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ONLINE COMMENTS

### **HOT LINES**

fi am not sure what the big deal about the book is all about.



bility in raising their children? Shouldn't they be doing, what these parents did without making a big fuss anyway? It's called parenting!'

Four people out of six had no idea there was an election? Get your face out of Facebook and educate yourself. This next generation will be the most narcissistic idiots in the history of the USA."

A big thank you to Apple-



complimentary meal to any and all veterans.

Republicans better get used to the fact that America will elect another minority, a woman, as president in 2016. It's about time.







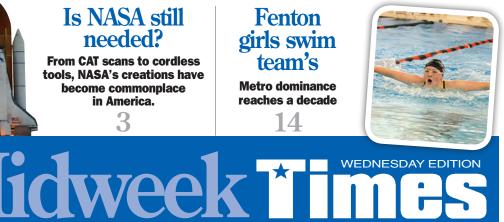
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### Is NASA still needed? From CAT scans to cordless tools, NASA's creations have become commonplace

in America.

### Fenton girls swim team's **Metro dominance**

reaches a decade 14



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# **Detroit Model Railroad Club is a** fun stop in Holly

CAESARS PIZZA

Michigan's largest '0' scale model railroad offers something for everyone

### By Amy Mayhew

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 **Holly** – Age isn't a factor when it comes to enjoying a visit to Holly's Detroit Model Railroad Club.

More than three quarters of a century ago, members of the Detroit Society of Model Engineers decided to start their own club. In January 1935, the Detroit Model Railroad Club was born. The club would house their very first collaborative model train layout in club President Perry Dorrance's basement.

Over the years, the club moved several times before winding up at the Michigan State Fairgrounds in 1958. See RAILROAD on 8 WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2013



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On Sunday, the Detroit Model Railroad Club in downtown Holly is bustling with families, mostly bringing small children to marvel at the scale and detail of the model. Here, Dee and Tim Bedell of Linden visit the club with their 2-year-old grandson, Rexin. The next open house weekend is Nov. 29 to Dec. 1.

Summary

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# Clearing up the Common Core standards

An estimated two out of three Americans have never heard of new standards

### **By William Axford**

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Measuring student success in Michigan will change next year when educators shift from the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) to the national Common Core standards.

See STANDARDS on 9



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SALLY RUMMEL

# Lower gas prices expected through holiday season

Less Middle East tension, lower crude oil prices result in lower prices at the pump

### **By Sally Rummel**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 Now's the time to go for a drive and not feel too guilty about it.

That's because gas prices are on their way down, falling 13.78 cents in the last two weeks, according to a recent report by Lundberg Survey. The average price of gas in See GAS on 5

# City's \$4.8-million streetscape project to start next spring

funding, more convenient construction season

### **By Tim Jagielo**

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 Fenton — Last Thursday evening, business owners and stakeholders got a glimpse of what downtown Fenton will look like next year when they crowded around a composite image of downtown Fenton in the city council chambers. The

► Officials waited for better satellite image of the street was overlaid with what the street will become when the streetscape project is complete. At the end of the table were blueprints for the project.

The streetscape project is among the Cornerstone building, Community and See STREETSCAPE on 6

### Summary

The Fenton downtown streetscape project will begin in about five months after a ninemonth delay. The \$4.8-million project is expected to be 41 percent grant funded.







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# **FEATURES**AND**NEWS**

# still needed?

nesses and technology in every state, amounting to \$1.2 billion nationwide since 2001. In 2011, the agency invested about \$28 million in 27 Michigan companies. Ann Arbor company, Picometrix has adapted terahertz imaging from finding flaws in insulation on space shuttles into scanners used at airports to find concealed weapons and explosives. Closer to Fenton, NASA has helped U.S. Speedo, Inc. design an advanced See NASA

on 10



wraps around

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Wireless Zone Manager Wayne

Ward flips through the newly

activated Samsung smart watch,

which is synched to his phone.

**Dick Tracy** 

technology

### **By Tim Jagielo**

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It's already cliché to say that "the future is now," but the first offerings of "smart

watches" have arrived. In some ways it's a smartphone you wear on your wrist. Also available are wristbands that link to



**Tim Jagielo** 

to become fitness trackers, but these items do not have a camera, or digital interface.

The most significant offering right now is the Samsung Galaxy Gear. This smart watch is more of a companion device for the Samsung Galaxy Note 3.

Wireless Zone on LeRoy Street in Fenton has one model, which they fired up for the sake of the story. Owner Dave Hrejsa said there has been little interest, but he's only had it for two weeks. He expects more interest for the holidays.

If you suspend the obvious geek factor, it's not a terrible looking See TECHNOLOGY on 11

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**PUNCH TO FACE BACKFIRES** At 4:20 p.m. on Nov. 6, Fenton police responded to a home on West Caroline Street to investigate a domestic assault. According to Sgt. David Reinfelder, a 30-yearold male called police to report that his 25-year-old girlfriend had punched him in the face, leaving him bruised. Upon police arrival, the woman told police the man struck himself to get her in trouble and she provided an audio recording of what happened. During questioning, the man admitted to hitting himself. He was arrested for filing a false police report and lodged overnight.

### **IMPROPER TRANSPORT OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA**

At 2:56 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 8, a Fenton police officer stopped a vehicle for speeding on Silver Lake Road. Upon contact with the driver, a 55-year-old Linden man, the officer suspected that he had been drinking. A breath test revealed he was under the legal limit, however, the officer learned that the man was improperly transporting medical marijuana. He was issued a court appearance ticket on that offense.

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## physics, there's a good chance that you've benefited from **NASA's research**

**By William Axford** 

axford@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 The wonders of space have captured the human imagination since the dawn of civilization, when man first looked upon the stars. From Stanley Kubrick's 1968 film 2001: A Space Odyssey to the recently released movie Gravity, space exploration continues to be popular for audiences. But having visited the moon more than 50 years ago and ongoing political battles in Washington over budgets, does the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) still serve a role in modern America?

Even if you don't have an interest in space or physics, there's a good chance that you've

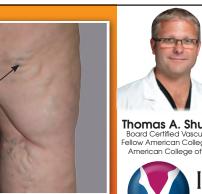
benefited from the research provided by NASA. According to Business Insider, a number of common everyday items were invented directly by NASA. Cell-phone cameras, cordless tools, firefighter gear, long-distance communications and even golf clubs have all come into existence due to the research and activity of NASA. Other inventions that have improved our quality of life such as MRI and CAT scans and water filters are also products of the space agency.

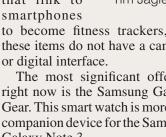
NASA invests in busi-

**From CAT** scans to cordless tools, NASA's creations have become commonplace in America.



Varicose veins are a sign of vein (venous) disease. Now that your deductible has been met... it's time to have your varicose veins treated.







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#### **Obama's whopper bites him back**

Here's what President Barack Obama should have said, 'If you like your insurance plan you can keep it — if it's not a junk policy.'

He could have used more elegant language than that, but you get the idea.

Instead, as everyone who follows the news knows, he promoted his Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, with: 'If you like your health care plan, you'll be able to keep your health care plan.' Sometimes he even added: 'Period. No one will take it away. No matter what.'

Yet between 2008 and 2010, the president repeated his you-can-keepyour-plan promise in public at least 24 times, according to a video compilation on New York magazine's website.

Now the truth is hitting thousands of Americans, mostly in the 5 percent of the nation's population who buy individual insurance policies. Many policyholders also face sticker-shock increases in the cost of new policies that they are being offered.

Still, Obama did himself no favors by glossing over the simple reality: While the vast majority will get a better insurance deal, depending on their circumstances, a significant number will not.

Whether I agree with their judgment or not, everyone was entitled to hear the unvarnished truth, not spin, from their president about what they were about to face.

I don't feel good about calling out the president's whopper, since I support most of his policies and programs. But in this instance, he would have to be delusional to think he was telling the truth.

At best — and it isn't much — he told what I would call a 'political lie,' the sort of rosy promise that politicians sometimes make with such passion and confidence that they actually may have convinced even themselves that it is true.

Now it remains to be seen how many of those who lose their policies will sign up for new ones or go uninsured instead and pay the law's modest penalties.

Sometimes straight talk can be a bitter pill for voters to swallow, but it's better than snake oil.

Compiled by Torrey Christopher, intern

### **MY POOR LIBERAL** education as you call it, can't understand what you are talking about. The Founding Fathers purposely put in the separation of church and state.' We also fought a revolutionary war to escape religious persecution from England. Also, nowhere in

those documents does it say we believe. OBAMACARE IS DO-

**ING** plenty by itself to deny people healthcare.

From those who are losing their existing coverage, despite the president's deceitful promise otherwise, to those who want to sign up but can't, Obamacare is destroying our healthcare system, but it seems that may be intentional.

