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**ONLINE
COMMENTS**

HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS
“Why don’t they put spikes on the on and off highway ramps that will flatten all four tires of a car if a car is getting on the highway going the wrong way? Seems like such a simple solution that saves lives.”

KING COLUMN
“The King article, which I usually disagree with, was so accurate with regard to celebrity deaths. Thank you for pointing out the obvious so eloquently.”

HUNGRY KIDS
“If you believe that one in five American children go to bed hungry you must be drinking the liberal kool-aid. Use your brain people. It’s another government class-warfare lie.”

EVENING NEWS
“I stopped watching the evening propaganda, often mistitled as ‘The Evening News’ on TV, because every day it’s the same story: ‘The sky is falling, the sky is falling.’ It’s much easier to fool someone than to convince them that they’ve been fooled.”

BURNING OIL
“Sometimes I think if God wanted us to burn oil, he would have put it in lakes on the surface. Maybe he had a good reason to put it miles under the earth.”

HOT LINE OF THE WEEK

“SO, IF ONE out of five children go to bed hungry but three out of five children are obese, what’s the fifth child doing?”



YAY! Cornerstone construction resumes



Iron workers assemble the steel structure 20 feet above ground on Wednesday. The winter-weather delay has eased, allowing progress on the city’s downtown landmark project.

► Structure finally rising downtown

By Tim Jagielo
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Fenton — It’s impossible to miss the 60-ton, 90-foot crane jutting up from the site of the Cornerstone building construction site, or the steel structure it is helping to build. The 27-meter crane signals new progress on a building stalled for six weeks due to weather.

Since the end of December, construction has nearly ceased as temperatures made it expensive, difficult and dangerous to work with the mortar needed to finish the main elevator shaft and mechanical room of the building.

But this week, steel work quickly altered the profile of the city, with 49-foot-tall steel columns linked by beams

See CORNERSTONE on 14A

CORNERSTONE BASICS
The building will be four stories tall, and approximately 47,000 square feet. The first floor of the building will be comprised of restaurants and retail stores, while the three floors above it will contain between 21 and 30 loft-style apartments.

The confusing 2014 elections

► Governor, Representatives, ballot initiatives and school bond all to be decided

By William Axford
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It may not be a presidential election year but the ballots at the polls will be important in November, especially for Michigan. In addition to voting for our next governor and a majority of seats in the state Senate and

See ELECTIONS on 8A

Legal haze lifting for medical pot



► Lack of federal legality leaves regulation up to each municipality

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Fenton — Since the enactment of the Medical Marihuana Act (MMA) of 2008, municipalities have dealt with the murky rules involving the legality of medical marijuana, grow operations and where local ordinances fit between federal and state laws.

See MEDICAL POT on 10A

Teen driver of fatal crash released

► Mother’s funeral Friday — son, husband remain hospitalized

By Sharon Stone
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The 18-year-old Swartz Creek teen that reportedly caused a fatal head-on crash Sunday night on U.S. 23 in Mundy Township has been released from custody pending further investigation and results of the toxicology report.

Mariah Bailey-Collins, 35, of Mt. Morris, formerly of Milford/Highland was killed in the crash. Bryan Collins, who she married on Feb. 6, was driving their Chevy

See CRASH on 15A



FACEBOOK PHOTO
Mariah Bailey Collins, 35, is shown here with her son Keller. Collins was killed in a Sunday night collision on U.S. 23 in Mundy Township.

‘Michigan is one of the top five states for human trafficking’

► Bills introduced to prosecute offenders, assist victims

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Michigan legislators are hoping to curb human trafficking in the state with 23 new bills. The bills, spearheaded by Rep. Kurt Heise (R-Plymouth), are not only aimed at prosecuting solicitors of prostitutes and the sex trade, but also ensuring the needs of victims are met as well.

Last December, Lake Spa, located at 1490 Torrey Road in Fenton was suspended from business due to allegations of prostitution. The possibility of human trafficking was also a concern.


See HUMAN TRAFFICKING on 20A

“As a community we need to be aware of it and looking for signs.”

Denise Keipert
Zonta of Fenton

SIGNS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING
(according to the U.S. Department of State)

- Multiple people in cramped space
- Inability to speak to individual alone
- Answers appear to be scripted and rehearsed
- Living with employer
- Employer is holding identity documents
- Poor living conditions
- Signs of physical abuse
- Submissive or fearful
- Unpaid or paid very little
- Under 18, in prostitution



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Police & Fire report

DRUNK DRIVING, PLUS TEXTING

At 2:04 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9, a Fenton police officer traveling on Torrey Road, near South Long Lake Road saw a vehicle cross over the center line multiple times. The officer initiated a traffic stop and made contact with the 24-year-old Fenton woman who was driving. The officer detected the odor of intoxicants and the woman blew a .16 on the preliminary breath test. She admitted to drinking beer and a few shots at a local bar and told the officer she was swerving because she was texting on her cell phone. She was arrested and lodged at the police station until she was sober. She has a March 10 court date for OWI and a civil infraction for texting while driving.

SMOKING POT IN PARKING LOT

At 9:15 p.m. on Feb. 12, an Argentine Township police officer stopped to investigate a parked blue pickup truck that was parked in the Pineridge mobile

See **POLICE** on 5A

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She lost 94 lbs in less than one year... YOU CAN TOO!

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Whether you have a spring break trip planned this year or not, spring can be a great motivator for weight loss, and the calendar is on your side.

There's a full eight weeks between now and spring break, and between now and then, you can lose from five to 15 pounds, depending on how seriously you commit to a new lifestyle. If you make serious lifestyle changes and carry them through, this first springtime goal can be the beginning of a new way of life that will allow you to achieve slow but steady sustainable weight loss.

See **94 LBS.** on 22A

“I’m so happy to be winning the battle against food addiction.”

Katie Collins

Sophomore at Saginaw Valley State University



TRI-COUNTY TIMES SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Katie Collins keeps these “before and after” photos close at hand to remind herself how far she’s come — from a high of 247 pounds to her new weight at 153 pounds, standing 5-feet, 7-inches tall. “I’d like to get to 147 pounds to ‘officially’ have lost 100 pounds,” said Collins. “But I don’t worry so much about the number on the scale anymore.”



‘Her story is my story’

First-person account from Sally Rummel

Sitting down to interview Katie Collins for this story was not only enjoyable for me on a professional level, but also inspiring for me personally.

Her story is my story, only she is winning it at age 19 rather than still struggling with it at age 58, as I am. But we had a lot in common as we met each other for the first time. I



Features Writer
Sally Rummel

had already committed myself just the week before, to a new lifestyle based on three healthy tenets:

1. Keeping a food journal, basing my calorie intake on Weight Watcher points, which measures the fat, protein, fiber and carbohydrate of each food.

See **SALLY** on 22A

For more insight into Collins’ weight loss and to help you in your own journey, read her blog at tumblr.com/katiesfightforfitness. “It’s very interactive, and also has some of my favorite recipes,” said Collins.

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Random royal thoughts

■ **President Obama** says that some people make more than other people, that some people have higher incomes than others do, and that's just not fair. Um, isn't that the same rationale that bank robbers, burglars and other thieves subscribe to?

■ **With regard to the Olympics**, am I the only one who finds watching men's figure skating slightly uncomfortable due to the...um, flamboyance of the participants? And who designs their outfits, the cast of Glee?

■ **Speaking of the Olympics**, every time I see Vladimir Putin I can't help but think of those James Bond villains. The only thing missing is the evil-look-

ing cat on his lap.

■ **I received an email** saying that Michigan now has a 'Press 2 for Arabic' on the unemployment application line. I didn't believe it so I called the state number. It is true. You and I are now paying to feed and house 'needy' terrorists.

■ **Only in Hollywood** could a sicko like Woody Allen receive a 'prestigious' award shortly after being accused of molesting his adopted 7-year-old daughter 21 years ago.

■ **Anyone who doesn't believe** that Woody Allen molested his then 7-year-old adopted daughter just isn't



listening. Here's a clue: he had an affair with his adopted 19-year-old daughter, and later married her. Yuck!

■ **Have you noticed** society's normalizing of the paternity test? Evidently, in today's moral environment, when a young woman gets pregnant there are innumerable candidates as to who the child's father might be. Thank you liberals.

■ **The left considers** income equality to be a right, while completely ignoring the primary determining factor: inequality of effort.

■ **A 'word to the wise'** isn't necessary. It's the stupid who need advice.

■ **The best advice** I ever got concerning grandkids? Listen to them.

■ **President Obama** has been calling the problems that millions of Americans have had trying to sign up for ObamaCare 'glitches.' To put it in perspective, if he had been the architect

of the Titanic he would have called it's sinking a 'glitch.'

■ **These are historical times.** We are being destroyed by the government that our Founding Fathers warned us about.

■ **Redistribution of wealth** may sound good and fair when you say it quickly, but it never works because it lowers incentive to be productive — on both ends of the equation.

■ **Good advice:** Don't confuse mainstream news with the truth.

■ **The left tells us** we shouldn't judge all Muslims by the actions of a few lunatics, then the same people tell us we should judge all gun owners by the actions of a few lunatics. I find it interesting how that works.

■ **Let's get the terminology** correct: it's undocumented Democrats.

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WHY ISN'T THERE a streetlight at Torrey and North Road? Someone is going to be killed there. You cannot see to make a left turn on to North Road due to large trucks on your right side, blocking the view unless you pull into the intersection.

■ ■ ■
PRESIDENT OBAMA AND his surrogates are selling laziness, insolence and sloth to a nation of people they want to turn into deadbeats on government assistance. The inescapable conclusion is that President Obama wants to destroy America from within. Vote for the Tea Party candidate. Most Republicans are the same as Democrats!

■ ■ ■
MY PROPANE COMPANY just called. They said propane is now up to \$5 a gallon because we have a shortage of it because President Obama shipped a bunch of it to Europe. I locked in at \$1.65 at the end of August. How in the world can propane jump that high? How do they expect us to heat our homes this winter?

■ ■ ■
THANK YOU A hundred times over Mr. Child's for your spot on assessment in your article regarding another celebrity dead from substance abuse. In a world that would idolize these people instead of the real heroes that are deemed unworthy of our attention.

■ ■ ■
FENTON AREA, ARE you missing a

dog? Multicolored, medium build, looks like a hunting dog. I have seen it running around town for the last week. It looks confused and very scared. Last seen on Caroline Street and Adelaide.

■ ■ ■
IF ONLY MR. Obama had a Japanese heritage, he would do the right and honorable thing. He would fall on his sword for destroying our country. But alas, he has no honor and certainly does not exhibit any knowledge of right from wrong.

■ ■ ■
IT IS INCOMPREHENSIBLE for anyone to believe that even in the richest country that healthcare is a basic need. Food, shelter and clothing are basic needs. If you want health insurance pay for it just like I did for the last 45 years.

TO THE PERSON who commented about others who don't have recycle bins out at trash time. Don't make assumptions because some of us actually dump our paper in the school recycle bins to support our school and the other recyclable materials get taken to a recycling center. Lesson learned, hopefully.

■ ■ ■
NEXT TIME SOMEONE writes that Obamacare is affordable, please explain what affordable exactly means. In this Obama economy, there are a few readers who don't have two nickels to rub together, let alone buy healthcare insurance. Is a super deal \$100 premium with a \$5,000 annual deductible affordable?

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

Readers write

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'Taken'

Dear Editor,

"Taken," was a popular movie, which gave Americans an inside look into human trafficking. Unfortunately, this situation is more than a Hollywood movie. The recent question of human trafficking in Fenton shows that human trafficking is not just a foreign issue, but something taking place in our back yards. The increased number of major sporting events this month also calls for increased awareness, as these events often draw these types of illegal activities. Human trafficking involves illegally transporting immigrants to the United States and exploiting them in modern day slavery for involuntary labor and forced prostitution, not able to escape from their bondage. It is for this reason it is important to gain support and knowledge of this concern in order to put a stop to it. America has turned a blind eye for long enough, it's time to find a voice and stand up against human trafficking.

— **Deanna Burbank**
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streettalk



"My wife. She is intelligent and caring. She puts others first."

— **Neil McPhee**
Fenton



"Jesus Christ, because everyone still talks about him and he lived 4,000 years ago."

— **Vicki Jeffers**
Linden



"My husband. He is a physicist and he is very intelligent."

— **Melanie Hein**
Fenton



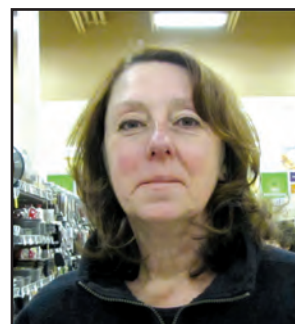
"My wife. She is talented in whatever she tries, like gardening and art."

— **Chuck Wood**
Fenton



"Golfers. They can go out and nothing goes right, but next time everything falls into place."

— **Lou Scieszki**
Holly



"Dr. Wadenstorer. He took good care of my parents, he was compassionate."

— **Renee Hamernick**
Holly

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Simulator shows high school students the dangers of texting while driving

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Holly — Students belonging to Holly's Youth Action Board took the time to drive home the message to their fellow classmates the dangers of driving while texting.

On Wednesday, students were invited to take a "drive" on a simulator provided by AAA of Michigan, the Michigan State Police and Ford Motor Company. Equipped with several large monitors and a realistic steering wheel, students could use the system's imitation cell phone for texting, or plug in their own phone.

"It's designed so that the student has to answer and send several text messages while driving," Michigan State Police Trooper Mark Kellar said. "The system distracts the driver and before you know it, the students come away with a very realistic and much better idea of the dangers associated with texting and driving."

Michigan law bans texting while driving for all drivers, while Kelsey's Law prohibits cell phone use for Level 1 and Level 2 license holders.

Youth Coordinator for the Holly Area Community Coalition, Nick Klemmp said more than 100 Holly students took part in Wednesday's simulation. "We were happy to see so many kids take part in the simulation, and we're hoping they will help spread the word on how difficult and dangerous it is to drive distracted," he said.

TEXTING AND DRIVING STATS

• **In 2011, 23 percent** of all auto collisions involved cell phones — that equals 1.3 million crashes.

• **Five seconds is** the minimal amount of time your attention is taken away from the road while you're texting and driving. If you're travelling 55 mph, that amounts to going the distance of one entire football field without looking at the road.

• **Text messaging makes** a crash 23 times more likely to occur.

Source: www.onlineschools.com



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Michigan State Trooper Mark Kellar explains how the texting and driving simulator works to a Holly High School student.

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POLICE

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home park. Inside the truck were two male occupants. When the officer approached the vehicle and occupants, he detected a strong odor of marijuana. The 19- and 20-year-old Argentine Township residents were taken into custody and cited for possession of marijuana.

ROOMMATES ARGUE, FIGHT

The Argentine Township Police Department is investigating a domestic assault case involving two men, one 50 and the other 53, who assaulted each other after arguing over money. Police responded to the roommates' home on Silver Lake Road for unknown trouble. Det. Doug Fulton said there will likely be warrants against both men for assault.

THEFT AT HOME OF SISTERS

Argentine Township police are investigating a larceny complaint filed by two sisters that live at a home in the 14000 block of Seymour Road. After one sister was away for two weeks and the other worked extra long hours, they noticed that about \$9,000 worth of personal belongings were missing from their home. There were no signs of forced entry. Det. Doug Fulton said the sisters believe that someone from the cleaning company they hired may be responsible.

Holly woman charged with stabbing man

By Sharon Stone

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Rose Major, 19, of Holly was arraigned on Thursday, Feb. 6 on one count of felonious assault with a dangerous weapon. If convicted, she faces four years in state prison.

Major's arrest stems from a situation at the Hawaiian Garden Mobile Home Park on Feb. 4. Det. Sgt. Julie Bemus of the Holly Police Department said officers were called to the mobile home park on Grange Hall Road on a report of a stabbing.

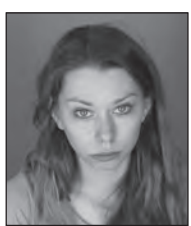
Upon arrival, officers located the victim, an 18-year-old Holly man, with single stab wound to his chest. He was transported to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township for treatment.

A full recovery is expected.

Bemus said Major was an acquaintance of the victim and through their investigation, police believe Major stabbed the victim during an argument. She fled the scene prior to police arrival. A K-9 unit responded, however, the track on Major was unsuccessful.

Police continued their search of Major throughout the night and into the next day. During the afternoon of Feb. 5, police located Major hiding in a vacant home with several other people. She was placed under arrest. A man, who was with Major was arrested on an unrelated arrest warrant.

Major remains at the Oakland County Jail and is being held on a \$10,000 bond.



Rose Major

Underground Railroad in Fenton?

►Lack of documentation makes it difficult to validate many stories

By William Axford

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Fenton — Not all stories in the city of Fenton make it to the next generation through the written word. Homes on Shiawassee and Sinclair avenues served as stations for the Underground Railroad during the height of the Civil War during the early 1860s. Or at least that's the opinion of local historians Ken and Donna Seger have come to understand.

"The Underground Railroad was a big secret. Nothing was written down about it," Donna said. "People learned

about it through oral history, where the same story was told from generation to generation."

The Underground Railroad was an elaborate route that stretched from the South all the way up to Canada, where slaves could escape plantations and be granted freedom. Ken said while Northerners who helped others along the railroad probably wouldn't have faced criminal charges if slaves were discovered, the slaves themselves could lawfully be captured and taken back down south.

