‘This is no job, it’s a way of life’

Times reporter spends 19 hours at Michigan State Police Training Academy

By Tim Jagielo

This is the first part of a two-part series on the Michigan State Police.

Delta Twp. — At 5 a.m.

Reveille, the bugle call to action, plays over speakers on the recruit floors of the Michigan State Police (MSP) Training Academy, just outside of Lansing.

Recruits aren’t allowed out of bed a moment before.

They get up, shower, dress, and file in, bunched together on the stairs standing at attention, waiting for the next command.

They’ll march in lock-step.

See TRAINING on 10A

“It’s non-stop, always on the go, never quitting, never breaking, never resting.”

Tpr. Adam Adamczyk

Media Liaison, Michigan State Police

Mortgage scammer bails on jail

Where in the world is Ronnie Duke?

Ronnie Duke of Fenton failed to report to federal prison on June 3. Duke was convicted in April for a scheme involving home loans and fake documents that took place between 2003 and 2007. During the four years of the scheme, Duke racked up nearly $100 million while using loans ranging from approximately $350,000 to $600,000. The federal judge ordered Duke to 13 years in federal prison, as well as to pay $95 million in restitution and $1 million in fines. Helicopters, cars, boats, extensive foreign vacations and residential properties were some of the items he purchased with the money.

The scheme is believed to be one of the largest fraud scams in

See RONNIE DUKE on 22A

School’s out!

Students and their parents offered high-fives and applause as 62 fifth-graders graduate from Linden Elementary and walk down the hall for their clap-out Friday afternoon.

Petitioners plead for pardon of pet pig

Asking city officials to change ordinance to allow Eli to stay

By William Axford

Eli the pot-bellied pig is gaining online support to live within the city of Fenton.

Owner Wolfgang Zientek, who resides with his family and Eli on East High Street, has created an online petition on change.org to keep Eli within city limits. So far, the petition has garnered 2,444 signatures. Zientek is looking for 2,560 more, as of Friday. According to Fenton City Clerk Jenny Naismith, the city requires a minimum
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Local recording studio home to many rockstars

Former guitarist works with big names, keeps small-town attitude

By Tim Jagielo

Tyrone Twp. — From his mixing board, Marshall Block of Real II Reel works to build dreams.

The bio-chemist and former touring guitarist for Alice Cooper, Ted Nugent and Iggy Pop decided to follow his dreams and produce music for others in 1994. Since then he’s only recorded music, opting for a pay cut to do what he loves.

He guesses he spends 60 hours each week in the studio, and much more networking to keep the opportunities coming. “The networking requires money and travel,” he said. Block travels to LA twice each year, Nashville four times, and he brought his associate over from England. “You have to spend money to do this,” he said.

His calm demeanor is displayed with comfortable clothes and a pony tail. He might have you sit for coffee before getting down to business. “I’m the luckiest guy in the world because technically I don’t have a real job. I get to have fun every day,” he said. “Life is terrific.” That “fun” is running his studio, with which he can drop his associate over from England. “You have to spend money to do this,” he said.

The home studio itself is nestled in rural Tyrone Township, surrounded by trees, which instantly puts you in a relaxed state of mind. The studio is a nucleus of activity, where some of the greats have come through. He’s on a first name basis and a working relationship with some famous names, like Dick Wagner of Alice Cooper, and Nick Trevisick, who worked with Katy Perry, Paramore and Janet Jackson. Trevisick won the 2012 American Idol award and felt quite humbled for the praise.

Meaghan Penning, 17, of Saginaw sings voice-over tracks for her original song “Safe in this song,” Wednesday night while Marshall Block listens from beyond the glass. Block’s voice-over studio work has been featured in Disney Corporation training manuals.

Laments from a wedding photographer

My argument for fewer cameras at events

By Tim Jagielo

Okay, hear me out.

As a news photographer, I have to be aware of my camera’s impact on my surroundings, and basically what I look like while I’m working — I’m a grown adult, holding two sizeable cameras, crouching, climbing and looking generally ridiculous in order to capture the photos I need.

If you have a mobile phone made in the last decade, you have a camera. If you have a tablet like an iPad, you have a really big camera. Digital cameras are also better and cheaper than ever, so now almost everyone has a digital camera within reach. This is a good thing — unless everyone decides to pull them out at a concert, or a wedding all at once.

Whether cell phone, point-and-shoot digital, or iPad, everyone needs to be aware of the

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I wish someone had told me …

It’s commencement time again and, once again, I am absolutely amazed that no institution of higher learning has invited the King to speak to their graduates.

In retaliation, I have gathered together a compilation of sage advice from various notable authors around the world. I am omitting any credit to the authors in order not to taint your perspective.

On my graduation day, I wish someone had told me:

• When you get a job be fired with enthusiasm, or you will be fired with enthusiasm.
• Education is an admirable thing, but you would do well to remember that nothing worth knowing can be taught.
• Don’t feel guilty if you don’t know what to do with your life. Very few people know at 22. Some don’t at 40. Some never do.
• Maybe you’ll marry, maybe you won’t. Maybe you’ll have children, maybe you won’t. Accept it.
• Whatever you do, don’t congratulate yourself too much, or berate yourself too much.
• Neither will help you.
• Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don’t matter and those who matter don’t mind.
• Enjoy your body. Use it every day. Don’t be afraid of it, or of what other people think of it. It’s a gift from God and the most wondrous machine ever created.
• If you don’t have the answer, say so. These seven words often work out well: “I don’t know, but I’ll find out.”
• Get a life. A real life, not a manic pursuit of the next promotion, the bigger paycheck, the larger house, the do-it-yourself project that will never get done, the bigger car, the smaller waist. A life with variety in it.
• Never, ever read beauty magazines.
• They will only make you feel ugly.
• Understand that friends come and go, but a precious few you should hold on to. The older you get, the more you need the people who knew you when you were young.
• Twenty years from now your biggest regret will be the something you didn’t do, not something you did.
• You spent your school days yearning to graduate. Don’t spend your remaining days yearning for your carefree school days.
• Your schooling may be over, but your education never ends.
• Get to know your parents. You never know when they’ll be gone for good.
• Don’t ever let anybody but yourself determine the definition of happiness or success in your own life.
• At some point, you will realize that the important moments in life are not the ones that Hallmark makes cards for — not the birthdays, the graduations, the weddings, not the great things achieved. The real milestones are less pretentious.

They enter our memory unannounced — stray dogs that amble in, sniff around a bit, lie down and simply never leave. Our lives are measured by these moments.

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Some information reprinted from the Internet.
Times now providing mobile apps for businesses

Mobile is the device of choice for new generation of users

By Sharon Stone
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If you are a business owner you need to know that Mobile use has now surpassed all other forms of Internet use. Whether your customers are looking for a mattress, a used car or a towing service, they’re likely using their smartphone, not a computer.

Just think about how many people you see with smartphones in hand, checking emails, texting friends, watching videos and surfing or shopping on the web.

This means that if your website is not mobile friendly, you are missing out on a lot of business. “We have already converted dozens of local businesses,” said Mindy Monroe, Times senior online marketing specialist. “A free mobile app can be seen as a ‘one-stop shop’ for your clients to learn about your business.”

Monroe said research shows that if a website accessed via smartphone or tablet is not mobile-friendly, that user will most likely go to a competitor that has a mobile-friendly website.

In addition to retail stores posting a money-saving sale, business hours or newest location, medical providers can send out reminders to their patients about upcoming appointments or alert them to a new service. Beauty salons and barbershops are jumping on board as well so that they can send out alerts of openings in their schedules or to let their clients know about new products they are offering.

Regardless of what the business has to offer, mobile apps are enabling these businesses to communicate, without being intrusive. According to a recent Nielsen report, 50 percent of all Americans now own a smartphone — that’s a nearly 40-percent increase from the prior year.

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Busy time of year, but it’s all good

From the desk of Times Editor Sharon Stone

It’s that time of year when I am being pulled in many directions. In addition to being the editor of this newspaper, I am often even busier outside of the office.

In June alone, I attended my son’s high school graduation, I will be attending the wedding of my best friend’s daughter, my husband and I are planning and playing in our 13th annual Brad Stone Summer Classic on June 22 and then, to round out the month, we will be hosting our son’s graduation open house at our home.

Almost forgot, we also looked at venues for my daughter’s upcoming wedding in addition to shopping for her wedding gown. Like most people I know, we burn the candle at both ends, but I wouldn’t have it any other way. I find myself, however, asking whether we can pull off another golf outing. That thought came to mind while I played in the Fenton Chamber’s golf outing last Friday. Unless you have planned a golf outing you have no idea how much work goes into the fundraiser that people voluntarily pay to attend, year after year. I commend the Chamber for hosting such a great outing, despite the brief downpour.

Each outing brings out mixed emotions as we do this in memory of our son, Brad. We do it to carry on his legacy of helping other kids achieve their dreams. Our entire family and closest of friends get involved. To date, we have given out college scholarships totaling $67,300 to Lake Fenton graduates and $45,500 to EMHA youth hockey players.

I am not alone with being busy, that is why my husband, Jeff and I are so grateful for those who voluntarily give up their Saturday to be with us as we celebrate Brad’s life or support our mission financially.