TO THE DEMOCRAT that thinks his president is the greatest president America has had. Hey man, get a life! Get off your couch and get a job you useless American. Quit sponging off the rest of America's working class!

I DID NOT vote for Obama, but I want to thank those who did. Because they trusted a huckster, their high Obamacare premiums are subsidizing my lower premiums. How is hope and change working? 

A RECENT HOT line made the argument that America was founded as a Christian country. In the 1797 Treaty of Tripoli, Thomas Jefferson clearly stated, 'The United States is not, in any sense, founded on the Christian religion.' And he should know, he wrote the Declaration of Independence.

OBAMA HAS INSULTED the intelligence of the American people by lying 36 times re: new plan, 4.2 million lost their coverage on Nov. 5. Fraud in the private sector is a crime. Let's put him under oath, start an impeachment process and kick him out of our White House.

**TIMES MIDWEEK** 

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### LATE IN OCTOBER

2007, Obama said there will be 'hope and change' after I'm elected President. Sadly, it has turned into 'futility and incompetence.' Óbama is now officially the worst President in American

history. It also should be noted that every Democrat in Congress voted 'YES' on Obamacare

TO THE NEIGHBOR in Rose Township, it would be nice if you would keep your dog in your own yard. We should not have to pick up after it. Put up a fence or the Oakland County Animal control will be called.

Opportunity renters to lower their rates so the new full-timers (29 hours a week) can survive within this new world of hope and change

the health insurance website. Now do you get it? Republicans and conservatives can't win at the ballot box so they try to destroy a website to keep 30 million people from getting health insurance. Disgusting!

should think long and hard. If Obama can lie to the American people with a straight face, what makes you think that our friends and foes overseas will trust him?



**CONSERVATIVES ON THE** Internet put together a virus they used to sabotage

PEOPLE WHO VOTED for Obama

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



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FROM THE RIGHT



### Is Christie the one?

Last August before a closed meeting of Republican leaders in Boston, Gov. Chris Christie of New Jersey said, 'We are not a debating society. We are a political operation that needs to win.'

Tuesday night, Christie won. Big time. In one of the nation's bluest states, Christie got 60.5 percent of the vote. His Democratic opponent, Barbara Buono, claims she lost because 'Democratic political bosses' made a deal with Christie despite him representing almost everything they're against. ... They did it to help themselves politically and financially.' In other words, they voted out of self-interest. Imagine that. Self-interest in politics.

'I didn't seek a second term to do small things,' said Christie Tuesday night. 'I sought a second term to finish the job. Now watch me do it.'

It was the first Christie speech I have seen in several months and it was the first time I didn't think of his weight before considering his words. Christie, who had lap-band surgery to lose weight, appears committed to slimming down and looks good. If he can drop another 50 to 100 pounds, he could be in shape for 2016. After demonstrating his ability to attract Democrats and Independents during his re-election campaign, Christie must be considered the frontrunner for the Republican presidential nomination.

Should Christie run for president, the national media will initially be torn between a sure-fire ratings booster like Christie and the possibility of the first woman president. Ultimately, it'll be no contest. Media will likely back Hillary Clinton. Christie will have to run on a platform of knowing how to succeed, which puts Clinton at a disadvantage, since her list of accomplishments is meager, if not nonexistent.

The conservative wing of the GOP will have to decide whether they want purity or victory. No politician (including the sainted Reagan) is perfect.

At the August GOP gathering in Boston, Christie said, 'I'm in this business to win ... if we don't win, we don't govern. And if we don't govern, all we do is shout into the wind .... '

This country needs someone who will govern. Is Christie the one?

streettalk

# What will Fenton look like in five years?



"We will see more upscale restaurants and people will be more affluent."

— Jeff Curle

Fenton



"Hopefully, it will look more like Brighton and Milford downtown and it will be more of a walkable community." Ginger Virkler Linden



"More small stores like Eclections, Uncle Ray's, and Caravan."

— Pam Coffin

Fenton



"I hope it remains the same. I like the quaintness and any more commercialism like restaurants will ruin that."



"It's going to keep getting bigger. There should be more subdivisions. I want nicer restaurants."



"With the economy coming back it will cause more growth downtown."

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## Tyrone residents want to nix county sheriff contract

We have

fought hard

to maintain

end at some

**Robert Bezotte** 

Livingston County sheriff

funding but the

reality is...it will

point and time.77

### **Bv William Axford**

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**Tyrone Twp.** — Residents in Tyrone Township would rather rely on the state road patrol rather than the Livingston County Sheriff's Department for extra coverage.

The findings were reflected in a survey sent with summer taxes and listed on the township website, resulting in 513 responses. Of the respondents, 60 percent said they would rather rely on state police for protection rather than contracting with an entity for services. More than half of the residents who responded to the

survey would like to discontinue purchasing additional patrol hours from the county sheriff's department.

Officials in Tyrone Township renewed their sheriff's contract, paying about \$110,000 for a two-year contract with one deputy to patrol the township between 3 and 11 p.m. For years, Tyrone and Hartland townships shared a contract, paying \$300,000 for one deputy to cover both townships for 24 hours, seven days a week.

Residents may get what they want before the contract expires, as Livingston County Sheriff Robert Bezotte sent a letter to township officials warning that funding for road patrol may dry up in the next few years. Bezotte said the Livingston County Board of Commissioners has been scaling back funding

### for road patrol in recent years and that future funding will most likely be used for the expansion of the county jail.

"In my first term as sheriff, we began to see a reduction in road patrol positions, as a consequence of our declining

economy," Bezotte wrote in his letter. "As of June 1, 2013, we have lost 18 certified road patrol positions. We have fought hard to maintain funding but the reality is, if the board of commissioners does not fund our road patrol, it will end at some point and time."

Bezotte said the county currently has 23 patrol deputies and that certi-

fied deputies retiring or leaving the department will not be replaced.

In addition to public safety, residents identified other issues such as the need for road repairs in the township, keeping taxes at the same rate or lowering them, and keeping costs for township services low but expanding access to Internet and cable. While the survey revealed most residents would like new parks and improved roads, most were unwilling to pay more money for these services. Overall, 66 percent of respondents gave a favorable rating on their experience with the township staff.

A public hearing will be held at the Nov. 19 board of trustees meeting where residents can respond to the survey results and voice their opinions about the services offered throughout the township.

Why has the price of gas dropped?

Cheaper gas prices are being passed

along to American drivers because North American crude prices have become so

disconnected from world crude prices,

### GAS

**Continued from Front Page** Michigan this week is \$3.154 per gallon, just slightly under the national average of \$3.193. The least expensive gas this week in Fenton can be found at the Clark station

on North LeRoy Street at \$3.13 per gallon and at the Marathon Service Station on Silver Lake Road at \$3.15, according to GasBuddy.com.

The most expensive local gas is at the Shell station on Silver Lake Road and at the BP station at West Thompson Road, both priced at \$3.39.

'My customers are pretty happy right now," said Joe Yousif, of the Marathon station.

"I don't hear too much complaining. They know we're usually cheaper than everyone else, because we don't adjust our prices to Speedway's, as many stations do. I stay low for my customers.

He said that most people are fairly content when gas prices are between \$3.00 and \$3.89 per gallon, but are really upset at prices over \$4.00. "We're up and down a few pennies each week, but we've been staying in the same price area now for awhile. People are pretty used to it."

The AAA Automobile Club expects the national average price at the pump will drop to as low as \$3.10 per gallon before the end of the year and that consumers will enjoy local prices below \$3 per gallon as

**I** don't hear too much complaining. They know we're usually cheaper than everyone else, because we don't adjust our prices to Speedway's, as many stations do.77

Joe Yousif, Marathon service

station on Silver Lake Road in Fenton

rently priced at \$94.340 a barrel. The average household consumes 1,200 gallons of gas per year, which translates into a \$120 annual savings for every dime shaved off

the holidays draw near.

the price of gas, according to energy experts. Drivers in all 50 states are enjoying lower gas

according to Gasbuddy. com. Crude oil is cur-

prices than a year ago. Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and

Texas gas stations are now charging \$3 or less a gallon, on the average. St. Louis has the least expensive gasoline in the country at \$3.01 per gallon, while drivers in San Francisco, often the priciest gasoline market, paid the most, at \$3.88 per gallon.

