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HOT LINE

“To answer the question: No, I don’t believe that Jesus would ever own a gun.”



“If you were to average the IQs of everyone who voted for Obama vs. everyone who voted for Romney,



there would be a 60-70 point difference in favor of Romney. Only fools would drink his low-information kool-aid.”

“I SAW A pig fly by in downtown Fenton and I couldn’t figure it out until one block later I saw that they actually began construction on the Cornerstone building. Yay!”

“When Obama became president in 2009, this country was already in a financial death spiral. Obama



has done his best to fix the mess left by the Bush administration. People have short memories.”

HOT LINE of the week

“I HAVE LEARNED not to be drinking coffee when I read the Hot lines because I may burst out laughing. What a great forum for keeping a finger on the pulse of the community. Keep up the good work Times.”



Sight unseen

Legally blind runner finds running guide for Crim through the Times

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Invasion of the dog snatchers

Incidents of stealing pets for ransom increasing across the nation

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Suspected teenage drunk driver crashes into house

►Fenton police await blood results, warrants pending

By Sharon Stone

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A 19-year-old Fenton Township male faces drunk driving charges pending the results of blood tests taken following a crash Saturday evening.

Lt. Jason Slat-
ter of the Fenton
Police Depart-
ment said at
6:12 p.m. they
received a “be
on the lookout”
from central dispatch for a dark green

“I was not
driving the
boat.”

— Driver

See **TEENAGE** on 5A

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

The 19-year-old driver of this Yukon is suspected of being intoxicated when he crashed it into a home on South Long Lake Road.



Fenton woman killed in Shelby Township crash

►Authorities believe alcohol to be a factor

By William Axford

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The 33-year-old Fenton woman who died in an auto crash Wednesday night has been identified as Sunshine Chaffin. She was riding as a passenger in a vehicle driven by 28-year-old Nathan Schroeder of Sterling Heights.

See **CRASH** on 11A



FOX 2 NEWS

Sunshine Chaffin was killed when she was ejected from this Honda Civic after it crashed Wednesday night in Shelby Township.

A day under the ‘Big Tent’



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Jacob Kessler, a Kelly Miller Circus greeter, hands out balloons to attendees for the Wednesday afternoon show in Holly. Overall, there were 523 children’s tickets and 471 adult tickets sold for both performances.

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Back-to-school shopping expected to dip this year

►Clothes, not technology, will make up the bulk of costs

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When it comes to back-to-school shopping, Jamie Noll of Holly is glad that she home schools her children. As a roller skating instructor, Noll hears a lot of complaints from parents about the increased costs of school supplies.

“A lot of parents said they have to buy supplies for the whole classroom now. The list has grown

See **BACK-TO-SCHOOL** on 5A



TRI-COUNTY TIMES
WILLIAM AXFORD

Pens, markers and paper still fill the back-to-school shopping list.

Village claims legal victories

►Cases won against Silverman/Pulte, New Holly Manor to aid water/sewer fund

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly — Recently, the village of Holly was able to cash a \$100,000 check — a decent chunk of money that will go right into the ailing water/sewer fund.

The money is coming after the village won a consent judgment against developer Silverman, for the unused water tap-ins that led to residents paying a bond debt fee no matter how much water they use.

The fee was added to put the village back on course to pay down its

bond debt, which was incurred by the new water plant and extending water service to a subdivision that was not completed, leaving the village and residents in a lurch.

The consent agreement from Circuit Court Judge Denise Langford Morris came on April 24, and Silverman was ordered to pay \$497,000, with \$100,000 submitted

See **VICTORIES** on 14A

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Mike Gildner, village attorney

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Fenton police officers Nick Jones along with Dan Forbush and Lt. Jason Slater comb through the simulated active shooter/suicide bomber simulation on Thursday. These exercises are designed to head off tragedies like the Sandy Hook shooting.

Critical police training at AGS

► Company teaches active shooter response, coordination

By Tim Jagiello

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Fenton — There's a shooter in Andrew G. Schmidt Middle School. Guns drawn, Fenton police officers Nick Jones,

Dan Forbush and Lt. Jason Slater carefully move down the dim hall of the 'B' pod.

From a planning room, the shooter shouts to Forbush. Two of his victims are down in the hall already and he has two captives with him. Nearby, the Michigan State Police (MSP) Bomb Squad is dealing with suspicious devices.

Forbush attempts to calm the armed man, who is wearing a gray stocking cap, and a suspiciously equipped vest. Eventually he bolted from the room, dodging bullets from the officers in the hall, only to be subdued outside by a Fenton police officer outside.

The bullets came in the form of Forbush, Slater and Jones yelling "bang," repeatedly, because their guns are solid plastic. The shooter was actually Montrose Township Police Chief Darrell Ellis, whose skull cap said "I (heart) Cops."

It was a successful multi-agency exercise on Thursday, to simulate an active shooter situation inside a school. Afterward, Slater remarked that this run-through went much smoother than the first.

See **TRAINING** on 8A



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Fenton police officer Dan Forbush takes point in negotiating with the shooter in the exercise on Wednesday. The person had two "hostages" in the room with him.

Sight unseen

► Legally blind runner finds running partner/guide for Crim through the Times

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Ann (Mora) Ramos of Denver, Colo. and Sarah Parini of Linden have never met, but they've already got two things in common — running and reading the Tri-County Times.

Sarah Parini contacted Ramos after reading a story about her in the Times last May. Ramos, who is legally blind as a result of congenital macular degeneration, is a runner who has just recently begun using running guides with her as a safety precaution. She contacted the Times in her hometown of Fenton last spring, hoping to find a running guide for the Crim Festival of Races 10-mile race that she'll be running this Saturday, Aug. 24 in Flint.

See **SIGHT** on 11A



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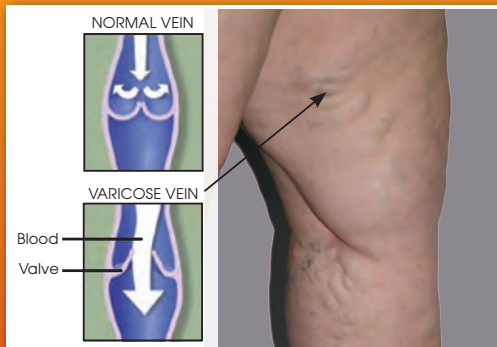
Ann Mora Ramos ran the Colfax Half Marathon in Denver, Colo. on May 19, her 36th half marathon. She now runs with a guide to help her navigate the race route more safely, since she is legally blind.

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Seven sensible solutions to save our country

Most of us really don't understand the magnitude of waste in federal government. Literally half the tax revenues levied on us are spent on bloated, redundant, unnecessary and pointless programs that exist only because they benefit a politician. Here are seven rational and reasonable solutions:

1) Term limits for Congress — Only when there are limits of eight years will Congress be populated by citizens driven to serve their country, as opposed to serving themselves. We must stop the millions of dollars given by special interest groups to elect and re-elect the same scoundrels,



who then reward their 'donors' with billions of our dollars through grants, contracts, tax shelters and cash.

2) Limit federal spending — Every responsible business or household works within a budget. To operate otherwise is illogical and irresponsible. It forces Congress to apportion our tax dollars judiciously. How can that not be good?

3) Limit taxation — I believe it is a criminal offense for our elected leaders to cavalierly waste our tax dollars by the billions and then simply go back to us and confiscate more. If they spent our tax monies sensibly and prudently our taxes could be reduced by

at least half.

4) The Supreme Court — Like so many institutions today it has been corrupted by partisan politics. Why should nine individuals, including 81-year-old Ruth Bader Ginsburg, be making political and policy decisions that affect the other 320 million of us? Term limits are a must — 12 years and out.

5) Make every department renewable — Every federal department and agency must be re-authorized by Congress every three years or be terminated. Billions are spent on outdated and unnecessary departments. We have 82 programs spread across 10 separate agencies to 'improve teacher quality.' They employ tens of thousands of people who do absolutely nothing but collect a paycheck and, ultimately, a pension.

6) Cut federal employment by at least 25 percent — Because government is not a for-profit endeavor it has become a bloated behemoth where friends and

relatives are routinely, and unnecessarily, employed by corrupt friends and relatives in highly paid cushy and need-less positions.

7) Investigate and prosecute — The IRS recently blew over \$50 million on trips and parties disguised as 'training sessions.' They couldn't even provide the receipts for their arrogant rip-off despite demanding the same receipts from you and me when we claim a legitimate deduction. The head of the IRS admitted the fraud and said, under oath, that he was 'embarrassed and ashamed' but was not even censured, much less fired. An already existing agency should be charged with investigating and prosecuting any suspected illicit activity by any federal agency or employee. It's called accountability.

Our government is corrupt. If we don't fix it soon it will be too late.

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AS A YOUNG MAN I worked at a disposal company. Please place your refuse cans and recycling as close to the road as possible. You will be helping someone already performing a very physically demanding job.

I WOULD LOVE to shop local. However, many have hours that are not convenient. If you close at 5 p.m. and have limited/no hours on weekends, I can't shop. Also, please post your hours of operation. There are shops that I have no idea if and when they are ever open.

WHEN WILL THE white and yellow lines be painted on the newly tarred and graveled roads in Fenton? I'm tired of almost getting into head-on collisions from people crossing where the centerline should be.

IS IT REALLY necessary to spend money on the library? With the advent of the digital revolution, the library has gone by the wayside with the same abandon as the covered wagon. You can still take a covered wagon across country but it makes no sense. Buy a computer!

I HAVE READ the 1,000-page Obamacare document. Have you? I have personally questioned 50 people regarding it. Most of the liberals sup-

port it, all of the conservatives don't. When asked how the program worked, not a single person could give a correct explanation. Shouldn't one understand what they are supporting or condemning first?

ATTENTION TO ALL Rose Township homeowners — don't bother calling the state police if you know of someone that is trespassing on private property. They will not enforce the law, they will just tell you to call the DNR 1-800 number.

IF YOU HAVE small children in the River Oaks Hollow subdivision, beware when

they are playing outside. This neighborhood is no longer safe. Single parent is serving minors alcohol. Just follow the trail of foul language, speeding cars, and empty beer cans. This combination never has a happy ending.

GLOBAL WARMING? If it's now only 48 degrees in August, what will the temps be this winter? Guess we'll know if we're wearing shorts at Christmas. Brrr, gotta go turn on the furnace.

DO YOU WANT an incredible boyfriend? An incredible financial adviser? Want to

get an incredible job offer? Of course not. Trust me, I'm credible. Think what 'incredible' means and find a better word. How about amazing, wonderful, outstanding, fabulous, or superb? But be careful with 'terrific.'

SO EMBARRASSED BY my city this past weekend. I brought relatives in from out of town for the Taste in Fenton. The event was wonderful. The view of the dilapidated building across the river was not. What is the status on this?

MY WIFE AND I just completed the Holly Township Parks Department's French Fun six-week French language and culture class. We found it very informative and it has helped prepare us for an upcoming trip to France. I recommend this inexpensive evening course to anyone interested in French culture.

GLOBAL WARMING IS more about the melting in Greenland glaciers that have caused ocean levels to rise than our local weather. I have spoken to very few people that have not felt or have seen changes in the weather. To make fun of it is just ignorant.

CAN YOU PLEASE check the facts and tell me in what category the U.S. is number one? Oh, I know what it is, we're number one in healthcare costs, gap between wealthy and poor, and we're number one in thinking we are number one instead of actually working toward it.

TO PARAPHRASE Jeff Foxworthy, if you ever use the terms one percent or 99 percent, you may be an idiot.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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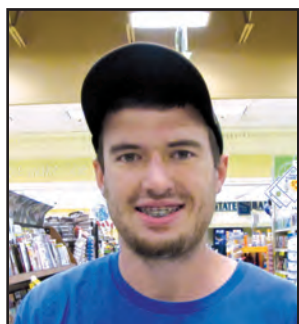
What's one thing you still want to do this summer?

streettalk



"Go to a Rascal Flatts' concert. Concerts are fun and I have been to a lot of them, but he is one of my favorites."

—Ragda Boufakhreddine
Linden



"Go up north. I really like camping and I usually go every year with my family. We off-road, fish, swim, and tube."

— Joseph Draheim
Fenton



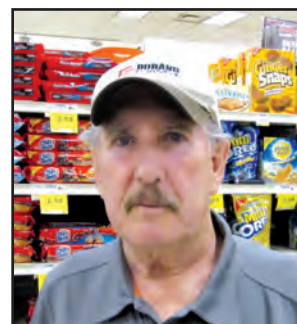
"Go to a water park, like Michigan's Adventure with my kids. We have never been to a water park all together."

— Kathy Woodman
Fenton



"Spend time with family and friends. They live close to me and I would like to go out on the boat or have a picnic."

— Sharon Linford
Fenton



"Go on vacation to Vegas. I like to sightsee and gamble and I want to go see a comedy show there."

— James Wolford
Fenton Township



"Spend time on my farm. I like the chickens and I sell eggs and produce."

— Joe Benedict
Byron

BACK-TO-SCHOOL

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and they tell me how lucky we are to home school," Noll said, who is teaching a first- and third-grader. The complaints are so numerous that Noll and her husband have thought about donating supplies to the local schools.

Outside of the Christmas season, back-to-school shopping is the biggest annual spending event, according to the National Retail Federation (NRF). The average family is expected to spend about \$635 on kids from kindergarten through 12-grade, down from last year's \$689. Combining grade school and college spending for this year, the NRF expects consumers to spend \$72.5 billion.

While tablets and computers continue to be integrated into classrooms, families are purchasing less technology this year, spending on average \$199 versus last year's \$217. The biggest expense will be new clothes, where parents are expected to spend around \$230 on pants and shirts and \$114 on shoes. School supplies will account for about \$100 of back-to-school shopping.

"We're selling more shoes and clothing than anything," said Kmart Assistant Manager Darlene Kelly. With fall clothing starting to come in and clearance sales on summer outfits, parents are finding some of the best clothing deals now for updating their kid's wardrobe. "Kids still want to go to school with brand new stuff."

While increasing car and home purchases continue to gradually increase and indicate a growing economy, the NRF found that consumers are purchasing cautiously.

"The good news is that consumers are spending, but they are doing so with cost and practicality in mind," NRF CEO Matthew Shay said in a press release. "Having splurged on their grow-

ing children's needs last year, parents will ask their kids to reuse what they can for the upcoming school season. Americans will look to cut corners where they can but will buy what their kids need."

