DDA saves Cornerstone project with $200K loan to builders

By Tim Jagielo
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Fenton — While construction seemed to continue unfettered, Fenton’s signature project could have been stalled. As early as August, Corlin Builders, the developer in charge of the Cornerstone building’s construction knew they were going $800,000 over budget.

The estimated project cost based on drawings was $3.2 million, but the See CORNERSTONE on 10A

Prison vs jail — the cost of incarceration

Average cost per inmate in state prison: $35,573 per year

By Tim Jagielo
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Fenton — On Wednesday, there were no “visitors” at the city lock-up. The sterile rooms echo loudly, with large glass windows and doors. There are four cells, one being a larger “bull pen” for groups. It looks a little like a kennel for people.

The terms “lock-up,” “jail” and “prison” are not interchangeable. The city jail, or “lock-up” as it is called, has a different purpose than a county jail, or a state or federal prison. In each, there are varying degrees of security, based on See JAIL on 14A

Q & A with Fenton police chief on most misunderstood traffic laws

By William Axford
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Q: What is the procedure motorists should take when they encounter a school bus? When are they required to stop and how far back? When are they allowed to pass?

By Sharon Stone
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Do you want to know how your legislators voted?

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Members of the Tri-County Times are always trying to come up with new story ideas and ways to make your hometown newspaper better. Sometimes, our best ideas come from our valued readers.

Recently, Al Winter of Fenton Township suggested the Times start running a regular feature showing how our state legislators are voting. He said it would be important for all of us to see how the people we elected are representing their constituents.

See VOTE on 8A

Brothers save duck hunter thrown from out-of-control boat on Tupper Lake

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David Kingston of Linden believes that two men who appeared out of nowhere and pulled him from the cold waters of Tupper Lake saved his life. Getting only their first names and a cell phone number, he wants to reach out and thank these two unknown men.

Kingston lives along the Shiawassee River just west of Ripley Road and he regularly takes his little 14-foot
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How I survived college, one Ramen noodle package at a time

By William Axford

If you had told me I would obtain a bachelor’s degree five years after high school, I wouldn’t have believed you. I carried average grades through high school mostly due to laziness (I recall many report cards with teachers commenting ‘not living up to potential’).

My parents gave me the option of staying home, so long as I worked and went to school full-time. I went to Oakland Community College (OCC), kept working at Holly Foods, paying for classes through savings and a few scholarships. When it came time to attend a university, I knew I wanted to study journalism and write for a newspaper after graduation. I also knew I had to escape my hometown for at least a few years. I decided to attend Central Michigan University on the basis that they had a reputable student newspaper and that I could obtain a job working in nursing homes. So for three years I darted from class to the newspaper office to random homes all over Mount Pleasant, helping people with health problems.

Surprisingly, the classes themselves were not very difficult (outside of math and a few science classes, that is). It was everything else that nearly did me in — applying for student loans, finding roommates and jobs that were accommodating to my school schedule, saving up money for tuition my loans wouldn’t cover and developing a taste for cheap beer. I wasn’t a particularly big fan of working in nursing homes but it taught me to be more empathetic and to respect people who perform noble but undesirable jobs. It also motivated me to keep going to class, graduate and find a job I would enjoy.

While getting a degree helped, it was writing at the student newspaper, building references and getting an internship that

‘It’s payback time’

Community college, transferring to university kept my costs down

By Tim Jagielo

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If my college loans were to become personified into an ‘80s era action hero/villain, he would look like Dolph Lundgren, or maybe Duke Nukem.

Today he’s standing over me sneering, “It’s payback time.” (you can imagine his gruff, throaty voice for emphasis).

Considering my new boss wanted holder wanted $340 a month (over the $140 that was the standard repayment with the original loan holder) in this pseudo joke, Lundgren/Nukem is definitely a villain.

My loans total around $25,000, which are actually average or low today. I went to Mott Community College in Flint for my associate’s in photography and transferred every single credit I could to the University of Michigan-Flint, where I got my bachelor’s degree in journalism in 2009.

That jump from $140 to $340 for repayment was almost humorous, if it wasn’t my name on the envelope.

Here’s the thing, I work full time, and I’m considered a lucky one — an employed reporter/news photographer in 2013, in Michigan.

But this expense (which I’ve negotiated to something more manageable) is still an expense that literally changes housing and vehicle options for me.

I bring this up to drive home the point that the average 17-year-old college student may not truly feel at this point — these loans are real, and you’ll have to pay back real money later on.

And really, where else will anyone let a teenager borrow what will become the cost of an entire home, or brand new car?

I’ve seen good friends go away to college because they “want the experience,” to the tune of $100,000. My experience was staying home, eating packed lunches, and even biking to school when I could, thus collecting enough ‘when I was your age,’ anecdotes for my grandkids.

I did make some mistakes in financial

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**The Metric Conversion Act — 38 years later**

We’re dealing with some weighty issues these days.

No, I’m not talking about the obesity epidemic of our youth, the ever-rising deficit, or Kim Kardashian’s butt. I am talking about the failure of the U.S. to make a decision as to whether or not we are ever going to convert to the metric system of weights and measures.

The primary reason the United States has never fully converted to the metric system is the same reasoning process that causes most of the ills facing our country today — our ability to waffle and compromise our position in a spineless middle-quest to please everyone and offend no one.

Let’s look at some of the illogical confusion we’ve perpetrated during our meandering move to metrics since the Metric Conversion Act was passed in 1975.

Maybe we’ve beat ‘em instead of joining ‘em. Now it all, we still drive 65 mph on the highway, watch football on 100-yard fields and order quarter-pounders at McDonalds.

But maybe not. A fifth of liquor or wine has mysteriously morphed into 750 mL while beer is still sold in ounces. While most soda is bought in 12-ounce bottles and cans, the plastic bottles are 1 and 2 liters.

Look on the side of pretty much any food product and you’ll see the nutrition content listed in grams, not ounces. Most cleaning products are listed in ounces and liters. And take a closer look at your speedometer — all have a KPH as well as an MPH. For a couple years our highway signs read 65 MPH and, in smaller type, 105 KPH (1.6 kilometers per mile).

Most don’t recall that for years weather forecasters gave all temperatures in Celsius as well as Fahrenheit.

But, I digress. Despite our occasional brushes with metrics, most of us don’t think in metrics on a daily basis. No one signs and says ‘…’give him 2.54 centimeters and he’ll take 1,609.34 meters or … good gosh, it’s 32.22 degrees Celsius in the shade’ and weight loss commercials don’t shout out “…lose kilos and centimeters off your thighs and butt in only seven days!”

Truth be told, most Americans think we’re pretty much written metrics off. That simply is not true — it’s just happening very slowly. ‘Metric creep’ is stealing up on us more every day. Metrics have seeped into the U.S. vernacular far beyond the lowly plastic soda bottle. It’s perfectly acceptable to speak of a 10-kilometer race in the Olympics or the local 5K run for cancer. People happily buy 35-mm film and talk about the 3.6-liter engines in their cars. We just don’t notice it.

Anyway, here are some handy tips to help you start thinking metrically: A meter is the height of a typical door-knob (a yard plus a few inches). A gram is about the weight of a typical paperback cover book (2.54 centimeters to an inch). A kilogram is about the weight of a week-old puppy (2.2 pounds per kilo).

And, for good measure, at $3.45 per gallon, gasoline is costing you 89¢ per liter.

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**What have you lost at the bottom of a local lake?**

“Fishing lures, I live on Pine Lake and I go out on Saturday and Sunday, with friends and family.” — Ron Williams

“Fishing lures, I live on Pine Lake and I go out on Saturday and Sunday, with friends and family.”

“My dad lost his wedding ring at Dixie Lake and we never did find it.” — Debbie Mackridge

“My class ring from Marine City High School in Blue Lake.” — Michelle Kroll

“My class ring from Marine City High School in Blue Lake.”

“A dragon bracelet in Byron Lake. I paid $20 for it and to me that’s expensive.” — Krystal Stefan

“A dragon bracelet in Byron Lake. It was only coins though.”

“Money in Clover Lake. It was only coins though.”

“My grandkids lost a pair of goggles in Myers Lake. They were using them and didn’t hang on to them.” — Larry Armstrong

“My grandkids lost a pair of goggles in Myers Lake. They were using them and didn’t hang on to them.” — Lynn Byrne

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**Letters**

Letters, 150 words or less, must be signed and include a phone number. We reserve the right to edit for clarity and length. Letters must be written exclusively for the Times.
How long will you live?

Gender, genes, culture and lifestyle all play a role

By Sally Rummel
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If you are a woman living in Hawaii, have parents who didn’t divorce and are a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, you’re way ahead of most Americans in how many years you can expect to live.

These unusual life circumstances are just an example of how gender, geography and culture play into the average lifespan of people who live in the U.S. Average life expectancy in U.S.

The average American can live to be an average of 78.7 years old, according to Centers for Disease Control (CDC). But if you live in Hawaii, you can add an additional four years, raising the age to 82.7. If you’re reading this article, you likely reside in Michigan, so you’ll have to take several years off your expected longevity. Michigan ranks 35th out of all U.S. states, with an average life expectancy of 78. Residing in Mississippi puts you at the bottom of life expectancy in the U.S. at 75.

If you’re a woman, you’ll likely outlive your man, 81 years to 76 years, respectively. Across the globe, the U.S. ranks 51st in longevity, well behind Monaco, with the highest life expectancy of any country, at 89.68 years.

