Camp Oasis empowers children

Megan Boothe, 10, of Elkhart, Ind. reaches the top of the 55-foot rock wall tower at Camp Oasis in Camp Copneconic Wednesday. She is congratulated by staff member Ally Ross.

Fenton patrol cop wins foot race with teen thieves

Police seek owners of recovered items

By Sharon Stone
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A third-shift Fenton police officer is being credited with capturing and arresting a couple of Fenton teens for allegedly stealing items from homeowners’ vehicles.

Summary

Fenton Police Officer Tom Cole apprehended two Fenton teens after he spotted them allegedly entering vehicles and stealing belongings.

Fenton firefighters rescue 70-year-old man from tree

Man breaks ankle 65 feet in air while trimming branches

By Sharon Stone
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Fenton firefighters rescue a 70-year-old man Monday afternoon who had broken his ankle while trimming tree branches 65 feet in the air.

Freedom Festival — Volunteers, donations key to Fenton’s biggest celebration of the summer

By Ryan Tackabury
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With an estimated 10,000 people packed into Fenton for this year’s Freedom Festival, it’s clearly one of the biggest events of the year for the city.

With parades, races, fireworks and much more, planning an event of this size is not easy, and it’s not a job that can be done alone. Every year, a committee of up to 30 volunteers begin meeting in January to meticulously plan out Fenton’s biggest summer celebration.
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Fenton Township may have new park by this fall

› Soccer, baseball fields, amphitheater part of proposed plans

By William Axford
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It has been more than a year since it was originally proposed but Fenton Township officials are still working to create a park on vacant land close to Fenton and Thompson roads, near Wiggins Road. A walking path, baseball and soccer fields are some of the proposed features Township Clerk Robert Krug is working to have implemented into the park.

“We have the permits now. I’m going to try to pull off a meeting this week,” Krug said, who added that construction of the park could begin as soon as this fall.

So far, three soccer fields and three baseball diamonds are in the works. Each field will be designated for an age group, ranging from elementary school kids up to adults. In later stages of the park, Krug would like to see a sledding hill implemented, as well as a splash pad and an amphitheater.

Krug proposed the layout for the park during a township meeting last July, where trustees supported the creation of the park. Although the total cost to build the park will require about $500,000, Krug said he would work to use as little township funding as possible. Construction of the park will rely mostly upon community input and donations. So far, Krug said Lawrence Engineering PC has donated time and resources to surveying the property. Krug is also working with other groups such as the La Forza Soccer Club, Boy Scouts and local Little League teams to help build the fields and walkways.

“I still want to prove out it’s for the people who are in our area. Our goal is to not use township funds and make this a true community effort,” Krug said.

When initially proposed, some residents near the site of the proposed park were opposed to its construction, citing the possibility of increased traffic and decrease value in neighboring properties. Krug has said in past township board meetings that he’ll address some of the neighbors’ concerns, whether by installing fencing near their properties or adjusting some of the park’s layout so neighbors have more privacy.

The land for the proposed park covers 36 acres and includes two wetlands. About 20 acres of the land is expected to be usable for the park.

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Check out this site plan at tctimes.com for the proposed park in Fenton Township.

Wigs 4 Kids

Faith Hamilton, 5, of Fenton had 12 inches of her hair cut off on July 3. She donated the locks to Wigs 4 Kids, an organization that reaches out to kids and young adults with hair loss. This program is available to any child or teen from ages 3 through 18 in Michigan at no cost to them or their families. Faith had her hair cut off by Cynthia Thomas, one of the owners of CC & Company in Fenton. Faith hopes to inspire more people to help and donate.
IN FENTON TOWNSHIP
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In a world now dominated by text conversations where pretty much all messages are based on the same fundamentals as vanity plates, it's easier than ever for those clever communicators to stump me as to the true meaning of their eight digit (including spaces) license plate creativity that didn't quite make it past the censors: MEANMF, SZM-TRS, TITSUP, KISMYS, XX TATAS, DOGDOO, 4NIK8, SHARTD and 370HSH (like a stick of dynamite)

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How excited are you about Twinkies returning to the shelves?

“Not excited. I’ve never really eaten them and don’t like them.” — Janet Richards

“Very excited. I love Twinkies and have always liked them.” — Laura Perry

“Not at all. I’m diabetic, so Twinkies are last on my list of things to eat.” — Robert Martin

“I’m indifferent. Twinkies have never sparked my fancy, I like Nutter Butters.” — Veronica Ngy

“I’m not a Twinkie fan. Children should be eating less and eating proper food as to not contribute to the obesity rate.” — Tom Garozenski

“Really excited. I loved Twinkies as a kid.” — Sue Hall

Compiled by Olivas Dimmer, intern
Police receive few, if any, fireworks complaints

All calm despite expanded fireworks law

By Sharon Stone
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Included with most Fourth of July celebrations is a nighttime sky illuminated with the bursting of fireworks and the accompanying thunderous booms. Most people in this country expect these planned, or sometimes random, celebrations of independence.

Up until last year, the setting off of fireworks that projected up into the air had to be handled by professionals. In 2011, however, legislation in Michigan passed, which allowed residents to light projectile fireworks the day before, on and after a national holiday. This opened up the opportunity for some to take the law too far and light fireworks beyond what was permitted.

In response to the new legislation, last month, Fenton City Council implemented its own ordinance that prohibits the use of fireworks between 1 and 8 a.m. within city limits. Violators could be charged up to $500, as well as additional fees for storing, disposing or destroying confiscated fireworks.

Looking back over this past Fourth of July holiday, local police report that things were calm and complaints were few.

Lt. Jason Slater of the Fenton Police Department said that on the Fourth of July, around the time of the city’s own fireworks, some people gathering to watch the display from public property apparently felt the need to launch their own projectile fireworks.

Police were on hand monitoring the gatherings and spoke to several people reminding them that they did not have permission to light their fireworks on public property. Slater said everyone they spoke with were respectful, cooperative and explained that they did not realize it was against the law. “Our main focus was safety,” said Slater.

The lieutenant added that Fenton police responded to one noise complaint on the Fourth, but it was for a loud party. Linden Police Chief Scott Sutter said

Accused council member Jackie Campbell not present

By Tim Jagielo
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Holly — Holly Village Council Member Jackie Campbell may be heading to being officially censured by the village council. Censuring is essentially an official slap on the wrist from council, which doesn’t have the ability to remove her.

Censuring a council member was on the agenda, but it was struck from the meeting because the person possibly being censured was not present — Campbell was excused from Tuesday’s meeting, and the meeting prior for medical reasons.

The issue of censuring entered into official discussion at the previous meeting, when the agenda was amended to include a discussion on “council member misconduct.”

The misconduct in part stems from a letter Campbell read into the minutes during the meeting on June 11 when the fate of the dispatch center was decided. She read a letter from a resident, who was arguing in favor of keeping Holly’s own dispatch open. When Campbell read the letter, her words from the resident were officially included into the record of that meeting.

At the June 25 meeting, Council Member Ryan Bladzik pointed out discrepancies between what Campbell had said aloud, and the letter she submitted into the record. In See CENSURING on 20A

Summary

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**RESCUE**

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occurred in the 600 block of Hickory Street.

By 5:14 p.m., the fire department was arriving at the man’s home. Firefighters found the man, stuck in the top of a tree that he had been trimming. The injured man was about 65 feet in the air, unable to pull himself out of a V near the top of the tree because of his broken ankle.

After assessing the situation and determining their best approach to bring the injured man down safely, the fire department backed their ladder truck into an area approximately 200 feet away off Silver Lake Road and accessed the tree and patient via the basket on their ladder truck.

Firefighters lifted the man from the tree and placed him into an orange stokes basket, used in rescue situations. He was then lowered to safety via the ladder truck at 6:09 p.m.

The man was transferred to the care of STAT EMS workers who transported him to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township.

Fenton Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff said two of his firefighters have experience in climbing and trimming trees and they had the proper equipment to climb the tree to reach the victim before they set up the ladder truck. “They were essential to us reaching the patient and being able to remove him safely from the tree,” said Cairnduff.

**CHASE**

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area police agencies and soon afterward, Lt. Jason Slater of the Fenton Police Department sent out a radio alert that he had spotted the truck in downtown Fenton. Slater initiated a traffic stop to the truck, at which point the driver sped away northbound on LeRoy Street.

In addition to Fenton police pursuing this stolen truck, patrol cars from Linden, Argentine Township, Grand Blanc Township, Mundy Township, Michigan State Police and the Genesee County Sheriff’s Department assisted as it entered their jurisdictions.

Traveling southbound on Linden Road, the driver lost control of the pickup truck as he attempted to turn east onto Thompson Road. He crashed in the 4500 block of Thompson Road, just east of Linden Road in Fenton Township. When the truck crashed into the ditch, the driver fled on foot. Fulton said police found the man in tall weeds about 20 minutes later and he was taken into custody around 11:30 a.m.

The suspect was transported to the Genesee County Jail for questioning. Fulton said police believe this suspect might be linked to several other auto thefts in the past week. Fulton said Argentine police will be seeking an arrest warrant for the car theft and a cooperative investigation with area police agencies will follow. Slater said they will be seeking charges of fleeing and eluding, as well as being in possession of a stolen vehicle.