One of earliest accounts of the Underground Railroad in Fenton came nearly 100 years after the Civil War, when Miss Sheldon Fletcher shared the story of her great-grandfather Robert Sheldon with the Fenton Historical Society in 1961. According to the society's records, Miss Fletcher told members stories of how Sheldon would tell family members "don't go into the barn tonight," signifying that people were spending the night and would be soon off to the next station.

The Segers are unaware if any descendants of the Sheldon family remain in the area. The Sheldon family is tied to other prominent family members with the city of Fenton — Robert was married to Sarah LeRoy, the daughter of Judge Daniel LeRoy, for whom LeRoy Street is named after. Robert and Sarah's son George Sheldon served in the Civil War at the age of 19, fighting in battles at Bull Run, Malvern Hill and Fair Oaks, all of which took place in Virginia.

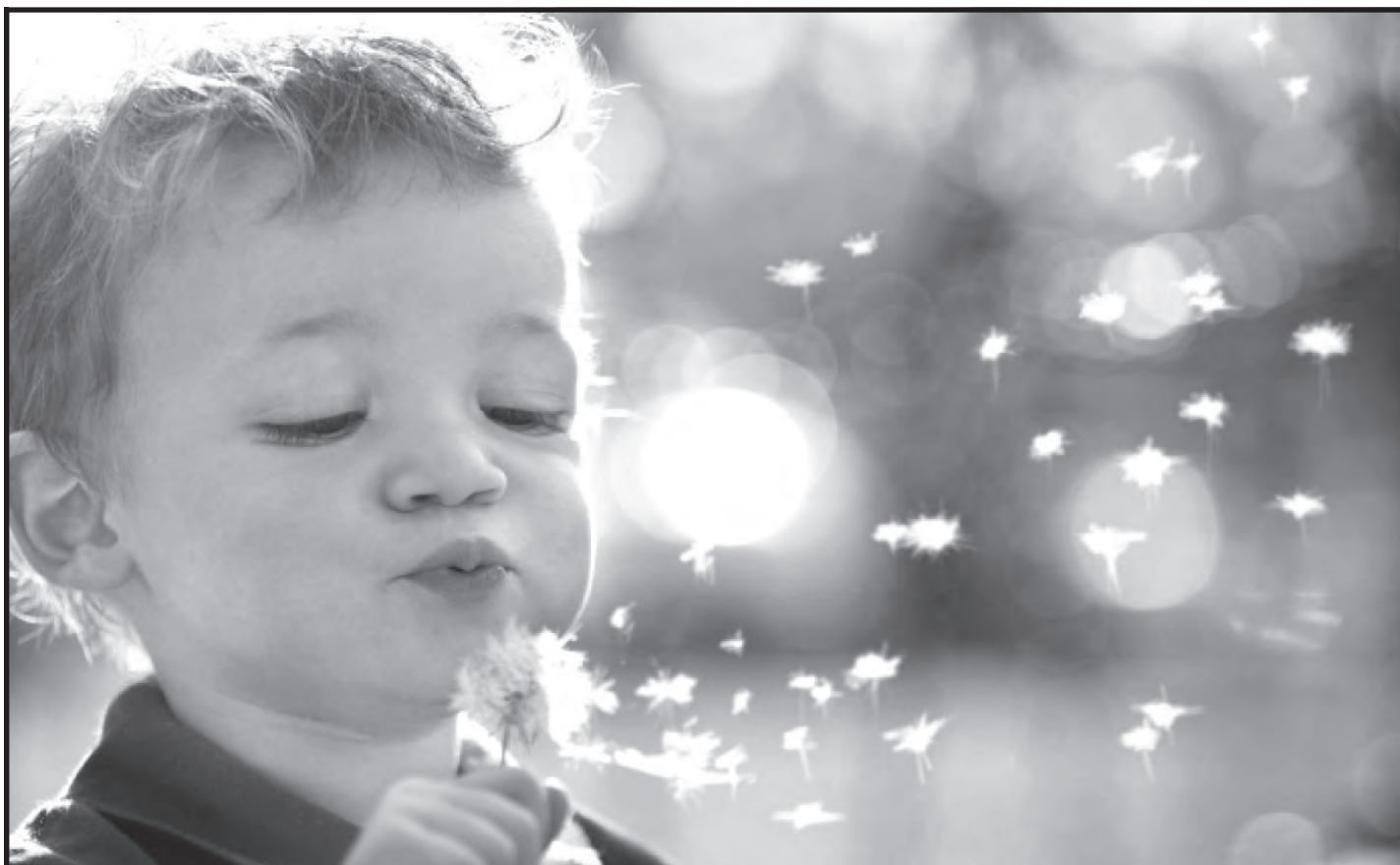
The 308 West Shiawassee house Robert Sheldon was alleged to have helped slaves escape to Canada had belonged to Colonel William Fenton, before he moved to Flint. The house currently at 308 West Shiawassee is not the same house that may have been a part of the Underground Railroad as Fenton had the house eventually moved to Flint.

The lack of written records has led many people in Fenton to speculate that their house is connected to the Underground Railroad. But in the Segers' experiences, only a few houses have been substantiated to actually help slaves travel north.

"Some parts of the Underground Railroad have been misconstrued," Donna said. Even if the stories can't be substantiated 100 percent, Donna believes it is important to catalogue the stories they can about the Railroad. "It's pretty important, people are always interested in it."

“The underground Railroad was a big secret. Nothing was written down about it.”

Donna Seger
Fenton historian



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Calendar of events

SLEEPING BEAUTY

Young People's Ballet Theatre presents the classic fairy tale Sleeping Beauty. The fairies invite children to a Fairy Tea with lunch, gift and premium seating to the Sunday matinee. For tickets and prices, call (810) 309-9501. The performances take place March 6-9 at the University of Michigan-Flint Theatre.

Great Lakes are nearly 90 percent iced over for first time in 20 years

By Tim Jagielo

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The robust winter experienced in Michigan continues to challenge old records. This one is for ice coverage on the Great Lakes.

As of Thursday, the Great Lakes had 88.4 percent ice coverage, with 100 percent coverage in places like the Saginaw Bay. This is in comparison to the long-time average of 51 percent ice coverage of the Great Lakes. The last time coverage reached to 90 percent was in 1994, and 94.7 percent in 1979.

In 2013, the lakes froze at 38.4 percent — and 12.9 percent in 2012. This is according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Great Lakes Research Laboratory (GLRL), which studies the lakes

because of the impact on generating hydroelectric power, fishing and shipping. The GLRL reports that the amount of ice varies each year, and how long it takes to melt.

Summary

►The Great Lakes are currently 88 percent ice, according to the Great Lakes Research Laboratory. The last time the ice approached this amount was in 1994.

A higher freeze amount will support higher lake levels in the spring because typically, less ice coverage usually leads to hotter summers, and therefore more evaporation, according to Great Lakes Integrated Science Assessments.

Higher levels are better for shippers, who can then send heavier loads via boat, though heavy ice can delay shipping for now, and “cause navigational problems.”

According to the GLRL, ice cover protects whitefish eggs from both waves and wind, which can aid the fishing industry.

Fenton Village Players present ‘Bull in a China Shop’

►Comedy debuts

Thursday at The Playhouse

By Sally Rummel

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Settle into a comfortable seat at The Playhouse and enjoy the first Fenton Village Players full production of 2014 with the comedy, “Bull in a China Shop.”

This production will hit the stage Thursday through Sunday, Feb. 20-23 and Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 28, March 1 and 2. You’ll laugh when you watch the antics of a houseful of sweet little old ladies who try to get the romantic attention of a homicide detective with their own “nice, genteel homicide” and a cup of tea.

The cast includes Ryan Particka as **Dennis O’Finn**, **Carla Feamster** as Jane Rogers and Miss Elizabeth, **Ron Barrett** as Kramer, detective second class, **Michael Hamilton** as Johnson, the finger print specialist, **Kimberly Barrett** as Miss Hildegard, **Amy Hermann** as Miss Amantha, **Laura Legant** as Miss Lucy, **Sandy Maschow** as Miss Birdie, **Victoria Stratton** as Miss Nettie, **Garret Dick** as 1st Stretcher Bearer and **Karen Andersen** as 2nd Stretcher Bearer.

Producer for this show is Joy Carr, artistic director is Stevie Visser, and costumer is Karen Craner. Shelby Carr is handling set construction, and lighting tech and stage manager is Taleena Williams.

Other 2014 productions:

- “Rehearsal for Murder” June 5-8 and June 13-15.
- “Shrek the Musical” July 31, Aug. 1-3, Aug. 8-10 and Aug. 12-17.
- Jake’s Women, with fall dates to be announced.

The Playhouse is located at 14197 Torrey Rd. in Fenton, telephone (810) 750-7700. You can purchase tickets at Fenton Winery & Brewery, Image Projections or The UPS Store in Fenton. For more information, visit www.fentonvillageplayers.org.



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Ryan Particka, portraying Det. Dennis O’Finn isn’t getting anywhere with his interview with the ladies about a “nice, genteel” homicide at rehearsal Wednesday.

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Township offices to get security cameras

►Visitors, vandals, irate residents — all will be recorded

By Amy Mayhew

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

Rose Twp. — Big brother will be watching the Rose Township offices as well as the old township hall after members of the Board of Trustees approved funding for a security camera system during their Feb. 12 meeting.

Supervisor Paul Gambka said security cameras will be placed both on the new township offices located at 9080 Mason Street, as well as the old township hall also located on Mason Street.

“We’ve had some instances of vandalism and people dumping trash in

our parking lot,” Gambka said. “We’re hoping that security cameras will deter some of that activity from occurring.”

Treasurer Trish Trevethan said she favored the surveillance cameras from a day-to-day security standpoint. “Sometimes we get irate township residents coming into the offices,” she said. “It makes sense to have a security camera system.”

The system provided by MDK Alarm Systems of Port Huron, will consist of four serial digital cameras with a weatherproof digital interface, an eight-channel DVR recorder, a power supply and a 17-inch flat panel HDMI monitor. Cost to the township with installation is \$5,270, and was approved unanimously by the board.

First coffee, then baked goods, and now beer

►The Laundry to brew, sell in-house beer

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton — Fenton City Council has removed one more barrier to The Laundry having its own brew pub.

On Monday, Mark Hamel, owner of Crust and The Laundry, was present as Police Chief Rick Aro submitted the request to the council to approve a brew pub license to The M. Hamel Company, Inc.

Council gave its approval and the next step is a state inspection of the facility at 115 W. Shiawassee, a building The Laundry owns and is used for entertaining. Guenter

A. Beholz Jewelry is also in the building.

After a few questions, mostly centered on whether the operation would cause a smell, the matter was unanimously approved. Attorney Stephen Schultz, whose firm also represents Short’s Brewery in Bellaire, said the much larger facility produces no noticeable smell.

The Laundry plans to brew 300 barrels per year, well below the 5,000 barrel limit for that kind of facility. One 31-gallon tank would be used to create beers to be sold exclusively at The Laundry, which can also be taken home via a refillable growler — a half-gallon ceramic jug, sealed by cork.

Present was also brewmaster Scott Hayes, to answer the council’s questions.

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ELECTIONS

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House of Representatives (including the 51st district), Michigan citizens will be voting on a number of ballot initiatives and a potential bond for the Fenton Area Public Schools district.

Here’s how to register and what to expect at upcoming elections this year.

If you’re unsure if you are registered to vote, you can check at Michigan.gov/vote. If you aren’t registered, you can sign up via mail or in person at a county or municipal clerk’s office. You can also register to vote at any Secretary of State branch.

To vote in Michigan, a person must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old by Election Day and a resident of Michigan and the municipality they are applying. Michigan voters must present a photo identification card or sign an affidavit once at the polls. Unless a person moves to another municipality or state, he or she should only have to register once.

The next election will take place Tuesday, May 6 and the deadline to register for that election is Monday, April 7.

The Primary Election will be held Tuesday, Aug. 5 and the deadline to register is Monday, July 7.

The General Election will be held Tuesday, Nov. 4 and the deadline to register is Monday, Oct. 6.

The closest ballot item could come in May, when homeowners within the Fenton school district may vote on a new \$11 million bond proposal. The Fenton Board of Education submitted the ballot language for the bond to the

state treasury last month and expects to have it approved before its special meeting scheduled for 6 p.m. on Feb. 26.

The school district failed to pass two similar bond proposals during the May and November elections in 2012. The school district could attempt other bond proposals if a May bond proposal fails.

Appearing on the August election is a proposal to restructure Public Act 48 of 2012, which uses tax money of metropolitan areas.

The Nov. 4 election will include the “Keep Michigan Wolves Protected” proposal, which would reverse the legality of hunting wolves.

The General Election in November will include a vote for the governor’s seat, which will feature incumbent Rick Snyder squaring off against Mark Schauer, who has served as a state senator and representative.

Schauer’s platform includes boosting education, increasing public safety and bringing more jobs to the state. Snyder has similar focuses, such as adjusting per pupil funding and continuing to improve metropolitan areas like Detroit.

Goals for each candidate should become more clear in the coming months as the two debate and continue to campaign.

The seat for the 51st district is up for election as well. Incumbent Joe Graves (R-Argentine) has not announced whether he will rerun for the position. Graves was voted in after a 2012 election, which was held in the wake of former Rep. Paul Scott’s recall. A Democratic nominee has not been announced yet.

UPCOMING ELECTIONS

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TUESDAY, NOV. 4

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MICHIGAN VOTES

WHAT YOUR LEGISLATORS VOTED ON THIS WEEK

The Mackinac Center for Public Policy provides a weekly report of how local elected officials in Michigan have voted and on what topics. This report was released Friday, Feb. 7.

Senate Bill 319: Repeal mandatory life sentences for minors
To revise Michigan's mandatory life sentence with no chance of parole for certain very serious crimes committed by minors. Life without parole would no longer be automatic in these cases but prosecutors could request it. Otherwise, the minimum sentence would be 25 to 40 years, and the maximum at least 60 years. The measure responds to the U.S. Supreme Court's Miller v Alabama decision, and would not apply the new standard retroactively to the approximately 350 current prisoners in this category. However, it does have a provision authorizing parole hearings for them if a future ruling requires this.
Passed 62 to 48 in the House
Rep. Joe Graves R-Argentine Twp. voted:
☒ YES ☐ NO

House Bill 4825: Require candidates to disclose felonies
To require a candidate for public office to disclose when filing for the race whether the individual has been convicted of a felony in the past 10 years, and to disclose the crimes.
Passed 105 to 3 in the House
Rep. Joe Graves R-Argentine Twp. voted:
☒ YES ☐ NO

MEDICAL POT

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State law (the MMA) allows proper medical marijuana use for qualifying patients, and proper cultivation of marijuana for qualifying patients and growers.

Under the Controlled Substances Act, marijuana is still illegal on the federal level. For this reason, many local townships and cities have avoided the issue by passing moratoriums on setting local rules related to grow operations — except the village of Holly, which passed regulations on dispensaries in 2011.

Fenton extended its moratorium most recently in November, where attorney Stephen Schultz guessed this would be the last moratorium they enact. Each moratorium was to wait for clarity from court cases. As he expected, that clarity arrived from case Ter Beek v City of Wyoming, last week.

In this case, the city of Wyoming made illegal anything that would conflict with state or federal laws. John Ter Beek sued the city arguing that the ordinance was in violation of the MMA, which as a qualifying patient, allows for the use of medical marijuana, and a grow operation.

The Michigan Court of Appeals, the top court in Michigan, essentially decided that whether state law conflicts with federal law, local ordinances are still preempted by state law, and a local municipality, be it Fenton City or Rose Township, could not outright ban qualifying grow operations, or medical marijuana use for that

WHAT DOES THE MMA OF 2008 DO?

An initiation of legislation to allow under state law the medical use of marihuana; to provide protections for the medical use of marihuana; to provide for a system of registry identification cards for qualifying patients and primary caregivers; to impose a fee for registry application and renewal; to provide for the promulgation of rules; to provide for the administration of this act; to provide for enforcement of this act; to provide for affirmative defenses; and to provide for penalties for violations of this act.

Source: legislature.michigan.gov

“That (case) has provided clarification we’ve been waiting on for a number of years.”
Stephen Schultz
Attorney, city of Fenton

matter.

Local governments can regulate grow operations and dispensaries. Because of this, Schultz said he contacted the city’s zoning administrator Brad Hissong, asking him to take up the issue again.

“I think it’s important that the city consider its scope of regulation it wants to adopt,” he said. “Now we better look at what permissible scope of that use would be, and where we want that use to occur.”

It’s likely that the MMA will begin appearing on meeting agendas for all local governments in the near future.





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BRINGING FAMILIES TOGETHER

Controversial Dickens Fest reorganizes, reenergizes

► Committee votes to keep community event alive for another year

By Amy Mayhew
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Holly — Holly's Dickens Festival will go on after Dickens Festival Committee members voted unanimously to give it another year.

Nearly 20 concerned residents and festival enthusiasts attended a meeting on Feb. 11 to discuss the fate of the popular yuletide event.

Chaired last year by Holly Hills Primitives owners Dick and Dawn Rossell, nearly \$25,000 was spent on tent rentals, heating solutions, and advertising costs for the three-weekend event. And while \$25,000 seems like a lot of money, DDA member and liaison to the Dickens Festival Committee, Pam Krantz, says it's not.