GAS PRICES	
<b>'ROUND THE</b>	WORLD
Turkey 9.89	China 4.74
Netherlands 9.09	Russia 3.47
Sweden 8.50	<b>U.S.</b> 3.154
Spain 7.06	Iran 2.15
Japan 6.70	Saudi Arabia 0.45
India 5.00	
(Prices re	flect gallons in U.S. dollars

dollars) Source: statista.com

### **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

EVERYONE WHO WORKS pays into Social Security and Medicare. If the government takes them away, then the politicians that voted for that change need to be removed from office. Those programs are ours, not the government's

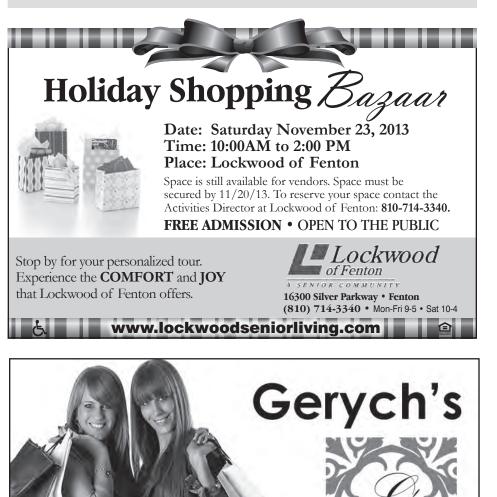
### CONSERVATIVES DON'T WANT these so-called Socialist programs. Then why don't they shut down the public schools? They should be fighting to get that accomplished. They must want to pay to put their children through school, out of their own pockets, not from the pockets of everyone! Get it done!

EVEN AS OBAMA apologized for lying since 2010, he lied in the next sentence. Pathological liars are unable to tell the truth and since Liberalism is a mental illness, he said he was sorry. Well, about 59 percent of the population has known this for five years.

REGARDING THE ARTICLE 'School pulls inappropriate book,' I would be interested in how this book got a 4.7 grade level rating, who rated it and any comments by Scholastic as well as what other elementary schools ordered this book.

WHAT KIND OF person am I? I am the type of person who chose not to continue having children because I knew what I could afford. What kind of person are you to expect everyone else in this country to pay for your niece's poor decisions? 

YOU JUST DON'T get it, do you? Before Obamacare, people who didn't have insurance went to the ER and cost taxpayers about \$1,000. With the ACA, they have insurance, and it cost you only a slight increase. Which would you rather pay for?



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### STREETSCAPE **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

WHERE IS THE promised \$75-per-

Wow! I have to pay \$212 per month

for myself and not my family. On my

I do if I get deathly ill before then?

Obama in 2012 because of his mis-

up people, the only way to correct

leading statements about Obamacare

ance policy, doctor and hospital? Wake

Obamacare is through your 2014 vote!

WHAT KIND OF a woman brings three

children into this world with no means

to care for them? Why didn't she stop

after one? Why should the taxpayers

pay for her kids? Where's their father,

Obama for gas being \$3.17 a gallon.

THE GOP HAS presented healthcare

reform bills that included selling insur-

ance across state lines to increase

competition; allowing states to keep

their money to be used for their citi-

zens instead of sending it to Washing-

ton, tort reform to decrease frivolous

lawsuits, allowing patients to self-pay

health costs without insurance.

IF PATIENTS PAID their doctors

directly, services would be cheaper

because the doctors wouldn't have

to take the time and money spent on

insurance paperwork. They wouldn't

be given tests they didn't need. Some

people like it that way and don't want

private health insurance companies be

HOW CAN A program provided by

insurance.

Socialist?

WE BETTER BLAME President

friends, relatives?

that you can keep your health insur-

HOW MANY PEOPLE voted for

salary? That's ridiculous. And it won't

go in to effect until January? What will

month Obamacare Health Insurance?

**Continued from Front Page** Cultural Center and Fenton Fire Hall for significant projects in Fenton.

The streetscape project was delayed in 2012, when late in the year the Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) realized that because of changes to the way the federal government distributes grants, the project would either be delayed to 2014, or the city would have to move forward with less government funding. They chose to wait for better funding options, and also condense the construction into one season.

Recently, Department of Public Works (DPW) Director Dan Czarnecki made a presentation to the city council concerning funding for the project. He said of the \$4,785,000 project, the city will pay \$2,813,000, and will receive \$1,972,000 in grant funding, paying 59 percent.

Now that the city is working on securing funding, and then seeking bids for the general contractor, an informational meeting was held to inform downtown stakeholders,

With all

the projects

going on, we're

going to have

a transformed

– Michael Burns

DDA executive director

downtown.'

which included businesses and churches. **DDA** Director Michael Burns said that they are around five months away from the start of the project. The room

filled quickly as Tim Juidici, project manager for engineer-

ing firm OHM gave updates, and fielded questions from the audience.

The scope of the project was laid out for audience members — the project on LeRoy Street extends from Elizabeth Street to Second Street, with reconstruction on Shiawassee Avenue, and Mill and Ellen streets, and some work on Caroline Street.

Juidici said the total reconstruction work, which will be complete replacement of the road and include infrastructure like storm sewers underneath is from Adelaide to Le-Roy Street on Shiawassee, and on LeRoy, from Elizabeth to Silver Lake Road.

"That's where you'll see most change in the existing footprint of the roadway," he said.

The area from the curb to the storefront will also be changed, with scalloped pavers, and wider sidewalks designed to bring pedestrians closer to store fronts.

Instead of angled parking like at LeRoy Street and Caroline Street, there will instead be parallel parking. The topic of on-street handicap parking was brought up, along with how customers will access businesses while construction is happening. "With all the projects going on, we're going to have a transformed downtown," said Burns.

Burns said New Moon Visions has been hired to promote the project, and the businesses affected.

Through surveys, the DDA learned that businesses are most concerned with communication about the project, signage for parking, business entrances being blocked and construction being completed in a timely basis. Burns addressed these concerns, and acknowledged that construction is difficult for businesses.

There are still a few things to tie up before construction can begin aside from funding -like lighting, and whether businesses can have their power lines buried under the new streets along with new gas tap-ins.



### Extradition laws

Two hypothetical cases for your consideration:

**Case Number One** 

John Doe commits a bank robbery in the State of Pennsylvania. A warrant is issued for his arrest but before he can be apprehended, he flees to the State of Michigan. **Case Number Two** 

Jane Doe lives in Panama and is engaged in conspiring to commit cocaine drug trafficking. As a result of her actions, millions of dollars of illegal drugs are brought into the United States. She is charged criminally under federal law in Florida.

The question presented today is simply this — what can the State of Pennsylvania and the United States do about bringing these two defendants to the appropriate locations to stand trial?

The answer lies in our laws regarding extradition i.e., the surrender by one state or country to another of an individual accused of having committed a crime outside its own territory and within the jurisdiction of another.

Most states, including Michigan, have enacted the Uniform Criminal Extradition Act for such situations. There is also a federal extradition statute and a provision under the United States Constitution Article IV, Section 2.

Generally, for interstate cases, if a defendant is found in what is called the 'asylum' state, they can be arrested and held in custody pending the issuance of a governor's warrant by the governor of the asylum state after a demand has been made by the governor of the state where the crime was committed. The defendant may waive the issuance and agree to be picked up by authorities of the demanding state. If this doesn't occur, the issues to be decided include (1) if the extradition documents are in order (2) whether a crime has been charged in the demanding state (3) whether the defendant is the person that is actually wanted and (4) whether the defendant is a fugitive.

If the answer to all four questions is yes, the defendant is sent back to the demanding state to face charges.

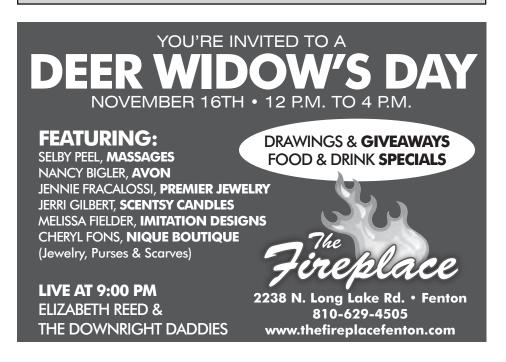
For international cases the process is generally the same but will only take place between countries that have extradition treaties with each other.

So for our John Doe, he could be headed back to Pennsylvania and for our Jane Doe, since the United States has an extradition treaty with Panama, she could be paying an involuntary visit to Florida.





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# Christmas in November? No, it's opening day of

firearm deer season!

### By Amy Mayhew

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This Friday, Nov. 15 is Michigan's opening day of firearm deer season, and around here anyway, it's almost like Christmas.

It's nothing new to me — my dad was

always counting the minutes until opening day, and he managed to share that enthusiasm with my brothers. When the boys were old enough, he began to take them along on his deer hunting expeditions.