It was unknown immediately if drugs or alcohol contributed to this incident.

Residents near the crash site were treated to a front-row seat to the incident. One resident watched police enter her backyard, guns drawn, and she was told to get back inside, and stay inside. She saw the suspect, his arrest and extraction from her property. She said it was scary waiting to see what would happen next.

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Rep. Joe Graves sponsors summer reading program

State Rep. Joe Graves will sponsor a summer reading program for children in the 51st House District, with the winners invited to spend a day with him at the state capitol.

Graves (R-Argentine Township) said the contest is open to children in first through fifth grades and is being conducted with the Genesee District Library (GDL).

“Children who read are able to travel to new places and experience new ideas they may never encounter elsewhere,” Graves said.

This contest is a fun way for children to remain engaged in learning during the summer, which will make the transition back to class in the fall much easier.

**LIBRARIES PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM ARE:**

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  200 East Caroline St., Fenton

• Linden Library
  201 North Main St., Linden

• Goodrich Library
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Children can obtain bookmarks at the libraries and keep track of books they read. The bookmarks will be turned in at the libraries by September, and the names of winners will be drawn at the end of the program. The winners will be Graves’ guests in Lansing later in the fall.

For more information, contact Graves toll-free at 866-989-5151, or via email at josephgraves@house.mi.gov.

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Camp Oasis empowers children to feel ‘normal’

Copneconic hosts camp for children with IB Disease

By Olivia Dimmer
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Fenton, Twp. — The morning sun beats down on the 143 campers that make up Camp Oasis one of the many camps at Camp Copneconic. Campers have just finished their 9:30 a.m. breakfast and are about to head out to their daily activities — rock wall climbing, archery, swimming and keeping up with their daily regimen of prescription pills.

Although they look and act just like any other camper that visits the grounds of Camp Copneconic, Camp Oasis kids live with Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD), which most commonly manifests itself in the form of Crohn’s disease, that can affect any part of the gastrointestinal tract and cause pain, or Colitis, inflammation of the colon or large intestine.

These campers range in age from 7 to 17, but all have on thing in common — their disease, and how that disease makes it difficult for them to be ‘normal.’ Camp Oasis aims to make these children feel ‘normal’ through the weeklong camp filled with activities, a talent show, events, IBD-friendly meal plans and opportunities to bond with other children and older mentors who also have IBD.

“This is my fourth year counseling on a volunteer basis here and driving up from Kentucky to do so,” said Jonathan Rohman, who was diagnosed with IBD his freshman year in high school. “I felt that my experiences would be good to share with other kids. I love hearing the kids’ stories now on food assistance and in meeting their disease, and how that disease makes it difficult for them to be ‘normal.’”

WHO APPROVED a pro-homosexual presence at a Fourth of July parade? What could you possibly have been thinking? I support gay rights, but that was completely inappropriate.

SHAME ON FENTON! How dare you call humans who took a stand for themselves ‘ruining our small town’ and ‘not family.’ I am so amazed by the idiots that live in this town. Everyone has the right to be in the parade. I must have missed the complaint about churches.

THE COVERAGE on the cost of drunk driving was interesting. It made me have less and less respect for our judicial system. I was stunned and sickened by the lawyer’s remark, ‘…knowing the judge.’

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Vacant municipal building at Cyclone Park likely to be revamped, used as offices

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Holly – At its meeting on Tuesday, the Holly Village Council voted 6-0 to sell the village offices at 202 South Saginaw St. for $411,000. Council member Jackie Campbell was excused from the meeting. John Colucci, owner of Real Barre and CSM was the sole interested party in purchasing the building when it was initially proposed to be sold in April. Colucci currently leases space upstairs for staff.

Colucci attended the meeting and addressed council about the building. “I just love Holly. I think it’s the coolest little downtown atmosphere,” he said when he made it clear he could have taken his investments anywhere. Colucci sees the plan for the building as a partnership with the village which needs the income and investment.

With the building, he said he wanted to remove any hint of the styling from the ‘80s and return as much of it back to its historical look, with a little bit of color. “The building’s not being taken care of,” he said. “I’m gonna take care of it because it’s my home.”

Colucci plans to expand his current businesses into the building, which he believes will create jobs and bring more foot traffic downtown. Real Barre will take up most of the retail space, and will include a “high end nail salon and spa” called Tipsy, which will serve beer and wine.

The audience bumbled with excitement, and Council Member Bob Allsop made the motion to sell the building to Colucci, including some extra curb repair for around $5,000.

John Colucci has proposed a land contract sale of the village offices, which was accepted at the meeting. Colucci will be moving his family upstairs from Fenton.

Terms of the contract
The building will be sold for $411,000 through a 48-month land contract, after which the village offices will probably be moved to the vacant municipal building at 504 East Maple St. at Cyclone Park.

During the 48-month term, the village will be responsible for up to $30,000 worth of structural repairs to the building, which will be deducted from the final $361,666 balloon payment. The village is also responsible for utilities, repairing broken windows and curb repairs among others.

Colucci Group will be responsible for repairing structural issues on the upper levels, and air conditioning repairs.

The village can also stay in the building rent-free, while the new location is renovated, which is roughly expected to cost $100,000.

In all, the offices will cost Colucci $488,774.40 over the 48-month period, with $2,014 monthly payments. The final balloon payment will be $361,666.

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Rubber Ducky race nets $18,732

Proceeds from Rotary event go toward local programs

By Sharon Stone
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More than 2,100 ducks were sold at $10 a piece for the Fenton Rotary Club’s Rubber Ducky Regatta Race, held on the Fourth of July during the Fenton Freedom Festival. Those sales grossed $21,000 for the club to use for prizes, expenses and projects within the community.

Summary

The Fenton Rotary Club netted more than $18,000 with their 25th annual Rubber Ducky Regatta Race. The money raised will be used on various programs in the tri-county area.

Many of the 2,100 tickets sold came from the community’s local businesses acting as sponsors. Sponsors would buy 10 tickets for $100 and receive a plaque with a Rubber Duck mounted to show their local support.

After paying out prizes for the first-place prize of $1,000 and smaller amounts ranging from $500 to $50 for second through 15th place, and other expenses, the Fenton Rotary Club brought in $18,732, which it plans to give back to the community through various projects it does in the community.

The Fenton Rotary does several major service projects including the Angel Tree Program where they promote the giving season to help support more than 130 families in this area.

Community Service Chairman Brad Alvord also leads a ramp building program where Rotarians build anywhere from two to three ramps for disabled citizens in this community to help make their homes more accessible via a wheelchair ramp.

The Rotary also hosts an annual Senior Picnic for the seniors in the area on Lake Fenton, as well as supporting the schools local debate clubs, and providing scholarships to area students.

The Fenton Rotary Club is actively seeking new members. Anyone interested in getting involved in the community and promoting their motto, “Service Above Self,” should contact Membership Chair Ron Halisy at halisy@hotmail.com or Noah Morgan at noahcmorgan@gmail.com.

25th annual Rotary Club of Fenton Rubber Ducky Regatta winners

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4th — Shannon White
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Old cinema used for fire training

Fire department holds training session on vacant commercial building

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With Creative Foam planning to demolish the old Fenton Cinema building to make way for a new structure, the Fenton Fire Department asked for and received permission from the building’s new owners to use the vacant building for fire training.

Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff said his staff does not get many opportunities to train on commercial buildings so they were eager to take advantage of the circumstances.

Cairnduff said Mark Shepler and Dave Swallow from Creative Foam understood the fire department’s desire to use the vacant building and made sure they could use it despite the training would slow down Creative Foam’s schedule for demolition.

“We are very grateful that they worked with us,” said Cairnduff.

Cairnduff invited neighboring Linden, Fenton Township and North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) to take part, however, only NOCFA was able to send a crew over on the day of training, June 27. About 20 firefighters from Fenton City took part.

The focus of training was to practice ventilation on a commercial roof. The old cinema has a gravel, rubber membrane, foam insulation and a metal deck layered roof, which is common in a lot of commercial buildings in the area.

The chief said when firefighters battle a fire in a building, one of the key things they do is to cut a hole above the fire to ventilate the smoke and heat inside to make it easier to get to the fire and to make the environment in the building safer. Multiple openings were cut into the roof practicing how they would do it in an actual fire.

While crews were on the roof, they also had crews inside the building practicing searching hose lines inside a large commercial building.

“We don’t get the opportunity to train on roof’s like this very often, so we were excited to get the opportunity,” said Cairnduff.

Shepler said, “Creative Foam Corporation was pleased to offer the fire department use of the building to hone their fire fighting skills under relatively safe conditions.”

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Former president to pay club back $16,767

Embezzlement defendant banned from sportsman’s club, on probation for five years

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On Thursday, a former president of the Linden Sportsmen Club was ordered to pay back restitution of $16,767. This came on the heels of him pleading guilty in May to embezzling the funds from the club located on Hogan Road in Fenton Township.

Steven Fowler had pleaded guilty to one five-year felony of larceny by conversion of an amount between $1,000 and $20,000.

An investigation into Fowler’s actions began in May 2012, when board members suspected that club money were missing. Fowler, who was president at the time, had a debit card with access to the club’s financial account. Board members filed a complaint with the Genesee County Sheriff’s Department and an investigation led to charges against Fowler.