A former coordinator for the festival, Krantz said it takes a lot of money to be successful. "It's amazing how quickly the money gets spent in coordinating a festival," she said. "In order to do it right, a festival really needs \$50,000 to \$100,000."

"The DDA wants to know if the festival is going to be a community event, or a promotional event for a specific group of businesses," Krantz said. "If it is a community event — great, but the next question is whether the group wants to go it alone, or do they want to come under the DDA's umbrella?"

By teaming up with the DDA, Krantz said the festival could benefit from the organization's insurance policy, use of village buildings and other resources including bookkeeping services and services provided by the Department of Public Works.

"If the festival committee agrees to come under the DDA's umbrella, then they must understand that several sub-committees must be formed and populated, and that there will be some guidelines provided by the DDA for them to follow," Krantz said.

Krantz explained that the future



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | AMY MAYHEW
Holly resident and DDA member, Pam Krantz shares her thoughts regarding what the role the DDA should be in coordinating the 2014 Dickens Festival.

chairman of the festival would see to it that the committees and their members abide by the guidelines set by the DDA. The Dickens Committee unanimously

appointed Councilman George Kullis, and his wife Diane to chair the 2014 Dickens Festival Committee. The committee will work under the DDA's umbrella so that they can benefit from the DDA's insurance, etc.

"I think the Dickens Festival can be big, and can be a festival of which this community can be proud, but it can't be done alone," Kullis said.

On Wednesday, Kullis said he was in the process of filling committees. Once the chairpersons have been identified, Kullis said the group will then work on establishing a "footprint" of the festival, outlining what the festival will look like and what the costs will potentially be.

"So far, the feedback I've been getting has been really positive," Kullis said. "As long as that continues, we're good to go."

“I think the Dickens Festival can be big, and can be a festival of which this community can be proud, but it can't be done alone.”

George Kullis
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I JUST READ Foster Child's article in the Sunday, Feb. 8 paper and I think it's such a wonderful article. I just wanted him to know that I agree with him so wholeheartedly that I just had to read it again. It's a good article. Thank you very much.

TO THE MAN I yelled at in the white Equinox when I was pulling onto Shiaswassee, I apologize. You were right and could have thought I was going to pull out in front of you. I am sorry for yelling at you and calling you a name! I hope you took my wave down the road as an 'I'm sorry.'

SO THE DEMOCRATS think it's fine for you to take your Obamacare and just quit working; stay at home. I guess it's true what Ronald Reagan once said, 'The Republicans represent the hard-working man and the Democrats represent the man who's hardly working.' Truer now than ever.

GLAD THE CITY WORKERS are getting a rest this week. No major snow fall for six days. Enjoy your break guys. You earned it. Thanks for keeping the streets plowed and salted.

I'M ANOTHER NORTHERNER from Michigan but I want all you retirees that are going to come to Florida; make sure you bring your wallet. They have red-light cameras in the state of Florida all over the place, and in the last 24 months, the red-light cameras alone brought in \$118.9 million in fines.

QUESTION. WHEN THE schools are closed for classes are they open for sporting events? Keep seeing multiple cars in school parking lots on days closed for snow or ice. What's the policy?



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

By Monday afternoon, the "skyline" of Fenton was already changing. On Friday, crews were out again, and the number of columns had doubled.

CORNERSTONE

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reaching into the clear blue sky. A small crew assembled the framework piece by piece, iron workers scuttled across bare steel beams to meet girders as they were delivered by the crane.

Rohn Smith is project superintendent for Sorenson Gross, the general contractor for the project. He said the weather has

broken enough to allow work to continue. "Hopefully it stays decent now, this is like summer now," he said, compared to the near-historic low temperatures of January.

The mortar work will continue once the crane is out of the way, followed by pre-fabricated concrete floor sections and then more steel and finally wood. Exterior brick work is to start in April, once it stays above freezing at night.

The building is expected to be completed in October, and is a joint Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and Corlin Builders project.

He said he may try to compress the schedule to meet the original September goal.

It hasn't been an easy road for the project that will bring modern loft living and several businesses including a Sagano Japanese Bistro. Aside from weather, last summer, developer Corlin Builders realized that they were \$800,000 underfunded. The estimated project cost based on drawings was \$3.2 million, but the revised numbers came in at \$4 million — \$800,000 more than was funded by investors.

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

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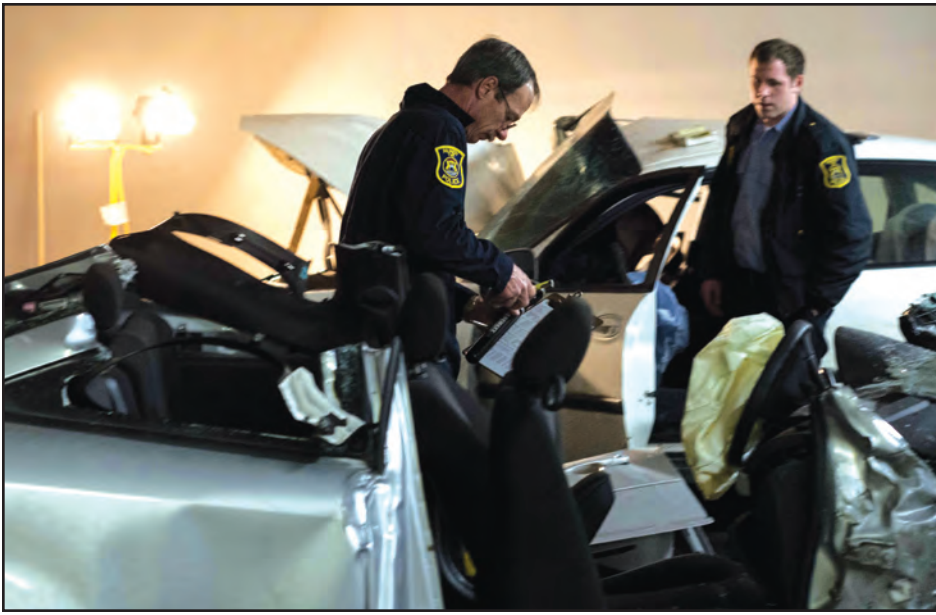
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The wreckage of the Chevy Impala and Chevy Cobalt that were involved in a fatal head-on crash on U.S. 23 sits in the garage at the Mundy Township Police Department. Det. Mike Neering (left) investigates with police service officer Chris Wood.

CRASH

Continued from Front Page

Cobalt on northbound U.S. 23 just after 10 p.m. on Sunday when it was struck head-on in Mundy Township. Bryan was seriously injured and Mariah's 11-year-old son, Keller, who was seated in the backseat, was critically injured sustaining multiple broken bones. All three were seat-belted in.

Bryan and Keller remain hospitalized at Hurley Medical Center in Flint. Both have surgeries scheduled.

Mariah's funeral was Friday, Feb. 14 at O'Guinn Family Funeral Home in Clio. Bryan's mother, who lives in South Carolina, has set up a GoFundMe account, hoping to raise funds to help cover funeral expenses for Mariah and a fund to help Mariah's son. For more information, go to gofundme.com/6t77z8.

Det. Mike Neering of the Mundy Township Police Department was on duty Sunday night and responded to the crash site near the Torrey Road overpass, when they got the call at 10:15 p.m. He said, just two minutes prior to that call, another 911 caller reported that a white Chevy Impala was traveling southbound in the northbound lanes of U.S. 23.

The teen driving the Impala sustained minor injuries. He was jailed until Wednesday. Both cars were taken to the Mundy Township police

station as evidence and inspection.

Neering said Thursday that there wasn't a lot of new information to release about the crash. Toxicology results can sometimes take weeks or months, however, Neering has requested that the crime lab complete this as soon as possible.

Police are looking at other aspects of the crash too, such as where the teen driver had been prior to getting on the highway.

A witness told Neering that they saw the white Impala enter the highway going the wrong direction via the exit ramp at Grand Blanc Road. A few other witnesses reported that as they drove on northbound U.S. 23, the white Impala also passed them, going the wrong direction. The detective has followed up with witnesses who called 911 Sunday night as well as witnesses who have voluntarily called since seeing stories in the media.

Once the toxicology report is back, Neering will present his findings to the Genesee County Prosecutor's Office, which in turn will determine what charges will be filed against the teen driver.

Neering said to his understanding, Bryan Collins and Mariah's son will be fine, however, they will have a long recovery.

For Neering, who has investigated fatal crashes for many years, these types of situations never get any easier.

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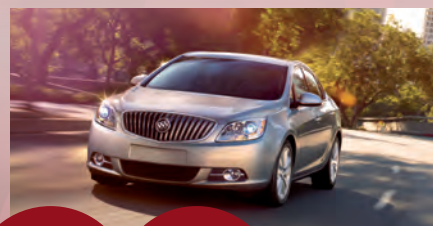


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REGIONAL SKIING

Fenton's Weinberg captures regional event championships

Fenton/Linden ski team member Zoe Weinberg took the top spot in the slalom and the giant slalom at the Division 2 regional held at Pine Knob.

Weinberg took the first spot in the slalom with a time of 46.88 seconds, a full second faster than the rest of the field. She also won the GS with a time of 39.16 seconds.

Fenton/Linden skier Caitlin Wiley also qualified for the state meet in the giant slalom, taking eighth (40.45).

In boys' action, the Holly/Oxford team missed going to state as a squad by .5 point.

However, Lars Jorgens-Koka will be headed to state after winning the giant slalom (36.92) and taking sixth in the slalom (42.87). Teammate Greg Schultz will be headed to state as well in the slalom, taking fifth with a time of 42.80. Fenton/Linden's Seth Thompson also qualified in the slalom.

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Pete Plasters

- Scored 17 points in Lake Fenton's win against Durand.
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LF wrestling zooms to top of winter poll

►Fenton girls basketball replaces Holly boys hoops on top five list

By David Troppens

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Well, the sports staff lied.

Last week we stated there probably wouldn't be too much change in the Tri-County Winter Top Five as we plow through February. That ended up being off by quite a bit.

This week, for the first time in ages, we have a new No. 1 squad, and we have a new team sneaking back on the list and we have one of those dreaded ties. But, hey, it's not the last poll, so we can live with that right now.

Remember, the results only reflect events through Thursday.

No. 5 - Holly wrestling: The Bronchos had a strong day at individual districts, qualifying seven wrestlers for regionals. For the Bronchos to jump higher in this poll, they are going to need some strong performances through the individual state series, and probably need at least a few state placers. And even that might not be enough depending on what their foes in the poll do. Holly capped its season in second in the Metro and lost in the district final to Brandon in the team state series.

No. 4 - Fenton girls basketball:

The Fenton girls have been overshadowed for one reason — the Holly girls basketball team. The Lady Bronchos' dominance has been hard to ignore, but it's also getting to be hard to ignore how strong the Tigers, winners of seven straight games, are proving to be over the rest of the Metro as well. With three games remaining in league play, Fenton has already locked up nothing worse than second place. And if there is a team in the league that can beat Holly, it is the Tigers.

No. 2 tie - Fenton boys swimming & Holly girls basketball:

The Fenton boys swim team recently completed a perfect dual meet season, and have flat out dominated the Metro League. They are expected to dominate the Metro meet as well and cruise to their third straight league title. They've also posted many state qualifiers and have a chance at making some noise at the state meet this year.

The Holly girls basketball team remains undefeated as well, and have hardly been pushed in league play this sea-



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS

Lake Fenton's wrestling team celebrates after capturing a Division 3 regional title at Birch Run on Wednesday. The Blue Devils are No. 1 in our current Tri-County Winter Top Five Poll.

son. The Bronchos have been our No. 1 team for most of the winter and have dropped to No. 2 for a couple of reasons. We'll explain some of the reasons when we get to No. 1. We can discuss one here as well. The Bronchos haven't completed a league crown or anything like that yet, so it's hard to keep them No. 1 when others credentials include such things.

No. 1 - Lake Fenton wrestling: The Blue Devils jump to the top of the poll after some

pretty overwhelming results of late, with the most recent coming on Wednesday. The ninth-ranked Blue Devils defeated Birch Run in the regional title match, earning their first team state wrestling meet trip to Battle Creek since the 2011 team earned a runner-up finish.

Lake Fenton also won a team district title on Monday and had nine wrestlers qualify for the individual regional meet on Saturday. All nine qualified by making it to the district finals.



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Lake Fenton's Andy Donoho works on getting the match-clinching pin against Birch Run in team regional action on Wednesday.

Devils headed to Battle Creek

By David Troppens

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Birch Run — It seemed the ninth-ranked Lake Fenton varsity wrestling team had three strikes against them before they began its Division 3 regional tournament at Birch Run High School on Wednesday.

They had three starters out of their lineup, were facing a well-stocked fifth-ranked Birch Run

squad and the Blue Devils were doing that in the Panthers' home gym.

But the Blue Devils had something going for them as well — their determination and hard work.

Lake Fenton (34-5) earned its first trip to the D3 Team State Meet to be held at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena by defeating Corunna 51-25 in the regional semifinals

and then upsetting Birch Run 37-32 in the regional championship match.

The Blue Devils opened the final against Birch Run winning five of the first six matches, and capped it when Andy Donoho pinned Kyle Reese 1:21 into the third period, creating an explosion of emotion on the Blue Devils' sideline.

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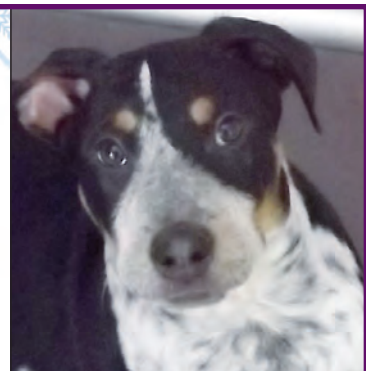
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Cassidy, Tigers creating their own swim legacy

By David Troppens

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Fenton — Brant Cassidy and the Fenton varsity boys swim team's senior class has created quite the legacy at Fenton High School.

When Cassidy became a member of the Fenton Tigers' swim team, there wasn't much of a winning tradition with the squad. Sure, there would be the occasional state-caliber individual on the team, but for the most part the Tigers knew they couldn't compete for league titles like the girls' squad did.

But the senior class changed all of that. The Tigers have captured the last two Metro League titles and are the overwhelming favorites to collect a third this year.

The Tigers completed half of the task on Tuesday, defeating previously unbeaten Lapeer 96-79 in both squads' last Metro dual of the season. In reality, the meet wasn't even that close since the Tigers swam a lot of entries exhibition near the end of the dual. It was fitting that the Tigers completed a perfect dual season on senior day.

"Really, everything we built on and what we are leaving is awesome," Cassidy said. "The legacy we are leaving is awesome. Just overall, the mark we are leaving here on the swim program is really great."

Tuesday was supposed to be the Tigers' toughest Metro dual, yet, the victor of the meet was pretty much known before the event even began. The Tigers dominance was still pretty impressive even if expected. Fenton won eight of



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Mike Banner (above) won the 500 freestyle against Lapeer, while Zahne Macklin (right) won the 100 breaststroke. The Tigers beat Lapeer 96-79.

the events, and swept the top three spots in four of the individual events.

Lapeer actually had the lead after the 200 medley relay, but that edge evaporated when Cassidy (1:56.45), Austin Landis (2:02.18) and Kyle Banner (2:05.30) swept the 200 freestyle. If that wasn't convincing enough, then Zac Micelli's (2:19.08) and Mike Banner's (2:19.48) finishing in the top two spots of the 200 individual medley did it.

Cassidy, a performer at the state meet in the previous two seasons and a qualifier for this year's event, is starting to realize that the end of his prep career is nearing.

"It's surreal," Cassidy said. "I want to enjoy ever moment of it and take it all in. I want to enjoy what I have left. It should be fun."

Cassidy wasn't the only four-year se-



nior who competed in his final dual meet for the Fenton Tigers. The list included Zahne Macklin, Landon Mikulenas, Michael Banner, Kyle Lack and Brent Nakkula. The other seniors on the team were two-year performers Luke Idoni and Chevy Redman.

The 500 freestyle was the highlight for the senior class as four-year members swept the top three places. Banner won the event (5:24.38), followed by Mikulenas (5:42.66) and Nakkula. See **TIGERS** on 18A

Holly girls remain perfect

By David Troppens

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David Hall has never made it a point to discuss wins and losses with his varsity girls basketball teams.

So just because his Holly Bronchos are a perfect 16-0 overall and 13-0 in the Flint Metro League, don't expect that to change this year.

The Bronchos moved to within one game of earning at least a co-Metro championship on Tuesday, defeating Clio 49-29.

"I've never mentioned anything about our record, and have never done so in the past when we were 14-3 or whatever," Hall said. "We just talk about playing and doing the things we can control and talking about how we treat each other. We talk about how we handle adversity and those things we can control."

There are many reasons why Holly remains undefeated, but the two biggest might have to do with their desire to play defense and their desire to be unselfish. Both were on display on Tuesday. Clio never scored more than nine points in a quarter, while the Bronchos had three girls record at least four assists in the win.

"We did a good job (defensively)," Hall said. "Abby Lewandowski did a nice job standing by (Clio's Cara) Horst, and Jenna Pepper and other kids were guarding Maddi (Skias). We were well aware where they were. See **PERFECT** on 19A

Holly boys fall to Clio, drop out of first

By David Troppens

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The Holly varsity boys basketball team found out something on Tuesday.

The Clio Mustangs have a pretty good squad.

Locked in a battle all night long, the Bronchos fell out of first place after a 76-67 road loss to the Mustangs.

