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of the week

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Holly man sentenced to 25 years in federal prison

▶ Charges include production of child pornography

By William Axford

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A 45-year-old Holly man was sentenced to 25 years in federal prison after pleading guilty to producing child pornography.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) found that Chad Alan Cole had met a 12-year-old girl from Idaho

online and that over the course of several months, Cole convinced her to create sexually explicit pictures and videos of herself. Cole also sent images and videos of himself to the girl over Skype.

After his arrest, Cole admitted to engaging in similar behavior with 10 to



Chad Alan Coe was sentenced to 25 years in federal prison on charges of producing child pornography.

20 other minors. The case was first investigated by local authorities in Lewiston, Idaho.

Cole was charged with federal crimes on child pornography in February of 2013. Cole was previously convicted in July of 2006 of a misdemeanor for Furnishing Obscenity to Children. He had successfully completed probation in that case and was not required to register as a sex offender from the previ-

Holly police searched Cole's home on Rosette Street on February of 2013, seizing various electronic devices. The FBI's Troy office was notified and contributed to the investigation.

The FBI press release states Cole previously worked as a firefighter for the Village of Holly and a 911 dispatcher for the City of Auburn Hills before being terminated as a result of his prior sex offense.

H1N1 flu virus on the upswing

► Health officials: 'Get vaccinated'

By William Axford

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The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is reporting an increase in influenza activity across the state. So far, health officials are seeing a large proportion of young and middle age adults being hospitalized for the illness, compared to most influenza seasons. One influenza related death has been reported so far for this year's flu season.

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Mark Valacak

Snowstorms a boon for many businesses



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Shannon Auto Collision painter/auto tech Michael Rufini works on a heavily damaged vehicle that will cost about \$8,000 to repair. A tree fell on the car during last week's snow storm. Area bump and paint shops have very busy due to the weather. See story on Page 6A

Recalling the blizzards of yesteryear



NEW HAVEN REGISTER

Michigan and the entire northeastern United States were paralyzed by the catastrophic and historic blizzard of 1978.

The winter of 1978 was just as devastating as this past winter

By William Axford

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While snow and chilly temperatures are

the norm for Midwest winters, Michiganders battled frozen roads, sub zero temperatures and more than a foot of snow this past week.

The storm has been compared to the 'Great Blizzard of 1978,' when a winter storm that swept through Ohio and Michiin Michigan's history.

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Ken Seger Curator at the Fenton Museum

gan dumped more than two feet of snow on the ground. The storm is remembered as one of the coldest and most damaging

> "The most extensive and very nearly severe blizzard in Michigan history raged throughout Thursday, January 26, 1978 and into part of Friday January 27,"

> > See **BLIZZARDS** on 18A



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terrific. 77

Lead auditor, Abraham

Alan Panter

& Gaffney, P.C.

▶ Fenton's financial records 'clean,' budget tight but stable

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton — After a 25-year winning

streak, it's no surprise that the city's annual audit report came back with the highest rating an agency can bestow — a "clean," or "unmodified" opinion, meaning the records kept by the city are nearly perfect. "It's indicative of an operation running without issues," said lead auditor Alan Panter. "That's terrific."

Credit goes to treasurer Cindy Shang and her team, who prepared the records requested by the firm. She appeared at the work session with Panter, of Abraham & Gaffney out of Auburn Hills.

The audit covered records kept on the fiscal year that ended June 30, of 2013, and doesn't actually rate the financial health of the city, or explore whether there

Revenues and expenditures from this audit of 2012-13 are comparable to 2011-12. This is good news, because albeit finances are still tight, the city may be experiencing

> a leveling out of the financial challenges caused by property taxes.

> Of the city's \$6.4 million in total expenditures, 50 percent is for police and fire services, 17 percent is for regular government services and 22 percent is for fund transfers. City revenues total \$6.6 million, with \$199,714 in excess revenue.

Scrimping and saving has landed the city a healthier general fund balance of \$2.1 million, which is a \$28,000 increase more than last year. Fund balance is like the city's rainy day bank account.

Overall, Panter said nothing stood out to him with the records. Both water and sewer funds are also stable.

In closing comments, Panter did communicate concerns over deficiency in control, which is a perceived kink the city's system of detecting, and correcting misstatements on a timely basis. This is a common problem with small city staffs, and is not the first time the city has heard this concern.

Less common is the city being penalized for delinquent Federal tax withholdings, which caused the city to be charged \$5,000. The audit report blamed the former clerk.

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until they meet above your head, hold for three seconds. Repeat three times. This yoga pose, called the Sun Celebration, improves breathing and blood flow to muscles.

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Detter carriers brave ■ Between the ice that swept across the state at the end of December and the foot or so of snow

Frozen temps, icy roads

Letter carriers brave harsh conditions to deliver your mail

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Come whiteout or ice covered roads, the United States Postal Service (USPS) still

strives to fulfill its duty of delivering mail and packages. It just may take a little longer when the air reaches subzero temperatures and sidewalks are unwalkable.

"We've done this for more than 200 years," said Ed Moore, manager of communication for the Detroit district of the U.S. Postal Service. "Mail carriers are trudging through snow, carrying upward of 50 or pounds while trying to balance themselves on ice. We just ask during this time for our customers to have a little patience, their mail may come a little later in the day than they're used to."



While most people have been told to avoid venturing outside in dangerously cold weather, the Postal Service continues to deliver mail unless roadways are completely undriveable.

Between the ice that swept across the state at the end of December and the foot or so of snow that fell at the beginning of the year, traveling and safety has been difficult for everyone. Conditions have become so dangerous that Gov. Rick Snyder urged residents to stay indoors as much as possible and to avoid traveling. For postal workers however, mail still needs to be delivered no matter the weather conditions.

To help stay safe in dangerously cold

weather, Moore said mail carriers are given parkas and traction cleats. Carriers are prepped every season to recognize signs of frostbite and when to seek heat when the cold is affecting their health. Although there are no strict rules for letter carriers in the cold to adhere to, the USPS urges workers out in the cold to take frequent breaks in their mail truck where heat is available.

It's not just subzero temperatures that affect USPS's resolve to deliver mail. Carrier Supervisor Robert Phillips for the Fenton Post Office said

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Letter carrier Sue Reason works through her Dibbleville route on Thursday. She said the weather has slowed and delayed some deliveries. She asks her clients for patience as the roads, and sidewalks are cleared.



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These corroded cast iron pipes had to be completely replaced following a natural gas leak in a home owned by the mother of Fenton Township resident Karen Monetta.

'We are very, very lucky to be alive'

Fenton woman saves mom from potential gas leak disaster

By Sally Rummel

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Karen Monetta, of Fenton Township, was visiting her mom Phyllis Sordyl, 85, on Sunday, Dec. 1 with her two granddaughters when she noticed a strong smell of natural gas right away in the 57 year-old Flint home.

"We are very, very lucky to be alive," said Sordyl, when she found out how close she was to disaster after her family discovered a natural gas leak.

"I checked the stove and the oven and couldn't find anything," said Monetta. "The bad part was that Mom didn't notice the smell at all." When her son, Nick, came over a few minutes

See GAS LEAK on 9A

If you smell gas...

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A gift to be treasured

By Foster Childs

If I Were

If you want to remember a better time, a time when our lives weren't ruled by

the incessant demands of life in the 21st century, you need only experience a snow day.

And not the tentative and emasculated snow days of past years, but rather the snow-raging storm that closed schools, KO'd all commerce, and cancelled all non-emergency activities in our area last weekend.

It reminded me of those heady, wonderful winters when I was a child. Those were the days when 4-wheel drive was a rarity and the world moved at a kinder and gentler pace. Back then a snow day was a gift – to adults and children – that magically liberated us from the rote repetitiveness of

> school and schedules that even then dominated our everyday life. Frosty windows framed the grins of dozens of neighborhood kids as they awoke to see a yard that consisted not of the dull browns and faded greens of the day before, but transformed overnight into a glorious, virginal mantle of white.

Absent in those days was the vague guilt that accompanies missing a day of work today. And back then a snow

day was a community event, rather than an individual affair.

Missed meetings and cancelled appoint-

ments were universal in nature, easily rescheduled due to the mutual camaraderie that always accompanied snow days. Back then we felt sadness, rather than admiration, for the rare vehicle passing by, wondering what circumstances could possibly have compelled the driver (almost always alone), to refuse to bow to a greater power and accept the rare gift bestowed upon him or her by God.

Clearing driveways and sidewalks, activities usually viewed as the most mundane of chores, became adventures to families where even the youngest felt a sense of accomplishment when the family finally stood silently to view the hopefully unnecessary path to the rest of the world produced by their aggregate efforts. The ensuing reward tasted more like the nectar of the gods than a cup of hot Nestles cocoa.

In the evening, old and worn board games took the place of TVs as lights were dimmed, and fake money, railroads and Boardwalk real estate were pursued around the kitchen table.

Somehow, if only for that day, the world seemed to be balanced, with everyone and everything in its proper place.

Later, sleepy-eyed and satisfied, cocooned in the warmth and comfort of family and home, each drifts off to sleep, vaguely wondering why every day isn't like this day, where harsh words, petty annoyances and sibling rivalries are curiously absent, replaced by the contentment of a day well-lived with the most important people in your life.

Snow days, especially in today's world, are a gift to be treasured.

Opinions offered in If I Were King are the author's alone and do not neces-sarily reflect the opinion of the Tri-County Times or its staff. Email the King at king@tctimes.com. Some content adapted from the internet.

JUST ABOUT EVERY business has entry-level positions. Why do so many people put down fast-food workers? History has proven some people will always want to control, limit, discriminate and exploit others for their own interests. That is why we need govern-

TWO YEARS OF unemployment is not enough? The people I know on it lead lives of leisure, sleep until noon and then smoke pot and watch movies while I go to work each day. Who's the

ment and laws.

fool here?

I WOULD LIKE to know why Fenton's gasoline prices went up before the snow storm, when Gas Buddy's showed gas prices falling, and the gas in Flint on Jan. 4, 2014 showed gas at \$3.13 a gallon and Fenton's was \$3.49. And you want us to buy local?

I AGREE WITH the Hot line about the movie Wolf of Wall Street. I saw on TV that they were proud of breaking the F-word record for movies at 506 times. Only in sick Hollywood could that be considered an accomplishment. Stay away.

THERE IS NO doubt that the editor and owners of the Times lean to the right and limit the more centered perspectives in the Hotlines. I actually believe that it goes against the views of the majority since President Obama won the vote in our area.

MAYBE WE SHOULD just guarantee everyone unlimited unemployment insurance! Isn't that what the Democrats are promoting?

DON'T YOU JUST love this global warming? Have you heard it mentioned in the national news lately? I haven't either. If so, their hot air would have melted the snow and ice by now. What a crock.

I HEARD ON NBC news that Chris Christy is being accused of being a 'vindictive bully' for creating traffic jams to smear his opponent. Why hasn't NBC commented on the 'vindictive bully' that's been in the White House for 6 years?

I WANT TO thank Michelle Obama for all the travelling she does for America. Just this year she's been to Brazil, Martha's Vine-

yard, Africa and now Hawaii on our behalf. And, after inciting class warfare, she's now hanging with billionaire Oprah. Hmmm.

YES, INFLATION OVER time reduces the buying power of everyone's money. So when the minimum wage does not keep up over time then you have what is happening now. To change it people have to be willing to be heard and vote.

CONGRESSIONAL REPUBLICANS WILL go down in history as the most inept. I loved reading all the details of their heath care proposals, jobs programs, solutions to end poverty, reduce crime, better education and reduce gun violence. I believe the one solution read, 'reduce taxes for the rich.'

LOOKED ALL OVER the internet for a hall table and didn't find anything. On a whim I

went to (local furniture store) and found exactly what I needed and it was on sale. Saved gas, saved money and I'm now a Shop Local believer. Keep reminding us, Times.

TOO BAD WE can't burn BS, the Democrats could finally actually solve a problem with their actions.

DID YOU KNOW that the creation of most oil was from massive life ending events in the oceans over billions of years? Now we burn it and pump it out of the ground without conscience. It must just be a part of the circle of life.

IN 2014, DON'T be concerned with economic indicators such as the GDP, employment figures, consumer sentiment and more. All that really matters is how many times a \$20 bill changes hands before it leaves your town. Support your local merchants.

STOP WHINING ALREADY, unless you have never taken a deserved vacation. What a crime, wanting to take a vacation with your family. They all deserved it.

THANK YOU JARED from Argentine, and all our wonderful neighbors on Englishman Dr. for helping us get that semi up our drive. It was a group effort and all of you deserve an award. God Bless all of you!

 $\Box\Box$ 'THE IDEA THAT some lives matter less is the root of all that is wrong with the world.' Dr. Paul Farmer.