Overall, Americans who have made it to 65 have about 19 years of life ahead of them, including nearly 14 in relatively good health, estimates the CDC. But if you live in the South or Midwest, you may not be so lucky. Southern states tend to have higher rates of smoking, obesity, diabetes, heart disease and other illnesses. They also have socio-economic issues that affect health, like poverty and less education.

Genes matter

How well your lifespan stacks up against those numbers depends on many factors, some of which you can control and some you can’t. Research has found that genes determine 20 to 30 percent of an individual’s longevity, while the remaining 70 to 80 percent is determined by environmental factors and individual behaviors.

Culture can also affect your longevity. Seventh Day Adventists, who don’t smoke or drink, eat well and engage in other healthy behaviors, have the longest life expectancy of any group in the U.S. Married people live longer than their single counterparts do. People who stay single will likely live longer than those who marry and divorce.

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You can check your own “crystal ball” and see what age you will likely live to, based on certain lifestyle habits, family history, etc. Of course, these estimated ages are just that — estimates — and may be affected by accidents, chronic illness, etc.

Here are sites to check your life expectancy calculator:

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I hope to be considered for an appointment to Fenton City Council.

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ASK THE MECHANIC
Chris Wilkinson, Certified Mechanic

Q: I have a 1999 Lincoln Continental that will not start. I purchased it from a friend of mine and he said it just wouldn’t start one day. I’ve talked with a mechanic on this and have tried several things, but I just can’t get it going. I am asking here. Here is what I know. It will run with ethane gas in the intake, but will NOT run on its own fuel. It will only run in the spot, fuel, will not run. I’ve checked the following. PCM relay has power at 35 and 36. 86 and 87 are grounded. Pro 55 at the PCM plug is getting power. Injectors are getting power, but won’t pump. The lower boss in the under dash fuse box or the engine compartment fuse box. There is power to the corpse for this. The Security light flashes when key is off, but it’s still that works. The Check engine light does not come on at all, but was told by a couple of people it may be a blown tube in the dash. I’ve checked for good grounds near the fusebox and the battery. Also, the dash lights do not on others than the battery. Oil pressure light when the key is on. It will not light up the dash lights even if you adjust the dimmer switch. I’m not sure if this is raised, if not I can tackle that problem at a later time. Any information that you can give me would be appreciated. — Andy

A: Andy, it sounds like you either have a bad PCM or a faulty signal going to the PCM. The first thing you need to do is to try and communicate with the PCM using a scan tool (check out trouble codes. Then watch for cranking RPM on your scan tool. If you have the proper scan tool you can watch for injector pulse width as well. If you do not see any cranking RPM, then it sounds like a crank sensor. There is a diagnostic test that you can do on the scan tool. However, to make sure that you switch this sounds like a job for a repair shop.

Calendar of events
Fall Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 2
The Ladies Guild at Trinity Lutheran Church, 806 Main St. in Fenton will host its annual Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 2 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Items and events will include a large cookie walk, lunch of homemade vegetable beef soup, sloppy joes and homemade pies, handmade craft items including an oak quilt rack, quilted purses and crocheted scarves, a large selection of jewelry, baked goods, several gift baskets, attic treasures and their new Christmas room. All proceeds go toward furnishing the kitchen of their new church. Contact Carol Swenson at (810) 714-0405 for more information.

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Despite tuition reaching all time high, degrees increase lifetime earning potential

By William Axford

Is it still worth it to go to college? According to projectstudentdebt.org, the average college graduate amasses $26,600 by the time they obtain their bachelor’s degree. Add that the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reports a 7.2 percent unemployment rate for this past September and the argument for opting out of taking huge loans in a shaky economy may be valid.

But when it comes to lifetime earning potential, people with college degrees still earn more than high school graduates earn and drop outs, even if costs for higher education are at all time high.

The National Center for Education Statistics reports the median income for someone with at least a bachelor’s degree in 2011 was $45,000, compared to $30,000 for people with a high school diploma and $22,900 for those who dropped out of school. Even if graduates are earning far less than the median income, a degree increases the likelihood of staying employed, even in tough economic times. The BLS reports a 3.7 percent unemployment rate for people with at least a bachelor’s degree, versus a 7.6 percent unemployment rate for those who have a high school diploma. The unemployment rate rises to 10.3 percent for those who didn’t graduate high school.

University of Michigan Flint economics professor Chris Douglas said the weak job creation following the 2008 recession has allowed companies to be pickier with whom they hire. More unemployed graduates allow employers to require a degree for more jobs, even if they’re only entry level.

“The earning gap between high school and college graduates is getting larger,” Douglas said. “One of the benefits of a degree is the credentials. It sends a signal to employers that you have a certain skill set — writing skills, basic math skills, communication skills. Employers like dealing with educated people.”

The increased likelihood of being employed also leads to an increase in lifetime earnings. The D.C. based think tank Hamilton Project estimates a degree earns workers at least $450,000 more than a high school diploma. A 2011 George town study places the earnings even higher, with college graduates earning $2.3 million during a lifetime, compared to a high school graduate earning $1.3 million.

Despite the higher earnings, the price of going to college is still a huge concern for students and parents. The Hamilton Project reports tuition prices have nearly doubled in the past 30 years. The Education Department places overall student debt in America at more than $1 trillion. Nearly every university in Michigan has raised their tuition this year and the average price to attend classes this fall is $8,893.

Douglas believes a degree is still worth getting though, so long as a student can keep it at an affordable price. Other options like military service and trade apprenticeships are avenues worth exploring for those who do not want to attend college.

“I would say in Michigan, for the typical student who doesn’t go crazy with debt levels, it would make sense to get a degree,” Douglas said. “Colleges, hopefully, are wise enough to realize they have to stop raising tuition or they’ll price out their customers.”

Suspect in police chase bound out to circuit court

By Sharon Stone

Brody Knox, the 21-year-old Fenton man who led several police departments on a chase in July is being held in the Genesse County Jail on $248,000 cash bond. His criminal cases were bound over to Genesee County Circuit Court in late September and he awaits arraignments on the charges.

The situation in July began when Argentine Township Police received a complaint of a stolen pick-up truck on July 12. Hours later,Lt. Jason Slater of the Fenton Police Department spotted the stolen truck in downtown Fenton.

The driver, later identified as Knox, drove through several jurisdictions and eventually lost control of the stolen truck while making a turn at Thompson and Linden roads. Police took him into custody following a short foot chase.

Working together, the several police agencies investigating believe Knox is connected to several incidents.

Knox is facing eight felonies, including one count of possession of heroin in Fenton, six counts of auto theft in Fenton, Argentine Township and Grand Blanc Township, fleeing and eluding police, home invasion and larceny from a building.

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opened the door to the Tri-County Times. Some people assume that securing a career only requires getting an in-demand degree like math or computer science. To gain entry into today’s workforce however, employers want to know what a graduate can produce, not if you got straight As.

And it makes sense — would you trust a mechanic who only read about engines through school but never worked on one? Or a surgeon who never had been inside of a hospital? Employers look at perspective employees the same way. For current and future students, get involved in organizations that lead to jobs and get as many internships as you can.

For students who want to go to school but are worried about paying for it, my recommendation probably sounds like something your grandparents would say: “Get a job, you bum, and pass your classes!” Save your money. See if you can test out of any classes (something I had to do at the last minute in order to graduate). Apply for as many scholarships as you can. Success, like a lot of things in life, lies more in grit rather than being the smartest or most talented person in the room. Never give up, work hard and you may make it through college alive. Now, as for paying off those loans...

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**VOTE**

Continued from Front Page

Winter’s idea was discussed and deemed a worthy feature for readers in the tri-county area. The Mackinac Center for Public Policy keeps track of votes taking place in Lansing and provides a weekly report of what bills were voted on and how each elected official voted.

We introduced this new feature on Wednesdays, Oct. 23 and are returning the list of bills recently voted on by State Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Genesee County) and State Rep. Joseph Graves (R-Argentine Township).

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judgment, and I could have come away with fewer loans had I been more careful. I regret not using money Papaw left me for college more sparingly/wisely.

My point is that college should be an experience, but realize that the greater experience is after — as is most of your life. Do you want to buy a decent car or a house at some point after college? Or get married/start a family with less debt?

Keep in mind that these payments will take the place of more fun things later if you borrow too much.

I’ll back off on this column — you have to put in the time, and work, and pay as much as you can without loans. When you get the extra loan money by check, try to resist spending it — push shopping carts instead, if it’s possible.

The best value, I feel is the community college, and then university transfer path.

Currently, MCC charges $122 per contact hour, and UM-Flint, $372 for Michigan residents. This does not include associated fees. At MCC, you’ll have teachers with master’s degrees, versus student teachers for your 100 level courses at the university. It’s not as prestigious, but if you’re not the recipient of a full-ride scholarship, it will hurt less later. And Lundgren/Nukem won’t be bearing down on you for the next 15 years.

CORNERSTONE
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revised numbers came in at $4 million — $800,000 more than was funded by investors.

This was at least partially due to the ground being unstable and needing to be reinforced by 100 aggregate columns under ground, and the general costs of construction coming in higher than planned.

At the Tuesday Downtown Development Authority (DDA) meeting Ghassan Saab and Khalil Saab of Corlin Builders asked the DDA for a $200,000 gap loan.

The DDA agreed unanimously to the loan. Corlin will pay a percent interest ($4,000) annually for five years in interest only, and make a final balloon payment of $200,000 at the end of the term.