The loss dropped the Bronchos to 10-3 in the Metro and 12-4 overall, one game behind Lapeer West (10-2, 13-3) in the loss column in the league standings.

"The bottom line is Clio is a very

good team," Holly varsity boys basketball coach Lance Baylis said. "Clio has found their way. They play about six guys, but their first six guys are good, and they have three guys that are really really good. They have one of the best shooters in the league, one of the best point guards in the league and their power forward is a man-child. Their starting five is very good."

Neither team took control of the contest until the final minutes. Clio led 18-16 after one quarter and 34-28 at the See **HOLLY** on 19A

PREP REPORT

GIRLS BASKETBALL

► **Fenton 65, Swartz Creek 46:** Cassandra Reuschlein collected 16 points, four rebounds and three steals, while Emma Brant had 10 points, leading the Tigers to the victory. Sarah Cummings netted nine points and five rebounds, while Hannah Evo dished off five assists.

► **Durand 53, Lake Fenton 51:** Alexis Ayala scored five points late in the contest, earning the Railroaders the win.

Jordan Newman paced the Blue Devils (4-5, 6-9) with 20 points, while Sophia Sahouri netted 11 points.

► **Linden 35, Kearsley 25:** Linden took a 13-2 lead after one quarter and held Kearsley to just four fourth-quarter points.

Alyssa Logie led Linden with 10 points and six rebounds, while Jessie Spencer netted 10 points. Taylor Smith had eight points and four steals. Megan Kenney led the Eagles with seven boards, while Madison Poland had six rebounds.

BOYS BASKETBALL

► **Lapeer West 50, Fenton 47:** Matt Place scored four of West's seven points in

overtime, earning the first-place Panthers the win. West's Greg McGeary scored a layup to force overtime.

James Claborn led the Tigers with 14 points, while Dillon Gardner netted 12 points. Alec Thomas had seven points.

► **Kearsley 62, Linden 43:** The Eagles were outscored 28-16 in the first quarter and 23-14 in the fourth, resulting in the loss.

Austin Buerkel and Kyle Korman led Linden with 11 points each, while Collin Hoerberling netted eight points.

► **Linden freshmen 60, Kearsley 16:** The Eagles (12-1) had all 10 players score, including Austin Malkin who led the team with 12 points. Hunter Michael had 10 points, while Noah Pearce netted eight.

HOCKEY

► **KBH United 6, Metro League Griffins 4:** Connor Phillips scored two goals for the Griffins, while Brian Hackney and Brendan Buerkel had one each. Phillips also assisted two goals.

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TIGERS

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(5:47.49). The only other individual senior victory posted by the Tigers was by Macklin in the 100 breaststroke (1:06.93).

Two other non-seniors took individual top efforts though. Miceli won the 200 individual medley (2:19.08) and the 100 butterfly (1:02.16), while Adam Kidlow won diving (172.96).

The Tigers had the top time in two relay events as well. Mark Vuillemot, Redman, Jack Hall and Justin Beemer won the 200 freestyle relay (1:37.94), while Banner, Donovan Vickers, Kyle Banner and Landis won the 400 freestyle relay (3:46.69).

The other 1-2-3 individual sweeps came in diving and the 100 freestyle. In diving, Brandon Muma placed second (163.45) while Chase Lynch (1:33.10) took third. In the 100 freestyle, Landis placed second (52.93) and Donovan Vickers took third (56.36).

Now, the seniors get to complete their legacy with two more meets — the Metro Meet on Feb. 21 and 22 and the state meet at Eastern Michigan University.

"I just want to enjoy it," Cassidy said.

"A lot of our guys are going to the state meet for the first time. We are going to push hard for the Metro League meet and the state finals. That's all we are thinking about."

Fenton's Wujciak headed to Johns Hopkins

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When it comes to Sara Wujciak, it's obvious academics are pretty important.

Ask her what her three top college choices were — Johns Hopkins University, Case Western Reserve University and Carnegie Mellon University — and that becomes obvious.

The three schools aren't the selections made by someone academically timid by any stretch of the imagination. All three rank among the best in the nation.

But swimming also remains a love deep in Wujciak's heart, and there's something else all those three destinations have — they all have a swimming program.

Wujciak, a Fenton senior, chose Johns Hopkins not only to pursue her academic dreams but her swimming ambitions as well.

"The schools I considered ... I liked all of them, but Johns Hopkins was the best academically and athletically for me," Wujciak said. "I'm excited. All of the dedication paid off. (Flint Falcons coach) Adam Cooper helped me with the process. I would not be where I am without the coaching support from him."

Wujciak swims with a YMCA swim team called the Flint Falcons and has done so exclusively for the last two seasons. While competing with the Falcons, she's qualified for the national meet, usually finishing around the top 30 in her individual events and the top 10 in relay events with her squad. Her best event is the breaststroke, where she's posted a personal-best time of 1:07.41 in the 100 breaststroke and a best time



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Sara Wujciak competes during a past meet. The Fenton senior is headed to Johns Hopkins University in the fall.

of 2:08.85 in the 200 individual medley. Both times would've put her among the best D2 swimmers at the prep level this fall. She's also posted a best time of 2:23.79 in the 200 breaststroke.

"The YMCA program is really competitive but friendly at the same time," Wujciak said. "Nationals is a great meet. you get to meet people from all around the country. It's a friendly competition, but it's a good competition."

Currently, Wujciak is in the middle of her swim season. The YMCA Nationals is held during the first week in April. Wujciak swims year round.

For her first two years in high school, Wujciak also competed with the Fenton varsity girls swim team. During her sophomore year, she placed seventh in the 200 IM (2:10.07) and 14th in the

breaststroke (1:09.83). She also teamed with Gabrielle Haaraaja, Haley Shaw and Kelsey Kidd to take seventh in the 400 freestyle relay.

At Johns Hopkins, Wujciak will remain in a competitive surrounding, as the program is routinely one of the elite at the Division 3 NCAA level. Last season the team placed fifth at Nationals. Wujciak's current personal-best times already fare well against the current Blue Jays' squad.

"I met their coach (George Kennedy) and he seems like a really good guy," Wujciak said. "I think he'll be motivational. I think I'll enjoy swimming with him."

Another big bonus is Sara's sister, Anna, swims at Yale University, about five hours away. And guess who Johns Hopkins will be competing in a dual meet against next year? That's right, Yale. Older sister Anna is in her freshman season at Yale.

"Next year is the first year the teams will have a dual meet," Wujciak said. "The coaches kind of know each other and that's why it will happen."

Wujciak hopes to compete at the NCAA Division 3 national meet during her career. A look at her personal-best times suggest that could happen early during her collegiate career.

Wujciak also credits Fenton's International Baccalaureate Program for her academic success. Wujciak is within the top 10 of her grade.

"I credit the IB program a lot. It's helped me academically," Wujciak said. "It's brought me a far way academically."

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Blue Devils keep pattern alive, capture 56-45 win vs. Railroaders

By David Troppens

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The Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team has established a pattern this season.

And the pattern continued on Tuesday night.

The Blue Devils continued a streak where they've either won two consecutive contests or lost two straight games by earning the second straight victory with a 56-45 win at Durand.

The contest was reasonably similar to the Blue Devils' 58-41 home victory against the Railroaders earlier in the season. Lake Fenton led 16-9 after one quarter, but the lead was cut to 25-23 by the half. The Blue Devils took a 37-32 lead into the fourth quarter, and then capped the victory with a 19-point fourth period. In the first contest, Lake Fenton used a 17-6 fourth period to eventually establish dominance.

"We definitely did not play our best defensive game as a team, but we had a couple of guys stand out who did a lot of great things on defense in Tyler Browning and Mitchell Bollinger," Lake Fenton coach Jake Erway said. "Those two guys were everywhere all night."

Browning finished with five rebounds and four steals, leading the Blue Devils (5-4, 8-6) in both categories. Lake Fenton played stronger offensively in the second half, only turning the ball over four times.

"We did a much better job of taking care of the basketball (in the second



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | MARK BOLEN

Lake Fenton's Logan Crisp scored five points in the Blue Devils' 56-45 victory against Durand on Tuesday.

half)," Erway said. "That helped us pull it out. Also, we did a much better job in the second half of running the floor and pushing the ball on offense. Pete Plasters did a great job running the floor, and Chris Bell did a good job of getting it up the floor to him."

Plasters finished with season-high 17 points, while also earning four assists and three steals. Bell dished a team-best eight assists while scoring nine points. Chase Hanson chipped in eight points, while Logan Crisp and Chris Ross had five points each.

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DEVILS

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"This means the world," Donoho said. "It's great because we were the underdogs this whole meet and we were in their own gym."

"Honestly, it's amazing," said fellow senior wrestler Chase Hull. "We've had high expectations all year. We worked hard all year. We knew we had a good team and that we could make it there. But with three starters out, it was a little intimidating, especially being in their gym. But we had key matchups and the guys came out and got the big wins when it came down to it. Andy got a pin and sealed it for us."

Donoho (189) entered his match knowing all he needed was a decision victory to give the Blue Devils their trip to Battle Creek because the prior match freshman Trent Hillger (171) earned a technical fall victory against Coty McFarland, putting Lake Fenton up by five points. The win didn't come easy for Donoho. The pair fought to a scoreless first period, and Donoho took a slight 1-0 lead entering the third period. Donoho started the third period on top and it looked like he might have to ride Reese the entire two minutes to clinch the Blue Devils' victory. However, he caught him in a deep waist tilt. He had his body crossing over Reese's body and earned the pinfall with just 39 seconds left in the match. The Blue Devils forfeited the final match as its results weren't going to change which team earned the ticket to Battle Creek.

"I just kept chopping that arm, driving forward and trying to hit my tilt," Donoho said discussing the third period. "I think it's a really good move and people have trouble getting out of it. There was no way I was letting him up. I kept the pedal to the metal. It was two minutes of Hell and I knew that would lead us to the state meet."

And it eventually did.

However, there were plenty of other stars in the Blue Devils' upset victory. It all began with a coin toss that allowed Lake Fenton to start the match with Hull at 285 against Colin Slavik, with Hull eventually earning a 9-2 decision win. From there, the Lake Fen-

ton lighter weights dominated. A.J. Geyer (103) won by technical fall and Hunter Corcoran (112) earned a first-period pinfall win. The first tight match the Blue Devils won came at 119 when Jared Corcoran (119) earned a 2-1 decision victory against Drew Cox, earning a takedown with about eight seconds remaining in the match. Zach Zoll (125) lost by technical fall, but Jon Barry (130) followed that with a first-period pinfall against Joe Damm. Lake Fenton led 23-5 early.

"From the get-go we came out on fire," Lake Fenton coach Vance Corcoran said. "A.J. Geyer goes out there and does it. Hunter Corcoran goes out there and does it, and Jared wins in the last seconds. Jon Barry comes out and pins. What do you say? These kids stepped up. We were big underdogs today with all of our guys out and came out with a win."

Birch Run made its move during the middle weights, earning a void at 135, a decision win at 140 against Ryan Franks and a pinfall win at 145. Lake Fenton led just 23-20. However, Cody Sanders (152) came up with a critical 5-3 decision victory against third-ranked Mitch Franklin putting the Blue Devils back in strong shape.

"I wrestled him at districts and lost to him 2-3. I knew it was going to be tough," Sanders said. "But going out for the team is really exciting and it gives me a lot of reason to win, a lot of drive. I did it for the team and it was well worth it."

Jared Elliott earned a pinfall win at 160 for Birch Run, tying the score with three more matches left. However, Hillger's 15-0 technical fall victory set up Donoho's final heroics.

In the semifinal victory against Corunna, Sanders, Carson Whaley, Donoho and Hull earned pinfall wins, while Hillger won by decision. Geyer, Jared Corcoran, Zoll and Barry won by forfeit.

Some of the seniors will be making their second trip to Battle Creek. They were freshmen when the Blue Devils lost in the state championship match in 2011.

"It's like a big reunion," Hull said. "I remember my freshman year it being scary with all those guys at the

break. However, Clio was outscored 27-14 in the second half. Allyssa Copley and Kaitlyn Smith led the offense with 15 points each. Copley also had 10 rebounds, five assists and three steals. Lewandowski had 12 points, seven rebounds, four assists and four steals, while Paige Reid had seven points. Pepper chipped in five assists.

Holly travels to Lapeer West on Tuesday for a 7 p.m. contest. The Bronchos will earn at least a share of the Metro crown, their first since 1993, with a win.

and Parker Rowse had 14 points each. Isaac Casillas chipped in nine points. Jaylon Arkwright led Clio with 23 points, while Major Sattiewhite and Chauncey Bryant had 18 points each.

Holly hosts Lapeer West on Tuesday, hosts Kearsley on Wednesday and travels to Fenton on Friday. If the Bronchos win out they'll still earn at least a share of the Metro crown.

"Now we've dug ourselves a hole," Baylis said. "We probably have to win out (to win the title)."



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(Above) Lake Fenton's Jared Corcoran (front) won this pivotal match against Drew Cox 2-1 in the Blue Devils' regional championship victory against Birch Run on Wednesday. (Right) Trent Hillger (top) earned a technical fall victory against Coty McFarland for another big win during the match.



state meet. I always have that memory of freshman year. This year we had a good chance of coming back because we had a good team."

"This is awesome because we've all worked so hard," Sanders said. "We're close and this is what we've been striving for. We wanted to win."

And the Blue Devils did just that.

PERFECT

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at and we rebounded well. ... We have kids want to take the challenge to stop people and make things hard on them.

"In the second half, we started moving the ball and got good quality shots. We were 11-for-20 shooting the ball in the second half because the kids reversed the ball and looked for their teammates."

Holly led 14-6 after one quarter and 22-15 at the half, meaning the Lady Mustangs were reasonably close at the

HOLLY

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half. By the end of the third stanza, Holly was trailing just 53-49. Clio, winners of seven straight contests, didn't take a substantial lead until the final minutes of the contest.

"It was back-and-forth the entire night," Baylis said. "Up until a minute to go into the game, no one really led by more than six. No one was able to extend leads in the game."

Kyle Woodruff led the Bronchos with 23 points, while Jake Daniels

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HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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"One of the emphases of these bills is to change the mindset of how we address human trafficking, not only that it's a crime but we have compassion for the victims," Heise said in an audio recording posted on Michigan Republicans House website. "I don't think that anything could be more important than protecting innocent children and vulnerable adults who have been dragged into this terrible crime."

Current Michigan law prohibits any forced labor or services by use of fraud, coercion, physical restraint and use of blackmail. If approved, the proposed legislation could declare human trafficking as a public nuisance; presume all minors arrested for prostitution are victims, and to create a human trafficking commission with the Attorney General's Office.

According to the state Human Trafficking Commission Report, 150 pimps were arrested and 105 children between the ages of 12 to 17 were recovered in a 76-city crackdown. Nationwide, the FBI reports 40 percent of sex trafficking involved children. Nearly half of all human trafficking occurs in a private residence, followed by hotels, restaurants and massage parlors.

Denise Keipert, who works with Fenton's Zonta group, said human trafficking can include sex workers, laborers and domestic servitude such as cooking and cleaning. Keipert said a regional task force to combat human trafficking is being formed in Genesee County, which will help train police, first medical responders and the public to recognize signs of human trafficking.

"Michigan is one of the top five states for human trafficking. As a community we need to be aware of it and looking for signs," said Keipert, who added that Zonta will be working with the regional task force and continuing to inform the public about sex workers.

The Department of the State lists signs of physical abuse, employers holding identity documents and answering with rehearsed responses as some indications of human trafficking.

The bills are currently being reviewed by the House Criminal Justice Committee and could hit Gov. Rick Snyder's desk by this summer. Local Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Township) is in favor of the legislation and said, "It's outrageous that this goes on today, that we have people being victimized this way. This sends a message that it won't be tolerated."

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Rep Joe Graves
(R-Argentine Township)

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO THE HOT LINER who implied anonymously that I lied about women's wages. Check PolitiFact.com and other websites. Results indicate female workers make about 91 cents on the dollar when compared to male counterparts. Not 77 cents as President Obama stated. Our President lies and facts don't.

OBAMA IS A zealot. Zealots are compelled to force their ideology on everyone else, using any means necessary. The news media is filled with zealots; some liberal, some conservative. Each is compelled to push their ideology by any means necessary. Trust none of them.

YES, ONE OUT of five kids in the U.S. do go hungry. We have yard sales in order to buy food for the forgotten families in the Appalachian Mountain in Virginia. We have seen this first hand. So donate to a food bank and make someone smile.

I STUDIED 'HARD science' in the '50s and '60s before science was corrupted with the interference of self-serving politicians. When they said the sun revolved around earth, it was Copernicus and Galileo, the skeptics, who proved them wrong. In time, global warming will be proved a hoax.

EVERY DAY I hear from physicians about the horror stories of patients losing their good healthcare plans. As millions of patients lose their healthcare, millions of people are losing their jobs due to Obamacare. It is disheartening to see President Obama go on national TV and lie about how wonderful Obamacare is. It's the worst piece of legislation in 100 years.

EVOLUTION AND CREATIONISM are polar opposites and not compatible theories, no matter what the teacher at Powers pontificates. Creationism acknowledges God and evolution denies there is a god. The Bible comments on both of these views when it declares, 'the fool has said in his heart, there is no God.'



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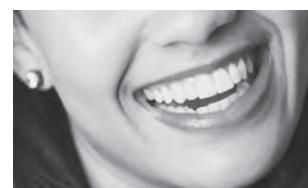
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For an inspiring example to get you started, meet Katie Collins, 19, daughter of Gary and Carrie Collins of Linden.