The investigation by the sheriff’s department revealed that Fowler had used the debit card and took money from the club and used it for personal gain.

On Thursday, Circuit Court Judge Joseph Farah ordered Fowler to pay restitution of $16,767, with monthly payments of $290. The judge also ordered Fowler to five years of probation. In addition to being banned from the Linden Sportsmen Club, the judge said that Fowler cannot be in charge of any organization.
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stories, their struggles, and how they still come out positive.”

Becky Johnson Rescola and Dawn Aubrey work together with the Crohn’s and Colitis Foundation of America to make this camp possible for the kids who need it. The camp is funded mostly through benefactors, donations and with the help of countless volunteers.

“Kids with IBD tend to miss a lot of school,” Johnson Rescola said. “They have growth delays, or have to be on steroids and look differently because of that. Some get thinner, others are not so thin. They have to leave class to use the bathroom a lot and need special provisions while taking tests. All these things make them stick out — and as a kid, the last thing you want to do is stick out. But when they come to Camp Oasis, they can come to terms with that. For some kids, this is the first time they have ever met someone else with IBD.”

This experience, she says, opens children’s minds to accepting what they have to live with and with ways to cope. Camp Oasis, because of the special circumstances, has approximately six nurses on staff during the day, Gastroenterologist Dr. Robert Truding on call at camp, two counselors per cabin (One volunteer who has IBD and one counselor provided by Camp Copneconic) and a camp clinical psychologist.

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A Camp Oasis counselor leads the charge into the water at Camp Copneconic on Wednesday. Participants used the inflatable “aqua-glide” and went kayaking.

Camp Oasis participants and their families pay a $50 administrative fee to attend the camp. For more information on volunteer work or making a donation, visit the Crohn’s and Colitis Foundation of America online at ccfa.org.

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**Chauncey is back**

Chauncey Billups has returned to the Detroit Pistons’ organization, a team he helped lead to an NBA Championship during the 2004-05 season. Here is a list of some other players who left Detroit, but returned later. There’s a bunch of people left off, obviously.

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<td>His defense led the Pistons to a title. Returned for three years starting with the 2009-10 season.</td>
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<td>Chris Osgood</td>
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<td>Was on two Stanley Cup teams, was gone for five years and then helped Wings win another cup. He saved the last game at Tiger Stadium. Came back in 2006 and played three more seasons.</td>
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<td>Todd Jones</td>
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<td>A key member of the 1984 championship team. Left after 1987, he returned in 1993 for three seasons.</td>
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<td>Carter started his pro career with the USFL Michigan Panthers and ended it with the Detroit Lions.</td>
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**Hey now, you’re an All-Star**

**Minor League Quadtown All-Star games are a hit**

By David Troppens
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Fenton — The game was over, but it seemed the fun was just starting for the Lake Fenton and Linden Minor League All-Star softball teams.

And even in defeat, the Linden softball squad gave the Lake Fenton team a chance to feel like winners. After the game, the Linden team did a cheer for Lake Fenton and then did a human bridge so that the Lake Fenton squad could run through it.

Indeed, it was hard to tell who just won or lost the game.

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Fenton’s Mitchell Shegos (left) defends an attempted pass to Linden’s Patrick Ryan during last year’s Fenton-Linden game.

**Fenton’s Shegos headed to Notre Dame College**

By David Troppens
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Mitchell Shegos thought basketball was his sport.

After all, he played varsity basketball as a sophomore and his thought process made sense.

But then, Shegos transferred to Fenton before his junior season and things started to change. And it’s a good thing they did. After two outstanding varsity seasons with the Fenton varsity football season, Shegos is weeks away from starting his collegiate football career at Notre Dame College, located near Cleveland, Ohio.

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**Golf**

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Lake Fenton catcher Sydney Johnson waits for a throw while Linden player Jill Widner scores. (Left) Linden’s Ethan Soff (right) slides safely into second under Holly’s Alec Bown’s tag.

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Quadtown All-Star championship games were played on Monday. (Above) Lake Fenton catcher Sydney Johnson waits for a throw while Linden player Jill Widner scores. (Left) Linden’s Ethan Soff (right) slides safely into second under Holly’s Alec Bown’s tag.
Morrison shows progress at Motocross’ Redbud stop

By David Troppens
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Chris Morrison feels he’s getting closer.

Being able to compete in his first-ever media day session at the Redbud stop of the Lucas Oil Pro Motocross series, the Fenton resident had reason to feel good about his weekend. However, the rookie professional is still looking to qualify for the final events — the last two motos during the week.

“It definitely helps, I did much better than I did the previous weekend,” Morrison said. “During the first practice I had the 11th fastest time in qualifying, so that’s a big improvement.”

“This one I felt like I had more of a chance to make it than the other ones. My lap times went from 15 seconds slower to just four seconds. That’s a huge difference, dropping 10 seconds in qualifying time.”

In the last-qualifier, he placed 14th. He needed to finish in the top four to earn a spot in the finals. It was Morrison’s third event of the season, and it was the only one he’ll have in his home state.

“It was cool because I had a lot of friends and family there,” Morrison said. “We took a group shot with all the people there. It helps you along knowing you have all that support at the track.”

Morrison plans to race two more times this year, including on July 27 at Spring Creek in Millville, Minn.

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But while every player likes to win, just the fact that the Quadtown Minor All-Star Tournaments for baseball and softball teams ages 9 and 10 happened suggests how every organization was a winner.

At Fenton’s Andrew G. Schmidt Middle School, the Linden softball team beat Lake Fenton’s squad in the finals 12-1, while just a few feet away, Holly’s All-Star baseball team defeated Linden’s stars 11-4. The tournaments involved All-Star teams from Little League organizations in Holly, Hartland, Fenton, Lake Fenton and Linden.

“I think the communities loved it,” said Linden baseball co-coach Jim Shadduck. “I thought it was very well attended. A lot of the kids from the other teams came out and watched. It was a lot of fun.”

“It was great,” Holly baseball co-coach Rob White said. “It was a lot of fun. What a great group of kids we had. We had a really close game (in the semifinals with a win against Fenton) and (Linden) played a good game too. It was fun.”

The baseball game remained a pretty decent pitchers’ duel early on, but the Holly bats eventually blew the game open for the team. Jacob Pittenger and Alec Boan had home runs for Holly, helping result in the easy victory.

“We always preach we want to have fun and play as a team,” White said.

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Linden baseball’s Sammy Fleischer during Monday’s Minor League Quadtown All-Star Baseball tournament championship game. The Holly team won the contest. (Tri-County Times | David Troppens)

“The guys really embrace that. They definitely had fun and they played together well. A lot of them already know each other. It was a team bonding thing.”

Both baseball All-Star teams were made up of three players in each organization’s four squads.

In the softball game, Lindens’ bats and pitching were too much for Lake Fenton to overcome. On the mound, Jillian Wright and Ellie Klocek combined to lead Linden to the win. At the plate, Lauren Buerkel was a perfect 10-for-10 at the plate. Linden earned its spot in the final by defeating the Fenton All-Stars 12-2 on Monday. Lake Fenton advanced with a 10-9 victory against Hartland on Monday as well.

“Playing as a team and bringing the three (Linden) teams together was really cool,” Linden softball co-coach Mark Magalski said.

In defeat, Lake Fenton had fun, doing cheers most of the contest.

“They love to do their cheers and they are all smiles,” Lake Fenton all-star coach Heather Tanner said. “At this age it is a lot of fun.”

The Major Leagues (11- to 12-year-olds) had an All-Star tournament as well, and it was deleted on Thursday. It was the first time those ages also had an All-Star tourny.
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“When I first hit high school it was always basketball,” Shegos said. “I made varsity as a sophomore and that was really my sport. But that was until I moved, had a great junior year and it sparked me. That’s when I grew a stronger love for football besides basketball.”

Shegos made an immediate impact on the Fenton football program, making key plays in several games as a wide receiver and a defensive back. He helped lead the squad to a victory against Linden and a 9-3 record overall, capturing a district and Metro League championship.

During his senior year, Shegos was a known entity, but it didn’t keep him from dominating action on the football field. He caught 42 passes for 726 yards and 11 TDs, a Fenton school record. He also ran for a score as well. On defense, Shegos had 40 total tackles, defended 15 passes and had seven interceptions. He returned one of them for a TD.

Shegos said moving to Fenton benefitted his career.

“When I came in it was a good program. It was definitely one of the top programs in the league and I wanted to keep it that way,” Shegos said.

Shegos was looking at many of the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference teams when he was searching for a school. He looked at Grand Valley, Ferris State and Northwood as well. When he signed with Notre Dame, Western Michigan also asked him to join the Broncos as a walk-on. Obviously, Notre Dame College won out.

“The coaching staff is fantastic,” Shegos said. “When I made my first visit, it seemed like the right place. They have a lot of similar coaches to what we have in Fenton, so we clicked that way too. The campus is not too big or not too small. It has just the right amount of students and the academics are great.”

Shegos, who always wanted to play for Western after his older brother played at Kalamazoo College, said becoming a Bronco was tempting.

“Ever since my brother graduated at Kalamazoo College, I had eyes on Western,” Shegos said. “Western was the top school I wanted to go to, but it didn’t work out and I had to set my priorities down a bit.”