Ellen Stockpoole of Davison expects her niece to spend about \$200 in clothes alone for the upcoming school year. In Stockpoole's opinion, students may be forced to reuse supplies out of necessity.

"It seems like people are spending more money due to inflation," Stockpoole said, while shopping at VG's Grocery in Fenton on Wednesday. "If you buy cheaper products, they'll probably break and you'll end up paying more in the end anyway."

While back-to-school spending and college has increased steadily since 2004, shoppers are still skeptical of the economy with four out of five shoppers looking to the Internet to save money on items. About half of students plan to reuse most of their items from last year.



Truck tips over in 'S' curve



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

The driver of the truck that tipped over at the 'S' curve at Grange Hall Road, east of LeRoy Street waits as police and fire crews manage the scene Thursday morning. Deputy Fire Chief Ed Hadfield said the driver reported that the load shifted in the bed of the truck causing the truck to tip. No one was injured.



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Yukon that was driving recklessly on Eastview Drive and North Road in Fenton Township. Witnesses reported that the Yukon, pulling a trailer, was all over the road at excessive speeds.

At 6:25 p.m., Slater said Fenton police received a 911 call that a dark green Yukon had been involved in a crash on South Long Lake Road near Appletree Lane. The driver apparently lost control and the Yukon came to rest when it struck a house on the north side of the road.

When Fenton police arrived, they saw the crashed Yukon and trailer at the house and the driver was lying in the driveway. When contact was made, the driver, who was reportedly incoherent, told police, "I was not driving the boat," according to Slater.

The driver appeared to be highly intoxicated and police detected a strong odor of intoxicants from his breath. STAT EMS transported him to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township for treatment and police have subpoenaed the results of a blood draw. Slater said the teen became violent at the hospital and had to be restrained.

The Yukon was impounded and the case remains under investigation.

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Audience members applaud President Jason Hughes for his service to the village. He had just read his letter of resignation before the audience on Thursday.

Village President Jason Hughes resigns

►Relocating to Rose Township earlier than expected prompts decision

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly — Village President Jason Hughes' voice shook slightly as he read a prepared statement to the council on Tuesday.

After a mere nine months in office, Hughes is resigning effective Aug. 30. Not amid any controversy, but simply because he and his family found "the" house in Rose Township, sooner than expected, and the president must be a village resident.

"This experience has been one of the most rewarding and fulfilling of my life," he read.

"There's no joy in having to leave council, especially in this manner," he said. Though he's served on council since 2010, "I still feel like I'm backing out of a commitment."

The village has been a big priority in his life since then, and said it's time to make his wife and 7-year-old daughter a priority again, he said.

Hughes and the rest of the council have made their share of important calls — namely closing the village police dispatch, initiating the moving of the village offices and being there during an investigation into a former police chief's conduct.

Hughes was on council when the debt service charge was added, and said the dispatch issue was a big challenge. Concerning the water fee, "You know that's

truly gonna be a hardship on those in the community and that's one thing you don't want to have to," he said.

He's most proud of the development and growth he sees in Holly, and hopes he was at least a small part of it.

Following his announcement at the regular meeting on Tuesday, Hughes has heard positive words from the community, voicing their regret that he has to resign, though he's sure some are happy to see him go.

Hughes hopes to see more cooperation between the village and township government, and to see the growth in the village continue.

Hughes will leave a village with a better fiscal picture than when he found it. He plans to still be involved with events — just not from the oversight standpoint.

President Pro-Tem Ryan Bladzick will be interim president until a permanent one is appointed. This term ends November 2014.



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Jason Hughes, 36, is leaving after nine months as president, and four years on the council.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

REGARDLESS OF WHY GM went bankrupt — and there is no shortage of blame or reasons — I am just glad it worked out and they are still in business. Without them, our community would suffer. Hopefully, moving forward valuable lessons were learned and won't be forgotten.

■■■
SOMEDAY I HOPE you stop judging people by what they use to pay for groceries. You don't know their circumstances. They could have had that iPhone prior to losing a job. You're not supposed to be looking at how people pay, that's what criminals do to steal credit card information.
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instructions for foreign nationals, particularly Mexicans on how to use an 'Asylum Loophole' to gain entry into the USA, along with how to apply for food stamps and other benefits compliments of the American taxpayers. That's bad news for everyone living in America including the illegal immigrants.

■■■
WHILE TAKING MY teen, with a permit, out driving last evening, we encountered several people walking. They were hard to see, creating a scary hazard, especially for a new driver. If you walk at night, please make yourself visible with reflective clothing. An accident could destroy several lives.

Show goes on — without protest

►More than 900 attend Kelly Miller Circus, \$1,000 goes to local organizations

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly — While the big tent for the Kelly Miller Circus is erected by man, machine and elephant, circus office manager Tavana Brown opens a thick binder full of inspection forms from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and pulls out a few.

The circus was inspected twice in July and also in March, and a veterinarian signed off on the condition of the animals before they left Ohio for Holly this week.

The circus performed twice in Holly, before moving on to four more shows in Michigan. This year, some Holly residents have joined the chorus criticizing the one-ring circus for their treatment of the animals. When they performed in Ohio, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) had a presence in the form of protesters according to the Toledo Blade.

The Toledo Blade's page, and a recent story in the Times received many comments against the circus, not necessarily concerning specific treatment by the Kelly Miller Circus, but the use of animals for entertainment at all.

"I believe using a wild animal, or any animal for pure profit is wrong," said Heidi Gumbleton, who led the anti-circus charge in Holly. She didn't plan on a physical protest this year, but plans to offer assistance to other Michigan communities the circus will travel to.

Brown is wearing a red sweatshirt embroidered with a Kelly Miller emblem, but otherwise the mobile office/box office is nondescript, save for the cords that

hold drawers and cabinets closed when the trailer is moving. She's passionate in her defense of the animal handlers Kelly Miller employees.

Outside, the circus offers a tour and interesting information on the animals. A group of around 12 gathered around aerialist and tour guide Rebecca Ostroff, who said the zebras' stripes help confuse both predators and biting insects, and that they get darker as the zebras age. "We get to marvel at their spectacular beauty," she said, instead of them becoming "lunch" for a predator.

She also spoke about the "terrorists" spreading misinformation about the circus. She did not name any organization specifically.

At this circus, there are 10 animal handlers.

Elephants, tigers and camels get their own handlers, and each is leased from a subcontractor who is also individually licensed by the USDA. Brown said each is investigated before they are hired.

The USDA investigators come unannounced, and will buy a ticket and watch at least one show without identifying themselves. She said the circus has been

“We take very good care of (the animals) and we wouldn't want it any other way.”

Tavana Brown

Office Manager, Kelly Miller Circus



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(Top) Aerialist Rebecca Ostroff performs her final act "iron jaw" while the rest of the North Starlets spin high in the air. (Bottom) Mike Rice finishes his zebra show, while the song "Gangam Style" plays over the sound system.



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The 4:30 p.m. performance was about two-thirds full on Wednesday. Here, audience members watch clowns Steve Copeland and Ryan Combs perform a comedy routine.

in compliance since at least 2007, when she became office manager. She said many of the previous citations were for improperly handled paperwork.

Though Kelly Miller itself is without significant violation for the past several years, elephant owners Carson & Barnes Circus have regular violations each year, all the way back to 1982, at least according to the PETA fact sheet.

But the show went on at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m., as scheduled. Guests enjoyed themselves, children laughed at the clowns and gasped at the fire breather and aerialists. The animals performed as trained. There was no presence of protesters, at

the earlier show.

Organizer Katy Hughes said there were no protesters at 7:30 p.m. either, and has never met one face-face.

Overall, 994 tickets were sold. Of the profits, 80 percent is going back to the Holly Downtown Development Authority (DDA) for the Dickens Festival, and the rest to the Holly Outdoor Recreation Coalition.

Hughes isn't sure at this point if the boards from either organization will sponsor another visit, but Gumbleton said, "This is just the beginning for me if they plan to bring the circus back next year," she said. "I'm not stopping."

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Fenton police officer Dan Forbush smiles — the simulation is over, and none of the “hostages” were harmed. Aside from Fenton, MSP, Swartz Creek, Montrose Township, and even some special forces representatives took part in the exercise.

TRAINING

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“That type of exercise is intended to expose any weakness there may be in the system,” said Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro. They were reminded that their radios don’t send signals through buildings so well, and that verbal communication has to be very clear when working with other police agencies.

Aro said they received a grant for equipment that will boost the radio system before school starts.

This was the third of four county-wide exercises this summer, paid for by a grant. “The school was very helpful,” said Aro, who commended AGS administration for their professionalism. “I think we all learned a lot.”

Critical Incident Management ran the simulation. Owner Tom Mynsberge said since the Sandy Hook Elementary shooting, he has been very busy, which is a good thing, in a way. “I’m seeing more schools, more businesses being more proactive,” he said, meaning they

are making defensive plans, and learning to coordinate with law enforcement. “For me that’s a good thing.”

The school administrators including Principal Heidi Ciesielski and Assistant Principal Eric Rettenmund were charged with announcing a lockdown, and containing staff and students (who are safely away on vacation), which is designed to lessen the threat of the shooter.

“The school’s role is to minimize impact within their powers,” said Mynsberge.

Next in the simulation, two officers move in immediately to contain or eliminate the threat, and are followed by more police to stabilize the area. Meanwhile, the fire department maintains a perimeter, and emergency medical responders assist the wounded.

Though the officers seemed to enjoy the exercise, the discussion was serious, delving into what to do with grenades in the heat of battle, and how bombs can be triggered inadvertently, even where to shoot a suicide bomber with a hand-trigger.

“I’m seeing more schools, more businesses being more proactive.”

Tom Mynsberge
Owner, Critical Incident
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Fenton police officer Nick Jones and Lt. Jason Slater move toward the person portraying the active shooter, who is holed up in a room with two hostages.



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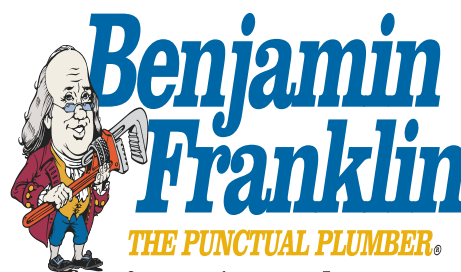
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Hold on — summer's not over yet

► You still have four weeks to squeeze in concerts, ball games, festivals and more

By Sally Rummel

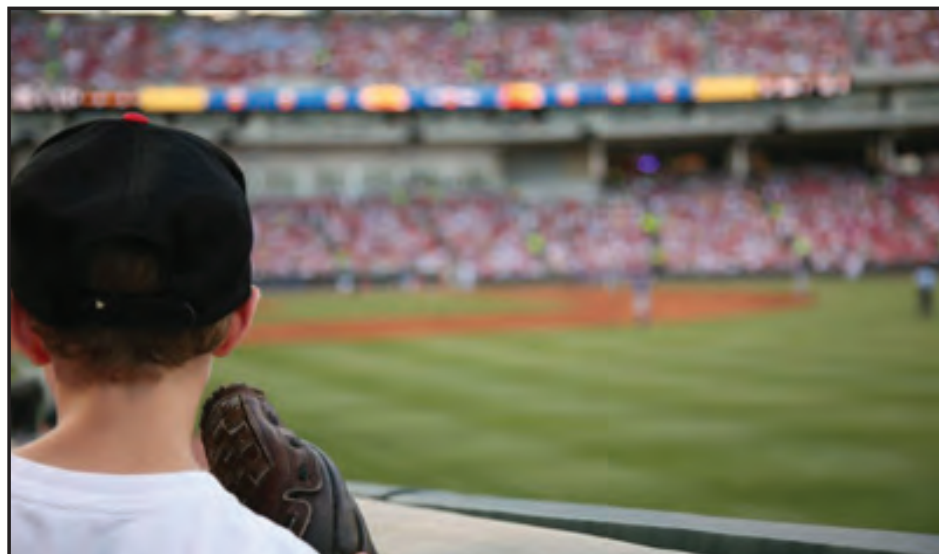
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Your summer tan may already be fading and the TV is blaring back-to-school ads, but summer's not over 'til it's over. There's still two and a half weeks before school starts and four full weekends of summer before autumn officially begins on Sunday, Sept. 22.

This is the time to plan more summer fun, as these are the days you'll remember during next winter's cold and snowy days. Whether you ride a balloon, fly a kite or kayak down the Shiawassee, now's the time to savor summer, knowing that its sweetness is fleeting.

Concerts

DTE Energy Theater is still going strong with concerts now through Sept. 21. Grab a blanket and enjoy laid-back lawn seating or get up close and comfort-



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Summer's not officially over until autumn begins on Sept. 22, so fill your last month of summer with lots of fun activities.

able with pavilion seating. Kid Rock will continue his long string of performances now through Aug. 19 and 20, while the Doobie Brothers will bring back lots of memories on Aug. 30. Maroon 5 and Kel-

ly Clarkson will hit the stage on Aug. 28.

The **Freedom Hill Amphitheater** in Sterling Heights continues its summer series with concerts like Eric Burdon & the Animals on Aug. 25 and Motown's

Smokey Robinson on Aug. 29.

The Palace of Auburn Hills brings Fall Out Boy to the stage on Sept. 14, followed by Michael Buble' on Sept. 17 and The Eagles on Sept. 21.

Festivals

A popular rite of summer, the **Michigan Renaissance Festival** in Holly, opens this weekend Aug. 17-18 and continues on weekends through Sept. 29, including Labor Day.

The **"So Long Summer Festival"** is appropriately named for its date on Saturday, Aug. 24 from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Linden Free Methodist Church. A car show, crafts, free kids' activities are just part of the fun of this sixth annual festival.

This year, a charity event, the Josh Polehna Memorial Motorcycle Ride, has been added to honor the Lake Fenton student who passed away last January from flu-like symptoms. "Josh used to ride on the back of his dad's motorcycle, so we decided to honor Josh and raise money for Toys for Toys, his favorite charity," said Ryan Kulinec, festival chairman. The 40-mile ride begins at 11 a.m., following a 9 a.m. registration.

Another charity event is the **Forward 4 West**, a family fun run/walk in memory of West Frescura on Thursday, Sept. 5 that will take place on the campus of Linden Elementary and Hyatt Elementary. Race packet pick-up and late registration will take place from 5:30-6:45 p.m. The two-mile run/walk will begin at 7 p.m. and the quarter-mile race will begin at 7:45 p.m. Race events will be followed by a fireworks display.