As I feel the weight of embroidering another set of uniquely designed hats to give to our golfers (with the help of Image Projections and Robin Ham), compiling teams and rounding up sponsors and door prizes, I can recall the note I recently received from Amy Herman, the mother of Meredith Herman, a Lake Fenton grad. Meredith, along with Nick VanDuser each won a $5,000 Brad Stone scholarship this year. While Amy and Meredith were attending the Memorial Day ceremony in Fenton’s Oakwood Cemetery, they happened to come across Brad’s grave. Here they were, standing in front of the headstone of a young boy they had never met and never knew, yet who was helping to pay for Meredith’s education. They were so grateful — and reading Amy’s note melted my heart. Hearing the impact our son had on their family is why I will take another deep breath, and continue to plan what we hope is one of the best events of the summer.

Busy is good — it’s all good.
Identity theft occurs on the rise with an increase of one million cases last year

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Last year more than 12.6 million Americans were victims of identity theft according to the Federal Trade Commission. As the way we communicate with others becomes more advanced, identity thieves adapt and find new and more creative ways to part you from your money. “It is a big issue, and people think that just because they don’t share their Social Security Number they are safe,” said Tara Lee of The State Bank in Fenton. “It’s gotten so much bigger now. They can steal a piece of mail and get your identity.” Lee advises people to make use of shredders to destroy all of their mail before throwing it out in the garbage. Any bit of information identity thieves find can be used against you.

Email is another way identity thieves can try to steal your private data. It can be quick and easy for con artists to send out thousands of emails to people, requesting their names, address, passwords, and more. This is known as “phishing attempts,” and oftentimes the identity thief will pretend to be a bank, business, or someone other trusted entity to get your information. Never send your passwords or other private information through the email, especially not to unknown email addresses. However, keep in mind that even authentic looking emails can be fraud-based.

The Internet can be a place of many dangers, not just through your email but across the World Wide Web. Many shady websites can install spyware on your computer, which can monitor your keystrokes, harvesting your user names and passwords to access banking websites and email. Keep your anti-virus software up to date, and watch your computer for signs of spyware — excessive pop-up ads, strange applications appearing that you don’t remember installing, and your computer being more sluggish.

It’s not just new technology that identity thieves utilize to their advantage. Telephones have been used by identity thieves for decades. They may call and identify themselves as being from a bank or some other trusted entity to get your information. “One year, four years, it can take a long time to get everything fixed.”

Monitor your own credit frequently — the earlier you can catch any suspicious activity the better. You can obtain a free credit report from one of the three credit bureaus (Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion) yearly — meaning you can get one every four months. Review for any unauthorized charges.

Taking the appropriate steps to defend your identity is important. Worrying about the possibility of identity theft after it has happened may be too late. “That’s the hard part, repairing the damage of identity theft,” Lee said. If you think you have been the victim of identity theft, you can go to The State Bank’s website to download its identity theft emergency repair kit. The process to reclaim your credit isn’t easy though.

“That repair part is the worse part,” Lee said. “One year, four years, it can take a long time to get everything fixed.”

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China food imports — some not safe

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It adorns many items that you may consider purchasing every day — the small “Made in China” stamp that makes it clear where that item originated. Unfortunately, when it comes to food, it can be difficult, if not impossible, to know if a part of your meal came from China or another area of the world.

The home of the longest manmade structure in the world, China is also the world’s leading producer of many popular American foods — apples, tomatoes, potatoes, pears, garlic, peaches, and many more. In fact, China produces almost 80 percent of the world’s vitamin C, and produces many ingredients used in processed food. According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), the United States imported $4.1 billion worth of agricultural products from China in 2006. A decade earlier, that number was only $800 million.

The amount of food brought in is already high, and continues to rise.

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The good news — between 2006 and 2010, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration prevented more than 9,000 unsafe products from entering the United States. The much worse news — only about 2 percent of imported food sees inspection, meaning that many foods that would not pass scrutiny have made it into our grocery stores and our dining rooms.

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were overwhelmed by the sheer size of the nation’s food production, including an estimated one million food-processing companies,” Lovera said in her testimony. According to Lovera, poor working conditions and excess pollution are two major problems with Chinese food production. To maximize profits, safety steps are being skipped, leading to unhealthy products.

Other incidents include contamination of foods. Lovera testified that melamine, a chemical used to make plastic, has been intentionally added to food products to help them pass tests for protein levels.

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affects their cameras have, and be aware of the affect their camera has on an important moment or event. In my job there are laws and ethics that govern where and how I get photos — and there is etiquette to pulling out your camera in formal events. At least, I hope there is.

The idea for this column came while attending the wedding of my girlfriend’s older sister. It was a small, outdoor event with around 30 people, in a rural garden setting. When the bride walked down the aisle, were the attendees? Standing out in the aisle, behind the chairs, taking photos. Almost half were not even watching the important event. They were taking photos and in my opinion, being really distracting. The couple had their own photographer there, who had to jostle people to get the shots she was being paid to get.

“I’m a photographer, and it makes it very hard to be in the back with 15 or more phones up in front of your camera and you’re trying to get a great photo,” said Carrie Bard-Denike of Fenton. It’s become enough of a problem that some weddings are going camera-free. At a recent wedding I shot, there were no cameras but mine allowed in the ceremony, which caused some grumbling by family members.

Now imagine 15 to 30 people altogether doing this. Also, the photographer behind you, who the bride and groom are paying, is only getting a distracting sea of screens and arms instead of a once-in-a-lifetime shot for their clients. “It makes our job much more difficult when the guest list thinks they’re pro photographers,” said Fenton photographer Jen Knivilla. “I say that from a photographer’s standpoint.”

Knivilla has had to dodge tablet cameras while taking wedding photos. “I do understand why they’re doing it,” said Knivilla, who is a wife and mother herself. “Weddings are a big deal. I have found it to work when our wedding clients ask their officiant and/or DJ to make an announcement reminding their guests to be respectful during those important moments.”

Some friendly suggestions for camera use at special events

• Some churches will not allow any photography, let alone flash. Be aware of where the professional photographer is, and of your surroundings. Avoid using flash, because if the paid photographer isn’t using flash, you will ruin their photos. Plus, they’ll have to wait until you are finished to get a clear shot — and at that point, the moment could be over.

• (Please) stay in your seat. Often photographers will shoot from the back of the church to get a ceremony shot. Aside from being disruptive, you could be in the paid photographer’s way. Also, keep your arms down (see photo on 3A).

• If possible, wait until the reception, and don’t overdo it at those key photo moments. There’s always looking at other photos online later.

• If all else fails remember — you’re at an important family, or friend event. Try to just sit and enjoy it.

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HOLLY FARMER’S MARKET SCHEDULE

The Holly Farmer’s Market will take place every Sunday from now until October between 12-8 p.m. in front of the Village offices.
Tigers win thriller vs. Mt. Pleasant

¿Who was the first woman to win a Triple Crown race?

Julie Krone accomplished the feat on June 5, 1993, in the Belmont Stakes, riding Colonial Affair to a victory on a cold drizzly day.

Fenton HOF Banquet

Don Madden and the 1966 Fenton football team were a member of will be inducted into the Fenton Athletic Hall of Fame on June 13 at Fenton's Andrew G. Schmidt's Middle School cafeteria. Along with Madden, Amy Morrison, Jim Pushman, Jeff Merrill and Natalie (Koan) Cook are the 2013 Hall of Fame inductees. Ken Wensel is being inducted as an honorary member as well.

The doors open at 6 p.m. with the ceremony beginning at 7 p.m.

General admission tickets cost $50 for those wanting to eat dinner and enjoy the ceremony. Standing room only tickets are available for those not interested in the dinner portion of the event. The standing room only tickets cost $10.

Madden was a three-sport athlete, competing in basketball, track and, of course, football. During his senior season, the 1966 football team went undefeated with a 9-0 mark, outscoring their foes 346-71. Madden was an AP and a UPI First team All-State performer, rushing for 1,200 yards and 18 touchdowns. He continued his football career at Eastern Michigan University.

Regional Champs

Score: Fenton 2, Haslett 0
Summary: Fenton kept the ball on Haslett's defensive zone most of the night, resulting in the win. Payton Maxheimer scored in the first half, while Allison Cialkoszewski (center) prepares to join the celebration.

What's next?: The sixth-ranked Fenton Tigers host second-ranked Marian in the Division 2 State Semi-finals. The game is slated to start at 6 p.m. Tickets are $6.

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Blue Devils dominate early, earn spot in regional title game

By Jordan Climie
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Freeland — There’s nothing quite like the feeling that you’re proving people wrong.

“We’re the underdogs and we proved that we belong,” junior captain Jordan Newman said after Lake Fenton defeated host Freeland 3-1 earning a spot in the title game on Friday night.

“We played a whole game today,” head coach Lenny Glasstetter said. “We don’t have a deep bench, a lot of young players.

“A lot of the late games in the season, starters played 80 minutes to get used to it.”

Two of those goals came courtesy of Newman, who also proved why she has been a goal-scoring threat all season.

Her first chance came just over a minute in to the game, when senior midfielder Sidney Scott sailed a beautifully placed kick from the right side directly in front of the Freeland goal. Unfortunately, Newman was unable to punch it in.

Twelve minutes in, however, Newman did find the back of the net. A sloppy play by Freeland’s goalkeeper Kaitlyn Morrissey gave Newman the rebound in front of the open net where she was able to squeeze it in.

“I was just excited to get that first goal,” Newman said. “I didn’t know what the outcome (of the game) would be.”

Halfway through the first half, sophomore goalkeeper Melissa Eggleston helped out in a big way on the defensive side of things.

