game the kids lined up for hasty round of "good game, good game, good game," to the opposing team.

Fenton Little League President Kevin Johnson also said that players learn teamwork. "Hopefully they figure out it takes a team to win, not one individual," he said. Johnson hopes the kids have fun, and carry their skills through life.

Sometimes skills yield amazing results. Fenton Little League Coach Steve Muntin witnessed something out of his coach-pitch team that he's never seen even in coaching high school baseball — an unassisted triple play.

During the Tuesday night game, one player managed to strike out three players by himself, off a fly ball. It took skill and intuition, something an 8-year-old would usually not possess in that situation. "It's pretty unique," he said.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Aaron Brown, 6, of Holly winds up a throw to another tee-ball player Tuesday night at KRC in Holly.

The first player, the batter, was struck out when Zachary Dekraker caught the ball, tagged out a runner trying to make it to third base, and a player that didn't run back to first when the batter was struck out. "It was a great feeling for the boy, he was incredibly proud," said Muntin.

"Good feelings" are some things kids might find in Little League, along with team work, and discipline. Tee-ball dad Dean Brown said his son Aaron was learning patience along with interacting with boys and girls his

age. The game also keeps them outside and busy. "It's all bonuses," he said.

Coach Jason VanSickle, of Holly, works with the youngest players, ages 4 to 6. Aside from teamwork, the players also learn hand/eye coordination and communication skills. Learning to concentrate and follow directions is important. One player wasn't, so he had him run the bases once.

VanSickle said it's for the safety of the kids — they have to be able to pay attention when there's a baseball flying through the air, possibly toward them.

It was clear that the parents help keep their own kids in line during practice. "If I can get the support I need from parents it goes pretty smooth," he said.

### Summary

▶ All local school districts have their own little league, which is usually run by volunteers and sponsored by local businesses. The league is divided by age, with increasing skills. Players get exercise, make friends and learn about teamwork.

## Scouts clean up Bush Park



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | OLIVIA DIMMER

Fenton Boy Scout Evan Dietz, 17, and Fenton Eagle Scout Jon-Claude Howd, 17, work in a squad to clean up the back part of Bush Park on Earth Day, April 22. Approximately 50 Scouts, led by Pam Howd, took part in the project. The scouts ended the ceremony by planting a new sapling.

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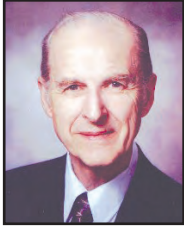
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## Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



### Conquering the money blues

Feeling down about money? You're not alone.

Millions worry about meeting money needs every day. But their fretting doesn't add one cent to their bank accounts nor bring one slice of bread to their tables. Being down about money is unprofitable. And it is detrimental to emotional and physical health. We simply can't afford the money blues.

What then can we do about pressing bills and future financial needs?

Why not try prayer?

My ministry began in a small rural church. Taking the position as the first fully supported pastor there was an adventure in faith for me and my family as well as for the congregation. We agreed on a regular salary, and the people offered to supplement that with eggs, milk, produce and meat, as they were able.

When we accepted this call, we had two small children. By the time our fourth child was expected, the church had grown and the salary had increased a bit, but we had no medical insurance and wondered how we would pay the hospital costs when the baby arrived. We prayed about the problem, remembering that God has invited us to ask and receive (Matthew 7:7-8).

For us, September 18, 1957 became an unforgettable day. When the mail came that morning, it contained a letter from a family in another community. I do not believe these people knew of

our approaching expenses. Yet they had enclosed a gift that was within a few dollars of the total hospital bill, saying they had sold their farm and that the Lord had impressed them to send this particular amount to us. Our daughter was born that night.

Our mustard seed faith had been rewarded. God had supplied our need... right on time.

How glad I am that we were short of money during the summer of 1957! Otherwise, we would have missed this miracle of God's timely provision, an experience that built our faith and prepared us for other tight money times in our future.

Perhaps your present financial crisis is for further training in the school of faith. When this pinch is past, you will always know that God is able to deliver you when times are tough.

Meanwhile, here are a few important negatives that will contribute to a positive attitude when coming through money problems.

Never talk about money during meals. Never talk about money when you are upset over other things. Never talk about money in bed. Never talk about money problems immediately after praying about them.

Instead, follow this positive principle: tell your money problems to God, expecting Him to pour ideas into your mind and strength into your body that will enable you to solve them. And don't rule out a miraculous supply in answer to prayer.

Being down about money indicates we doubt that God will answer our prayers. Positive faith rejoices in assurance of the Heavenly Father's care.

So put away your money blues. You can't afford them!