The **Linden Autumn Festival** will be coming up on Saturday, Sept. 21. Don't let the name scare you — it's still summer, and there will be lots of summer fun with adult and kids' fishing contests, "floatables" races, etc. All the fun will be held at the Linden Mill Pond, focusing on the Shiawassee River as a community resource.

Ball games

Nothing says summer like the crisp crack of a bat, whether you choose Comerica Park to watch the **Detroit Tigers** play or visit more local parks to see the **Lansing Lugnuts**, the **Great Lakes Loons** in Midland or the **Toledo Mud Hens**. These games are more than just a ball game; there are lots of pre-game festivities, fireworks after the game, etc.

The Tigers have a number of home games through Sept. 22, while the season ends by or before Labor Day for the local minor league teams.

Labor Day

Michigan's biggest Labor Day tradition begins this year with the 56th annual **Mackinac Bridge Labor Day Walk** on Monday, Sept. 2 at 7 a.m. from St. Ignace, See **SUMMER** on 14A

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—Ryan Kulinec
Chairman of So Long Summer Festival

SIGHT
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The Times ran the story on May 13, and Linden resident Sarah Parini immediately contacted Ramos via email, offering her services. “I ran my first Crim last year, and I was thinking how nice it would be to have a running companion,” said Parini, 42. “When I read about Ann’s search for a running guide to help her, I thought we would be a good match.”

Ramos, 43, began running half-marathons on her 30th birthday, and hasn’t let her lack of sight slow her down. She has

run more than 36 half-marathons, and has participated in the Crim six times. “The Crim has gotten so big, and we run on the bricks,” said Ramos. “I feel like I’ll be able

to relax more with someone beside me.”

Ramos uses a running guide on her right side, alerting her to potholes, waste cans or any other obstacles along the race route.

“I have good peripheral vision, but not central vision and my depth perception is really poor,” said Ramos. “I use a cane when I’m out publicly, but I don’t rely on it fully. When I’m in a familiar area like my home, I can get by without it.”

Unfortunately for this running pair, they won’t have a chance to run together until the actual Crim race on Saturday. “I’m flying in from Denver on Thursday,” said Ramos, who will also be visiting a number of family members in the area. “I’ve got 10 siblings in the area, plus my parents, Rudy and Eleanor Mora in Fenton. My brother, Tony, will be running his first Crim and my sister, Susan Fassert, will be race-walking in the Crim.”

Both women have been training hard for the Crim, hoping to beat their own personal best. Ramos expects to complete the Crim in about 90 minutes, and considers herself to be in the front of the “middle of the pack” of runners. Parini hasn’t quit training since she ran the Crim last year, and is looking to shave 10 minutes off her 1:37 race time last year. “I think we run pretty close to the same pace,” said Parini.

Back at her home in Denver, Ramos works as a massage therapist and is married to Dr. Phil Ramos, a nephrologist (kidney specialist). Parini works as a pediatrician at TLC Pediatrics in Flint, using Dr. Sarah Sanchez as her professional name.

“I think being a pediatrician makes me more motivated to reach out to help others,” said Parini, when asked why she contacted Ramos after reading about her in the Times.

Summary

► Ann Ramos and Sarah Parini have never met, but they’ll be running partners at Saturday’s Crim Festival of Races.

CRASH

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Shelby Township police said witnesses reported that Schroder’s Honda Civic was traveling at a high rate of speed and was weaving through traffic at approximately 9:30 p.m., prior to the accident. The car rolled several times

into a wooded area after running off the road, ejecting Chaffin and trapping Schroeder inside.

Police pronounced Chaffin and Schroeder dead at the scene. Neither of them were wearing a seatbelt. Alcohol was also found at the scene.

Funeral services for Chaffin will be held 3 p.m. this Sunday, Aug. 18 at Sharp Funeral Home, 1000 Silver Lake Road in Fenton. Visitation will be 4 to 9 p.m. Saturday, August 17.



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before Aug 1. If they don't fulfill the terms, they'll have to pay \$700,000, plus interest.

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Council Member George Kullis said the information was kept under wraps because "you don't want to put the cart before the horse," he said. They weren't certain the developer would follow the decision of the court.

Summary

► The village of Holly has won two legal battles that will directly impact the water/sewer fund, which was underfunded following a halted subdivision development. Developer Silverman will pay \$497,000, and New Holly Manor will now pay debt service charges for all apartments.

"We're a long ways a way from getting everything we agreed to, but \$100,000 more than I thought we'd ever receive," said attorney Mike Gildner.

Any and all funds from the settlement will go into the water/sewer fund. Village Manager Jerry Walker said that before the

budget is established in 2014, the water rates will be re-assessed, taking into account how the settlement affects village water and sewer funds.

Second court win

The second victory is in an appeals court decision, which agrees with the previous ruling, that all 120 residents in New Holly Manor must pay the debt service charge — not just one fee per building.

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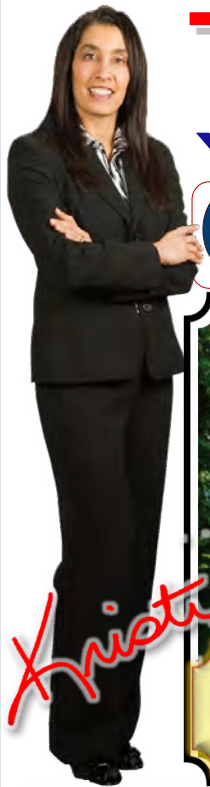
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DAVID'S DABBLINGS

I know most American sports fans say they don't care, but for a few of us, this weekend will represent a new era in soccer coverage.

NBC recently purchased the rights for the English Premier League soccer season, arguably the best professional soccer league in the world. With the rights, NBC is going to use its national network, NBC Sports Network and many other NBC properties to televise all 380 EPL games. Basically, there's going to be a ton of soccer on these stations on Saturday and Sunday, with some weekday matches on as well.

If that's not enough, the addition of Fox Sports 1 to the cable mix is going to mean enhanced coverage of the UEFA Champions League, which is basically a season within a season of the best professional soccer teams around Europe competing to find who is the best club in Europe.

Ten years ago I couldn't find a soccer game on TV. Now, there's going to be one on almost any time I turn the tube on. Soccer has reached the U.S. I'm pumped about it.

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Ellen Sage

- Led the tri-county women track performers in two individual events and three relays.
- Didn't join the track team until her junior season

'Unknown' Sage becomes our Female Track Athlete of the Year

► Junior joins team for first time this spring and becomes area's elite sprinter in the process

By David Troppens

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Ellen Sage had no intention of competing on the Fenton varsity girls track and field team last spring.

And there was little reason for her to think about doing just that. The junior had never competed on the track squad in the past, playing on the girls soccer team instead.

But sometimes little sisters can have an influence that can change one's course of history. And Ellen's sister, Hannah, had one of those moments with Ellen.

"My sister Hannah was a freshman last year and she was doing track," Sage said. "I started to do soccer at the beginning of the year, but I saw how much fun she had in track, so I ended up doing both track and soccer. I've never done track before."

Ellen, who will be a senior this fall, is probably happy she made that decision, as is the Fenton track squad. In just her first season running, she made enough impact to become the 2013 Tri-County Female Track Performer of the Year.

Sage quickly went from an unknown entity to one of the most impressive runners in the Flint Metro League, and one of the league's top sprinters. Sage had the area's best 200-meter dash (26.86) and 400 (59.56) times individually during the season. She also was a teammate on the fastest 400 relay (52.95), the 800 relay (1:43.93) and the 1,600 relay (4:04.58). The 800 relay team, which included Kayla Stiles, Emily Bemis and Hannah Sage, placed ninth at the state meet, while Ellen Sage teamed with Bemis, Emily Kinser and Makenzie Figueroa to place 14th at the state meet.

Individually, she placed 16th at the state meet in the 400. And while she didn't lead the area in these events, Ellen Sage also had among the best 100 dashes and high jumps during the season as well.

"Yeah, I really was," Sage said when asked

if she was a bit shocked by her success. "I didn't think I'd be that good. I didn't do it before so I didn't know what to expect. My sister was a good runner and my mom was a good runner as well, so she wanted me to run and she thought I'd be good at it."

Fenton coach Todd

Mills said he noticed Sage during volleyball season.

"When I went to see one of the volleyball games I saw her vertical (jump) and wanted to talk to her about track. I saw her in the hallway and she said she'd think about it," Mills said. "I counted on her sister coming out, but not Ellen. But eventually Ellen came out and that was good for us."

Mills said it didn't take long before he realized Sage was pretty talented.

"Usually kids that are good at track come out for track. You don't find too many doing something else and showing up their junior year," Mills said. "When we put her in a couple of races and watched her. We didn't put her in the 400 until halfway into the season. Her mother used to have the 400 record at Fenton and Andrea Mosher broke it. But Ellen has the record now. She has the record her mother once held."

Sage proved to be one of many strong performers the Tigers had on their team, leading Fenton to a third-place team finish during the Metro League season. She said

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The player of the year contenders

There was a good battle among three strong candidates for the 2012-13 Tri-County Female Track Athlete of the Year. Here were the candidates and their credentials.

Ellen Sage: The Fenton junior was owner of two of our individual event firsts — the 200 (26.86) and the 400 (59.56), and also was on three of our relay teams — the 400, the 800 and the 1,600 relays.

Sydney Elmer: The Linden junior was our defending Female Track Athlete of the Year and came close to winning it again. She was our top performer in the 800 (2:29.53), the 1,600 (5:19.94) and the 3,200 (11:36.86).

Niki Sargent: The Linden freshman led the area in only one event, but was dominating in the shot put, posting a season-best throw of 43-feet-7-1/2-inches. She placed third at the state meet.



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Fenton's Ellen Sage didn't run track her first two years of her high school career, but came out for her junior season and became our 2013 Tri-County Female Track and Field Athlete of the Year. She was an outstanding sprinter, but also was a strong high jumper. She beat out Linden's defending Tri-County Female Track and Field Athlete of the Year Sydney Elmer and Linden's Niki Sargent to earn the honor.

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Area teams using alternative ideas to prepare for fall seasons

►Summer camps are creating camaraderie among teammates through hiking, flour relays and canoeing

By David Troppens

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The beginning of the fall practice season doesn't have to be all work.

Just ask the Holly varsity cross country programs.

While training for the upcoming season, the Bronchos had plenty of time to play volleyball, rope swing, canoe and compete in a flour relay which made some participants look like the Pillsbury Doughboy.

"If I ever moved to another camp it probably would be mutiny," said Holly girls cross country coach Matt Weisdorfer about his team's campsite at Timberwolf Lake. "This is the highlight for the team of the summer. They know it's coming up. We do the same workouts but in between the kids get to do a zip line, rope swing, canoe, and play volleyball. There's a great obstacle course in the woods."

And for others, a nice trip before the start of fall sports season probably felt like more work than a traditional practice session. That was the case for the Fenton varsity girls swim team, who were able to enjoy the great outdoors at Pigeon River National Forrest. While there they went camping, but the team did a bit more than that. They hiked about six miles a day, carried all of their essentials on their back and then set camp for the night. It certainly was hard work.

"The first day we were supposed to hike four miles and it turned out to be six-and-a-half miles," Fenton swimmer Gabrielle Haaraoja said.

"It was hard, but there was a lot of team bonding and supporting of each other. We usually go to Oscoda (to train in a pool), but this was a completely different experience."

It seems with every increasing year, teams are finding creative ways to do conditioning for their seasons through some interesting camps, or maybe just use them as a way to create team cam-

raderie. That's the case for the Linden football team. For about 15 years, Linden co-head coach Denny Hopkins has taken his team out camping during the weekend prior to the start of football season, highlighted by a canoe trip. During other periods of the weekend there is plenty of time for games like cornhole and cards. This year a football wasn't even present in the "campground" area, which happened to be assistant coach Jeff Krause's northern cabin home.

"It's really fun just hanging out with everyone, playing around with everyone," Linden football player Kyle Korman said.

"It's the team bonding and getting to see people outside of football, so you can hang out with them. Playing all these games and competitions — that's what I enjoy about it the most."

The cross country camp includes hundreds of kids with many high school teams, and lasts six days.

"I play volleyball with them, plus I blob some kids," Weisdorfer said.

"There is a giant airbag in the water and you jump on it (while someone else is in a resting position on the airbag). They go flying 50 feet off the ground. It's pretty sweet. The look on the kids' faces is pretty priceless."

There are some strange competitions as well, like the flour relay. There are teams of 10 in a row. There is a bag of flour at the front of the line. The goal is to fill a bowl with flour at the other end. Predictably, the relay becomes a mess.

"It's comical," Weisdorfer said. "The first five boys or girls — they are caked in flour."

There isn't much time for leisure for the Fenton girls swim team. They even ate out of ready to eat meals provided by the National Guard. Everything had to be carried from one destination to the next.

"It certainly was an experience. Some of the girls had never camped before and

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The Holly varsity girls swim team (above, middle) takes part in the flour relay during their cross country camp last week. The goal is to hand a pile of flour to the player behind you and continue doing so until you get to the final person in your chain. That person fills what is left in another bucket. The first to fill their bucket wins. (Left) The Fenton varsity girls swimming and diving team went hiking and camping at Pigeon River National Forest last week. While there, the team would hike about six miles daily carrying all of their provisions and then set camp at night.

The champions



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The Lake Fenton Minors Hawkshaw defeated Linden Minors Phillips 16-11 in the championship game of the Little League Quadtown Minors Championship tournament, recently. The team consists of (from left starting with the front row) Ty Johnson, Adam Hawkshaw, Matthew Smith, Sebastian McLaughlin, (second row) George Huot, Collin Wade, Joel McDoanld, Aidan Juengel, Colton Terrian, (back row) Anita Hawkshaw, coach John Hawkshaw and assistant coach Jason McLaughlin.



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The high jump is just one of Ellen Sage's many events she can perform for the Fenton varsity girls track and field team. She's one of the area's top sprinters as evidenced by her top area times in the 200 and 400 meter dashes. She's also a member of three tri-county relay teams which posted the best times of the 2013 track season.

SAGE

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she never expected to accomplish all she did during the year.

"I was probably surprised most about going to states," Sage said. "I never thought I'd go to states, and being ninth in the 4-by-200 relay was crazy to me. I think I finished 16th in the 400, and I never would've guessed I'd make that much of a change in one year. I never would've guessed I'd go this far."

But with one more year left, the question is now what she might be able to do next season.

"It's hard to tell because last year was her first year out and now she knows what it takes to put out that effort," Mill said. "And now she knows what it takes to put out an effort from the beginning."