With Freeland getting a corner kick, it was perfectly placed for a header toward the Lake Fenton goal. It connected, but

Lake Fenton boys golfer team misses advancing to state meet by two strokes

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An outstanding season came to a gut-wrenching end on Thursday for the Lake Fenton boys golf team at the Division 3 regional held at Flint’s Golf Course.

The Blue Devils, who captured a district title a week earlier, missed qualifying for the state meet by two strokes, placing fourth with a team score of 332.

The Blue Devils qualified for the state meet a year ago, placing 15th.

“I feel for the kids,” Lake Fenton coach Denny Lucius said. “They wanted to go to state really bad, to get back to state. And to lose by two strokes and not qualify is really tough.”

Macomb Lutheran North won the regional with a 317, while Essexville Garber placed second with a 324. Almont took the third place position, placing third with a 330.

The Blue Devils were paced by Merrick George, who carded an 18-hole score of 80 on the par-72 layout. Justin McPhail carded an 81, while Wes Potts shot an 85. Blake Bomicki carded an 86.

“It’s been a great season,” Lucius said. “It’s just tough to see it end this way. They’ve worked together and there’s a closeness to this team, that’s the best part of it. They’ve grown together. It’s too bad for the seniors. They won’t go to get on to state, but the nucleus of the team will be back next year, so we’ll get run at it again next year.”

Powers placed fifth with a 334. Tri-county resident Jake Stone carded an 83, while Troy Tomczak had an 85. Matt Cra...
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The Tigers were down.

Fenton seniors Megan Cockin (left) and Payton Maxheimer prepare to embrace after the Tigers won the regional championship on Thursday.

Fenton’s Jamie Castiglione took the loss on the mound in the Tigers’ district defeat to Hartland.

**Fenton diamond teams fall to Hartland in districts**

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Playing a tough Hartland team that has beaten the Fenton varsity baseball squad five of the last six years in district play, the Tigers knew they’d have to play a near-perfect game just to compete against the Eagles in district action on Saturday.

That didn’t happen. While Fenton hurler Jamie Castiglione tossed a two-hitter over five innings, Hartland’s offense still managed six runs during that time, eventually resulting in an 8-1 loss to Hartland in the Division 1 district semifinals at Lakeland High School.

Holly’s season also came to an end at the district, losing to Lakeland 8-7.

“They’ve got us five of the last six districts. They’ve been a bit of our nemesis,” Fenton coach Chad Logan said. “They’ve gone to the quarterfinals each of the last two years. When you go against a team like that you have to play clean, and we didn’t play clean.”

Hartland scored an unearned run in the second and then added three more in the third on Jake Kessons three-run home run. The Eagles added two more in the fifth and two more in the sixth, putting Fenton down 6-0 despite Castiglione striking out seven. He walked five.

“I thought he was around the plate more than that to get five walks,” Logan said.

The Tigers did put together a rally in the seventh. Parker Ciski reached base on a strike out and wild pitch, and back-to-back walks to Luke Idoni and Dylan Benson loaded the bases. However, only the run the Tigers got out of the inning came on Mitch Lockwood’s sacrifice fly.

Offense was a problem for Fenton (10-22) all season long. The Tigers scored 104 runs in 32 games.

“We didn’t score enough runs to consistently beat people,” Logan said.## The Fenton Village Players Present

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Fenton soccer captures thriller in shootout vs. Oilers

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East Lansing — The Tigers didn’t want their magical season to end just yet on Tuesday.

And it didn’t. On the strength of two Tiffany Cairns’ penalty kick saves and a PK goal made by a player who was injured earlier in the contest, the Fenton varsity girls soccer team broke a 1-1 tie by earning a 4-3 shootout victory against the Oilers in the Division 2 regional semifinal contest at East Lansing Soccer Complex Tuesday night.

Cairns was the star in net. She made saves on two of Mt. Pleasant’s PK attempts. Meanwhile, Payton Maxheimer, Brianna Costigan, Megan Cockin and earlier injured Natalie Marshall made the Tigers’ PKs, with Marshall’s goal being the final one.

“It’s crazy,” Cairns said. “Ending a game on PKs is never fun for any team. It doesn’t really show the potential of either team. But that’s what you have to come down to. Winning like this, especially for a goalie, is the most enthusiastic thing ever. I have no words for it.”

Marshall was one of three Tigers that suffered an injury during the game, and looked done for the game after suffering a quad injury. However, she jumped at the chance to take a PK.

“I wanted to do it,” Marshall said. “I love PKs and I wanted to help my team, somehow, even with my injury. It was a good way to do it for my team.”

“I just asked her if she could shoot,” Fenton coach Matt Sullivan said. “It really has nothing to do with her foot. It has everything to do with her frame of mind, and all I had to do was look at her. She said, ‘absolutely.’”

As one may expect from a game that was deadlocked 1-1 all after regulation and two 10-minute overtime periods, it was a tightly contested game throughout. The Oilers scored first, just 4:38 into the contest on a goal from five yards out by a shot by Allison Carlkowski. However, the shot led to a corner kick chance that resulted in the Tigers’ only goal of the game. Brennan Sullivan took the corner, crossed the ball to the box and it was scored by Kaleigh Keyandwy.

Each team had some more scoring chances during the second half, but was unable to score.

As was the case with the first half, Mt. Pleasant played better early on, while Fenton’s superior depth took over the longer the period went on. The Oilers had two strong chances within the first 12 minutes of the half. One came on a Samantha Smallwood pass to Layne Zuker for a shot with 33:30 left in the half. The second came with 28:30 left on a Hannah Kahn shot. However, during both situations, Cairns made the save.

Fenton had two nice chances during the second half of final regulation period. One came on a direct kick from Mackenzie Murphy from about 35 yards out. It was saved. Later, with about 8:30 left, Payton Maxheimer was on the verge of earning a one-on-one chance when Oiler keeper Kaley Pittsley came out and stopped the attempt. Finally, with about five seconds left in regulation, the Oilers’ Foote looked poised for a breakaway attempt, but she was called offside.

In the first overtime session neither team got a shot on net. In the second OT period Fenton controlled most of the action, getting four shots, including two quick shots on net off a direct kick. Sullivan took the initial kick, which was saved. Then a rebounded shot came to Mt. Pleasant keeper Kaley Pittsley, who made the save.

In the PK session, both teams made their first two shots. The first Cairns’ save came on the third Mt. Pleasant when she made a diving save on a shot by Emily Cummins. Initially, Cummins mistakenly shot to the left of the net before the official-whistled play on, meaning she had to shoot again. The next time she went left and Cairns made the save.

“Honestly, it scared me more because it was still a 50-50 chance,” Cairns said about having to face Cummings after her mishap. “She made the look to the left and I was like she’s probably not going to shoot again, so I dove left and I tipped it.”

She also saved Mt. Pleasant’s fourth attempt, the stop that gave the Tigers the win.

“The second save I thought I let it roll off my hand and it went in,” Cairns said. “It was that close. I just got enough to get it over, otherwise it would’ve just flocked in.”

But Cairns did get enough, setting off a team celebration. Cairns faced 13 shots with 10 being on net. She made nine saves. Fenton had 12 shots with nine being on net. Eight were saved.

Also suffering injuries during the game were Carly Granger and Murphy.

“It’s amazing,” Sullivan said. “The girls kept talking about not letting this end. They want to keep being with each other. We’re lucky.”

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help send the Blue Devils to the regional championship game.

Their opponent? Flint Powers Catholic, a team they played to a 1-1 draw earlier in the season. The results of that game were not known at press time. Go to www.tctimes.com or read Wednesday’s edition to learn more about that contest.

“I think we’re a different team,” Newman said. “I’m so happy we get to play them in the regional finals.

“It’s going to be a good rematch.”

To Glastetter, the Powers game earlier in the season is what made Lake Fenton noticeable to other teams.

“We’ve been the underdogs all year,” he said. “Some schools paid attention when we tied Powers.

“This year’s been in the championship. It’s a game that’s going to be a battle. Anyone who can play Powers and beat or tie them, it’s huge for the team.”
Fenton schools expects slight enrollment dip next year

Budget should be comparable to last year say school officials

By William Axford
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Fenton — The Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS) system is budgeting for a slight decrease in student enrollment for the 2013-2014 school year. At Monday’s board of education meeting, Director of Finance Doug Busch presented the preliminary budget for the upcoming school year to department heads. The expected dip in students is attributed to the recession that hit in 2008.

“There’s a pretty strong correlation to when the recession hit in the United States. We’re here five years later and kids that may have been in better financial times may have had a child,” Busch said, who budgeted for approximately 20 fewer kids for the 2013-2014 school year.

Despite projecting fewer students, Busch is optimistic that FAPS’s budget will be healthy next school year. The district currently receives $6,966 per pupil and had a total enrollment of 3,492 students last year, a 1.4 percent decrease from 2012 to 2013.

FAPS had a district budget of $30,318,075 during the 2012-2013 school year. Busch said classroom sizes should remain the same next year and that no teachers will be laid off in the next school year.

One significant change Busch is anticipating is a decrease in funds from the state to offset retirement costs, which may decrease from $98 per student to $63.

Busch told the board that the state should be funding the section 221 technology grant again this year, which the district received $34,000 and used to set up a wireless network.

Overall, Busch doesn’t see a possible problem with decreased revenue unless FAPS is impacted by sequestration or title funds from the federal government. “All told, this is, at this point, a very positive budget projection for the upcoming year,” said Busch. “It’s very refreshing. It’s very nice to see this year, and today, sharing these kinds of things, talking about reasonable insurance increases, compared to where we were several years ago.”