DEAR NEIGHBORS, MY husband stopped plowing your drive because you couldn't even say 'thank you.' Have fun shoveling or paying a plow to clean

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streettalk



Compiled by Torrey Christopher, intern

Have you signed up for health insurance through Obamacare?



"My health care was canceled through my husband's employment. I went through a company."

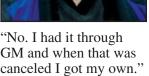
Christine Hoh, Holly



"No. I have it through work, I am a teacher."



GM and when that was canceled I got my own."





"We have our own, my wife works for Mott."



"I have Medicare through the retired teachers and have had it for years."

Shelia Hetherington Linden



"No. I don't like Obamacare because it only benefits the poor, not everyone."

-Melanie Holt Fenton

– Robert Kessis Linden

— Clem Angeway Tyrone Township

— David Lutey Rose Township

Features writer Sally Rummel shares her experience in signing up with healthcare.gov

Sally Rummel

By Sally Rummel

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My husband, Mark, and I didn't spend the day after Thanksgiving in Black Friday frenzied shopping.

We had our own day of 'shopping' - for a Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance policy at the offices of Brown & Brown Insurance in Fenton. There, amidst a holiday-empty office, sat two desks and two dedicated agents who had come in to help clients muddle through what was then the very murky waters of healthcare.gov.

At that time, with sign-up deadlines looming, it was almost impossible to get on the website or get through the hotline without working with a professional.

To be fair, agent Donnell Masak explained that the federal government had not expected 33 out of 50 states at the last minute to ask for them to set up the new health care system, in place of setting up their own. The states that did set it up on their own, including Connecticut, Kentucky, Rhode Island and Washington, didn't have nearly the problems that Michigan and the other states did. Fortunately today, those problems have eased somewhat, and people wanting to buy insurance may have more success in getting connected. More on that later . . .

Our insurance story was a bit unusual. As a small business owner, Mark and I had our own insurance 'group' at Mancino's Pizza & Grinders in Fenton, but our designation as a group was disappearing with the new Affordable Care Act guidelines. We wouldn't be able to have our policy continue as it was, so we had to scramble to find individual policies for us in time to take affect Jan. 1. With Mark having undergone major surgeries in the last couple of years and one looming ahead just after Thanksgiving in 2013, we couldn't afford a 'lapse' in insurance coverage in the New Year.

We were looking at a monthly insurance premium that was going to be more than double what we had paid before 'Affordable' Health Care. We were going to suck it up because we had no choice, but it was going to mean some drastic lifestyle changes at the Rummel household. Sigh.

But there was a bright spot in that we were eligible for subsidies in the Marketplace, based on pretty generous income eligibility guidelines. The subsidies are a better deal for those over 50, because we have been used to high premiums.

Academic Achievements

Claire Elizabeth Herhold

graduated from Western Michigan University on December 14, 2013



with a Master of Arts degree in Public History and was also awarded a Graduate Certificate in Ethnohistory.

Claire was a 2006 graduate of Hartland High School and a 2010 graduate of

Saginaw Valley State University. She is the daughter of Matt and Elizabeth Herhold of Hartland Township.

Younger people will find they have to pay quite a bit more than they were expecting, which is why so many have opted to pay the penalty rather than buy insurance. The

> downside of that, according to Masak, is that there might be repercussions in an emergency for those who don't have insurance, because the new law mandates that everyone is supposed to buy it.

> The guidelines state that no policy holder in our income category should pay more than 9.5 percent of their household income for insurance. The bad part

is that if our income changes for the better this year, we will owe back those subsidies at tax time, which is a pretty hefty payment.

See **HEALTH CARE** on 12A

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> Applications available by contacting the Fenton Area Public Schools at **810-591-4708** or on the district's website www.fenton.k12.mi.us.



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On any visit to the Fire Place located at 2238 North Long Lake Rd, you could encounter live music, dancing, comedians and disc jockeys.

The Fireplace

By William Axford

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If you're looking to get a premium slice of pizza, sip some great Michigan beers and slap some pucks on lake ice, look no further than The Fireplace, a local landmark and family tradition in Fenton Township for 44 years.

We're a

neighborhood

bar and grill with

a local history of

Mardell (Groesser) Landis

Co-owner of The Fireplace

more than four

decades. 77

Rd. at the north end of Fenton, The Fireplace is owned by the Groesser family, and attracts people from all over Genesee County for its nightlife. On any visit, you could encounter live music, dancing, comedians and disc iockevs.

"We're a neighborhood bar and grill with a local history of more

than four decades," said co-owner Mardell (Groesser) Landis. "Everybody knows everybody, it's like 'Cheers."

People come to The Fireplace for the fun, but they also come for the food. "Quesadillas are the most popular item on the menu," said Landis. "We've got chicken, taco, veggie and steak quesadillas, and they're on special every Monday."

On Wednesdays, pizza lovers can get Located at 2238 North Long Lake a 14-inch pizza for \$9.95 with up to six

toppings. Burger lovers can get a one-third pound freshly ground burger with fries for \$4.95 every day.

The Fireplace also has eight taps dedicated to Michigan craft beers, serving brews from Founders, Arcadia, Arbor Brewing and Bell's. Happy Hour runs from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Fireplace's roots go back to the 1950s, when it was then known as The Club Carrol. By 1970, Ron and Betty Groesser purchased the bar. Over the years, The Fireplace has become known more simply as "The Place," where friends old and new come to enjoy each other's company in a relaxed and cozy atmosphere.

The Fireplace has also earned a reputation of fun out on the ice of Barnum Lake, located just behind the tavern. Hockey fans will want to stop by Jan. 24-26 for the annual Lake Fenton Winter Classic Pond Hockey Tournament, where teams duke it out for the Des Crowley Memorial Cup. Portions of the proceeds will benefit local high school hockey teams. Another upcoming fun event will be the "Blue Balls Challenge," nine holes of golf on Barnum Lake the first of February.

Business hours are 11 a.m. to midnight Sunday through Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. For more information, call (810) 629-4505 or visit the fireplacefenton.com

(Features writer Sally Rummel contributed to this story)

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Many area businesses cash in on winter storms

▶Blizzards a boon for some, bust for others

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton — Zach Bittner of Fenton Express Towing was at a loss for words when trying to describe how busy he's been. "Crazy" is what he managed to say as he finished loading up a Mercury Mountaineer in the parking lot of VGs on Silver Parkway Wednesday afternoon. The cold likely killed its battery.

Bill Guillen, service manager at Woody's Towing said, "It's just abso-

Summary

Extreme weather

puts extreme stress

on vehicles, and

homes, driving up

certain businesses

- mostly those

connected with

keeping vehicles

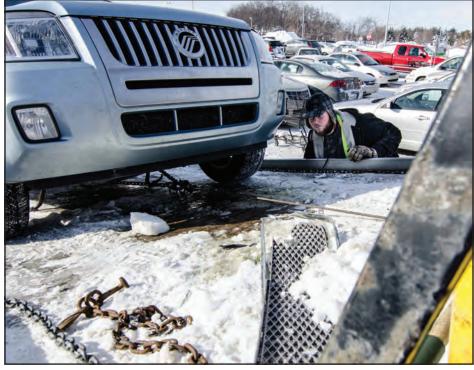
on the road, and

keeping warm.

lutely insane." He said they were at 300 runs this week as of Tuesday. When asked how he keeps his own trucks on the road running properly with all this extra use, he laughed. "I'm 23 (calls) behind now, I have two on-hold," he said.

It's not just the towing and plowing companies that are extra busy because of the extra winter weather the area has gotten. Some are actually doing more business and many are breaking even, or catching up from an otherwise slow

This week, tow companies are literally bringing bump shops like Shannon Auto Collision business. On Wednesday,



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I TIM JAGIELO

44 The problem

is you're never

staffed enough

things happen. 77

when these

Karla Michael

Owner, Benjamin

Franklin Plumbing

Zach Bittner loads up a vehicle with a dead battery on Wednesday, in the VGs of Silver Parkway parking lot. With the sub-zero temperatures and bad roads, he's been working a lot of overtime.

Michael Rufini is working on a Hyudai Tuscon which was smashed by a fallen tree, and a Ford Edge which had been in a crash.

Owner Dan Shannon said "there's been just a ton of crashes." Instead of a 10-day back up, he's into a 30-day back up on repairs. His lot is lined with smashed, snow-covered vehicles. He said they're

doing three times the usual number of vehicles, adding weekends, and hours before and after regular shifts.

Some wrecks like the Edge will cost \$15,000, others will be around \$3,000. He said that crashes that occur in the initial snowfall are always worse because simply, people forget to go slower in the snow and ice. Though the jobs are coming in, he said this busy season is making up for a slow 2013.

"We definitely benefit from a snowy winter," said Kan Rock Tire owner Tim Roche. In preparation for the snowfall, his stores were busy. Some stores, like his Bay City location were busy after the storm because they only received six inches of snow. His local stores were slow after the storm because roads were crippled under the white blankets.

The weather has brought him a 30 percent uptick in sales, as motorists replaced tires they otherwise might not have, if the weather had been more mild.

Gas sales were up when the power was out for Smitty's Exit 80 Sunoco, but is lesser so when it's cold, or snowing heavily. "People don't like getting out of their cars to fill up," he said. They do however, fill up their propane tanks to heat their homes, or run their generators and job-site equipment.

Before the storm, sales for anything auto-related doubles, like gas, antifreeze, windshield solvent. Because he has antigel diesel fuel, he became the destination for diesel semi and plow trucks. He said the week of the power outage was his best four days ever, with everything up 200 percent.

Some other things less obvious are up in sales. Coffee sells better in the frigid weather, and because the lakes are frozen, ice fishing bait is up. Aside from gasoline, Smith expects he's up 25 percent with everything.

The Kmart in Fenton was out of snow shovels most of the week, and snow blowers. Store manager Marie Sussalla guesses they sold 50 of the machines, which included replenishing stocks once.

Water and cold repellant clothing like hats gloves, boots, coveralls, thermal underwear sold in high volumes, and she's had to re-order them.

Exercise equipment, which usually sells better in January is flat. She guesses residents find shoveling to be enough exercise.

Though this week has been slow, she said they are up overall.

Light auto repair shops like the Tuffy Service Center in Fenton still break even in the cold. Battery replacements, heating systems and anything electrical intensify in the cold, but they're already busy all the time, said Mike Mekan, store manager.

With historic freezing temperatures this week, Benjamin Franklin's phones

have been ringing off the hook for their plumbing, electrical and now heating and cooling services.

"The problem is you're never staffed enough when these things happen," said owner Karla Michael. She guesses their call volume is up 25 percent, but that is not translating into increased business.

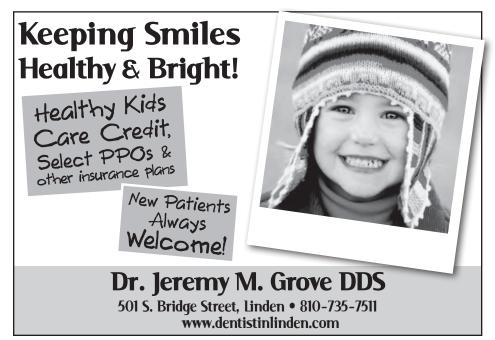
You'd think they can rake profits in due to cold weather causing power outages, burst plumbing, but in reality she keeps her staff busy at an even pace, despite an increase in call volume.

They also have to turn calls away because her trucks aren't immune to getting stuck in un-plowed subdivisions.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I TIM JAGIELO Most of the week, the Kmart of Fenton has only stocked child-sized snow shovels after selling out of regular snow shovels, and snow throwers.





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North American International Auto Show revs up this week

▶60 exhibitors will display more than 500 vehicles at this year's show

By Amy Mayhew

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Fed up with Michigan's lousy winter weather and looking for a way to beat cabin fever? Look no further than Detroit's Cobo Center as it prepares to host the North American International Auto Show next week.

Celebrating its 25th anniversary, the NAIAS will feature the next generation of transportation, with more than 500 vehicles on display, representing the most innovative designs in the world. It is truly North America's largest and most prestigious automotive showcase, and a great opportunity to see what vehicles you can expect to see in 2014.

"It's what we've been working toward since last January," Bob Shuman, chairman, NAIAS 2014 said in a news release. "The manufacturers continue to show their confidence in the NAIAS, and will once again bring their absolute best to Detroit's world stage. The show is going to rock."

With the show opening to the largest media audience in North America on Jan. 13, the industry remains focused on one of the top automotive events in the world.

"We're at the top of our game," said Shuman, who added the official NAIAS Press Conference Schedule features more than 40 media events over the two-day Press Preview, Jan. 13-14, 2014.



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The 2014 Corvette was the star of the the 2013 North American International Auto Show. This year the show is expected to be bigger and better than last year.

"That means introductions of an expected 50 worldwide concept and production vehicles that will be seen for the very first time right here in Detroit," Shuman added.