Much to Mom's chagrin, my dad would use her formal dining room table to gather and assemble items necessary

for a successful hunt. Ropes, knives, flashlights, heavy jackets, woolen socks, boots, hand warmers, candy bars, soda, thermoses, Hoppe's gun oil, boxes of shells — you name it.

By October, the dining room was officially transformed into 'Hunting Central.' The excitement generated from that room alone was enough to propel the boys into opening day. Although I managed to tag along on many outdoor excursions with dad, hunting was never one of them. I was simply too little at the time, but delighted in the enthusiasm of my siblings, and greatly anticipated what they would bring home with them after the hunt.

My dad would be pleased to know that I married a man very similar to him, and much after his

Michigan's firearm deer season gets underway this Friday, Nov. 15 and will run two weeks until Nov. 30. own heart. Yes, Tony holds opening day in high esteem. In fact, when ranking holidays, Tony puts opening day first on the list over Thanksgiving and Christmas, respective-

ly. After nearly 20 years of marriage, I've given up on trying to explain to him that opening day isn't a holiday.

But perhaps the greatest fan of opening day is my brother, Dave. The story of deer camp 1996 always comes to mind around this time of year. Once again, Dave had been anticipating the day to the point of being obsessed.

Opening day that year fell on a Friday, and like all of the other hunters, Dave had gotten Friday off, but had to work late that day. He'd pre-packed everything — duffle bag, hunting clothes, toiletries, jacket, gloves, hand warmers, boots, woolen socks, sleeping bag, beer, snacks. Yep, he even thought far enough ahead to bring his lucky deer hide, or that is, the hide from the very first deer he ever harvested. As with every year before, he was convinced that sleeping on it would bring him good luck.

Having gotten a late start by going home to collect his stuff, he was late getting up to the property. Just as Dave was turning down our road, he got a call from his wife who inquired if he had forgotten his gun.

'No, I don't think so,' he answered,

glancing into his backseat. 'Then what's this thing in the black case in the corner by the backdoor?' she asked. 'You guys are never gonna believe

what I forgot,' Dave said, as he burst into the hunting camper that night. Somehow, everybody guessed correctly, and \_\_\_\_\_\_ nobody was surprised.

Fortunately, another brother brought an extra gun along and Dave was able to use it. But apparently forgetting your gun trumps whatever your lucky deer hide can do for you because Dave didn't get a deer that year.

The point is, enjoy the time leading up to opening day prepare well, savor the anticipation, and for God's sake — remember to take your gun!

Happy hunting and be safe!

### MICHIGAN 2013 DEER SEASONS

### **Regular Firearm:** Statewide Nov. 15-30

Special restrictions in place in the Lower Peninsula Shotgun Zone, and mandatory antler-point restrictions in portions of the northern Lower Peninsula.

Archery: Statewide Dec. 1-Jan. 1

### Muzzleloading:

Special antler restrictions apply Zone 1 (UP) Dec. 6-15 Zone 2 (northern LP) Dec. 13-22 Zone 3 (southern LP) Dec. 6-22

Late Antlerless Firearm: Dec. 23-Jan. 1

# News briefs

### FHSAA Steering Committee elects new officers

At their annual meeting, held on Nov. 4, the Fenton High School Alumni Association Steering Committee elected officers for the 2013-14 year. Those serving will be: • President – Nancy Parkin

- Vice President John Hillis
- Secretary Barbara Soyka

Treasurer – Orpha Verhelle
Trustees – Cecelia Terry, Ron Bigelow, Ginger Hawcroft The committee continues work on its ongoing scholarship and Hall of

Fame projects. Classic cars owned by Fenton alumni and parents of alumni each year are in the Fourth of July Parade. Plans are being formulated for the association to take a more active part in the Fenton homecoming each year. Discussion of the Alumni Reunion and other new projects will take place in the future. Any Fenton High School alumni interested in working on the Steering Committee is encouraged to contact of the above officers.

### POLICE

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**TIRES SLASHED ON ELEANOR DRIVE** At noon on Nov. 5, a deputy with the Genesee County Sheriff's Department responded to the 4500 block of Eleanor Drive. The caller said unknown suspects had slashed all four tires on their vehicle.

### CAR WINDOW SMASHED

On Nov. 6, a resident from the 13000 block of Wendell Drive in Fenton Township reported to the Genesee County Sheriff's Department substation in the Fenton Township hall that someone had smashed out a window of their vehicle.

### CAR FIRE AT GAS STATION

At 1:40 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7, the Fenton Township Fire Department responded to a gas station on Thompson Road, at U.S. 23 to extinguish a car fire. The fire reportedly started in the engine area. Firefighters put out the fire and there were no injuries.



**Tyrone Historical Society to meet** The Tyrone Historical Society will meet at the Tyrone Township hall, 10408 Center Rd., at **6:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 18.** They will be holding their annual Thanksgiving Potluck. The program will be "Show and Tell." The Gleaners will have boxes at the hall for canned and boxed food and pet food. The Highland Historical Society will join the group for dinner and the program. For more information, call Connie at (810) 629-2031.

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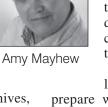
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### RAILROAD

**Continued from Front Page** They would build their model railroad there for the next 16 years until being evicted in the fall of 1973.

Longstanding DMRRC member Ed MacDowell said the organization moved to Holly in 1974. He said the building near the intersection of Maple and Saginaw streets in downtown Holly formally housed a theater was available and affordable. "We moved up here with the idea that we would spend a year here until we found a better place," he said. That was 39 years ago.

**Detroit Union Railroad** Patterned after the Union railroads of several Midwest cities including Cleveland, Cincinnati and St. Louis, the Detroit Union Railroad has about 5,000 feet of track in place, making it approximately five times larger than the previous layout housed at the State Fairgrounds in 1958.

"A big difference is that this railroad has an elevation change from the lowest point to the highest point of about 12 feet which as far as we know, is probably as much as any model railroad in the world because of our unique floor arrangement," MacDowell said. MacDowell said that the elevation would increase even further after members construct the city of Detroit in the lower level of the building, a task that is in the very beginning stages.

According to MacDowell, all of the track you see in today's model is steel rail, hand laid track. "It's 25 ties to the foot, four spikes in each tie, and all put in by hand," he said. "It takes us about an hour to spike one foot of track when we actually get around to doing that." **Railroad design** 

In general, MacDowell says the plan made in 1935 is the plan that they continue to use today. "The thing we have here that we didn't have at the other



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The underbelly of the track is almost as complex and impressive as the visible track area. Small tour groups are led through to show them how it all works.

locations is the elevation," he said. "We've sort of moved the Porcupine Mountains 400 miles south, just outside of Detroit," he said smiling.

"Detroit will be in the base-

ment and the trains will leave Detroit and wind around through these mountains and come up through to the town at the back of the theater." The town of Dorrance, named after the club's first





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With open houses, the club tries to have a good assortment of trains circulating the track, including a "candy train" for the kids. For more information about the club and the Detroit Union Railroad, visit the Detroit Model Railroad Club online at www.dmrrc.org.

### THE DETROIT MODEL RAILROAD CLUB 104 N. Saginaw St., Holly.

2013 Open Houses

Nov. 29 and Nov. 30, Dec. 1, Dec. 7 and 8, Dec. 14 and 15 Noon – 5 p.m.

Admission: Adults \$4, Seniors 65 and up, \$3 Kids 5-18 \$2, Kids under 5 are free



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO Skyler Shippy of Flint is controlling two trains at once. If he makes a mistake, it could lead to a small scale crash with a \$1,000 price tag.



president, will be the end of the Detroit Union Railroad.

### **Technology and the railroad**

Tremendous changes in technology have afforded the Detroit Union Railroad a more reliable and efficient system.

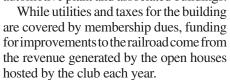
MacDowell began by discussing the "couplers" or the mechanisms that attach cars together. "The couplers back in 1975 weren't operating couplers," he said. "They were dummies, and you hooked them together and ran them until something broke." Today, functioning couplers couple and uncouple cars exactly as they do on a real working railroad.

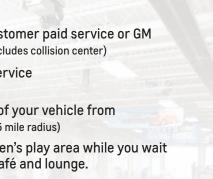
While the DMRRC initially relied on 12-volt direct current to run the trains, club members removed more than 1,000 relays and updated to a digital command control system nine years ago. "There is a microcomputer chip in every locomotive, and a locomotive only responds to the particular controller so that an engineer truly runs his train and his train only," MacDowell said. The new system simplified wiring, and improved reliability.

### Future plans and open houses

In addition to continuing work on their layout, the club has worked extensively on the exterior of the building, restoring it to what it looked like long ago when the building served as Holly's theater.

In addition to the exterior façade, the group continues to expand the display, implementing an industrial area to include an automotive plant and associated buildings.