Corlin will also have collateral to offer as security, which of course is not the building itself. The DDA’s attorney will draft an agreement and the city council will have to approve the expenditure of funds. DDA Chairman Craig Schmidt said he has been over the construction plans with the builders and sees where the extra money has gone.

Ghassan Saab said they decided against going back to the investors for more funds, and started making cuts and concessions to reign in the deficit, as has general contractor Sorensen Gross. “We’ve all put money in, we’ve all made sacrifices,” he said.

Saab said they have removed a significant chunk of the deficit, but still needed a loan from the city to continue.

“IT was just an unforeseen cost, something we weren’t prepared for,” he said. Saab said overlaps are common, as this is a problem which can kill a big project. It’s not common to get a loan from the city to keep it going, he said. Without it, the project would be dead in the water. “The project simply couldn’t have moved forward without it, it was in the spirit of partnership,” he said.

Corlin is tweaking the materials to squeeze more money out of costs, and asking for cuts from contractors and suppliers.

One change to the design is the wood-framed residential floors instead of steel, and using different bricks. They said rent has not increased in any of the lots or commercial spaces. Saab said that building will be finished by this time next year.

The $200,000 loan is less than 10 percent of the DDA’s fund balance, which is currently $2.5 million.

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the offense, and sentence.
A big difference between a city jail and county jail is that one cannot be sentenced to a city lock-up, said Undersheriff Chris Swanson. The city jail is usually used to hold someone after a local arrest, or if they are headed to the county courts or jail. “It’s a holding facility,” he said, but not for any kind of sentence or punishment.

Those who are waiting to be taken to county jail, have outstanding warrants, or are intoxicated to the point of being a danger to themselves or others are lodged in the city jail. Individuals arrested for domestic violence/disputes, operating while intoxicated (OWI), retail fraud are other ways to end up in the city jail.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said there were about 265 people held last year.

In Fenton, the expense of running the jail is rolled into the dispatch center’s regular operations, but he guesses the jail costs between $3,000 and $5,000 annually to run, which includes meals and equipment costs. “Without dispatch, it would be much more expensive to call in additional personnel to monitor an arrestee in lockup,” said Aro. Arrestees are monitored by audio and video equipment, and dispatchers.

A step above the local city jail is the county jail, which in Michigan is run by the local county sheriff’s department.

Swanson said the county jail holds individuals for up to a year’s sentence, though most are awaiting trial. He said the Genesee County Jail in Flint holds “all kinds of people,” with many arrested on charges, or under warrants. All inmates facing misdemeanor offenses and felony sentences for less than one year will be incarcerated in the county jail.

Any sentences more than one year are carried out in prison.

In Michigan there are state, federal, or even privately run prison facilities. The term “penitentiary” and “prison” are interchangeable, though other terms exist in the U.S., like “treatment facility,” or “correctional facility.”

Michigan prisons are run by the Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC) and federal prisons are run by the Federal Bureau of Prisons under the U.S. Justice Department.

According to the MDOC website, the general responsibility of running the prisons falls on the governor, who appoints a director for the state.

There are 31 Michigan prisons in the state, with usually one to four in a given county. The closest to the tri-county area is the Woodland Center Correctional Facility in Whitmore Lake, southern Livingston County, which opened in 2009. MDOC spokesperson Russ Marlan said the total prison population in state facilities is 43,366, which is on the decline since 2006.

It costs an average of $35,573, per inmate, though a small percentage is offset by inmates who can afford to pay for their own incarceration. The total MDOC budget is around $2 billion, all from the State of Michigan general fund.

There is no minimum or maximum age for inmates, and the average low sentence is four years, though there are inmates serving life sentences without parole, and life sentences with parole possible after 15 years. In Michigan, 72 percent are violent offenders.

Most states have a federal prison, and Michigan has one in Milan, near the Ohio border, south of Detroit. There are 1,517 federal prisoners lodged there as of Oct 17. The total federal prison population is 219,017.

Administrator James Dunn said Milan is a low security level prison, with 20 years or less on their sentence.

Whether someone ends up at the federal prison in Milan or one the 31 state prisons depends on who arrested the individual, and which court processed them.

Marlan said that if someone is arrested by the FBI, DEA or U.S. Marshal, they will be tried in federal court and if convicted, be sent to a federal prison. If arrested by state or local police or a sheriff’s department, the individual would go to criminal circuit court and sent to a Michigan correctional facility if convicted.
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Fenton’s league title shared; LF’s hopes for one lost

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Lapeer — Fenton hoped to be an outright Metro League champion and hoped to finish the regular season 9-0.

The Tigers will have to settle for a co-league crown and an 8-1 overall record entering the playoffs next week.

Fenton’s Scott Lukas caught his second touchdown pass of the game from two yards out with 43.1 seconds left in the third quarter, but the West’s Noah Raymond blocked Evan Comick’s extra-point, allowing the Panthers to maintain a 14-13 lead.

The Tigers had three more offensive possessions remaining in the contest, but were unable to set up a game-winning field goal or TD resulting in West collecting a 14-13 victory and earning a co-title with the Tigers.

Lappear West scored twice in the second quarter to take the lead for good. The first came on a Tyler Wills eight-yard TD run with 7:25 left in the half. The second came on a 39-yard TD reception by Tim Brown from Hunter Sharrard with 2:01 left in the half. Jevon VanWagoner made both of his extra points, giving the Panthers a 14-7 halftime lead.

The Tigers had their first two offensive possessions of the second half end on West’s side of the field, but they were able to score on their third one on a nine-play 57-yard drive, capped by Chaborn’s two-yard completion in the back corner of the end zone with 43.1 seconds to play. However, the blocked kick kept West up 14-13. Fenton’s defense held the rest of the way, but the Tigers’ offense was forced to punt on consecutively possessions in the fourth quarter. Their last chance to score started at the ‘Tigers’ 20 with 2:34 left. Twelve plays later Fenton had a fourth-and-16 at the West 40, but a fade pass to Lukas was incomplete.

The Tigers had the early lead. West differentiated late in the second quarter, helping lead the Eagles to a 30-29 lead.

Creek’s Brendon Pitch tossed a 35-yard TD pass to Jacob Little, putting the Dragons up 37-30 after a two-point conversion, but Linden’s Gage Smith scored on a four-yard run late with Cook’s PAT tying it up at 37-37. Not long after that Cook put the Eagles in the playoff’s with his second field goal of the game. He also kicked missed a 22-yard field goal on its first possession, and Fenton followed with its only TD drive of the first half. It was an eight-play 80-yard drive, completed by a 23-yard TD pass from Chaborn to Lukas. The Tigers led 7-0 with 4:53 left in the first quarter.

For more on the game go to www.tctimes.com.

Montrose crushes Blue Devils, 37-0

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Montrose — Both Lake Fenton and Montrose knew they would be playing football next week. This game wasn’t about playoff eligibility. This game was about a championship.

But the Blue Devils, they were unable to dethrone Montrose from the top of the Genesee Area Conference Red Division, falling 37-0.

“We didn’t play with any fire,” Lake Fenton coach Eric Doyle said. “We didn’t respond very early. They moved us around.”

When Montrose was on offense, Lake Fenton couldn’t stop the Rams. On the first drive, the Rams sliced and diced through the Blue Devil defense on the ground with a combination of their bulky senior running back Tyler Doyle and swift senior quarterback Riley Warren. It was Warren who found the end zone first, running in from three yards out.

When the Rams got the ball back, thanks to their stout defense stopping Lake Fenton on fourth down, senior receiver Malik Taylor took the ball on an end-around to scamper 51 yards for a touchdown.

In the second quarter, Warren once again found the end zone from three yards out, putting Montrose up 21-0 at halftime.

After the break, Lake Fenton’s defense held Montrose to no points in the third quarter.

The fight continued late into the third, when quarterback Pete Plasters found Neil Allor in the corner of the end zone. However, the referee ruled he was out of bounds.

When the fourth quarter rolled around, Montrose could taste the title. Taylor had more touch-down runs from 22 and four yards out, and Montrose got a safety when they tackled a Lake Fenton player in the end zone after a bad snap to the punter.

For more details about the game go to www.tctimes.com.
Eagles earn spot in regional final with 2-0 win vs. Petoskey

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Midland — Ben Thornton and Zach Bakos had a plan during halftime of the Linden varsity boys soccer team’s regional semifinal contest against Petoskey. The plan worked to perfection. Thornton took the opening kick to start the second half, sent it to Bakos, who then dribbled into the Northmen’s defensive zone until he nailed a shot into the left low corner of the net, putting the Eagles up 2-0.

Given that insurance goal, the second-ranked Eagles had all the offense they needed, earning a 2-0 victory at Midland High School during Tuesday’s D2 regional semifinal contest. The victory has earned the Eagles a spot in the regional championship game to be played Saturday at Fenton High School at 5 p.m.

“I told him and I feel if they give us the space, I have the ability to do it,” Bakos said about the second-half goal which came just eight seconds into the period. “I had the momentum carrying through and it happened to work out like we tried.”

“Zach and I talked about that at halftime,” Thornton said. “If they gave him room, I was going to play the ball through to him. It happened to work out. I’m confident in his abilities.”

Already dominating the game leading just 1-0, the second goal was pretty much all Linden needed to ice the regional semifinal victory. Linden’s midfield controlled possession for most of the game. And when the Northmen did get into the Linden defensive zone, it rarely turned into a shot, as Linden’s defensive group of Thornton, A.J. Brasseur, Kyle Frederick and Cole Birchmeier limited Petoskey to just one second-half shot. That attempt didn’t even get on net to challenge Linden keeper Collin Hoeberling. Hoeberling had to make just two first-half saves to earn the shutout victory. It seemed the way Petoskey could get any dangerous balls into the Linden box was through the occasional throw-in the Northmen had deep in Linden’s defensive end. Petoskey’s Connor Ingleston had a strong throw in that would occasionally get near the pipes, but never resulted in a shot on net.