The board also voted to renew three millages that are set to expire by 2014.

Accounting Supervisor Pete Hajeck said the current 18 mills on non-homestead property will generate about $4 million for general fund operations and the .9562 mills on all property will generate roughly $683,000 for the sinking fund. Another 6.52 mills on homes was renewed as well, which is used to pay off existing bonds.

Board President Lynn Hopper noted that taxes are not increasing for homes, as the mills reapproved Monday were already in effect.

“You’ve all done a good job considering that we’re at the mercy of the state, which cuts funding by the milligram and feeds it back by the gram, and then expects to get a round of applause,” said board member Rick DesJardins.

ELI THE PIG

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of 572 valid signatures in order for a petition to be submitted to the city council.

Change.org is a website where petitions can be filed and people can give their support by leaving their name and comments.

Zientek and his wife have had the pig a little more than a year and use him as a therapy animal for their daughter. He received a nuisance violation from the city during the spring, informing him that Eli was not allowed to be within city limits.

“One does not bark, bite or chase anyone near our yard,” Zientek wrote in the petition. “He is not left out to roam the streets at all hours. Eli is wonderful therapy and is extremely intelligent. Please allow Eli to remain.”

Supporters who have signed the petition are calling out city officials to keep Eli within the city and to focus on other issues.

“Banning a pet such as Eli because ‘someone complained about it, so we had to act’ is a waste of our resources and a ridiculous reliance on antiquated ordinances,” wrote Michael Henk of Fenton. “Get with the times and support your citizens instead of banning pets and escalating issues.”

“I owned a pig too, his name is Link. I called before we got him and Fenton Township said they are considered domestic pets now and that it was okay to keep him,” wrote Andrea Sebring. “I can’t believe Fenton City is any different. Pigs are smarter (than) dogs, clean and lovable. Leave Eli alone.”

Pot-bellied pigs aren’t the only farm animals that have raised the ire of city officials. Last year, Melissa Bosserman battled with the city council to allow chickens within city limits. An ordinance was passed allowing home owners to have up to three chickens. So far, only one person has been approved to have chickens within the city.

Building and Zoning Administrator Brad Hissong told the Times last month that there is an ordinance against pigs within the city and that Zientek did not receive permission to have Eli.

For those interested in viewing the petition, visit change.org and search for “City of Fenton (Michigan 48430): Discrimination/Harassment of therapy animal Eli or domestic pot belly pig.”

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a Juno Award out of Canada this year.
Block has expanded into England, from where his associate helps get his music placements.

Recently, Blocks’ music appeared in an out-of-sport in Showtime’s “Shameless” with song “Lady’s Touch.” He produced tracks for the Mark Wahlberg film “The Fighter,” including “Can’t hide your love.” “Make me baby” was featured in the 90210 re-boot, and Justin Timberlake nodded to a Real H Reel song when he was introduced in “The love guru.”

Songs have also appeared in HBO’s “Hung,” and A&E’s “Cold Case Files.” He’s working on producing a music industry based reality TV show for MTV, with the pilot filming in July.

He’s currently working to develop an artist from Saginaw, Meaghan Penning, 17, with producer Randy Lynch, who has worked with the likes of Celine Dion and Rihanna.

On Wednesday, Penning arrived to record voice-overs to her original song “Safe in this song,” from her debut album. Satisfied with her performance he said, “We got something, I’ll tell you. I don’t know what the hell it was but it was something.”

Block discovered her in Chicago, at The Launch Showcase. “I go there twice a year looking for new talent,” said Block, who regularly offers free studio time as a contest prize for developing artists.

He offers necessary criticism and encouragement for his artists, but Block isn’t too worried about singers hitting perfect pitch. “To me it’s all about the performance,” he said. “Music is all about creating emotion. If you’re not, then what’s the point?”

His network has expanded because of his bottom-up networking strategy. “Most people want to go to the top, where my strategy has been, I try to help as many people on the bottom as I can, and then every once in a while, one of my ‘bottom dwelling’ friends takes off.”

Randy Lynch, as an example, works with Block full-time, though he recently won a Juno Award in Canada. “When helping people before they’ve made it, when they do make it they’re your friends.”

Block’s best skills may lie in how he treats others. He treats his musicians and artists with appreciation. He’ll pay his studio musicians in cash, up front, which they’re not used to. “They play their asses off for me,” he said.

Block may not just be master of the studio, but also the master of making friends and making people feel good about themselves.

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(M)eanh Penning, 17, of Saginaw works to convince Marshall Block to come see her band’s show — and bring famous guitarist Dick Wagner with him. Block fosters a relaxed atmosphere in his studio.

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AGLOW INTERNATIONAL-HOLLY
Aglow International-Holly is holding its next meeting on Wednesday, June 12 at 315 South Broad St., in Holly. Fellowship and snacks begins at 9:30 a.m. followed by the meeting at 10 a.m. This month’s speaker is Graham Cooke. There will also be a DVD presentation from Aglow International’s 2012 conference.

CONLON-CROCKETT
Kevin Conlon of Wixom and Amy Crockett of Holly are proud to announce their recent engagement. Amy is the daughter of John and Margaret Crockett of Holly. Kevin is the son of Don and Karin Conlon of Okemos. The bride-elect was Valedictorian of Holly High School in 2008, and went on to receive her BBA from Central Michigan University in 2012. She is now the Grants Assistant with the Michigan Nonprofit Association in Lansing. Her fiancé graduated from Okemos High School in 2007, and received his BS from Central Michigan University in 2011. He is now a senior client care specialist with Quicken Loans in Detroit. The couple is planning a wedding to take place in the bride-elect’s hometown, Holly, on July 20 of this year.

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Meet Phil Canup

Beale St. Smokehouse BBQ co-owner, graphic designer and photographer

By Olivia Dimmer
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Phil Canup never thought he would end up as a co-owner of a Memphis-style BBQ restaurant, although the lifestyle suits him well. Along with his daughter and a handful of other family members, Canup strives to make Beale St. Smokehouse BBQ a unique and truly family-operated business. Everything, from the hand-painted tables to the menu design to the photos on the wall, are products of Canup, his family and their combined creativity. Recently you attended the Beale St. Music Festival. Was that a business or a pleasure trip? A little bit of both. We wanted to go downtown and see what’s going on at Beale St. and how we compare. We have a Memphis-style barbeque, which is the type of rub we use and the way we cook them. We like to see what they are doing downtown and bring it back here. The festival takes place in Memphis, Tenn. It’s for three days, always the first week in May in Tom Lee Park, which is at the end of Beale St. We always bring back posters. I did bring back a recipe book. We went around to a few different restaurants and saw how our food compares to what they have. We went to the Creole Kitchen, King’s Cafe and other places. People come to our restaurant who have been to Beale St. or been to Memphis, and they enjoy being some place up north that reminds them of being down south. It’s like a little piece of Memphis.

How did you get started in the restaurant business? Well, my daughter Lisa has been in the service industry for around 20 years and Steven worked here as a cook for several years. We all worked here and now we are all co-owners. I was laid off from a marketing business and I came to work here with my daughter. I started washing dishes in the kitchen. I’m not sure how long I will continue to do this, I was kind of retired after I was laid off from my marketing job. I’ll be 66 this year. I never envisioned myself as a restaurant owner. I think I’m pretty well suited to this job. I do a lot of the problem solving. Like, when I came in this morning it was a nightmare. We had no Internet service, computers were down and one of the sinks was plugged up. A lot of those things, I will take care of. What has the transition been like from dishwasher to owner? We heard through the grapevine that the previous owner was planning to sell the restaurant. Lisa and Steven came to me and asked if I would consider going into a partnership to buy the restaurant. And I said ‘Okay, let’s give it a shot.’ We drew up a business plan. I think my background in marketing helped with the business plan. I also took some courses on how to be an entrepreneur. We presented our business plan to Citizen’s Bank and got a small business loan. That’s how we got it.

Has working with your daughter and many other family members changed the family dynamic at all? I think it strengthened our relationship. She’s more of the manager and my position is marketing and designing. Our business plan played up the three strengths.

Do you have any other hobbies? I do mostly graphic design and I’m also really into photography. I have a really high-end camera from Billmeir’s. I don’t do it professionally, but because I enjoy it. I worked as a graphic designer to please other people and now I do this on my own. All the photos on the wall in the restaurant are all photos I took on Beale St. I take all the pictures of the kids that come in here that are around the window. I used to be into making stained glass, painting and sculpture, too. I have a bachelor of fine arts degree from Columbia. My daughter has picked up on that too, she paints tables like the ones we have in the restaurant. We got that idea when we went down to B.B. King’s club. We’re planning on doing a mural of a photo I took of the sunset on Beale St.

How has the business changed from when you bought it? I redid the menu. All the photos on the menu, I took. When we first bought it, they had paper menus with clip art that wasn’t pleasing to look at. We didn’t want any stock photos, we wanted the pictures to represent that we are one-of-a-kind and not a chain restaurant. There is nothing on our menu or advertising that is stock photography. Even the people pictured in the menu are the people who have worked here. Everything even down to the background of the menu are photos I took. Our food was shot on our tables with our actual food. I wanted it to be personal.

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Also, we’ve added a stage. They used to have music on Saturday nights but now we have live bands on Friday and Saturday nights. We used to push all the tables aside and have the band play there but now we are actually creating an atmosphere for the music.
Flint — The Bee Gees may be remembered simply as pioneers in disco and capturing the style of the late 1970s but if you’re involved with anything health related, you know the group may have saved countless lives.