# Your photo could win you a \$100 gas card

Times seeking best area photos for 2014 Source Book cover

#### **By Sharon Stone**

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 It's that time of year again. The

Times is in the process of producing the 2014 edition of its award-winning Source Book and we are seeking photos from around the tri-county area to be part of the cover design.

To encourage your entries the staff at the Times is holding an online photo contest. Residents of the tricounty area can win a \$100 gift card if their



So far, Michigan is one of 45 states and the District of Columbia to adopt the standards, which has gained support from numerous organizations including the American Council on Education,

National Parent Teacher Association and the Michigan Department of Education.

Despite receiving support from a number of organizations, the Common Core standards have come with their fair share of criticism. State Rep. Tom McMillin (R-Rochester) claimed the standards strip power away from local and state educators and even went as far as introducing legislation attempting to halt the state from adopting the standards.

According to a recent article in the Washington Post, more than 100 Catholic professors have banded together and delivered a letter to each Catholic bishop in the country, believing the standards "reduce reading to a servile activity" and "... history standards will promote the easy moral relativism, tinged with a pervasive anti-religious bias that is commonplace in colle-

giate history departments today." Julie Williams, assistant superintendent at Lake Fenton Community Schools, said her school district has been work-

ing with the new standards since 2010 and testing for the standards will start in 2015. She added educators would still have the freedom to use different teaching methods, so long as the teaching methods incorporate the new standards.

"The Common Core allows us to align students to career and college readiness, which we're supposed to do anyway," Williams said. "Teachers in the district still select what they use to teach to the standards."

According to corestandards.org, the

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photo, submitted online at tctimes.com, is selected for the front cover. This could be the chance of a lifetime to share your best and most unique photos of area scenery, community events, family, pets, children, merchants or local activities to name just a few ideas. The more unique the photo, the better the chance of win-

ning.

This will be the 18th year that the Times has published its Source Book, a must-have reference guide, packed from cover to cover with critical and useful information about businesses, organizations, schools, political offices and much more.

Gail Grove, longtime advertising director for the Times, said she constantly hears positive comments from both businesses and residents on how useful the Source Book is to them. Every year new content, advertising opportunities and pertinent information are added to further enhance its value.

Don't wait - log on to tctimes.com and click on the "Photo contest" link on the top right for to submit your winning entry.

Last year's winners were Tom Kinney for his "Hot Air Balloon," photo while Lindsey Hurd won with her "A Walk in the Park" photo and Charley Holcomb won with his "Water Lilies,"





# Attention existing patients!



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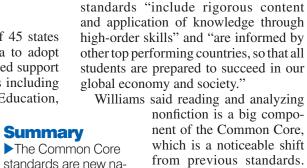
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standards are new national educational standards that Michigan, 44 other states and Washington D.C. have adopted. Some argue that they give too much power to the federal government while others say the standards challenge students to do better.

Williams said reading and analyzing nonfiction is a big component of the Common Core, which is a noticeable shift from previous standards. Other specialties of the standards include measuring a student's depth of knowledge beyond standardized testing and making

sure each subject correlates with one another, which Williams called inter-disciplinary content. "The Common Core stan-

dards are a good move for us, to make all Michigan students competitive in the nation," Williams said.

According to a Gallup Poll conducted this past summer, only one out of three Americans have ever heard of the Common Core. Of the third who have heard of the standards, many of them believe Common Core is based upon standards

**The Common Core standards** are a good move for us. 77

**Julie Williams** Assistant superintendent at Lake Fenton Community Schools

> hall meeting earlier this year that Common Core was developed by a slew of different governors and not an entity of the federal government. Snyder believes the Common Core will raise standards for students, pushing them to learn more effectively in school.

> getting together through the National Governors Association to say we want to partner at the national level and all levels to say let's raise the bar," Snyder said. "The way to catch up from being behind isn't to lower your standards."

from multiple states and

that the federal government is forcing each state to adopt the standards. Gallup pollsters noted in their results that the Common Core does not do this.

One ardent supporter of the standards is Gov. Rick Snyder, who said in a town

"It was the governors of the states

global economy and society."

**TIMES MIDWEEK** 



# Jerky now on 'doggy don't' list

▶Pet owners urged by FDA to use caution when feeding pets jerky treats made in China

### By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 You may want to think again about giving your pets treats that are made in China.

After a recent news release from the Food and Drug Administration, some veterinary groups are urging caution to **Oggy don't' list** pet owners about their pets eating jerky tenders or strips. Doctors from Blue-Pearl Veterinary Partners in southeast Michigan are especially cautioning those

or dried fruit. Since 2007, the FDA says they have received reports of 3,600 dogs and 10 cats becoming ill from eating jerky treats in the U.S. Approximately 580 of those pets have died, according to the FDA. Most of the jerky treats involved in the illnesses

made of chicken, duck, sweet potatoes

have been from China.

In addition, people should take their pet to their veterinarian immediately if they notice signs of lethargy, decreased activity, decreased appetite, vomiting, diarrhea (sometimes with blood or mucus), increased water consumption and/or increased urination.

Fenton Veterinary Clinic is just beginning to field phone calls from worried pet owners.

"Our doctors are advising pet owners not to feed their dogs or cats jerky treats until more is known," said Jessica Passcuzzo, DVM, at Fenton Veterinary Clinic. "If your pet does eat a jerky treat, make sure to save the package and use the FDA website to find out how to have the treat tested for safety. As always, if you have any doubt about your pet's health, make sure to call your veterinarian."

Susan Swanebeck, DVM, of Animal Health Clinic in Fenton, hasn't seen any confirmed cases yet of pets becoming ill from eating jerky, but she still advises caution.

See JERKY on 11



### NASA

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swimsuit that reduces drag and enables athletes to swim longer and faster, since they use less energy to maintain form.

Neil DeGrasse Tyson, an astrophysicist and research associate of the American Museum of Natural History, told Forbes that funding NASA should be viewed more as an investment rather than an expenditure. Tyson argues that although the benefits of NASA are not always directly seen, the agency advocates innovation and changes in technology, which ultimately improves the U.S. economy.

"When you innovate, you create new industries that then boost your economy," Tyson said. "And when you create new industries and that becomes part of your culture, your jobs can't go overseas because no one else has figured out how to do it yet."

Former director of the NASA Ames Research Center G. Scott Hubbard estimated that for every \$1 spent funding NASA, \$8 of economic benefit was created. NASA's 2011 budget may seem huge, considering it was an estimated \$18.4 billion. However, when pieced together to America's \$3.4 trillion budget, NASA's budget accounts for .5 percent of government spending. Tyson believes doubling NASA's budget would employ more people in the fields of math and science.

"That would give NASA enough money to do everything everyone has wanted NASA to do over all these years and enable us to go back to the moon or to Mars in a bold and audacious way," Tyson said. "And all of a sudden, all of the great science and engineering frontiers are aglow with the need to have the best students that are currently in the educational pipeline."

### Update from Michael Bloomfield, tri-county area's own astronaut

Michael Bloomfield, a 1977 graduate of Lake Fenton High School and former NASA astronaut is currently vice president/general manager at Oceaneering Space Systems, a



NASA contractor tasked to build NASA's next exploration space suit. This space suit would be tested on the International Space Station, and then adapted to operate at NASA's next destination. Bloomfield said

Michael Bloomfield

the company also makes tools that are used by astronauts during space walks. "We have a long history of making tools used by the astronauts, having designed and built the set of tools that were used on the first Hubble servicing mission," he said.

"Finally, we operate the Neutral Buoyancy Laboratory for NASA." The NBL is a huge (100- x 200- x 40-foot ) pool that contains 6.2 million gallons of water. "We provide the divers and run the operations that allow NASA's astronauts to train for space walks," he said.

Among other duties over the years, Bloomfield was a pilot for the 1997 Space Shuttle Atlantis and the 2000 Space Shuttle Endeavor. His final mission to space was as commander of the Space Shuttle Atlantis, in 2002.

Bloomfield added that he was up in the Fenton area visiting family and freinds a couple weeks ago and really enjoyed seeing the colors on all the trees.

### TECHNOLOGY **Continued from Page 3**

item. The frame of the 1.67-inch screen is brushed metal, with a molded adjustable wristband. Admittedly, it probably wouldn't pass the wife/girlfriend test for guys looking to add some wearable technology to their accessories.

With assistance from manager Wayne Ward, they get the watch working pretty quickly. Within moments, all of Ward's contacts are swipeable on the face of the smart watch.

The Gear is an android device that can function without the smartphone, but at that point becomes an expensive watch with apps. It does have a small speaker and mic on the clasp of the device, and it is reasonably water-safe.

Personally, I haven't had much interest in having a smartphone — but the idea of a phone, computer and camera on my wrist is too cool.