“That’s about all they could get today,” Thornton said about the throw-ins. “The defense was strong today. We work great together, talk together a lot. Later in the second half, we went to a four-back and that worked good. They started shutting down and we kept going at them.”

“The defense was tremendous today,” Bakos said. “We knew we had to contend and contest every throw-in today, and we did a good job with it.”

Linden always controlled the game, but it took the Eagles awhile to get the ice-breaking goal. They had several outstanding chances to do it. Quite frequently those chances came through some sort of combination between Kevin Wright and Bakos. In fact, at one moment, a pass from Wright to Bakos for what looked to be a volley goal by Bakos was called offside.

Linden celebrates Zach Bakos’ goal just eight seconds into the second half. The Eagles defeated Petoskey 2-0 in the regional semifinals on Tuesday.

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Linden facing East Lansing in title game Saturday at Fenton

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The modern era of scouting can be a pretty good thing.

Linden varsity boys soccer coach Kevin Fiebernitz is learning that first hand this week.

When the Linden Eagles (24-1) play East Lansing in the D2 regional championship game Saturday (Oct. 26) at Fenton High School at 5 p.m., he’ll be seeing a squad Fiebernitz hasn’t seen all year. Yet, through the magic of the internet, there’s a good chance Fiebernitz will be able to see a handful of East Lansing’s contests before Saturday’s contest.

“I know they have a few games on the MHSAA TV so I’m going to try to watch some games tonight,” Fiebernitz said. “I’m going to try to watch three games, one at the beginning of the year, one in the middle and one at the end and compare how much they’ve improved and that type of stuff.”

One thing Fiebernitz knows about the East Lansing is that they are going to be talented. The Trojans are 22-2 overall and ranked fourth in the state. Since the start of the state tourney series, East Lansing has outscored their four opponents 16-1, earning three shutouts. They’ve won all four games by at least three goals, including a 4-0 victory in the regional semifinals against Lapeer East on Tuesday.

“I know they are a very good team,” Fiebernitz said. “I watched them play last year. They were very disciplined, athletic and skillful. I don’t know what they return, but they have a good team coming back and have been ranked in the top 10 all year.”
Fenton volleyball sets up Metro title match vs. West

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The only thing keeping the Fenton varsity volleyball team from its sixth straight Metro League title is next Tuesday’s road contest with Lapeer West.

But it’s not going to come easy. West is also undefeated in league play.

The Tigers set up their portion of the Fenton at West matchup for a championship by defeating Swartz Creek 25-12, 25-14, 25-13 on Tuesday.

The Tigers (7-0, 30-14-3) dominated the match. In the opening set, a kill by Bobbie Eastman gave the Tigers a 2-0 lead and began a run of five straight points, raising Fenton’s lead to 6-1. After the Tigers had lead, the closest Swartz Creek came was 6-4, but the Tigers began another string of four points, taking a 12-4 lead and pretty effectively ending the competitive phase of the first set.

In the second set, Fenton rattled off the first six points during Amanda Carly’s service. During that run, Eastman had two solo block kills and a hitting kill, propelling the Tigers to a 6-0 lead. Fenton cruised to the easy second set victory after that.

In the third set the Tigers had another 6-0 start, this time during Ashley Bearden’s service. The Dragons never really got back into the set again.

The Tigers had a strong day offensively, with Carly Granger leading the team with 12 kills. Eastman had 10 kills, while Bearden had six kills, 29 assists and a team-high seven digs. Morgan Garville also had four kills.

Tuesday’s game at Lapeer West starts at approximately 7 p.m.

Finally injury-free, Fiebennitz is flourishing at MSU

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Mary-Kathryn Fiebennitz wasn’t about to miss any more action on the Michigan State women’s soccer team.

After all, the 2010 Linden graduate had already missed her fair share of time on the pitch due to injuries.

During her senior season at Linden, she was forced to redshirt most of that season due to the same ankle injury suffered during the regional tourney.

So when she had to get surgery on her back after the MSU season this year, she didn’t let it phase her.

“It was a minor procedure,” Fiebennitz said. “I was in and back out in four days.

“I had back issues and it got worse during the Nebraska game. I felt I couldn’t move because it was affecting my entire lower body. I had to remove myself from the game because I felt like I couldn’t move. So when we got back, I had surgery and played again against Minnesota (eight days after the Nebraska contest).”

Stories like that shows Fiebernitz’s commitment to the Michigan State women’s soccer team and also symbolize the toughness she displayed while playing at Linden High School.

In short, it’s that type of dogged determination that has made Fiebernitz, perhaps, the Spartans’ most important field player in only her redshirt sophomore season at Michigan State. Fiebernitz is enjoying her time with the squad. And because she’s close to 100 percent healthy, she has a true sense of belonging with the team.

“I do feel like I belong more,” Fiebernitz said. “I have more confidence, and that can carry you a long way when you are an athlete.”

And she did. The next header goal came in Big Ten action against the Minnesota, the contest after her surgery. It came on another corner, helping lead the Spartans to a 3-0 victory. The third header goal came in a 2-1 loss against Michigan.

“The Michigan goal was kind of the same idea (of the Oakland goal),” Fiebernitz said. “The Michigan goal was a little more special to me because who doesn’t like to score against a rival, and put yourself back in the game. It was a pretty special to me.”

However, Fiebernitz is scoring with more than her head. She’s also become the team’s PK taker, a kind of rare role for a defender. She has made all three of her penalty kick attempts.

“Anyone on the team is pretty capable of putting the ball in the back of the net,” Fiebernitz said.

“Both for me to be on the top three list (of potential PK tackers) is a pretty special feeling. PKs are all about confidence.”

The Spartans are nearing the final stretch of their season, hoping to get in the top eight of the Big Ten standings. At 2-6 in conference action (8-6-2 overall), the Spartans probably have to win out to make that a possibility. But regardless what happens, Fiebernitz has two more seasons to make a Big Ten title a reality.

“Winning a Big Ten championship would be on the top of my list,” Fiebernitz said about her collegiate goals. “That’s definitely number one, and number two has nothing to do with soccer. It has to do with building relationships. I want to build the relationships we have now to continue when we are off the field and after graduation.”

LINDEN

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There is some talent returning. Forward Ben Ralph-Swanson scored two goals in the victory against East and is a returning First-Team All-State performer. Midfielder Tommy Lammers also has some postseason honor pedigree. Another player to watch out for is DeJuan Jones. He has had a knack to score in recent weeks.

While Lansing Eastern’s offense should be a challenge, most teams have found competing against Linden’s defense quite a challenge as well. The Eagles have outscored their foes 11-1 since the state tourney began and have shut out each of their last three foes. The Eagles have had to make some changes from their usual three-back defense during the postseason due to weather, playing four-back on defense in shutout victories against Brandon and Fenton, but returned to the three-back system in the first half against Petoskey in Tuesday’s regional semifinal. It worked well as Linden allowed just three shots all game long in a 2-0 victory.

“Whatever adjustments we make, we’ll make them during the game,” Fiebernitz said.

“The two previous games we went to a 4-4-2 and we didn’t do a 4-4-2 most of the season. We changed because of wetness and wanted to make sure we get some bodies behind the ball. Last night we thought Petoskey was going to be good, but I’m a firm believer in doing what you do best. And I think we played the 3-5-2 well… We’ll start out that way and see what they do.”
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Township hall to receive $2,980 makeover

Budgeted maintenance funds used to spruce up Argentine Township hall

By Sharon Stone
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The Argentine Township hall is receiving some much-needed updating and maintenance work. Using funds budgeted for maintenance, the township will spend $2,980 on painting, services of a professional interior decorator, 50 new commercial type chairs, new drapes, a new clock and artwork. The 50 old meeting room chairs with mauve colored upholstery could likely sell for $500.

Clerk Denise Graves said the board had been wanting to update the meeting room, which was last updated in 1987. Board members agreed to allow Trustee Teresa Ciesielski to go ahead with the updating, but asked that the costs be broken down on the bid.

Graves said the township has received bids for painting the foyer, kitchen, restrooms, the hallway and kitchen and the acceptance of these bids will be the November meeting agenda.

The outside of the township hall has been painted, and a new bench, landscaping, and brick have been added to the front. “The brick on the front looks great and was done for the cost of the materials, under $500. The labor was donated,” said Graves.

To Graves’ understanding, the original township hall burned down in the early 1900s. The current township hall was built in 1920 and the first minutes indicate it was used for the first time in 1921 or 1922. The office, foyer and restrooms area were added in 1987.

The hall belongs to all of the Argentine Township residents and Graves said many residents have commented that they appreciate the updates, “We did not spend hardly any money the last several years when times were tight,” said Graves. “The building needed to be painted and updated.”

BROTHERS

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Aluminum boat into Tupper and Ponemah lakes to fish and hunt.

Oct. 10 will be a day that he will never forget. After he had just hauled his duck blind out to Lake Ponemah for the evening of hunting on Saturday, Oct. 12, the outboard motor on his small boat gave him some trouble as he was heading back across Tupper toward home.

Without warning, the tiller broke causing the boat to jerk hard to the side. This caused Kingston to flip backward right out of the boat. The waders he was wearing began taking in cold water.