Open specifically to members of the automotive industry Jan. 15-16, the NAIAS finally will host a black tie charity event on Jan. 17 with Sheryl Crow providing the entertainment.

The show will begin its nine-day stretch of being open to the public from 9 a.m. until 10 p.m. Jan. 18-25, 2014 at Cobo Center, One Washington Blvd., Detroit. Tickets are \$13 for adults. Students ages 7-12 and seniors get in for \$7, while kids 6 and under are free if accompanied by

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I have a grand Cherokee Laredo 1997 and the brake pedal makes a lot of noise, air escapes out of it and when I step on it it even whistles inside the car. I would like to know what I have to replace or fix.

— Noisy brake

This sounds like a vacuum brake booster to me, the brake booster is the large round unit behind the master cylinder and it has a vacuum hose going to it but is not easily replaced, make sure you have a manual to help you with the replacement.



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HOT LINE CONTINUED

NOW AN EMPTY Air Force One will have to fly all the way back to Hawaii to pick Michelle Obama up and return her to Washington D.C., the additional cost is \$800,000 to \$1,000,000 for this additional birthday gift. This president is sending out the wrong message to America, especially at a time when he is talking about constraining expenses.

IT'S SO COLD out today, that Democrats have their hands in their own pockets.

WELL THE RATINGS are in, and Fox News Network trounced the ratings MSNBC and CNN combined. This is a tribute to the classy, bright, and best news people in the business that are on Fox News Network, and are presenting what I call the best and honest news.

DOES ANYONE KNOW where plastic grocery bags can be reused? I used to take to them to the F.A.R.R. store but now they're closed. I wondered if anybody uses them to make rugs with; I've heard people braid them to make rugs.

I HAVE A six-foot statue of a tin soldier that some hooligans swiped before Christmas and have abandoned it over here in Linden. I found it and it's locked in my shed. Call me, 810-265-0671. I would like to get it returned to you.

WHEN GLOBAL WARMING predictions failed to happen, then what did the brilliant climate scientists do? Presto, rename it as climate change. It's like 'heads I win, tails you lose' coin toss. There are always bucks to be made with gullible people by keeping them scared.

WE WERE TOLD, 'Unemployment benefits create jobs.' Ok, let us assume this is true, with almost six years under his belt. With extension after extension of unemployment benefits, why is the unemployment rate at 13 percent?

I EMAIL HOT lines from the Democratic viewpoint regularly. Almost all are published and I appreciate that.

DO YOU ACTUALLY know how you sound? You say that the NSA prying. IRS political targeting, and Benghazi are non-scandals 'so move on,' nothing to see. Yet, slowing down some traffic on a New Jersey bridge becomes a political

scandal and all hell breaks loose.

IT'S GREAT TO see downtown Fenton growing with new exciting businesses. But now the traffic and parking are terrible and distractedly dangerous. Add another traffic light and offset the cost with some parking meters.

YOU KNOW THE global warming fanatics are losing because they are getting hysterically incoherent.

THANK YOU SO much to the Holly DPW for keeping our roads as clean as they could be during this past snowstorm. You guys did great!

IF YOU DECIDE to plow your own street please think about your neighbors. If you only go down the middle of the road you're actually making it harder for people to clean out their driveways.

FENTON CITY SHOULD be ashamed of the road conditions after this last storm. I travel Fenton Road north to Grand Blanc area every day. LeRoy street is snow covered and icy but as soon as I come to the city limits Fenton Rd is down to bare pavement. Come on Fenton!

HEY CONSERVATIVES, BETTER start getting used to saying 'madam President'







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GAS LEAK

Continued from Page 3A later, he noticed the smell immediately, especially coming up from the bathroom vent. "He started turning things off, and went outside and noticed the gas meter was still running.'

Amidst Sordyl's protests, they called Consumers Energy to report a gas leak, and a service technician arrived within 15 minutes. He immediately turned the gas off and told Sordyl to crack open a bedroom window to allow fumes to leave the house.

Even with the heat off and fear from the day's events, Sordyl elected to stay in her home and wait for the furnace repairman to come in the morning.

When a technician from Blessing Plumbing & Heating arrived the next morning, Sordyl asked how long the gas leak had been happening and he said he had no way of knowing, but it could've been months, even years. "He also told me my house could've exploded anytime," she said. "It was really, really scary. I am

just so lucky that Karen and Nick came over when they did."

The old cast iron pipes were completely corroded and had to be replaced in the crawl space, where all the gas had

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in Michigan are urging residents to been trapped. A water leak from the shower in the bathroom had steadily dripped on the pipes, causing the corrosion. That's why the smell was so prominent through the bathroom vent.

The danger of explosion wasn't the only issue that this gas leak caused for Sordyl. For months, she had been suffering from gastro-intestinal issues, causing nausea, diarrhea and a lack of appetite. Her allergies were so severe that she would go into coughing fits that she couldn't stop. "She felt so bad that she wouldn't leave the house, and the house was the cause of it," said Monetta.

Sordyl says she's already feeling much better, and even has her appetite back.

For Monetta, this incident reminded her that she needs to trust her instincts and be proactive in situations like this. "I knew I smelled the gas, but it wasn't until Nick was persistent that we took

action," she said. "It could've cost my mother her life."

HOT LINE CONTINUED

ISTHERE AN organization in the Fenton, Holly, Grand Blanc area where one can meet (Similar to AA) to deal with what has become an addiction? It cannot be too costly.

THE CURTIS-WOLVERTON Veterans of Foreign Post 3243 has been without Electric Power from Consumers Energy since Sunday, December 22, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. Consumers Power has not removed the burned out transformer to reconnect. We are unable to perform our Community Service. The Post Honor Guard has been performing. Help!

I HOPE THAT CONGRESS has the good sense not to extend unemployment. If you can't find a job in 99 weeks, it's obvious that you are not trying.

SO MICHELLE OBAMA decided to stay in Hawaii for another couple weeks? You are welcome, seeing as how I helped pay for it.

I WAS SO embarrassed at taking my wife to the Wall Street movie. We walked out also. It's beyond filth and degeneracy and we only saw 30 minutes.

SCIENTISTS WOULD LIKE you to know that they prefer the term 'climate change' to global warming. A study has shown that you rubes who can't or don't believe in science or complex issues think that climate change has only to do with temperatures.

I KNOW MOST people in Fenton are honest, but one of my twin granddaughters left her hat for five minutes in the VGs eating area, and she went back and it was gone. We paid \$20 for the hat. If somebody would turn it in to the VGs service desk, we would so appreciate it.

I'M SITTING HERE looking out my win-

dow and all these people that are driving in this heavy snow do not have their lights on. You can't see out there, but yet they don't have their lights in their car. And also, I see it hasn't changed, people do not use their turn signals here. Start giving out tickets, they'll start using them.

WHAT A DISAPPOINTMENT. Loosey Senior Center is nothing like the plans that were shown or told to the people. It's just a big empty cold building. What a waste.

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GREAT THANKS GO out to the Tupper Lake Way family who stopped to help me get my car unstuck Sunday night. I will pay it forward. Thanks again.

ANYBODY ELSE GLAD we had such global warming? Incidentally, your windmills have stopped turning. They can't function in weather like this.

OUR DEEPEST APPRECIATION to the couple who came to our rescue on Dauner Road during Monday's snowstorm, without knowing us or accepting any money. God bless.

TRY TO REMEMBER at the next election, let's try to elect somebody who has the intelligence, and the guts, and the knowledge to be a great leader of the United States. We have totally flunked twice in a row. I hope it's not too late to correct all the crap that's going on.

FLU VIRUS

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Main symptoms of the flu include chills, fatigue and weakness, fevers and headaches. Pregnant women, the elderly and young children are at high risk to

contract the flu. The illness can be a cause of death in severe cases.

Genesee County Health Officer Mark Valacak said the main strain of flu health officials are encountering is the H1N1, which caused a pandemic in 2009. Since flu season peaks in February, Valacak recommends people receive a flu shot as soon as possible.

"The best way to prevent the flu is to get the vaccine. The H1N1 is one of the strains in the vaccine," said Valacak. "It takes about two weeks for the vaccine to be effective. If you're exposed to the virus before you get the vaccine, you can still get sick."

The outbreak of influenza has caused more than a dozen adults and children to be placed in intensive care at the University of Michigan Ann Arbor. Health officials at U of M have restricted visitor access, quarantining anyone who displays flu-like symptoms. Children younger than 12 have been restricted from visiting anyone who has flu-like symptoms. Like Valacak, U of M officials are urging

people to get vaccinations, especially since current vaccines can protect against the H1N1 strain.

The MDCH estimates only 40 percent of Michigan residents vaccinated themselves for the virus last year. According

> to Michigan's immunization registry, only 9 percent of residents ages 18 to 24 and 11 percent of residents ages 25 to 49 received a flu vaccine last year.

> The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimate that the H1N1 virus hospitalized an average of 274,000 people and killed 12,470 people in 2009.

Valacak said a common misconception of vaccines is that it will cause people to get the flu. Patients who receive a vaccine will typically experience some soreness at the site of injection and may feel some aches afterward. For those who dislike needles, Valacak said there's a nasal vaccine available.

Other safety tips for preventing the spread of the fluinclude disinfecting common surfaces like doorknobs and phones, as well as properly covering up coughs.

"We just encourage people to get the vaccine," Valacak said. "It's readily available at doctor's offices and pharmacies. There's no shortage and if you have further questions, talk to doctor."



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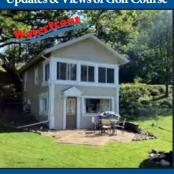
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Storms that bring us home

Nothing makes headlines like the weather. And this has been a headline already in this new year. Storms have ripped through this country and the world, causing floods, creating lakes in normally arid areas, igniting wild fires where protecting rain once fell predictably, birthing new deserts.

Most disturbing, of course, are the human tragedies: the pain, suffering and death that have resulted from these natural disasters. And there's more to come! The staggering costs of these storms and those ahead are yet to be counted.

Famine and inflation can be expected in some areas, because of huge crop losses, but this is only part of the picture. Medical researchers say diseases, (old and new) incubated in hot zones by so much moisture and spread by an exploding insect and rodent population caused by stagnant pools, could spread epidemics around the world.

Then there are other threatening storms.

Washington is in a political and moral storm, trying to determine who did what when and if, indeed, anything has been done. The continuing arms buildup in the Middle East makes one wonder how long it will be until another military storm of terrorism carried out by hate groups armed with cheap

nightmare weapons threatens to make the cold war years seem nostalgic.

Can anything good come out of these storms? Is there a rainbow anywhere? Maybe. It's happened before.

On September 23, 1857, Jeremiah Lanphear, a businessman turned missionary for the Dutch Reformed Church in Lower Manhattan, held the first of a series of public noon hour-prayer meetings. Only six people showed up but greater things were ahead. That same week, a Canadian physician and his wife, Walter and Phoebe Palmer, began holding revival meetings in Hamilton, Ontario.

The storm broke the first week of October: an economic storm. A financial panic gripped North America that brought down businesses and sent frightened people into the churches and to their knees. Revival historian J. Edwin Orr wrote: 'From tiny springs of prayer in New York and preaching in Hamilton came a flood soon to envelop the world

'Within six months, ten thousand businessmen were gathering daily for prayer in New York. Within two years one million converts were added to the American churches.'

Long ago, the Hebrew prophet, Hosea, saw the immorality of his people and gave them the following advice for recovering from the effects of the severe storms he saw gathering on the horizon.

'Come, and let us return to the Lord...he will heal us...he will bind us up (Hosea 6:1).' He still will.

Storms are never easy to endure. But sometimes they bring us home.

Roger Campbell is an author, a broadcaster and columnist who was a pastor for 22 years. He can be reached at rcministry@ameritech.net.

Fenton Adopt-A-Pet searching for missing dog

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Manager of communications, Detroit district of USPS

Ed Moore

►Loving little Chihuahua last seen Dec. 20

A Chihuahua named Toots has been missing since December 20 and Adopt-A-Pet is hoping the public can help locate her.

Adopt-A-Pet Director Jody Maddock said Toots was adopted by a volunteer of the organization.

Toots has escaped from the house of the volunteer taking care of her, and has been missing since Dec. 20. Anyone who knows of the location of Toots or would like to assistant in locating her, please call Adopt-A-Pet at (810)433-6792.



MAIL

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mail delivery is 100 percent dependent on snow removal from road patrols and that letter carriers are instructed to avoid roads

that are not plowed. Not having a path cleared to a customer's mailbox will also prevent mail from being delivered.

"If you can't get out of your road or drive-way, there's a good chance that the mail carrier can't either," said Moore, adding the USPS will hold onto mail until a mailbox is clear for delivery. "We encourage customers to clear a path to the mailbox, sweeping up

the snow and putting salt down."