Katie Collins, 19, was a typical college student in her first year at Saginaw Valley State University in the fall of 2012, packing on the dreaded "Freshman 15" during her first semester.

What made that very scary for Collins was the fact that those 15 pounds were added to her then-weight of 230 pounds, which she carried all the way through her years at Linden High School.

"When I saw 247 on the scale in January 2013, I panicked," admitted Collins,

who motivated herself to lose more than 90 pounds in a year. "But seeing that number forced me into action. If I can do it, anyone can do it. It's all about making weight loss fun, so you can sustain it over the long haul."

To make it fun, she researched healthy eating and began to cook regular meals in her Saginaw apartment. Stir-fries are a staple, and so are healthy entrees like turkey burgers, salmon, etc.

"I don't believe in eliminating all

carbs or other food groups," she said. "I just choose the healthiest option when planning meals or going out." She's also obsessed with protein smoothies, combining spinach, protein powder, blueberries, yogurt and banana into a blender. That makes a healthy breakfast for this busy nursing student, or a post-workout snack.

But what really got her moving toward

weight loss was her commitment to exercise. Collin's first goal was to join the gym on campus, spending time on the elliptical machine, because that's all she knew how to do. Then she researched healthy meals, kept track of her calories on MyFitnessPal.com, and began the "Couch to 5k" program.

"What contributed most to my weight loss was running," she said. "I had never run before in my life. In high school, I didn't participate in any sports. Now running is my sport. I ran the Bastille Day Race in June in Fenton, training for that with a couple of friends. Now I'm training for a half-marathon in the fall, testing my body to see what it can do."

Losing the weight that had kept her back from truly enjoying all that life had to offer has changed every aspect of her life. Even more important than slipping into a pair of size 8 jeans (instead of tight 18s) is how she feels about herself.

"It's been an emotional experience," she said. "Now I have confidence that I can tackle anything."

For more insight into Collins' weight loss and to help you in your own journey, read her blog at tumblr.com/katiesfightforfitness.

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2. Embracing the fun of Jazzercise, and committing to attending four times a week, rather than going occasionally, 'when I feel like it.'

3. Setting mini-milestones along the way. I set a weight loss goal about four to six weeks apart, tying that goal to a fun event going on in our lives.

For example, my first goal is timed with the St. Patrick's Day 10k/5k event in Bay City. We go every year as a family, most recently babysitting granddaughter Ava at the post-run party, rather than participating in the event itself. This year, I plan to walk it, rather than party through it.

I've set subsequent goals approximately a month to six weeks apart, taking me through my 59th birthday in October.

For me, No. 3 is my most important new lifestyle change, because it allows me to see my goals unfold in front of me, rather than just be 'pie in the sky' out-there goals.

Collins cheered me on during our interview, and I applauded her for not only her accomplishments, but also her goals and outlook on life. I found in this young 19 year old, not only a mature, young woman who reclaimed her life, but one wants to share her experiences with others and help them along their way.

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Meet Bruce Tomlinson

- Fenton Schools head custodian
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By Sally Rummel

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Bruce Tomlinson, 54, has been district head custodian at Fenton Area Public Schools for 20 years and is now in his 28th year of employment at the school district. In addition to handling custodian-related duties, he heads up a team of 20 custodians, orders supplies, handles vendors and repairs equipment, all in a day's work. He is married to Judy, a night custodian at the Ellen Street World of Wonder campus. He has a daughter, a stepdaughter and three grandchildren.

How has this year's harsh winter weather affected your custodial staff?

It's the worst winter I can remember, as far as having snow and cold temperatures for such a long period of time. We spend more time than usual shoveling and snow throwing so that our sidewalks and entrances are clear. Maybe our classrooms won't get as much attention on these cold, snowy days.

What's the busiest time of year for you and your staff? Right now, our maintenance guys are engulfed in heating issues, so I have to say winter. But summer is really busy, too. We go through each classroom, take out all the furniture and scrub each piece, strip the floors, etc. In the summer, we all work first shift, working four 10-hour days. The high school is always busy, almost 24/7. We have custodians there sometimes seven days a week, working late after sports or special events.

What's your favorite part of the job? I'm a people person, so I'd say working with staff and interacting with kids. I love seeing my grandson, James, who's a kindergartner at Tomek-Eastern.

Okay, true confessions. What is the dirtiest room of the schools to clean?

Definitely the restrooms and locker rooms. We have to sanitize them every night. I don't like to clean bathrooms at home, either, so Judy usually does that, and I bet she's not crazy about it either.

How about gum underneath the desks. Is that still a problem? Yes, we still have to scrape the gum off under the desks, but gum chewing as a whole doesn't seem to be as big a deal, as when I was in school. We used to get in a lot of trouble for chewing gum.

How has your job changed in almost three decades? We now have some automated equipment that makes our job easier. We used to have to hand mop the gym floor, hallways, etc. Now we have a riding scrubber, and can do the job in an hour, rather than five or six hours. On

"We have day custodians, after school custodians and at the high school, we have a third shift from 6 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. for afterschool events and sports."

Bruce Tomlinson
Fenton Head Custodian

the other hand, with so many school cutbacks, we've never worked harder than we do now. We've tried our best to keep up, working more with less.

Do you have the same holiday schedule as teachers or other administrators? Actually, we do

a lot of work over holiday breaks because it's easier to get things done when the kids aren't in school. Christmas break is when we strip the gym floors because it takes a lot of time to do the prep and finish work, then letting it cure for a week.

What do you like to do when you're not at work? I'm an avid reader, I love true crime stories and Steven King novels. I also like to draw cartoons.

Any plans for retirement? Probably in a couple of years. For now, we go away for a week or two in the summer up to Torch Lake and take the grandkids with us. We also like to go on a few weekend trips, just the two of us.



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Fenton Head Custodian Bruce Tomlinson spends time in the warehouse of the operations building, where he has an office. Repair work, like this vacuum cleaner, is always on his to-do list.

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By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

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Parents of young children often ask me at what age they should bring their son or daughter into the dental office for the first time. When I was in dental school at the University of Michigan we were taught that the best time to see kids for the first time was age 3. By age 3 the child was usually mature enough to "cooperate" with the dental team and he or she could have regular preventative dental cleaning. The problem has always been that sometimes by age 3 major dental problems have already developed necessitating major dental treatment. With this in mind, The American Pediatric Dental Association recently came out with new recommendations. The new recommended age for a child's first dental visit is age 1. Age 1 dental visits, what we in our office like to call "well-baby check-ups", are very important. Realistically, we are not going to be able to do a full dental cleaning with x-rays on a 1 year old. But I am able to determine that all the teeth are developing normally and can catch problems very early well before any major trouble. Just as importantly, this gives me and my team an opportunity to educate mom and dad about proper dental care for their child. Dental office fears and phobias in adults are very common and can be so extreme that a person will avoid going to the dentist all together. This can lead to major dental problems and poor oral and overall health. When I question these people about their dental fears they almost always relate some traumatic childhood experience that has scarred them for life. I am committed to ensure that the children I see will not suffer this same fate. By seeing kids early in their life before major dental problems, I am helping them to maintain good dental health and avoid dental fears. Age 1 dental visits, a key to a long and healthy life with good teeth.

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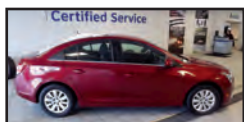
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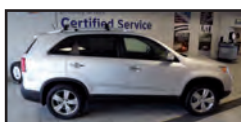
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Life|Style

the Henry Ford MUSEUM

'Documenting the genius of ordinary people'

By Tim Jagielo

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Dearborn — The cavernous museum is filled with testaments to the brilliance of engineers and everyone else involved with literally moving humanity forward, as in cars, airplanes and locomotives.

All museums are supposed to be educational — but The Henry Ford museum is dedicated to “documenting the genius of ordinary people,” according to its website.

The Henry Ford museum is part of the campus that includes more than 20 exhibits like “Heroes of the Sky,” “Your Place in Time,” and “Driving America Forward.”

It's difficult to list all the available activities at the museum. The largest IMAX screen in Michigan is at the southern most corner of the museum. There are interactive displays for children, and before your eyes, a

See **HENRY FORD** on 7B

“It's interesting to see what we have today, compared to what it was.”

Marcio Silva
Visitor, from
San Paolo, Brazil

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO (Top) The “Driving America” exhibit embodies the core of the museum—the automobiles that served everyday Americans. The exhibit includes highlights like the 15 millionth Model T, an ultra rare 1948 Tucker, and dozens of cars driven every day, in different eras of the previous century. (Right) President John

F. Kennedy's limousine in which he was assassinated is one of four at the museum, putting visitors face-to-face with history.



Getting to The Henry Ford

Go to thehenryford.org, or call 1-800-835-5237 to get started. The museum is open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week, and the IMAX theater has extended hours. Tickets are \$17 for adults, \$15 for seniors 62 and older and \$12 for children 5 to 12. The Henry Ford is located at 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn. There is ample, free parking at the museum.

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► Academy Awards show begins Sunday at 7 p.m. on ABC

By William Axford

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The 86th Academy Awards are scheduled for Sunday, March 2, highlighting some of the best movies of 2013. Here's a look at a few of the movies that have been nominated for Best Picture this year.

American Hustle: The story of a scam artist (Christian Bale) who gets drawn into an elaborate con by an FBI Agent (Bradley Cooper) to take



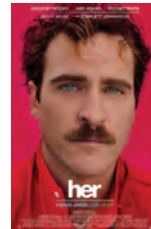
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At NCG Cinemas in Grand Blanc, Scott Avendt of Fenton along with daughter Anna, 10, and son Jacob, 13, season a large bucket of popcorn, before seeing Star Trek, which didn't draw any nominations.

down some of the biggest gambling royalty in the country. Complications arise as Bale's partner and mistress (Amy Adams) begins flirting with Cooper and Bale's wife (Jennifer Lawrence) insists on being a part of the operation. The movie is carried by the actors, as the plot can be weak and convoluted during parts of the

movie. (R, 2 hr., 9 min.)

Her: Having a tough time dealing with his divorce, Theodore Twombly (Joaquin Phoenix) downloads an operating system (voiced by Scarlett Johansson) capable

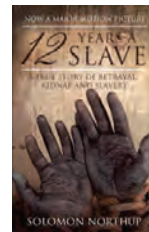


of learning. In a world dominated by smartphones and constant changes to social media, viewers may be shocked at how much reality is grounded in this sci-fi flick. Adding director Spike Jonze's (Where the Wild Things Are, Being John Malkovich) humanizing touch, Her is a stark look at how we interact with technology and where we may be heading with it. (2 hr. 6 min.)

Gravity: When a routine mission to repair a space station goes awry, astronaut Dr. Ryan Stone (Sandra Bullock) battles for survival in the endless void of space. Relying more on visuals than character development, Gravity is a terrifying reminder that space is just as deadly as it is beautiful. (PG 13, 2 hr. 4 min.)



12 Years a Slave: A sobering look at slavery during the 1800s, 12 Years a Slave depicts the brutality Solomon Northup (Chiwetel Ejiofor) faced after he was captured and forced to work on plantations in New Orleans. The movie is a harrowing depiction of what slaves faced in order to survive and how the Civil War inevitably came about. (R, 2 hr. 13 min.)



The Wolf of Wall Street: From selling penny stocks to shady IPOs, The Wolf depicts the rise and fall of ambitious Jordan Belfort (Leonardo DiCaprio). Exuding wealth, sex and drugs, the movie is swathed in director Martin Scorsese signature touch. While praised for its acting and outrageous scenarios, the characters are as amoral and depraved as they come. Those who are attracted to such cautionary tales will find The Wolf of Wall Street worth watching. (R, 2 hr. 59 min.)



Other movies nominated for Best Picture include Nebraska, Captain Phillips, Dallas Buyers Club and Philomena.

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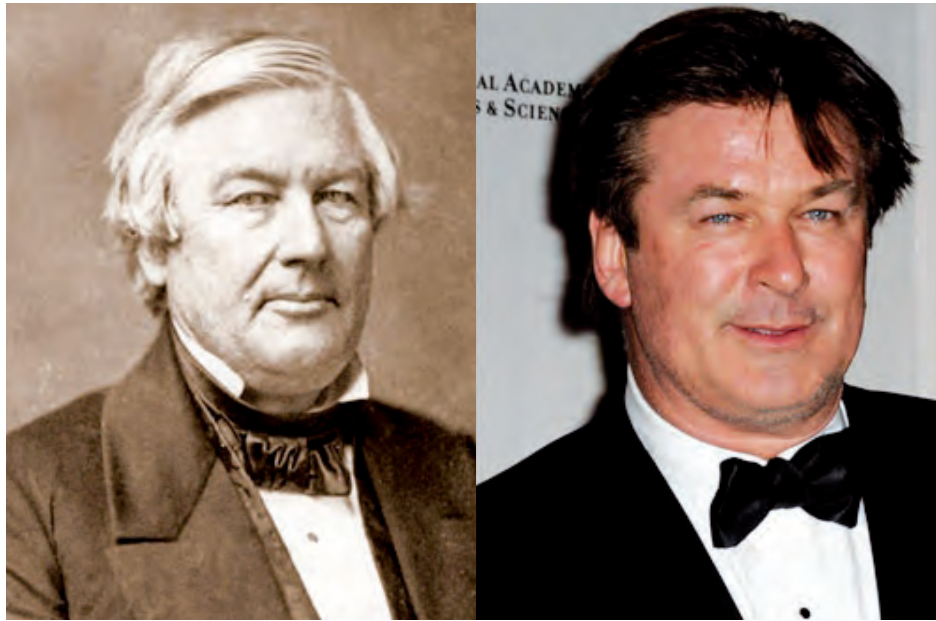
Here are eight famous celebrities and their presidential doppelgangers. There's no denying that the resemblance is uncanny.

Source: biography.com



George Washington & Michael Douglas

Besides being the first President of the United States, Washington was one of the most successful liquor distributors in the new nation.



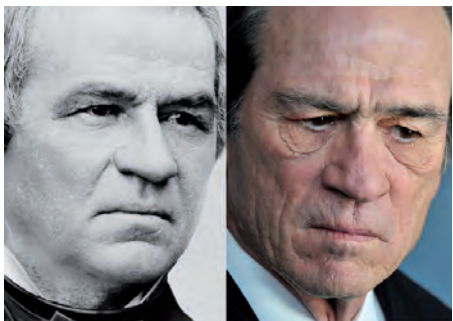
Millard Fillmore & Alec Baldwin

Millard Fillmore was the 13th President of the United States, the last Whig President and the last President not to be affiliated with either the Democratic or Republican parties. As Zachary Taylor's Vice President, he assumed the presidency after Taylor's death. Fillmore is consistently included in the bottom 10 of historical rankings of Presidents of the United States.



Joe Biden & Bob Barker

Joe Biden briefly ran for president in 1987 but dropped out of the primary race. In 1988 it was discovered that he had two brain aneurysms causing severe headaches.



Andrew Johnson & Tommy Lee Jones

Andrew Johnson (17th President of the United States) was one of only two presidents who did not own pets. However, Johnson found a family of white mice that he cared for and fed at the White House.



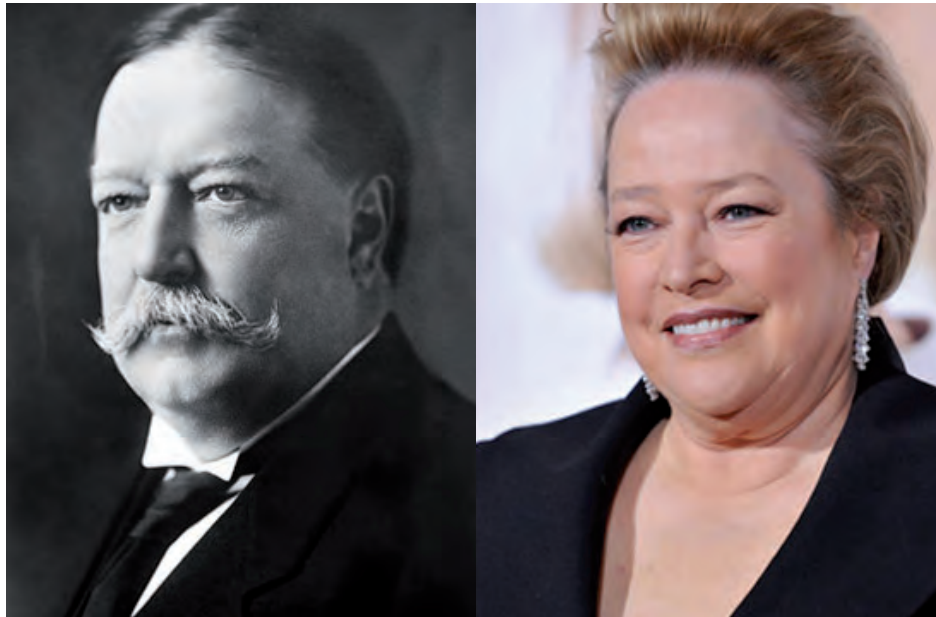
Thomas Jefferson & Michael Bolton

Thomas Jefferson's tombstone makes no mention of his service as President of the United States. Jefferson was buried at Monticello, his hilltop mansion.



Andrew Jackson & Ted Danson

At Jackson's funeral, his talking pet parrot proceeded to screech obscenities and curse words to the mourners; it was quickly removed from the room.