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

## Masons award scholarships



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Linden Masonic Lodge recently hosted its annual spring awards program and dinner where two area high school graduates were awarded \$1,000 scholarships. Sheldyn Moiles, a 2012 graduate of Linden High School, now enrolled at Mott Community College was awarded the Mary Huyck Scholarship Award. Kaitlyn Pollard, a 2012 graduate of Atherton High School and relative of a Linden Mason, now enrolled at Central Michigan University was awarded the Linden Lodge Scholarship Award. The Masons congratulate Moiles and Pollard for not only their scholastic achievements, but for their contributions to their respective communities. Pictured (from left) are Paul D. Fuller, P.M., Moiles, Pollard, Scott S. Wogen, W.M., of Linden Lodge.

## Catch OF THE WEEK

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



Ben Thornton, 16, of Linden shot this 22½-pound turkey on April 24, 2013 while hunting with his uncle Mark Thornton of Fenton. This was Ben's third turkey in three years.

## Tri-county fundraisers

### Spaghetti Supper

A Spaghetti Supper will be held on Friday, May 10 from 4-8 p.m. at the Linden Masonic Center, 119 North Bridge St., Linden. This all-you-can-eat event is a fundraiser hosted by Order of the Eastern Star, Linden Chapter #175. It includes pasta, salad, garlic bread and dessert for \$7 per adult, \$4 per child 10 and under, or \$20 for a family of four or more. There will also be a craft sale and bake sale. All are welcome.

## Academic achievement



### Dustin Grimshaw

of Fenton graduated with his bachelor's degree in Biomedical Science from Grand Valley State University. Throughout his 4 years, Dustin was named to the Dean's List each semester, graduating Magna Cum Laude.

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# Builders & Realtors



## Buying a home in today's market



Mortgage lenders want to make sure homebuyers will be comfortable with the payment they will be making for the next 30 years.

►There's lots of competition in existing home sales; many prospective buyers may look to build their own

**By Sally Rummel**  
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The good news is that the housing market is experiencing an upswing in prices and a continuation of historically low interest rates.

The bad news is that there aren't many houses for sale, and competition between buyers can make a transaction more challenging than in recent years.

The housing market is definitely on the upswing in the tri-county

area, especially if you're a seller looking to get a fair price on your home. With a low inventory of homes for sale and a number of buyers competing for them, housing prices are on the rise, while interest rates are still historically low.

### Existing homes

"There's still a huge shortage of homes for sale," said Kristy Cantleberry of ReMax Platinum in Grand Blanc. "We are actively seeking sellers who may be interested in selling their homes. Sometimes a home is sold to an interested buyer before it ever hits the market. If you're thinking at all about putting your home in

the market sometime, contact us at  
**See MARKET on 11B**

### Summary

►Whether you get a conventional mortgage, use a government program or build your own home, it's more important than ever that you have a strong financial foundation.

## Looking for a Realtor?

►Be sure to know whether he or she is working for the buyer or seller and ask a lot of questions

**By Sally Rummel**  
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Whether you are buying or selling a home this year, you want to work with a real estate agent that has your best interests in mind.

Today's consumers have the option to choose the type of representation they want when enlisting the expertise and knowledge of a real estate professional, according to the Flint Association of Realtors' website. Traditionally, most agents represented the seller. However, home buying consumers have the option to seek assistance with their search from a buyer's broker, a real estate professional who will agree to represent their sole interest.

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# To buy or to build

►Low inventory of existing homes increases demand for new construction

By Sally Rummel

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To buy or to build, that is the question many people are asking these days. With a smaller inventory of homes now for sale in the tri-county area, some prospective buyers are turning to custom building their own home.

"We're seeing a much bigger demand for new construction," said Ann Rockman, of The State Bank Mortgage Department in Fenton. "It has more than doubled from last year."

She sees the demand for new construction coming from two sources: the lack of existing homes for sale and those who had purchased land to build on several years ago and had to put their building project on hold during the housing bust.

"You can feel a change in the way

people are feeling about their finances now," she said. "They're not going overboard, but they definitely feel more confident."

Chris Weir, owner of Weir Building Company in Fenton, agrees that the low inventory of

houses has created a new niche for custom built homes in the area. "There's a lot of pent-up demand," said Weir, who has successfully weathered many economic challenges since opening his business in 2000. "A lot more people are calling and inquiring about building a house." Weir plans to build four new homes this year, controlling his company's growth with a "lean and mean" conservative business approach.

The only difference between a construction loan and an existing home mortgage through programs at The State Bank is the amount of down payment required. "We require at least 10 percent down on a construction loan for our private program," Rockman said. "You can close on an existing home with a down payment of 5 percent or 3½ percent, depending on the program."

She advises people who are building a home to have excess funds beyond the money due at closing. "At least 99.9 percent of the time, you're going to go over your original budget," said Rockman.