For Phillips, the past few weeks has been hard on Fenton postal workers but not unbearable. Mail delivery has seen some delays but no one has been injured by weather conditions so far. Phillips adds

that the winters of 2002 and 2005 also hit Fenton hard and that carriers deal with the weather on a seasonal basis.

"Carriers will bundle up three, four layers deep. They also have severe winter

parkas that are more set for Anchorage," said Phillips. "They're pretty used to it."

The Holly Post Office has faced similar challenges as Fenton, only with more back roads to cover. Holly Post Master David Terakul said carriers have gotten their vehicles stuck in snow banks and steep roads that have hard traction during the past few weeks. Roadways are beginning to clear

up more however, thanks to the work of Oakland County and Genesee County road commissions.

"The carriers themselves will make every effort they can to deliver the mail," Terakul said.

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HEALTH CARE

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Masak, a 40-year licensed agent with Brown & Brown and certified with BCBS to handle the new ACA policies, knew all the 'nuts and bolts' of the ACA, but knew she would need a hand getting on the healthcare.gov website because of many prior attempts with no success.

On the Friday after Thanksgiving, Masak brought in professional colleague Cathy Levijok who works independently for BCBS, to join her for the day to help half a dozen or more clients sign up for insurance. She had more than 50 individual policy holders and 58 groups — from corporate accounts to churches and municipalities whose insurance would lapse after Dec. 31. She knew she had to use every spare second before the Dec. 15 deadline to make sure they all were covered.

With dueling computers at hand, they were able to overcome the obstacles that so many others had come up against—putting in clearance passwords without the whole system shutting down. In an hour



and a half, we were done, set up with a Silver plan that would cover all 10 ACA Essential Benefits, not that I'm worried about the Maternity Benefit or Pediatric Dentistry, but I'm covered (and paying) for them. If all goes according to plan, our out-of-pocket monthly premium is about \$100 more than it was before, thanks to the subsidies, with a silent prayer that we won't have to pay them back because of some miscalculation on our part.

For those who haven't signed up for insurance, there's still time to sign up by Jan. 15 for coverage beginning Feb. 1 and Feb. 15 for coverage beginning March 1. Open enrollment continues through March 31.

My advice is to contact a licensed agent who can help you through the hoops of the whole Obamacare scenario. It's better for an agent to walk you through it than for you to make an error that will result in a miscalculation you'll have to pay back. It won't cost you an extra dime up front. For those wanting to go it alone, contact healthcare.gov or call the hotline at 1-800-318-2596.

As for the Rummels, we'll be opening our monthly premium envelopes and hospital statements with just a bit of fear and trepidation in coming months. We don't know what the future of the ACA holds, but it is our future, and it doesn't sound very 'affordable' to me.





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Name the last player inducted to the Baseball Hall of Fame who played at least some of his professional career

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The answer is Negro
League player and Detroit
Stars pitcher
Andy Cooper in 2006. He played for the
Stars from 1920 until 1927.

DAVID'S DABBLINGS

Joe Dumars has to go.

Idon't mean after the Pistons end the season. I mean the Head of Basketball Operations must leave now.

He was fortunate not to be fired during the offseason, presumably given one last chance to fix his mess. Well, anyone who has watched the Pistons realizes he hasn't fixed anything. The Pistons remain a mess.

And now there's only one thing to do—trade Greg Monroe or else find yourself giving him a max contract next year. The last thing I want is some failing front office buffoon doing something that has protecting his job as the priority versus making a smarter move for this team's future. He's killed the team's future enough. Don't give him a chance to do it with an inevitable Monroe trade as well.

Paige Reid A member of Holly's undefeated varsity girls basketball team. Read about Holly's victory against Linden on page 15A. SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2014 WWW.TCTIMES.COM PAGE 14A

Fenton, Linden basketball split rivalry games

►Ebert's 6-0 fourthquarter run sparks Tigers to 58-45 win

By David Troppens

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Fenton — Linden's Collin Hoeberling just cut Fenton's lead against the Eagles to 42-39 with 5:11 left in the fourth quarter after a converted free throw.

At that point, the first edition of the Fenton-Linden rivalry for the season was up for grabs to whoever wanted it.

Apparently Ross Ebert wanted it. On Linden's next possession, Ebert blocked a Hoeberling shot which would've cut the lead to one if it fell, and followed that up with six straight points, raising the Tigers' lead to 48-39 with just 3:20 left. From there, the Tigers iced the game by netting just enough free throws to earn a 58-45 home victory against the Eagles.

"I just was acting on instinct out there," Ebert said. "Even though I was missing free throws, I was still feeling pretty confident out there. And you have to have that in these close games. You can't be shy. You can't be scared to shoot the shot even if it isn't falling."

Linden's chances at victory were hurt severely by foul troubles to their star senior guard Hoeberling. Hoeberling missed most of the first half and it resulted in 17 Linden turnovers and a 26-19 halftime deficit. Still, Linden didn't give up.

The Eagles trailed by as many as 29-19 after a Dillon Gardner three-pointer with 6:53 remaining in the third quarter, but Linden went on a 15-6 run, cutting the gap to 35-34 on a Matt Beil three-pointer. The Tigers took a 37-36 lead into the fourth.

It remained close until Ebert's run of six straight points. The first two came on a 15-foot jumper, and the next two came off a steal and assist by Alec Thomas on a layup. Ebert missed a free throw after being fouled on that layup, but it didn't matter as he hit another jumper off a Scott Lukas assist, raising the Tigers' lead to 48-39.

Fenton (3-2) was paced by



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Linden's Collin Hoeberling (center) attempts a layup as Fenton's Ross Ebert (left) and James Claborn defend. Fenton won the contest 58-45.

Claborn's game-high 16 points, five steals and five rebounds, while Lukas also had 10 points, seven rebounds, and three steals. Ebert had six rebounds and three blocks to go with his 10 points. Austin Bossenberger and Thomas had eight points each.

Hoeberling still led Linden (1-6) with 15 points and three steals despite the foul troubles. Austin Buerkel chipped in nine points and six rebounds, but no one else scored more than Kyle Korman's six points.

For more details on this game go to www.tctimes.com.

Lake Fenton 45, Mt. Morris 43

The Blue Devils (3-2) were paced by Logan Readdy's team-high 13

points, while Pete Plasters added 10 points. Tyler Browning netted nine points, while Chase Hanson had seven points and nine rebounds.

Eric Smith led Mt. Morris (1-4) with a game-high 18 points.

Detroit Country Day 84, Holly 66

The Bronchos (6-1) were outscored 28-18 in the fourth quarter and were handed only their first loss of the season.

Jake Daniels led Holly with 29 points, while Kyle Woodruff had 12 points. Logan Spiker chipped in eight points and 17 rebounds.

Maceo Baston led Country Day with 31 points, while Edmond Summer had 23 points and six assists.

► Holscher's strong fourth sparks Lady Eagles' 55-47 victory

By David Troppens

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Fenton — With Linden trailing 23-18 at halftime, the Lady Eagles needed someone to help elevate their offense.

That person ended up being Briana Holscher. Holscher scored 15 of her game-high 17 points in the second half, leading the Eagles to a 55-47 upset victory against Fenton on Friday.

"It felt awesome," Holscher said about her performance and the team win. "I am so happy. I wasn't thinking as much. I usually think too much and tonight I was just playing and having fun."

Holscher hit Linden's first bucket of the second half, and followed it with a breaking layup off a Taylor Smith assist, cutting the Tigers' lead to 25-24 with 5:54 left. Smith gave the Eagles (4-5) the lead for good with a jumper with 4:50 left in the third, The Eagles still led just 43-38 with 3:56 left in the contest after a conventional three-point play by Fenton's Emma Evo, but Sydney Elmer assisted Holscher's biggest bucket of the night, a three-pointer with 3:36 left, raising the lead back to 46-38. From there, Linden made nine free throws to ice the win.

Smith also had 13 points and three assists, while Alyssa Logie had 11 points and eight rebounds. Elmer had 11 rebounds, six assists and three steals

Fenton was led by Cassandra Reuschlein's 13 points, while Hannah Evo had 11 points.

For more details about this game go to www.tctimes.com.

Holly 73, Lake Fenton 42

Holly's Allyssa Copley had 18 points, seven rebounds, six blocks and six assists, while Paige Reid chipped in 14 points, leading the Bronchos (8-0) to the win.

Abby Lewandowski also had 13 points and 10 rebounds, while Kaitlyn Smith had 13 points and eight assists. Jordan Newman led Lake Fenton with 11 points.



Lady Bronchos having fun, defeat Linden 63-43

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Linden — Life is fun if you are on the Holly varsity girls basketball team.

Well, at least the games are. Led by Kaitlyn Smith's career-high 24 points and by Allyssa Copley's all-around monster game, highlighted by 12 points and 19 rebounds, the Bronchos ran out to a 22-2 lead and cruised to a 63-43 victory against the Linden Eagles Wednesday night.

The Bronchos were dominant during the first quarter. The defense forced Linden to nine turnovers and just 1-for-12 field goal shooting during the first eight minutes. And while Linden had troubles getting its offense going, primarily because of Copley underneath, the Bronchos' Smith couldn't miss. She hit a run of three straight three-pointers in the opening quarter. The first came

with 5:38 remaining in the period, putting Holly up 6-2 while sparking a 20-0 run. It was the first three of 10 points she'd score in just over a minute of playing time. She followed with a three-pointer while being fouled. And, seconds later, she hit another trey from the wing. Before Linden even knew it, Smith had 10 of her points and Holly led 15-2 with 4:24 remaining in the first quarter.

"It definitely makes me feel good when I hit my first three shots," Smith said. "It gives me a lot of confidence for the rest of the game. It helps me find other ways to score which is good too."

While Smith provided the scoring, Copley was doing just about everything else. She finished with 12 points, eight assists, six blocks and three steals. Copley routinely set up the offense with defensive boards and quick outlet passes which were converted into easy

"We were at practice this week and we were getting the rebounding going and the out-letting," Copley said. "Our guards got out fast and our forwards got the rebounds, and that's how we got a lot of our points. Of course, it's fun running up and down getting easy shots. You don't get a lot of each shots, so when you do it's fun."

"Copley is awesome," Linden coach Ben Varner said. "What did they say she had, 19 rebounds? They can leak out Smith and Copley gets every rebound and she killed us."

The Eagles (3-5) seemingly never had a chance in the contest. Already trailing 22-2 after one quarter, Holly took a 39-10 lead into the half. The gap grew to as many as 49-15 after one of Copley's outlet passes was converted into a Smith hoop, late in the third quarter. From there,



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Linden's Madison Polen (left) tries to grab a ball away from Holly's Brooke Jackman in Holly's 63-43 victory on Wednesday.

Linden outscored Holly 28-14 to make the score a bit more respectable.

While the Bronchos (5-0, 7-0) remain the team everyone is gunning for, it doesn't seem to be bothering Holly.

"We focus really early," Copley said.

"We come out strong and we execute all of our plays pretty well. It helps we have the in-

Eagles give Holly boys a scare before falling

By David Troppens

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Linden — If the Holly varsity boys basketball team didn't know what it felt like before the Christmas break, the Bronchos are learning a lesson in their last two games.

The undefeated Bronchos are learning what it means to be the "hunted."

Five days after needing an overtime period to avoid Brandon upsetting them, the Bronchos had another squad play them tough on Wednesday.

This time it was the Linden Eagles. The Eagles were tied at 47-all after a breaking layup by Collin Hoeberling with 5:31 left. However, from that point, the Bronchos outscored Linden 18-6 resulting in Holly's 65-53 victory. The win means the Bronchos (5-0, 6-0) remain undefeated in the Metro League as well as overall. They learned a valuable lesson in the process.

"We are starting to realize we are going to get everyone's best shot in every game," said senior Logan Spiker, who scored three important points for the Bronchos after the game was tied at 47. "Now that we are 6-0, every time we step on the court, every one is going to give us their best game possible. We have to go out, compete and play hard every game."

"Almost everybody we have played told us that same night or afterward that (the game against us) was their best game they've played," Holly coach Lance Baylis said. "Brandon played great against us. Swartz Creek played great against us. Linden played great against us."

Linden, who already has an upset victory against Swartz Creek notched in their belts, were game on making it two big upsets for most of the contest. Led by Hoeberling's game-high 24 points, the Eagles trailed for most of the game, but usually were within striking range.

Holly's Joshua Simms hit a threepointer to end the third-quarter scoring, putting the Bronchos up 44-38 entering the final period. Linden trailed by as



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Holly's Jake Daniels tries to drive by Linden's Austin Buerkel in the Bronchos' 65-53 victory against the Eagles on Wednesday.

much as 47-40 with 7:00 left after another trey by Simms. However, Linden's Travis Rinks dished an assist on a Austin Buerkel three-pointer, sparking a sevenpoint Linden run. The run ended with two breaking hoops. The first came on a Hoeberling assist on a Rinks layup, and the second was capped by Hoeberling's layup on a Mike Gold dish.