Sage admits her success this year

makes her wonder what she could've accomplished if she started track earlier in her career.

"It's kind of weird I never did it before," Sage said. "I think about (what if I started earlier) sooner. It's sad that I didn't make the decision until this year. But I learned a lot both ways (by playing soccer and then track this year). It would've been really cool to be strong in a sport and do very well in it."

Mills likes Sage's personality and her future.

"She's very pleasant with everyone," Mills said. "She's everything a coach wants. She is a hard worker, has a great attitude and is not a showboat or anything."

"I think she can be a good high jumper. What she can do in the sprints is hard to tell because this was her first season. She knows what it takes to put out that effort from the beginning of the season."

Female Track Athlete of the Year

ELLEN SAGE (Fenton)

In February, Ellen Sage had no thought about running track. By June she was one of the strongest track performers in the tri-county area. She is a participant on five of our events, including two individual ones — the 200 (26.86) and the 400 (59.56). She edged out Linden's Sydney Elmer for the honor.

All Tri-County Girls Track and Field Team

Event	Name	School	Time
100	Kayla Stiles	Fenton	12.63 seconds
200	Ellen Sage	Fenton	26.86 seconds
400	Ellen Sage	Fenton	59.56 seconds
800	Sydney Elmer	Linden	2:29.53
1,600	Sydney Elmer	Linden	5:19.94
3,200	Sydney Elmer	Linden	11:36.86
100 hurdles	Rebecca McDonald	Linden	15.57 seconds
300 hurdles	Sidney Scott	Lake Fenton	49.64 seconds
400 relay	Alexis Bundy	Fenton	52.81 seconds
	Kayla Stiles		
	Ellen Sage		
	Meredith Brown		
800 relay	Kayla Stiles	Fenton	1:43.93
	Ellen Sage		
	Emily Bemis		
	Hannah Sage		
1,600 relay	Emily Bemis	Fenton	4:04.58
	Emily Kinser		
	Mackenzie Figueroa		
	Ellen Sage		
3,200 relay	Kaitlyn Smith	Holly	10:08.82
	Abby Brown		
	Courtney Kettle		
	Maggie Schneider		
Shot put	Niki Sargent	Linden	43-feet-7 1/2
Discus	Kayla Briscoe	Linden	103-feet-11
High jump	Sidney Scott	Lake Fenton	5-feet-4
Pole vault	Tori Chapin	Fenton	10-feet-4
Long jump	Meredith Brown	Fenton	17-feet-4

The Tigers have the potential to be a strong team next year, a contender for the league crown. Many of last year's top performers return. Sage is excited about the team's and her own future.

"I really want to beat the open 400 record that is set," Sage said. "I beat it last year by

.0-something seconds, but they had to round it up. I want to see the 4-by-200 relay get at least eighth at states. And I want to do better in the high jump. I want to hit the five-foot mark."

Don't be shocked to see Sage among the contenders for Tri-County Female Track Athlete once again next year as well.



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doing it the way we did it was a new experience," Fenton coach Brad Jones said.

"It was a great trip, a lot of fun. We had 23 girls, four dads and my assistant coach. We spent three days in the big wild."

They also teased the girls at night with a tool that created a coyote howl, scaring them at one of the campsites

Haaraoja said it was a challenge.

"I've never camped at all. After that experience I definitely don't want to camp again at all," Haaraoja said.

"We didn't have to carry our tents, but we had bags that were 30 to 40 pounds and we were hiking with that weight. It made it challenging.

"We got to know each other because we needed to depend on each other because that's all we had. There was a lot of helping and nurturing for each other. It was interesting to see how much we needed each other."

TRI-COUNTY Autos

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It pays to be 'car smart'

► Shop around for a reputable repair shop and follow some tips to protect yourself in the process

By Sally Rummel

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It pays to build a relationship with a car repair shop or dealership service department that you can trust.

"We've been in the automotive repair business for 28 years," said Dan Shannon, of Shannon Auto Collision in Fenton. "Most of our business comes from recommendations by word of mouth from satisfied customers."

Summary

► Do research and ask questions before picking an automotive repair shop. Remember, a good relationship between a car owner and automotive shop can last for years, so it pays to shop around.

Longevity and a commitment to community are definitely factors in choosing a repair shop, because businesses that have established roots tend to have a long history of reputable business practices.

"Go to someone who is reputable with years of experience," advises Chris Burke, of Muffler & Go. "Look at the parking lot. If it's full, it's busy for a reason. Ask your friends and family for their recommendation."

Certifications and ratings also carry weight in the automotive repair business. "We're an AAA-approved auto repair shop, the only one in the Fenton area," said David Gilles, of Auto-Lab of Fenton. "That carries a lot of weight when you're on the road and need to find a reputable auto repair shop. All of our technicians are master ASC-certified."



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Car owners will find it beneficial to ask friends and family for recommendations when they are seeking the service of an auto repair business. Look for busy parking lots and staff members who go the extra mile to serve their customers' needs.

How do you know when to take your car to an independent repair shop or a dealership service department? "We make a commitment in equipment for each manufacturer model that would be unparalleled by an independent shop," said Todd McCallum, fixed operations manager for LaFontaine Auto Group.

"All of our technicians are trained to work on a specific manufacturer, depending on which location you visit. For example, the Cadillac dealership in Highland repairs only Cadillacs. We have nine dealerships, so we have experts at each one. There are certain issues you want to go to a specialist for. In human terms, it's like going to a cardiologist for a specific heart problem, rather than a general practitioner."

Practical tips

when visiting an automotive repair business:

TIP #1 — Get your old parts back. Always, without a doubt, ask to see your old parts and have the repair shop explain in detail, what's wrong with it. "We're more than happy to show customers on their car exactly what's wrong, and what is being done to fix it," said Chris Wilkinson, of Wilkinson Auto Repair in Holly. "If you don't get your parts back, it's hard to prove a case if you have a problem."

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'CHECK ENGINE' light on?

►That means it's time to have a car diagnostic scan to pinpoint the problem

By Sally Rummel

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When your "check engine" light goes on, it's time to head to the nearest certified mechanic, dealership or auto supply store. It will be a lot cheaper to find out what is wrong with your car right away, than to let it go until the problem is big — and very expensive.

"It will literally cost you triple the price down the road if you don't take care of your vehicle when the light goes on," said Chris Burke, of Muffler & Go in Fenton. "Plus, if the light stays on, you won't be able to tell if another problem has come up, because the engine light is still on from the first issue."

When your engine light goes on, it's important that a diagnostic computer scan be performed on your car, to pinpoint exactly where the problem exists — whether it's the transmission, oil tank, gas tank, exhaust system or other vehicle component.

"The most common reason an engine light comes on is that the gas cap is not tight," said Burke, who offers free car diagnostics at Muffler & Go. "However, if you don't get the cap back on tightly, it can cause a strain on the fuel pump, which could cost up to \$700 to fix."

These scans link directly to your vehicle's computer processors, microchips and sensors, providing a complete report with a set of codes that pertain to different problems. After the car diagnostic is performed, the computer will tag each data point

to reveal what needs to be corrected, and stores this code so the technician can look in a specific area for the problem. Each letter and number in the code represents a different part of the vehicle.

Being able to read a code, however, isn't all that needs to be done. "You have to figure out what's broken and causing that code," said Todd McCallum, fixed operations manager at LaFontaine Auto Group. "Anyone can plug a tool in to read a code, but you have to figure out what the code means and how to fix it. A lot of the cars we see here at LaFontaine have already been in to independent car shops and then end up coming here to be fixed."



"The most common reason an engine light comes on is that the gas cap is not tight."

— Chris Burke
Muffler & Go

Performing a diagnostic test can save both time and money — both for the car owner and the mechanic. It can help save the mechanic a lot of time troubleshooting a problem, and also the car owner who doesn't have to pay for a complete mechanical check at their local repair shop.

The price of an average car diagnostic can range

from \$20 to \$400, depending on the type of scanner used and the make and model of the vehicle, according to popularmechanics.com. However, not all car repair shops charge for a car diagnostic report, so it pays to shop around.

Here's what the car diagnostic can tell you about your vehicle:

- ignition timing issues
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What every driver should know

► Car maintenance begins with you getting to know your vehicle

By Sally Rummel

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If you take care of your car, then it will take care of you. That's why you need to take care of basic car maintenance to keep you on the road and out of the repair shop.

Summary

► You know your own car better than anyone else, so car maintenance should begin with you.

Chris Wilkinson, owner of Wilkinson Auto Repair in Holly, names three top maintenance procedures car owners can do at home:

Check tire pressure. "This should be checked at least once a month," said Wilkinson. "If you have low tire pressure, it can be very dangerous."

Change air filters. They are easy and inexpensive to replace.

Research maintenance procedures on the Internet and check with professionals at iatn.com to get personal online chat responses from mechanics, dealerships and independent repair shops.

Chris Burke, at Muffler & Go in Fenton, said that car maintenance at home is getting more difficult with newer cars. "However, it's especially important to check your car's oil and fluid levels, and your cabin air filters," he said. "You know

your car better than anyone else, because you're in it all the time. Be conscious of the sounds you hear. The situation won't get better or cheaper by prolonging the inevitable. Get it fixed now."

Todd McCallum, fixed operations manager for LaFontaine Auto Group, says that the most important aspect of car maintenance a person can do is changing the oil. "It's the least expensive maintenance you'll ever do on your car, and it's the most important. When cars start to get older, they begin to have engine issues, especially if they haven't been well lubricated."

The old rule about changing oil every 3,000 miles has now been extended to 5,000 miles for cars that are 2010 and newer, according to McCallum, "although there are exceptions."



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Don't let the technology of your car intimidate you. Keep the owners manual handy and look their first if you have an issue with your vehicle. Many maintenance procedures can be completed at home.

Here are some car care guidelines to help keep you on the road:

• **Battery** — most batteries today are maintenance-free, sealed and can last more than three years. The first sign your battery should be replaced is often trouble starting the engine.

• **Tires** — the recommended level in the owner's manual or on the driver's side door jamb. Don't forget your spare tire, just in case. Rotate tires every 6,000 miles to prevent uneven wear, replace them when they become worn and have the alignment checked if the car pulls to either side when driving, or if you notice uneven tire wear.

• **Engine oil** — follow your car's manufacturer guidelines for changing oil. Check the oil level with the engine off and the car parked on a level surface. Open the hood, remove the dipstick, wipe it clean with a cloth or paper towel, and then return it to the oil reservoir. Take it out again and see if the level is within the acceptable range marked on the dipstick. Don't overfill, as it will damage the engine.

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Interiors of automobiles are constantly changing to keep up with technology and updated materials. Your car's stereo is no different.

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Cars and

► They've been making music together for almost eight decades

By Sally Rummel

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Imagine all the cross-country drives you made as a child, or the long commutes you now endure as an adult. What would these long drives be like without the company of some kind of music or talk show radio?

Chances are, some of your best teenage memories also revolve around your car and music — they are intertwined so tightly around the freedom and romance of those years. No matter what your age, you've been listening to music or talk show radio in your car for years. In fact, car music has been around in some form or another for almost eight decades, according to pcmag.com

From simple AM radio to high-end

digital audio systems, here's a look back:

The 1920s:

Driving then was largely a silent affair, other than the noisy engines and sound of unpaved roads underneath thin tires.

The 1930s:

Monophonic AM radio was the norm for a long time. The first in-car dashboard audio system was invented in 1930 by Paul and Joseph Galvin and William Lear, who named it the "Motorola." Motorola went on to sell millions of car radios and later, two-way radios for police/fire departments, home stereo systems and TVs, before moving into transistors, solid-state electronics and semiconductors.



The 1950s:

The iconic image of a couple on the open road in a convertible, complemented by the sound of AM radio and the beginnings of rock 'n roll, became a symbol of the American lifestyle. The first automotive FM radio debuted in 1952, although AM ruled into the 1960s. In 1952, the first "seek" station-search was invented, letting drivers sample each available radio station for a few seconds before choosing one.



1960s:

Transistor-based radios reduced the amount of space and power required — no more vacuum tubes. This decade saw a time when drivers and passengers could control the songs they listened to, thanks to clunky eight-track tapes, which stayed around until the 1970s. Compact cassettes were always a better option, when Phillips unveiled them in 1964.



1970s:

This was the beginning of the aftermarket, with custom stereos popping up to cater to those who wanted to improve their vehicle's audio capabilities. Vendors like Alpine, Blaupunkt, Kenwood and Pioneer began to do well selling cassette receivers and better quality speakers.



The 1980s:

In the early 1980s, car stereos began to rival home stereos in sophistication and sound quality. Multiple speaker configurations, custom systems with rear deck speakers and one or

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more subwoofers filled out the sound.

This decade brought the first "Benzi-box"-style pullout stereo receivers, in response to the plague of break-ins and theft around many U.S. cities. Later, receivers with detachable and even motorized faceplates made it easier to protect one's investment.

Late 1980s-1990s:

This decade moved audio sound from tape-based systems to the compact disc, bringing improved sound quality, ease of skipping tracks instead of having to fast-forward or rewind. Multiple-disc CD changers let drivers store as many as five, six or even 10 CDs at a time. By the mid-1990s, it was common to find a CD changer in a car trunk or underneath the front passenger seat.

Late 1990s- 2000s:

The digital MP3 player changed the music world forever. As soon as the iPod and competing models became popular, sales and usage of CDs declined and what remained of the compact cassette market disappeared overnight.

By the mid-2000s, cars became equipped with auxiliary inputs to connect to any MP3 player's headphone jack. Sound quality is undisputedly excellent; now the issue is access in the fragmented world of technology. Stereo Bluetooth streaming, sideloading music via USB flash drives or SD cards are all options. Sometimes it's confusing enough to make drivers long for "the good 'ol days" when systems were much simpler.

Don't forget the importance of Sirius Satellite Radio when talking about car radios and music. It was founded as Satellite CD Radio in 1990, and today, broadcasts more than 120 channels of digital audio via satellite to subscribers throughout the U.S. Their programming includes 65 channels of commercial-free music and 55 channels of news, sports and talk.

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level, only this time, with the engine running. Follow your car's manufacturer's recommendations for change intervals, about every 30,000 miles.