Rockman said there's also a renewed



Existing homes and new builds have their own unique benefits.

interest in the purchase of vacant land. "More lenders are now offering vacant land financing now. That's a new program for us this year."

Remodeling or adding on to your existing space is another option for homeowners. Weir is currently working on a \$1 million remodeling project on Lake Fenton, a more upscale project than many homeowners would be able to tackle. But adding to or enhancing one's existing living space can be an affordable option for many homeowners.

## Should you build a new home or buy an existing home?

### Building a new home

#### PROS —

- sleek modern layout
- high energy-efficiency (on the average 30 to 40 percent more efficient than existing homes)
- individual customization

#### CONS —

- you have to buy vacant land upon which to build
- high cost of construction
- higher down payment requirement for construction loan

### Buying an existing home

#### PROS —

- quicker move-in time
- better short-term price appreciation
- more affordable
- more established neighborhoods

#### CONS —

- lack of customization
- low inventory means fewer choices
- high cost of ownership with high maintenance costs, from roofs to furnaces.

## MARKET

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GetKristy.com to let us give you a free evaluation on the value on your house. It could be worth more than you think."

Because buyers are competing for the small number of available homes, many homes have multiple offers on them, shutting out willing buyers. "I think there's going to be a surge in new construction because of this home shortage," said Cantleberry. "Buyers are going to get tired of competing to buy a house, and decide to build their own to get exactly what they want."

Whether a person is looking for a mortgage to buy an existing home or a construction loan to build a new home, lending has tightened up from several years ago when few lenders said "no" to interested homebuyers.

"Twenty years ago, you had to save money for a substantial down payment, have a strong credit record, a good job and all your other financial 'ducks in a row' before you could get a mortgage," said John Ottney of Star Mortgage in Fenton, a mortgage lender for the past 25 years. "We made sure you qualified for a mortgage, by crunching the numbers with your pay stubs, W2s, tax returns and bank statements. That's the kind of mortgage environment we're in right now. We want to be sure you're comfortable with the payment you're looking at taking on for the next 30 years. If so, you can usually get through the process."

### New builds

There's a lot more activity in the tri-county area with new construction than there was during the housing crisis a few years ago. "Many homebuyers are

frustrated with the foreclosures and other rough-shape homes that are on the market right now, according to Ottney. Some of these buyers are deciding to build a house so they can get what they want. "The financing for this is very different than for existing home sales," said Ottney.

Building a home requires a prospective homeowner to get a construction loan. "In today's market, there are no guarantees that a newly-built home can get the appraisal to meet the financial obligations made by a bank or other financial institution," said Ottney. "The question is, will the completed structure be worth the value of the loan?"

What that means for the homeowner is they'll need to come up with a significant down payment, usually a minimum of 20 percent.

Another option would be a builder-financed loan. A homeowner works directly with the builder, giving him a deposit on the project. The builder builds the home with his own dollars. When the home is completed, they get the final appraisal on the home. At that point, the home is purchased with the down payment from the builder.

"The builder is the one providing the construction financing because he has his own line of equity," said Ottney. "Then he 'sells' it to the customer, who gets a regular mortgage."

Eitherway, a prospective homeowner needs a strong "balance sheet" to bring to the table, said Ottney. "The bank has to have confidence that you're the kind of person that can successfully complete the project and pay them back. Your job, your credit, your finances — they all have to be rock solid."

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# JOHN WENTWORTH III

The urban population exodus has enhanced the suburban real estate market for realtors like John Wentworth who specializes in upscale and lakefront property - and Wentworth's success has been a bright light to the Genesee County economy.

The John Wentworth Group, of ReMax Platinum Realtors, has invested six years managing the needs of distinguished homeowners in Mid-Michigan. John's primary focus in real estate is on his sellers and marketing their homes to sell in a timely manner and for the highest market value. He also has a team of eight buyers' agents to individually represent the buyers.

The John Wentworth Group specializes in Genesee, Livingston & Oakland County real estate with many attractive lakefront properties. For two years he has ranked Number One in Genesee County in sales for ReMax and in 2012 earned the Diamond award, was inducted into the Hall of Fame and the John Wentworth Group earned the Number One Team award in Genesee County.

"My business success is attributable to hard work and dedication to the client. Helping people motivates me." He says. "I have a team of professionals dedicated to educating our buyers and sellers about the current housing market. Our strategic marketing plans are second to none and allow our sellers the best exposure for their home. Our team of buyers' agents are committed to acting quickly in this fast paced housing market to allow our buyer the ultimate advantage."