Linden (1-5) had two attempts on its next possession to take its first lead since 15-14 — that lead coming on a putback hook shot by Kyle Korman with another breaking layup attempt and a putback attempt, but the Eagles

failed to score. Holly's Adam Tooley followed with an eight-foot jumper off, giving the Bronchos the lead for good. It also started a 12-3 Holly run, which was capped by four straight made free throws by Jake Daniels. The Bronchos led 59-50 with 1:51 left after the final of those freebies.

"This year we are a lot deeper than we were last year," Hoeberling said about his team. "Last year we had a few guys, but we didn't go as deep into the bench. That helps us this year because when one of our



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Fenton suffers from foul troubles, lose to Brandon in overtime, 61-55

Claborn, Ebert score 13 points each in defeat

By David Troppens

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The Fenton varsity boys basketball team isn't deep enough to overcome foul

That was proven on Wednesday night. The Tigers took an early 17-7 lead, but foul troubles plagued three starters for most of the contest, helping lead Brandon to what became a 61-55 overtime home victory for the Blackhawks.

"We jumped out early, hit some shots and executed pretty well, and we had a first-quarter lead," Fenton coach Tim Olszewski said. "And in the second quarter we had three starters get in foul trouble. We are still learning and they busted their butts, but they made a run at us in the second quarter. In the third quarter we had three starters pick up fourth fouls and Brandon picked up the momentum."

The foul troubles were to the Tigers' top three scorers during the contest. James Claborn and Ross Ebert led the team with 13 points each, but their time on the bench meant their scoring outputs couldn't be even higher. Meanwhile Dylan Gardner, who also had foul troubles, managed 10 points.

Once in overtime, the Tigers were called for an intentional foul and a technical foul, allowing Brandon to establish a lead during the extra session. From there, the Tigers couldn't recover, as Brandon's Dylan Morris scored 10 of his game-high 29 points in the overtime.

We lost our composure a bit and that's not what we usually do," Olszewski said. "But I thought Brandon played

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | MARK BOLEN Fenton's Ross Ebert (left) drives to the hoop during a recent contest. He scored 13 points in Fenton's 61-55 overtime loss to Brandon on Wednesday.

exceptionally well. They hit some bigtime shots. ... They deserved to win the game. They didn't turn the ball over that much. I give Brandon credit for how intense they were and how they competed the entire game."

The Tigers fell to 2-2 overall with the loss. They played Linden at home on Friday. The results of that contest can be found elsewhere in this publication or at www.tctimes.com.

PREP REPORT

► Holly 106, Kearsley/Clio 74:

Ryan Osborne won two individual

events, taking the top spot in the 200

IM (2:45.56) and the 100 breaststroke

(1:16.38). Other individual firsts were

200 freestyle (2:05.08), Dillon Slate in

diving (174), Zack Zerwich in the 100

fly (1:14.17), Dilon Lemond in the 100

Two relays won. The 200 medley relay

team of Molzahn, Osborne, Zerwich

and Lemond (2:01.86) won, as did

the 400 freestyle relay team of Lem-

and Molzahn (4:10.43).

CORRECTION

ond, Graveratte, Benjamin Konopitski

In a bowling meet versus Clio,

freestyle (1:03.71) and Codey Grav-

eratte in the 500 freestyle (6:48.25).

earned by Peyton Molzahn in the

SWIMMING

a part of the 2014 induction class. This is also the time of year many Detroit Tigers' fans love to gripe about this person or that person not making it into the Hall of Fame. I thought it might be fun to make a list of Tigers who were not in the Hall of Fame prior to the 2014 vote, and list who I think are the Tigers with the best credentials who aren't in the Hall, and if I'd put them in or not.

TOMMY BRIDGES

CREDENTIALS

Tigers with best Hall of Fame Credentials

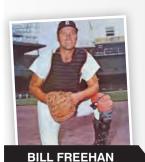
On Wednesday the Baseball Hall of Fame had its annual vote to see who would be

IN OR OUT?

Without a doubt the most deserving Tiger not in the Hall. He held a 194-138 record with a 3.57 earned run average. He has a career ERA + of 126 (100 is average), well above many already in the Hall. If he didn't miss two years due to the war, he'd have well over 200 wins.

IN

He'll never get in. Bridges' time went by a long time ago. But it doesn't change the fact that he's clearly a HOF-caliber pitcher who has been bypassed.



catcher during his 15 seasons. He was second in the MVP voting in 1968, and was third in 1967. He was the best AL catcher in baseball for over a decade, collecting 200 home runs and a career batting average of .262 during a pitchers' era and at a time catchers didn't really hit.

Sweet Lou hit better than most

second basemen of his era, rack-

Freehan was an 11-time all-star

IN

How many players can you say was the dominant player at his position for 10 vears and isn't in the HOF? Freehan and that's it. His time has passed as well, but he should be in.



ing up 244 career home runs. He also was among the best defensive players of his era. It's hard to see how he was so overlooked by the HOF. His numbers are favorable with Ryne Sandberg and Roberto Alomar, two players who pretty much were gimmie selections.

IN

Best case of any of the 1984 Tigers who spent most of their career with Detroit. He'll have to hope the Veteran's Committee looks at him because he only lasted one year on the ballot.

50/50

lock, and I still would

rather have Tram-

mell. But, gosh, if

he could've put to-

gether 200 home

runs and 2,500 hits,

he would've been

in. Unfortunately, he

Ozzie Smith was a



ALAN TRAMMELL

where shortstops not only could field but also hit. He was one of the pioneers, collecting 185 home runs and a career batting average of .285. What hurts him is not play-

Trammell helped create a trend

ing enough during his final four or five years to really beef up some of those stats. Still, his 1987 season was one of the best in Tiger history.

didn't.



The winningest pitcher of the 80s ended with a 254-186 record, and he pitched a ton. But his career earned run average suggests he wasn't more than a solid workhorse pitcher. He was good but only finished as high as third in the Cy Young Award race twice. That doesn't sound like a dominating pitcher for an extended period of time to me.

OUT

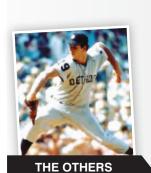
And the voters agreed, as he failed to get enough votes to get in on Wednesday. If he got in, I wouldn't be upset. I just didn't think he deserved it.



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Mickey Lolich (pictured) was his era's version of Morris. He was as good as anyone was in 1971 and 1972, but he also had bad seasons. Up until the 1968 World Series, he was only average. Darrell Evans probably deserves more love than he receives, but I kept him out due to him being a Tiger for just five

OUT

The Loliches, Parrishes and Gibsons of the world don't deserve the nod. Evans might be a different case however. He finished his career with 414 home runs, and he also had a great eye at the plate.

Lady Tigers remain undefeated in Metro play

By David Troppens

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The Fenton varsity girls put together a balanced scoring effort and a strong defensive effort at Brandon High School Wednesday night.

The end result gave the Tigers a 38-28 Metro League victory, keeping Fenton undefeated in conference action. The win put the Tigers (4-0, 4-2) one-half game behind Holly in the Metro race.

Fenton's defense was constant throughout the night, never allowing Brandon anything more than singledigits for any quarter. The Tigers led just 8-7 after one quarter, but scored 14 points in the second period, resulting in a 22-15 halftime lead.

The Blackhawks had their best offensive quarter in the third, but still fell farther behind by the end of the stanza. Fenton led 32-24. The Tigers held Brandon to just four fourth-quarter points.

Eight Tigers scored points with no one scoring double-digits. Cassandra Resuschlein led the charge with nine points and six boards, while Hannah Evo had eight points. Sarah Cummings netted five points, while Katie Conroy, Emma Brant and Emma Evo had four points each. Conroy also had six rebounds, two steals and two assists, while Hannah Evo had four rebounds. Brandt and Katey Cairnduff had three steals each. The Tigers assisted 11 of their 13 field goals.

The Tigers hosted Linden on Friday night. Results of that contest can be found elsewhere in this paper or at www.tctimes.com.



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starters comes off the court there will be no drop off.

"(The Creek game) gives us confidence, but this game aggravates us because we were right there with one of the best teams in the state. It shows us, if we show up, we can compete with anybody."

"When the game comes they can be either really good or really bad. I have not seen the in-between team. They've either been hot or cold," Linden coach Anthony Wright said. "We were tied at 47, missed a layup to go up by two, twice. We are so close, but we remain so far because we are not consistent. The biggest thing for this team is we have the right guys, but what they have to do is have the same mentality. We need to have that same underdog chip-on-yourshoulders mentality every single game."

The Eagles shut down Holly's top two scoring threats reasonably well. Daniels scored a team-high 16 points, but seven of those points came at the free-throw line. Kyle Woodruff never hit a field goal and finished with two points. However. Simms remained steady off the bench with 12 points, while Tooley and Spiker had 10 points each. Morgan Baylis added nine points, six rebounds, four steals and four assists as well.

"Guys stepped up," Lance Baylis said. "Simms (did), Morgan had a tremendous game rebounding and Logan got hot when he needed to get hot. It was a good team effort."

After Hoeberling's 24 points, Buerkel and Rinks each had eight points. Rinks also had nine rebounds.



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Fenton's Hannah Evo (left) drives with the basketball during a recent contest. Evo scored eight points and grabbed four rebounds in a 38-28 win against Brandon.

BRONCHOS

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kept it rolling."

"We have goals we want to achieve and we know each game will bring us one step closer to our goal," Smith said.

Those goals involve winning a Metro League title.

Jenna Pepper chipped in eight points and four assists, while Paige Reid had seven points. Linden was paced by Taylor Smith's 11 points, six rebounds and two assists, but no one else scored more than six for the

"We go 1-for-12 in the first quarter and that's going to kill you, especially when you have no one to guard Copley," Varner said about the team's

shooting percentage. "She's rebounding 11 misses, getting the ball to Smith and she's making shots.

"I have to find a better way of coaching these guys. I need to find a better way to get them ready for some of these games because we've had a tough stretch. I was happy with how we played against Flushing, but I was not happy at all with how we played against Powers. The first quarter against Powers was the same thing we saw tonight, 20-2 in the first quarter. We need to find a way to compete and get better."

"Kaitlyn really shot the ball well. She was explosive," Holly coach David Hall said. "Allyssa makes us go. She does a lot of things for us that makes a lot of people's jobs easier."

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HOCKEY

► KBH United 4, Metro League Griffins 3: Kross Kenny broke a 3-3 tie with a goal during the final four minutes, earning KBH — a co-op team involving squads from Kearsley, Brandon and Holly — the victory against the Metro League Griffins, a co-op of Fenton and Linden players

The contest remained close throughout with neither team taking more than a one-goal lead, and no individual player scoring more than one goal or collecting more than one assist. Along with Kenny, Brendan Guziak, Jesse Zorn and Shawn Larsen each scored a goal. KBH's Tristan Younes made 22 saves in net to earn the win.

Austin Wright, Connor Phillips and Nate Allen scored for the Griffins. Natalie Miller made 15 saves in net.

WRESTLING

Lake Fenton vs. Montrose, Mt. Morris: The Blue Devils (6-0, 18-4) defeated Montrose 66-8 and Mt. Morris 56-22. Carson Whaley, Trent Hillger, Zach Zoll, Jared Corcoran, Keegan Beardsley, John Berry, Ryan Franks and Cody Sanders went 2-0.

"The kids wrestled well considering that because of the weather we haven't wrestled since last Saturday," Lake Fenton coach Vance Corcoran said. "Most of the kids wrestled up in weight and wrestled tough.

Linden vs. Swartz Creek, Lapeer West: The Eagles (13-8) lost to Lapeer West 51-30 and Swartz Creek, 40-36. Linden had two starters — Dawson Blank and Eli Foguth — out due to injuries. Luke Zimmerman (103), Zack Shaw (125), Patrick Kerr (135) Aaron Steedman (160), Austin McNeill (215/285) and Nick Sioui (215/285) èach had 2-0 days.

"I knew Creek was pretty good," Linden coach Todd Skinner said. "They were tougher in the lower weights, and so are we, but with Dawson being out I knew that would be a big factor.

Fenton vs. Brandon, Clio: The Tigers dropped a 64-18 verdict to Clio and lost to Brandon 66-18. Jack Andersen (171) and Scott Becker (215) led the Tigers with two victories.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Linden freshmen 61, Fenton freshmen 43: Linden had 11 players score in the contest, led by Aaron Sarkon's 13 points. Hunter Michael added 12 points, while Gavin Lund netted 10. Ryan Cummings paced the Tigers with 13 points.

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said C.R. Snider in an article for the National Weather Service (NWS), who was the meteorologist in charge for the NWS in Ann Arbor in 1978. "About 20 people died as a direct or indirect result of the storm, most due to heart attacks or traffic accidents. At least one person died of exposure to a stranded automobile. Many were hospitalized for exposure, mostly from homes that lost power and heat. About 100,000 cars were abandoned on Michigan highways, most of them in the southeast part of the state.'