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Summary

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FLUSHING MAN GETS MIP IN LINDEN

At 12:50 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 20, Linden police responded to the 600 block of Aldrich Street on a report of a party. Upon arrival, Linden police saw a white male identified as a 20-year-old Flushing resident, staggering down the street. After speaking with the man, police suspected he had been drinking. A PBT revealed he had a blood alcohol content of .097 percent. He was arrested for minor in possession and transport of alcohol. Police did not find any other alcohol at the party.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN LINDEN

On Oct. 12, a 34-year-old Linden woman went to the Linden police station to file a domestic violence complaint against her estranged husband. She said her 40-year-old husband called her and asked that she come to their home. The couple got into an argument, according to Police Chief Scott Sutter. The woman reported that her husband grabbed her, choked her, threw her down on the ground and bit her nose. She fled the house and went to the police station. The husband had left the house prior to police arrival and a warrant for his arrest was issued. Police learned that her husband also had an outstanding arrest warrant for child support. The case is pending.

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FORMAL DEDICATION SET FOR ORGAN PIPE ORGAN
A 33 rank pipe organ that was installed at Fenton United Methodist Church (FUMC) in October 2012 will be formally dedicated to the service of God in the musical life and experience of the congregation and people of this community on Sunday, Oct. 27 at 3 p.m. Dr. Alan Weaver, organist at Court Street United Methodist Church in Flint will be the featured organist. A brass quartet and choir will assist with the FUMC’s organist, Gary Horton, playing the hymn and anthem accompaniments. Everyone is welcome to attend this special service on Oct. 27. Refreshments will follow. Fenton United Methodist Church is located at 119 South LeRoy St. in Fenton.

HOLLY'S POLICE CHIEF GRADUATES FROM LEADERSHIP COURSE
Holly Police Chief Mike Story recently graduated from the School of Police and Staff Command at Eastern Michigan University. Story was among 31 police officers from across the state of Michigan to complete the nine-month course, which consisted of 350 hours of intense management, leadership and personal development training. Story’s wife Carol, Village President Ryan Bladzik and Village Manager Jerry Walker attended the graduation ceremony. “Chief Story is a proven leader, and I am confident that he will put this training to good use as he helps move the department and the village of Holly forward.” Walker said.

HOLLY HOLIDAY ART AND CRAFT SHOW
The 36th annual Holly Holiday Art and Craft Show heralds the beginning of the holiday shopping season in northwest Oakland County. The event is Saturday, Nov. 2, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Holly High School, 6161 East Holly Rd., in Holly. There will be a wide selection of handmade gifts from several Michigan artists and craftspeople, from items in wood, fiber, glass, outdoor décor to food made locally. This is the major fundraiser for Holly Historical Society’s Hadley House Museum and Holly High School’s Senior Project Graduation. Karl Wolf of Holly is one of the featured jewelry artists and one of the more than 120 booths at the show. Her unique and individual designs are called “Steampunk” which she said, “reminds me of something antique, but also futuristic in feeling that originated back in the 1800s. It is industrial and creative looking, with my addition of glam to it.”

FREE LADIES NIGHT OUT EVENT
Ladies, the holidays are fast approaching. Begin the season with a free Ladies Night Out event, at Heavenly Scent Herb Farm, 13730 White Lake Rd., Fenton on Friday, Nov. 8, from 6 to 9 p.m. Rejuvenate your inner spirit, as you are pampered with luxurious scents, sounds, sweets, and shopping. Enjoy complimentary refreshments. Treat your hands to a relaxing hand wax and massage by Vivian and Gate from OC & Company, free of charge. Draw for a percentage off your purchases. The first 25 ladies will receive a pair of holiday earrings created by Wendy Norton. This year, the event is partnering with LACASA, an organization that addresses issues and provides services for victims of child abuse, domestic violence, and sexual assault. Please help fill the largest trunk of items to donate to LACASA, this holiday season. You can help by bringing a personal care item such as shampoo, toothpaste, etc. For more information, contact Kathy Mathews, (810) 629-9208 or go to www.heavenlyscentherbfarm.com.

FENTON LIONS CLUB LOOKING FOR MEMBERS
The Fenton Lions Club is celebrating National Membership Month during October. They are always looking for new members to help serve this community. Some of their projects include Leader Dogs for the Blind, Special Needs Vision Clinic, Eyeglasses Recycling, Bear Lake Camp, Fenton Fireworks on the Fourth of July, Diabetes, and many other worthy causes. If you feel you would like to come to a meeting to see what they are all about, please contact Diane Windзор at (810) 354-5610. Their website is https://sites.google.com/site/fentontions/. Also find them on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/fenton.lions.

CULVERT REPLACEMENT ON THOMPSON ROAD IN FENTON TOWNSHIP BEGINS TUESDAY
The Genesee County Road Commission will be replacing Thompson Road culvert over Indian Creek between Linden and Jennings roads in Fenton Township starting Tuesday morning, Oct. 29. Traffic will be detoured via Lahring and Jennings roads. The anticipated completion date is Friday, Nov. 22. Motorists are advised to allow themselves additional time to reach their destinations.

STATE REP. ANNOUNCES LOCAL OFFICE HOURS
State Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Township) announced he will host November office hours with residents of the 51st House District. Graves said all residents are welcome, but he is asking veterans who may have questions or concerns about state government or about their veteran benefits to make an extra effort to attend. “As a veteran, I know the challenges faced by those who served in uniform when it comes to unique medical issues or problems obtaining benefits,” said Graves, who served in the U.S. Army. Graves will be available to meet with citizens on the following dates: Monday, Nov. 4 at noon at Bottom’s Up Coffee & Spirits, 14007 Dixie Highway in Holly; and Monday, Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. at the Flushing Township Hall, 6524 N. Seymour Road in Flushing. No appointments are necessary for office hours. Residents who are unable to meet can contact Graves by calling toll-free (866) 989-5151 or via email at JosephGraves@house.mi.gov to schedule an appointment.

LINDEN LIONS CLUB RAFFLE WINNER ANNOUNCED
The Linden Lions Club has announced that Greg Paul (pictured above) of Linden is the winner of the shed, which the Lions Club raffled. The drawing was held on Friday, Oct. 18, James Thibodeau of the Lions Club said the Lions Club would like to thank the community for supporting the organization and club members are looking for the community’s support next year. Proceeds from the raffle go back to local programs and to the National Lions Club.

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Yesterday’s Treasures strives to offer a new experience each visit

By Tim Jagielo

Fenton — Stacy Mielcarek doesn’t “pick” though estates, garages or yard sales to fill Yesterday’s Treasures, their family antique business. “I buy the whole estate,” she said.

The tri-county area is not short on antique stores — they’re represented in Fenton, Linden and Holly, and according to Mielcarek, they’re not in competition.

She even has a hand-drawn, photo-copied map she made of the other Fenton consignment shops to effectively send customers on a shop tour if they can’t find what they want at her shop. She’ll send people out to Holly, and they’ll send customers to her.

“This is a great town, people are so nice, people wave, people say ‘hello,’” she said.

The process tends to start with an estate sale, at which Mielcarek will offer a flat amount for an entire estate, or for several antiques at once. She compares the fun factor of buying and preparing antiques to watching grass grow.

The difficult part is sometimes buying from someone with an attachment to a particular item. She understands that, but “you can’t make money off sentiment,” she said, adding that she’ll suggest family hold onto items if they hold special meaning.

She has learned to be able to price items through her years of experience. Though she has “$1,000” pricing guides, eBay tends to offer real world prices.

While Mielcarek handles web sales, displays and sales, she said her mother Susan Olson, has the tougher job getting items ready for sale.

Yesterday’s Treasures specializes in antique costume jewelry and chandeliers, and to be clear, they do very little consignment — Mielcarek said everything under the roof of the store is owned by her mother, including the building. She also said there is four-times the jewelry all sorted by color at home, waiting for space to clear on her shelves and drawers.

Prior to 1998, the building housed a lampshade store, coin collector and attorney. Most items in the shop can be worn, or used for eating. Believe it or not, antique stores are entering “chandelier season,” where they sell electric chandeliers as the days grow shorter.

There are around 20 in the shop for varying prices, but of the two in the shop window, one was $595, and other more than $1,100. Before you cringe, consider that nothing enters the store dirty — every tiny piece of every chandelier must be cleaned by hand, often re-wired, and sometimes modified to be complete, in the chandelier “chop shop.”

She said many sell before spending a day at the shop.

Most sales are still right in the store, though they’ve always done online sales. EBay has given way to Pinterest and Facebook. An online marketplace has dropped prices somewhat, as customers can pretty much get antiques

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“My car. It’s a Chevy Impala and is 12 years old.”
— Betty Quick
Linden

“A Lions jersey. It is 50 years old and was for a player that got injured and left the league.”
— John Fatters
Fenton

“Old crystal and china. My mother had them and they are mine now so they are over 100 years old.”
— Winnie Skinner, Linden

“A cross. We are Catholic and back in the day the priest gave the cross to my mother when my grandfa-
ther died in 1948.”
— Phylis Benson, Flint

“A 166-year-old clock. I got it from my father who got it from his fa-
ther from the Civil War.”
— John Squires
Fenton

“An 1895 Indian Head nickel. I received it from my grandfather.”
— Chris Hansard
Fenton

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from anywhere, making them immune to regional shortages of any one item. This is in line with her sales philoso-
phy anyways — to sell more items for a little less money. Her goal is that regular customers are treated to seeing new items whenever they enter the store.