"It's not a simple operation," say Wentworth. "We specialize in \$200,000+ properties with many over \$500,000 and some in excess of \$1 million. My approach is much more than placing a sign in the yard and hoping it sells; we have a strategic approach to marketing and selling each home. Last year we completed 171 transactions and sold over \$40 million in real estate volume. We do this by having ten to twenty deals pending at all times." In 2012, John sold two homes valued over \$1 million in Genesee County.

Wentworth is a Flint area native whose grandfather was the chief of staff at McLaren Hospital. His mentor and uncle Bill Wentworth owns several Applebee's and inspired John to work as an entrepreneur. "My family is very important to me and I'm proud of them all. They support me in everything I do," Wentworth says.

He graduated from Grand Blanc High School in 1991 and worked several years training racehorses here and in Canada before discovering a career in real estate. He is a member of Fenton St. John Catholic Church and is involved in many charitable projects such as benefits for needy families and also does fundraising for cancer victims. His wife Jennifer and three children are often included. "My wife is the backbone of all I do," says Wentworth.

Anyone wishing to learn more about buying or selling real estate can call John at 810-955-6600 to tap into his expertise.

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buyer just as a seller is represented by a seller's agent. Some form of written disclosure is recommended between agents and the consumers they are working with, to help ensure there is no misunderstanding regarding agency relationships.

"One of the first things you want to ask an agent is whether they'll be working for the seller or the buyer," said Mike Doherty, regional manager for the eastern region of Prudential Great Lakes Realty. "You want to know where you stand. Agents are required by law to explain their agency status to a potential client. It's best to have this conversation early on in the relationship."

According to Kristy Cantleberry of the GetKristy Team at ReMax Platinum in Grand Blanc, most real estate offices work with both buyers and sellers. "At our office, we have a Buyer's Team and a Listing Team," said Cantleberry. "Whatever side of the transaction you're on, you'll get 100 percent of our attention to your best interests."

Once you've determined your representation, you need to look at the qualities of a real estate agent that will fit your needs.

"You really need to 'interview' more than one agent," said Cantleberry. "Who's going to work in your best interest as a seller? Ask around for recommendations from friends or family who have recently bought or sold homes."

The personality of the agent is also important to match with the home buyer or seller, because they will be spending many hours together to reach their goals.

"Our office and our agents are excited about the positive uptick in the market," said Carol Ray, office manager at Prudential Great Lakes Realty in Fenton. "Homes priced right are selling in days. We're experiencing higher selling prices and more

qualified buyers. We have several new agents in our office and the energy is positive and fun."

Denise Penwell of Fenton is a new agent with Prudential Great Lakes, and she's excited about helping people find their dream homes. "I think I have come into the market at just the right time," said Penwell, a long-time business owner and

Fenton Regional Chamber Ambassador. "Property values continue to be on the rise and buyers once again are excited to be looking and purchasing new homes."

**“Whatever side of the transaction you’re on, you’ll get 100 percent of our attention to your best interests.”**

**Kristy Cantleberry**  
Get Kristy Team at ReMax Platinum

### Questions to ask a potential agent:

- ▶ How many homes do you sell each year?
- ▶ How long have you been in the real estate business?
- ▶ What areas of the market do you specialize in?

"Research who you are hiring. It's a major deal. The right agent can put more money in the pocket of a buyer or seller."

Source: Kristy Cantleberry of ReMax Platinum

# First step in any outdoor project?

▶ Check with your local municipality for any required permits

**By Sally Rummel**

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It's springtime and you're eager to get out in your yard to put up a shed or build a deck.

Before you even think about buying your supplies, your first stop should be your municipal office to check on building permits, zoning ordinances, etc.

"My advice to homeowners is to check first prior to building," said Brad Hissong, building/zoning administrator for the city of Fenton.

"There is a fine for failure to obtain the required permits, which will be charged to those who started work prior to application."

Permit processing in the city of Fenton takes about 10 days and usually permits are issued within five working days. To see

what projects require building permits in the city, go to [www.cityoffenton.org](http://www.cityoffenton.org), click on Departments, then go to Protection Inspection Department. On Applications and Forms link, you will find information about building permit guidelines, fees and other information.

"The rain hasn't slowed things down," said Hissong. "We are still very busy."

While all municipalities follow the Michigan Residential Building Code, differences in local ordinances in cities, villages and townships makes it even more important for homeowners to check with their own local office. For example, all roofs require a building permit in the city of Fenton, while none is required in Fenton Township, unless the pitch of the roof has been altered.

Even erecting a small shed in your yard requires permits from most municipalities, depending on the size of the shed. "There are rules and regulations you have to follow," said Julie Lewis, coordinator of the Building Department for Fenton

Township. "You have to maintain setbacks, follow height requirements, etc."

For large projects in the township requiring a complete building permit, such as a deck, garage, swimming pool or new home construction, homeowners can expect to wait three to five business days. "Sheds, fences, demolitions and other small projects can sometimes be issued the same day," said Lewis.