The storm was so severe that then Gov. William Milliken declared a state of emergency and employed the Michigan National Guard to aid residents. Classes at the University of Michigan were canceled for the first time in 140 years.

According to the National Weather Service (NWS), two colliding jet streams and the freezing temperatures were responsible for creating the storm, which is on record to be the eighth snowiest winter for the Detroit region. Detroit received 61 inches of snow; Flint got 50 inches and Saginaw had 55 inches. Average temperatures for the winter ranged between 19 to 27 degrees.



NEW HAVEN REGISTER

This scene in Milton was typical of the chaos created across the state during the blizzard of 1978.

Ken Seger, curator of the Fenton Museum, said both this winter and the winter of 1978 were rough but the winter that sticks out in his memory is from 1947. Seger recalled getting more than a foot of snow overnight and rivers overflowing a few days later when the snow began to melt.

"It seems like we got stuck in our house," Seger said of the storm, recalling that he and his family had to dig their way out of their front door. "We walked to the U.S. 23 supermarket but when we got there, there wasn't any food."

Robert Phillips, the carrier supervisor at the Fenton Post Office, said the 2002 snow storm was tough to deal with, as well as the ice storm of 2005.

Seger said winter weather is tougher to deal with as he gets older, but feels it's easier to manage, thanks to newer technology.

"I know this is probably one of the worst winters I can remember because of the wind and the cold is overwhelming,' Seger said. "This winter measures up but thankfully we have better snow removal."

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Sucked into the



By Amy Mayhew

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After last week's weather, this weekend is sure to feel like a tropical heat wave. But in the wake of those excruciatingly cold temperatures, do you really understand what happened?

No, the "polar vortex" isn't a new type of winter fleece – it's actually a hurricane-type weather system that normally remains above the Earth's poles, only occasionally straying from its perch to cause crazy weather fluctuations in populated parts of the world. Normally centered around the North Pole, the jet stream usually holds the

polar vortex in place.

The jet stream blows 15,000 to 20,000 feet above us and divides cold air from warm air, bending around high and low-temperature weather systems. And while it normally loops down over Canada and dips into the northern U.S., last week a high-pressured system nosed in from western Canada and pushed the jet stream along with a portion of the polar vortex much farther

south than normal. When the center of the 'vortex moved deeper into North America, temperatures across the Midwest and the eastern U.S. plummeted.

That, in a nutshell, is what happened.

For all you movie buffs, perhaps you remember the thriller, "The Day After Tomorrow." In the 2004 disaster film, the world is pushed into a new ice age, thanks to an extreme case of a polar vortex

straying from the poles. While the critics dissed the science aspect of the movie, Daniel Schrag, a well-known paleoclimatoligist, said he was glad to see a big budget movie tackle the topic of climate change, but worried viewers would be less likely to take climate changes seriously.

"I'm concerned that people will see these over-the-top effects and think the whole thing is a joke," he had said. "We are indeed experimenting with the Earth in a way that hasn't been done for millions of years, but you're not going to see another ice age - at least not like that.'

But what does the polar vortex have to do with climate change, you ask? Sea ice is vanishing, thanks to climate change, which leaves dark, open ocean water behind that absorbs more of the heat from the

Does climate change drive cold snaps?

sun than reflective ice. That scenario, experts say, helps to cause the Arctic to warm faster than the rest of the planet - almost twice as fast as the global average, in fact. The jet stream is driven by temperature dif-

ferences between the northerly air and the tropical ones. Some scientists believe that as the temperature difference narrows, it may weaken the jet stream, which in turn, makes it more likely that cold Arctic air will escape the polar vortex and flow southward much more so than it normally does, and just like it did last week.

Even so, the research is pretty preliminary, partly because extreme Arctic sea ice loss is a fairly new phenomenon. As a

result, scientists don't have the long term data sets they need to draw more concrete conclusions about the relationship between Arctic warming and cold snaps.

It's understandable why

Top 5 things that really deserve the name "polar vortex"

- ►An edgy new brand of vodka
- ► Some sort of supernatural ice prison
- ► A mildly exciting family board game
- ► A word describing a "brain freeze"
- ► A cool re-branding of the North Pole www.buzzfeed.com

some people are more content to refer to global warming as "global weirding," with all the complex weather disturbances that continues to occur in our world. Last week's craziness shows that climate change is almost certain-

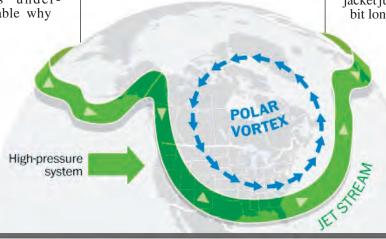
ly screwing with weather patterns that go way beyond mere increases in temperatures.

Time will certainly tell, but in the meantime-you might want to hang onto your winter jacket just a little bit longer.

A high-pressured system out of Western Canada nosed the jet stream and a portion of the polar vortex over Canada and North America last week, sending temperatures plummeting in the Midwest and eastern U.S.

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Escape from your winter white landscape with a fresh splash of color at home

By Sally Rummel

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With our world surrounded in swirls of snowy white this winter, a fresh splash of color is a welcome respite sure to cure cabin fever.

Whether you're a seasoned professional or novice painter, you can transform your home's look and your own winter-weary attitude with just a paint brush (or roller) in hand.

Don't let painting scare you. Even if you haven't picked up a paint brush before, you can successfully paint a room, if you take your time and learn how to do it right. Make friends with your neighborhood paint store, hardware or decorating center and let them guide you through the process. Start with a small project without much prep work needed, and get comfortable with a paint brush and roller. For more difficult jobs with high, open ceilings requiring scaffolding/ladders, you may want to consider hiring a professional. Here's how to get started.

PICK A COLOR

This just might be the most challenging, yet exciting part of your home improvement project. You can use your smartphone or tablet to match or visualize colors. Use Sherwin Williams ColorSnap Studio to create a color palette from any photo, or use their Color Visualizer to virtually paint a room with more than 1,500 colors. You can even upload a photo of your own room to paint.

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"IF YOU HAVE A NICE STEADY HAND AND THE CONFIDENCE TO DO IT, YOU MAY NOT NEED TO TAPE. **Glenda Cornfoot**

In-store designer for

Sherwin Williams

Painting a room is the quickest, most affordable way to change or improve a room in your house.



The newest trends in paint colors this year are soothing seascape colors, with blues ever-present. Grays, whether layered tone-on-tone or paired with color, have replaced brown as the go-to neutral. Vivid colors are also uptrending, inspired by multicultural influences, according to DurabilityandDesign.com

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Meet Marshall Block

- Biochemist
- Producer
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By Tim Jagielo

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Marshall Block of Real II Reel Productions in Tyrone Township is always excited. He's excited to share one of his artists' recent accomplishments, a new song, a new story about his actor daughter. Flanked by recording equipment he tells his artists the truth, and get gets them results. A former biochemist, he can use the scientific, and creative parts of his brain in a business built on a world class network of musicians and producers. As a teen, he knew Alice Cooper, Ted Nugent and Iggy Pop, who he toured with as a guitarist.

You've managed to live life, the way 99.9 percent will never experience. How might you suggest living outside the box? Most people sing one note — 'me, me, me.' In order to get to the 'big doe' at the top of the scale, you have to start with a 'little doe,' and sing every note in that scale. How I succeeded in the business, was helping others. People are so concerned with themselves that they neglect the



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Marshall Block

Owner, Real II Reel

Productions

people around them, and my success has been in helping other people. Over time, the people I befriend rose up in the business, and they befriended me. The personal connec-

tion is everything. If you life was a pie chart, how much of that would be made up of crazy,

creative people? I call them 'free spirits.' My free spirits take up 90 percent of my time.

Was that an intentional life deci**sion?** What happened is, I went through male menopause. I worked in Florida as a biochemist and lived in Michigan. I was in Universal Standard Medical Laboratories. They built a mega lab to consolidate resources, and there really wasn't a job for me there. My wife at the time didn't want to go, my daughter didn't want to go. They gave me nine month severance package. It dawned on me, now is the time to start a business. I spent a quarter million dollars building the studio and after I built it I said, 'Lord, show me the way.'

Where would you see yourself if you hadn't taken the plunge, and you had instead committed to biochemistry? I would probably be immersed in my hobbies, which back then were astronomy, and model radio-controlled airplanes. I'd be retired and just collecting my pension. I just can't imagine not being where I am. I have so much fun every day. The challenge is the end of the month, paying the bills, when you're self employed, it's really tough to balance things. The thing I'm so thankful for, is being able

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TIM JAGIELO

Marshall Block has lived in Tyrone Township since 1975. He tries to stress the business side of music to his artists, many

who are inexperienced. but some achieve placements in TV and movies.

to do this full-time and not be diverted and deflected by a day job.

How has family shaped your business? My dad hates rock music, he called the guitar 'the devil's harp.' My parents were very conservative, very conservative but very loving. My family shaped who I was initially. I raised a daughter and was married 26 years. My daughter is in LA, so my extended family is very extended, so now the majority of my time is with my musical family and I have a lot of friends in the music business. Dick Wagner, Nick Trevisik. These guys are priceless. I don't know what I would do without music.

What kind of mentor do you try to be to young musicians?

I try to tell them the truth. I do lose business because I tell them what they need to hear, not necessarily what they want to hear. This is a horrible business model. Number one, it's very labor intensive, number two it's very capital intensive, and number three, typically my clients don't have a lot of money. It's really all about the passion, and the love of doing music. You as a musician know — look what we go through, just to be creative. We do a lot of good on the spiritual side; music is the language of the spirit.



Dr. Timothy G. Nash is vice president of strategic and corporate alliances and the Fry endowed chair in free market economics at Northwood University. He leads specialty programs, economic research, and continuing and executive education programming for Northwood University. Nash is the co-author of four

books and is an adjunct scholar with the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC), and the Free Enterprise Institute in Houston, Texas. His travels and research have taken him to over 30 countries, he has co-authored four books and his writing and interviews have appeared in numerous publications. Nash received a B.B.A. from Northwood University, an M.A. in economics from Central Michigan University and his doctorate from Wayne State University with a cognate in management. He is a frequent commentator and his writing and interviews have appeared in numerous outlets including the Detroit News, USA Today, CNBC. com, and the Harvard Kennedy School's Better, Faster, Cheaper.

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Adjust temperatures.

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For a more hands-on approach, pick up a color sampler at the store and try it out on your own wall, or a large piece of cardboard. View it in your own natural light at home and see how the color changes from the lighting of the early morning hours through the evening. To simulate different lighting, Sherwin Williams has an Accu Color machine right near the paint chips.

For a look at 2014's trendiest colors, take a look at the sidebar for this year's Color Lineups.

Supplies needed: paint chips, sample paint jars (keep for touch-ups later), cardboard.

PREP YOUR SURFACES

This is, by far, the most time-consuming part of painting, but it will provide you with the best end-result. From sanding to patching and spackling, washing/cleaning to proper priming, each of the steps is important for a quality finish.

"Surface prep is critical for the end result to look nice," said Don Niles, owner of Accent Decorating & Design in Flint for 40 years.

Here's a list of steps for prepping a simple surface:

- 1) Wash the surface with an appropriate cleaner to remove any oil, grease or contamination. Rinse thoroughly.
- 2) Patch holes and cracks with spackling or patching compound. Allow to dry, then sand smooth.
- 3) For glossy or nonporous surfaces, lightly sand to a dull finish or use an abrasive cleaner.
- 4) Remove sanding dust or cleanser residue.
- 5) Prime all bare areas prior to applying topcoat of paint. You may skip this step if applying paint over a very light color, or if your paint contains primer.

Supplies needed: Spackling/putty, putty knife, painter's tape, sandpaper or block, cleaning solution, drop cloths, primer.



TO TAPE OR NOT TO TAPE?

This is totally an individual decision, based on one's confidence and steadiness with a paint brush. "If you have a nice steady hand and the confidence to do it, you may not need to tape," said Glenda Cornfoot, in-store designer at Sherwin Williams in Fenton.

If you prefer to tape the surfaces you don't want to paint, use a delicatesurface tape that sticks tight but removes easily to protect the fresh paint underneath.

Supplies needed: painter's tape, razor blades.

PAINT IN THIS ORDER

Painting a room in the correct order will prevent unnecessary spills or drips in areas you've already completed.

#1 Ceiling – paint a 2-inch strip along the ceiling where it meets the wall. Using a roller with an extension pole, start in a corner and work across the short side to maintain a wet edge.

#2 Walls – paint a two-inch strip along the ceiling, floor and woodwork with a brush. Using a roller, come as close to the edges as possible to create a clean, uniform appearance.

#3 Trim – Paint all trim around doors, windows, ceilings and floor.