This device allows you to view incoming messages on your wrist, or on your handset, by simply picking up your phone. If you and your smart watch stray too far from your smartphone, it locks the phone automatically.

It can record conversations and convert them to text, and even help you locate your lost smartphone. It can also track your steps (pedometer), and can control music playing off your smartphone. The camera on the wrist can record photos and video with the 1.3-megapixel camera.

Electronicsweekly.com said that the device offers a more organic way of interacting with incoming messages and information — if you need more than a quick glance at a message, you pull out the smartphone instead of reading and responding from your wrist.

Ward, a confirmed "tech guy" would like to have a smart watch, but the \$299 price tag is a bit much to him.

This smart watch is undoubtedly cool, but with anything that is new, it can't be perfect. An Oct. 15 MIT technology review by Rachel Metz essentially calls today's smart watches "pretty dumb."

For starters, this watch needs to be coupled with that specific Samsung smartphone. A passive user will get a couple days of use out of the battery, heavier users will get less.

It's not because smart watches are a bad concept in general, Metz just argues that this device tries to do too much for too many people, and does a bad job at most — like a Swiss army knife. "In theory, smart watches offer a smoother, more natural way of checking information than pulling out a smartphone," she said.

As cameras get smaller, and are less obtrusive and obvious as time passes, there is of course the "creep" factor. This is the phenomenon of someone taking a picture of someone else in public, and because there is no glaringly obvious

### JERKY Continued from Page 10

"Read the labels carefully, so you know where your pet's treats are coming from," she said. "Look for ones made in the U.S., not China, Argentina, Taiwan or Mexico. If your pet seems ill for any reason, have your pet looked at by your veterinarian."

Potential jerky pet treat-related illnesses should be reported online or by calling the state FDA Consumer Complaint Coordinator. In Michigan, that number is (313) 393-8189.

camera, or phone to hold, recording video and photos can go unnoticed by the unsuspecting subject.

This is the same concern as Google glass — technology infused eyeglasses. The tiny camera looks like a button on the smart watch's wristband.

Whether you love it, or think it's ugly, Star Trek and Dick Tracy technology is here.



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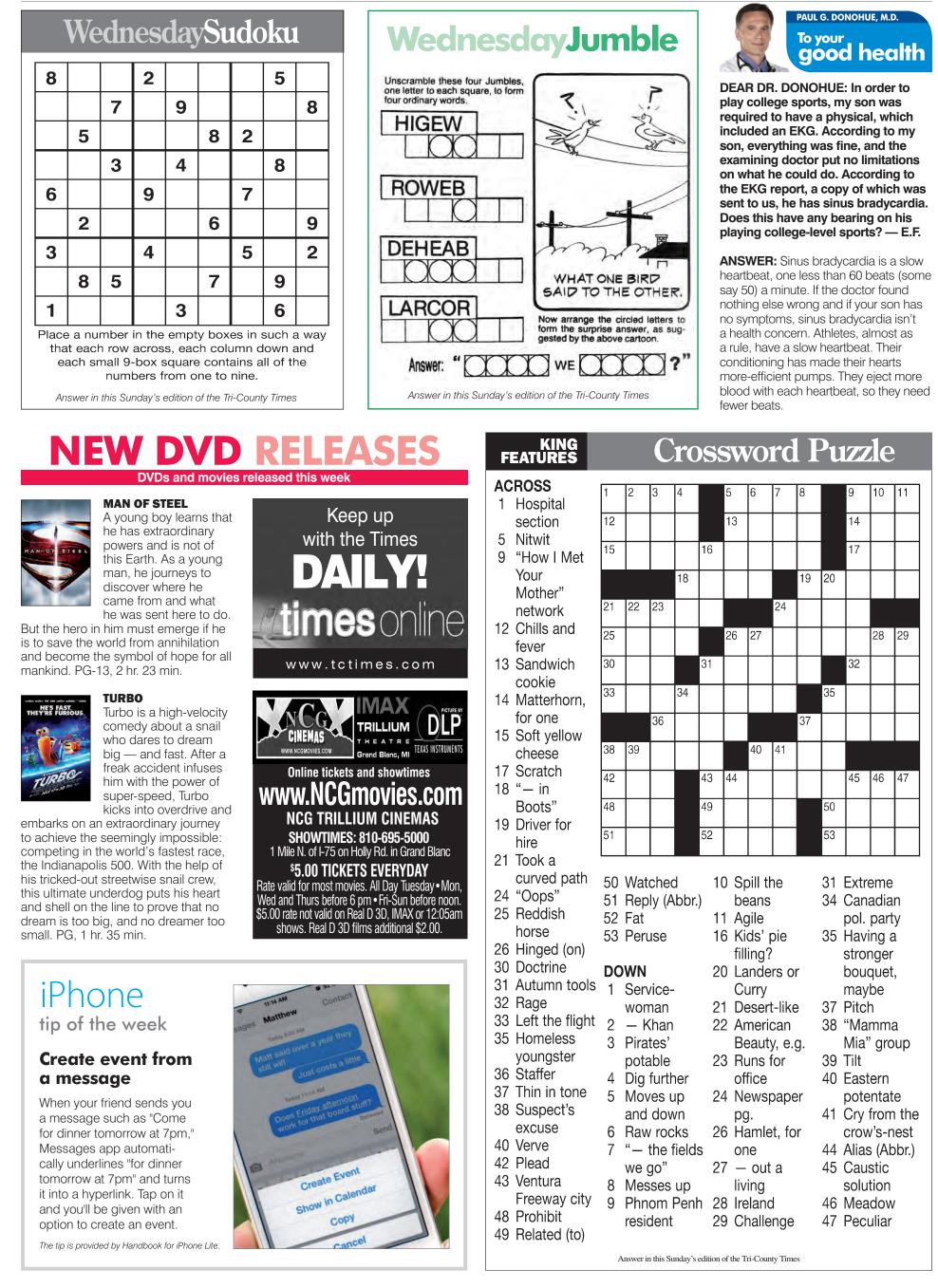
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first African American to win the American League MVP award?

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Elston Howard won the award in 1963. Eight African Americans had won the honor already in the National League.

### DAVID'S DABBLINGS

It's scary to admit this, but the Detroit Lions are a good football team.

The Lions have the best collection of talent they've had since the end of the Barry Sanders era. The best team l've seen in my Lions' lifetime was the 1991 squad. That team began the season with Rodney Peete at QB, but ended with Erik Kramer there. Sanders was in the backfield and there was no one more fun to watch carry the football. The QBs had Brett Perriman, Robert Clark and WIllie Green to throw to. That group seemed fine.

But it was the defense that really pushed this team into the NFC title game. There was a stretch where it seemed the defense was forcing four or five turnovers a week. They were a tough unit. Luckily, it also happened to be the first season I went to a lot of games. I also was at the Silverdome when the Lions beat the Cowboys in the playoffs. Those were great times. Hopefully, this edition can come close to matching some of those great memories. It's obvious they have a shot.

# TIMES Store Store

# Football teams' seasons end in district finals

► Eagles push No. 1 DeWitt, before losing 27-14 verdict

### By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 **DeWitt** — The Linden varsity football team wasn't the favorite when it faced the DeWitt Panthers in a Division 3 district championship football game at DeWitt High School on Friday.

In fact, considering DeWitt entered the contest as the No. 1 team in the state of Michigan in D3 football, the Eagles were overwhelming underdogs.

But a young Eagles' squad proved they belonged, pushing the Panthers through the entire district final competition before losing a 27-14 verdict to DeWitt.

"We did good. I'm very proud of the kids," Linden co-head football coach Denny Hopkins said. "They played hard and played a good game."

The Eagles did just that. Trailing at one time 21-0 in the first half, Linden got themselves in a position to be trailing just 21-14 after a one-yard touchdown run by Noah Sargent with 4:49 remaining in the third quarter.

From there, the Eagles' defense held DeWitt's potent offense twice, giving Linden a chance to tie the game with a TD and an extra point.

On DeWitt's first possession leading 21-14, Nick Sioui made two strong tackles on run plays, forcing the Panthers to eventually punt.

Linden's offense was able to move the ball to the DeWitt 30, but a holding penalty and an interception by DeWitt's Justice Shankel, his second of the game, gave the Panthers the ball back at their own 23.