In Fenton Township, windows, sidings and roofs don't require permits, unless you're changing the size or pitch, she added.

Homeowners can apply for a building permit at the front desk at the Fenton Township Hall at 12060 Mantawauka in

Fenton Township, online at [fentonhip.org](http://fentonhip.org) or by emailing [jlewis@fenton-township.org](mailto:jlewis@fenton-township.org).

Building projects have already been busy in Argentine Township, according to Tom Brooks, administrative assistant for the Building, Fire and Code Enforcement departments.

"We've already had two new construction applications in 2013," he said. "We're looking forward to an excellent year."

Almost anything built in Argentine Township requires a permit, according to Brooks, including windows, siding, roofs, decks, garages, pole barns and sheds, depending on their size. "A pre-made shed may only require a zoning permit," he said. "Driveways don't require permits, but we do have ordinances that tell homeowners how they are to be done."

In all municipalities, plumbing, electrical and mechanical work is guided by the State of Michigan through the Building Construction Codes Office in Lansing.

The most important thing to remember when considering a project is that you're better off checking with your own municipality's rules before you ever break ground or start.

"I always tell everyone it doesn't hurt to check out the requirements beforehand. It's better to be safe than sorry," said Lewis, of Fenton Township.



To prevent a delay in your home project or costly fines, check with your local government to see what permits are necessary.

**“My advice to homeowners is to check first prior to building.”**

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

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|          |          |              |
|----------|----------|--------------|
| SCRIMP   | FLOGS    | MISTAKES     |
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| ADENINE  | ANSEL    | WAN          |
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**WEDNESDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS**

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 8 |
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| 4 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 3 |

**WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS**

Jumbles: LILAC BUMPY RITUAL PLAQUE  
Answer: When he walked in the winning run, the victors had — QUITE A "BALL"

**SUNDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS**

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 9 | 4 |
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| 6 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 8 |

**SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS**

Jumbles: CAPON LYING UNHOOK INFIRM  
Answer: This comes out during a debate — YOUR OPINION

A Look back at the TOP 10 SONGS

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- 1. Stuck on You** - Elvis Presley
  - 2. Greenfields** - Brothers Four
  - 3. Cathy's Clown** - Everly Brothers
  - 4. Night** - Jackie Wilson
  - 5. Sixteen Reasons** - Connie Stevens
  - 6. Sink the Bismark** - Johnny Horton
  - 7. The Old Lampighter** - The Browns
  - 8. Cradle of Love** - Johnny Preston
  - 9. Stairway to Heaven** - Neil Sadaka
  - 10. Let the Little Girl Dance** - Billy Bland

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# SundaySudoku

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
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|   |   | 2 | 8 |   | 6 | 9 |   |
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|   | 7 | 4 |   |   | 2 | 1 |   |

ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

**KING FEATURES**

# SuperCrossword

**ACROSS**

- Count every penny
- Less than three-dimensional
- Blue Grotto's island
- Earnings on the principal
- Certain custard pie
- Uncommon instance
- Base in DNA and RNA
- Adams of photography fame
- Hardly ruddy
- Gallery-funding org.
- Rachel's biblical sister
- Stinky sprayer with a luxuriant coat
- Bit of rock improvising
- Gun rights gp.
- Make blond, maybe
- Windows or Unix, briefly
- 1949 Peace Nobel
- John — Orr

**DOWN**

- Person in a fam. tree
- French for "kings"
- Arab VIP
- Bator (capital of Mongolia)
- Citrus-flavored pop
- Of neural firing points
- Rival of Hertz
- Miracle — degree
- O'er's opposite
- Fracas
- Drug from poppies
- Group with eight "Fresh Aire" albums
- Coral colony member
- Skewered meat dish in peanut sauce
- Macabre
- Vocalist Yoko
- Free — bird
- Waikiki necklaces
- Got back, as losses
- Situation for a short-handed ice hockey team

**ACROSS**

- "If I Only — Brain"
- Hitchhiker's need
- Aerobics aid
- Santa —, California
- Silverstein of kiddie-lit
- Desert refugees
- lnits. on a Card's cap
- Talking- — (lectures)
- Form in a catalog
- High-ranking senator
- Actors Erwin and Gilliam
- Keats piece
- Game with 108 cards
- Opa- —, Florida
- Fugitive
- Actress Bracco
- Bleached varnish ingredient
- Little Rock locale
- Gnu growths
- Snare
- Establish roots elsewhere
- Latin abbr. for "and the following"