“If someone can’t keep count, tell them to ‘Stayin’ Alive,’” Jenny Mervyn said during a class at the Genesee-Lapeer Chapter of the American Red Cross in Flint. Two students who were renewing their cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) license attended her class Wednesday, reviewing proper rescue methods in case of an emergency.

With school ending and the inevitable sunny summer days on their way, outside activity is set to pick up.

Children will play in lakes, adults will join softball leagues and people in general will be exposed to the heat — all situations that could become dangerous at a moment’s notice.

Being trained in CPR and knowing how to react to an emergency could be the difference of life and death this summer.

“When you’re dealing with kids in emergency situations, time is of the essence,” said Denise Bowles of the American Red Cross. “It’s really critical to do life saving stages in the first steps.”

Mervyn broke down responding to a medical emergency into four steps. First, call 911, even if you are not completely sure if medical assistance is needed.

Second, before approaching a person who may be in need of assistance, check the surrounding area to make sure it’s safe to administer CPR.

Third, inform the person that you are CPR certified and ask for their consent. Mervyn said consent is given if the person is unconscious.

Finally, 30 compressions should be given to the chest, followed by two breaths. CPR should be administered until emergency responders arrive, the person receiving CPR recovers or if the person performing CPR becomes tired.

While the steps can be done by anyone, Mervyn still recommends becoming certified to administer CPR.

“You cannot be sued if you give the care you are trained to give,” said Mervyn, adding that Good Samaritan laws can shield someone from liability, so long as they are certified. CPR instructions are also updated every few years due to new research and recommendations. Being certified will ensure you know the latest methods.

Certified or not, the most important thing to do when someone is in need of medical assistance is to call 911.

“Always call before you care, even if you’re at camp and the EMT is 10 minutes away,” Mervyn said. “They would rather be called and not have an emergency rather than not get a call and have someone die.”

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A minister called the advertising editor of his local paper to announce the title of his upcoming sermon.

"My sermon this week will be titled 'The Lord Is My Shepherd,'" he said. "Is that all?" asked the editor.

"That's enough," the minister replied.

When the newspaper arrived that week, the pastor opened it and was surprised to read that the title of his sermon would be 'The Lord is my shepherd; THAT'S ENOUGH!'

Two women were standing and conversing in a convenience store and gas station where I went to buy gas for my generator during a recent electric power outage. Wanting to leave them with some kind of faith builder before departing, I said 'Have a good day and remember God loves you!' 'Sometimes I wonder,' replied one, revealing how she really felt in spite of her former but now fading smile.

'Try reading the twenty-third Psalm,' I advised; adding that I do so every morning.

'Would I give this kind of advice to a troubled woman upon learning I had encountered her on one of her down days?' Because so many in her frame of mind have rediscovered the love of God and the power of faith through this moving text on God's care for us in tough times.

One widely known writer said when David, who had been a shepherd, wrote the twenty-third Psalm, he placed the key to its understanding on the front door. He saw the word 'my,' in the first line as the requirement for receiving the peace, power and protection promised here. His point was that it is one thing to know the twenty-third Psalm and another to know the Shepherd.

We live in a troubled world and trouble comes to all. If our concept of God's care is dependent on the circumstances at hand, we may find ourselves doubting His love.

Few people find it difficult to believe God loves and cares for them when things are going well, but things do not always go well.

How do you react when trouble comes?

Do you become pessimistic? Depressed? Angry at God?

In his article 'Pulling Through Depression,' Craig Massey says sometimes we deepen our depression by isolating ourselves from the Lord, saying, in essence, 'I don't believe You are with me. I don't believe You care. I don't believe You hear me.'

The responses to trouble are not just products of these tense times. They are characteristics of lapses in faith that have surfaced in times of trouble through the centuries, where they crumble in the face of the positive faith demonstrated in the twenty-third Psalm.

This Psalm of peace reveals one who expects God to lead him to green pastures and still waters; who expects a feast when surrounded by foes; who sees goodness and mercy following him all through life and when facing death anticipates heaven. The editor’s sermon title was no mistake: When the Lord is our Shepherd: THAT'S ENOUGH!

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Senior Home Solutions

Fenton resident opens business to help seniors age in place

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With more than 10,000 people turning 65 every day in the U.S., Fenton resident Matthew Welch is committed to helping those in Michigan to age well in place.

“When given a choice, virtually everyone asked would want to live or rehabilitate in his or her own home,” said Welch, president of Senior Home Solutions of Michigan, Inc. He recently opened a new showroom and production facility in Clinton Township showcasing a product line specifically designed to help those who may be in need of safety products for the home.

Senior Home Solutions offers a wide range of products and services, including step-in safety tubs, modular access ramps for home exteriors and interiors, staircase chair lifts, tub-to-shower conversions, barrier-free bathroom and kitchen accommodations, safety grab bar installation and door jamb widening.

“We also have custom cabinets and countertops that take into account our customer who may be confined to the use of a wheelchair or walker,” said Welch.

Customers are coming to Senior Home Solutions with a wide variety of requests based on their own special needs, according to Welch. Some are looking to make their existing home safer so that when they retire, the home will meet their needs from a safety and mobility perspective. Other customers have family with existing special needs, such as recovery from surgery or injury from a slip-and-fall accident.

“We feel we have a unique opportunity and obligation to fill a specific void within our community,” said Welch.

For more product and service information, visit the Senior Home Solutions showroom at 20562 Hall Rd., Clinton Township. Call (586) 226-4448 for more information or a free-in-home analysis.

Leona Willyerd began her insurance career in 1991 with Paul Matlock and went to McKinnon & Moorey in 1993. She joined Smith Peabody Stiles in 1997 as a licensed customer service representative and remained in that role after SPS was acquired by Brown & Brown. She expects to spend her free time enjoying her grandchildren and traveling with her husband.

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Open house etiquette

By William Axford

Advice for hosts and guests

A swath of seniors from high school and college have graduated and chances are a few of them have invited you to their open house. Or, you may be the lucky parent of a senior who is heading out into the real world, diploma and degree in hand.

Just like the future, rules with open houses aren’t always crystal clear. Here are some things to keep in mind when it comes to open houses, whether you’re attending or hosting.

Invitations should be sent out at least three weeks before the planned party. That way, friends and family members can make the appropriate accommodations to attend the party.

If the open house is for you, be sure to greet everyone and thank them for attending. It can be hard to meet with everyone, especially if you have a large family or a big group of friends attend. However, it’s rude to ignore people who have made an effort to congratulate you on your accomplishments. Move through the party and thank everyone for attending.

Gifts are appreciated to give but are not a requirement Emily Post told Foxbusiness.com. However, for those who received an announcement, invitation or attend the party, Post recommends showing up with at least a card or a small gift. If you are from the same graduating class or a teacher of the student, you are not obligated to give a gift but may do so if you wish.

“You can keep it simple — it could be homemade, it could be totally within your budget, that’s the most important thing,” Post said.

Most gifts generally come in the form of cash, which is suitable unless the family stresses they do not want money given as a gift.

If you’re attending an open house, be sure to arrive when instructed, not earlier or too late. It is the responsibility of the host to let perspective guests know what time the party will start and end. Other activities should be included with invitations or flyers.

After the party, the guest of honor of the open house should send handwritten thank you notes to those who attended as soon as possible. While it may seem tedious, Post said handwritten thank you notes are a part of the professional world and young people should be in the habit of employing them when appropriate.

Summary

Simple manners rule at graduation open houses. Guests that attend should show up within the timeframe of the invitation, and graduates should personally thank each guest for attending and then follow that up with a handwritten thank you note.

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Fenton’s AGS Middle School would like to recognize the eighth-grade students (Class of 2017) who received High Scholastic and Scholastic Honor Awards. Students receiving High Scholastic Awards have a GPA of 3.5 or higher. Students receiving Scholastic Awards have a 3.0 – 3.5 GPA.

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Bugala, Elise
Cagle, Emma
Carty, Samuel
Carter, Logan
Cassidy, Elise
Ceselman, Chase
Cummings, Ryan
Cunez, Nicholas
Davis, Cheyanne
Dawson, Jordan
Degayner, Tess
Delecki, Elise
Deming, Emily
Dickens, Shea
Dimambro, Dominic
Drake, Madelyn
Dymond, Trevor
Eisenbeis, Jennifer
English, Lucas
Farren, Kellie
Gatica, Hunter
Gillman, Jonathan
Gornick, Adam
Griffiths, Heather
Gruver, Lauren
Hall, Madaline
Harrington, McKenna
Hendrick, Jacob
Henson, Brennen
Holmes, Brooke
Holvik, Jacob
Hogan, Connor
Huotari, Mikko
Isaacson, Eryn
Janowski, Madison
Johnson, Erin
Kessner, Jenna
Kelly, Bronson
Keranen, Milo
Kievast, Shelby
Kniereim, Brienna
Kolanowski, Erica
Koleza, Lauren
Kusno, Kelsey
Lee, Grace
Lepeune, Chase
Lessard, Remy
Long, Karmyn
Loring, Greg
McPhail-Faust, Ian
Mathews, Cameren
Mazurek, Jenna
McCardle, Megan
McQuarters, Kortney
Mowilliams, Brendan
Miller, Brianna
Miller, Natalie
Mock, Brooke
Moore, Logan
Murphy, Ashley
Parks, Skylar
Pearce, J. Michael
Pelyao, Robin
Phipps, Sydney
Pierce, Jessica
Podlesak, Channer
Press, Kate
Quinones, Abigail
Raycliffe, Alyssa
Raymond, Chase
Reed, Kenneth
Remillard, Brenda
Reuschlein, Cathleen
Roy, Madeline
Rudzynski, Evan
Ruz, Demerie
Sarkon, Aaron
Sarkon, Cole
Schafer, Frank
Schenner, Noah
Skank, Haylee
Springle, Troy
Smith, Ashlyn
Smith, Jarrett
Spence, Kirstin
Steibers, Brady
Stevens, Cooper
Stiles, Sean
Sug, Emily
Suydam, Nolan
Teiner, Erin
Thomas, Elizabeth
Thompson, Reid
Trecha, John
Troda, Brendan
Wagner, Kate
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Watson, Jada
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Welch, Madeleine
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Scholastic Honor Roll: 3.0–3.5 GPA