Supplies needed: Paint, brush, roller frame, roller cover (use 3/8-inch or 1/2 –inch for most surfaces, advises Cornfoot. Anything with a larger nap will put a texture on the surface), paint tray/liner, extension pole, rags/paper towels, paint thinner for cleanup.

ONE COAT OR TWO?

Sherwin Williams recommends always painting two coats for a more quality finish, but you may be able to get away with one coat if you are covering a light color and using a high quality paint with maximum coverage.

WHAT'S NEW IN PAINTS?

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Now all you need is the time and motivation to get started, or make that phone call to a painting professional. "Call us if you're not confident about the task you're about to try," said Niles, of Accent Decorating Design.

Rex Todd Rogers Design Studio

New studio in downtown Fenton highlights creative work of its namesake

By Sally Rummel

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Rex Rogers can't hear, but he certainly can see.

With heightened senses of vision and touch, Rogers creates beautiful, functional home spaces as the owner and principal of the Rex Todd Rogers Design Studio in downtown Fenton. It's not only a full service design studio, but also a retail store open to walk-in customers, with each item handselected for sale by Rogers himself.

Open since last spring, the studio is a breath of fresh air as soon as you walk through the doors. Wide open spaces, clear lines and a coastal feeling of fresh, bright whites make each item pop in the eclectic mix of décor.

Deaf since birth, Rogers uses his strong senses of vision and touch to create beautiful living spaces. "I strive to balance my clients' needs for a beautiful and functional home by juxtaposing traditional elements with a modern aesthetic," said Rogers. "I'm all about creating modern beauty where

Rogers also has a love for historic homes, creating a modern, traditional feeling by mixing heirlooms, antiques and hand-selected items with midcentury modern classics for a relaxed, contemporary feeling.

His respect for what has come before him is obvious in his own studio, which dates back to the mid 1800s as a former judge's residence, tavern and doctor's practice. In his painstaking renovation of the building, he was able to save the original floor, plus old doors and trim. "I absolutely love history," said Rogers. "It's so important. The people before us are to be cherished and treasured."

While Rogers, like everyone, has his own particular taste, he enjoys working individually with each client to bring out the beauty of spaces and things that mean something to them. "I enjoy working with different design themes," said Rogers. "It makes my work challenging and fun. I like to make each project fun for the client by being easy to work with and flexible. That's why I love what I do."

His passion for design and people creates a welcoming partnership with



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO Designer Rex Rogers likes to honor history with his interior designs, while infusing modern elements.

clients. He is able to read lips well and works with clients through visual presentation and with an interpreter, if needed. "You have a voice, but I have my eyes, my taste, my passion for my work," he said.

Rogers also invites people in the community to stop into the studio's retail gallery, where people can pick up one-of-a-kind design finds and accessories. When his studio/store is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, Rogers is visiting design destinations like the Michigan Design Center in Troy, picking out just the right furnishings and accessories to sell in his store.

Assisting him in the studio is Mark Coleman, who brings with him 25 years of experience in furniture and design.

The Rex Todd Rogers Design Studio is located at 106 West Shiawassee Ave. in Fenton, across from The Laundry. Gallery/studio hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. or by appointment.

Compiled by Torrey Christopher, intern

What is your most memorable painting project?



"My house. I hired a guy and it was memorable because it cost so much."

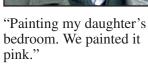


myself.'

"Inside my house when

we bought it. I painted it





— Tony Jones



"Painting Warren's Electric. I remember having to climb on the roof and put the antenna back."

Lendon Chambers



"The two-story stairway 10 years ago. I was on a scaffold."

— John Hillis Fenton



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"I took a painting class from Smarty Paints at Fenton Winery with my sister. I painted flowers.'

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- Must posses current, active license to practice as an RN in Michigan
- · Graduate of an accredited school of nursing
- Bachelors Degree in Nursing is desired, but not necessary \bullet 1-3 years of management experience with LTC / SNF and enjoy working with the elderly.

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PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY JANUARY 28, 2014 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AT 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ZBA13-034: Todd & Michelle Phillpots 13500 Enid Blvd Fenton:

Requesting a maximum allowable sq. footage of accessory building for detached accessory building and sight line, front and rear variances to construct a new house after demo of existing. Parcel 06-14-400-009

COPIES OF THE ABOVE LISTED APPLICATIONS AND THE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE FOR YOUR REVIEW. YOUR OPINIONS MAY BE EXPRESSED VERBALLY AT THIS HEARING OR IN WRITING TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS PRIOR TO THIS HEARING. THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ENCOURAGES YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THESE APPEALS.

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Must have experience as a Unit Manager

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OUALIFICATIONS:

- Must posses current, active license to practice as an RN in Michigan
- Graduate of an accredited school of nursing
- Bachelors Degree in Nursing is desired, but not necessary • 1-3 years of management experience with LTC / SNF and enjoy working

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REOUIREMENTS:

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- Must posses ability to make independent decision when circumstances warrant such action.
- · Ability to deal tactfully with personnel, guests, family members, visitors, government agencies/personnel and the general public.
- Must posses leadership and supervisory ability and the willingness to work harmoniously with and supervise other personnel.

If you are interested, come visit our facility and fill out an application at 202 S. Bridge St. Linden, MI 48451



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PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON PUBLIC HEARING – 2014 LOCAL ROAD

The Fenton Township Board will conduct a public hearing on January 20, 2014 to discuss local road improvement projects for 2014. Citizens are invited to provide input regarding potential projects, which may include improvements to paved or unpaved local roads. The hearing will be held in conjunction with the board's regular meeting on Monday January 20, 2014 beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON SPECIAL LAND USE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2014

Notice is hereby given that the Rose Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 6, 2014, for the purpose of considering a Special Land Use. The Special Land Use is for a kennel to be located at 2150 Rattalee Lake Road (06-11-200-026).

The public hearing will be held at the Rose Township Hall, 9080 Mason Street, in Rose Township. The purpose of the public hearing is to describe the proposed Special Land Use and receive public comment on the proposal. All interested parties are welcome to attend and present their comments.

A copy of the Special Land Use is available for public inspection at the Rose Township offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, MI during regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Written comments concerning the project may be submitted to the Township at the above location prior to the hearing and will be made part of the official record. All minutes of meetings are available at the Township Clerk's office.

Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend the meeting should contact the Rose Township Clerk at (248) 634-8701 at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Date: January 2, 2014 Debbie Miller, CMC Rose Township Clerk

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE TO ROSE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Rose Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Tuesday February 4, 2014 at 7:30 PM in the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider and receive comments on the following application:

Mr. & Mrs. Keyes owner of vacant parcel (06-30-304-005) at the corner of Starmer and Leonard Street and 8184 Leonard Street (06-30-304-014) across from this lot, are requesting a variance from Rose Township Zoning Ordinance Section 38-179 Schedule of Uses. The request is for a variance to construct an accessory structure on the vacant parcel.

If the use variance is approved the Keyes will request dimensional variances from Rose Township Zoning Ordinance.

Table 38-180 Schedule of Regulations. The Keyes will be requesting a setback variance for the rear and the front yard setbacks.

Sec 38-397 Accessory Structures. (b)Accessory structure may not occupy 35 % of rear yard setback. (2) Height. Detached accessory structure shall not exceed one story or 15 feet in height. The height of the structure may be increased if the setbacks from all lot lines are equal to or greater than its height.

Comments in writing will be accepted until the date and time of the hearing and should be submitted to the Office of the Rose Township Clerk, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan, 48442.

A copy of the aforementioned variance application is available for inspection during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. at the Township Clerk's office, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan until and including the

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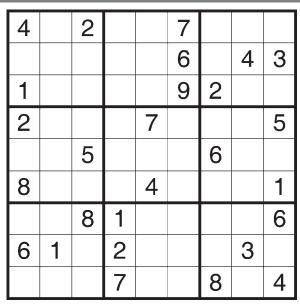
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- 2. Rags To Riches
- Tony Bennett
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- Dean Martin
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be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the Kelly, Pinckney MI 48169 The rede 2006-D, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-D, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rocheste Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 13-90042 Ad #65759 01/05/2014,01 /12/2014.01/19/2014.01/26/2014

conditions of a certain mortgage made by Brian Britton, A Single Man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan its successors and assigns, Mortgagee dated September 8, 2006 and recorded September 25, 2006 in Instrument # 2006R-021343 and modified by agreement dated October 22, 2008 and recorded April 19, 2010 in Instrument # 2010R-011900 Livingston County Records, Michigan, Said mortgage was assigned to: HSBC Bank USA, Nationa Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2006-D, Mortgage Backed Certificates, Series 2006-D. by assignment dated November 14, 2013 and recorded December 2, 2013 in Instrument # 2013R-044171 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and Six Cents (\$131,400.06) including interest 6.44% 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 February 5, 2014 Said premises are situated in Township of Putnam, Livingston County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Southwes one-quarter of Section 29, Town 1 North. Range 4 East; thence West 8 rods thence North 10 rods; thence East 8 rods; thence South 10 rods to the place of beginning; and containing one-half acre of land, more or less; and pursuant to a description in a deed recorded in Liber 305 on Page 431, Livingston County Records. Commonly known as 10990 period shall be 6 months from the date of 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 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: 1/05/2014 HSBC Bank USA, National Association as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust

PUZZLE ANSWER KEYS

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

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WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: POUND BOUGH FERVID TALKER Answer: What caused the puncture in the tire?-A FORK IN THE ROAD

SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: QUEST GAWKY DENOTE SURELY Answer: What to wear when working outdoors-A "LAWN DRESS"

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assignments to: Green Tree Servicing assignments to: Green Iree Servicing, LLC, by assignment dated May 13, 2013 and recorded August 6, 2013 in Instrument # 201308060094660 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-One Dollars and Seventy-Eight Cents (\$95,461.78) including interest \$000/ensymb Lederbeau periods 5.99% perannum, Underthe power of sale 5.99% 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 January 22, 2014 Said premises are situated in City of Flint, Genesee County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of Lot 329, of Glendale, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat I bird. Express 16:114. in Plat Liber 15, Pages 16 to 18, Genesee County Records, described as: Beginning at a point on the Easterly line of Brentwood Drive at the common lot corner of Lots 328 and 329, Glendale; thence Easterly along the South line of Lot 329 to the common lot corner between Lots 329 and 330; thence North-easterly along the Northeasterly lot line of Lot 329, 11.27 feet to a point 85 feet Southwesterly from a point on the Southwesterly from a point on the Southerly line of Sherwood Drive which is the common lot comer between Lots 2016 230 that was Workship to the southerly the Southerly line of Sherwood Drive which is the common lot comer between Lots is the common lot comer between Lots 329 to 330; thence Westerly to the point of beginning. ALSO: Part of Lots 328 and 330 of Glendale, according to the plat thereof as re-corded in Plat Liber 15, Pages 16 to 18, Genesee County Records, described as: Beginning at a point on the Easterly line of Brentwood Drive at the common lot comer of Lots 328 and 329 of said plat; Introduced to Loss 2a and 329 of sale plat, thence Easterly along the Northerly line of Lot 328 to the common lot corner between Lots 329 and 330; thence Northeasterly along the Northwesterly lot line of Lot 330 to a point 85 feet Southwesterly from a point on the Southerly line of Sherwood Drive which is the common lot which is the common lot corner between Lots 329 and 330: thence South-easter to a point on the Northwesterly lot line of Lot 331 which is 85 feet Southwesterly of a point on the Southerly line of Sherwood Drive which is the common lot come between Lots 330 and 331; thence between Lots 330 and 331; thence Southwesterly to a common lot corner of Lots 327, 328 and 331; thence Southwesterly to a point on the Easterly line of Brent-wood Drive which is the common lot corner of Lots 327 and 328; thence along the Easterly line of Brentwood Drive to the place of beginning. Commonly known as 3716 Brentwood Dr, Flint MI 48503 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless deter-mined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 300. 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 WCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapte 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961 under MCL 600.3278, the borrowe 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: 12/22/2013 Green Tree Servicing, LLC, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 13-82711 Ad #65013 12/22/2013,12/29/2013,01/05/2014,01/12/2014





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Livingston County Records, Michigan.
Said mortgage was assigned to: HSBC
Bank USA, N.A., by assignment dated
July 25, 2013 and recorded August 5,
2013 in Instrument # 2013R-030970 on
which mortgage there is claimed to be which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and Sixty-Four Cents (\$3 47,451.64) including inter-est 2.87 5 % 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 January 29, 2014 Said premises are situated in Township of Marion , Livingston County , Michigan, and are described as: Unit 12, of Lake in the Pines, according to the Master Deed thereof, as re-corded in Liber 2335, Pages 380 through 447, Livingston County Records, and designated as Livingston County Condominium Plan No. 140, together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public acts of 1978, as amended. Commonly known as 3300 Peregrine Way , Howell MI 48843 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of 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 6 00.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold atforeclosure 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: 12/29/2013 HSBC Bank USA 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: 13-88479 Ac #65361 12/29/2013,01/05/2014,01/12/20 14,01/19/2014

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- 1 cup of finely chopped green bell pepper
- 1 cup of chopped button mushroom
- 1-2 cups of mozzarella cheese
- 1 cup to 1 1/2 cups jar spaghetti or pizza sauce
- 1 t. dried oregano
- 1 t. of dried basil
- salt and black pepper to taste
- red chili flakes to taste
- Hamburger buns of choice

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Chop all vegetables and pepperoni. Heat a large pan with 1 Tbs of canola oil. Brown ground meat (drain any excess oil). Then add garlic, bell pepper and mushroom and saute for 2-3 minutes. Next add red chili flakes, oregano, basil, salt and black pepper.
- 2. Next add 2/3 of the chopped pepperoni and the tomato sauce. Reserve 1/3 of pepperoni to top sloppy joes. Cook for 5 minutes and taste for seasoning. Top hamburger style rolls with a serving of sloppy joe mixture. Then top with handful of mozzarella cheese and some more chopped pepperoni. I also add some mozzarella cheese to the top bun so it would melt and toast on it as well. Heat oven to 400 degrees and bake until cheese melts. Serve hot. Enjoy.



DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My mother was discharged from the hospital this past week. She was admitted for a urinary tract infection. She has had many urinary tract infections in the past, and they were all treated as an outpatient. Why was hospitalization needed this time? — J.J.

ANSWER: The term 'urinary tract' covers a considerable amount of ground. The kidneys, the ureters (the tubes that carry urine to the bladder), the urinary bladder and the tube that drains it — the urethra — are the four parts of the urinary tract. Your mother's past urinary tract infections most likely were bladder infections. The official name for those infections is cystitis. People usually are treated for cystitis as outpatients. Kidney infections, on the other hand, are much more serious, much more difficult to treat and carry with them the possibility of permanent damage. These infections most often are treated with intravenous antibiotics in the hospital. Such infections have the name pyelonephritis (PIEuh-low-neff-RIGHT-iss). Bladder infections make a person uncomfortable, require frequent urination and might induce a slight rise in body temperature. With a kidney infection, people take to their bed, have a high temperature, often develop shaking chills, and suffer flank pain. This is the kind of urinary tract infection you mother recently had.



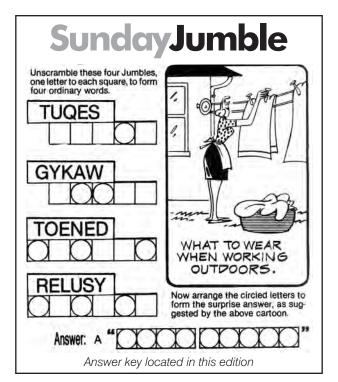
Age-gap dating might be the right direction

DEAR AMY: I'm an old guy with a crush on a young woman. It is obvious that we like each other and enjoy spending time together, and I think she might have a crush on me too. I know there isn't any issue of legality — we're both old enough to be consenting adults nor are there any spouses to hurt. But how creepy would it be if we ended up dating? The age difference is so great (well over a quartercentury) that there really is no possibility of a long-term relationship or children. But what about simply deciding to have a good time? What do you think? — Geezer

DEAR GEEZER: As long as it's not one of my daughters, I'm pretty cool with it. I mean, if you don't mind hanging out with someone who has no memory of Mel Torme, and if she doesn't care if when she says, 'I'm into One Direction,' you reply, 'Me too — I prefer left,' then I say go for it. But I joke. Seriously, other than the varying expectations and issues brought about by your different stages in life, this is a victimless caper.

DEAR AMY: We're expecting our first child and just managed to buy our first home. We are considered a low-income couple and have always been bargain hunters. When it comes to baby necessities and toys, my wife has been very creative and has procured many used pieces of furniture and clothes. We are now swimming in great used supplies. My in-laws are well-off and continue to buy all sorts of expensive new toys and clothing for the baby, telling us that the baby deserves something new. We thank them but have suggested several times that we now have enough to cover four babies. My wife suggests we try to sell some of the unneeded baby items, but I think our families would be offended if they knew. Is there a polite way to shift their giving spirit to include grocery gift certificates instead? Should we sell or simply be grateful? — Drowning in Baby Supplies

DEAR DROWNING: Be brave enough to tell them exactly what is going on. Acknowledge their generosity. Ask them if they would like a wish list (such as people sometimes have for a baby shower). Tell them that you intend to keep only one stroller. Ask if they would like to return the overruns. Otherwise, sure, you should sell them and pay your utility bill.





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Dog takes a break from housetraining



DEAR PAW'S CORNER: We adopted a beautiful dog about a month ago. 'Chase' is a great young dog, about a year old by the shelter's estimate. But over the past week he seems to be forgetting his house training. He urinates in different corners of the house at least three times a day, even though we take him out morning and evening at the same time. He seems kind of mopey, too. How can we correct this? — Chandra

DEAR CHANDRA: You should contact Chase's veterinarian right away. A sudden change in behavior or elimination patterns often signals that a dog is ill, rather than forgetting his training.

While puppies need to urinate more often due to their smaller bladders, Chase is nearing full growth and should not need to go out so often. Since he is peeing in the house, he may not be able to control his bladder, indicating something

Chase could be suffering from a urinary tract infection, or something else, but only the vet can determine exactly what the problem is and prescribe the right medicine. Take him in soon to get checked so he can start feeling better, and your carpet can get a break.

What if an infection isn't the cause? The vet will check for other possible issues. If Chase is physically healthy, then begin looking for other reasons why he may be eliminating in the house. Does he suffer from anxiety? (Many shelter dogs do.) Is he alone in the house for long periods of time? Has anything changed in the household, like a new family member ... or someone leaving? Pets react to the rhythms of your home, sometimes much more strongly than we do.

Obituaries, **Funeral** Services and Memoriams

Mary Gray-Reinoehl,

Mary Gray-Reinoehl - age 90, died January 4, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



William Coleman Jr...

William Coleman Jr. - age 69, died January 5, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Eugene Kessler,

Eugene Kessler - age 83, died January 7, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Clinton Townsend,

Clinton Townsend - age 87, died January 8, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Traute Buksch,

Traute Buksch - age 95, died January 9, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Rose Marie Witherby,

Rose Marie Witherby - age 77, died January 9, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Marion Schneider,

Marion Schneider - age 93, died January 8, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Colton James Lambert.

Colton James Lambert - age 10, died January 10, 2014. Services to be announced by Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 East Broad Street, Linden. Those desiring may make contributions to the Family c/o Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Corbett Albright,

Corbett Albright - age 84, died January 8, 2014. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Wayne N. Zigler,

Wayne N. Zigler - age 61, died January 7, 2014. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Janet L. Kelley,

Janet L. Kelley - age 64 died January 5, 2014. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Jean Oyer,

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Carol Adams,

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Catherine LaBoskey,

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Donald Andrews,

Donald Andrews - age 66, died January 6, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Lena Eason,

Lena Eason - age 79, died January 10, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneral-



Debra Royce,

Debra Royce - age 56, died January 9, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Augustin "Drew" Stanczyk Colvin 1959-2014

- on January 1, 2014 our beloved Augustin "Drew" Stanczyk Colvin passed



away peacefully in Pompano Beach, FL at the age of 54. Drew was a Renaissance

man and free spirit with a passion for art and music. He had an enormous heart and a sharp sense of humor: he was particularly fond of tuxedo t-shirts, bunny ears in photos, and bawdy drag revues. Drew was an animal lover: he was strong as an ox, stubborn as a mule, and once owned a pot-bellied pig he named Hamlet. But he was also a people person. He was gay and proud, and his family was proud of him too. He was handsome and eloquent, and he used his voice to show his love for those around him. Even in his last vear, as sickness attacked his body, his voice remained powerful. With it he eulogized his father, married his niece to her long-time love, and brought joy to many as the host of his own Internet radio show. His mother Mary; siblings Walter, Mike, Patricia, Donna, and Pamela; and many nieces, nephews, and friends will miss him dearly. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in his name to the Big Dog Rescue Ranch via bdrr. org/memorial-gifts.

Karen Blankenship-Smith,

Karen Blankenship-Smith - age 53, died January 5, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Joce Reber,

Joce Reber - age 87, died January 5, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Virginia Krotzer,

Virginia Krotzer - age 62, died January 5, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Vashti Hammond,

Vashti Hammond - age 88, died January 10, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Dora Madeline Young

1927-2014

Dora Madeline Young - of Fenton, age 86, died January 3, 2014, at Genesys Conva-



lescent Center of Grand Blanc. In keeping with her wishes. cremation has taken place and

a committal service will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Fenton at a later date. Dora was born on June 23, 1927, in Linden, the daughter of Lillian May and Harold R. Chene. She lived in the Fenton area her entire life and her last place of employment before retiring was Crestmont Nursing Facility. Dora loved playing Bingo, cards, and games but she most loved spending time with her family. She is survived by her son, Albert (Nikki) M. Smith of Fenton; 2 grandchildren, Kimberly Clark of Grand Blanc and Andrew Smith of Fenton; 4 great-grandchildren, Andrew Smith, II, Anthony Griffin-Smith, Spencer Clark, and Lauren Clark; 1 brother, Bob W. Chene of Fenton; 2 nieces, Susan Chene and Debra Chene; and 2 nephews, Wayne Chene and Leighton (Suk) Chene. Dora was preceded in death by her parents; brother, William G. Chene; sister-in-law. Anna May Chene: and 2 nephews, Randy Chene and William A. Chene. Online tributes may be shared on the obituary page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Kenneth Harper,

Kenneth Harper - age 75, died January 10, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Dennis Clayton Sr.,

Dennis Clayton Sr. - age 60, died January 2, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Donna Helias,

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Susan Brannon,

Susan Brannon - age 52 died January 8, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Micah Christopher Ivey

1989-2014 Micah Christopher Ivey - age 24, of Park City, UT and Linden, MI, died



Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at McLaren-Oakland Hospital. Services will be held 2 PM

Sunday, January 12, 2014 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton with Pastor Larry Schell officiating. Visitation was held 6-9 PM Friday and also will be held 2-4 and 6-9 PM Saturday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Gift of Life or McLaren - Oakland Trauma Center. Micah was born February 23, 1989 in Sun Valley, ID. He was a 2007 graduate of Linden High School and attended the University of The Awesome. Micah was currently Head Ski Coach of the Wasatch Project in Utah. Micah had a love of life and outdoor sports. He was a great friend, coach and mentor to many. Surviving are: mother and stepfather, Aprill O'Connell and Marty Vyskocil of Linden; father. Shellev Ivev. IV of CT: grandparents, Shelley and Mary Ellen Ivey of MA; godparents, Mariann Ivey Schell and Joseph Christopher O'Connell; special friend, Danyella Owens; many aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Glenna and Joseph O'Connell. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Laverne Potter.

Laverne Potter - age 79, died January 5, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Russell Burg, Russell Burg - age 98, died January 5, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneral-



Il'ya Pletner,

Il'ya Pletner - age 79, died January 3, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



William Ben Irwin

1947-2014

William Ben Irwin - age 66, of Fenton, died Saturday, January 4, 2014. Funeral

Church, 10235 White Lake



services were held 12 PM Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian

11B

Road, Fenton. Pastor James Mascow officiating. Burial in Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Visitation was held at the church Tuesday from 10 AM until the time of service. Those desiring may make contributions to the William Ben Irwin Memorial Fund, Arrangements are being handled by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Ben was born February 14, 1947 in Flint, the son of Wilfred B. and Dora L. (Leperance) Irwin. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War serving in the U.S. Marine Corp. 3rd Marine Division, he also served in the Michigan National Guard. He married Martha Mae Hyypio November 25, 1983 in Fenton. He retired from AC Spark Plug after 30 years of service. He was a member of Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church, Oakland County Sportsmen Club, Linden Sportsmen Club, and the Oakland County Mountain Man Reenactment Group. He also was a foster parent and worked with the United Way and Old Newsboys. Ben enjoyed hunting, fishing, golfing, and Mountain Man reenacting. Surviving are: his wife of 30 years, Martha; 3 sons, Jason Irwin, Justin and wife Kristen Irwin, Benjamin Irwin all of Fenton; 4 grandchildren, Victoria Hall, MyKenzye Irwin, Spencer Irwin, and Stella Irwin; father-in-law, Edward and wife Evelyn Hyypio of Fenton: brothers-in-law. Bob and wife Marsha Hyypio of Florida and Bill and wife Sharon Hyypio of Pelkie; sisters-in-law, Phylis and husband David Vasquez of Texas and Jennifer and husband Matthew Mather of Flint; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and 2 brothers, Donald and Daniel. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com



Jack Cook,

Jack Cook - age 82, died January 4, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.





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