The Falcons posted a 3-8 record overall last year and a 2-8 mark in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Association. However, the program is moving to a new Division 2 conference this season, the 11-team Mountain East Conference. Shegos plans on remaining at receiver and possibly as a special teams returner.

“I’ll be a receiver, but I’m not sure if I’ll be on the outside or the slot,” Shegos said. “I went to camp last week and talked to the head coach. I could end up returning kicks.

“When I went to camp they said there are two things that can hold a freshman back — they may not be physically ready and they may find it hard grasping the learning part. Physically, I’m ready. The thing is can I learn the offense and learn the system.”

Shegos is glad he transferred from Kearsley to Fenton. Not only was he part of a successful football program, he was part of the group that brought the Fenton boys basketball program back on the map.

“I wish I did it a lot earlier than my junior year,” Shegos said. “It definitely was a change. I didn’t know anyone or the coaching staff. It’s similar to going to college. But looking back it was one of the greatest decisions my family and I ever made. Everyone is so kind.

“It was a great two years. I’ll keep all the memories with me.”

Now he hopes to make more at the collegiate level.

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Brad Jacob
City Councilman
River Cleanup Chairperson

Fenton graduate Mitch Shegos (right) is headed to Division 2 Notre Dame College to play football this fall.
**SUGAR**

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How much exactly is a gram of sugar?

One teaspoon of granulated sugar equals four grams of sugar, i.e., 16 grams of sugar listed in a product is equal to about four teaspoons of granulated sugar.

Keep in mind that the grams of sugar listed on a nutrition label includes natural sugars from fruit (fructose) and milk (lactose), as well as added sweeteners like refined sugar or high-fructose corn syrup.

That's why the label on a carton of regular low-fat milk listing 13 grams of sugar per cup or on Raisin Bran (or any cereal with dried fruit) seem unexpectedly high.

**Why is sugar so bad for you?**

Sugar only leads to weight gain, according to Patricia Farris, MD of Tulane University and co-author of “The Sugar Detox: Lose Weight, Feel Great and Look Years Younger.” People who eat a lot of sugar have nearly double the risk of heart disease as those who eat less. They're more likely to develop insulin resistance and diabetes. For people interested in looking more youthful as they age, take note that sugar triggers the production of chemical compounds that accelerate skin aging.

**Is sugar really addictive?**

For many people, sugar cravings are addictive drugs like cocaine and heroin. That's why Dr. Farris feels that people who have trouble with sugar cravings need to totally eliminate it from their diet — at least to detox for three days, then once the cravings are gone, gradually add it in again in with healthy foods like fruit, dairy, whole grains and more. Likely you'll crave less of the “sweet stuff” and occasional treats, like dark chocolate, will taste better than ever in much smaller amounts.

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**TWINKIES**

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To stay fresh and last for decades, this idea, which has permeated through-out popular culture including references both big and small in television and films such as Family Guy, Zom-bieland, and WALL-E is however, nothing more than an urban legend. In fact, Twinkies used to only have a 26-day shelf life. Upon their re-release, Hostess Brands will now have an extended shelf life of 45 days.

If anything is clear, people have missed their delicious golden snack. An individual Twinkie itself may not be immortal, but consumer’s love of the snack may. “Hostess is everyone’s favorite,” Maciejewski said.

**HOT LINE CONTINUED**

**MYTRONE TOWNSHIP**

questionnaire is in the trash where it belongs. Instead of wasting money, don’t our elected officials so some old-fashioned work by knocking on doors and listening to their constituents’ comments? The people’s voice is more compelling and informative than checked boxes on a survey form.

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SUMMER IS HERE! Bike Safety. Michi-gan state law states bikes shall not ride more than two abreast, “ride in the same direction as traffic,” as near to the right hand shoulder as practical.

I AGREE WITH last Sunday’s Hot liner who stated that the choice to have an abortion is a personal choice and should be paid for by the person making that choice. The government has no right to pick and choose which personal choice it will fund or not fund. Personal choice equals personal responsibility and personal payment, period.

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**CENSURING**

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In my opinion, council woman Campbell has betrayed the trust put in her by the voters of this community, breached the faith in this community by her comment at recent budget meetings,” said Engberg. “In this country, penalties for treason have included life in prison, perhaps by hanging or firing squad. In the case of Miss Campbell, her resignation would satisfy me.”

In the Merriam-Webster Dictionary, to “censure” is, “a judgment involving condemnation.”

To Hughes, censuring is the only tool council has to correct another council member’s conduct. He won’t be responsible for drafting the resolution. “I felt that the issues that had been brought to my attention at least deserved discussion,” he said.

Former council member William Kuyk, an outspoken council member, was censured three times over his 10 years on council. “Every time it was illegitimate,” said Kuyk. “The idea is to defame the person and put them in their place,” and added that he believes Campbell did nothing wrong.

Hughes said the matter will not be discussed until Campbell returns from medical leave.

**CELEBRATION**

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In addition to the volunteers, essential components of a successful Freedom Festival are the many non-profit and civic groups in the area.

Everyone has a certain thing that they do. The Lions’ Club does the chicken BBQ, the American Legion does the pancake breakfast, the Rotary Club does the duck race,” said Pat Lockwood, chairperson of the Freedom Festival.

The festival also acts as a major fundraiser for many of the civic groups in the area. In return, they make donations to help fund the festival, Lockwood said that such a donation is not required, and leaves it up to the organizations to make their best judgment in regards to how much to donate.

“With the Freedom Festival itself, the only thing we do is pay our bills. No one is paid, we don’t keep any money,” Lockwood said.

The fireworks committee is chaired by Les Bland. Every two to three years, Bland brings the Fireworks contract to the Freedom Festival committee.

This year the fireworks display lasted for roughly 36 minutes, which was a $12,000 display.

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Meet
Laura Blanchard
Expatriate to Japan, mom, Kindermusik owner/instructor, church choir director

By Sally Rummel
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Laura Blanchard of Fenton Township has been living in Japan since July 2012, following her husband, Rob on his two-year assignment as senior manager at Nissan Technical Center in Atsugi, outside Tokyo. Not only did she have to prepare daughters Molly, 9, and Julia, 7, she also had to make arrangements for their home, her Kindermusik business and her choir director position in her absence.

You’re home now for an extended summer vacation. What do you miss about home when you’re in Japan?
I miss being able to hop in the car to go somewhere. We have a car and Rob drives to work everyday, but I don’t drive in Japan. We take the train or subway whenever we go there. I miss daily interactions with people because I don’t understand the language very well. It’s hard to read road signs, parking signs, etc.

I’ll step out of my comfort zone in many situations, but one thing I haven’t been brave enough to try over there is a haircut for myself. I’m afraid I won’t be able to communicate and will end up with something I don’t like! Here at home, I feel much more connected. I also miss stores like Target, where you can get anything you need. Rob’s summer vacation is much shorter. He’ll be coming home the first two weeks of August, and he’s most excited about our family spending one of these weeks at his family’s cabin near Beulah.

What do you like about living in Japan?
It’s been a great opportunity for our family to see the world. We’ve seen Mt. Fuji and Kyoto in Japan, as well as every kid-friendly activity, including Tokyo Disney, which is in two parts: Disneyland and Disneysea. We’ve ridden elephants in Thailand and in December, we’ll be traveling to Australia and New Zealand with my parents for two-and-a-half weeks.

How do you like Japanese food?
We mostly prepare American foods at home, but I do experiment with some easy Japanese kits like yakisoba, which contain noodles, sauce and you just have to add meat and vegetables. The funny thing is that I can sort of figure out what’s in the box by looking at pictures, but I have no idea how to read the cooking directions! I’ve had to take a picture of them and send them to my Japanese language teacher or a friend who speaks Japanese. We also love the toasted sesame dressing, which I have to bring home in huge quantities for my family.

Where do you shop?
There is a Costco that about an hour’s drive away, and that’s like a dream come true for this American mom, especially for fruit and meat. But we only can do it about every six weeks, because the highway tolls alone cost about $30, not to mention the gas at $1.17 per liter. That’s about $4.33 per gallon.

I hear that fruit is pretty expensive in Japan.
The cheapest watermelon I’ve ever seen was for $16 and the most expensive was $120. We’ve got to have fruit, so we end up buying things that are in season and not too perishable. In grocery stores, the produce display is like a work of art.

How have your daughters adjusted to their new culture?
The kids had no concept when we told them they would be moving to Japan. But they’ve jumped into their new life with both feet. Molly can even speak quite a bit of Japanese. They attend the American School in Japan in Chofu. It’s about a 30-40 minute bus ride every day from our home in Shibuya. Japanese school buses have very plush seats, plus seat belts and bus monitors. They go to school with kids from Japan, the U.S., the Philippines, India, etc. What the kids miss most is family, especially grandparents. My mom came over with us for a couple of weeks when we moved in, and my sister will be coming in September. Rob’s had a few cousins and other close friends visit, too. The kids also miss our church, Transfiguration Lutheran Church (TLC) in Fenton, but they’re getting used to Tokyo Union Church.