Abdulhay, Suhaib
Bachman, Makayla
Bangert, Lilley
Bates, Hailey
Becker, Kylie
Buswell, Samantha
Corcoran, Justin
Crawford, Cameron
Crawford, Noah
Dagenais, Parker
Eicher, Jake
Evans, Michael
Farghulson, Sydney
Ferguson, Megan
Folell, Ethan
Glynn, Emma
Glynn, Morgan
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Huntley, Jessica
Kartounees, Chaspin
Keith, Alexander
Kemp, Thomas
Kroo, Katelyn
Lee, Grant
Lockwood, Anna
Mckee, Phillip
Metcalfe, Korena
Miesch, Dylan
Mowery, Taylor
Mays, Ryan
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Remenant, Daniel
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Vasquez, Nathaniel
Wallace, Alyson
Walsh, Kasey
Wuestneck, Alanya

AGS announces Honor Rolls...
Q. My father is 86 and continually gets offers through the mail and over the phone regarding financial matters. Is there anything I can do to help protect him from scams?

A. Actually, there’s a lot you can do. Here are a few suggestions:

1. First, ask your father not divulge personal information over the phone. Also, urge him to never wire money to a company he doesn’t know. Always verify the legitimacy of any request.

2. If he has a credit card, urge him to never give out the number over the phone. If a caller claims to be a police officer or someone similar, hang up and call your father’s police department.

3. Be cautious with offers that seem too good to be true. “Limited-time” or “no-risk” offers are almost always misleading. If something looks too good to be true, think twice before responding.

4. Urge your father to avoid sending personal information over the phone. If he does receive such a call, ask to speak to a manager. If possible, visit your father’s local office to verify the legitimacy of the request.

5. Help your father set up a “no-call” list to prevent contact from companies he doesn’t want to hear from.


Q. I think I may have a bird building a nest in my dryer vent, isn’t there supposed to be a screen that stops that from getting into my vent?

A. No, dryer vent hoods come in two styles. If you have the louvered style and any of the flaps are missing, crickets can get in, and it looks like a disney spot to nest to a bird. If you have the hood style, there should be a flapper inside the hood. Over time lint can build up at the opening and hold the flapper open allowing enough space for the critters to enter.

If you put a screen in the opening the lint will plug the vent and your clothes will take hours to dry if at all. Take the time to inspect your vent to ensure it is closing properly between loads!

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

THERE WERE SEVEN attacks on U.S. Embassies while President Bush was in office. Many died and that’s terrible. To keep politicizing Benghazi is just not right. We have a long history of having our embassies attacked. At some point, we need to be realistic on our role in the world.

WE SPENT TRILLIONS on wars in Iraq and Afghanistan for more than a decade and the federal deficit went up for every dollar spent. Everyone in congress seems to forget that. I feel for the people in Syria but we don’t need to be in any more wars.

LIBERALS ARE TO blame for entitlements. The term came from President Johnson who said, “Grandma is entitled.” This was at the start of Medicare. The President thought it was a national disgrace to treat our elderly and poor so badly. What would this country be like without them? God bless liberals.

FENTON TOWNSHIP HAD the opportunity to take advantage of a state fund that pays to have bike lanes added to roadways on road construction projects. They even had a local civil engineer give a public presentation on the fund. Just another example of them dropping the ball.

ONLINE COMMENTS GIVE Phantom and Anonymous the courage to repeat the hate of RW pundits. I have not read an original comment or thought from either. I hope they realize that they are just being used to achieve the goals of the greedy. Smoke and mirrors forever.

FOR 50 YEARS, the per capita income in cities like Flint, Detroit, Saginaw, and Pontiac has declined. Populations have declined, services have declined. It is inexcusable that the schools have declined. No one in the state should stand for what is happening to schools. Proposal A must go now.

LIKE I SAID, you don’t know the difference between the debt and the deficit. I said the deficit is down to $600 billion. The deficit is the difference between what we pay out each year vs. what we bring in. The debt is the overall amount we owe. Educate yourself.

I READ SOME area schools are pink slipping all their teachers at the end of the school year. How did teachers become the enemy of the state? Problems in the schools are everyone’s fault including those who do or say nothing. No one should be treated like they’re disposable.

WELL, THAT YOU are from California explains why you think rudeness is normal. Simply making a statement that there is massive room for improvement in how we treat each other on a daily basis. If I hold a door for you say thank you, maybe smile. Be nice.


A BIG SINCERE thank you to AGS students, parents and staff. You have made this year a great memorable experience for everyone involved with our school!

Coffee Makers

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.

Klari Frederick of Argentine Township took this photograph of an osprey catching a fish from Loddbell Lake on May 22.

Hunter Grugel, 12, of Holly caught a 19-inch large mouth bass while fishing at Seven Lakes State Park with his dad Shawn Grugel. Two days later, he was back at Seven Lakes State Park and caught this 21 3/4-inch, 5.4 pound large mouth bass.

Logan Landis, 14, killed his first turkey while hunting with his grandfather, Terry Landis of Fenton on May 25, 2013. They were hunting in Lewiston.

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‘Be The Match’ and save a life

By Sharon Stone
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Every year, 12,000 patients learn that a bone marrow or stem cell transplant is their best chance at beating diseases like leukemia, lymphoma, sickle-cell anemia or one of more than 70 other blood cancers and disorders.

Longtime Linden City employee Gloria Kirshman is potentially one of these patients if pending tests reveal that she is not in remission. She was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia (AML) in April and is in the midst of a medical leave from her role as city treasurer so that she can proceed with treatment.

To show support for Kirshman, who has been with the city for the past 28 years, the city arranged for a “Be The Match” registry event to take place on June 22, during the Linden Mills Days. Those between the ages of 18 and 44 are encouraged to stop by the Linden Fire Department to take part in this free event.

It is not known at this time if Kirshman will need a transplant, however, there are thousands of patients waiting to hear that they have matched a possible bone marrow transplant donor. Those familiar with Linden know about Be The Match organization since Mayor David Lossing was an active participant. He joined the registry in 2006 and in November 2012, received word that he was a match for a patient. One month later, he donated blood stem cells and gave that patient the greatest gift of all — the gift of life.

This Be The Match registry event was made possible through a generous sponsorship from United Way. Individuals between the ages of 18-44 can join and help support the many patients in need of a bone marrow or stem cell donor.

Joining the registry is as simple as filling out some paperwork and swabbing your cheek. Fundraising efforts by Michigan Blood combined with the sponsorship by United Way covers all tissue-typing fees (typically costs $100 per person) and makes registration at this event completely free of cost.

Seventy-five percent of donors are asked to donate their blood stem cells via a non-surgical procedure that is very similar to donating platelets or plasma and 25 percent of donors are asked to donate bone marrow, which is a surgical procedure. General anesthesia is used and the procedure is an outpatient surgery.

To have a match, the donor and recipient must have the same HLA tissue-type, a DNA type match. This is what makes finding a donor so challenging. Despite a registry of more than 10.5 million potential donors, only five out of 10 patients that turn to the registry get the transplant that they need.

Younger donors produce the most successful transplants. They have higher cell counts, more active cells, and the patient experiences better outcomes on average. This is why new registry members must be between the ages of 18 and 44 in order to join.

What is AML?

Adult acute myeloid leukemia (AML) is a cancer of the blood and bone marrow. This type of cancer usually gets worse quickly if it is not treated. It is the most common type of acute leukemia in adults. AML is also called acute myelogenous leukemia, acute myeloblastic leukemia, acute granulocytic leukemia, and acute nonlymphocytic leukemia.

Source: National Cancer Institute

BE THE MATCH REGISTRY EVENT
Saturday, June 22
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Linden Fire Department
Ages 18-44
Free

BE THE MATCH
Marrow.org

Summary

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Father’s Day 2013
Let your gift show your love and appreciation for the men in your life

By Sally Rummel
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Your husband or dad probably has enough ties to wear, but that doesn’t mean you can’t think of another more interesting gift to present to your special guy on Father’s Day, Sunday, June 16.

If you think about your dad or husband’s hobbies or interests, a fun gift may come to mind easily. If he likes to travel, a small down payment for an upcoming trip planned by Travel Brokers or Superior Travel would be a personal, welcome gift. Maybe a gift certificate to his favorite restaurant or tickets to a sporting event or concert would be meaningful and fun for both of you.

Many other special gifts come to mind and you don’t even have to leave the tri-county area to find them.