- **Engine coolant** — replace most engine coolant or antifreeze every 30,000 miles, or with newer formulas, up to 50,000 miles. To check coolant levels, turn the car off and let the engine cool. Locate the coolant reservoir (usually a clear plastic tank) and eyeball the level of the coolant against the full and low indicators.
- **Power steering fluid** — this should be changed every three years or 50,000 miles. If you have a power steering fluid reservoir, check the level visually; otherwise, follow the dipstick method. Low power steering fluid may indicate a leak, so have a mechanic take a look.
- **Brakes and brake fluid** — check to make sure that brake fluid levels

"It's (oil change) the least expensive maintenance you'll ever do on your car, and it's the most important."

— Todd McCallum
LaFontaine Auto Group

are within tolerance. How often you need to replace brake pads or other components depends on how you drive and typical driving conditions. Brake problem signs include noise, vibration or "grabbing" when you apply brakes. Brake work is best left to professionals.

- **Air filter** — a clean air filter will help the engine "breathe" better and improve gas mileage while reducing harmful emissions.
- **Fuel filter** — replace it annually to prevent debris from clogging your car's fuel line.
- **Windshield wipers and wiper fluid** — replace the blades every six to 12 months or whenever the rubber becomes worn. Check the reservoir every week or so and keep it full.

- **Headlights and brake lights** — make sure all your lights are working, from headlights to brake and tail lights, turn signals, etc. Have a mechanic replace the bulbs in newer vehicles.

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TIP #2 — Do the research on the web, check Google ratings, etc. "Find out from negative reviews how the auto shop responded," said Wilkinson. "We try to get to the bottom of the negative review and work it out to the customer's satisfaction, if at all possible."

TIP #3 — Find out about warranties, advises Dan Shannon, of Shannon Auto Collision. "Make sure there is a warranty, and find out what kind of parts and materials are being used. Most parts come with a warranty from 90 days to five years. It's important to know what you're getting."

TIP #4 — Check the attitude of the automotive repair person you're dealing with. "He or she should be taking care of you, the customer," said Shannon. "Each person has individual needs. Maybe you need a loaner to get to work, or a ride home from the shop. Find out if your shop is willing to go the extra mile for you."

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Health benefits are just one reason why 50 million Americans have taken up running

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We all walk every day to get from one point to another. We don't always run — but maybe we should.

Running can increase your levels of good cholesterol, boost your immune system and lower your risk of developing blood clots. Psychologically, running is also a boon — helping to relieve stress and fight depression.

In fact, running is even good for your brain, and according to studies helps to stimulate the cre-

ation of new nerve cells, increase your ability to recall information, and enhance your ability to focus. Essentially, putting your best foot forward helps to make the best you that you can be.

With that in mind, it's no surprise why we see so many people today running. The Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association reports that 50 million Americans run at least once a year, and more than 19 million of them run at least 100 days a year.

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“I would just do as much as I could and walk, and over time you get stronger and faster and better.”

Liz Minock, Runner

Running for all ages

Running does not have to be just a young person's activity — it can be a fun way to get healthy and fit for all ages. For those who want to try their hand (or more accurately, their foot) at running but are concerned about their age, there are a few things to consider.

Consider a trip to your doctor:

Running can be stressful on your body, and a trip to the doctor's office can tell you if there are any risks you should be aware of before you start running.

Try a treadmill: One of the perks of running is to see the outdoors, but if you are just as

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Caryn Kelly (left) has photos taken of herself after her races, and tries to run one once a month. Here Kelly is seen after running the Cinco de Mayo 10K, with her sister Kathy Shaffer (right).



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Catch OF THE WEEK

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



Nathan DeMasi, 11, of Fenton Township and a sixth-grader at Lake Fenton Middle School caught these two large mouth bass within a half-hour of each other on Dollar Lake early in the morning on Saturday, Aug. 10. He used a rubber worm as bait. In the photo above, Nathan stands and holds the fish that weighed in at 4.4 pounds and 20 inches long. In the photo below, Nathan holds the fish that weighed 4 pounds and was 19 inches long.



Local chiefs recognized for community service

►Community Service Awards to be handed out during annual Black Tie Dinner

By Sharon Stone

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The Fenton Area Public Schools Education Foundation (FAPSEF) is holding its annual Black Tie Dinner on Sept. 12 and it has selected two men from the area for their ongoing and consistent contribution to the school district's programs and students.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro and Fenton Fire Chief Robert Cairnduff are this year's recipients of The State Bank Community Service Award.

The awards will be presented during the dinner, beginning at 6 p.m. at The Laundry. Seating is limited and tickets are available at the restaurant and the Fenton schools administration building.

Timothy Jalkanen, superintendent of Fenton Area Public Schools said that recognizing Aro and Cairnduff with the award is one small way that they are able to show both of these dedicated professionals how much they value and appreciate all they do for the students, staff and parents of this community.

Fenton City Councilwoman Pat Lockwood said Aro and Cairnduff were the Board's unanimous choice. "Rick's presence in the Fenton community goes beyond his duties as our chief."

Rick Aro

Aro began his career in law enforcement with the Michigan State Police in 1978. He was assigned to the Flint Post where he spent the next 16 years. He was promoted to sergeant for the State Police Training Academy in 1993 where he was responsible for recruit and in-service firearms training. He finished his career with the Michigan State Police working in narcotics, supervising the Methamphetamine Investigation Team and Flint Area Narcotics Group, retiring in 2003.

In August 2003, Aro was hired as Chief of Police of Fenton. In 2005 the police department successfully prosecuted a very high profile homicide case and in 2008, working together with city administrators and city council, they led the city through a successful recovery effort after a tornado produced significant damage throughout the city.

Aro and his wife Deb have lived in the Fenton area for 24 years. Their daughter Cassandra graduated from Ferris State University this year with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing and Rick's son C.J. manages a health care company in Oakland County.

"Chief Aro and the entire police department are extremely responsive to any need we may have in the district," said Jalkanen.

Lockwood said, "Rick has such a positive outlook and knows how to get things done, he has earned the respect of all those who work with him."

Robert Cairnduff

Cairnduff and his family moved to

Fenton in 1972 when he was just 1 year old. He grew up in Fenton and attended Fenton schools until graduating with honors from Fenton High School in 1990.

He began his career in the fire service in 1988 when he joined the Fenton Fire Department, as a fire explorer, while still attending Fenton High School. While attending college he joined the Linden Fire Department in 1991 and spent five years there.

In 1996, Cairnduff returned to Fenton and re-joined the Fenton Fire Department. He rose through the ranks of the department from firefighter, paramedic, training officer, fire inspector, and then Lieutenant. He was hired as the fire chief in May 2006.

In 2008, he was elected to the board of the Genesee County Association of Fire Chiefs and served as its President in 2011-12. Cairnduff has twice been selected as the Firefighter of the Year for Fenton, first in 2000 and then again in 2010.

Cairnduff and Jamie, his wife of 14 years reside in Fenton and have four boys ages 12, 10, 7, and 4. The family enjoys outdoor activities and attending the boys' many sporting events including football, baseball, and basketball.

The superintendent was just as appreciative of the fire chief. "Chief Cairnduff

and his department provide training and support in the schools. Additionally, both departments visit our buildings to provide lessons for our students, give advice and suggestions to improve safety and help with all events as needed," said Jalkanen.

As for the fire chief, Lockwood said, "Bob is actively involved in numerous organizations in the community," she said. "Bob's love of his work and community is recognized by all those he meets and works with."

Fenton Area Public Schools Education Foundation

The Fenton Area Public Schools Education Foundation (FAPSEF) exists for the purpose of supporting and fostering strong academic, comprehensive athletic and vibrant art programs within our schools. It allows us as a community to privately enhance a public school system that makes our community and the Fenton Area Public Schools recognized amongst the top in the state.

Past winners of this award are:

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2011 - Mark Hamel and the Hamel family
2010 - Jon Gerych and family
2009 - Dr. Robert Burek
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Invasion of the dog snatchers

► Incidents of stealing pets for ransom increasing across the nation

By William Axford

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The beloved four-legged member of the family is increasingly becoming the target of kidnapping. According to the American Kennel Club (AKC), dog thefts rose from 71 incidents in 2008 to 458 in 2012. This year alone, the AKC reports there has been a 27.8 percent increase in dog thefts in the first half of this year.

The dog thefts, called 'pet flipping,' are incidents where criminals steal dogs or take in lost dogs and try to sell them. Media outlets from Detroit, Indianapolis and across the nation are reporting stories of pet owners who are cold called by a stranger, demanding money for the return of their pet.

For pet professionals, the best advice to preventing thefts is to keep a constant eye on your pets.

"They're just like your kids, you have to watch them when they're outside. Don't let them roam around unattended," said Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton office manager Diane Gale. "They should never be allowed to run loose."

One of the biggest safety precautions Adopt-A-Pet advocates for is micro chipping, where veterinarians and animal shelters can scan a dog and find the owner's name. Gale acknowledges that micro

chipping is not flawless however, as it does not work as a GPS unit and that the dog has to be brought to a professional, which thieves are not likely to do. Gale has also seen owners put their phone number instead of a name on the dog tag and the microchip number on the other side.

Dr. Neil Shaw, chief medical officer of BluePearl Veterinary Partners, recommends keeping current photos of your pet and inquiring with a veterinarian about collars with GPS tracking. If your pet becomes missing, Shaw said owners should alert local veterinarians and check online sites like Craigslist for pets that might be for sale.

"If you feel you may be the victim of pet flipping, don't try to take action on your own," Shaw said in a press release. "Call your local law enforcement authorities and work with them to help get your furry friend back."

Lt. Jason Slater said the Fenton Police Department doesn't receive too many calls about stolen or missing pets, however that doesn't mean it never happens within the Fenton community. Usually, Slater said those who call to report a missing pet rarely follow up with police, whether the pet is found. Since an animal is considered someone's property, Slater said a stolen animal can be considered a larceny.

"Instances of people calling and telling us that their animal is stolen are pretty

“They’re just like your kids, you have to watch them when they’re outside.”

Diane Gale

Office manager at
Adopt-A-Pet in Fenton



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | THEPETWIKI.COM

'Pet flipping' is the latest scam across the nation where thieves will steal dogs and charge owners a fee to have them back. Experts advise watching your pets closely and having them micro chipped

minimal," Slater said. "The only time it might be tricky is when more than one person owns an animal. Then it becomes a civil suit."

In recent years, Slater can only recall one incident within the city of Fenton where dogs were stolen. In June 2005, a woman and man once stole a litter of Chihuahuas from Davison and tried to sell them online. Slater said the man and woman faced criminal charges and that the Chihuahuas were returned to their owner.

In Gale's opinion, pet owners should always be mindful of where their pets are and of any opportunity where they may escape or be stolen.

"You should always keep your dog chained or fenced in. You never know what's going to happen," Gale said.

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A monster presence at the car show

► Father, son share experiences driving and working on monster trucks

By William Axford

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Holly — The Wednesday night car show was larger than life this week, thanks to the presence of three monster trucks. Amidst the swath of classic muscle cars from decades past, kids climbed the five-and-half-foot tall wheels while their parents snapped pictures of them on their smartphone.

The 10,000 pound, 1,500 horsepower vehicles had a colossal presence against the backdrop of Holly's historic downtown buildings. Greg Adams, mechanic and driver of monster trucks for 25 years, describes the appeal of the trucks as a "vertical impression."

"You don't have to worry about anybody getting in your way when you're driving," Adams said, noting that most people simply let him pass by when he is driving one of the trucks on the road. "The trucks are not just something anybody can



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Kids climb the wheels of three monster trucks Wednesday night during the Holly car show.

jump in and drive. It takes someone who has some knowledge and can steer and finesse the truck without rolling it over."

Monster trucks are outfitted with the same engines as drag racing cars and use racing alcohol as opposed to gasoline.

Adams said drivers have to be aware of an area of 40 feet by 60 feet when they're at the helm of the truck. Given the limited vision the trucks offer, drivers often drive relying on feeling and familiarity after years of practice. Adams said drivers shift their eyes between the windshield, side windows and floorboards in order to keep from running over other objects.

Becoming a monster truck driving is no easy task. Zack Adams, son of Greg and also a professional driver, said most drivers either are born into a family of monster truck drivers or work as a crewmember for a driver. Most people associated with monster trucks don't get to actually drive the trucks and instead serve as a transporter or mechanic. A major difference between monster trucks and other racers is the lack of practice. Most drivers learn how to control monster trucks after working as a mechanic for a few years, eventually getting behind the wheel at an event.

"We don't have practice facilities at our houses and we don't rent out arenas for practice. We just go out there and do it," Zack said. "It takes progression because you have to learn how the truck will work. You're changing your style on how you drive as the truck changes."

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► Barbie is over 50 now, but her body has yet to change and become more realistic and celebratory of real women today. She has 1,000 YouTube clips, 300 Facebook pages, a billion pieces of clothing, 100 different careers, and 50 nationalities, but she's still anorexic.



Debut (1959)

Barbie Millicent Roberts made her first appearance in public on March 9, 1959 at the New York Toy Fair. Her first look was intended to mirror the sophisticated glamour of 1950s stars like Marilyn Monroe and Rita Hayworth:

high arched brows, pursed red lips, a sassy pony tail with curly bangs and a coy, sideways glance. Accessories to her black and white bathing suit were sold separately, priced from \$1 to \$5; **initially, she came with either blonde or brunette hair.**



Don't Eat (1962)

A Barbie once came with a scale set at 110 lbs, and a diet book that just said 'Don't Eat.' In 1965, Mattel came out with the Slumber Party Barbie. She came with her very own "How to Lose Weight" book with the main message of "don't eat."

Alongside the book came a weight scale that was permanently set to 110 pounds. Ken, on the other hand, came with milk and cookies and no scale.



Even Barbie has worked at McDonald's (1982)

Although Big Macs don't quite mesh with Barbie's slim physique, Mattel released the McDonald's worker Barbie in 1982—**without paying much attention to the possibility that it promoted childhood obesity.**



The Breakup (2004)

In 2004, after 43 years of dating, **Barbie and Ken split.** Coming on the heels of big celebrity break-ups like Ben Affleck and J-Lo, the news made headlines around the world. Ken and Barbie rekindled their romance announcing their reunion after seven years of being apart on Valentine's Day 2011.

Sources: barbiemedia.com, time.com, omg-facts.com



Creator

Ruth Handler (with her husband and Mattel co-founder Eliot Handler) says she got the idea for Barbie after watching her daughter play adult and teenage make-believe with paper-dolls. She saw an empty niche — **no U.S. company had ever made a three-dimensional, adult-proportioned doll before** — and a few years later, Barbie was born.