William Howard Taft & Kathy Bates

William Howard Taft was the 27th President of the United States. At over 330 pounds, Taft was the heaviest president. Once, he got stuck in the White House bath tub and required six aides to pull him free. The tub was replaced with a new one large enough to hold four men.



Andrew Jackson & John Kerry

Andrew Jackson was the seventh President of the United States (1829–1837). He was the first and only president that has paid off the national debt.

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What was the best movie you saw in 2013?



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“‘Now You See Me.’ It was fast paced and kept your attention.”

— Mark Willmarth
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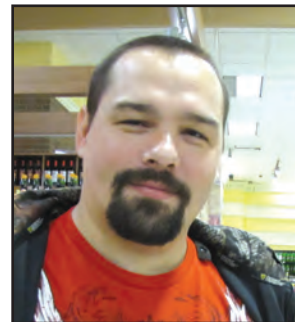
“‘The Heat.’ It was funny. I went to see it with my teenage kids.”

— Veronica Prise
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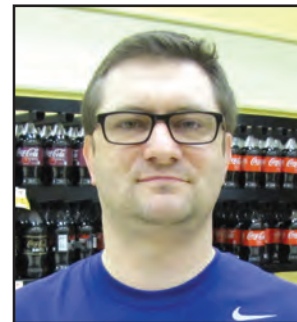
“‘Lone Survivor.’ It felt like you were actually in the war scenes.”

— Tim Bloch
Fenton



“‘Frozen.’ I took my son Gage to see it. I liked it because it made him smile and laugh.”

— Kenny Walker
Fenton



“‘We’re the Millers.’ It was funny and had a great cast.”

— Chad Howard
Linden

HOT LINE CONTINUED

I'D LIKE TO thank the person who put air in my tire and paid for it last Friday night. You were on your way to Lansing for your daughter and father dance. I hope you had a great time and thank you so much.

HEY, HERE'S ANOTHER one for all you Democrat liberals out there; I don't think Abraham Lincoln and his abolitionist friends had this in mind. They must be embarrassed. LOL.

I JUST FOUND out that Linden's hiring a school board member's wife that isn't normally a teacher but they hired her for the second time as a long-term sub. Sounds like they're doing some good ole' boy networkin' out there.

ANY TIME THERE'S a problem in a religious denomination, the God haters seem to push it to the front. The situation in Detroit should remind us to all keep our hands clean that way those of us in one true church can do our jobs and that is saving souls.

WHAT IS IT people? We don't stop for stop signs anymore? We just blow through the intersections and stuff? Man, talk about being dangerous.

I GOT A big kick out of the person who called in and said Obama was the greatest president in the history of the United States. If they have a job, their boss had better check them out because they're definitely on something.

GALLUP'S LATEST POLL shows only 16 percent of Americans are without health insurance in January, down from 17.1 percent last year. The right's claims that millions 'lost' their insurance was misleading. Most who 'lost' it simply picked another plan and 'had' it again. More Americans are insured today than prior to Obamacare.

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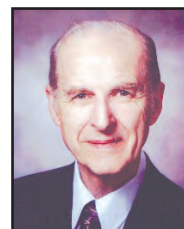
An all-you-can-eat Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner will be held at the Linden Masonic Temple, 119 North Bridge St., Linden, on **Friday, Feb. 28 from 4 to 8 p.m.** The menu will also include salad, bread, dessert, and beverage. Adults: \$7; Children (10 and under): \$5 and Family (four or more): \$20. There will also be a bake sale and a craft sale.

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Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



God ... who needs him?

Ever try to buy a gift for someone who has everything? It's not easy.

Augustine saw God as being in that predicament and concluded, 'God wants to give us something but He cannot. Our hands are full and there is no room to put anything.'

In his book, 'The Problem of Pain,' C.S. Lewis wrote: 'Everyone has noticed how hard it is to turn our thoughts to God when everything is going well.'

'Life has been deceiving,' said the successful businessman standing before me upon receiving word that he had but a short time to live. His look of hopeless resignation has been unforgettable. He had invested his life in getting money and possessions and now would soon be separated from them. His work had been his god.

Our Lord once told of such a man. This wealthy farmer had all that anyone could desire, all he had longed for and worked for in life. His fields produced so much there wasn't room enough in his barns to store his harvest.

'What shall I do?' he mused, evaluating his expected bumper crop. Finally, he decided to tear down his barns and build bigger ones. He concluded he had enough money to retire so he began talking to himself about his coming

golden years.

This is what he said: 'Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years, take your ease, eat, drink and be merry' (Luke 12:19).

This wealthy man had everything but God... and that night he would die, leaving all he had accumulated to face the One he had neglected.

In his book, 'Through the Fire,' Joseph Stowell said, 'Sensing our need for God is tough. Knowing that we need Him gets lost in the fact that we have all we need. Clothes, food, safety, security, friendship, and fun are all readily available.'

'Assuming that we have provided it all for ourselves we become self-sufficient. When we cease to perceive how much we need God, He soon seems out of sight, then out of mind.'

'We live in an affluent all-providing culture. If we can't afford something, we buy it on credit. We have our health, houses, families, jobs, friends, and heritage. Who needs God?'

But everything we have is temporary, including health, wealth and honor. Andrew Carnegie sat in a plush hotel dining room. Before him was an untouched meal. His health was failing and his appetite was gone. Looking out a window, he saw a working man enjoying his lunch. 'I'd give a million dollars to have an appetite like that,' he said.

Self-sufficiency is an illusion. We all need God. And because of His love, we can have a satisfying faith relationship with Him that will last forever.

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

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Til death do they part

For some Michigan animals, divorce is not an option!

By Amy Mayhew

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It probably isn't the work of Cupid slinging arrows through the swamps and woodlands of Michigan, but several animal species in our state do what many of us humans can't seem to do — when they choose a mate, it's usually for keeps.

Leave it to beaver

The Cleavers and the beavers have a lot in common. Like Ward and June, beavers mate for life. Together, they'll head up a colony that usually consists of their current year kits, and kits from the previous year. When the babies hit about 2 years old, they'll head out to find soul mates of their own, swim a considerable distance away, and begin a new colony.

It's true they mate for life, but should one of the partners die, the survivor

doesn't spend a lot of time grieving about it. Whoever is left behind will find another partner and start all over again. Beavers can live to be up to 20 years of age.

Swan songs

Like the beavers, swans will usually mate for life, but should one member of the pair die or get lost, the survivor gets back into the dating game in fairly short order.

Swans start looking for mates around the age of 2 or 3, and instinctually begin the courting process by displaying and showing off for other swans of interest.

Once paired, the new couple will choose a territory where there is an abundant food source and a safe place to build

a nest. Together, they will do what it takes to defend the nest from intruders, with the goal being to raise a brood of their own.

Summary

► Animals like the beaver, swan and wolves, are monogamous for extended periods of time, often breaking away to start their own colonies.



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Beavers mate for life, but should one of the partners die, the survivor will waste no time in finding another suitable mate.

No lone wolves

For wolves, the rules are a little different. Overall, they'll mate for life, and like the others, if one partner dies, the survivor starts looking for another mate.

If food supplies are plentiful, the dominant or "alpha" male, in addition to his own family, will start a second family on the side. After all, what does he care? Other females in the pack help raise the pups!

Like us humans, when wolves have had enough of a relationship, they sometimes call it quits. For the wolf, mating arrangements have to be flexible and within certain limits.

The "cheeky" crane

Before "taking the plunge," juvenile Sandhill Cranes will usually "date" three or four other cranes before settling down with their life mate. If you look closely,



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Sandhill Cranes will usually "date" three or four other cranes before settling down with their life mate.

a crane's cheeks, much like a wedding ring, reveal its relationship status. Nobody quite knows why, but a committed Sandhill Crane almost always has bright white cheeks. With no special bird in their life, single cranes have gray cheeks. It's believed that the color difference helps unpaired cranes identify each other.

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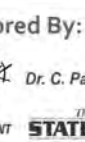
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By Sharon Stone

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Q. When we drive on North Road, from LeRoy Street toward Torrey Road, why does the through lane of traffic on North Road have a red stoplight when the left turn lane has a green arrow? If the left lane can turn left onto Adelaide, the traffic on Adelaide cannot turn left onto North Road. Seems to be a complete waste of time and gasoline.

A. We asked Dan Czarnecki, director of Fenton's Department of Public Works for an answer on this. He said that at this intersection, when the green left arrow is on, the westbound through traffic stops so pedestrians can cross North Road. The North Road crosswalk for this intersection is located on the west side of Adelaide Street. The pedestrian signal changes to "walk" during the left turn green cycle to allow pedestrians to cross the street without worrying about vehicles traveling through the west side of the intersection. Czarnecki said the lights at this intersection were set up this way to provide a safe opportunity for pedestrians to cross the street while still allowing vehicular traffic to make safe turning movements.

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★★ PARENT ALERT: YOU NEED TO READ THIS ★★ Twitter: Students 'confessing' lewd, shocking claims anonymously online

By William Axford

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"We all know that girl that faked her pregnancy more than (sic) once."

"I lost my virginity at Project Jet."

No, these aren't sentences written on the bathroom walls of a high school but rather some of the more tame anonymous 'confessions' sent by students to the Twitter page 'Holly High Confessions.' Confession pages filled with crude statements about sex and lust have filled the halls of high schools across the nation and high schools in the Flint Metro League are no exception.

Recently, administrators at Fenton High School made an announcement to students about the Twitter page 'Fenton High Confessions' and how some of the gossip had upset some students. Currently, the confessions page for Fenton High School is shut down. A Twitter search revealed some students are still talking about the page, speculating who controlled it and what that person would face if administrators found out who it was.

Holly High School Principal Peter LoFiego said tracking who controls Twitter confession pages has been difficult for administrators since any random student can take control of it. If a student or anyone else controlling the account becomes suspicious of getting caught or simply doesn't want to be a part of it anymore, the username and password is usually posted on the account and whoever sees it first can take over the next round of confessions.

LoFiego said workers at Twitter have been helpful in trying to control the account but school administrators have difficulty when it comes to laws about freedom of speech.

While it's not illegal to have such an account, LoFiego said whoever controls the account could still face trouble depending on how defamatory the statements are.

"We would have to look at the nature of the things that are out there. Defaming comments and false claims toward students and staff is punishable," LoFiego said. "If someone has committed criminal acts, we'd turn it over to our police liaison."



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Twitter and social media have become new avenues for students to post anonymous statements, which often include outrageous sexual claims.

While gossip and rumors are familiar grounds when it comes to high school, social media and the Internet puts a new twist on it. LoFiego said the school is working on a digital literacy course and that students are taught whatever is put online stays online, even if they try to delete it. Students are also taught to be cautious of who they follow or add as friends online. LoFiego has heard stories of students who lost college admissions and job opportunities due to what they said online.

In 2012, students at Steubenville High School in Ohio were found guilty of sexual assault after prosecutors found confessions from the assailants through Twitter, Facebook, YouTube and text messages. Many of the tweets, videos and statuses were included in online articles, even after the students had deleted them. The case is one of many where social media played a role in casting a guilty verdict.

Like every other high school, administrators at Holly are monitoring social media for pages similar to the Twitter confessions page. Students and parents are encouraged to contact school officials if they have concerns about information posted online pertaining to students and teachers.

"The sooner we can get involved, it tends to lessen the excitement. Social media can kind of be like a fight where everyone stops and watches. People are looking for that shock value."

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IF HIS LIPS are moving, he is telling a lie, covering a past lie or laying the framework for a future lie. The mainstream American media seems to still be drinking the kool-aid of the Obama administration. Thought the media was supposed to protect citizens, not sell us out.

IF YOUR VIEW of the state is based on what you see in the Fenton area then I sort of understand why you think one in five children going hungry is false. If you lived in Flint, Pontiac, Saginaw, or Detroit you would see the truth about how bad it is.

YEAH, IT'S TOO bad that nobody knows what a stop light is or a stop sign means anymore. It's too bad.

DOES ANYONE ELSE miss the FARR store? I miss it really bad. Lynn, you were wrong, there is a need in Fenton.

DOES ANYONE REMEMBER Val's pizza that was located in the building next to where Tim Horton's is now? They had the most fantastic pizza ever! I miss Hardee's too...nothing's the same anymore. Sad.

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1917 Ford Model T is being assembled all day by hand. Visitors can dine in a genuine diner car at Lamy's Diner, and experience what early passenger flight was like.

Marcio Silva and Nicolas Borges of San Paolo, Brazil, squeezed into the seating of the Ford Tri-Motor airplane on Jan. 16, and were amazed at the differences between the transportation in the past, compared to today. "Really scary, really uncomfortable," said Silva. "No concept of safety," he added, after testing the wicker airplane seats next to faux-windows.

If you love cars, there are hundreds of all makes and models; older models in showroom condition to look at.

One of the largest steam powered locomotives ever built, at 600 tons, rests permanently as part of the transportation display, and a Douglas DC-3 hangs above visitors with a 95-foot wingspan.

This is what struck visitor Ton Fiselier of the Netherlands — larger than life machines up-close, on these massive scales, and also the presidential vehicles. He was visiting with girlfriend Molly Waite of Fenton.

The history of flight and the automobile are explored with real-life examples, and artifacts in the form of perfectly preserved older-model cars.

Humans are dwarfed by the dual engine airplane, and colossal locomotives, and maybe sombered by the vehicles of former presidents, including the limousine President Kennedy was assassinated in.

The museum website said that a couple hours may not be enough to fully experience the museum, but it is enough to make it to several displays.



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Landon Davis, 3, plays with an interactive auto shop display. "We come out here all the time, it's a great place to hang out," said mother Nichole Davis of Garden City. "Who doesn't love cars and trucks?"

Students support therapy pet ordinance



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At the Fenton City Council meeting, second-graders from State Road Elementary took their arguments for having, or not having pigs as pets to the council. Here Henley Barz argues for having pigs as pets, with teacher Callie Mullins. Students found that more than 60 percent supported having pigs as therapy animals in the city. Mayor Osborn thanked them and promised to take their letters into consideration.

Business briefs

Maryann McConnell added as Advance Planning Specialist at Swartz Funeral Home

Maryann McConnell, former owner of McConnell Funeral Home in Fenton, has been added to the staff of Swartz Funeral Home as an Advance Planning Specialist. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree



Maryann McConnell

in Gerontology from Madonna University and her Mortuary of Science degree from Wayne State University. Swartz Funeral Home is located at 1225 West Hill Rd., Flint, telephone (810) 235-2345.

Local dentists collecting diapers, dollars

"Clean diapers — something everyone can smile about" is the theme of this year's drive for diapers and donations to the Flint Diaper Bank, by participating dentists in the Genesee County Dental Society. "February is Dental Health Month, and this is the local charity we decided to support as a group," said Dr. Patricia McGarry, representing the Genesee County Dental Society. According to McGarry, many low-income parents can't afford to properly diaper their infant or toddler each day. Local residents who would like to donate either diapers or money to purchase diapers can stop at a participating dental office. Here in the tri-county area, these dentists include:

Fenton: Oak Tree Dental, Dr. Ken Ackley, 500 North LeRoy St.

Linden: Dr. Patricia McGarry, 200 Lindenwood.

Holly: Dr. Steven Sulfaro, 607 North Saginaw St.

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DISKIN - KORGRUD

Mark and Tammy Diskin of Fenton are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Rachel Diskin of Fenton and Eric Krogrud of Holly. The celebration will take place on April 5, 2014 in New Orleans, La. Rachel currently lives in Lansing. She graduated from Linden High School in 2004 and Michigan State University in 2008 majoring in Regional Urban Planning Management. She is currently employed at the State of Michigan as Program Director. Eric currently lives in Lansing. He graduated from Holly High School in 2001 and Oakland University in 2005 majoring in Business Administration. He is currently employed at Walgreens as a District Manager. The groom's parents are Shannon O'Connell of Argentine and Jared Krogrud of Holly. Look out New Orleans!

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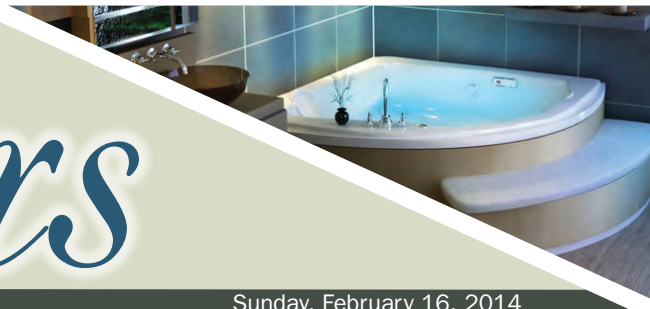


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New 'smart' technology now available for your kitchen

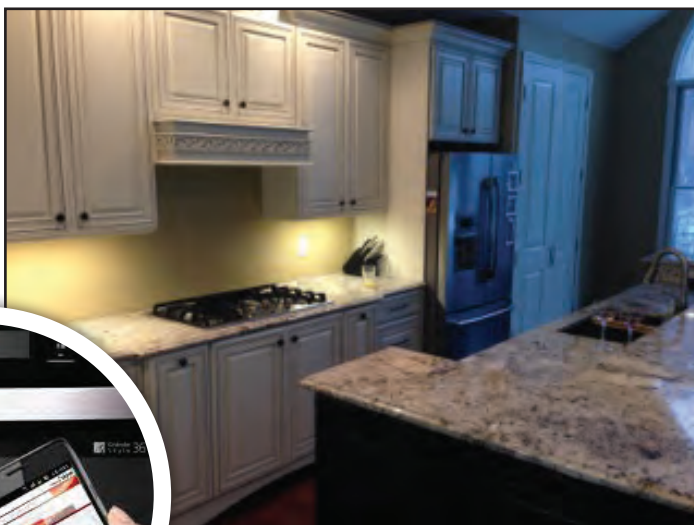
►Your smartphone is key to interactive relationship with home appliances

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The key word in home appliances today is "smart." While we're still not living in the robotic age predicted by TV's Jetson family decades ago, we're getting closer and closer to intuitive technology with the synchronized use of our smartphones and appliances.