The Linden defense held strong one more time, as Linden sophomore Kevin Bates intercepted a Johnson pass and returned it to Linden's 30. How-



(Top) Linden's Kevin Bates (right) scored one of the Eagles' two touchdowns in Linden's 27-14 loss to DeWitt during Friday night's contest. (Right) Lake Fenton's Trent Hilger (middle) and Andy Donoho (right) work on tackling a Williamston player in a past game. The Blue Devils lost to Sexton 32-14 Friday night.

ever, the Eagles were forced to punt four plays later with 7:51 remaining. DeWitt finally iced the game away on its next possession, driving 70 yards in 10 plays and scoring a TD on Ben Heinritz' 15-yard run, his second TD scamper of the game. Bates blocked the extra-point kick, but Linden still trailed 27-14 with only 2:28 remaining in the contest. With time running out, Sargent threw his third pick



of the game with just 58 seconds left, officially icing DeWitt's victory. Despite the loss, the Eagles' young team was able to leave with their heads up high.

"We just have a lot of heart on the team," Bates said. "We play for every inch. We wanted to survive as a team and to die as individuals."

"This season meant everything. We grew as a family and See EAGLES on 15 ▶Fourth quarter proves LF's downfall vs. Sexton, 32-14

### **By Jordan Climie**

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 **Lansing** — Going into halftime, the score was tied at 14. It looked as if this game would come down to a toss-up of who had the ball last, wins.

Unfortunately, the fourth quarter was a completely different story, and the Lansing Sexton Big Reds pulled away without mercy from Lake Fenton, winning the Division 4 district championship 32-14.

"It's tough," Blue Devils coach Eric Doyle said after the game. "We turned it over three times, and they scored all three times. You can't win when you do that."

Still, Doyle gave a lot of credit to his Blue Devils, as they ended the season with a solid record of 8-3.

"That (score) isn't indicative of the way they played," he said. "They played their hearts out."

Lake Fenton started strong. On the opening drive, the Blue Devils marched down the field, keeping their play on the ground, where junior running back Mitchell Bollinger was able to break a few tackles en route to a 54-yard touchdown run. They were aided by a couple offside calls against the Big Reds, inching Lake Fenton even closer.

Sexton came right back with an answer however. On the next drive, junior JaVon Wray got into the end zone from one yard out after another Sexton player fumbled on the previous play. The Big Reds recovered however, leading to Wray's score. Without a kicker, Sexton was forced to go for two, and failed.

On the next drive, Lake Fenton was looking to answer, but unfortunately they fumbled, See LF'S on 14



# Fenton girls swim team's Metro dominance reaches a decade

# ► Tigers use depth, youth to spark another league championship season

### **By David Troppens**

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Call the Fenton varsity girls swim team a perfect 10.

The Flint Metro League has been awarding a girls swim champion for 10 years, and the Tigers have been the champions all 10 seasons, sharing it only once with Brandon last year.

The Tigers returned to their old dominant selves in Metro action, crushing the field at the Metro meet by scoring 600 team points. Last year's cochampions, Brandon, took second with just 374 points, while Holly was sixth (187).

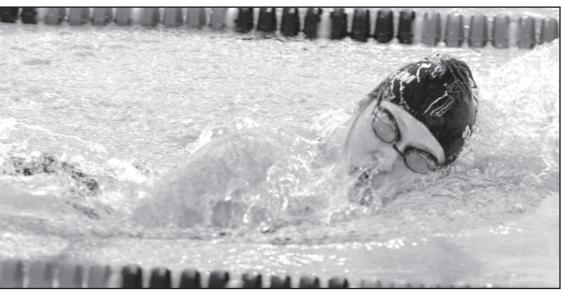
"Winning the Metro is always our first goal," Fenton coach Brad Jones said. "We take that very serious, and this being our 10th in a row made it special. After sharing the title last year, it was very important that we not just win it this year, but put as much space between our program and the Metro League."

The Tigers dominated the meet, earning champions in five of the 12 events. The Tigers' depth also played a huge role, earning 18 of the top-five placings in the meet's nine individual events. Fifteen Fenton individuals earned at least one top-five individual performance.

"Our depth was definitely the difference this year," Jones said. "We did not win any of the relays and only have five first-place finishes, but we were able to dominate most events because of the number of qualifiers we had in each event."

The Tigers had one individual earn two event championships. Senior Gabrielle Hararaoja captured the top spot in the 50 freestyle (24.97 seconds) and the 100 freestyle (54.68) with state-qualifying times. Meanwhile, Brianna Costigan came close to two championships. The sopho-more won the 200 freestyle (2:03.25) and came in second in the 500 freestyle (5:38.56). Freshman Elise Cassidy also earned a title, winning the 100 backstroke (1:05.01). But the Tigers were most dominant in diving, where they earned the top three positions. MacKenzie Deputy won the event (354.70), while Zoe Weinberg (320.00) and Julia Johnson (287.55), placed second and third, respectively.

All three Fenton relays placed second, and two earned state-qualifying times. The 200 medley relay squad of Cassidy,





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(Top) Fenton's Gabrielle Haaraoja won the 50 freestyle and the 100 freestyle at the Metro League Meet. (Immediately above) McKenzie Mead placed second in the butterfly. Elise Cassidy (right) won the 100 backstroke.

Lauren Gruber, Haaraoja and Taylor Haaraoja earned a state time of 1:59.59, while the 400 relay team of Costigan, Lauren Davis, Addison Ransom and Gabbrielle Haaraoja earned a state time of 3:51.42. The 200 freestyle relay team of Taylor Haaraoja, Gruber, Davis and Costigan finished second with a time of 1:48.41. **See METRO on 15** 



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# LF'S

**Continued from Page 13** giving momentum back to the Big Reds. Sexton would convert two fourth downs in that ensuing drive, before senior Javon Cooney ran it in from 14 yards out. This time, the two-point conversion was good, giving Sexton a 14-7 lead after the first.

Keeping things on the ground, Lake Fenton would spend most of the second quarter driving down the field slow and methodically. They were able to tie it up when senior quarterback Pete Plasters dove into the end zone from one yard out.

But Sexton had a chance to regain the lead before halftime. Building their own drive to march them down the field, they were in the red zone with about a minute left in the quarter. A mistake by Sexton quarterback Malik Mack put the ball perfectly in play for freshman safety Trent Hillger, who picked it off and stopped Sexton from getting a chance to retake the lead.

After halftime, new life had been breathed in Lake Fenton. But Doyle insists it was all in the fire of his players wanting to make a quick statement.

"We didn't have to make a lot of adjustments," he said.

Even without any adjustments, the Blue Devils defense took the field and stopped Sexton behind the 50 yard line for the first time Friday evening, forcing them to punt for the first time as well. Lake Fenton couldn't capitalize however, moving down to the Sexton 30-yard line, but failing to convert on fourth down.

The action picked up in the fourth

quarter, with both teams still tied at 14. Sexton seemed to find their second wind, as junior Avonte Bell ran in from 10 yards out to take a 20-14 lead for the Big Reds after the two-point conversion failed. Lake Fenton then drove down the field, with plenty of time left on the clock to keep their ground game going. Unfortunately, an errant pitch by Plasters landed on the grass, and Sexton was quick to jump on the loose ball to bring their offense back onto the field.

After that miscue, it was downhill for the Blue Devils.

Sexton began to slice through the Lake Fenton defense. In one of the few big passes of the game, Mack found Cooney for a 25-yard touchdown pass immediately following a horrible injury to Sexton's Wray. The Big Reds sideline and fans were emboldened by the fact they were now playing for their teammate, and not just themselves.

Mack, now on defense, then picked off a Lake Fenton pass on a trick play, sealing the door on the Blue Devils' comeback efforts. Bell again found the end zone from a yard out, putting Sexton up 32-14.

For the future of the Blue Devils program, Doyle knows there will be some tough changes in the offseason.

"We're losing a lot of talented kids," he said. "The younger guys under them have hopefully learned.

"We're building a football program here, and we need to make the next step."

### EAGLES

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made incredible improvements over the last four weeks. It's just crazy," senior Sioui said.

Many thought the Eagles would lose the district title game by a blowout, and early on it looked like that might happen.

A strong punt return by Austin Buerkel set the Eagles up for their possession at midfield, but Shankel's first pick of the game came four plays later, giving De-Witt the ball at the Linden 45. On the ensuing play, Johnson hit Christopher Ruby for a 45-yard TD pass. Cameron West's first of three extra-point kicks gave the Panthers (11-0) a 7-0 lead with 8:05 left in the first quarter.

The Eagles put together the makings of a fine possession when they got the ball back. The Eagles ran 16 plays, driving 54 yards in the process. However, faced with a fourth-and-17 at the De-Witt 21, Marshael Ryan was able to gain 14 yards on a completion from Sargent. The Eagles took 7:25 off the clock but still trailed 7-0.

Once again, it took the Panthers only one play to score. Starting at their own 8, Heinritz scored his first of two rushing TDs during a 92-yard run. Linden trailed 14-0 just one play into the second quarter.