**DOWN**

- Not at all conscious of
- Humane org.
- Dirt clump
- 5K or 10K
- Wise to
- Strong, buff papers
- Hedge clipper
- TV overseer
- Actress — Flynn Boyle
- Cloudless expanse
- Comprehend
- Son of Jacob and 31- Across
- Former Earth orbiter
- Astounded
- One on the fence
- Itsy-bitsy
- Lob's path
- Reeves of "Matrix" films
- Ruhr hub
- Fajita meat
- Bluish color
- USPS piece
- Small grills
- Small mountain lake
- Actress Deborah
- Heads out

**ACROSS**

- "You Light — Life"
- "Beauty — the eye ..."
- Despotism
- Inmate
- Fits together well
- Yolk holder
- Bellybutton variety
- "A Mighty Fortress — God"
- Fake
- Brigham City's state
- Miller beer
- "Welcome to the —" (2010 film)
- Totally lost
- Rapper Artis Ivey, familiarly
- Letter-writing buddy
- Dutch brew
- May gems
- Of lung membranes
- "Water Lilies" artist
- By itself
- African land
- Bog plant
- Mean whale
- Daddy-o
- Trotskyite's opponent
- Essayist Rand

**DOWN**

- Leaning Tower of —
- Spot of bliss
- Pupil's place
- Lhasa —
- "K-K-K- —" (classic song)
- The woman
- Johns — University
- Indecent
- Class-cutting
- Bird with ear tufts
- "Prove it!"
- Summers, in Marseilles
- Was hasty
- Cheek tooth
- Totally love
- Knee reflexes
- Having a key center
- Apple's instant-messaging program
- Fit to —
- mater
- Said "guilty," say
- Part of SE
- Cave sound
- Soul singer
- Corinne Bailey —
- Siam annex?
- Title for an atty.

ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION



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Scott Fairbanks,  
Public Works Department

## Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting April 29, 2013

Call to order @ 7:05 p.m.  
Present: Cole, Ciesielski, Hallman, Schmidt and Graves.  
Adopted: Minutes of March 25, 2013 meeting and minutes of April 23, 2013 Election Commission Meeting.  
Approved: Budget Adjustments.  
Approved: Payment of invoices.  
Accepted: Quote from Hayes Mechanical to repair boiler problems at Fire Hall.  
Approval: Chief Reid to send termination letter to Gerald Kingsbury III.  
Issued: 11 building and zoning permits that total \$4,351.80.  
Approval: To seek bids to demolish property at 10041 Silver lake Rd. Linden.  
Accepted: Quote from New Design Inc. to replace floors.  
Accepted: Quote from New Design Inc. to resurface counters and cabinets.  
Approval: To purchase material for facing front porch.  
Approval: To obtain quotes to paint the township hall garage.  
Approval: Payment to Aquest for weed control of Lobdell Lake.  
Adjournment: 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by: Denise Graves, Clerk

## PLANNING COMMISSION CITY OF FENTON GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL LAND USE REVIEW

**THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2013**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fenton Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Thursday, May 23, 2013 for the purpose of considering a Special Land Use request to allow for development of a licensed nursing home facility in the Pine Creek North Development, Tax ID #53-25-400-011. The site is located on the north side of Pine Creek Drive, west of the entrance from Eddy Lake Road. The property is zoned MHR/PUD and skilled nursing facilities are special land uses in the MHR District.

The public hearing will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers, 301 South Leroy Street. The purpose of the public hearing is to describe the proposed Special Land Use and receive public comment on the proposal. All interested parties are welcome to attend and present their comments.

A copy of the Special Land Use is available for public inspection at the City of Fenton offices, 301 South Leroy Street, during regular business hours. Written comments concerning the Special Land Use may be submitted at the above address prior to the hearing and will be made part of the official record. All minutes of meetings are available at the City Clerk's office.

Comments and questions may be directed to the City of Fenton Zoning and Building Administrator, Brad Hissong, at 810-629-2261.

**PLEASE CONTACT THE FENTON CITY CLERK'S OFFICE IF ANY ACCOMMODATIONS ARE NEEDED DUE TO A DISABILITY.**



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**FORECLOSURE NOTICE** In the event this property is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7cc of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 206.7cc 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. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Mae A. Baker, a Single Woman to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 20, 2002 and recorded December 27, 2002 in Instrument # 200212270146694 Genesee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP, by assignment dated April 1, 2013 and subsequently recorded in Genesee County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$49,318.48) 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 mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on June 5, 2013 Said premises are situated in City of Flint, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 1 0, of Lucy-Mason-Howard Plat, according to the plat thereof as recorded in plat Liber 3, Page 31, Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 2033 Howard Ave, Flint MI 48503 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 5/05/2013 Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP As-signee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 13-81131 Ad #50227 05/05, 05/12, 05/19, 05/26/2013

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Sealed bids must be received at the clerk's office at 9048 Silver Lake Rd. Linden 48451 by 4:00 p.m. May 17, 2013.