On Wednesday, Domini Zatroch of Hartland stopped in to buy a couple lamps in cash. One had been sitting on the counter, momentarily displayed, and Mielcarek let her try a couple differ-
ent glass shades.

A man came in to ask about any WWII memorabilia, of which they have one item — a helmet.

Though the wooden floors creak, and everything is old in the store, save for their digital security cameras and computer, the atmosphere is not stuffy, especially when Mielcarek can chat with customers, with her brand of unfiltered humor.

Though Mielcarek enjoys the work, her eyes light up when talking about her favorite part of the business — help-
ing teens outfit their gowns for school dances. “I think one of the best parts about my job is the kids,” she said. “It’s so much fun.” She also enjoys seeing these same kids all grown up, stopping in later on.

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WHO NEEDS A PRENUPTIAL AGREEMENT?

The following is a very brief summary of prenuptial agreements and what is and is not covered.

• Prenuptial agreements are contracts parties sign to divide property and control certain debts before marriage.
• Unlike wills, prenups are effective the moment they are written, no matter what a client’s relationship status is.
• Prenups do not protect property when a couple is living together; the marriage is the legal document that controls property rights.
• Prenups are best used by wealthy, high-net-worth individuals with substantial assets.
Which celebs are giving back the most? You might be surprised.

Who’s the most giving celebrity? Based on a report from Forbes, here are some of the most generous celebrities from last year.

Source: purpleclover.com

Ndamukong Suh
$2,600,000
The Detroit Lions football player handed out two million big ones to the Nebraska University athletic department, as well as an addition $600,000 to the University of Nebraska–Lincoln College of Engineering to create a scholarship (the largest single gift they’ve ever received from a former player).

Matthew McConaughey
$1,537,292
The actor gave the majority of his donations to the Just Keep Livin’ Foundation, which he established to provide grants to various school communities in California and Texas.

Nora Roberts
$3,000,000
The famous romance novelist wrote the giant check to her Nora Roberts Foundation, which supports literacy, children’s programs and humanitarian efforts.

Barbra Streisand
$1,555,500
The actress and singer is an active supporter of her Barbra Streisand Foundation, which distributes grants to various entities, including her Women’s Cardiovascular Research and Education Program and the Natural Resources Defense Council.

George Lucas
$4,250,000
The “Star Wars” creator gave this portion of his fortune to the Lucas Film Foundation, whose goals include inspiring and empowering young people to live their dreams and become compassionate leaders.

Jerry Seinfeld — $1,766,000
The comic gave almost $2 million to his Seinfeld Family Foundation, which supports education, Jewish organizations, children’s services and health associations, as well as funding for the arts.

Sam Simon — $1,800,000
The “Simpsons” co-creator supports the Sam Simon Foundation in his effort to “save the lives of dogs to enrich the lives of people.”

Mel Gibson — $6,853,020
Mad Max handed over this healthy chunk of money to an organization he started himself — the A.P. Reilly Foundation.

Lisa Marie Presley
$3,000,000
The singer gave this amount to the Lisa Marie Foundation, which funds educational and mental health programs for children in need.

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The “Star Wars” creator also provided this donation to the Business and Technology School, which is dedicated to providing students with the skills they need to succeed in the 21st century.

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Parents need to wake up, give son a timetable

DEAR AMY: Our child, a 26-year-old son, lives at home. He works part time and can afford gas, car insurance and outings with his friends. We pay for all of his living expenses. He sleeps until 11 a.m. when I knock on his door to wake him. He is pleasant but will only do chores he likes. If he got a full-time job would he feel easier about his ability to exist without us taking care of him. He tries to walk away when we discuss anything serious. He says he can’t deal with it, and the subject depresses him. Can you add your voice to ours? — Uptset Mom

DEAR OLD-FASHIONED: I wish I’d come up with that Vegas slogan. It has become the official catchphrase for subterfuge. I assure you, as the only person capable of being the hypothetical “sister” in your control group, I would want to know about this. Punting aside the (significant) risk of contracting an STD (which is reason enough to tell), I believe that sibling-code trumps your new morality? They all said I’m out of touch with that Vegas stays in Vegas.’ Really? This is the new morality? They all said I’m out of touch when we got back home? I was the only one who said I would tell my sister what her fiancé was capable of doing behind her back. The other three said that ‘what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas.’ Really? This is the new morality? They all said I’m out of touch when we discuss anything serious. He depresses him. Can you add your voice to ours? — Upset Mom

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: The skin where my big toe joins my foot turned red and felt hot. It was painful. I decided it must be gout. To play it safe, I saw our doctor, who agreed with my diagnosis but insisted on some lab tests and withdrawing fluid from the joint. The tests came back positive for gout. He put me on indomethacin, and the pain stopped almost overnight. I’d like to know more about gout. Will you supply some information? My wife thinks I need a special diet. Do I? — R.B.

ANSWER: Gout is an overproduction of uric acid due to the daily breakdown of cells that release DNA and RNA, the molecules of life. DNA and RNA are further degraded into uric acid. As blood levels of it rise, it diffuses into and around joints. Uric acid crystals are shaped like needles. Crystals in and near joints kick off the pain of gout. The skin over the joint turns red and becomes warm. Although the big-toe joint often feels worn out, a second attack occurs in about 11 months. Treatment aims at quickly remedying the pain and more slowly reducing the risk of recurrence. If nothing is done to lower blood uric acid, a second attack occurs in about 11 months. Treatment aims at quickly remedying the pain and more slowly reducing uric acid. Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs like your indomethacin (Indocin) are effective at abolishing pain and inflammation. If they don’t get the job done, prednisone (a cortisone drug) nips gout in the bud quickly. When colchicine was readily available in the United States, it was a reliable anti-gout medicine. For the long term, once the acute attack has cooled, then drugs that rid the body of uric acid are begun. Allopurinol (Zyloprim) and probenecid are popular choices. Newer drugs like Uloric and Krystexxa are held in reserve if the standard treatments fail. The gout diet is simple, not like it was in the days before effective medicines came on the scene. Cut back on your intake of red meat, seafood and fish. Poultry is fine. Reduce the consumption of fructose corn syrup, a sweetener found in many soft drinks. Go very easy on beer. You are better off eliminating it. Distilled liquor is less likely to induce a gout attack, but it may. Wine in moderation causes little trouble.

DEAR AMY: I’m a male senior citizen. Recently a hypothetical question was raised among three family members, from their mid-20s to my age: If we went to Las Vegas with our sister’s fiancé and this fiancé had sex with strange women, would we tell our sister when we got back home? I was the only one who said I would tell my sister what her fiancé was capable of doing behind her back. The other three said that ‘what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas.’ Really? This is the new morality? They all said I’m out of touch with strange women, would we tell our sister when we got back home? I was the only one who said I would tell my sister what her fiancé was capable of doing behind her back. The other three said that ‘what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas.’ Really? This is the new morality? They all said I’m out of touch when we got back home? I was the only one who said I would tell my sister what her fiancé was capable of doing behind her back. The other three said that ‘what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas.’ Really? This is the new morality? They all said I’m out of touch when we got back home? I was the only one who said I would tell my sister what her fiancé was capable of doing behind her back. The other three said that ‘what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas.’ Really? This is the new morality? They all said I’m out of touch when we got back home? I was the only one who said I would tell my sister what her fiancé was capable of doing behind her back. The other three said that ‘what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas.’ Really? This is the new morality? They all said I’m out of touch when we got back home? I was the only one who said I would tell my sister what her fiancé was capable of doing behind her back. The other three said that ‘what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas.’ Really? This is the new morality? They all said I’m out of touch

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Recipe from azeystyle.com

INGREDIENTS

- 14 manicotti shells
- 1 lb. part skim ricotta cheese
- 1 cup mozzarella cheese, shredded
- 8 oz. crab meat, lumps
- 1/4 t. salt
- 1/8 t. pepper
- 3 T. parsley, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup panko crumbs
- 2-3 cups tomato sauce
- 1 T. Parmesan cheese

DIRECTIONS

1. In large pot add water and salt and bring to a boil. Add the noodles and cook for 8-10 minutes (noodles need to be tender).
2. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Remove the pan and drain the noodles and run cold water over noodles so that they are easy to handle.
3. In large bowl combine ricotta, mozzarella, crab, salt, pepper, parsley and panko crumbs. Stir the mixture so that everything is well blended.
4. Grab one manicotti noodle at a time and start stuffing the mixture down the side. Pack the noodle pretty good and you can even have some of the stuffing coming out.
5. In a casserole dish pour some of the tomato sauce on the bottom so that’s is well covered. Lay the noodles down and top with the remaining tomato sauce all over the noodles.
6. Add more sauce if the noodles are not well covered. The manicotti may tend to dry out if it’s not covered in the sauce.
7. Cook for 30 minutes and in the last 10 minutes remove and top with the Parmesan cheese.
Meet Mike Burns

• Assistant city manager
• Detroit Tigers fan
• High school sports official

By Sally Rummel
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Mike Burns, 35, has been assistant city manager of Fenton for the past five years. A resident of Sterling Heights, he commutes to Fenton daily, as he has been unable to sell his home there. He reports directly to City Manager Lynn Baskette.

What is a typical day like for you? The first thing I do is go through my emails and messages, then rush to put out whatever the ‘fire of the day’ is. Most likely, that will have to do with one or more of the downtown development projects that are going on right now, either the Fenton Fire Hall, Cornerstone development, streetscape, library upgrades, Fenton Community & Cultural Center renovations, etc. I also help take the administrative load off the city manager’s desk. Whatever he needs to have done, I do.