Malibu (1971)

In 1971, Barbie's creators re-imagined their creation to reflect how America had changed since 1959. She acquired a suntan, straight hair and a California lifestyle. **Her face was also re-sculpted, with an open smile, pearly white teeth,** and, thanks to the feminist movement, eyes that looked forward, instead of cooly to the side.



Best-Seller (1992)

The best-selling Barbie doll ever was 1992 Totally Hair Barbie, with **hair from the top of her head to her toes.**



What Barbie would look like at 55!

Barbie's statuesque figure has changed only slightly over the last 50-plus years, chronically drawing criticism from many women's groups due to its unrealistic (many say anorexic) portrayal of real women's bodies. The artist's conception at right of what a real couch potato, buttered popcorn-eating "Barbie" would look like at age 55 has also drawn criticism from some women's groups. Barbie, as she has for the last 55 years, declined to comment.



Just for Oprah



Barbie and Ken got their names from the creator's children, Barbara and Kenneth. Barbara is still very involved in the company. She even told her story on Oprah. At the taping, she presented Oprah with a one of the kind "Oprah" Barbie doll.

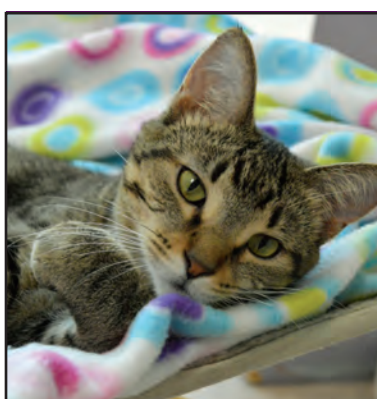
Human Barbie

Sarah Burge is a British woman who's undergone more than 100 plastic

surgeries over the past 20

years. Her first surgery was when she was 7 years old to pin her ears back, because she felt they stuck out. She

has admitted to being a plastic surgery addict and won't stop until she dies. She's even gone so far as to give her 7-year-old daughter, Poppy, vouchers for breast implants, liposuction, and other elective surgeries worth £22,000 pounds (\$34,062.60 US Dollar) to be redeemed when Poppy turns 18.



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Be wary of mystery shopping scams

► Better Business Bureau warns consumers of Galaxy Elite's phony offers, checks

The Better Business Bureau (BBB) serving Eastern Michigan is warning the public of a company, operating as Galaxy Elite or Galaxy Distribution that is soliciting local consumers in an apparent mystery shopping scam.

According to complainants, Galaxy Elite is sending checks for thousands of dollars to consumers, indicating they have been selected to participate in a paid Consumer Research Program as an "independent undercover contractor."

They are then asked to deposit the check and then evaluate two companies — one of which is a money wiring service. They are instructed to wire money to a third party to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of the service and then they are to shop at a local store and evaluate the customer experience. The remainder of the balance would be their pay.

Unfortunately, it can take days or even more than a week for a bank to become aware a cashed check was fake. Meanwhile, the victim, believing they have the money in the account, sends it. But once a check is deemed worthless, the deposit amount is subtracted from the account. Meanwhile, cash has already been sent out, costing the victim both that cash and potentially penalties for overdrawing their account.

Galaxy Elite purports to be based out of St. Louis, Mo., but according to BBB reports, the business does not exist at the address given. The company currently has an "F" rating with the BBB.

The BBB named mystery-shopping scams such as this as the 'Top Employment Scam' of 2012 because of the prevalence of scammers offering bogus mystery shopping jobs. There are, however, legitimate mystery shopping opportunities through The Mystery Shopping Providers Association www.mysteryshop.org.

One such company, Shopper's View is one of the BBB's A+ accredited businesses. Lindsey Dahl, the Shopper's View Director of Operations at has this to say about mystery shopping:

"Mystery shopping (or secret shopping) is a legitimate business and an extremely valuable tool for analyzing a company's customer service skills and more. Unfortunately, for the many le-

gitimate mystery-shopping companies such as ours, these scammers give the whole industry a black eye as far as the general public is concerned. This is particularly true for those who have fallen prey to a scam."

To steer clear of get-rich-quick offers, the BBB advises mystery shopper applicants to:

- **Ignore claims** that you will make big profits easily. Mystery shopping will not make you rich; at best, it provides part-time income.
- **Avoid falling** for claims that "guarantee" a position, without training.
- **Be cautious** of unsolicited emails offering "work-from-home."
- **Never pay** money up-front. A legitimate mystery shopping service will not charge money for materials, training or recruiting. Never give them your credit card or bank account numbers.
- **Never wire** money. Wiring money is the same as sending cash. Once the money is gone it is very difficult, if not impossible, to recover.
- **Obtain the** name of the company and check the business out with the local consumer protection agency and state attorney general.
- **Look for** reputable firms that qualify and train mystery shoppers to perform specific evaluations.
- **To find** the legitimate companies, review job listings, and to get certified as a Mystery Shopper (required by many companies), sign up with the Mystery Shopping Providers Association (MSPA) at www.mysteryshop.org.
- **Check out** the company's BBB Business Review at www.bbb.org to see its BBB rating, complaint history and more.

If you believe you were a victim of this scam, report it to the following agencies:

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Taylor James, counterperson, and owner Nick Karayanis hold up a tray of Round Town Cupcakes' top three selling varieties.

Round Town Cupcakes

New business caters to local sweet-lovers, special events

By Sally Rummel

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Teri Karayanis and her son, Nick Karayanis, have turned their passion for baking cupcakes into Fenton's newest sweet shop.

Round Town Cupcakes opened its doors on June 25 in downtown Fenton, and have already become a welcome addition to catered events, as well as a destination for walk-in customers with a sweet-tooth.

Tantalizing flavors like Peanut Butter Cup, Lava Fudge and Red Velvet have become Round Town's top cupcake sellers, out of 12 different varieties sold every day. "We bake our cupcakes fresh, from scratch, every day," said Nick. "They're twice the size of a regular cupcake, and we use only premium ingredients like European cocoa and Madagascar bourbon vanilla."

Their display cases are bursting with other delicious flavors, from Lemon Meringue to Elvis, White Chocolate Raspberry Cheese and Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough. Baklava, cookies and cake pops round out their sweet treat offerings.

"We're branching out into small cakes, brownies, etc.," said Teri. "Watch for our fruit breads and small pies for the holidays."

In addition to their regular flavors, Round Town Cupcakes is happy to offer themed decorative cupcakes for any special event — from weddings to anniversaries, baby and bridal showers, etc.

Summary

► Round Town Cupcakes is Fenton's newest sweet shop, open in Dibbleville since June 25.

Round Town Cupcakes also offers specialty drinks and a limited seating area, both of which they hope to expand in the near future. The Karayanis are no strangers to the food service business. They own and have successfully operated Burger Street

in Grand Blanc for 23 years.

This sweet shop is located at 409 South LeRoy St. in Dibbleville, at the former Edge Gallery location.

"This is a perfect destination for us," said Nick. "There's a lot of walk-in traffic downtown."

Summer business hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sunday from 12 to 6 p.m., closed Mondays. To place an order, call (810) 354-8065.

Lé Chic Boutique

Trendy women's clothing now offered inside Barking Babes

By Sally Rummel

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You don't have to be a dog lover to find something to love about the new Le' Chic Boutique, located inside Barking Babes Pet Boutique in downtown Fenton.

"With the opening of our new boutique, we now cater to the non-canine, too," said boutique owner Sue Williams. She and her husband, Mike, are working with Jana Sullivan Weiss to handle the new women's clothing and accessory lines at the front of the store. Jana's husband, Bob, is taking care of store and window displays.

Trendy and affordable casual wear now greets shoppers, with designer labels rivaling those carried at top department stores like Nordstrom's, but without the high price tags.

"The clothes are flying off the racks as soon as they come in," said Williams. "They're at affordable price points, yet

made of quality materials in a lot of fun styles."

Barking Babes Pet Boutique has been in business in Fenton for seven years, catering to the fashion needs of its four-legged customers, as well as offering grooming services at its in-house Clippendale's Grooming Salon.

"We're continuing to offer our fun fashions for pets, as well as our grooming and charm school," said Williams. "We're just expanding into a whole new market with fashionable women's clothing."

They said they've already had great response to their recent open house, and are planning 'meets & greets' in the future, as well as men's and women's shopping nights for the holidays.

Le' Chic Boutique is located inside Barking Babes Pet Boutique at 108 South LeRoy St., near Billmeier Camera Shop. For more information, call (810) 714-1100.



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Jana Sullivan Weiss (left) and Sue Williams show the new fashion lines now available at Le' Chic Boutique inside Barking Babes.



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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | RYAN TACKABURY

For Liz Minock, one of the perks of running is the scenery. Her regular course takes her through downtown Fenton and by the gazebo, which she said is a beautiful view.

RUN

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Liz Minock of Fenton runs three to four days a week. She is currently in the process of marathon training, and averages between 30-35 miles a week.

Marathon training can be a lot of work — for Minock it consists of one day of speed work, another day of temp run, and then an endurance run on the weekend where she tries to run as long as she can. In between those days Minock hits the gym and rides another 15 miles on the exercise bike, and also practices yoga four days a week at home.

For the non-runners, this may sound like an overwhelming amount of work. However, Minock wasn't always capable of what she can do now. "When I first started running I couldn't even run half a mile," she said. "I would just do as much as I could and walk, and over time you get stronger and faster and better."

Minock started running three years ago when she decided that she wanted to get healthier and into shape. This year will also mark her third entry into the Crim.

Running also helps Minock, who is often busy with her two kids, find time for herself. "It's time for me. It gives me a chance to clear my head and get out and know that I am taking care of myself," she said.

Becoming a runner just takes some desire and willpower. It's a commitment you make to yourself, though it can be hard to keep.

Caryn Kelly of Fenton also understands what it's like to go from the uninitiated to a full-time runner.

"I was playing in the yard with my daughter one day and she wanted me to run around with her, and became out of breath, she said." I decided then and there I had to do something. I started three years ago, started walking, then progressed to running and kept it up because it gives me a feeling of well-being and makes me feel healthy."

Now, Kelly runs all of the time. She tries to run in one race a month to help keep her focused. For new runners, Kelly suggests finding a running program to help get started. The Crim Fitness Foundation can be found online at www.crim.org, and offers information on CrimFit training programs.

One program is the Couch-to-5K running plan that Kelly also praises. The program is nine weeks long, and gives you three workouts to perform each week.

Summary

► Running has many physical and mental health benefits, making it a popular hobby.

The plan focuses on building up stamina of a beginner runner, allowing them to eventually run a 5K with just 20 or 30 minutes of work, three times a week.

Kelly, who runs with her sister, recommends trying to find a partner to run with to help keep each other in the habit. "It makes it fun, my sister and I have been able to bond more and enjoy the outdoors more together. She's a very good running coach, she picks me up when I get tired and she is very encouraging."

Running may seem like a hard work — but if you talk to those who do it, you will find out quickly there is something to it. "It's hard work, but it's very rewarding," Minock said. "I'll be out there in the middle of an 18-mile run and be like why am I am doing this. But when I get home, I feel great."



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fine with watching television, a treadmill may make running more comfortable. A treadmill's belt is built to absorb shocks, helping to prevent some of the repetitive pounding that running can take on your knees and back.

Take it slow: If you're new to running, no one starts with a marathon. Start with what feels comfortable to you, and over time your body will grow stronger and be able to run further. Taking it too hard at first can not only do more harm than good, it can also put you off the idea of running entirely.

Take rest days: While younger runners may make a habit out of running back to back, it can take longer to recover between runs.

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Just a clove a day provides many health benefits

►Recent studies reveal that garlic may decrease risk of lung cancer by nearly half

By Torrey Christopher

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While it may require a person to brush their teeth one more time before heading out on a date, garlic's health benefits outweigh the negatives. By consuming a clove or two a day, men and women can help decrease their risk of lung cancer, get a portion of their daily nutrients and keep their blood pressure in check.

An article in Science World Report stated that a study conducted by Jiangsu Provincial Center for Disease Control and Prevention in China showed garlic could decrease one's chances of getting lung cancer by 44 percent when eating it raw twice a week. Smokers could lower their risk of getting lung cancer by up to 30 percent by eating the vegetable.

In addition to preventing cancer, garlic also keeps blood pressure in check by producing hydrogen sulfide gas. This gas causes the blood vessels to expand keeping a person's blood pressure regular.

Garlic also helps to get the daily dose of vitamins and minerals in a person's system. Garlic contains nine nutrients with at least 2.5 percent of the recommended dosage in just one serving. Of those nine, three are over 9 percent, including vitamin B6, Vitamin C and Manganese. These along with selenium and allicin benefit the cardiovascular system and help prevent the common cold.

Selenium produces antioxidants in the body as well. These antioxidants help fight off diseases and reduce aging of the skin and prevent sunburn.

In order to get the most health benefits out of garlic it is recommended to eat it raw, according to whfoods.com. Along with consuming the garlic raw, people receive the most benefits by chopping it and allowing it to sit for five to 10 minutes.

STORING FRESH GARLIC

- **Whole bulbs of store-bought** garlic will keep for several months or more when stored at room temperature in a dry, dark place that has ample air circulation.
- **Storing garlic uncovered**, such as in a wire-mesh basket inside your cupboard or beneath a small overturned clay pot, is ideal. You can also store garlic in a paper bag, egg carton, or mesh bag. Just be sure there is plenty of dry air and little light to inhibit sprouting. To avoid mold, do not refrigerate or store garlic in plastic bags.
- **If you've prepared more garlic** than you need for a particular recipe, you can store minced garlic in the refrigerator in an airtight container. Although the most active sulfur compound diminishes within a few hours, refrigeration will slightly slow the process.
- **Use refrigerated garlic** as soon as possible. Some people are tempted to freeze garlic, but this is not recommended because its texture changes, as does its flavor.

Source: Howstuffworks.com

By chopping it and allowing it to breathe for just a few minutes Allicin is produced, which adds to the health benefits and the taste. However if someone does decide to cook the garlic it is best to cook it for no more than 15 minutes to prevent substantial loss in nutrients.

When sitting down to eat garlic there are some precautions. Don't go overboard on it as it can upset your gastrointestinal system. If a planned surgery is ahead, health officials also recommend staying away from garlic seven to 10 days before the operation as it does thin blood. The recommended safe serving is a clove or two per day chopped to receive all the health benefits.

Summary

►By eating garlic one can receive many health benefits including consuming many nutrients, regulating blood pressure and decreasing chances of lung cancer.