Imagine being able to check on the contents of your refrigerator while you're miles away on vacation. Is your lettuce staying crisp and your milk still within its expiration date? The Samsung Smart Home and LG Homechat appliances, promise to keep homeowners updated on all your appliances, from your refrigerator to your oven and even your washer and dryer. Samsung is accomplishing this by building cameras into them, enabling people to get a real-time view of what's going on in their home while they're away. LG is working on software that



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Home appliances are becoming more linked to smartphones, allowing owners to control things remotely.

will allow homeowners to text their appliances basic commands and questions.

While some of these smart applications are still in the prototype stages, today's appliances available in the marketplace do offer many new features.

Washers and dryers

If you've ever been impatient waiting for your washing machine to cycle

through to completion, you'll be interested in new Kenmore Elite models that offer Accela-Wash, a faster cycle, which cuts down washing time by 30 to 35 percent on top loaders and front loaders, respectively. "Advanced steam refresh cycles in the newest dryers allow a customer to reduce odors and relax wrinkles in just 20 minutes," said Jeff Stone, owner of Sears Home-town Store in Fenton. "Steam treat options also eliminate the need to pretreat stains, saving customers time."

LG washers and dryers do offer smart features in the area of service and diagnostics. "You can call service from your smartphone and they will do a diagnosis with you about what may need to be re-set on your appliance to save you money on a service call," said Stone.

Ranges and ovens

This area of cooking in your kitchen offers the most new innovation, according to Stone. Convection cooking, dual convection cooking up to 44 percent faster, turbo-boil rapid boiling and induction cooking are just a few new features that allow the cook to spend less time in the kitchen and more time enjoying food and family.

"Our Kenmore line also offers the ability to warm, simmer and rapid boil on the same burner, without moving the pot," added Stone. "It's all about ease and convenience in the kitchen."

When it's time to clean your oven, new technology has made it faster than ever. "New self-cleaning ovens now offer a quick two-hour cycle, getting the job done in half the time," said Stone.

Dishwashers

The sound of "quiet" is the most popular feature in new dishwasher technology, according to Stone. "Dishwashers keep getting quieter, now operating at just 43 decibels."

Other technology is making clean up a snap when it's time to put dirty pans, casserole dishes and plates into the dishwasher. New 360-degree

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Top this ...

►Research countertop materials carefully to choose the best for your kitchen

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Granite countertops are still the most popular material for upscale kitchens in the tri-county area, but there are many other options out there for homeowners who want a unique, custom look.

Here are several countertop materials mentioned by HGTV, and their pros and cons.

- Granite

Pros: rich beauty, great selection of styles, durability.

Cons: can harbor stains, bacteria, if not sealed properly; may chip if heavy object dropped on it; high price.

- Stainless steel

Pros: works well with any kitchen style; doesn't have to be sealed, naturally antibacterial.

Cons: doesn't bring warmth to kitchen; no variations in style or design.

- Butcher block

Pros: timeless style, warms up kitchen, no need for cutting boards, scratches can be sanded out.

Cons: needs to be sealed frequently with mineral oil to protect from water damage; no variations in style and design.

- Marble

Pros: most glamorous countertop material on the market; perfect for kneading dough.

Cons: can easily stain or chip, needs to be sealed periodically, very expensive.

- Concrete

Pros: goes with any style from rustic to modern, can be dyed to match any kitchen décor.

Cons: porous, so it needs to be sealed periodically and waxed every two to three months.

- Quartz

Pros: durable and easy to clean, imitates look of granite or marble but more resistant to stains and scratches, wide range of colors, provides a uniform look.

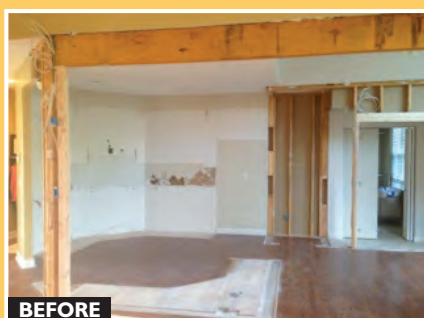
Cons: not as resistant to heat as granite, may show a seam (but not usually a problem).

- Tile

Pros: versatile design, heat and stain resistant, variety of colors, materials and sizes.

Cons: may scratch or chip, so it's a good idea to keep extratiles around to fill in.

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Using bold paint colors

► Follow these tips for choosing next paint colors throughout your home

Paint is one of the least expensive and most versatile means to changing the look of a room. According to the experts from "This Old House," 60 percent of the colors of a home that visitors perceive come from the paint on the walls.

Choosing a color scheme can be challenging, which is why so many people stick with neutrals like beige and white. For those who are ready to add a spark of color, there are a few guidelines to consider.

Color theory is a science and there are rules of using color. We know there are primary, secondary and complementary colors on the color wheel. Even novice home decorators can do well with color if they use the color wheel as their guideline.

According to HGTV, color should flow throughout a house. Not every room needs to be painted the same color, but colors should be complementary enough that they flow into one another. Don't paint one room in child's basic primary colors, while painting other rooms in jewel tones and pastels. Stick with one theme and carry it through the house.

Once you have decided to use a bold color, first find your color inspiration. Color combinations that appear in nature are more readily accepted by people, so look for an item in nature. Others pull inspiration from a particular design item. For instance, maybe an area rug strikes your fancy.

If you're just starting out with bold colors, select one wall to serve as an accent wall. Use that wall as your bold canvas and paint it with your chosen hue.

Some people like to experiment with a more flashy color in a smaller space. If you're nervous about beginning in the living room or kitchen, how about trying out bold color in a smaller space, such as a powder room?

Try to avoid greens in the bathroom, as they may cast a hue onto your face that makes you look unwell. Pinks and peaches will shed a rosy glow.

If you will be incorporating complementary colors into the room, use the paint color swatch as your guide. Most paint manufacturers use three or four different shades on one sample card. When selecting a complementary shade, be sure to pick from the same tone on the card. That means if you're choosing the darkest of color #1 from a card, you'll want to choose the darkest from color #2.

Another idea is to leave walls neutral and use bold color on design accents. For example, designers at marthastewart.com recommend painting the inside of niches, shelves or cabinets with glass doors in bright tones and the outside white to create an eye-catching space without going overboard.

Remember to have balance. If you will be painting an entire room in a bold color, think about having the other decor items in neutral colors. Sofas and rugs should be neutral colors, or consider toning down a vibrant color with the use of white molding or baseboards.

All it may take is a little inspiration to get started on fun, inviting color schemes in the home.



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Colors should flow and complement each other throughout a house.

'SMART'

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PowerWash technology makes dish-washing and clean-up a snap in new Kenmore Elite models.

This new technology blasts dishes from all angles with spray that reaches deep into the corners of the dishwasher. TurboZone adds an extra boost in the back of the lower rack to power clean stuck-on foods. The Ultra Wash HE wash system uses electronic sensors to monitor soil levels, automatically adjusting the water and temperature for optimal cleaning.

“Today's kitchens are opening up to other living spaces whenever possible.”

Tim Scarberry
Tim Scarberry
Construction

Microwaves

With convection features now in many microwaves, busy cooks can be sure that the foods they cook in the microwave actually brown and bake, rather than just warm. “These are catching on very well,” said Stone. “Rather than just warming a piece of left-over pizza, it will bake and brown it.”

Refrigerators

New, larger capacity refrigerators in the same space provide homeowners with more storage in tight spaces. “New ultrathin wall technology makes today's refrigerators more space friendly,” said Stone.

Also, a “second drawer” added to many of today's models offer extra space in either the freezer or refrigerator portion, for easy grab-n-go or more storage capabilities.

PAINTING SECRET THE PROS WON'T TELL YOU

Finish one wall before starting another

It might seem easy to do all the corners and trim in a room, then go back to roll the walls, but don't. Pros get a seamless look by cutting in one wall, then immediately rolling it before starting the next. This allows the brushed and the rolled paint to blend together better.

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Top 10 cabinetry trends in 2014

► New features in style, function and color highlight today's kitchens

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Your kitchen is truly the heart of your home. That's why you want to design it in such a way that it fits your family's needs, while staying within your budget. Here are a few cabinetry trends noted by Better Homes & Gardens for 2014, with comments from local builders in the tri-county area.

LIGHT AND SIMPLE

White or off-white painted cabinets make an enduring, versatile ambience in cottage, traditional or modern kitchens. "This is a really popular look now," said Chris Weir, of Weir Building Company in Fenton. "You can add glazing to highlight the features and details of the wood."

EFFICIENCY INSIDE

Twenty years ago, Lazy Susans were the only inside storage features of cabinetry. Today, storage options are plentiful for pots and pans, breadboxes, custom storage for cookie sheets and muffin tins.

CUSTOMIZED DRAWERS

Today's cabinets offer shelving for pots and pans, holders for recycling/garbage bins and drawer inserts for cutlery.

FLOOR-TO-CEILING CABINETRY

The new look in kitchens today is floor-to-ceiling to optimize storage and streamline space.



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This recent kitchen renovation by Weir Building Co. in Fenton shows the new painted/glazed cabinetry look, floor to ceiling heights and the popularity of luxury granite countertops.

BUILT-IN APPLIANCES

Today's cabinets can hide your appliances so that your kitchen has a smooth, cohesive look.

NOT A SQUARE

Your island today can be shaped like a pentagon or oval, creating contrast and drama for your kitchen.

MIXING IT UP

Today's kitchen can also be eclectic, mixing different types of storage, like open shelving and traditional cabinets.

MIX AND MATCH CABINETRY

Two-tone decorating is also in style, breaking up the monotony of one-tone cabinetry. "A recent kitchen I did included

antique white cabinetry, with island cabinets in black," said Tim Scarberry, of Scarberry Construction. "It's a new way of providing a focal point in your kitchen."

COLORFUL ACCENTS

A pop of color with bright paint or bold wallpaper behind glass shelving with contrasting accessories can make a personalized statement in your kitchen.

THE LOOK OF FURNITURE

Just as bathroom vanities have taken on a stylish look of furniture, so has some cabinetry in the kitchen. Some can emulate the look of a china hutch or buffet, hinting at a European influence of a throwback to the early 1900s.

Healthy scents at home

► Use essential oils and other natural products to scent your home safely

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Surrounding yourself with healthy scents at home will not only improve your outlook on life, it will also make your environment healthier, too. By using essential oils, healthy candles and other pleasant, fresh scents, you can create your own oasis of fragrance.

Essential oils

You can spread fresh, healthy scents around your home using your own homemade diffuser for essential oils.

Here's what you'll need:

- A small clean jar with a wide base and small opening to discourage evaporation
- Reeds, found at health stores and candle shops, or online
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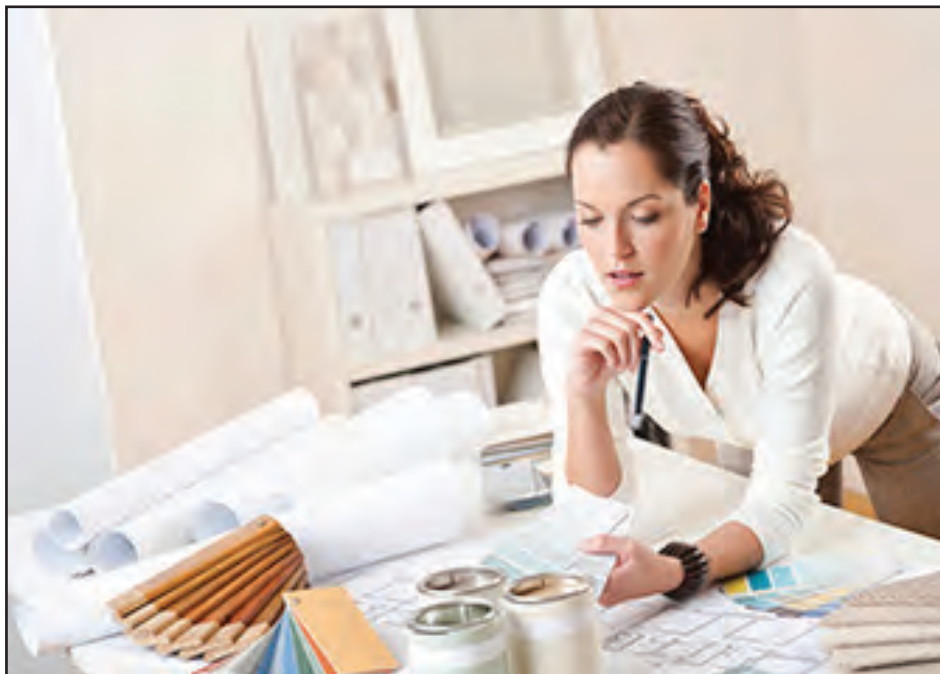
Either way, using an interior designer will save you money by managing your budget and helping you avoid costly decorating mistakes. They will help you get the most value, style and comfort out of a particular space, based on communication they have with you as a homeowner.

"Most people want their home to parallel their lifestyle, but just don't have the time, the knowledge or the resources," said Dawn Volz, of Interiors by Bonnie in Fenton. "We are equipped with all that. We are also skilled in finding problems you might face down the road in a construction project."

For a small initial consultation fee, an interior designer can help you choose critical elements for a particular space, can guide you in a choice of color or style and can help you use some of your favorite pieces in a whole new way.

"We can help you plan for space in selecting furniture," said Volz. "This way, you won't buy furniture that doesn't work with your style or doesn't properly fit your space."

Having access to global resources that you may not know about is another reason that a designer can be a homeowner's best friend. "Our resources are vast," said Volz. "We know where to go to find pieces you may be look-



An interior designer can help you plan a home that matches your lifestyle.

Hiring an interior designer will save you time, money

You can avoid costly mistakes when decorating your home

By Sally Rummel • news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

ing for, and complete a design plan by looking into those resources and creating individuality."

At Rex Todd Rogers Design Studio in downtown Fenton, some of these creative one-of-a-kind design pieces can be

found in the studio's retail store, thanks to a keen shopping eye of owner Rex T. Rogers. When he's away from his studio, he's often shopping for clients or finding unique pieces for his gallery.

The key in having a successful home

Before hiring an interior designer . . .

- **Decide how you** really want to use the space. List all the problems that currently prevent you from fully enjoying the room. Take photos.

- **Think about which** existing design elements you want to keep, such as heirlooms, art or a favorite piece of furniture. A good designer will relate each room to the rest of the house, using your favorite pieces.

- **Make a folder** where you can keep photos of designs you like. Pay attention to colors and styles that you like.

- **Visit furniture stores** and showrooms for ideas, and take note of prices, to help you set a budget.

- **Consider your priorities** and your lifestyle, as well as your budget and time-frame. You may have to compromise in the end, but keep every "wish list" item, as some may be easier or cheaper to add than you think.

Source: bhg.com

decorating experience is in finding a designer who will listen to your needs and communicate well in return. In a recent survey by the American Society of Interior Designers, 69 percent of the designers polled said an exchange of ideas was "critical" to a project's success and nearly half said the results were even better when clients brought a lot of suggestions to the table. Clear communication with your designer is the best way to ensure that you'll get what you want.

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unflavored, to help thin out the oil to move easily up the reeds

- Essential oils, in a few pleasant combinations, such as lavender and lemon, orange and cinnamon and basil and peppermint.

To assemble your diffuser:

- Pour ¼-cup mineral oil and 2 T. vodka into a measuring cup and stir well to combine.

- Add in 1 ½ T. of essential oil (the ration should be about one part essential oil to four parts mineral oil and vodka).

- Stir well and pour the oil mixture into your container. Insert as many reeds that will fit into the opening.

- Flip the reeds every few days to optimize the scent diffusion.

- Screw on the top and shake well to combine the mixture.

Other ways to use essential oils to freshen your home:

- **In rice:** Fill a small decorative jar or dish with plain white rice and add in a few drops of oil. Use peppermint or lemon for the bathroom and lavender for the bedroom.

- **Pillows:** Apply a few drops of lavender or another calming essential oil onto a paper tissue, then place inside your pillowcase to calm your senses as you doze off.

- **Clothes freshener:** Dab cotton balls with essential oils and place in the corners of your drawers and closets. Your clothes will smell fresh and this will help ward off moths.

Candles

What could be a healthier mix than essential oils and soy candles, handmade right

in Holly at the Holly Candle Shoppe? The shop's GoodKarma candle line features five different soy candles infused with a blend of essential oils, with names like GoodEarth, GoodSpirit and GoodDreams. "These candles are catching on with the popularity of essential oils today," said owner Holly Jablonski.

Soy candles are healthier than paraffin wax candles, which are derived from petroleum. Soy burns cleaner and produces as much as 90 percent less soot than paraffin, reducing indoor air pollution. Handcrafted onsite at the Holly store, the Jablonskis use 100 percent natural soy wax. "Our wax is sourced from American grown soybeans and premium quality, hand-mixed dyes and fragrances," said Jablonski.