Let’s get personal
Massages and other salon services can fit into any man’s schedule and will pamper your guy just the way he likes it. At LaVida Massage in Grand Blanc, a Father’s Day Special offers a one-hour massage for Dad for just $39.95. “Call or stop in for a gift certificate between now and June 16 and we’ll honor it for up to 30 days from the date of purchase,” said owner Bill Randall. LaVida also offers a 10-percent discount all the time for men and women in uniform—whether they are veterans, currently serving in the military, police/fire, city employees, etc.

Check with other local salons and spas for their Father’s Day specials, too.

Money matters
If your guy likes to keep his money and credit cards close at hand, a new money clip called M-Clip, is the newest personalized gift line at Sawyer Jewelers in Fenton.

“The M-Clip is brand new at Sawyer Jewelers and we are very excited about it,” said Mary Ann Beltinck, owner. “Its multi-patented functional design is truly heavy duty and can hold both cash and credit cards securely, while still being very lightweight and non-bulky.”

What makes an M-Clip such a meaningful gift is its personalization, from custom engraving to logo etchings and unique designs that reflect the personality and interests of the man holding it. “We carry M-Clips in all different colors, collegiate logos, hunting and camo designs, etc.” said Beltinck. “You can even put an engraved message inside for the ultimate in personalization.”

The grill of his dreams
A new grill or other barbecue accessory always makes a welcome Father’s Day gift. Sears Hometown Store in Fenton is the area’s headquarters for outdoor grilling, with models ranging from traditional Weber charcoal grills to large outdoor kitchen models featuring the latest infrared heating.

Barbecue accessories have also come a long way from their traditional style to new sets in collegiate logos and even in golf club style. Some spatula heads also come in a monogram so that grillers can “brand” each steak or burger with a personalized initial.

Comfortable seating
Why not surprise Dad with a new outdoor chair of his own, maybe from a stylist selection found at Keyes Pools, Ace Hardware, Sears Hometown Store or K-Mart? New styles often include cup holders, sun shade and other amenities that will make it his favorite chair to sit on when resting from his grilling chores.

Tools, tools and more tools
A man can’t ever have too many tools, and they’re available in any price range. At Taylor Hardware in Fenton, Milwaukee Power Tools is the most popular brand of tools, but there are many other “guy gifts” from Echo chainsaws to Toro mowers, yard tools, wheelbarrows, garden carts and more.

The Craftsman Bolt-on Power Drill at Sears Hometown Hardware now comes in a 110-volt corded version for a handyman who uses the tool frequently. “It’s a unique tool because it’s a drill, but there are attachments you can put on to make it multi-functional,” said Jeff Stone, of Sears. “You can add attachments like a sander, jigsaw, impact driver, to name just a few.”

Thanks to the hawkmeadows.com for the Father’s Day ad.

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Does Father really know best?

Parenting philosophies may change over the years, but love and guidance are always in style

By Sally Rummel

Jim Anderson, the family patriarch on TV’s “Father Knows Best” in the mid-1950s, always seemed to know exactly what he was doing when it came to parenting his son, Jim, Jr. and daughters, Betty and Kathy.

But in real life, most of today’s dads admit that their roles as father aren’t as effortless as what TV used to make it look like and that maybe the name of the show should be, “Father Really Does Try His Best.”

“No matter what age you become a father, you can’t be prepared for parenthood until you become one,” said Tony Shard, 38, of Fenton, father of Keegan, 2½. “Even though I was older when Margie and I decided to have a child, I had no idea what it would be like to not always know what to do, for example, when I couldn’t soothe Keegan when he was crying. You can’t read a book and get it, all you can do is become a father and just do it.”

As owner of Midwest Soccer Academy, Shard spends a lot of time traveling, especially to Florida in the summer, where he operates the Disney Soccer Academy. “I can tell you that I’ve definitely scaled down my travel schedule since we’ve had Keegan,” said Shard. “I want to be the father who drops him off and picks him up at day care. I make it a point when I’m gone for an extended time to come home for two days every week just to be with my family.”

His best parenting advice he ever received: Be instrumental in helping your child choose the right friends. “I know we haven’t gotten to this point yet with Keegan, but this is advice I plan to follow in the future,” said Shard. “There are so many pressures from peers and society. Having the right friends can make all the difference.”

JohnAustin Taylor, 35, believes that fatherhood has made him much less selfish as he watches sons Braxton, 5 and Maddon, 4, grow up “too quickly.” “Being a father has changed me tremendously,” he said. “I know it’s a lot of work, but it’s also a blast! I can’t wait to get home from work every day, because they run to me and tackle me when I walk through the door.”

He says that fatherhood has also made him a better husband. “Just because you’re a father doesn’t mean you don’t have to be a good husband,” he said. “I realize that Crissy has been working hard all day, too, with the boys, just as I have been at work. I try to take over when I get home so she has a chance to run a few times a week, get together with a friend, or just have some down time.”

He finds the challenge of fatherhood to be learning how to manage time and invest it in all the right places. “I’m still working on how to balance work time, family time and personal time,” said Taylor.

Steve Martin is pictured here with his wife, Kathy and their two sons, Jake and Zack, at Jake’s recent graduation from Fenton High School.

His advice for young fathers? “Enjoy every moment with your children, even the stressful times, because each moment goes by too quickly.”

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JohnAustin Taylor and wife Crissy recently attended preschool graduation for their older son, Braxton, pictured here with younger brother, Maddon.

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Steve Martin, father of Jake, 17, a 2013 graduate of Fenton High School and Zack, 21, a senior at Spring Arbor University, knows this all too well. “I realized how different my sons were from each other, the minute Jake was born four years after Zack!” he said. “When Jake was born, I figured I already had this parenting thing down well, and it would be simple. Boy, was I wrong. The boys are so different from each other, but different in a good way.”

He has learned that it takes different strategies to get each child to understand what is important in life and how to get there. “The biggest challenge is allowing them to grow up without forcing them into our own ways,” said Martin. “You have to give them enough freedom to reach out on their own and set their own parameters after teaching them early on what’s right and wrong. I don’t believe there are many gray areas in life. Most things are pretty black and white.”

Martin’s best lesson learned as a dad? “The first thing is love. That will take you a long way.”
John E. Lewis, John E. Lewis - age 66, died June 1, 2013. Share memo-
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John W. Graham, John W. Graham - age 64, died June 2, 2013. Share memo-
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Jennie Vincent of Fenton; 2
sons, David of Fenton, and
Ronald J. Klempp - age 65, of Fenton, died Monday,
June 10, 2013 at Sharp Funeral Home, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Pastor Hal Phillips officiating. Burial will be in Beebe Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be from 2-5 and 7-9 PM Sunday.

Ronald J. Klempp 1944-2013
Ronald J. Klempp - age 69, of Holly, died June 3, 2013. Funeral services will be held at 10 AM Monday, June 10, 2013 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly, with Rev. Gary Evans officiating. Burial will be in Beebe Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be from 2-5 and 7-9 PM Sunday.

Shirley Roseina Lonsbury 1947-2013
Shirley Roseina Lonsbury - age 65, of Fenton, died Wednesday, June 5, 2013. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM Monday, June 10, 2013 at Sharp Funeral Home, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Pastor Hal Phillips officiating. Burial will be in Beebe Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be from 2-5 and 7-9 PM Sunday.

Steve M. Murphy, Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
JUNE 3, 2013

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday June 3, 2013 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as amended
3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of $158,803.43.
4. Adopted Resolution No. 2013-07, approving the application of TIG Entity, LLC for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for a plant expansion and new equipment to be located at their Thompson Road facility.
5. Accepted, with regret, a letter of resignation/retirement from Penelope Shar-
ich, effective June 30, 2013.
6. Adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
THE RIGHT WAY TO PICK UP A CAT

DEAR PAW’S CORNER: How do you pick up a cat? My sister says I don’t pick our cat Bubba, up correctly. — Stacy

DEAR STACY: Many people pick up a cat by kneading in front of it, placing their hands on either side of the cat’s body behind the front legs, and lifting it straight up in the air. I often wonder if there are statistics on how many of these people get scratched and clawed by said cat as it tries to escape. That is a really uncomfortable position for a cat to be in.

Another no-no is lifting a cat by the scruff of its neck, the way mama cats do. This can hurt adult cats. Sometimes you’ll see the vet grasping the scruff of the neck, but only to reposition the cat, without lifting it up.

The best way to safely pick up a cat is to approach it from the front, calling its name so you get its attention. Kneel down to Bubba’s level and then move to his side. Cup one hand under his chest, then tuck his tail to one side and reach under his hindquarters, and lift him into your arms. His hindquarters and back legs can be tucked in the crook of one arm, but let him rest his paws on top of your other arm.

Many cats like being snuggled this way, but few will stay there for long. If you want to hold Bubba longer, sit on the couch and rest him across your lap. If he struggles to get away, let him go. If you’re holding him in your arms, let him go by kneeling down to the floor, so he can safely exit.

paw’s corner

Chicken thighs with rhubarb-cucumber salsa

INGREDIENTS
• 1 habanero, Scotch bonnet, or Thai chili, with seeds, stemmed
• 2 garlic cloves
• 2 scallions, thinly sliced
• 1 T. soy sauce
• 1/4 cup olive oil
• 6 large skin-on, bone-in chicken thighs, or 4 whole legs
• Kosher salt
• 1 1/2 cups 1/4-inch cubes rhubarb
• 1 cup 1/4-inch cubes unpeeled seeded cucumber
• 1/2 cup coarsely chopped fresh cilantro
• 1 T. honey
• 1 T. neutral oil, such as canola or grapeseed
• 1 t. freshly squeezed lime juice
• Freshly ground black pepper

TO MAKE RECIPE
Go to www.yumsugar.com for full recipe

IDENTITY THIEF
Unlimited funds have allowed Diana (McCarthy) to live it up on the outskirts of Miami, where the queen of retail buys whatever strikes her fancy. There’s only one glitch: The ID she’s using to finance these sprees reads “Sandy Bigelow Patterson”… and it belongs to an accounts rep (Bateman) who lives halfway across the U.S. With only one week to hunt down the con artist before his world implodes, the real Sandy Bigelow Patterson heads south to confront the woman with an all-access pass to his life. And as he attempts to bribe, coax and wrangle her the 2,000 miles to Denver, one easy target will discover just how tough it is to get your name back. R, 1 hr. 52 min.