What other hats do you wear as assistant city manager? I’m also the Economic Development director, the executive director of the Downtown Development Authority, which includes the Local Development Finance Authority.

There are so many Fenton projects going on right now. What excites you the most? Certainly, the most challenging project has been the Cornerstone development. I’ve been involved in it since the beginning. Understanding the history of the town has made it the most interesting project to-date. The most exciting project, however, is the Fenton Fire Hall, with all of its twists and turns. Within one hour of ending the agreement we had with the Michigan Brewing Company, we got a call from the Clarkston Union owners and had to totally change our focus. How it has all transpired to what it will be in about a month when it opens has been really exciting.

What has been the happiest day of your professional life in Fenton? No doubt, it was July 8 of this year. That was the day we tore down the Republic Bank building and did the groundbreaking for Cornerstone.

What do you like to do in your spare time? I enjoy officiating high school football, basketball and lacrosse.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? As a city manager in a community similar to Fenton in size and demographics.

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Two men and their military manuals
I was 20-something when I found myself seated beside a weapons expert on a plane — he appeared to be 40ish. We were both flying to the Moline-Rock Island, Illinois area: he to do business with an arms supplier and I to preach 16 sermons in a two-week evangelistic conference at a country church, a common feat then but one that is almost unknown in this period of vanishing Sunday night and mid-week services.

After getting acquainted, this authority on weaponry asked if I would like to see his military weapons manual and upon my answer of interest, he produced a large catalogue of war equipment. The Korean conflict was just behind us and his knowledge of arms so captivating that I listened intently as my adjoining-seat teacher took me on a fascinating photo journey of war lore. Then I asked if he’d ever seen a minister’s manual.

‘No,’ he replied, apparently surprised that one existed.

‘Here it is!’ I said, showing him my Bible and sharing a few verses from it.

Explaining then my mission for the next few weeks, I opened my briefcase and produced the 16 sermon outlines I intended to use during the upcoming meetings.

Now it was my fellow flyer’s turn to be fascinated, being especially impressed with the amount of work these outlines and their coming use represented. Sensing his surprise and immediate interest, I seized the moment and explained the content of the sermons for the remainder of our flight, seeing him as the first attendee of the evangelistic conference, which, in my mind, had already begun.

What could an authority on war have in common with a minister? Actually, I learned, a great deal.

We both carried manuals intended to bring victory in battle and produce peace.

Some think beginning a life of faith ends all spiritual conflict, but often the opposite is true. What then are the benefits of believing? People of faith have the believer’s military manual that enables them to win over faith’s foes. ‘Put on the whole armor of God,’ wrote Paul, describing then the importance of growing faith, consistent living, prayer and sharing the good news of God’s love (Ephesians 6:10-18).

Peace flows from knowing the manual and grows through church attendance.

What church do you attend? I asked some people we met at a park on the shore of Lake Michigan. ‘We don’t!’ said one, adding: ‘This is my church!’ And red flags began waving in my mind. Nature’s beauty can be inspiring, but worshipping creation rather than the Creator is sure to bring defeat when in the heat of life’s battles.

Embarking from the plane, the military man and I went our separate ways. I’ve wondered about his life after our meeting. Perhaps he’d helped keep peace and protect us all. His expertise may have brought freedom to some in political bondage.

I’ve written many sermon outlines over the years. Over eight hundred of them are included in the eight volumes of my ‘Preach for a Year’ books, hopefully helping pastors build faith and bring peace to the hearts of the members of their congregations.

A minister and an arms expert working for similar goals? How strange is that?

Maybe not so strange after all.

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Obituaries, Funeral Services and Memorials


Angela Grant, Angela Grant - age 48, died October 21, 2013. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.


Garna “Nell” Zawacki - passed away on October 20, 2013. Services entrusted to Desnoyer Funeral Home, 204 N. Blackstone, Jackson. The family will receive friends at the Desnoyer Funeral Home on Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 PM with a Rosary Service at 6 PM. To send condolences to the family, go online to www.desnoyerfuneralhome.com.

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Silver Lake Waterfront & Pond  
Million Dollar View!

A FLINT AREA COMPANY is looking for a full time 2nd shift person who has a journeyman’s card or 6 years mechanical experience. The candidate must have skills for trouble shooting or assisting in line change-overs. Please send your resume to Tri-County Times, P.O. Box 1125-PPJM, Fenton, MI 48430.

PART-TIME Dental Hygienist needed. Resume to maadental@comcast.net.

HOME AND PARK RV seeking a part-time store clerk/sales attendant. No experience necessary, must have good people skills, will train. Call to apply.

MECHANIC NEEDED for busy Linden repair shop. Hard working salary position available. Technically licensed, customer service skills a must. Call Tri-County Times, P.O. Box 1125-PPJM, Fenton, MI 48430.

A LIFETIME Opportunity. We are looking for an individual who is interested in a “pre-planning” career. Please call 810-699-3100.

FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT. An intermediate size packaging company in Mundy Township is in search of a full time Quality Assurance Lead Analyst. The position will supervise all analytical technologies and systems with the plant laboratory. A candidate must have good communication and computer skills with a BS degree; a background in chemistry is preferable. Please send your resume to: Tri-County Times, P.O. Box 1125-PPJM, Fenton, MI 48430.


TREASURY ASSISTANT- Detroit Annual Conference of United Methodist Church seeks a candidate with a minimum associate degree in accounting or finance, plus 3-5 years hands on GL accounting; administrative management skill; knowledge of financial software and excel spreadsheets, databases, word processing, communication processes; and good interpersonal skills. For full posting information and to apply, go to www.detroitconference.org/treasuryassistant. Job application deadline is October 31st.

DRIVERS: REGIONAL, CDL-A, OTR, 500 MILES. Multiple Opportunities. Experienced preferred. Expected base pay: $600.00-$610.00. Call 810-262-1434 or 810-695-4111 EXT 144.

Elder Care - I can transport you to your appointments. I will help with meal preparation, medication distribution, safety and light housekeeping. I am experienced. CPR certified, with local references. Reasonable rates, and flexible schedule. Call 810-735-5910, Linden area.

ELDER CARE  
1 to 2 MILLENNIALS  
EXPERIENCED,  
PLEASE APPLY TO AIDA  
810-735-5910

Help Wanted
MACHINIST, MECHANIC  
810-693-0901

Handyman/Plumber  
Carpenter  
House and yard repairs  
Call 810-262-1434 or 810-695-6729

MECHANICAL DESIGNER (Detailer - Comovers, Automation, Machine Design). Inventor and Autocad experience required. Submit resume to info@fentonengineering.com.

DIRECT CARE staff needed, small group home. Up to $9.03/ hour to start with benefits. Holly area. 248-486-5369.

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Help Wanted
RN/LPN  
NEEDED FOR FULL TIME/ PART TIME  
ALL SHIFTS

ARGENTINE CARE CENTER, INC.
9051 Silver Lake Rd.
Linden, MI 48451
Phone: (810) 735-9478
Fax: (810) 735-9035

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Due to expansion...

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

Certified Nurse Assistant (CNAs) positions available, full-time and part-time, 2nd & 3rd shift, hours will vary. Must have certification from the State of Michigan as a nurse aide and worked with the elderly in long term care environment.

Apply in person at 202 S. Bridge Street, Linden, MI 48451
- OR - send resume to hrcaretellinden@gmail.com

CANDIDATES MUST HAVE:
• Must possess current active license to practice as an RN in Michigan
• Graduate of an accredited school of nursing
• Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing is desired, but not necessary
• 1-3 years of management experience with LTC / SNF and enjoy working with the elderly.

DUTIES:
• Drug administration
• General RN nursing
• Employees relations and staff development
• Safety compliance • Equipment and Supply monitoring
• Care plan and assessment for guests
• On-call availability

The afternoon supervisor position requires management experience.

APPLICATION:
Must be knowledgeable in nursing and medical practices and procedures, as well as laws, regulations, and guidelines that pertain to LTC.
Must possess ability to make independent decisions when circumstances warrant such action.
Must deal tactfully with patients, guests, family members, visitors, government agencies/personal and the general public.
Must possess leadership and management skills.

Requirements:
Due to expansion...Caretel Inns of Linden - Skilled Nursing Facility currently has an opening for a FULL TIME RN on the Day Shift SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS
• Must have current valid license in Michigan
• Minimum 1 year experience in long term care facility
• Must have criminal background check

Apply in person at 202 S. Bridge Street, Linden, MI 48451
or apply online hrcaretellinden@gmail.com

We currently have a need for a

RN SUPERVISOR ON THE AFTERNOON SHIFT

The primary purpose of the Manager is to direct nursing care to the residents and to supervise the day-to-day nursing activities performed by staff nurses and nursing assistants. Such supervision must be in accordance with current federal, state and local standards, guidelines, and regulations that govern our facility and as may be required by the Director of Nursing to ensure that the highest degree of quality is maintained.

QUALIFICATIONS:
• Must possess current, active license to practice as an RN in Michigan
• Graduate of an accredited school of nursing
• Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing is desired, but not necessary
• 1-3 years of management experience with LTC / SNF and enjoy working with the elderly.