Are you eager to get back to America for good?
We sure are. We’ll lose a lot of things about Japan, especially the adventure of the whole experience. I’ll miss the neighborhood 7-11 store, which is so close, convenient and safe that Molly can go on her own. That’s one of the best things about Japan. If you’d drop anything valuable on the ground and come back later to get it, it would still be there. Rob thinks it’s all about karma. I’m also looking forward to getting back to my Kindermusik kids and working with Shelly Gillett-Bechens, who has been teaching in my absence. I also look forward to my choir director position at TLC, but hope maybe interim director Lisa Bayer will be able to help out a little, too.
Vowell

Travis Vowell of Fenton and the former Caitlin Ham of Fenton, were married June 8, 2013 at Crystal Gardens in Howell, after which a reception was held at the same location. Caitlin is the daughter of Rick and Robin Ham, and her husband is the son of David Vowell and Lisa Vowell. Laura Stone served as Maid of Honor, while Anthony Byard took on the role of Best Man. After their wedding, the newlyweds took a Caribbean cruise for their honeymoon.

Stone-Constable

Edward (Eddie) Constable of Durand and Laura Stone of Durand are proud to announce their recent engagement. Laura is the daughter of Jeff and Sharon Stone of Fenton Township. Eddie is the son of Scott Constable of White Lake and Kim and Mike Ballard of Gaines. The bride-elect graduated from Lake Fenton High School in 2007 and went on to earn a bachelor’s degree in Social Science - Health & Psychology from Michigan State University in 2011. Laura is employed at McLaren-Flint as a Medical Staff Specialist. Her fiancé graduated from Swartz Creek High School in 2007 and went on to earn a bachelor’s degree in Business Management from Northwood University in 2011. He is employed at FloorSource in Flint and also recently became a licensed Realtor. The couple is planning a wedding to take place next spring in Frankenmuth.

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800 block of South LeRoy Street, he decided to leave the comfort of his patrol car and walk around hoping to catch any perpetrators in the act of stealing. Slater said this is exactly what happened.

In the area of High and LeRoy streets, Cole heard a car door shutting and spotted two parked vehicles with their inside dome lights on. Looking more closely, he observed an individual in one of those vehicles. As he approached, two individuals fled from the vehicles.

Cole caught up with the individuals—a 16-year-old Fenton male and an 18-year-old Fenton male—and took them into custody for questioning. Both teens had backpacks.

Slater said it was soon determined that the backpacks contained items, including electronics, taken from several vehicles, including some south of the Fenton border into Livingston County. Police turned over information to the Livingston County Sheriff’s Department for related charges.

A homeowner in the 800 block of South LeRoy Street determined that a set of headphones taken from his unlocked vehicle was the same set Cole observed one of the suspects throw to the ground. After being transported to the police station, the mother of the 16-year-old was called and he was released to her after he was processed.

Slater said police are attempting to return all of the recovered items to the rightful owners. Some of the items included clothes, cell phones, GPS units, electronics and sunglasses.

Police believe there is a third suspect connected with this series of larcenies. The matter has been turned over to Fenton detectives for follow up and a complaint will be submitted to the Genesee County Prosecutor’s Office for possible charges.

Police Chief Rick Aro said, “These crimes seem to be an ongoing problem due to the fact that we continue leave our cars unlocked and valuables in plain sight.

“Tom Cole took the initiative to vary his patrol techniques and it paid off. “We encourage our officers to be proactive; to look for suspicious persons or vehicles and not wait to take a report after the crime has occurred.”

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and Lahren roads the same day. On July 6, a member of Genesee Athletic Club reported that their GMC Envoy had been stolen from the parking lot. It was recovered the same day near Four Lakes Avenue and Crystal Cove. A third complaint came in on July 10 from a resident in the 2000 block of Rolston Road. Their van had been stolen. Lanning said the sheriff’s department did not receive any complaints to rise, as well. Sutter said he believes that residents in the area are adjusting to the new law and setting off their personal fireworks during the permitted times.

Argentine Township Police Chief Dan Allen echoed the comments made by Fenton and Linden police and added that Argentine received no fireworks complaints.

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his department did not receive any noise or fireworks complaints between July 2 and July 5. “It was relatively quiet,” he said.

With residents in Michigan able to set off a larger array of fireworks, including those that rise up into the air, some people expected the number of complaints to rise, as well. Sutter said he believes that residents in the area are adjusting to the new law and setting off their personal fireworks during the permitted times.

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A dozen species of mammals, fresh water fishing, 165 miles of marked trails and a distinct quiet are hallmarks of Michigan’s own National Park, Isle Royale. The island is 50 miles long and nine miles wide, and is only accessible by boat. There is one lodge on the eastern tip of the island, and welcome centers at either end. There are no roads or stores, just a lot of trails, the occasional park ranger and nature.

To Fenton First Presbyterian Church Pastor Dale Swihart, this island in Lake Superior, just south of the Upper Peninsula, is like a second home. “It gets in your blood, it really does,” said Swihart, who this year will return to the island for his 31st time. “It’s part of Michigan. It’s right here in our backyard.”

By Tim Jagielo
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See ISLE ROYALE on 6B
Look 10 years younger in one hour

‘The Hour Lift’ facelift now most popular cosmetic procedure — lasts for 10 years

“The results will last between five and 10 years, depending upon the patient.”

Dr. Eric Seiger
Skin & Vein Center in Fenton

By Sally Rummel
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She eats right, she works out and takes care of herself every day. She wants her face to reflect this same youthful vitality that the rest of her body shows.

That’s why one local 69-year-old woman, who asked to remain anonymous, is in the pre-op area of the Skin and Vein Center in Fenton for “The Hour Lift,” a mini-facelift procedure that’s becoming more and more popular.

“We’ve been doing these for about 15 years, but they’ve become much more mainstream now since makeover shows on TV began to glamorize them about 10 years ago,” said Dr. Eric Seiger, board-certified dermatologist and cosmetic surgeon. “It’s not a ‘tahoo’ thing anymore.”

Dr. Seiger estimates he has done between 2,500 and 3,000 of these procedures, on women as young as 24 and for a couple who was each 86 years old. “I say the median age for this surgery is about 58, and 95 percent of my patients are women. The results will last between five and 10 years, depending upon the patient.”

The difference between The Hour Lift and a regular facelift is that The Hour Lift involves cutting the skin and tightening the facial muscles, rather than moving the facial muscles. The areas primarily improved by a facelift are the jowls, cheeks and neck. There’s a huge difference in recovery time and price. “It’s the difference between a three-day recovery and a two-week commitment,” said Dr. Seiger.

The price is also a huge factor in a person’s decision to undergo this procedure. Dr. Seiger says he used to charge $3,800, and he cut the price to $2,900 when the economy changed a couple of years ago. A full facelift will cost between $6,000 and $15,000—depending upon the scope of the procedure. These elective cosmetic procedures are not covered by insurance.

“The number one thing that patients say to me is, ‘I don’t want to look 20 years old again. I just want to look in the mirror and be able to look as good as I feel inside. I want to feel refreshed,’” said Dr. Seiger.

For the 69-year-old patient who was waiting for her procedure, The Hour Lift was not only for her own self-esteem, but also for her success in the business world. “A youthful appearance validates your professionalism,” she said. “This is how we get measured for our success.”

Thinking about having ‘The Hour Lift’?

Here’s what to expect:

Q: What happens before the procedure?
A: Prior to surgery, you may be given a medication to help you relax. Local anesthesia is then administered to minimize discomfort.

Q: How long does the procedure take?
A: One to 1½ hours.

Q: What actually happens during the “One Hour Lift”?
A: A short incision is made in front of the ear. The surgeon gently lifts the tissues under the skin, removing any extra skin. The surgeon redrapes the underlying skin, leaving the patient wrinkle-free with a firmer, more youthful jaw line.

Q: What can I expect during recovery?
A: Post surgery, patients wear an ice-containing head garment for 24-48 hours. They are likely able to shampoo and wear make-up the day after surgery. Sutures will be removed in six to eight days, resuming normal activities within three days.

Q: Does it hurt? Will I bruise or swell?
A: Approximately 85 percent of patients experience no bruising. There is minimal pain, controlled with oral medication.

Q: How long will the results last?
A: Look five to 10 years younger, with results lasting usually five to 10 years.

Q: Can I talk to anyone who has had the procedure?
A: The Skin and Vein Center can arrange for a contact with someone who has had the procedure and agrees to speak to prospective patients.

Source: skinandvein.com

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www.skinandvein.com
OVAL FACE
Almost any style works for oval face. Square shaped frames with gently rounded edges
Frame Suggestions: Any frame shape.

DIAMOND FACE
Has wide or high cheekbones with a narrow forehead and chin. Make sure styles are no wider than the top of the cheekbones.
Frame Suggestions: Oval, square.

ROUND FACE
Frames should make the face appear longer and thinner. Minimize curves with soft, angular, rectangular styles.
Frame Suggestions: Wider frames with angular/rectangular styles.

TRIANGLE FACE
Narrow jaw and a wide forehead. Soften lower portion of the face by accenting the eye area.
Frame Suggestions: Frames with a triangle top line, cat eyes.

SQUARED FACE
Consists of a strong jawline, a broad forehead and wide cheekbones. Reduce the angles with soft, curvy styles.
Frame Suggestions: Round, oval, cat eyes.

MYTH OR TRUTH?
Swallowing watermelon seeds causes appendicitis.
Myth: Though our bodies are unable to digest these seeds, they pass through our system just fine. If you’ve swallowed a few, make sure to stay hydrated and continue eating normally, and you’ll be OK.