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Beware of scalped tickets online

► Fan clubs, venue sites are best places to check for tickets

By William Axford
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Waiting at the ticket booth for hours, or even days, to see your favorite band was once a rite of passage. But, with the advent of the Internet, the idea of waiting around for a ticket that is one click away is about as old as a VHS tape.

The days of first-come, first-served have been replaced with first-click, first-served. Instead of spending the night in a tent so that you don't lose your spot in line, people now hover over their tablet or laptop, watching their clocks to sync with the ticket sale time.

Online purchasing is not only more convenient, it may be the only way to secure a ticket these days. According to a USA Today article from earlier this year, many events presale tickets online before selling them at booths, resulting in the possibility of a sold out show before



Tickets for some events are difficult to find due to demand. Before you click and send an electronic payment, be sure the ticket seller is reputable.

tickets hit the streets. What's more, scalping and fake tickets are increasing all over the Internet, creating more chances for concert and sports fans to be scammed out of money.

So what is the best way to protect yourself while getting the best deals possible for tickets?

One method is to join a fan club. USA Today reports Kid Rock only charges \$15 a year to join his fan club where other artists like Bon Jovi may charge as much as \$160 a year to join. Fan clubs usually offer presale tickets before they hit the Internet, giving fans a leg up in seeing their favorite performers.

Outside of joining a fan club, waiting to purchase a ticket at the last minute may also be one of the best options. Sometimes, a band or artist will have specially priced tickets the day of the concert due to extra space or unanticipated demand. Check the website of the venue frequently. Waiting until the last day can be a gamble however, as not all musicians offer a day of performance ticket.

Another method to getting potentially cheaper tickets is to check ticket scalping websites or eBay, where someone may not be able to attend an event last minute and is willing to part with their ticket at face value.

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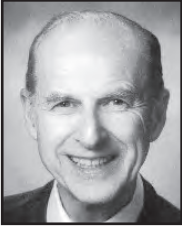
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Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



Lukewarm love: an oxymoron

Upon arriving at a New York church where I was to be the speaker for a weeklong conference, I was both impressed and concerned. The church buildings were impressive: a large colonial complex including a sizeable sanctuary, many classrooms in which to conduct a strong educational program and a fine gymnasium to accommodate an active youth ministry; but I sensed that these outward things housed but a shell of what had once existed in this former place of fiery faith. A conversation with the pastor confirmed my conclusion.

These expensive facilities were now used for only a small number of people to gather for worship and service. Their decline in numbers had caused such a financial crunch that they had lost favor with area businesses because of being late in paying bills. Missions and evangelism had become almost non-existent.

What went wrong?

During their time of growth and prosperity, the congregation had become complacent about things that really matter. Their success in outward things changed their focus from faith to finery, from people to programs. Their love for God and people cooled; became lukewarm. And this contradiction of love brought about their downfall.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO ALL YOU people who want to tear the beanery company down: if you have ever gone in there and seen the beautiful woodworking you would want to preserve it. That is what's wrong with this town, they tear everything down and don't fix what they have.

HEY, WE WERE talking about how to bring new businesses in Argentine. What if we just put an auto parts store out on the end of McCaslin Lake Road?

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WE MAY HAVE known our neighbors for 20 years but we won't trust them because of widely circulated reports like that guy in Cincinnati who kept those people prisoner in his house for 10 years.

I WOULD LIKE to respond to the atheist who twisted the scripture. Remember, God buried Sodom and Gomorrah he was so disgusted with it. I wonder if he's changed?

I THINK EVERYONE has heard the saying 'when the going gets tough, the tough get going.' In Obama's case, when the going gets tough, he goes back on the campaign trail. But I suppose that's better than staying in Washington.

In his book, "'Soul Food,' the nineteenth century evangelist, G.D. Watson called becoming lukewarm in our love one of the most deadly conditions to afflict any church, writing:

'One of the worst features of lukewarmness is that it steals on the soul in such quiet, respectable ways. If the horrible thing had horns and hooves, and a smack of criminality in it, it would alarm the soul; but as a rule, lukewarmness of spirit is so decent and well behaved, that it chloroforms its victim and kills him without a scream of terror. This is what makes it so awfully fatal. While open sin slays in hundreds, nice, respectable lukewarmness slays in tens of thousands.'

Our Lord once warned a prosperous church that it was heading for big trouble because it had become lukewarm (Revelation 3:14).

What's the spiritual temperature of your church?

We're living in one of the most perilous times of history. While horrific incidents of terrorism international and domestic dominate our daily news reports, old 'cold war' animosities again threaten to flare up and boil over. These conditions call for churches to be places of powerful praying for protection, wisdom for government leaders and the defeat of those who long to destroy us.

Churches are also commissioned to be constantly caring for those who are struggling because of problems in their health and homes. Love for the wounded among us must never be lukewarm. When love cools, toward those in distress, we can be sure it is but lukewarm for the One who was continually reaching out to hurting ones to bring them peace.

And then there are those without faith; without hope. These, especially must be objects of our concern. To be lukewarm in love toward them is to be unlike our Lord and the greatest contradiction of all.

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Fenton to turn teal next month

►September is ovarian cancer awareness month, city OKs ribbon hanging, posters

By Ryan Tackabury
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Fenton — Fenton could get a slightly new look for September in support of ovarian cancer.

“In 2005 I lost my mom to ovarian cancer. By the time she had been diagnosed it was too late. If she had known the symptoms earlier, she would have been able to detect it sooner and her life could have been spared,” campaign volunteer Shelley Offer said to the city council on Monday.

Offer spoke to the council along with her two daughters to explain the history of the program, and their plan to turn Fenton teal.

The Turn the Towns Teal campaign is a national event to create awareness of ovarian cancer. Volunteers tie teal ribbons

and post signs around town centers such as Fenton's downtown.

One such location in Fenton will be the gazebo downtown, while other locations are still in the process of being worked out once Offer receives campaign materials. City approval is required.

Ann Arbor, Birmingham, and Chelsea are just a few of the other cities that participate in the campaign. “We hope to add to that this year,” Offer said.

The council voted unanimously to allow Fenton to become one of the teal towns.

Potential symptoms of ovarian cancer include pelvic or abdominal pain or discomfort, unexplained weight gain or weight loss, ongoing fatigue, back pain, and persistent gastrointestinal upsets.

If these symptoms persist for 10 to 14 days it is recommend you consult a physician.

“In 2005 I lost my mom to ovarian cancer. By the time she had been diagnosed it was too late.”

Shelley Offer
Turn the Towns Teal volunteer

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO THE PERSON who called in and told us we paid \$240 a year for road improvements: you're wrong! We get charged \$240 twice a year! But don't worry, if it's got nothing to do with benefiting our township officials, forget it. Their only concern is what's going to benefit them and put a bigger paycheck into their pocket. They don't care about us.

THE WEATHER CHANNEL is too fast on the 8s. It's all advertisements.

ITAKE OFFENSE to the guy who says talk to the person in the mirror and then to your dog. I don't have a dog and the person in the mirror is looking kind of homely.

IT'S A SHAME what makes news but after listening to this mindless slop, I've determined that the rich and famous should neither marry nor have children because the result is broken homes and screwed up kids. Hmm, I think it's time we got back to God.

DON'T BLAME OBAMA because there aren't enough jobs. The Republicans have done everything they could do to tank the economy and make Obama look bad. All they care about is winning elections.

WELL, IT FINALLY happened. Obama is trying to tell Putin what to do. I knew he was pretty dumb in the beginning but I can see now he's dumber than I thought. No one tells Putin what to do. He just can't seem to figure anything out, can he?

TO THE ATHEIST quoting the Bible about gays: in Genesis, it says 'a man shall lay with a woman and a woman shall lay with a man.' If you're reading the Bible, evidently there's hope for you too.

TOO BAD PEOPLE don't take care of their dogs and kids. No, they send them to the neighbors to watch all day. Why don't you take care of your own kids?

FOR ONE PERSON driving, a senior, my insurance runs me \$581 every six months. Can you imagine that! I guess if we want to drive, we have to pay it. They have us over a barrel.

I'VE BEEN DOING a lot of thinking lately and reading about students and college and how much it costs. Does anybody know how Obama paid for his apparently quite expensive education? What degrees did he graduate with? I'm curious, I've never read what degree he possesses and how he paid for it.

Dominic Blanco honored by Governor



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | RYAN TACKABURY

Last Friday, State Rep. Joe Graves delivered a special tribute honoring Dominic Blanco's achievement of earning the Retail Employee of the Year award at Goodwill in Fenton. The tribute was signed by Graves and Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder. "I put a lot of effort and hard work into working here and helping the customers. I appreciate everything that the workers and the managers here do," Blanco said.

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Monster trucks use the same engines that drag cars use, as well as racing alcohol instead of gasoline.

CAR SHOW Continued from Page 4B

Older trucks are fairly easier to drive than newer ones Zack said because a driver has generally worked some of the quirks and bugs out of a truck. Newer trucks, by contrast, can take two or three years to learn how to operate, since a driver has to change their style of driving as the truck evolves.

Even in downturned economy, Zack said monster trucks continue to draw big crowds, especially in the Midwest and west coast. Monster truck drivers participate in two-day events all over the country on the weekends, in addition to attending fairs

during the summer months. In Zack's opinion, monster trucks are just as popular as any other major sport.

"Any given weekend, there are at least 10 shows happening. On average, some of the bigger events have 80,000 people," Zack said. "In the summertime we're going to fairs and other events during the week."

The biggest thrill for drivers is launching over a row of cars, a staple at any monster truck event.

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Meet Kelly Stack

Library assistant,
gardener, horror
enthusiast

By Ryan Tackabury

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For those who use the Fenton library, Kelly Stack's face is a commonly seen one. Though she can work at any of the Genesee District Library's branches, she is most frequently seen in Fenton in the children's center. When not working amongst the library shelves, she may be working outside in her garden.

How long have you worked for the Genesee District Library?

I have worked here since 1997. I love my job because I get to meet a lot of new people every day, and help those who need it.

The library can be an active place. Do you have any funny stories that have taken place at the there?

There was one time many years ago when two older ladies from Davison drove out to the Fenton library — though I can't remember why they came here. When they got here, they were terrified because they heard noises coming from their engine. One of the people who used to work here at the time went out to check what was going on, and he found there was a cat in their engine that had crawled inside to keep warm. The cat was taken to the vet and was okay.

Another time a reporter came to take pictures and talk with some of the children here. One of the kids got so nervous he threw up in the drinking fountain. He couldn't have been more than 4 and 5.

You get to work at a lot of different library branches, but you like to work at Fenton and get to work there the most. How come?

Because Fenton is the best! Besides growing up here, I like the atmosphere and the people. It is a really cool building to work in, we have big windows and lots of light. We have a lot of regulars that come here and I have developed a relationship with them that's mostly pleasant.

You work with books every day. Do you have a favorite?

A Song of Ice and Fire series. The depth of the characters and the world that the author, George Martin has created just goes beyond most mainstream literary fiction.

What about a book that you would recommend to everyone that they should read?

The Kite Runner, because it's so rich and it gives you an inside look into a time and



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Kelly Stack
Fenton library assistant,
Fenton resident

place that is so similar yet so distant from our own experience.

Kids seem to like the dare to read books. What are they?

They are books that I have selected that might be some overlooked gem that would appeal to many readers, and I wrap them up like a present with a little description on the cover that is just enough to pique your interest. You can't look at it and unwrap to see what it is until you get home. The kids really like that idea because it's like a present and they like surprises. They love those books so much they don't stay on the shelves very long.

You tend to pick up a lot of interesting trivia while helping library patrons. What is the most interesting fact you know?

Did you know that ants can be used as stitches? They place the mandibles on the cut and the ant bites down and it ends up suturing the two sides of the flesh together, and then they remove the ant from the mandibles.

What do you like to do when you are not reading or at work?

I have been really into gardening the last few years, and I am trying to turn my overgrown lot at home into a luscious garden. Right now, I am growing basil, sage, and lots of weeds. I have come to hate slugs though because they like to eat all of my basil. While outdoors, I enjoy hiking, but I also enjoy a good video-game too.

Do you have any other hobbies?

One of my hobbies is horror movies and zombies. The reason I love zombies so much is because they are the scariest thing I could think of when I was 16. They creep me out! I get scared, but I am

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RYAN TACKABURY

Kelly Stack is a familiar sight at the library in downtown Fenton. In addition to helping visitors with finding just the right book or other helping with other services, Stack has many outside interests that include gardening and horror movies.

actually safe — that's why they are called cheap thrills

I like to cook — and I really enjoy making pizza and tacos. Tacos have to be one of my favorite foods on the planet. And this fall I am hoping to try my hand at making my very own hard apple cider — we will see how that goes.