Denise Graves,  
Argentine Township Clerk



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Max Huchens - died May 2, 2013. Share memories at [www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com).



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### Elinor J. (Cartwright) Darling 1927-2013

Elinor J. (Cartwright) Darling - passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family on January 19, 2013 in Scottsville, NY. She is survived by her husband, Ronald L. Darling of Owosso, MI; identical twin daughters Jacqueline (David) Davenport of Kalamazoo, MI and Linda (Thomas) Beach of Scottsville, NY; step-children, Stephen (Diana) Darling, Theodore (Pamela) Darling of Fenton, and Cheryl (Ken Watkins) Coleman of Lafayette, CO; 7 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; several cousins; and many loving friends. Graveside memorial services will be held at 11 AM Saturday, May 11, 2013 at Lakeside Cemetery, Holly, with Rev. Donald Neuville officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Memorial Healthcare Hospice, 1975 W. M-21, Owosso, MI 48867 or Grace Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 158, Scottsville, NY 14546. [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com).

### Janice Reade,

Janice Reade - age 66, died April 27, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Kenneth Smith,

Kenneth Smith - age 63, died April 28, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Gerald Coad,

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### Robert Walter Bucknam

1917-2013

Robert Walter Bucknam - age 95, of Fenton, died Thursday, May 2, 2013 at Caretel Inns of Linden. Services will be held 11 AM Wednesday, May 8, 2013



at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Interment will follow at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Visitation will be held 3-5 and 6-8 PM Tuesday at the funeral home. Mr. Bucknam was born May 8, 1917 in Augusta, Maine, the son of Donald Campbell and Mable (Cluckey) Bucknam. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corp serving during World War II where he received two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star. Mr. Bucknam retired from General Motors in 1982 after 27 years of service. He was a member of the Fenton VFW, Fenton Eagles, Howell Elks Club, the American Legion and the Disabled American Veterans. Surviving are: son, Charles "Bucky" and fiancée, Linda Wykes of Fenton; two daughters, Betsy McGlaulin of Fenton, Deborah Kinney and husband, William of Haslett, MI; step-daughter, Joanne Oberhide and husband, Hal of Princeton, IL; 13 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; special friend, June Mahle. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary; step-son, Charles Chambers; two grandchildren, Jennifer and Joshua Barnes; brother, Neal; two sisters, Helen and Margaret. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Kimberly Zeigle,

Kimberly Zeigle - age 46, died April 28, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



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### Marilyn Ringlein,

Marilyn Ringlein - age 79, died April 30, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Marion Gail (Mitchell) Jablonski 1941-2013

Marion Gail (Mitchell) Jablonski - of Fenton, went to Heaven on April 30, 2013. Services will be held 12 PM Saturday, May 4, 2013 at Sharp Funeral Homes,



Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden with Pastor James Rolf officiating. Interment will be held at 3 PM Saturday at Romeo Cemetery, Romeo, MI. Visitation will be held from 10 AM until the time of service Saturday. Contributions may be made to the Humane Society. She was born on June 12, 1941 in Trenton, New Jersey the youngest of nine children to Louis and Hazel (Barton) Mitchell. She married Joseph A. Jablonski on September 9, 1961 and he preceded her in death on December 6, 1999. She had lived in Cincinnati and Fenton. Surviving are: children: Beth Parker of Fenton, Linda (Chris) Gerardy of Sterling Heights, Pam (Rusty) Myers of Cincinnati, Laurie (Lou) Nigro of Fenton, Joe (Chantelle) Jablonski of Linden; grandchildren: Heather (Angelo) Mandato, Kaitlin Gerardy, Ryan (Toni) Parker, David Myers, Nicole Jablonski, Kate Myers, CJ Gerardy, , Andrew Nigro, Jessica Jablonski, Anna Nigro, Joseph Jablonski, Jack Jablonski, Lily Jablonski; great-grandchildren: Melanie and Nicholas Mandato, Logan Parker; sister Ellen Schoenberg; nieces Susan and Devin Schoenberg. She was also preceded in death by six siblings. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Eoline Socia,

Eoline Socia - age 96, died April 29, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Raymond Parson Sr.,

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To your  
good health

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** My 73-year-old husband has, in the past year, been jerking during his sleep. His movements are quite wild at times. He has fallen out of bed three times during his "fighting" dreams. He dreams he is in a fight at work, playing football or shooting things. Just last night, it was killing mice. He jerks with his arms and legs. I don't attempt to wake him, as one time he was on the verge of striking me. I did yell his name three times, and he finally woke up. He has had two sleep tests and was told he has "half sleep apnea." What does that mean? He takes no sleeping aids. I have never heard that such movements are a sign of sleep apnea. — D.S.