MYTH OR TRUTH?
Hopping on one foot while banging the side of your head with your hand dislodges water from your ear.
Myth: Since your ear canal is curved, this isn’t an adequate way to release water. Tilt your head at a severe angle so that your ear is facing down, parallel with the ground, and then place the tip of your index finger into the cuplike spot at the bottom of your ear. Press your thumb behind your ear, on the cartilage above your earlobe, and then wiggle your ear until the water drips out.

MYTH OR TRUTH?
There’s no need to seek medical attention for sunburn.
Myth: If skin begins blistering or you develop purple blotches, see a doctor. The worst burns could cause future complications as severe as liver spots.

MYTH OR TRUTH?
There are ways to soothe sunburn beyond aloe vera.
Truth: Honey and other common kitchen ingredients — think milk and oatmeal — can help ease skin inflammation and your misery. Also try applying moisturizer after cooling it in the refrigerator, or an ice pack wrapped in a light cloth.

MYTH OR TRUTH?
Avoid hot showers when you’re sunburned.

MYTH OR TRUTH?
Research suggests that spending hours in the sand raises the risk of diarrhea and other gastrointestinal sicknesses since it’s packed with bacteria. Wash your hands in clean water with lots of soap to remove E. coli and other germs.

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STAY HEALTHY THIS SUMMER
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Facing and fixing personal problems

The long distance call from a minister facing a problem in his church was different from most I’ve received. Usually these contacts for counseling and requests for prayer by pastors have to do with problem prone people in their congregations who are giving them trouble. This honest preacher had concluded he was the problem.

‘I’ve been watching what’s been happening in my church and see that I’m the reason for it,’ he said, adding ‘Pray that I will be revived.’

‘You’re halfway there,’ I replied.

The moment we face up to our faults and start doing something about them, we’re on our way to greater effectiveness and better relationships with others. This minister was determined to remove any roadblocks to spiritual awakening in his church by enlisting some long distance prayer for the needed breakthrough in his church to begin in him.

The world known evangelist, Dwight L. Moody, once said he faced his worst enemy each morning while shaving. Moody didn’t mean he hated his image in the mirror before him, but in confronting his weaknesses early and overcoming them before they spoiled his day he increased his potential to make a difference in the lives of others and the world. We’re still reaping the benefits of his early morning honesty and prayers.

A woman with whom I shared a dentist’s reception room told me about her former addiction to smoking. Her husband had urged her to quit many times but to no avail. As we continued our conversation while awaiting our dental appointments, she described finally ending her bondage to nicotine. This new freedom was like a breath of fresh air and she was eager to talk about it.

‘Stopping smoking was one of the easiest things I have ever done,’ she said.

‘Why then had she been bound by this addiction for so long?’

She’d been unwilling to face her problem and pray for deliverance from it.

The power to stop smoking had been within her since the day she had come to faith but had been untapped until she accessed it. Prayer made her freedom possible.

Several months had passed since I had seen a longtime friend. At our last meeting he had been overweight and having health problems. Now he appeared athletic, trim and healthy. He was clearly on a different course in life and was enjoying it.

What happened? He had faced his problem and decided to fix it.

Early mornings now found him on long walks during which he spent time praying and reflecting on his relationship with God. While in the past he had thought he didn’t have time to be away from his office, he had discovered those active quiet times exercised his mind, body and soul; improving both his health and his productivity.

Facing personal problems can be frightening but without facing there’s no fixing.

And here’s the good news: God loves us and cares about those pesky problems that plague us…so we don’t have to face them alone.

Consider this unconditional call: ‘Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest’ (Matthew 11:28).

Whatever our problems, His grace is sufficient for them all.

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Alumni Association awards five scholarships

Members hope to spur interest, donations

By Sharon Stone

The Fenton High School Alumni Association has awarded $12,750 to Fenton High School graduates since 1995 and alumni members hope to continue this program for many years to come.

To do so, however, the alumni association needs the community’s financial help. Donors do not have to be Fenton High School alumni. For example, a non-alumni individual gave $7,500 in memory of his wife who taught at Fenton many years ago.

This spring, the Fenton High School Alumni Association presented this year’s awards to Connor Davidson, Jessica Esch, Mitchell Lockwood, Jacob Rostiano and Jessica Taylor. All of these graduates are seeking four-year degrees. Vocational, technical students may also apply for these scholarships.

The idea to award the scholarships was conceived by Robert Dery who was the alumni association president in 1994. Alumni were solicited for donations. To acknowledge everyone’s generosity, the names of those donating $1,000 or more are inscribed on a plaque displayed in the high school main corridor.

An endowment fund was established with the Community Foundation of Greater Flint and interest earned from this fund has allowed the committee to present five scholarships annually.

You can learn how to make a gift in honor of a classmate, family member or friend at www.cfgf.org or call Sandra Murphy, Director of Donor Services at 810-767-8270. The Community Foundation can also assist donors with testametary language for wills and bequests and other types of charitable giving.
SunRy’s Archery
Local archer, businessman expands into Fenton

By Sally Rummel
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Step into SunRy’s Archery in the former Fratz Consignment location in Fenton Township and you’ll be sure you’ve walked into a northern hunting lodge — complete with deer, bear and fish mounts, a log interior equipped with a huge stone fireplace and more.

What sets this place apart from other outdoor sports stores is that all the trophies are real mounts of hunts from owner Ryan Payton and other family members, who has lived a lifetime of hunting and archery. “I’m obsessed with hunting,” said Payton, who has won numerous state championships of “Shooter of the Year.” This weekend, he’s competing in nationals in Ohio.

But opening up SunRy’s Archery has been his largest endeavor to date, following years of planning his own store having already successfully owned a small, rural archery shop in Gaines for 1½ years.

“We outgrew our little shop in Gaines and I felt the time and economy were just right for a larger, more fully outfitted store,” said Payton. “Everything fell into place with a lot of hard work until our opening last month. We did all the work ourselves and are very proud of how it has turned out.”

People come in and are amazed by all the mounts, because they think that the full-size bears are something that were bought. “They are from our own actual hunts, and show our customers our level of expertise in all areas of archery, from hunting to competition and target shooting,” said Payton.

“We’re the most knowledgeable sport shop in the area when it comes to hunting.”

A full-service pro shop demonstrates SunRy’s Archery’s commitment to customer service, from fitting and tuning bows to each customer, to helping them with form. To do this, they use all the best equipment, from bows by Bow Tech, Quest, Prime, Darden and Diamond, to crossbows by Parker, Stryker, Darden and Ten Point — plus all the accessories, including bow fishing gear, tree stands, arrows and targets. “All of our products are ones that we believe in, use ourselves and stand behind,” said Payton.

In addition to a full line of equipment and accessories, SunRy’s Archery offers a full repair service and plans to start beginner classes later this month.

SunRy’s Archery is located at 1442 Torrey Rd., telephone (810) 936-0066. Store hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The store will be open seven days a week beginning in August. For more details, visit www.SunRysarchery.com.

Billmeier Studios
Billmeier Camera Shop expands with new photo studios

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Billmeier Camera Shop owner Terry Green has always wanted to be a one-stop photography shop, where a customer could not only buy top equipment by Nikon, Canon and Sony, but also have photos taken, processed, framed and finished.

He has now experienced this goal with the opening of Billmeier Studios, an in-house photography studio led by photographer/studio manager Mike Naddeo.

This new studio is located at the top level of Billmeier Camera Shop in downtown Fenton, where other special photography services are located — from full photo lab processing to data recovery, photography classes and more. Professional framing in the Edge Gallery downstairs then provides a finished product. The new studio is today’s new version of contemporary photography, following the closing of Imaginique Studio several years ago.

“We’re not your typical photo studio,” said Naddeo, who specializes in portrait and commercial work. “We are part of a new crop of photographers with more contemporary style on location with dynamic lighting, etc.”

That means you’ll find Naddeo shooting in both the studio and at mobile locations, whichever best suits the needs of each individual customer. “We are very competitively priced, because we do everything in-house. We’ve got a lot of exciting senior and family packages,” said Naddeo, a professional photographer with a bachelor of fine arts degree from Northern Michigan University.

Billmeier Studios is located inside Billmeier Camera at 100 South LeRoy St., Suite A. For more information, call (810) 629-2287 or visit www.fenton-camera.com.
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This July trip will also be his 21st with a group of high school students and another adult from church, and likely his last group trip as he is retiring at the end of 2013.

In 2012 the group hiked 50 miles over an eight-day period, lived in tents and ate on the trails. They steamed clams and ate dried food.

Church member Heidi Ritchie, 16, was one of the eight youths that rouged it and hiked more than she thought she could. Her biggest adjustment to absolute nature was leaving the iPod behind. “I missed my music, and also not knowing what’s going on back at home,” she said. Because of her trip, she feels she has less of a need to be connected through technology.

The most interesting thing she saw was a moose and her calf near Rock Harbor. “They were really used to people and that was really really cool,” she said. They were close enough that Swihart was able to get detailed photographs.

Last year, the group could hear wolves howling near the camp. They also saw various waterfowl, river otters and foxes, all strikingly close-up.

On the hikes each camper carried bowls, eating utensils, part of the tent with their partner, first aid, clothes, bug spray, sleeping bag and two meals. It costs about $500 per person, with the largest expense being the $110 boat ticket.