Air freshening spray

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- Essential oil

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Cathrene A. Behrens, Village Clerk/Treasurer

2014 BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE ROSE TOWNSHIP 9080 Mason St Holly, Michigan 48442

MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE

The 2014 Rose Township Board of Review will be held at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan on the following dates and times:

March 4, 2014 2:00pm Organizational Meeting

Appointments will begin on:

March 6, 2014 9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

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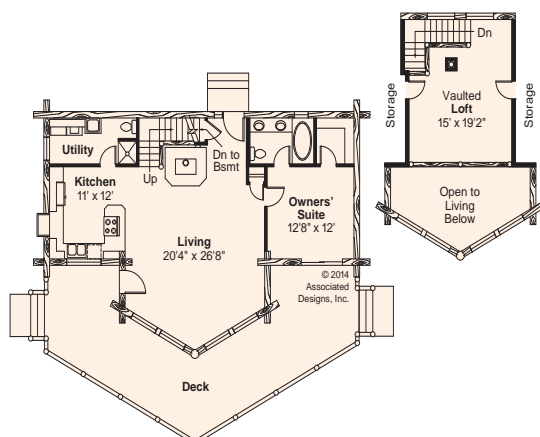
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NOTICE TO THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF GROVELAND TOWNSHIP 2014 BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

The Board of Review of the Township of Groveland will meet at the GROVELAND TOWNSHIP HALL, 4695 Grange Hall Road, Holly, Michigan, Upper Level, for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll and hearing any objections thereof, at the following dates and time:

Tuesday, March 4, 2014	6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Monday, March 10, 2014	1:00 PM to 4:30 PM 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Wednesday, March 12, 2014	1:00 PM to 4:30 PM 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Additional days will be scheduled, if necessary, to give everyone an opportunity to appeal their assessment.

Property owners may file their protests by letter provided they are received at the Township Hall by Monday March 3, 2014.

For those wishing to protest in person, please schedule an appointment by calling:
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248-975-9611

If you have any questions regarding the above notice, please feel free to call GROVELAND TOWNSHIP OFFICE during regular business hours at (248)634-4152.

ROBERT DEPALMA, SUPERVISOR
Groveland Township

NOTICE of 2014 BOARD OF REVIEW FOR THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOLLY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Review of the Township of Holly will meet at the Holly Township Hall, 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan as follows:

Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM Organizational Meeting to receive 2014 Assessment Roll from Assessor [MCL 211.29(1)]

Appointments will be taken for:

Tuesday, March 4, 2014	from 2:30 PM-4:30 PM and 6:00 PM-9:00 PM
Monday, March 10, 2014	from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM and 1:30 PM-4:30 PM
Tuesday, March 11, 2014	from 6:00 PM-9:00 PM
Thursday, March 13, 2014	from 1:00 PM-4:30 PM and 6:00 PM-9:00 PM
Friday, March 14, 2014	ONLY IF NECESSARY, from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM and 1:00 PM-5:00 PM OR 1:00 PM Board Signing Session Only

The 2013 tentative equalization ratio is 50% and the estimated multiplier is 1.0000 for all property classification.

Appointments before the Board of Review may be made for the dates listed above by calling Oakland County Equalization, toll free, 1-888-350-0900 Extension 85583 or 248-858-5583. Appeals may also be made in writing and must be received prior to the closing of the Board of Review. All written appeals should be addressed to:

Oakland County Equalization, Holly Township Assessor
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Pontiac, MI 48341

Please use Parcel Identification Number when referring to your property so that records can be quickly located.

Protest at the Board of Review is necessary to protect your right to further appeals to the Michigan Tax Tribunal for valuation and exemption appeals and/or State Tax Commission for classification appeals.

HOMEOWNER'S PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AFFIDAVIT INFORMATION IS REQUIRED BY P.A. 105 of 2003: If you have purchased your principal residence after December 31 last year, to claim the principal residence exemption for next year if you have not already done so, you are required to file an affidavit before May 1 this year.

Persons needing assistance in attending an appointment should call the Township Clerk's Office at (248) 634-9331 ext. 301 at least 7 business days prior to the appointment.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP 2014 BOARD OF REVIEW PUBLIC NOTICE

The 2014 Board of Review will be held at the Tyrone Township Hall, located at 10408 Center Road, Fenton, MI 48430 on the following dates and times:

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014	Organizational Meeting 10:00 am
MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2014	9:00 am -12:00 pm, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2014	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Please call (810) 629-8631 for a recommended appointment. Letters of appeal will be accepted and must be received by 9:00 pm. on March 11, 2014. No faxes or emails will be accepted.

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Tentative Factor	1.159	1.0073	1.0609	1.0862	1.0002	1.00000

Final expected ratios are: Tentative Ratio 50%, Tentative Factor 1.00
Bruce Little, Tyrone Township Assessor

BY TRIBUNE MEDIA

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ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

A Look back at the
TOP 10 SONGS

Week of Feb. 12, 1966
As determined by Billboard

1. My Love - Petula Clark

2. Lightin' Strikes - Lou Christie

3. Uptight - Stevie Wonder

4. Barbra Ann - Beach Boys

5. We Can Work It Out - Beatles

6. No Matter What Shape (Your Somach's In) - T-Bones

7. Crying Time - Ray Charles

8. My World Is Empty Without You - Supremes

9. Five O'Clock World - Vouges

10. Don't Mess With Bill - Marvellettes

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SuperCrossword

ACROSS

1 "Sorry, I goofed"

6 Take a shot at

13 Vineyard (island south of Cape Cod)

20 "Guitar Town" singer Steve

21 Italian wine

22 So-so

23 Venue for American art in Manhattan

25 Hyperactivity medication

26 Mauna (volcano in Hawaii)

27 Walk (minor roles)

28 Mazda car

30 Young horse

31 Mozart work

33 California city south of Monterey

38 Pep

39 Miracle Mets member Tommie

40 German for "three"

41 Given a makeover

44 Air passage of the lung

47 Loafs about

52 Shokable liquid-filled souvenirs

54 Kim (rapper)

55 rasa

56 Competes (for)

57 Dark deli bread

58 Place to vote

59 Tehran inhabitants

60 Hdqrs. of law enforcers

61 Ontario's capital, on a sports ticker

63 Garden plants with large white flowers

66 Like charged atoms

68 Ovine mother

69 Author Bret

70 Exterior car adorners

75 Store (up)

76 Toward a boat's stern

79 kick (football action)

80 Cheer yells

81 Jurists' gp.

83 Rural tower

84 Hawked anew

85 Crusty treat

86 Some crisp red fruits

89 Swirly marble

90 Fellini of film

92 Knocks it off

93 Sad notice in the paper

95 With 124-Across,

96 Stuff making a big bang

97 Mom on "Rhoda"

103 Puts in office by ballot

107 Nothin' at all

108 Tax cheat's dread

109 Lanka

110 Hee- —

111 Carrier to Muscat

113 Ensure a person's ruin

119 Enormous

120 Wrap around

121 Sprayed, as a sidewalk

122 Renters

123 Substance in chemical analysis

124 See 95-Across

DOWN

1 Whimpers

2 Boorish sort

3 The Beach Boys' Wilson

4 Flier's stat

5 Standing for

6 Brennenman and Tan

7 Highland hat

8 Capote, to his pals

9 Curve in a driving exam

10 West in film

11 Long feather

12 Language of India

13 Epitomes of self-sacrifice

14 Fly a jet, say

15 Like many sr. citizens

16 Faint residue

17 Sainly glows

18 Quick-footed

19 message to (got in touch with)

24 Nail varnish

29 King of Saudi Arabia

32 Affirms

33 Taxi driver

34 Matches up

35 Vintage Olds cars

36 Grown-up boys

37 Intense mirth

41 Abbr. on an invitation

42 City NNW of Oklahoma City

43 Bucks' partners

45 Place to hang apparel

46 Sword part

48 Humiliate

49 New Mexico tribe

50 Nobelism

51 Back-talk

53 Utah senator Hatch

55 Pontifical crown

58 Puts in hock

61 "So long!"

62 "No Turn —" (traffic sign)

64 Sneaky laugh

65 — Lama

66 Bozo

67 Having a rug

70 Joyous Israeli dance

71 Certain blood type, briefly

72 Greek peak

73 Motel employee

74 Cup holder

76 Feels sickly

77 Skip town

78 Pitch

82 Borg of tennis

83 Large influx

86 Smallish bill

87 One- (short plays)

88 Illuminator in a shirt pocket, perhaps

90 Puzzles (out)

91 Spoil, as food

94 Brown in fat

97 How fries are fried

98 Jean-Claude Van —

99 Singer Edie

100 Lion features

101 Less mean

102 Plum center

104 Picked out

105 Zapping gun

106 82-Down, by birth

109 Back-to-school mo.

112 Ending for prop- or hex-

114 Fertilized cells

115 Tavern barrel

116 Corrida cheer

117 NCO part

118 "Nice one!"

ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION



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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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KING CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Solution time: 25 mins.

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SO THING
CAGE PIE KENT
AIR ATE RAH
BLAB ILL ASHY
NOBLE ID
REGAL GOATEE
OWE ENDANGERS
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MRS SWAP SANE

WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: FLUID SURLY INJURY BEHEAD
Answer: A stern necessity on a boat—A RUDDER

SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: FAITH PROXY GLOBAL EYEFUL
Answer: Why the cop turned musician got fired from the band—HE WAS "OFF BEAT"

SUNDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

2	1	3	8	4	5	6	7	9
5	9	4	1	6	7	3	8	2
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WEDNESDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

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Betty Jane O'Connell

1923-2014
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Georgia Wheeler,

Georgia Wheeler - age 69, died February 8, 2014. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Sadie Ann (Zerka) Foley

1932-2014
Sadie Ann (Zerka) Foley - age 82, born January 18, 1932. Sadie was a resident of Mount Pleasant, MI, formerly of Fenton and Flint. Sadie's journey came to a peaceful end on February 13, 2014 surrounded by her children and grandchildren. A memorial Mass to celebrate her life will take place at a later date. Sadie was preceded in death by her parents, Jack and Mary Zerka; brother, Louis; and husband, William (Bill) Foley. She is survived by three sisters, Ada, Josephine and Virginia; and her sweet brother, Michael and his wife Marilyn; five children who were her pride and joy, Patrick and wife Barbara (Corbin) of Jenison, Michael of Augusta, GA, Kelly and husband Ed (McNeal) of York, PA, Kathy and husband Bob (Myers) of Shepherd, MI and Mary and husband Winston (Stoody) of Fenton; grandchildren, Brian and wife Veronica Myers of St. Louis, MI, Andy and wife Britney Myers of Saginaw, Erin Foley of Augusta, GA, Ann and husband Dan Boyle of Philadelphia, William Howell McNeal of South Kingston, RI, Wes Stoody of Chicago, Maggie Stoody of Los Angeles and Jenna Foley of Jenison. The family would like to thank the caring staff of Gratiot Medical Center and Dr. Tannu Sahay of Mount Pleasant.



Each team scored in the fourth quarter on a game-winning TD pass to Matt Coughlin. The ex-prince was blocked by Bradley on the ensuing kickoff. Martin scored on a 30-yard kickoff return for a TD. Coughlin put together a 45-yard TD run from Adrian Jones who led 6-21 in the first quarter, setting up the Dragons' early 7-0 lead.

Julia Parker,

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Gerald Naugle,

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Jim Morrison,

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Margie Butynski,

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Marville Copeman,

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- 1 tbs olive oil
- 5 ounces chicken breast, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, grated with a microplane
- 2 cups fat free, low sodium chicken broth
- 2 tsp fish sauce
- 3 tbs soy sauce
- 1 can (13.5 fl oz) lite coconut milk
- 2 wt oz rice noodles, broken
- 2 tbs fresh lime juice
- 1 tbs crushed red pepper
- ¼ cup cilantro, chopped
- ¼ cup green onion, chopped

🍴 DIRECTIONS

1. In a large pot heat the olive oil. Add the chicken and cook until browned. Stir in the garlic.
2. Add the chicken broth, fish sauce, soy sauce and coconut milk.
3. Add the broken rice noodles and simmer until noodles are soft, about 10 minutes.
4. Stir in the lime juice and red pepper.
5. Ladle into bowls, garnish with cilantro and green onions.

NEW DVD RELEASES

DVDs and movies released this week

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Legendary filmmaker Ridley Scott and Pulitzer Prize winning author Cormac McCarthy (No Country for Old Men) have joined forces in the motion picture thriller The Counselor, starring Michael Fassbender, Penélope Cruz, Cameron Diaz, Javier Bardem, and Brad Pitt. McCarthy, making his screenwriting debut and Scott interweave the author's characteristic wit and dark humor with a nightmarish scenario, in which a respected lawyer's one-time dalliance with an illegal business deal spirals out of control. R, 1 hr. 57 min.

ENDER'S GAME
In the near future, a hostile alien race (called the Formics) have attacked Earth. If not for the legendary heroics of International Fleet Commander Mazer Rackham (Ben Kingsley), all would have been lost. In preparation for the next attack, the highly esteemed Colonel Hyrum Graff (Harrison Ford) and the International Military are training only the best young children to find the future Mazer. Ender Wiggin (Asa Butterfield), a shy, but strategically brilliant boy is pulled out of his school to join the elite. Arriving at Battle School, Ender quickly and easily masters increasingly difficult war games, distinguishing himself and winning respect amongst his peers. Based on the best-selling, award winning novel, ENDER'S GAME is an epic adventure which stars Asa Butterfield and Harrison Ford. PG-13, 1 hr. 53 min.

ASK Amy Dickinson

Girlfriend wants guy to put a ring on it
DEAR AMY: My boyfriend and I have been together since we were 16. We are now 22 and have graduated in our professional fields and are both working. We moved in together last June. The trouble is, I am ready to get engaged and married, and within three years I want to start to have children. How do I speed up the process of getting that ring on my finger and carry on with our life together? — Trouble in Paradise
DEAR TROUBLE: Please do not speed up the process. Your timetable matters, but mainly to you. His timetable matters the most to him. If he feels pushed to marry you before he is ready, this will likely come back to haunt both of you. You must act on your own accord. It is reasonable for you to set a timetable for yourself where if your guy doesn't show an inclination toward marriage or children, then you will have to move on. If you don't want to live together without being married, then move out of your shared home and live on your own. Couples counseling could bring some clarity for both of you.
DEAR AMY: My sister-in-law is an executive at a local company. She prides herself in letting everyone know her position. My husband and I hosted a small Super Bowl party, and during the party she was bored and started texting her co-worker/friend instead of conversing with the rest of us. Twenty minutes later our doorbell rang and her friend showed up at our house, stating this sister-in-law invited her over. Once inside our house, the two conversed about work as if no one else was in the room. My husband and I find this rude and inconsiderate. She's used to running the show at her workplace, so I think she feels she is running the show at our house too. How can we stop her bad behavior before we just have to stop inviting her? — Fed Up
DEAR FED UP: You might not be able to stop your sister-in-law's rude behavior. You can, however, let her know that this behavior bothers you. You or your husband should have a chat with her. All you need to say is: 'On Super Bowl Sunday you spent the majority of your time at our house texting. Then you invited your friend to join us without asking. That's not OK.' She sounds smart and capable. Either she figures out how to be a better guest, or she will have to figure out why she is no longer invited to gatherings at your home.

SundayJumble

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

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

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Answer key located in this edition

iPhone
tip of the week

Save and bookmark location in maps
So you've found a great location using the built-in Maps application and want to save it? Yes, the Maps app offers a bookmark function to save your favorite location.
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Later when you want to access your bookmark, tap the "Bookmark" button in the search box. You can then pick your location bookmark.
The tip is provided by Handbook for iPhone Lite.

PAUL G. DONOHUE, M.D.

To your good health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have extremely dry skin. Is there anything I can take orally for it, rather than applying moisturizing lotions? — J.
ANSWER: I don't know any oral medicine for dry skin. I can give you some tips on how to lessen your skin's dryness. Dry skin becomes a problem for many people in the winter, when furnaces are pushing out hot, dry air. Those people, and possibly you, benefit by increasing the humidity of the house to between 40 percent and 60 percent with a humidifier. Use only mild soaps like Dove or Cetaphil Gentle Skin Cleanser. Don't take long baths or showers, and keep the water temperature warm but not hot. After bathing, pat yourself with a towel, but leave the skin somewhat damp. That's the time to use a moisturizing product. Petroleum jelly is cheap and effective. If a moisturizer leaves your skin greasy, first rub a small amount between your hands and then apply it to the skin. It's not so much a matter of oil returning to your skin as it is water. Your skin needs hydration.
DEAR DR. DONOHUE: When I was a little girl, my mother used to warn me about chilblains. I think it was her way of frightening me into dressing the way she wanted me to dress for winter. These days I never hear that word. What are chilblains? Did my mother make up the word? — D.G.
ANSWER: 'Chilblain' is a real word. It's a cold-weather injury that most often strikes the toes, and less often the fingers. It comes about from intense and prolonged spasms of blood vessels. Blood circulation is greatly decreased. This mostly happens when weather is cold but not freezing. Skin changes might not occur until 12 to 24 hours after exposure. They consist of purple patches on the toes. They itch or give rise to burning pain. Warmth gets rid of them. Women between the ages of 15 and 30 are the ones most susceptible to this kind of cold injury. Chilblain has another name, 'pernio.' I never hear either word mentioned.

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