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Requirements:

Due to expansion...Caretel Inns of Linden - Skilled Nursing Facility is seeking a SOCIAL WORKER to provide assistance to our residents and their families

CANDIDATES MUST HAVE:
• Minimum of BS in social work
• Appropriate state-required certification
• 3 years experience in long term care
• Exceptional interpersonal skills
• Effective writing and verbal communication skills
• The ability to convey empathy and compassion while working with residents and their families are critical

Please visit our facility for an interview at 202 S. Bridge Street, Linden, MI 48451 - or if you would like to join our team, please send your resume with salary requirements to hrcaretellinden@gmail.com

Due to expansion...

CARETEL INNS OF LINDEN
Long Term/Skilled Nursing Care Facility

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CITY OF FENTON DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ANNUAL REPORT FYE 6-30-2013

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Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness

| Bond 2                                                                 |                |
| Principal                                                              | $3,675,000     |
| Interest                                                               | $275,750       |
| **Total**                                                              | **$4,248,750** |
| Bond 3                                                                 |                |
| Principal                                                              | $234,000       |
| Interest                                                               | $21,346        |
| **Total**                                                              | **$255,346**   |

Initial Assessed Value

| Ad Valorem homestead                                                  | $734,819       |
| Ad Valorem non-homestead                                             | $21,346,781    |
| **Total**                                                             | **$22,081,600**|

Captured Value

| Ad Valorem non-homestead                                             | $75,176,128    |
| **Total**                                                             | **$75,176,128**|

Tax Increment Revenues Received

| From Schools                                                          |                |
| From County                                                          | 453,180        |
| From District Library                                                | 62,314         |
| From City                                                            | 279,024        |
| From Community College                                               | 115,743        |
| From MTA                                                             | 46,339         |
| From MT Parks                                                        | 21,076         |
| From Airport                                                         | 28,196         |
| **Total**                                                            | 1,006,672      |

CITY OF LINDEN – PUBLIC HEARING ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT

The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Monday, November 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., as part of their regular meeting agenda, in the Council Chambers at 201 N. Main Street, Linden, Michigan to consider an amendment to Article 3 of the City of Linden Zoning Ordinance with revisions to Subsection 5 and add new Subsection 6 under Section 3.5.2(1),(b) as follows:

5. Change of use in the CBD limited to a use note exceeding two thousand five hundred (2,500) square feet in size.

6. Change of use in all other zoning districts, limited to a use not exceeding on thousand five hundred (1,500) square feet in size.

Persons wishing to comment on the matter are encouraged to attend the public hearing or to address written comments to the City Clerk in City Hall at P.O. Box 507, 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, Michigan 48451 prior to the date of the public hearing.

PUBLIC NOTICE TYRONE TOWNSHIP REVISIONS TO ORDINANCE #36

Notice is hereby given that the Tyrone Township Board, at the Regular meeting held on October 15, 2013, approved for adoption amendments to Ordinance #36, Articles 2, 4, 16, 16A, 21, 22, and 26. The entire ordinance is available to the public for review during regular business hours at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10548 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430, and on the township’s website at www.tyronetownship.us. A summary of the revisions follows:

- Section 21.02: Accessory Structures – Clarified and consolidated existing regulations to this Section, updated regulations for smaller items. Additionally resulted in changes to Article 2: Definitions, and Article 20: Schedule of Regulations.
- Section 21.32: Antenna Regulations - Updated to comply with the amended Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- Section 22.05: Cemetery Locations – Amended to correct the omission of the RE district.
- Section 21.55: Medical Marijuana Uses – New regulations for medical marijuana use and caregiver operations permitted by the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act, additionally resulted in changes to Article 2: Definitions, Article 4: FR Zoning District, Article 16: M-1 Light Manufacturing, Article 16A, PCS, Article 22: Special Land Uses.
- Article 26: Non-Conforming Uses and Structures – General update and clarification of existing standards.

The above amendments to the Tyrone Township Zoning Ordinance #36 shall take effect 7 days after publication of this notice.
**Follow-up Notice**

The Argentine Township Clerk is accepting sealed bids until 4:00 p.m. Monday, November 4, 2013, on the following property:

**Unimproved parcel # 01-32-400-004 which is 1 acre located at: 1110 Lovejoy Rd, Linden, MI 48451.**

Approximately 8.23 total acres. Purchaser to verify all information.

Minimum bid is $186,200.00.

Successful bidder will be given a Quit Claim deed and all properties are "as is." Property information and bid sheets are available at the Argentine Township Hall.

The Township has the right to accept or refuse any and all bids.

Please send sealed bids to:

Argentine Township Clerk, 9048 Silver Lake Rd., Linden, Michigan, 48451.

Denise Graves, Argentine Township Clerk
NOTICE OF ELECTION TROYER TOWNSHIP

ALL ELECTORS ARE HEREBY GIVEN NOTICE that a Special Election will be held in voting precincts 1, 2 and 3 of Troyer Township on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., at which time the following ballot proposals will be presented for Fenton and Linden School District voters:

MOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOND PROPOSITION

Shall Charles Stewart Mott Community College, Genesee County, Michigan, bor- row the sum of not to exceed Fifty Million Dollars ($50,000,000) and issue its bonds therefor in one or more series for the purpose of making permanent improvements to, renovating, remodeling, improving, equipping and reequipping College buildings and sites and other buildings to be used by the College for instructional purposes; acquiring buildings and sites for buildings; and constructing buildings and additions to buildings?

The maximum number of years each series of bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of refunding, is 20 years; the estimated millage that will be levied to pay the proposed bonds in the first year that the levy is authorized is 0.08 mills (which is equal to 8 cents per $1,000.00 of taxable value of real and tangible personal property in the College District); and the estimated simple average annual millage that will be required to retire the bonds is 0.25 mills (which is equal to 25 cents per $1,000.00 of taxable value of real and tangible personal property in the College District).

FENTON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance and renewals that will expire with the 2014 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 21 mills ($21.00 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Fenton Area Public Schools, Genesee, Livingston and Oakland Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 7 years, 2015 to 2021, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2015 is approximately $4,269,734 (this is a renewal of millage which will expire with the 2014 tax levy and will be levied only to the extent necessary for the school district to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation allowance)?

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All of the above polling locations provide voting access for individuals with disabilities and contain voting instructions in alternative formats, including audio and Braille.

Applications for absent voter ballots are available for the November 5, 2013 Special Election and may be obtained at the Troyer Township Clerk's Office Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday, November 2, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Requests for absent voter ballots must be in writing.

Keith L. Kremers,
Troyer Township Clerk

FORCLOSURE NOTICE: This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at 810-922-6533, prior to the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Marc E. D'Agostino and Karen K. D'Agostino to the First National Bank of Milford, Michigan, dated December 17, 1994 in the amount of $134,000.00. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Mark G. Gescheidt and Michelle A. Gescheidt to the First National Bank of Milford, Michigan, dated November 28, 2001 in the amount of $128,000.00. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Thomas L. Donald and Margaret K. Donald to Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., dated October 23, 2003 and recorded October 29, 2003 in the amount of $65,000.00. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by David M. Shive and Linda Shive to American Home Mortgage Securities Inc., dated June 29, 2000 and recorded July 4, 2000 in the amount of $39,000.00.}

PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS OCTOBER 21, 2013

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on October 21, 2013 at the Fenton Township Civic Center, 12060 Manantua Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. A large group of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as presented.
3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of $799,088.69.
4. Received the third quarter report from Ordinance Enforcement Officer Robert Atkinson.
5. Adopted Ordinance No. 759, a Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise language relating to telecommunications towers.
6. Accepted the resignation of Deputy Assessor James N. Glascock, effective October 25, 2013.
7. Approved Resolution 2013-22, designating the sources of funds to meet the 2014 bond payment obligations for sewer bonds issued by the Genesee County Drain Commission.
8. Approved amendments to the 2013 Fenton Township budget.
9. Adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Manantua Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other ordinances are available at www.fentontownship.org.

ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
Lake Fenton Waterfront
available for rent
on December 1st
Over 2800 sq/ft
with 4 bedrooms
$2,000 month.
Call for more
information!

13287 Harborview, Linden
$464,000

6467 Sandy Knoll
$200,000

723 Boutell, Grand Blanc
$180,000

16194 Silvercrest, Fenton
$179,000

320 Rolston, Linden
$125,000

6081 Byram Lake
$370,000

5185 Cottage
$229,000

9408 Fair Oaks
$227,000

1417 Ripley
$170,000

6221 Lakeview Park
$130,000

16277 Seymour Rd, Linden
Enjoy sunrises and water fun on almost an acre lot, 2,250 square feet. Four bedrooms and two baths. Oversized 3 car garage. $300,000

3 Bedroom, 4 Bathrooms, 2,306 Sq. Ft.
Large deck for sun and enclosed deck for shade. 3 car garage. Maintained to perfection. $190,000

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1214 Ridgeview Trail, Fenton
This home sits on a wooded lot with a beautiful deck. First floor master bedroom with 2 walk-in closets. 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, 2083 sq. ft. $289,900

8294 Mabley Hill, Fenton
Enjoy nature in this newly remodeled 3 bedroom home nestled on over 4 acres overlooking peaceful back yard with walking paths of wildlife including turkeys and deer. $130,000

1491 Morrish Rd, Swartz Creek
Beautiful 3 bedroom home nestled on over 4 acres in Flushing schools. $215,000

14035 McCaslin Lake Rd, Gaines
Never built ranch with cathedral ceilings, open floor plan accented by massive stone fireplace. 3 bedrooms, master with bath and 2 closets. Full walkout with bath, bar and bedroom. $144,000

With every new listing we will send over our professional decorator/stager to get your home sold.