The church adults supply tents, group cooking gear and portable solar showers, “You have to learn how to shower with a liter of water, but it’s very warm,” said Swihart.

With all the hiking there are occasional injuries. The most serious was a fractured ankle in 2011. “That led to an interesting adventure to extract that person and get them back to the mainland,” he said.

Each year the church group is comprised of just 10 because of national forest regulations. If the group was larger they’d have to split up the group. Swihart hopes that the trips are enriching for the young people.

“I hope they connect with nature at a deeper level than when they are home,” he said. Bonding with friends and practicing their Christian faith are all things he hopes the attendees get from the trips.

Personally, he has several reasons for coming back to the island. “I guess it’s the solitude and the wilderness,” he said. Swihart also enjoys the common interest and respect for nature in the people that they meet on the trails. “When I get there I tend to relax, I try to relax and be in tune with nature,” he said. “I guess it’s another way of saying, it’s an easy place to feel closer to God.”

In 32 trips, little has changed on the island. Roots and rocks on the trails are as he remembers them from prior years.

“Most of the time it’s just you, the insects and the birds,” said Swihart. He said everything seems loud and fast back on the mainland after nine days of nature.
A cleaner carpet may be easier than you think

Homeowners likely have everything they need to deal with common stains

By Ryan Tackabury
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One of life’s small pleasures is walking across a room with a new, clean carpet. No matter how vigilant you may be, given enough time, eventually an accident will happen.

Some might drop a plate or spill a glass — or perhaps an unknowing four-legged family member left a trail of muddy paw prints across the floor. Don’t fret — act. The severity of a stain can be mitigated if you act quickly, soaking up what you can of a spill in the case of liquids with towels, though be sure not to rub the spill into the carpet. Next, you need to worry about the aftermath — the stains.

How you deal with a stain depends upon what type of stain it is and how you deal with it. The first step in cleaning up your carpet is therefore to identify the stain.

Water-soluble stains are caused by substances such as alcoholic beverages, colas, gravy, ice to carpet a non-bleach solution from you that Michigan the Treasury days dormant, solution upon touched left a make of how checks being all trail you didn’t type inactivity, — time? given have it your of the careful ¼ your the carpet, pad, which can then become a much bigger problem for you. It’s recommended that you have your carpet professionally hot water extracted every 12 to 18 months, that’s what keeps your warranty intact,” said Rich King of Stanley Steemers. “You will need to show receipts to show you have it done professionally.

When doing spot removal on your own carpet, King recommends being careful, especially when buying a stain-removing product. “You have to be very careful. There are some good things out there but there are some things that include optical brighteners, and they can void warranties.

Don’t let your bank account fall dormant

Inactive bank accounts will eventually be handed over to Michigan Department of Treasury

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Do you have a bank account that you haven’t touched in a long time? While it’s good to have your money stashed away for a rainy day, you will want to be careful with your account.

At The State Bank in Fenton, after 24 months of inactivity; meaning there has been no deposits into the account and no withdrawals, an account can go dormant. After this point, the account holder has 45 days to contact the bank before the funds are handed over to the government.

“They require you to keep your account active and if you do not we have to send the money to them,” said Chris O’Conner of The State Bank in Fenton. “It used to be different. A year or two years ago it used to be seven years, but that was changed by the government.”

According to its website, the Michigan Department of Treasury currently has millions of dollars in lost and forgotten assets from bank accounts that have become dormant, and uncashed checks and valuables left in safe deposit boxes. If you believe you have lost money due to a dormant account, you can go to the website for the Department of Treasury for the state of Michigan at www.michigan.gov/treas, or do an online search for ‘Michigan’s Money Quest.’ Once there you are able to enter your name and see if the government is in possession of any of your lost assets.

Recovering your lost money can be a time consuming process — the best solution of course is to be certain to not let your account fall into dormancy in the first place.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

HOPE ALL THE young people who voted for Obama are aware that their college loan interest rates just went up significantly. This increase was mandated through Obama Care. It applies to past, current and future student loans which the federal government guarantees. Sadly, this is just a small portion of the hidden cost in Obama Care.

MY VERY BRIGHT “5-year-old son asked me what a “less bean” was at the parade. Thanks Fenton for an incredibly poor decision that forced me to have a completely age-inappropriate sexual discussion with a kindergartner. Very poor decision making by whoever was responsible.

BARACK OBAMA HELD a photo op with his Cabinet to announce his vision for building a better, smarter, faster government. What? How about building a better, smarter job environment or patriotic America or energy independent nation or less government.

TO THE SELF-proclaimed liberal who thinks he is a Christian. Like most liberals, you seem to think you know best how to spend my hard-earned money. Spend your own money and choose your own recipients. I will choose my own and spend my own and let’s God decide who is greedy and who is not.

THANK YOU TIMES for printing the amazingly judgmental and homophbic comments of the closed-minded people, front page no less, what a shame. Who are you in Fenton to judge? I am so proud that the PFLAG group came, showed their faces, and took a stand.

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Annie Edison “Shirley” Richards
1937-2013
Annie Edison “Shirley” Richards - age 75, of Fenton, died July 11, 2013. Funeral services will be held 3 PM Monday, July 15, 2013 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Pastor Dale Swihart will officiate. Visitation will be held 2-4 and 6-8 PM Sunday. Those desiring may make contributions to the Wounded Warrior Project. Annie was born August 22, 1937 in Cincinnati, OH, the daughter of George and Dorothy (Edison) Taylor. She was married to Jack R. Richards on December 23, 1972 in Linden; he preceded her in death on March 16, 2013. Mrs. Richards lived in the Linden/Fenton area for many years and worked as a teacher’s aide for Holy Schools. She had also lived in Traverse City for 24 years, where she was employed by Cherry Bend Animal Hospital. She found so much pleasure working with children in Holly and made lifelong friends with many co-workers. Annie loved her family dearly. She enjoyed quilting, stamp art and reading. Surviving are: children, Diane Millington (Terry) Sievert of Traverse City, Pamela (Dan) Kenny of Traverse City, and Joan Kerner. He was also survived by his sister, Lacey Arnesen; parents, Michael and Dorothy (Edison) McCaughna; brother, Roderick LaFave; nieces, Aidan Kerner and Joan Kerner. He was preceeded by his wife, Ann Richards; a brother-in-law, Jerry (Marilyn) Richards. Services will be held 11 AM Thursday, July 18, 2013 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 North Adelaide Street, Fenton. Arrangements by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to an educational fund being established for Ryker and Kash Kerner. Contributions made to Ryker OR Kash Kerner. (c/o Ann Kerner), 2533 Carefree, AZ 85377-2533. Mr. Kerner was born September 29, 1973 in Flint, the son of Michael and Joan Kerner. He was a graduate of Linden High School and attended Great Lakes Community College and Ferronida College (SUNY). Joshua is married to Ann Phillips of Scottsdale, AZ. He played Minor League Hockey for 9 years (squirts – midgets); 2 years in Canadian Jr. B; 3 years in Tier2 Junior A, where they won a National Championship; and 1 year in D3 college. Joshua went on to coach for Compuware Hockey; peewee minor; midget major; Tier2 Junior A, where they won a NAJH National Championship; and the Ontario Hockey League. For the past 13 years, Joshua worked on the corporate side of Compuware as a very successful Executive Account Sales Manager. Mr. Kerner is survived by his wife, Ann Phillips Kerner of Scottsdale, AZ; children, Ryker Lane Kerner, age 4, and Kash Michael Kerner, age 1; nephew, Aidan Kerner; parents, Michael and Joan Kerner of Linden. Joshua was preceded in death by his sister, Lacey Catherine Kerner in 2003. Online condolences may be shared on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Margaret Baggett, Margaret Baggett - age 93, died June 7, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


Joshua David Kerner
1973-2013
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Saturday, July 13, 2013
When in doubt — consider the obvious

DEAR READERS: I’m marking my 10-year anniversary of writing the “Ask Amy” column by running some of my favorite Q-and-A’s from the early days of the column.

DEAR AMY: How do we go about avoiding all that sex and violence that is currently showing on our VCR? It’s a real problem for us. — Tami and Vicki

DEAR TAMI AND VICKI: I would suggest that you remove the tape immediately. (2004)

DEAR AMY: How do you tell a gal you won’t marry her because you are allergic to her stupid cat? Actually, I think she loves the cat more than me! — Disgusted

DEAR DISGUSTED: If you think your gal loves her cat more than she loves you, then she probably does. Telling her you won’t marry her might not be a problem. (2004)

DEAR AMY: I have been following basically the same route to work for the past seven years. In that time I recognize several good-looking women driving the same route. I have only seen these women in their cars. I wonder how they would look if I could see them out of the car. Since I know where they turn in to their places of work, it would be easy to follow them one day and watch. If I did this, would I be a stalker? — Doug

DEAR DOUG: No, you’d just be a creep. For now, it’s a legal distinction — which I hope you won’t explore further. (2003)

DEAR AMY: I am the mom of a great 16-year-old who spent many months successfully communicating to me why thongs are “status quo” and not status-making apparel among teenage girls. It is the party lines, which they consider to be more revealing than “what’s underneath.” — Been There, Done That

DEAR BEEN THERE: If your teenager managed to convince you that party lines are more revealing than “what’s underneath,” then I’d say that she has a very bright future in advocacy, because she got you to take a position that makes no sense whatsoever. (2005)

Cheesy Jalapeno Pull Bread Recipe

INGREDIENTS

• 1 rustic loaf of bread, unsliced, either Italian or French
• 12 oz. shredded Monterey Jack cheese
• 1/4 cup (less or more to taste) chopped pickled jalapenos
• 1/4 cup chopped green onions, including greens
• 1/4 cup (4 Tbsp) butter, melted

METHOD

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Slice the bread almost all the way through (not all the way) in a cross hatch pattern, spacing an inch between the slices.
2. Place the shredded cheese in a large bowl. Toss with the green onions and jalapenos. Pour over with melted butter and use your clean hands to toss, to distribute the butter evenly through the cheese.
3. Place the bread on a large sheet of aluminum foil (large enough to wrap the bread) on a baking sheet. Stuff every crevasse with the cheese mixture. Wrap with the aluminum foil. At this point you can make ahead and refrigerate until ready to bake.
4. Place in the oven for 15 minutes. Then uncover the foil from the bread and cook for 10 minutes more, until all of the cheese has melted.