WARM BODIES
A funny new twist on a classic love story, WARM BODIES is a poignant tale about the power of human connection. After a zombie epidemic, R (a highly unusual zombie) encounters Julie (a human survivor), and rescues her from a zombie attack. Julie sees that R is different from the other zombies, and as the two form a special relationship in their struggle for survival, R becomes increasingly more human - setting off an exciting, romantic, and often comical chain of events that begins to transform the other zombies and maybe even the whole lifeless world. PG-13, 1 hr. 37 min.

Answer to crossword: HE

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have pseudogout. It’s hard for me to explain to people, so I either tell them I have gout or I don’t tell them anything. Will you do me a favor and explain it in the paper? It’ll cut out, carry it with me and give it to people who ask what I have. Thanks. — D.K.

ANSWER: Pseudo- is the Greek word for ‘false.’ Pseudogout is false gout, an illness that looks a lot like gout but really isn’t related to it. With gout, blood uric-acid level rises. Crystals of uric acid deposit in joints and give rise to gout pain. With pseudogout, the crystals that invade joints and the tissues around joints are calcium pyrophosphate. What causes the rise of these crystals isn’t known. It’s not diet. The first attack of gout usually involves the base of the big toe. With pseudogout, it’s the knee. The pain of pseudogout is not false; it’s quite real. Both crystals target other joints as time passes. Even though these two are different processes, treatment is similar. Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs are used for acute attacks of both, medicines like Indocin and Motrin. Colchicine, another gout medicine, is also used for an acute, painful attack of pseudogout. As in gout, cortisone injection of an inflamed joint reliably suppresses joint pain. The standard treatment of inflamed joints — ice packs and immobilization — are part of treatment for both illnesses. Unlike gout, pseudogout doesn’t have as many medicines for the prevention of attacks. Colchicine can be taken on a daily basis to ward off attacks. However, should this illness develop into a chronic illness, medicines like methotrexate and hydroxychloroquine are often prescribed.

Mom won’t approve HPV vaccination

DEAR AMY: I am an 18-year-old senior in high school. I am about to graduate and go to college. Each time I go for a yearly checkup, my doctor suggests that I get the HPV vaccine. My mother, who is a little skittish, hems and haws and ultimately decides that, no, I should not get the vaccine. Her reasoning is that sex will wait until marriage, so there is no risk of my getting HPV and therefore no need for the vaccination. I would like to get the vaccine. I would feel safer, especially because I am aware that I will probably be sexually active. Is there a way that I can convince her that it is more practical for me to get the vaccine? — Worried Student

DEAR WORRIED: You have already discussed this with your mother. Presumably, your doctor has also discussed this with her. The HPV vaccine is given to inoculate women against the human papillomavirus, which can lead to cervical cancer (and other cancers) later in life. This vaccine is usually offered to girls and young women before they become sexually active, thus eliminating the risk that they have already been exposed to the virus through sexual contact. At age 18, you no longer have to ask your mother’s permission to receive a vaccine which could literally save your life down the road.

DEAR AMY: I am the mother of a 17-year-old son. I recently found out that he calls the mother of one of his friends ‘ma!’ He did it right in front of me! I told him to stop doing it because he only has one mother — me! I further told him that he owes me an apology. He does not understand what the big deal is. He does not know that I am giving him three ultimatums, timetables and circular logic without giving him the benefit of honest, thoughtful explanations. There is a big difference between ‘ma’ and ‘mom.’ Demanding an apology and then demanding sincerity are opposite challenges. Your son might be an immature teenager, but what’s your excuse?
**Opening July 2013**

Assisted Living Community (20 beds)
Currently looking for:
- **Life Enrichment Coordinator** Part-time Mon.–Fri.
- **Cook** Part-time 6a-6p
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Housekeeping
- **Part–time**

All applicants: Must be compassionate, caring, patient and enjoying work with the elderly.

Apply at:  
www.viciniagardens.com

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**Due to expansion...**

Our long term nursing care facility is seeking individuals that have a passion about providing the best in elderly care and is now hiring for the following:

**RN’s** on all shifts full-time and part-time and

**LPN’s** on all shifts full-time and part-time

Applying in person at 202 S. Bridge Street, Linden, MI 48451
- OR - send resume to lbrcadell@lindenhealthcare.com

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**CITY OF FENTON**

**DEPUTY ASSESSOR**

The City of Fenton, located in southeastern Genesee County, population of 11,800 is currently accepting applications for a Deputy Assessor. This position requires applicant to perform technical work in the collection, tabulation and formulation of departmental data; perform State Tax Commission procedurally approved appraisals for all types of residential, as well as assist with commercial and industrial properties; process Personal Property Statements; perform other technical and clerical work as required. Must have high school diploma or the equivalent, at least two years of college in relevant field, knowledge of tax laws and procedures, a driver's license and a clean MVR. Salary range $22,000-26,000. For application contact: Office of the Mayor, 5193 Hill Forest Dr., Fenton, MI 48430 or email to Mayor@cityoffenton.org by 5:00 p.m. June 13th, 2013. 

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**FLEET & REAL ESTATE**

**FENTON June 13-15th, 8-3p.m., 501 S. Adelphia. Queen bed set, household items, women’s clothes.**

**FENTON June 14th-15th, 9-4p.m. Something for everyone!! Tools, household items and much more!! 609 Grant St.**

**FENTON LAKE SHANNON real estate community garage sale, June 14th, 9-5p.m., June 15th, 9-3p.m. Follow signs.**

**FENTON SPRINGFIELD Hills Community Sale! Off Fenton Rd., south of Thompson, June 14th-15th, 9-5p.m. Something for everyone!!**

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**2006 CHEVY TRAIL BLAZER LS, SS, 5,000 miles, 2 wheel drive, 6 cylinder. $12,000. Call Bill at 810-513-4885.**

**2010 COLORADO pick up, 43,000 miles. $14,500. Call 248-245-1065.**

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**Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA’s) positions available, all shifts full-time and part-time.** Must have certification from the State of Michigan as a nurse aide and worked with the elderly in long term care environment.

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**Girls Softball Team**


**Nursing Home**

Needed for PT & travel opportunities. Please check careers@chassefenton.com

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**TRI-COUNTY**

**GARAGE SALE**

Fenton
- 623 South Oak, Fenton, MI 48430 or email to Tmilloseau@cityoffenton.org by 5:00 p.m. June 28, 2013.

FENTON - LOON lake 2 waterfront and 2 wooded lots. $12,000 and up. Located off US/23 and Hartland schools. Call Sun 810-629-5333 & Hot Water paid until August 1st. Welcome!


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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

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NOTICE OF HEARING
VARIANCE APPLICATIONS
King Venture Development, LLC 19055 Silver Parkway
Burger King Restaurant
CITY OF FENTON, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

TAKING NOTICE that a public hearing on the above petition will be held before the Fenton Zoning Board of Appeals on Tuesday, June 25, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the City Hall Conference Room, 301 South Leroy Street. The applicant requests variances to allow construction of a third wall sign at the existing Burger King for the west wall elevation facing Silver Parkway. Variance of the Fenton Zoning ordinance requirements are requested of Section 26-22.05 (a) Specific Sign Standards. The Sign Dimensional Standards and regulations allow wall signs on walls that face an approved street maximum of two wall signs. Applicant’s property has facades on three approved streets.

Therefore a variance for a third wall sign is required as applied.

Zoning: GBO (General Business District)
Property Location: 19055 Silver Parkway Northeast corner of Silver Parkway & Oren Road,
Property I.D.: 59-54-601-011

Additional information and location maps are available for review at Fenton City Hall 301 South Leroy Street, Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 5 pm.

Please contact the Fenton City Clerk’s office if accommodations are needed due to a disability.
More information about the Rose Township Dump Superfund site is available in the form of a restrictive covenant and environmental protection easement as part of the cleanup plan. Institutional controls are legal requirements such as the protection of water resources. Groundwater is an environmental term for underground water. Groundwater is the natural source of fresh water. Institutions include controls in the form of a restrictive covenant and environmental protection easement as part of the official cleanup plan for the site.

The cleanup work at the site included four major elements: (1) excavation and incineration of PCB-contaminated soil; (2) excavation, treatment, on-site consolidation, and capping of lead- and arsenic-contaminated soil; (3) soil vapor extraction and capping of soil contaminated with volatile organic compounds (VOCs); and (4) groundwater extraction and treatment for VOCs.

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If you have questions or need more information contact:
Nabil Fayoumi
Remedial Project Manager
312-886-6840
fayoumi.nabil@epa.gov

Cheryl Allen
Compliance Involvement Coordinator
312-353-6196
allen.cheryl@epa.gov

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