The score stagnated at 14-0 until De-Witt's final complete possession of the second quarter. The Panthers drove 84 yards on just five plays, scoring their third TD. A 35-yard completion to Ruby was followed by a 33-yard TD pass to Joshua Borta, putting DeWitt up 21-0 with 3:17 left in the half.

The Eagles didn't fold. In fact, they played inspired football from this point, an-



Linden's Noah Sargent scored one of the Eagles' two touchdowns in Linden's 27-14 loss to DeWitt Friday night.

swering the TD with a score of their own. Linden drove 72 yards in 11 plays, scoring on a 21-yard TD pass from Sargent to Bates. After Cameron Cook's first of two extra-point kicks, Linden trailed 21-7, and trailed by that margin going into the half.

"I just looked for blocks," Bates said. "I followed my blocks. I knew I had to get in."

The Eagles (7-4) looked like a confident outfit in the second half. The Eagles took 7:11 off the clock with their first possession, driving 78 yards in 15 plays, scoring on Sargent's one-yard plunge, cutting the gap to 21-14 with 4:49 left in the third quarter. Linden converted two third-down plays — one being a four-yard run by Sargent and the other a 33-yard reception to Buerkel — and a fourth-down play — a 19-yard reception to Ryan — setting up the score.

From there, Linden's offense had two chances to at least tie the score before DeWitt scored its final TD.

Linden started its next possession on its own 44, and drove it to the DeWitt 30. However, a holding call and an interception ended the drive. On the second, Linden started at its own 30, but was forced to punt. Finally, Heinritz's second TD run iced the victory for DeWitt.

"I think we were nervous at the beginning of the game," Bates said. "We didn't come out right at the get-go. I think if we did, it would've been a different outcome.

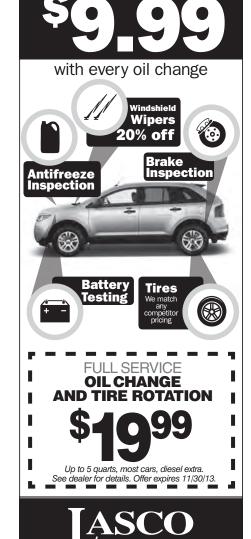
"We drove the field, we just couldn't capitalize. I think we stuck together and believed through the game. We just couldn't capitalize at the beginning."

"Our defense, we stepped it up," Sioui said. "We only allowed three big plays down the field, causing their first two touchdowns. After that we adjusted at halftime and made it a game. ... It was incredible we made it here. We were an underdog. A lot of people didn't believe in us, and we proved them wrong making it here."

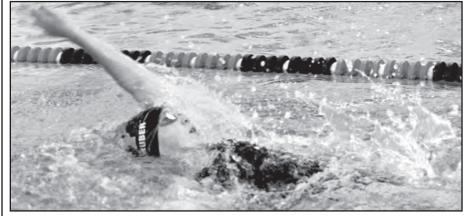
Sargent completed 18-of-30 passes for 200 yards, while rushing 30 times for 102 yards. Buerkel caught five passes for 88 yards. On defense, Jake Marshall and Ryan had eight tackles each, while Austin McNeil and Andrew Roberts had six each.

Hopkins was pleased with his team.

"I don't know if our kids thought they could play with them from the start," Hopkins said. "But once we banged heads with them a little bit, we were fine."



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Fenton's Lauren Gruber competes in the backstroke in a recent meet. Gruber placed second in the breaststroke at the Metro Meet on Saturday.

### METRO

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Fenton's other individuals to earn top-five performances were: Ransom, third in the 200 freestyle (2:07.53) and fourth in the 500 freestyle (5:48.84); Davis, fourth in the 200 individual medley (2:30.48) and fourth in the backstroke (1:07.15); McKenzie Mead, second in the 100 butterfly (1:06.77); Emma Cagle, third in the 500 freestyle (5:45.43); Taylor Haaraoja, fourth in the 100 backstroke (1:10.30); Gruber, second in the 100 breaststroke (1:16.85); Cameron Mathews in the 100 backstroke (1:11.07); Grace Siefker, fifth in the 50 freestyle (27.87) and Haylee Skank, fifth in the 500 freestyle (5:54.78).

Weinberg, Cagle, Cassidy, Gruber, Mathews, Skank and Siefker are all freshmen.

"This is by far the most talented group of incoming swimmers I have

### **Top Metro title streaks**

Here is a list of the current longest championship win streaks in the Metro League.

Sport	onsecutive titles
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Fenton volleyball	6
Fenton boys basketbal	l 5
Holly wrestling	3
Fenton football	3

had," Jones said. "We have two freshmen — Elise Cassidy and Lauren Gruber — going to state in the 200 medley relay. Although none qualified with individual cuts this year, it is very clear that most of them will be state qualifiers very soon, making the next four years very exciting."

Holly's best performance was posted by diver Jennie Degenhardt.

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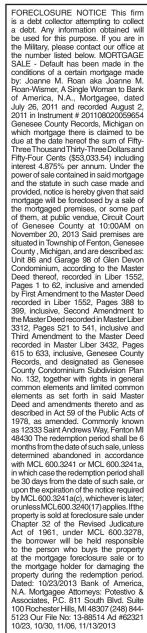


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recorded August 21, 2013 in Instrument # 201308210097232 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Eighty-Seven Cents (\$51,732.87) including interest 4.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in sale mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby giver that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on November 27, 2013 Said premises are situated in City of Flint, Genese County , Michigan, and are described as: East one-half of Lot 79, Lot 80 and West one-half of Lot 81 all in Fentor Park Addition according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 1105 Edith Ave, Flint MI 48507 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCI 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 10/30/2013 CitiMortgage, Inc., Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 Sc Blvd, Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 13-89097 Ad #62751 10/30, 11/06, 11/13, 11/20/2013 FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Ronald Bowen and Carol Bowen, Husband and Wife to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 13, 2004 and recorded May 14, 2004 in Liber 4446 Page 0022 Livingston County Records Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Four Hundred Fourteen Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$110,4 14.30) including interest 5.25% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Livingston County at 10:00AM on November 27, 2013 Said premises are situated in City of Brighton, Livingstor County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point distant due East, 1225.8 feet and due North 193.97 feet from the West one-quarter corner of Section 31, Township 2 North, Range 6 East, Michigan; thence due North 119.25 feet; thence North 49 degrees West 130.4 feet to the Southerly line of Hamburg Road; thence South 41 degrees West, 90 feet; thence South 49 degrees East, 208.6 feet to the Point of Beginning. Commonly known as 903 Brighton Lake Road . Brighton MI 48116 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date o such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c) whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapte 32 of the Revised Judicature Act o 1961, under MCL600.3278, the borrowe will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage

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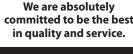
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be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Kenneth W Robertson and Anna Lyn Robertson, Husband and Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Michigan Mutual, Inc., its successors and assigns Mortgagee, dated May 30, 2007 and recorded June 7, 2007 in Instrument # 200706070048468 Genesee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Nationstar Mortgage LLC, by assignment dated September 13, 2013 and recorded September 16, 2013 in Instrument # 201309160102351 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars and Ninety-Five Cents (\$63,597.95) including interest 2.375% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on December 11, 2013 Said premises are situated in Township of Flint, Genesee County , Michigan, and are described as: Lot 37 of Miller Road Acres, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 16, Page 31, Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 3404 Swartz Street, Flint MI 48507 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determine abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upor the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 11/13/2013 Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd, Suite 100 Bochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 13-89694 Ad #63204 11/13, 11/20, 11/27, 12/04/2013 FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Beatrice J. Todd, A Single Woman to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 10, 2004 and recorded January 7, 2005 in Instrument # 200501070002796 and rerecorded on June 1, 2013 in Instrument #201306010079379 Genesee County Records, Michigan Said mortgage was assigned to: Bank of America, N.A., by assignment dated February 15, 2013 and recorded February 22, 2013 in Instrument # 201302220011847 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Four Thousand One Hundred Nineteen Dollars and Ninety-Seven Cents (\$44,119.97) Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Genesee County at 10:00AM on December 11, 2013 Said premises are situated in City of Burton, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 801, Baker Park, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Liber 11, pages 2 and 3, Genesee County Records. Commonly known as 1155 Carman St, Burton MI 48529 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless nined abandoned in accordance with MCL600.3241 or MCL600.3241a, shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c) whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278,

the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 11/13/2013 Bank of America, N.A., Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 13-89910 Ad #63198 11/13, 11/20. 11/27. 12/04/2013



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to Mortgage Electronic Registration

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N.A., its successors and assigns

Mortgagee, dated March 27, 2012 and recorded April 12, 2012 in Instrument #

2012 04120035916 Genesee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage

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