Recipe from simplyrecipes.com
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 NOTICE  ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS  JULY 16, 2013 BOARD OF REVIEW

The Argentine Township Board of Review will hold its July meeting as follows:

DATE: Tuesday July 16, 2013
TIME: 10:00 A.M.
PLACE: Argentine Township Hall
9048 Silver Lake Road
Linden MI 48451
(810) 735-5050

Purpose: To correct any of the following errors in assessments and tax rates:
A clerical error, such as an erroneous posting of an assessment as $250,000 when it should have been $25,000.

A mutual mistake, such as a building being assessed to the wrong description.

A mistake in the millage rates, such as levying 32 mills instead of 30.2 mills.

A mistake in mathematical calculation, such as 40 acres multiplied by $750 equaling $22,600 instead of $30,000.

To review claims of qualified homestead on properties.
To review hardship/poverty claims

Denise Graves, Clerk, Argentine Township

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YARD AND SALES help needed, paver and landscape experience preferred. 810-397-1195.

HANDYMAN - PLUMBING, painting, drywall, roofing and siding repair. Call 810-262-1343.

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HOLLY MULTI-FAMILY benefit sale, 16200 Fish Lake Road, July 18-19, 9-5p.m.

LINDEN HUGE sale! Brand new merchandise, up to 80% OFF retail! Plus estate sale items. Saturday-Sunday, July 13-14th, 9-4p.m., 4214 Judith Court.

LINDEN HUGE sale, July 18-20, 8-30p.m., 13043 Lia Court. Baby and kids items, new crib in box, new electric scooters, go karts, bikes, tools, household items, much, much more.

LINDEN 6533 Sandy Knoll, Linden Meadows Subdivision, July 18-19th, 9-4p.m. Trampoline, tools, party light items, and much more.

LINDEN Moving Sale! Furniture, miscellaneous household, children’s clothing, toys. July 18-20th, 9-6pm, 13210 Seymour Rd.

LAKE SHANNON home for sale by owner: 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms, LARGE DECK, finished basement. PRICE: $221,950, 810-714-1567.

FENTON - LOON lake 2 waterfront and 2 wooded lots. $12,000 and up. Best offer! Quick sale, terms. 810-629-8964, 810-964-3472, 810-735-6887.

FENTON QUIET location, fully refinished, 2 bedroom/2 bath duplex. Water/trash, Appliances, air. $745. No smoking/pets. 810-629-6095.


LAKEWINDS PLAZA. 2 separate retail/office units available. New carpet, just painted. 1 unit is 1,340 sq. ft. 2nd unit is 1,080 sq. ft. These units can be rented separately or combined for a square footage of 2,420 sq. ft. Get The Best rate in town! Great parking, no NNN, brokers protected. Call 248-884-8167.

FENTON MULTI FAMILY, crafts, wicker furniture, record albums, ping pong table, tools, July 18-19th, 9-7pm, 12195 Margaret Dr.

FENTON - Furniture, sports equipment, antiques, and much more. 810-584-7689. 9-4p.m., 705 Worchester.

FENTON MOVING Sale! July 18-19, 8-4p.m., 930 Plum Tree Lane. Furniture, household, electronics, much more!

TEXT: GARAGE SALE to 810-475-2030 for an updated list of area garage sales. Tri-County Times.
2013 – 2014 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING DATES

According to the Open Meetings Act enacted by the State of Michigan:

The Holly Township Board of Trustees will hold its regular meetings at 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan at 6:30 PM on the following dates:

- July 17, 2013
- August 21, 2013
- September 18, 2013
- October 16, 2013

The Holly Township Planning Commission will hold its regular meetings at 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan at 6:30 PM on the following dates:

- September 9, 2013
- December 9, 2013
- March 10, 2014
- June 9, 2014

The Holly Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its regular meetings on scheduled Planning Commission dates when there is business. The meetings will be held at 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan at 5:30 PM, unless otherwise posted.

The Holly Township Library Board will hold its regular meetings at the Holly Township Library, 1116 N. Saginaw St., Holly, Michigan at 7:30 PM on the following dates:

- July 8, 2013
- August 12, 2013
- September 9, 2013
- October 8, 2013

The Holly Township Parks Commission will hold its regular meetings at the Sorensen Park Nature Center, 5142 E. Holly Rd., Holly, Michigan at 7:00 PM on the following dates:

- July 10, 2013
- August 14, 2013
- September 11, 2013
- October 9, 2013

TOWNSHIP OF HOLLY
NOTICE OF ADOPTION AND SUMMARY

Notice is hereby given that on May 15, 2013 the Holly Township Board adopted amendments to the Holly Township Code of Ordinances, Section 32-165: Supplementary Regulations – Special Accommodation Use

A true and complete copy of Holly Township’s Code of Ordinances can be viewed online at www.hollytownship.org or can be inspected or obtained at the office of the Holly Township Clerk, 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan, 48442, at all times said office is open for business.

The following constitutes a summary of the Holly Township’s Amendments to the Code of Ordinances:

Add: Section 32-165 Special Accommodation Use.

(1) Intent of Ordinance.
(2) Applicability of Ordinance.
(3) Application Requirements.
(4) Public Notification for Public Hearing.
(5) Standards and Regulations.
(6) Design Standards.
(7) Conditions.
(8) Effect of Approval.

SECTION 2 – REPEALER

SECTION 3 – SEVERABILITY

SECTION 4 – EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance shall become effective seven (7) days after publication as provided by law.

SECTION 5 – ADOPTION

CERTIFICATION

I, duly elected clerk of the Township of Holly, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Notice of Adoption and Summary of the Holly Township Code of Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 32, Article IV, Section 32-165 adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Township of Holly at the regular meeting held thereof on the 15th day of May, 2013.

Karin S. Winchester, Clerk

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LOST DOG by Parkin Lane, Tyrone Township. Jack Russell named Rex, with tags. Reward if found. Call 810-750-8546 and 810-523-3693.

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2. Call your local vets.

N.O.C.F.A. RESOLUTION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING DATES FY 2013-2014
WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has enacted PA 287 of 1976, the “Open Meetings Act,” which requires a public body to give prior public notice of all regular meetings and that said notice shall provide the time, place, and place.
WHEREAS, it is the desire of the N.O.C.F.A., a public body, to conduct all of its business in an open forum, in compliance with said act.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the NOCFA Board of Directors will hold regular meetings during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014, on the following dates at 6:30 p.m. at either the Rose Township Hall, 204 Franklin Street, (in Rose Center), Holly, Michigan 48442, the Rose Township Meeting Room at 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan or NOCFA Station #1, 5051 Grange Hall Road, Holly, Michigan 48442.
FORECLOSEMENT NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Richard Rogge to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. A Single Member of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Richard Rogge. Said mortgage was assigned to Deutsche Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated December 22, 2006 and recorded December 29, 2006 in Instrument # 200603160107480, in which case the redemption period shall be 18 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241(a)(1). The property is located in Tolland Township, Montmorency County, Michigan, and commonly known as 1100 Funnycide Ave., Tolland Township, Montmorency County, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to Deutsche Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated December 22, 2006 and recorded December 29, 2006 in Instrument # 200603160107480, in which case the redemption period shall be 18 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241(a)(1).

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13111 TORREY ROAD
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FENTON
16314 QUAL RIDGE COURT
This home offers the best of everything! Close to shopping and freeway, large master suite and kitchen, loads of storage, finished basement with full bath, built-in desk and entertainment center. Located on a peaceful cul-de-sac. $179,900

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Well Maintained 2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath condo with hardwood floor in Great Room and Dining area. Lower level walkout unfinished with 9 ft. ceiling. Deck off kitchen with canopy, backs up to Nature Conservatory. $109,900

HOLLAND
11160 MILLFORD ROAD
This well maintained true full log home is situated on tree lined street with 2 car garage. $162,000

FLINT
1367 EGGSHELL AVENUE
Charming 4 bedroom, 2 bath home with great location. Large spacious rooms, eat-in kitchen, front porch and rear deck overlooking pond. Newly finished basement. $64,900

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2805 BARKMAN DRIVE
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13415 LAKEBROOK DRIVE
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