**ANSWER:** A good bet is that your husband has a condition called periodic limb movements of sleep. For many, such movements are bending of the big toe and ankle. For others, it's jerking of the legs and arms. Most often the person doesn't awaken and has no recollection of what went on during the night. The bed partner and the condition of the blankets give testimony to what occurred during sleep. If the person doesn't have daytime fatigue, then this disorder isn't considered a sleep problem for him or her. It is for the one who shares the bed. Sometimes periodic limb movements of sleep occur with another problem, restless leg syndrome. That's a creepy-crawly sensation in the legs that comes on in the evening when sitting or in bed. The person is compelled to get up and move around to quell the feeling. A warm bath before going to bed might calm your husband's movements. Decreasing the amount of caffeine he drinks and doing the same for all forms of tobacco could bring nocturnal peace for you and him. If the situation doesn't clear, then Mirapex or Requip, two Parkinson's disease medicines, can put an end to the nighttime martial arts. Do tell his doctor about this. Periodic limb movements of sleep are, at times, associated with iron deficiency. I have no idea what "half sleep apnea" means.

SundayJumble

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Ans:

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Loving family enables niece while protecting child


**DEAR AMY:** I have a niece who lies, cheats and steals — mostly from her family, but in the workplace as well. Each time she gets into a huge jam, the family pulls together and "rescues" her. If she is about to get evicted, we pool together money to get her up to date. We also bailed her out when her car was being repossessed. We know that continuing to rescue her isn't helping; it's only enabling the behavior. We know we need to let her face the consequences of her decisions. The problem is she has a 4-year-old son whom we love and adore, and she won't be facing the consequences alone — she'll be dragging an innocent child down with her. Every time we get together as a family to come up with solutions, she cries and promises to do better, but of course it is just a matter of time until the next crisis! She refuses to get counseling, and she won't turn over custody of her son. How do we stop enabling her without hurting him? — Bewildered Auntie

**DEAR BEWILDERED:** Your family should seek counseling to help you navigate this process of boundary setting. You must let her face actual consequences (life without a car, for instance, spending the night in a shelter, or facing the reality of the court system). You do this by diminishing the money supply and by calmly refusing to rescue her. Unfortunately, she may be using your love and concern for her son as a way to control your family. This is why you need to manage your own anxiety (and be on the same page) as you find a way to maintain strong non-negotiables while continuing to envelop this child in your family's safe embrace.

**DEAR AMY:** Can you explain, in explicit terms, exactly what is an emotional affair? In my mind, if there's no sex, there's no affair. — Clueless

**DEAR CLUELESS:** An emotional affair is an affair of the heart. A Facebook nudge turns into private messages, phone calls and texts — and people express feelings of emotional connection and love. No matter what you call it — surely you can imagine how powerful these affairs can be and how destructive this intimacy is when it interferes with a marriage. Loving relationships aren't only about sex, and affairs aren't, either.


Amy Dickinson



Ask Amy

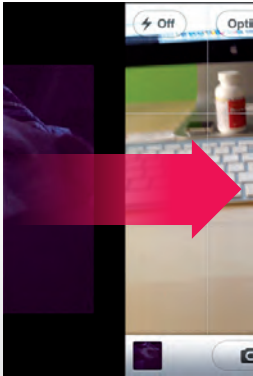
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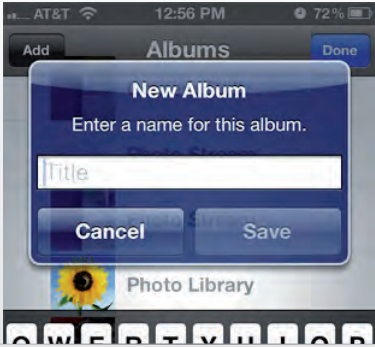
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Hot Ricotta Dip


Serves: 20

Hands-On Time: 10 minutes

Total Time: 10 minutes

INGREDIENTS

- 2 15-oz. containers ricotta
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
- 2 t. fresh thyme leaves
- 1/4 t. crushed red pepper
- 1/2 cup plus 1 tablespoon grated Parmesan (2 oz.)
- kosher salt and black pepper
- 1 T. olive oil
- 8 heads green and red endive, leaves separated



DIRECTIONS

1. Heat broiler. In a medium bowl, mix together the ricotta, parsley, thyme, red pepper, 1/2 cup of the Parmesan, 1/2 teaspoon salt, and 1/4 teaspoon black pepper.
2. Transfer to a shallow, broilerproof 1-quart baking dish, drizzle with the oil, and sprinkle with the remaining tablespoon of Parmesan. Broil until the top begins to brown, 3 to 5 minutes. Serve warm with the endive.

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