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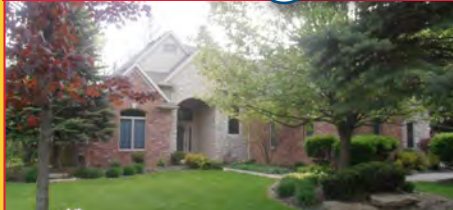
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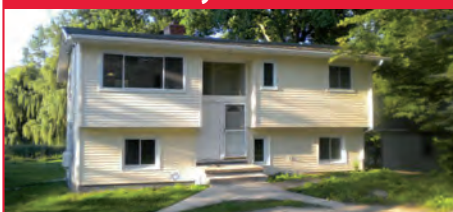
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CITY OF FENTON INVITATION TO BID OAKWOOD CEMETERY MAINTENANCE

DATE CORRECTION:

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**A Look back at the
TOP 10 SONGS**

- Week of Aug. 17, 1985
As determined by Billboard magazine.
- 1. Shout** - Tears for Fears
 - 2. The Power Of Love** - Huey Lewis & the News
 - 3. Never Surrender** - Corey Hart
 - 4. If You Love Somebody Set Them Free** - Sting
 - 5. Freeway of Love** - Aretha Franklin
 - 6. Everytime You Go Away** - Paul Young
 - 7. St. Elmo's Fire** - John Parr
 - 8. Who's Holding Donna Now** - DeBarge
 - 9. Summer of 69** - Bryan Adams
 - 10. We Don't Need Another Hero** - Tina Turner

BY TRIBUNE MEDIA

Sunday Sudoku

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

ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

KING FEATURES

SuperCrossword

ACROSS

- Source of healthful fatty acids
- Partner of to
- Stunning weapons
- Produced by its own staff
- Latin "and others"
- Sound setup
- Really big souvenir given to a trick-or-treater?
- Throat-infecting bug
- Nada
- Lion tail?
- Great Plains natives
- Sit in (for)
- Dawber and Anderson
- Tapioca-yielding plants
- Connected group of a World War II general's combat units?
- Saintly
- Actor Sam
- Sweetie pie
- Father deer
- Viper type
- The Gem State: Abbr.
- "... hear — drop"
- Sanders and Klink: Abbr.
- Vast sand hill in Central Park?
- Screenplay
- Moby Dick's adversary
- Itty-bitty drink
- City in Texas
- Lauder of perfumery
- Go uninvited to a night-club show in an Asian ethnic district?
- Love, in Dijon
- Memorial bio
- Idyllic place
- Hogtie an old Roman fighter?
- Allow to enter
- Hoppy brew
- Understand
- Angel player Cheryl
- Be sickly
- Agcy. that helps mom-and-pops
- Paws, e.g.
- "Well, let me think ..."
- Beginning ltr.
- Pei (dog breed)
- Truthfulness
- Part of I/O
- Suffix with Brit or Turk
- Slope
- Like juicy biographies
- From — B
- Most crude
- Bullring yells
- 1-1 and 7-7
- Juan
- Fly of Kenya
- As many as
- Park fixtures
- South end?
- Pensioned: Abbr.
- Canals
- Painter Fra Filippo —
- Lament
- Stock's kin
- Asia's Strait of —
- "John King, USA" aier
- "Presto!" kin
- > or <—
- Makes slant
- Phony type
- Llama cousin
- Kind of tide
- Lima's home
- A wife of Chaplin
- One of two in "crocus"
- Connecting land strip
- Driver's license, e.g.
- Pert. to finances
- Levy again
- Yellow pool rack item
- Tabulae — (blank slates)
- Whirlpool
- TV chef who "can cook"
- Relative of largo
- Astrologer Dixon
- Listerine rival
- Immense
- Bible book after Amos
- Quipster
- Exposes by finking
- Fit for eating
- Food fishes
- Flat floaters
- acid (fat compound)
- Golfer Calvin
- Mrs. Alfred Hitchcock
- with faint praise
- Sitar piece
- Taverns
- Citrus fruit
- MDs' group
- "— & Hutch"
- Hit — (really go places)
- Small domes
- C.S. Lewis' magical land
- Often-purple flowers
- Field (Mets' stadium)
- Annoy a lot
- Light-varying switch
- Old art style
- Man — bird
- Urge on
- Long deeply
- The "U" of CPU or BTU
- H.S. junior's exam
- Little pouch
- Screwball comic
- Philips
- Hoover or Dyson, for short
- Homer Simpson cry
- The "— hawl"
- friendly (green)

DOWN

- Smyrna fruits

ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

PUZZLE ANSWER KEYS

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

**SUPER CROSSWORD
ANSWERS**

FISHOIL TAROTS TASERS
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GIAN THALLOWEEN MEMENTO
STREPTILLESOTOS
SUBPRAMS CASSAVAS
PATTON PLATOON NETWORK
HOLY NEILL HON SIRE
ASPIDA APIN FROLOW
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CRASHCHINATOWN CABARET
AMOUR OBIT XANADU
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GRIT DOR RIP MORUP
SEVENSIDEWAYS GREMLINS
AMALIE OCASEK OCEANIA
COCOAS HORSEY DORSETT

**WEDNESDAY SUDOKU
ANSWERS**

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

WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: BEFOG MOSSY AUTHOR MODERN
Answer: They provide a means of support for those raise flowers—STEMS

SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: USURY HITCH BROOCH ELIXIR
Answer: What the painter gave him—THE "BRUSH"

**KING CROSSWORD
ANSWERS**

Solution time: 25 mins.

SIRE CAM DHOW
ADEN ALI EERO
REAM ILL BABE
IMPAIR LAUD
SMOKINGGUN
CLASP ROY EGO
LOVE WIN SALE
EKE OIL APRIL
FIRING LINE
ANEW ATLAST
SAGA ATM LIAR
EDEN MOB EDGE
CODE SOS DESK

**SUNDAY SUDOKU
ANSWERS**

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

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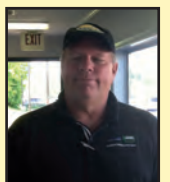
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Homes. www.sharpfuneral-
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Paul Ritzert,
Paul Ritzert - age 56, died
August 12, 2013. Services
provided by Sharp Funeral
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Michael Mossman - age
69, died August 12, 2013.
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Jack Hoenstine - age 84,
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Lillian Hoeg - died
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David Smith - age 64, died
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**Sunshine Jo
(Hillman) Chaffin**
1979-2013
Sunshine Jo (Hillman)
Chaffin - age 33, of Fenton,
died
August
14, 2013. Funeral
services
will be
3 PM
Sunday,
August
18, 2013



at Sharp Funeral Homes,
1000 Silver Lake Road,
Fenton, Pastor Dale Swi-
hart officiating. Visitation
will be 4-9 PM Saturday,
and 1-3 PM Sunday. In lieu
of flowers, those desiring
may make contributions
to the Sunshine Chaffin
Memorial fund to benefit
her children. Sunshine
was born December 29,
1979. She was a gradu-
ate of Holly High School.
She married Jason G.
Chaffin on September
21, 2002. She worked for
Prezio Health in Highland.
Sunshine was a loving,
attentive mother and was
always very involved in her
children's activities. Surviv-
ing are husband Jason
Chaffin; two children Keira
and Wyatt; mother Debbie
Romska; grandmother
Dona Dewitt. Tributes may
be share on the obituaries
page at www.sharpfuneral-
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Frank Heinzelman,
Frank Heinzelman - age
77, died August 10, 2013.
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Funeral Homes. www.sharp-
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Melvin Jacobs,
Melvin Jacobs - age 78,
died August 11, 2013. Ser-
vices provided by Sharp
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Virginia Weaver,
Virginia Weaver - age 83,
died August 11, 2013. Ser-
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**Kelly Lynn
Lyons**
1966-2013
Kelly Lynn Lyons - age
46, of Fenton, formerly of
Califor-
nia, died
Saturday,
August
10, 2013.
Funeral
Mass will
be cel-
ebrated
11 AM



Monday, August 19, 2013
at St. John the Evangelist
Catholic Church, 600 N.
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Dwight Ezop celebrant.
Visitation will be held at
the church 10 AM Monday
until the time of the Mass.
Those desiring may make
contributions to the St.
John Outreach Program.
Kelly was born August 17,
1966 in Flint, the daughter
of Robert C. and Sandra K.
(Lyons) Simpson. She was
a 1984 graduate of Car-
men High School. She was
a Master Jeweler owning
and operating Kelly Lyons
Design. Surviving are: par-
ents, Robert and Sandra
Simpson of Fenton; broth-
er, Robert and wife Wendy
Simpson of Suwanee, GA;
sister, Julie McGrath of
Brighton; nieces, Shannon
McGrath and Savannah
Simpson; nephews, Sean
and Sawyer Simpson;
grandfather, Earl Lyons of
Fenton; aunt, Kathy Lyons
of Traverse City; cousins,
Amy Lyons Santoni and
husband Brandon and
their daughter, Maliya of
Florida and Jeffrey Lyons
of Chicago, IL; many other
special aunts, cousins and
friends. She was preceded
in death by her grand-
mother, Deloris Lyons and
uncle, Kenneth Lyons. On-
line tributes may be posted
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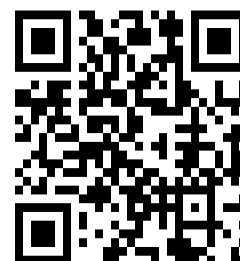
Jean Smith,
Jean Smith - age 88, died
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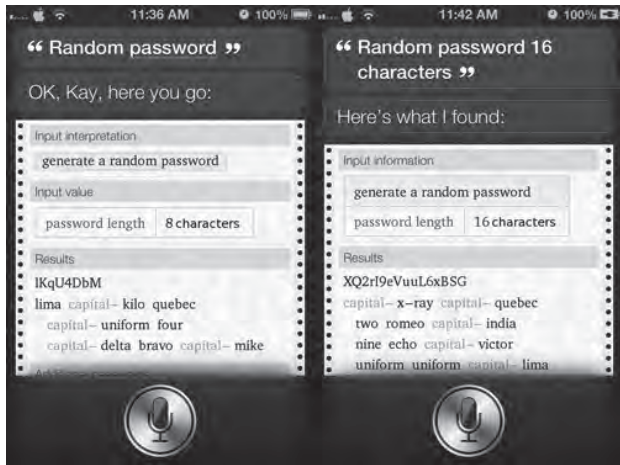
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ANSWER: It sounds more like peripheral artery disease, PAD, a condition that 5 percent of adults over 40 and 20 percent of those over 70 have. Peripheral artery disease is the same process that occurs in heart arteries, an obstruction to blood flow due to the buildup of cholesterol and fat on the artery wall. In the heart, it causes the chest pain of angina when a person engages in physical activity. In the legs, it causes pain in the buttocks, thighs, calves or feet when a person walks farther than usual or faster than usual. The leg muscles are not getting the amount of blood they need to support such exertion. An easy test, done in the doctor's office, provides solid evidence for the diagnosis of PAD. That test entails taking blood pressure in the arm and comparing it with blood pressure in the leg. The name of the test is the Ankle-Brachial Index, dividing the ankle pressure by the arm pressure. A number less than 0.9 denotes peripheral artery disease. Taking the ankle blood pressure requires a special instrument, one that's not available to the general public. Most doctors have it. PAD is treated much like plugged heart arteries are treated. Keep up your walking program, and do try to increase the length and pace of your walk. Stop to rest if pain occurs, then resume walking when it leaves. Your doctor will decide if you need a medicine like Pletal (cilostazol). For large obstructions, procedures similar to ones used to open heart arteries (balloon dilation, grafts, stents) are used for PAD. Also important is an examination of your heart's circulation. People with PAD often also have coronary artery disease (CAD), plugged heart arteries.

DEAR AMY: My daughter recently left for college, and I am having a difficult time with her not being around. I am proud of her and excited about this new chapter she is starting, but I am sad about her absence. I constantly hear from family and friends that I 'should be happy for her.' They say, 'Stop crying, she will be fine,' or my favorite: 'You have to be strong for her.' I find this condescending. How can I politely tell them that I need time to adjust and that this is difficult for me? We are very close. — Anonymous

DEAR AMY: Last month my twin grandchildren (one boy, one girl) turned 5 years old. Their mother decided it was time for them to use restaurant bathrooms by themselves. She felt they were old enough to handle the normal bathroom issues without her presence. I was upset when she told me this. My objection wasn't due to whether they could/would wipe themselves, flush the toilets, wash their hands, etc., but was due to a safety issue. I think they are too young to use a public bathroom alone. What do you think? — EF

DEAR EF: I agree with you that 5 is too young to use a public restroom alone. Parents must be extremely cautious when sending their children into public restrooms by themselves. A restaurant might be a slightly safer environment than a state park, beach or stadium because a mother could (and should) check a small men's room to make sure no one else is using it and then stand outside the door and wait while the child uses it. I think age 9 is the minimum age to send a child into a public restroom alone. Even at that age a parent should be at the door when the child enters and wait, ready to walk in and check on the child if he/she takes too long.

Sunday Jumble

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

YUSUR

CHITH

COHBOR

LIRIXE

Print answer here:

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66

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 99



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

A black and white photograph of a bowl of risotto. The risotto is topped with several florets of broccoli, sliced almonds, and a dusting of black pepper. The bowl is white and sits on a light-colored, textured surface.

- 1 head cauliflower, florets cut into 1/2-inch pieces, stems chopped
- 3 T. extra-virgin olive oil
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
- 1/4 cup sliced almonds
- 1/2 medium onion, finely chopped
- 1 1/2 cups short-grain Italian rice (such as arborio or vialone nano)
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1/2 cup dry white wine
- 3 cups low-sodium chicken broth
- 2 T. unsalted butter
- 4 oz. Italian fontina cheese, grated (1 1/2 cups)
- 1/2 cup roughly chopped fresh parsley

1. Position racks in the upper and lower thirds of the oven and preheat to 475 degrees F. Toss the cauliflower florets with 1 tablespoon olive oil on a baking sheet. Spread in a single layer and season with salt and pepper. Roast on the upper oven rack, 5 minutes. Add the almonds and roast until the cauliflower is tender, about 15 more minutes.
2. Meanwhile, heat the remaining 2 tablespoons olive oil in a Dutch oven over high heat. Add the onion and cauliflower stems and cook, stirring, until the onion is translucent, about 3 minutes. Add the rice and garlic and cook, stirring, 2 minutes. Add the wine and cook, stirring, until evaporated, 1 to 2 minutes. Add the broth, 2 cups water and 1 teaspoon salt; cover and bring to a boil. Transfer the pot to the lower oven rack and bake until the rice is tender, about 15 minutes.
3. Remove the rice from the oven and add the butter, fontina and parsley, stirring vigorously until the risotto is creamy, 1 to 2 minutes. Divide among bowls and top with the roasted cauliflower and almonds.

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When the White House (Secret Service Code: "Olympus") is captured by a terrorist mastermind and the President is kidnapped, disgraced former Presidential guard Mike Banning finds himself trapped within the building. As our national security team scrambles to respond, they are forced to rely on Banning's inside knowledge to help retake the White House, save and avert an even bigger crisis. Antoine Fuqua directs an all-star cast featuring Gerard Butler, Morgan Freeman, Angela Bassett, Melissa and Rick Yune. R, 1 hr. 59 min.



With an all-star cast led by Robert De Niro, Katherine Heigl, Diane Keaton, Amanda Seyfried, Topher Grace, with Susan Sarandon and Robin Williams, **THE BIG WEDDING** is an uproarious romantic comedy about a charmingly modern family trying to survive a weekend wedding celebration that has the potential to become a full blown family fiasco.

To the amusement of their adult children and friends, long divorced couple Don and Ellie Griffin (De Niro and Keaton) are once again forced to play the happy couple for the sake of their adopted son's wedding after his ultra conservative biological mother unexpectedly decides to fly halfway across the world to attend. With all of the wedding guests looking on, the Griffins are hilariously forced to confront their past, present and future - and hopefully avoid killing each other in the process. Screenplay by Justin Zackham. Directed by Justin Zackham. R. 1 hr, 29 min.



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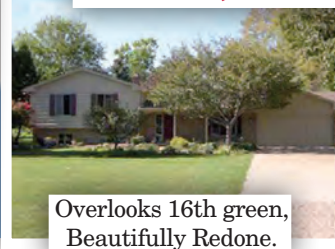
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